

## **Ruatahuna woman airlifted**

AN ELDERLY Ruatahuna resident was airlifted to Rotorua Hospital yesterday afternoon after becoming unwell.

Rotorua-based BayTrust rescue helicopter pilot Barry Vincent said his team left for the Te Urewera settlement at 2pm.

“An ambulance was initially sent from Murupara but due to the distance involved the helicopter was despatched,” he said.

He said the 86-year-old patient was quickly assessed by the St John helicopter crew and was in a comfortable condition when she arrived at hospital.