

# VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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## Heritage Month at Mangere Bridge Village

(An Adopt-a-second-Team event)

Mangere Bridge Village is preparing to go back in time during September and October as part of Heritage Month. On Saturday 17 September 'Fashion through the Ages' will have a number of people modeling fashions, from 1880's - 1980's and representing the various cultures in Mangere Bridge. The event starts at 10am with the parade starting off in the Village Square at 11am and then parading through the Village. Vintage Cars and a Pony & Cart will give rides to the end of the old bridge where, if they wish, people can then walk under the motorway bridge into Onehunga to catch their festivities. Enter into the spirit of the occasion and dress up. Contact the Village Manager if you would like to take part in the parade

The Mangere Bridge International Concert will be held at the War Memorial Hall, Domain Road from 2pm - 5pm on Saturday 24 September (gold coin donation) with a Lucky Programme Number prize. Once again, the items will showcase the different cultures in 'the bridge'. There are still a few spaces left in the programme if you have a group that would like to take part.

Both of these events will have a Russian flavour as the Business Association is adopting Russia as their second team for the Rugby World Cup. As was seen recently on TV3's Campbell Live programme the Village will be festooned in flags, banners and balloons in Russia's colours.

There will also be a Kite Flying Competition for the schools (with a Russian theme) and 'Find the Babushka Family', a set of seven Russian nested dolls that will be concealed around the shops. Pick up event forms from Bridge Fruit n Veg beside the cafes. There will be a box in the library for completed forms.

Other events happening in Mangere Bridge during Sept/Oct include; open days at the historic St James Anglican Church; guided tours of Mangere Mountain starting at the Education Centre; and an outdoor art & craft market (weather permitting) in the Village Square on Saturday mornings from 9am - 1pm.

Details of dates and venues are on the community website [www.mangerebridge.co.nz](http://www.mangerebridge.co.nz) or contact the Village Manager on 636 7491 for further information.

## Mangere Bridge Scouts

Hedges trimmed, Gardens weeded, any painting etc? Mangere Bridge Scout Group are looking for the above. September is bob-a-job month and we would like to help.

If you have any jobs, big or small we would like to hear from you.

Contact Patrick on 027 4981754 a/hrs 275 1107 or Michelle 027 4810396 a/hrs 6366703.

## Waterlea Primary School

Waterlea School is part of the Cool Schools Programme which means the Year 6 children have the opportunity to be Peer Mediators. In this role they help their fellow students to solve problems in the playground. The Cool Schools Programme is a Peace Foundation inspired programme. During the recent Peace Week everyone joined celebrations by dressing either in white or as hippies at a 'Hippy' Mufti Day that the mediators organised.

The senior school are busy preparing for their Musical to be performed at the end of the term.

Well done to our Saturday netball teams who had a very successful season. Both the Waterlea All Starz and the Waterlea Aztecs were runners up in their grade during round 1 and the Waterlea Angels won their grade in the competition round.

4 teams took part in the Interschool Hockey tournament recently - The boys A team came 3rd overall. The other 3 teams did extremely well.

## Opening Hours

Monday - Wednesday 9am to 5:30pm  
Thursday - Friday 9am to 6:00pm  
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## 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.  
Wriggle & Whyne 9:30 - School Term only, MB Library
- Tuesday:** Pippins 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Keas 4 - 5pm  
Cubs 5 - 6:30pm
- Wednesday:** Brownies 6 - 7:30pm  
Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm  
Plunket Toy Library 9:30am - 10:30am  
Yoga 6:30 - 8pm 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.
- 3rd Thurs -** Library Book Club 7pm - 7:45pm  
**4th Wed -** Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30

## Village Happenings

*with Carol Anne*

Did you know that there are 140 million people in Russia - and only 22,000 rugby players? With the Rugby World Cup days away the village has been transformed with banners and flags representing Russia. A TV3 camera crew was filming some of our preparations for the big event for 'Campbell Live' which went to air on Friday 19 August. I greeted the journalist in Russian and the crew filmed two of the shopkeepers decorating their windows and interviewed some about how we plan to welcome visitors to Mangere Bridge Village.

Ten boys from Waterlea School were filmed holding up a Russian flag in the Village Square. Winona Stephens was there with the old ambulance, which was decked out with various flags and played the national anthem. Diane Clark spoke enthusiastically about why visitors should come to Mangere Bridge and the various attractions that we have on our doorstep. TV3 is also supporting the Russian Bears so we hope to have some ongoing contact through them.

### Village Focus

**Village Butchery:** There is a common misconception that prices at a local, independent butcher are more expensive than some supermarkets. In fact, you will find that many of Lee's prices are cheaper. He can advise on what type of meat cuts are best for certain recipes and there is the bonus of choosing your own meat from the window and display cabinets. If you are working on a tight budget he can also advise on less expensive cuts of meats and the best way to cook them. With daylight saving & bbq's just around the corner try out his range of gourmet sausages.

**Harcourts:** With all this extra publicity lifting our profile more people are looking to move to Mangere Bridge, especially those with young families, so now may be the time to start thinking about downsizing, or upsizing. Pop in and have a chat to Bruce and his team. The office is open 9am - 5pm, Monday to Friday and all the consultants are available after hours.

**Business Association Website:** Some of the local businesses now have their own listing on our website. Applications are invited from other business owners in Mangere Bridge. Contact me via the website.

kind regards *Carol-Anne Armitage*

Village Manager

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## October Breast Cancer drive

Yes it is that time again !! Pink Ribbon Breast Cancer Drive. I am calling all those wonderful people that are free to give me a couple of hours of their time. Everyone knows someone that has been touched by breast cancer, please help use to raise funds for those people and families that have been affected by breast cancer. Friday 14th October. Call, text, email or send a carrier pigeon to Sarah 622 2267, 0274 804 954, s.jharris@xtra.co.nz. I can't wait to hear from you. Yours in pink, Sarah.

### Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

**Congratulations to our Championship winners:**

**Singles Winner** – Helen Robinson

**Runner Up** – Ian Price

**Men's Singles Winner** – Chris Payne

**Runner Up** – Ian Price

**Ladies Singles Winner** – Maryanne Stipich

**Runner Up** – Helen Robinson

**Pairs winners** - David Ward and Geoff Slee

**Runner Up** – Neil Robinson and Norm Underwood

**Four's Winners** – Fred Webster, Chris Payne, Judy Maguire and Sue Redfern

President: Charlie Toft Ph 622 3254 Secretary: Marilyn Baskiville Ph 634 2241

## Iconz Security

If you are in the unfortunate position of witnessing or being the victim of a crime, you will probably be required to provide a description of the offender. As the Police will verify, the accuracy of most witness descriptions would be described as poor to average at best. This is understandable given the shock and fear that most of us experience in such an event.

During ICON Group's training on Armed Hold-Up Safety, we encourage participants to use what we term the SNAPSHOT technique if they should be a victim to or involved in the occurrence of crime.

If the opportunity exists to observe the offender(s) without putting yourself at risk, take a mental snapshot of the scene and then relate it to the following:

- S Sex i.e. male or female
- N Nationality
- A Age (work in 5 year bands i.e. 30 to 35)
- P Physique – Height, weight, build
- S Skin – colour or features
- H Hair – Colour, length, style, facial hair
- O Outfit – clothing including headwear, scarves, gloves, jewellery, shirt, jacket, trousers and footwear
- T Tattoos and Scars – what and where

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September is going to be an exciting month at the library - as September is now Superhero month. There will be events and activities for all ages. For a list of all the library events visit the website ([www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz)) and watch the displays in the library.

Come along to the children's book club on the first and second Fridays in September and join out Superhero School – don't forget to dress up!

Something for the teens – a Book Club which meets on the second Thursday of the month 4:30-6:00 pm. Come and talk with Suzie if you would like to be part of this awesome group. They have some amazing activities and fun.

For some time now we have talked about starting a craft/knitting/crocheting group at the library. If you would like to participate in this please email [mangerebridge.library@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:mangerebridge.library@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) or come to the library and register your interest. At this time we are gauging how much interest there is in the community for this. Open to all ages and abilities, beginner to advanced, and likely to run on the first Thursday of the month from 4:30.

We look forward to hearing what you think.

## Mangere Bridge Art Group Work Enhances Mountain View School Events Centre



The Mangere Bridge residents who viewed the Mangere Bridge Art Group Annual Spring Exhibition in August will understand how Mountain View School appreciated these local artists sharing their skills and talents to enhance our new Events Centre. Bev Harper and Barbara Timmins from the

Mangere Bridge Art Group very kindly allowed their art work from photos provided of Mangere Mountain to be projected onto large canvases to cover the acoustic panels in the School's Events Centre. Bev Harper painted a Close-Up view of Mangere Mountain from the mountain face where Barbara Timmin's Distant View of Puketutu Island and Manukau Heads art work was set. Using painted projection canvases is a new technique for acoustic materials and Mountain View School will be leading the way in demonstrating these new artistic options.



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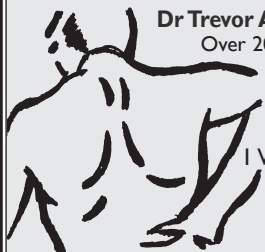
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## Santa Parade - Thursday 1 December

Yes, it's that time of the year already and the Santa Parade is not so far off so it's time to do some creative thinking for your floats! It would be great to see a combined churches float this year for the nativity.

It's also a great opportunity to publicize your club or group during the entertainment that follows after the parade. Space will be allocated for participants to erect tents and for stalls.

If you would like to take part this year please contact Carol-Anne on 636 7491 or [info@mangere-bridge.co.nz](mailto:info@mangere-bridge.co.nz).

## Onehunga Community Centre

83 Church Str Onehunga (by the library) Ph 6349253

For all our classes check out our website [www.onehungacentre.org.nz](http://www.onehungacentre.org.nz)

### MONDAYS - ACTIVE MUSIC & MOVEMENT

**Class 1: Jam'in with Jane** 9.30am - 10.10am  
Fun structured learning thru Rhyme, Rhythm and song  
**Class 2: Looney Tunes** 10.30am - 11.10am  
Wiggle, dance, clap, sing. This class is less structured than class 1 earlier.

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**Fibre Space (Sewing Classes)** 9.30am - 11.30pm / 12.30 - 2.30pm \$5  
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**FRIDAYS - PICASSO KIDZ** 11.30am - 12.30pm \$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.

**THE ART OF MAORI WEAVING** 11.30am - 1.30pm GOLD COIN  
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.

**WEDNESDAYS - CHI BALL** 10am-11.30am \$5 (also on Mondays)  
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**RIP IT DANCE** 4pm-5pm FREE  
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**THURSDAYS - HOT HULA** 11am - 12pm \$2  
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**KNITWIZZ** 1pm-3pm GOLD COIN  
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**Y-BOXFIT** 4pm-5pm FREE  
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**FRIDAYS - Yoga WITH TANYA** 9.30am - 10.30am \$5  
Bring along a mat, towel and bottle. Great for beginners

**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:

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