

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Hey guys, this is just a reminder that all 2009 / 10 Entertainment books expired on 1st of June, meaning if you haven't yet got a new 2010 / 11 book now is the time to do so, we currently have 8 books left so get in quick to order one.

Call Shane on 021 815 184 or email shane@mangerebridge.co.nz

Vandalism to new toilets

After waiting for many years the old toilet block in the Village was finally replaced last year. However, over the weekend of 22nd/23rd May vandals poured concrete down the toilets. Carol-Anne Armitage, the Village Manager, says it simply defies explanation why anyone would do that. Due to budget constraints this block was one of only a few in Manukau City to be replaced last year. Manukau City Council will now have to repair them as two of the units are totally unusable. Not only will these repairs be costly but it will also create considerable inconvenience to the community, including the elderly, disabled and mothers with young children. Someone must be missing some concrete. If anyone has any information or knows who the culprits are please contact either; the Community Police Office in the Village or phone the Crime Stoppers Line on 0800 555 111 or the Management Office on 636 7491.

Mangere Community House - Whare Koa

141 Robertson Road, 275 4920 joanna.keane@manukau.govt.nz

Term 3 Programme 2010

My Health Our Life – Free self management programme for anyone living with long term health conditions. Ph Gayle 375 7822 – starts July.

Sustainable Living – Ph 275 4920

When Anger Hurts – Ph Varna 275 4249

Yoga – 275 4920

Coffee Morning – bring a plate, share life experiences, share something good for our community July 30th 10.00 – 11.30am

Widow and Widowers Group – Ph 275 4249

Lily's Ladies Dancing Group – Tuesday 10.00am Ph 255 5113

Bollywood Dancing – Friday 6.00-8.00pm – Gold Coin donation

Tai Chi – Wednesdays 1.00 – 2.00 – Gold Coin donation

Games Morning – Scrabble, Thursday 10.00 – 11.30 ALL WELCOME

Driver Licence – Beginners, Restricted, Full & HT – Ph 275 4920

AA Aroha – Sundays 7.00pm – Ph 636 8281

AI Anon – Wednesdays 11.00am

Wairua Mirimiri Clinic – Ph 275 4476/257 0142 to make an appointment

Clothing Swap Over – 10.00 – 12.00 July 28th

Swap a Book at MCH – bring a book and swap for a book or magazine

Art Classes – Guitar Lessons, Zumba – let me know if you are interested!

MIT Horticultural Course – Starts July – fees apply



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What's on at the Bridge

Every Wed	Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall
Every Thu	Bridge Art Group 9am to Noon Memorial Hall
2nd Sun's	Sunday Walking
Every Wed	Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm
Tue	Pippins 4:50 - 5:30pm
Wed	Brownies 6 - 7.30pm
Mon	Guides 6 - 8pm
Every Mon	CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm Methodist Church Hall
Mon	W.I. second Monday of the month
Cub Scouts	Wednesdays 5:30-7:00pm 7 1/2 - 10 1/2 years
Kea Scouts	Tuesdays 4.30 - 5.30pm 5 1/2 - 7 1/2 years
Scouts	Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30pm 10 1/2 - 14 1/2 years
Mon/Tue/Thu	Plunket Playgroup 9.00am - 11.30pm
Wed	Plunket Toy Library 9:30am - 10:30am Non-recycle bin week
Sat	Plunket Toy Library 9.30am - 10.30am Every Week
Mon/Thu	Plunket Car Seat Rentals 12.45 - 2.45pm Plunket Rooms. 5 Taylor Road. M/Bridge
Tue - Thur	Mangere Bridge Walking group 9:00am
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri	Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
3rd Wed	R & R Meeting 7.30pm St James Church Hall
Every Fri	Sing-a-long Storytime 10.30am Library
Mon/Wed	Senior Citizens Housie, 1.00pm Bridge Crt Hall
Mon	St John Youth- every Mon 6:30 - 8:00pm
Wed	Exercise Classes with DYNABANDS Manukau Yacht Club 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Wed	Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain Education Centre
Art & Craft	1st & 3rd Saturday of the month Village Sq Market
1st Thu	Senior Citizens Travel Club, Day Trips every first Thursday Phone 634 1062
Mon & Wed	Morning Tai Chi all ages - 10am Chinese Comm Centre, 99 Taylor road - Phone 266 7473
Mon	Tai Chi All ages, \$6 for students - 7pm St James' Church Hall - Phone 266 7473

Do you have a regular event you would like to list here? please email it to newsletter@mangerebridge.co.nz

Rooms for community and private hire. Developing programmes to meet the needs of our community, we welcome ideas, please view our website or call Joanna 275 4920/www.manukau.govt.nz (keywords – community houses)

Opening Hours

Monday - Wednesday 9am to 5:30pm
Thursday - Friday 9am to 6:00pm
Saturday 9am to 1:00pm

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Ph/Fax: 09 636 6228

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Village Happenings

with Carol Anne

At the time of writing this column it is Coeliac Awareness week, a disorder that makes people's bodies react to gluten which is found in many everyday foods, such as bread. For those of you who have this condition, or know of someone who does, you will be pleased to hear that the new bakery, Rosbake, will soon be making gluten free bread. The bakery, which is beside the cafes, will be baking a wide range of specialty breads such as Focaccia and Chapati as well as a range of brown bread which they can slice to your own requirements. The bakery will also be selling Sushi which is the most famous Japanese dish outside of Japan and very popular. Here is a little hint for those who have intolerance to wheat - Spaghetti Squash. Once cooked and split you can scoop out the inside which looks just like spaghetti. Bridge Fruit & Veg by the cafes has some available.

Footpath Upgrade

At long last it has been recognized that our footpaths are in very poor condition. Fulton Hogan started work on Mon 24 May at the Village Square which is to be done in three sections. This work will be done during daytime. Pedestrians will have to follow a temporary path around the square. They will then do the footpath on the café side. Most of this work will be done at night to minimize disruption. There will be ramps provided but please take care. I am pushing to get the other side done as quickly as possible after 1 July which is the start of the council's the new financial year.

Notice Board

The notice board will be shifted to the other side of the square and a staff member from MHX Alliance is working on a new design for us.

Strategic Business Plan

The Business Association is planning for the next five years. Once again we will be seeking input from key stakeholder groups in the community to attend workshops which will be scheduled for daytime and evenings for your convenience. We will be contacting community groups in June/July.

Office contact details: Phone: 636 7491,
E-mail: mbvillage@maxnet.co.nz

kind regards *Carol-Anne Armitage*
Village Manager
Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association



Mangere COMMUNITY HEALTH Trust

Free cooking demonstration

Want to learn how to cook easy, cheap, healthy food?

(eg: sweet & sour chicken stir-fry, noodle fritters, fish pie, Potato wedges & burgers)

WHERE: Kowhai Court, behind Mangere Town Centre (next to Lab Test)
follow signs
WHEN: Saturday 19th June & Saturday 17th July
TIME: 9.30 – 11.30am

Ph Julie 254 4177 for more info, leave a message or just come along and join in.

The Lions are roaring

May has seen the Mangere Bridge Lions commence preparation for painting the Guide Hall with water blasting of the outside walls and the first coat of paint on Saturday 22 May. Clive Mitchell of Auckland Professional Painters has donated his time and materials to repaint the roof which is expected to be completed by 7 June.

Other news expected in June will be the opening of the 'Mangere Bridge', where it is hoped that the Lions will join Mangere Rotary with a collection in aid of Life Education Trust. The club along with Papatoetoe Lions donated a considerable amount of Lego from a young person who no longer has need for it and was happy to give it to the Mangere Bridge Library for a special project.

It is interesting to note in last months newsletter how the two service clubs in Mangere, Rotary and Lions are supported in New Zealand. Currently there are 450 Lions Clubs in 7 districts throughout the country with over 11,000 members and like Rotary we support many organizations.

If there are any residents in Mangere Bridge who would like to find out more about the Lions Club in Mangere Bridge please come along to our meeting held in the Anglican Church Hall, Thursday evening 3rd and 17th June at 7.15pm.

For more information please phone : David 270-9343

Soccer World Cup

Onehunga Mangere United FC will be holding special big screen events at the clubrooms at Mangere Mountain Domain, during the World Cup 15 June – 12 July 2010.

Check this out at; www.omuafc.org.nz – press FIFA World Cup for details of dates and upcoming events.

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Mangere Bridge Website

Thanks to everyone recently that has emailed me telling me of things that are incorrect / out of date, please keep it up as its huge to go through everything getting it all up to date :)

Rotary Club

The rotary club are wanting to know if there is anyone that would be willing to host an exchange student. Please see www.mangerebridge.co.nz for more information



Icon Security

With the onset of winter and the greater hours of darkness, the issue of lighting becomes very important for security purposes.

The criminal element looks for targets that provide concealment to their activities. This includes poor lighting, overgrown trees and shrubs and alleyways with areas of concealment. Steps you can take to improve your security include;

- Report faulty or non working street lamps to the appropriate authority
- Ensure that you have external lighting covering access points to your premise (ie front and rear doors and accessible windows). Lights that work on motion sensors can be very effective also
- Keep alleyways clear of rubbish and unnecessary items like empty pallets and boxes
- Leave an internal light on overnight, particularly covering window frontage or valuable product items

For further information or assistance contact
Anton 09 414 9629 or awelsh@icongroup.co.nz

Onehunga Community House

SILENT MOVIES @ ONEHUNGA COMMUNITY HOUSE
83 Selwyn Street, Onehunga P:636 9900

JUNE 12th 7.30 START TICKET \$15.00 INCLUDES A SUPPER, TEA AND COFFEE
Please either call into the office (Mon – Friday 9.00-12.00) and purchase your tickets or give Tony a ring on 636 9900 - This is our fundraising evening

Address:

Onehunga Community House
83 Selwyn Street
Coordinator Tony Broad
Ph 636 9900

Yoga Class

David Lange Hall, Waterlea School, House
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Copy Deadline for July 2010

Deadline for the July Issue is the 21st June 2010. To ensure that your article makes the July issue email your articles to articles@mangerebridge.co.nz Fax: 634-4251 or they can be dropped into Harcourts Mangere Bridge between 9 and 5.

We cannot guarantee a definite delivery time for the Village Newsletter, however we will do our best to have it delivered before the advertised upcoming events

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Hospice South Auckland - Volunteers Needed

Hospice South Auckland URGENTLY needs volunteers. We have been meeting the needs of people in our community for over 25 years and desperately need your help.

Hospice South Auckland offers a comprehensive hospice/palliative care service. Our services are free to all patients and caregivers, thanks to the generosity of the people in the community who make donations and bequests to help meet costs.

Our services include;

- Community palliative care
- An In Patient Unit with 9 beds
- Counseling support for patients and family
- Education and training
- Day stay unit

For many of our services we rely on the very generous gift of time made by our volunteers. Volunteering for Hospice is a rewarding experience and provides valuable assistance to people living with a terminal illness.

In the Mangere area we are looking for people who may have time to give to provide transport for patients in the community. Our patients sometimes need transport to the Day Stay program at Totara Lodge in the Gardens. They may also need help with transport to get to specialist appointments and treatment at Auckland Hospital or Greenlane Hospital.

If you have a vehicle and time to spare to help Hospice South Auckland, please contact Chris Keeling on 09 640 0219 or email at chris.keeling@hospice.co.nz

Ambury Park Centre for Riding Therapy

If you have some time to spare, want to keep fit, have fun and help others then we could use you on any week day for 1-2 hours assisting riders with disabilities. No horse experience needed as full training given.

Ph Lee at Ambury Park Centre for Riding Therapy Mangere Bridge 634 0763

Kea Scouts Tuesdays 4.00-5.00pm, 6-8yrs

Cub Scouts Tuesday 4:00-5:30pm, 8-10yrs

Scouts Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm, 10-14yrs

Current Location: Ambury Farm Park

Contact details: 0800SCOUTS or www.scouts.org.nz or turn up on one of these nights

Advertising plays a huge part in this newsletter and without the Business's advertising in the newsletter we wouldn't be able to keep it going, if there is any business that would like to go on the waiting list to advertise in the Mangere Bridge Newsletter or would like to advertise on the Mangere Bridge website please get in touch with me at shane@mangerebridge.co.nz



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