

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Waterlea Primary

Waterlea School has, as usual, been extremely busy this term.

The Years 4-6 children have been having swimming lessons at the Moana Nui Akea Pools.

As part of their studies about "systems" the Senior School visited the Tip Top factory and the Middle School visited the Stardome Observatory.

Our commitment to putting our Feet

First was rewarded when we picked up a prize in the "medium school" category for the number of children who consistently used their feet first to get to school. The \$100 Paper Plus Book voucher will be well used in our library. You might like to join us and keep on walking!

We had great success at the Interschool winter sports tournament. Our soccer team brought home the winners shield and both the netball and rugby teams were runners up.

The Years 1-3 children are busy practising their class items for our upcoming Junior Musical. We look forward to the performances which will be held on the evenings of the 7th and 8th July.

The Entertainment books for 2011/12 are now available! if you would like to purchase one please email shane@mangerebridge.co.nz or call 021 815 184



entertainment

Town Centre Clean-Up Project

Mangere Bridge Village is taking part in Adopt-a-second-Team for the Rugby World Cup which makes it eligible for the Town Centre Clean-Up Project coordinated by the Manukau Beautification Trust so they are looking for lots of volunteers.

Please contact Carol-Anne Armitage if your school/family/club is able to help out on Saturday 13 July from 1pm - 5.00pm. The village will be divided up into zones so a few team leaders will be needed as well.

It's a great opportunity for our community to come together and have a fun day to show Mangere Bridge Village at its best to overseas visitors.

Mountain View School Thank Sir George Fistonich and Villa Maria

The children at Mountain View School conducted a special ceremony to gift taonga to Sir George Fistonich and his Personal Assistant and Events Manager from Villa Maria to thank them for their generous contributions to Mountain View School and providing the afternoon tea for the Prime Minister's opening of Te Papa Tuhono Events Centre. The children created an Artwork of the seasons in the Mountain View grape vines that Sir George planted several years ago.



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, we are currently needing business's to advertise in the Mangere Bridge Newsletter so please please get in touch at shane@mangerebridge.co.nz or 021 815 184

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 4:30 - 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.
Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 am- 12:30pm
Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road
- 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/Thur** - Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
- 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
- 1st Thu:** Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips phone 634 1062.
- 1st & 3rd Sat:** Village Square Market.
- Contact Details for Scouts - 0800 Scouts

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

Auckland Council has confirmed that small Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) such as Mangere Bridge, will receive a part subsidy up until 30 June 2012. However it will be \$3,500 less than we have received in the past and will be totally discontinued from July 2012. BID Managers across the Auckland region have been working with Auckland Council's Economic Development Division towards formulating a new regional BID Policy. As was discovered from the first of many planned meetings the issues are many and complex.

The business association is considering starting a Boutique Farmer's Market in the Spring, which would run every Sunday from 9am - 1pm for 40 weeks of the year. This would generate extra revenue to replace the subsidy. We are currently going through the resource consent process and have a number of stallholders from the Howick Saturday market who have expressed a desire to participate, several of whom have been part of past food & wine festivals.

Village Clean-Up: This project is part of 'Adopt-a-second-Team' for Rugby World Cup. We are looking for volunteers from the community on Saturday 23 July to work with the Manukau Beautification Trust which is coordinating the event from 1pm - 5pm. With the expected increase in visitor numbers we want to have the place sparkling. Afternoon tea will be provided. Please contact me on 636 7491 or at village@mangerebridge.co.nz

Village Focus - Notice Board: we have had a new design drawn up and may be able to source some funds to replace the existing design which, as many of you are aware, is not user-friendly.

Mangere Bridge Pharmacy: as a security measure there is now a buzzer at the back door so that staff can let you in.

Bridge Variety: buy, sell and trade. You can find some real bargains here, even collectibles. Shop hours are Mon & Tues 9am - 3 pm, Wed, Thur & Fri 9am - 4pm.

Mangere Floral Studio: now stock a very nice range of Acacia Wood giftware. If you have a wedding coming up call in and talk to Sepali and her trained staff.

Hair Zone: also do eyebrow and leg waxing. Shop hours are now Tues - Fri, 9am - 4.30pm and Sat 9.30am - 3pm.

Hong Kong Bakery: for your convenience the bakery now has eptpos available.

kind regards *Carol-Anne Armitage*

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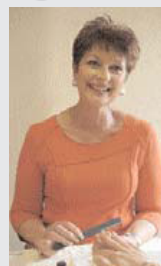
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Age Concern Counties Manukau

Senior Services: did you know that there has been a name change? This used to be WINZ and on July 12th Sandra Neilson, from Senior Services superannuation, will talk about what benefits you are entitled to and the criteria to access them. Come and find out how to maximize your entitlements & have the opportunity to find the answers to the questions you have wanted ask but perhaps been too shy to in the past. You may be surprised at what you have been missing out on!

Cell phones for Seniors: this very popular course will be returning to Mangere on Thursdays July 14th & 21st. This is a basic 2 week workshop to help seniors join the text generation. Get 1 on 1 tutoring and explore how to use your cell phone, from the basics, to texting, to using the camera – if your phone has this feature! Learn at your own pace, and find out as much or as little as YOU want. It's time to come and unlock the mysteries of that little electronic device known as your cell phone. Please bring your mobile phone, user book and reading glasses, if you wear them.

These sessions, hosted by **Age Concern Counties Manukau**, will be held at Mangere Community House, 141 Robertson Road, Mangere from 10am – 12 noon. Morning tea is included. Both sessions are **FREE**, but donations towards costs are always gratefully received. Numbers are limited so bookings are essential. For further information and to secure your place, please contact the Age Concern office on **279 4331 Ext 800**.

Iconz Security

With the recent armed robbery of the Post Shop in Mangere Bridge Village, it is timely to remind business owners and staff of how best to keep themselves and customers safe.

In any robbery situation, the offender wants control. They want cash or goods and they want to get out as quickly as possible.

It is critical that the actions of staff or customers caught up in an armed robbery situation help facilitate this.

ICON Group provides regular training in Armed Hold-Up Safety and we recommend a four step strategy under the acronym CALM:

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| C | Calm yourself. Managing stress and avoid the fight or flight mode |
| A | Act Passively. Focus on a body language that sends the message that you are not a threat |
| L | Listen and Co-operate. Facilitate the offenders objectives and follow instructions being honest and truthful, and explaining any overt actions you may have to make |
| M | Memorise Evidence. If the opportunity exists, memorise distinguishing features, clothing etc. Details should be written down once the offender has left and the scene is safe. |

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Down at the Farm during July

Lambing will start around mid July, a few weeks earlier this year. As normal we ask people to keep out of the lambing paddocks to give mother and baby plenty of space, all the ewes should lamb within 2 weeks. If you are concerned about any lambs, please make contact with the ranger, either at the office or by using the emergency phone to the left of the toilets. Each year we have orphan lambs that are bottle fed. We wait until the lambs are strong enough to run to the fence and latch onto the bottles before public lamb feeding starts. Expect this to be underway by the 1st week of August.

The dairy cows will be calving by the beginning of July, then cow milking starts again, daily at 10.00am – this is a real treat for the many school trips that come to the farm weekly and all the general visitors that are most welcome.

The dairy cows can be seen in the paddocks they are swell! We will be hand raising their calves with the milk we get from the cows, the rest of the milk is fed to the pigs, SueE and Sesame.

There has been quite a bit of construction happening down at the farm lately, we have had an information stable built, drainage along the roads, new shade and shelter fencing in the paddocks, a new road to the campground with hardstands for motor homes is currently underway, as well as fencing a dedicated campground. These are exciting developments for Ambury.

Make sure to bring your gumboots if you're heading down.
Any questions or queries about Ambury Farm please phone us on 636 6118.

The Lions are Roaring

The Mangere Bridge Lions club have reached the required number of 20 members to charter the club. The major positions of President, Secretary, Treasurer have been filled. It is not too late to join as there is no limit on the club's membership so if you are interested please contact listed members by phone for further information. Charter date for the new Mangere Bridge Lions Club is 20th August 2011.

The club meets at Mangere Bridge Yacht Club on the 2nd (bus) and 4th (social) Tuesdays of the month. As well as looking for more members the club is interested in hearing from local residents as to how the club can best serve the community with projects that can benefit Mangere Bridge whether it involves our local schools, the elderly or the wider population.

Let us hear from you –attend a meeting at which we can discuss the ideas.

Ian Ellice 6369520 Cath Imrie 6347777 David Fox 2756010

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Manukau Yacht and Motor Boat club

AGM of the Manukau Yacht and Motor Boat club will be held at the club on Kiwi Esplanade on Sunday the 28th August at 1330 hours

Onehunga Community Centre

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For all our classes check out our website www.onehungacentre.org.nz

MONDAYS - ACTIVE MUSIC & MOVEMENT

GOLD COIN

Class 1: Jam'in with Jane 9.30am - 10.10am

Fun structured learning thru Rhyme

Class 2: Looney Tunes 10.30am - 11.10am

Wiggle, dance, clap, sing. This class is less structured than class 1 earlier.

Fibre Space (Intro to sewing) 9.30am - 11.30pm / 12.30 - 2.30pm \$5

Sewing machines & equipment provided. Learn about the functions and how to use a machine, basic stitches then small repairs and alterations.

THE ART OF MAORI WEAVING 11.30am - 1.30pm FREE

Come along and meet Annie our new tutor, an experienced flax weaving teacher to learn this wonderful culture art form.

WAIATA 1.30pm - 2.40pm FREE

Learn Maori thru song. This is a group of mixed ethnicity New Zealanders who love to sing.

TUESDAYS - ZUMBA - NEW 9.30am - 10.30am \$2

Fun, Fitness Everyone welcome.. Children can zumba too!

JEWELLERY MAKING 12.30pm - 2.30pm \$5

Hands on class learning to make jewellery with materials that are recycled or cheap. Great for you or for gifts.

GOT SKILL - BREAK SESSIONS 7pm - 9pm \$2

Are you 13 - 25 bboy & bgirl! Break dancing, popping & locking Starts 5th July @ 1 Pearce Str, Onehunga. Join with experienced dancers to grow your talent and learn new moves. Regular performances will show off your moves. COME ALONG BLOCKPARTY Friday 8 July 7 - 9.30pm.

WEDNESDAYS - CHI BALL 10am-11.30am \$5 (also on Mondays)

Mind-Body exercise and wellness programme that promotes balance, well-being, harmony. Our instructor is a qualified registered professional.

RIP IT DANCE 4pm-5pm FREE

Youth dance (hip hop) class, boys & girls 8-12yrs. Awesome Aunshai is a fabulous dance instructor.

THURSDAYS - KNITWIZZ 1pm-3pm GOLD COIN

Knitting, crochet, embroidery. Come along, learn or show off your hand craft. Join a great group of all ages

Y-BOXFIT 4pm-5pm FREE

High energy fun & fitness suitable for both boys & girls from 11 - 15yrs. Qualified YMCA instructor.

FRIDAYS - PICASSO KIDZ 10.00am - 11.00am \$5

Art is such a fun and creative way for 2-5yrs to develop their fine motor skills. This class requires parent interaction, is structured with flexible elements to adapt for different levels.

ONEHUNGA SCENE ACTIVITIES 12.30pm-2.30pm GOLD COIN

Onehunga SCENE invites you & your friends to join us for a social afternoon of Indoor Bowls, scrabble, cards, books and magazines. All equipment provided as well as light refreshments. Retired or semi retired 55+ social group.

Important Contact Details:

Citizens Advice Bureau	275 6885
Mangere Bridge Post office	636 9645
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Next Event: 26th August.