

# VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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## Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Assoc

We advised in last month's Village Newsletter that we had written to Auckland Council in October seeking permission to remove mangroves along the Kiwi Esplanade foreshore from the bridge to Ambury Farm. The CEO replied in November with the response we expected. He advised that we are permitted to remove seedlings up to 60cm tall by hand or with a hand held non powered tool ( machete?) In November, Auckland Council was still working under the rules established by the previous Auckland Regional Council. We understand Council has recently considered it's future role in mangrove management, and we have written asking if there are any changes. Meantime at our monthly meeting on Feb 15 it was agreed that we should arrange some working bees to follow on the good work started by local residents last year. So come along to our next meeting on Wednesday 21st of March, 7.30pm in the St James Church hall where we will make final plans. At the monthly meeting we were given a comprehensive briefing on activities of the Mangere Otahuhu Local Board by our local member Carrol Elliot. Come and hear what's happening and tell Carrol what you think needs to be done Also we were given an update by Carol Anne Armitage the Village manager on things happening in the Village. The modifications to the all tide boat ramp are supposed to be starting in March, but subject to the Local Board finding additional funds as the selected tenderer advised he could not build it as planned with the funds left after two years of consultants fees. No response yet from Council on our request for consent to reclaim the area between the motorway bridge and the start of the old Mangere Bridge. Watch this space with interest. Bill Kirk MBR&R Assoc.

## 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  
Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall
- Tuesday:** Keas 5 - 6pm  
Cubs 5 - 6:30pm
- 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.  
Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 am- 12:30pm  
Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road
- Thursday:** Pippins 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Bridge Art Group, 9am - Noon, Memorial Hall  
Scouts 7 - 9pm.
- Friday:** Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
- Saturday:** Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
- Sunday:** 9am - 12pm Village Boutique Market
- Mon/Tue/Thur** - Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
- 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.
- 3rd Thurs** - Library Book Club 7pm - 7:45pm  
**4th Wed** - Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30

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## Village Happenings

*with Carol Anne*

The business association is delighted to be supporting a small, independent cheese maker from Christchurch, Gruff Junction. Having lost a lot of her customer base her sister, who lives in Mangere Bridge, runs a stall on her behalf at our Boutique Market every Sunday, from 9am till 12pm, where you can sample 14 varieties of cheese. You'll find her next to the Salmon Man.

We are having continued success with our CCTV Surveillance System. It is pleasing to see that crime has dropped in the village with the combination of Foot Patrols and Icon Security, plus the deterrent factor of the CCTV. A group of boys was responsible for a number of incidents recently, including theft and shoplifting, and some of them have been trespassed.

I am receiving a lot of complaints from business owners and customers about a lady who is regularly asking for money. Unfortunately there are no laws to cover this type of nuisance activity. If you are approached by this lady please do not give her any money. Be firm with her and tell her to go home.

We have received some funding for planned events. Please mark these dates on your calendar:

### St Patrick's Day

Saturday 17 March

Market Day: 9am - 2pm; Irish Music: 12.15pm - 2.15pm and 6.00pm - 9.30pm. Get your bookings in early...and don't forget to wear something green!

### Food & Wine Festival

Sunday 15 April

11.00am - 4.00pm

There will be a partial road closure between the roundabouts at McIntyre and Church Roads. There will be food, wine and craft stalls plus entertainment for all the family.

### Village Focus:

**Hammer Hardware:** Has a good selection of seedlings ready for planting into the autumn veg garden.

**Bridge Fruit and Veg:** Has dried Shitake Mushrooms, ideal for cooking recipes.

**Village Family Health Centre:** Late night Tuesdays till 7pm, on the corner of Miro and Coronation Roads.

**Coin Max and Coin Save:** Both stock ideal items for children's birthday party bag fillers.

Depending on my schedule I'm available for appointments on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoons. Phone 636 7491 or contact me through the business association's website: [www.mangere-bridge.co.nz](http://www.mangere-bridge.co.nz)

kind regards *Carol-Anne Armitage*

Village Manager

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## Waterlea Primary School

Waterlea School has a pool. Yes, thanks to the wonderful volunteers who helped erect the pool we are up and running and our children are enjoying class aquatics. It is wonderful to hear the excited voices of our children as they enjoy their time in the pool.

The pool sits in the car park and will be locked during after school hours for safety. The pool is a huge asset to our Waterlea community and we want to make the most of it. Therefore we ask everyone to respect the pool and not try and gain access after hours. The pool is locked up and protected by a video surveillance camera. If we have any problems we will be forced to dismantle the pool and it will be taken away, which would be a huge loss and shame for our community.

Our senior school visited Birkenhead Leisure Centre to take part in a day's programme experiencing personal challenges that helped them consolidate their work on exercise, team work, friendships and getting along with others. Activities included indoor rock climbing, kayaking and high rope challenge. Fun was had by all.

It was with great pleasure, on the 22nd February, we welcomed our new families to Waterlea by means of a powhiri. Special thanks to Whaea Aroha and Pere Karaitiana who had the Kapahaka group all polished for a great performance. Thanks to Saul Roberts and Marise Boldy-Leggett who helped with the powhiri arrangements.

We also took this opportunity to remember those in Canterbury affected by the Christchurch earthquake.

## Icon Security

I am always careful about tempting fate but again it is pleasing to state that there has been minimal reported crime and associated incidents in the Mangere Bridge Village area.

Our Patrols have reported dealing with a drunk and aggressive male who had been bothering shop keepers and customers in early February and also a lady begging for money in the same week.

We believe that the low levels of reported crime can be attributed to the combined efforts of the NZ Police, the Mangere Bridge Village Business Association and the ICON Security Patrol Officers plus the increased vigilance of business owners and staff working in the Mangere Bridge Village area.

We have seen similar results with other business associations that we work with and how important the vigilance of the business community can be. This was evidenced recently when our patrol vehicle servicing a business association was involved in a minor vehicle accident resulting in the use of an unbranded rental vehicle for one week. Within two days of the unbranded security vehicle being on the road the ICON Communications Centre had received three reports of a suspicious vehicle casing the area after hours. We happily informed the concerned callers on the legitimate nature of the vehicle and the patrol officer and hastily arranged for magnetic ICON signs to be fitted to the vehicle.

We recommend the following guidelines be followed if you observe a crime being committed or suspicious activity:

- ☐ If you view a crime being committed call 111
- ☐ If you have information relating to a crime or known criminal activity call Crime Stoppers 0800-555-111 (this information is passed on an anonymous basis)
- ☐ If you see suspicious activity in the Mangere Bridge Village area call ICON Security on (09) 837 3606 and we will despatch a patrol to investigate and if appropriate we will request Police involvement

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## The Lions are Roaring!

Mangere Bridge Lions are meeting at the Coronation Restaurant on a monthly basis and are looking for new members.

Even if you do not wish to commit to signing up to becoming a Lion but are willing to help when we are fundraising and partaking in Community activities we would certainly appreciate your help.

We have been involved so far this year in Shrove Tuesday which was held in Papatoetoe on Tuesday 21st February and we sold Candy Floss to raise funds.

We have the opportunity of offcuts of wood from an Onehunga factory which we could bag and give to people within our Community for winter firewood but at this stage we have nowhere to store it so would welcome any offers of storage.

We wish to be involved in more projects within the Bridge so if there is anything that we can do to help please let us know.

Contact details: Cath Imrie: 634 7777 - Ian Ellice: 636 9520

## Village Events:

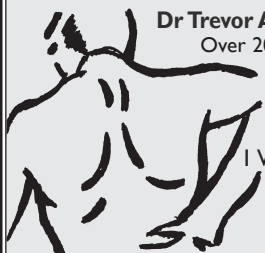
St Patricks day Sat 17th March  
Irish Music - 12:15-2:15pm & 6-9:30pm  
Market Day - 9am - 2pm

Food and Wine Festival  
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Zumba	Tuesday & Thursday	9.30am - 10.30am	\$2 (children welcome)
Boxfx	Tuesday & Friday	12.00pm - 1.00pm	\$5 (children welcome)
Hot Hula	Thursday	11.00am - 12.00pm	\$2 (children welcome)

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

Music Mondays	Monday	9.30am - 10.10am	Gold Coin (pre-school age)
Looney Tunes	Monday	10.30am - 11.10am	Gold Coin (pre-school age)
Picasso Kidz	Monday	11.30am - 12.30pm	\$5 (pre-school age)
Zumbatomic	Tuesday	3.45pm - 4.15pm	\$2 (5 - 11yrs)
Rip It (Kids Hip Hop)	Wednesday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	Free (8 - 12yrs)
Box Fit	Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	Free (10 - 17yrs)
Kidz Club	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	Gold Coin (pre-school age)

## ARTS & CRAFTS

Sew Styley (L1)	Monday	9.30am - 11.30am	\$5 (sewing machines provided)
Sew Styley (L2)	Monday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5 (sewing machines provided)
Flax Weaving	Monday	11.30am - 1.30pm	\$10 (learners - advanced)
Jewellery Making	Tuesday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5 (soft tech & recyclables)
Art Classes	Wednesday	9.30am - 12.30pm	\$5 (art with Rick Julian)
Yarns (knitting/crochet)	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Gold Coin
Onehunga Art	Saturday (3rd Sat mthly)	10.00am - 1.00pm	\$5

## ADULT INTEREST

Waiaata (Maori Songs)	Monday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Free (learn Te Reo thru song)
Su Jok	Monday & Thursday	10.30am - 2.30pm	Koha (microtherapy/acupressure)
High Notes	Thursday	10.30am - 11.30pm	Free (music for special needs adults)
Art Therapy	Friday	1.00pm - 2.30am	\$4 (art for special needs adults)
Scene	Tuesday (1st Tues mthly)	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Gold Coin (social club for 55+ adults)
Scene	Friday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Gold Coin (bowls, cards etc 55+ adults)

## Mangere Bridge Scout Group

Have you seen the brand new building in Taylor Road nestled behind the bowling club and beside the tennis courts?

It is the new Mangere Bridge Scout Group hall. This hall is not only for the Scouts, Cubs and Keas but for the community too. If you are interested in hiring the hall please ring Malcolm Hansen on 021 725 401.

If you have a child who is keen on the outdoors and doing crafts as well as keen to meet new people, how about popping in to see how Scouts, Cubs and Keas work. Cubs and Keas are on Tuesdays from 5pm and Scouts is on Thursdays starting at 7pm.

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