

# 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](mailto:shane@mangerebridge.co.nz)

## Mangere Bridge Library - Temporary closure

Builders move into Mangere Bridge Library next month to carry out significant refurbishments.

The Library will close from Monday, 19 July for six weeks to allow for the fitting of the new ceiling as well as the redesign of the internal layout, reorganization of shelving, painting and laying of new carpet.

Although having to close the library for several weeks will cause disruption for customers and library staff, Group Manukau Libraries Mirla Edmundson is excited about the makeover.

"I am sure the customers will enjoy the redecoration of the library. While structural works are being done we are taking the opportunity to re-organise and modernize the layout of the library which was opened in 1979. We can't wait to share the new, brighter library with all".

Manukau Libraries recognize the inconvenience the closure may cause to customers and have made some interim arrangements during this time. The mobile library will visit Mangere Bridge from 9.30am to 2pm every Saturday and Mangere Town Centre Library will be open on Sundays from 10am to 4pm. Also in the four weeks leading up to the library closure, customers will be able to borrow items for an extended period of time.

Customers are encouraged to use nearby Mangere Town Centre, Mangere East, Papatoetoe or Manukau City Centre libraries while the work is carried out.

**The new-look , more user-friendly Mangere Bridge Library reopens at 9.30am Saturday 28 August.**

## Waterlea Primary

Waterlea school is holding its annual gala this year in November. Is there any greenfing-ered people in the community who would like to grow some plants for us if so they can contact me. Stephanie Buncuga 6368244

## What's on in the Bridge

**Monday:** Guides 6 - 8pm.  
CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm.  
Methodist Church Hall.  
St John Youth- every Mon 6:30 - 8:00pm.  
Tai Chi All ages, \$6 for students - 7pm  
St James' Church Hall - Phone 266 7473.

**Tuesday:** Pippins 4:50 - 5:30pm  
Keas 4 - 5pm  
Cubs 4 - 5:30pm

**Wednesday:** Brownies 6 - 7:30pm  
Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm  
Plunket Toy Library 9:30am - 10:30am  
Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain  
Education Centre.  
Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls  
Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall.  
Exercise Classes with DYNABANDS  
Manukau Yacht Club 6.30pm - 7.30pm.

**Thursday:** Bridge Art Group, 9am - Noon, Memorial Hall  
Scouts 6:30 - 8:30pm.

**Friday:** Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.

**Saturday:** Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am

**Mon/Tue/Thru** - Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am

**Mon/Thu:** Plunket car seat rentals 12:45 - 2:45pm  
Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road

**Mon/Wed:** Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall

**2nd Sun's:** Sunday Walking

**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

**Mon/Wed** Morning Tai Chi, all ages - 10am  
Chinese Comm Centre - Phone 266 7473

**1st Thu:** Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips  
phone 634 1062.

**1st & 3rd Sat:** Village Square Market.

### Opening Hours

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

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## Village Happenings

*with Carol-Anne*

The footpath upgrade is going well but has been held up a bit with the weather. I'm sure you can all see already the huge difference it is going to make to the Village. We are grateful to Manukau City Council, the Mangere Community Board and Opus for approving the upgrade and Fulton Hogan who are doing the work. Thank you for your patience while the place has been in a bit of upheaval but it will all be worth it. Please take care and use the other side of the road as much as possible while there is work going on.

**Lotto has moved** - The Lotto outlet has moved to Super Value. There is a dedicated entrance door, next to Discount Liquor, so that you don't have to go all the way through the supermarket to buy Lotto tickets.

**Post Shop/Kiwibank Upgrade** - Work has started the Post Shop extension which should be completed by the end of July, possibly sooner. So, no more queuing outside in the wind and rain - and longer hours! The Kiwibank ATM will move to the Post Shop.

**Stationery Shop** - For only \$2 you can have A3 size greetings paper customised with your own photos. Call in and see Raewyn's other creative gift ideas. Being eco-friendly, she also has string bags which are very handy to keep in your handbag and have on hand for those unexpected purchases.

**Bridge Café has new owners** - The café has recently changed hands. Call in for a meal or coffee and meet Rose and Natasha. Their chef, Jeremy, was previously the head chef at Sky City. They are open late on Thur & Fri nights and hope to apply for a BYO License soon.

**ASB New Video Phone Service** - The bank can now offer you the opportunity to talk to a consultant at their Contact Centre using a 'Video Phone' when their Personal Banker is not available. Video Phone Consultants can assist with Credit Cards, Home Loans, Personal Loans, House, Contents and Motor Insurance, Kiwisaver and other banking needs.

**Walk over the new bridge** -  
25 July, 10am - 2pm

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

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

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## Mangere Historical Society

The launch of another book had Mangere Historical Society celebrating.

Tuesday 15th was the date that well over 100 people gather at the Mangere War Memorial Hall for the launch of the book, "Gone but not Forgotten". Mayor Len Brown spoke of the importance of people who gather and record the history of our own areas and of Manukau in general. This book has recorded the thoughts and memories of many of the caregivers and staff who worked for decades at Mangere Psychopaedic Hospital and Training Centre, set on 128 acres in Robertson Road, Mangere.

Many of the ex-staff had a mini reunion and wide smiles and cries of pleasure were observed as they caught up with work mates from so long ago. So many of the people who lived in Mangere worked there as trained nursing staff, nurse aids, volunteers, drivers, tradesmen, therapists, doctors and office staff or had children living in the units.

Nothing appeared to have been recorded of this major institution and very little appeared to be held at the Hospital Boards and Health Dept, so the Historical Society undertook to do their best to record the story of this place, the ups and downs experienced by so many of the staff and residents. There are hundreds of people now living down Gadsby Road and streets off there who have no knowledge of the history of the land they now occupy.

This book is available from the Secretary, Val Payne, 58 Church Road, Mangere Bridge.

Cost \$20.00 or from Mangere Bridge Stationary or GAS Alley.



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## ART SHOW CASE – The Mangere Bridge Art Group

Annual Spring Exhibition  
original paintings at affordable prices

When: Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 August

Time: 10 am – 4 pm

Where: St James Church Hall, Church Road,  
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## AMBURY REGIONAL PARK – TREE PLANTING

School Holiday Planting – Tuesday 13 July 2010

Help plant trees down on the farm...Kids bring Adults!  
Also bring a spade if you have one, a drink bottle and rain coats.

The Plan ... Meet at the Ambury Office at 9.30am' tree planting from  
10am – 12noon, then a BBQ at 12.30pm back at the office.

Please phone Haeleigh for any further information on 636 6118.




Troup Funeral Home is situated on the corner of Kolmar Rd and Weston Ave in Papatoetoe but they are available to serve all areas of Auckland.

Dianne Troup is a qualified Funeral Director with many years experience and she is joined by Karlene who is also a Funeral Director and for many years worked with grieving families at Middlemore Hospital.

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### Copy Deadline for August 2010

Deadline for the August Issue is the 21st July 2010. To ensure that your article makes the August issue please email your articles to [articles@mangerebridge.co.nz](mailto:articles@mangerebridge.co.nz)

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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## St James Day

The 25th July is going to be a busy one for St James.

St James Church are celebrating their Patronal Saints Day on the 25th July at the 9.00 am service.

This will be a special day as we will also be offering a renewal of wedding vows to all who would like to take part.

Also it is International Media Prayer day where we pay tribute to all the media for the work they do in promoting the gospel through Radio, Television and the print media.



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 17th July & Saturday 21st august  
**TIME:** 9.30 – 11.30am

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

### AUCKLAND AMONGST THE WORST ENROLLED

The Register of Electors have asked me to put the following into the newsletter, but its a bit big to fit so I have put it on the Mangere Bridge website and you can view it there.

[www.mangerebridge.co.nz/pdfs/ElectoralEnrolment.pdf](http://www.mangerebridge.co.nz/pdfs/ElectoralEnrolment.pdf)



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