

# MANGERE BRIDGE



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We will once again be selling Entertainment books as a fund raiser for the Mangere Bridge Newsletter/Website. The books will be available early April and will sell for \$65 each. To pre-order one please email [shane@mangerebridge.co.nz](mailto:shane@mangerebridge.co.nz)

## Waterlea Primary School

There is a lot to celebrate at Waterlea School:

As part of our library programme Bruce Potter, a New Zealand illustrator, visited our school to talk to all our children about his work. Bruce is a multi international award winning illustrator of over 110 books. Bruce talked about his latest book Kaha the Kea and demonstrated how he created the illustrations. Back in class the children tried out their illustration skills. Happy Hour was one to be remembered. The fun rewards for living the Waterlea Way included water mania, trips to the beach and outdoor games.

Waterlea congratulated Litiana Wilson, an ex- Waterlea student, who has been appointed as Head Girl at Marcellin College.

**We are the champions** - Waterlea boys' softball team won the Mangere Otahuhu Sports Association softball competition. Duncan Lai was named our player of the day because he was consistent and tried his hardest through out the whole competition. The team really valued the coaching from Te Aroha Clark as she encouraged and cheered them on, taught them how to play and most of all she told them to have fun and not to worry about the results. The team followed that advice and feel the win was a bonus.



## Anzac Day Service

The Anzac Day Parade will meet at the Mangere Bridge Village shops (Outside the Cafes) at 9.00 am. The parade will begin at 9.30 am.

The Parade will proceed behind the band and the flag parties, up Coronation Road and into Domain Road to the Mangere Memorial Hall where the service will start at 10.00 am.

The service will be held in the hall, after which the flag and wreaths ceremony will move outside to the grass area in front of the cenotaph where the New Zealand Ensign will be hoisted and wreaths from participating youth and other organizations laid.

Everybody is welcome to join with us in this community remembrance service.

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## What's on in the Bridge

<b>MONDAY</b>	Guides 6-8pm. CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm. Methodist Church Hall. St John Youth - 6:30-8:00pm. Wriggle & Whyme 9:30 - School Term only, MB Library Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Keas 5-6pm Cubs 5-6:30pm Line Dancing (intermediate) 6-7:30pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Brownies 6-7:30pm Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain Education Ctr. Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 - 12:30 Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm Line Dancing (absolute beginners) 7-8pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Bridge Art Group, 9am - 12:00, Memorial Hall Scouts 7-9pm.
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Village Boutique Market 9am - 1pm
<b>Mon/Tue/Thu</b>	Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
<b>2nd Sun's</b>	Sunday Walking
<b>Tue - Thu</b>	Mangere Bridge Walking group 9am
<b>Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri</b>	Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
<b>3rd Wed</b>	R & R Meeting 7.30pm St James Church Hall
<b>1st Thu</b>	Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips phone 634 1062.
<b>3rd Thurs</b>	Library Book Club 7pm - 7:45pm
<b>4th Wed</b>	Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30
<b>4th Fri</b>	Probus, Mangere Bridge - Bridge bowling club phone 634 6091 for information

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## Village Happenings

*with Carol-Anne*

The Village was decked out in green again for our St Patrick's Day Weekend Celebration. Lunch time shoppers were treated to Irish music from Jigs r Us on both Saturday and Sunday. Drops o Brandy had everyone, who were mostly dressed in green, dancing in the street for the evening session which added to the Irish atmosphere. The Paddy's Market on Saturday drew in visitors from a wide area and the Sunday Boutique Market was also busy despite the (much needed) rain.

Our next big event is the Autumn Festival:

### Jazz & Blues Night Sat 20 Apr, 6pm - 9pm

The very popular Chicane Duo, with Petra and Max, will be playing at the café strip again this year. If you're not planning to dine just bring a chair to sit on and enjoy a coffee and Petra's silky voice.

### Food & Wine Festival Sun 21 Apr, 10am - 4pm

Most of last year's stallholders have registered plus a few new ones. Roger and the Ramjets will get you rockin' 'n rollin' from 11am - 3.30pm. There will be Morris Dancing and Zumba demonstrations between 12.00 and 2pm and look out for the Greater Auckland Chorus of Sweet Adelines who will be busking around the Village from 12.00pm. The Safari Train, pony & cart rides and face painting will keep the children busy. There will be Road Closure and No Parking signs erected for this event.

After nine years Joe and Mary Matthews have sold the Post Shop franchise. On their behalf they have asked me to thank you for your custom and friendship over the years. We wish them well in their retirement and welcome to our team the new owners Monu Singh and his wife Mantu. Say hello to them next time you're in the shop. The hours are still 9am - 5.30pm Mon to Fri and 9am - 1pm on Saturday. They will continue to be agents for Alpha Dry Cleaning.

I recently had to update my phone and have now become familiar with Angry Birds. For those of you who may be addicted to this annoying game you can now buy Angry Bird Fruit Gummies from Yankee Doodle Dandy. They are nut and gluten free and you can happily chew away your frustrations whilst playing the game.

Could I please encourage you to support our local supermarket. Customer numbers haven't returned to what they were prior to the fire at Super Value in November when people's buying patterns changed. They have generously supported many events and organisations, now it's our turn to support them. They have some excellent specials.

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Phone: (09) 636 7491 or our website  
[www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz](http://www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz)

kind regards  
*Carol-Anne Armitage*

Village Manager  
Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

## Family fun for all at Plunket's fundraising fair

A treasure hunt, magic show, bouncy castle, cupcake decorating and loads of other family entertainment will be on offer at Mangere Bridge Plunket's fair on Saturday 13 April.

The fun-focused event is being held to raise funds for Mangere Bridge Plunket, to help the organisation continue to provide support for families across the Mangere area.

The event will run from 9am to 12pm at the Scout Hall, 11R Taylor Rd Reserve in Mangere Bridge.

The event will also host a sale of baby and children's books, clothing and toys - including good condition but retired toys from Mangere Bridge Plunket's toy library - so be prepared to bag a bargain.

If you are interested in selling goods at the fair, please email: [jennatoeono@yahoo.com](mailto:jennatoeono@yahoo.com). You can also check out Mangere Plunket's Facebook page for more information on what's happening on the day: [Facebook.com/mangereplunket](https://www.facebook.com/mangereplunket).

Come along and support your local Plunket branch!

What: Mangere Bridge Plunket Fair  
When: Saturday 13 April, 9am - 12pm  
Where: Scout Hall, 11R Taylor Rd Reserve, Mangere Bridge

## Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

We are looking for new members so why not come along and give it a go. Talk to your neighbours, friends or family and encourage them to come along with you. It is easy to learn, social and competitive for all ages and abilities. The fees are affordable with equipment supplied, all you need is soft soled shoes for walking on the mats. We have coaching available on Monday's 7.30pm. Names need to be in on a Wednesday evening by 7.20pm at the Memorial Hall, Domain Road, Mangere Bridge. For further information call Marilyn 634 2241

## St James Church

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY NOW...

St James Church Fair is to be held on Saturday 4 May in the St James Church Hall, Church Road, doors open at 9.00am sharp. Pre-loved household goods, clothing, books, hand-crafts, raffles, maybe even plants, cakes and a sausage sizzle!

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## Mangere Historical Society

Mangere Historical Society has been kept busy with interesting speakers and trips away to places of interest. A walk around Crater hill and lagoon on Self's old farmland educated those there, about volcanoes and the creation of tuft cones which showed clearly the ash, sediment and stone layers created by various long ago explosions of volcanoes from as far away as Taupo. On to Pukaki another similar place, to look at the area that had once been George Hennings Speedway and now provided peaceful grazing for farm stock.

Back to the Archives room at the Town Centre for time to browse the information on display and enjoy their lunch and a welcome cuppa.

A bus load headed off to the Helensville Historical Village one Wednesday and their memories were stirred as the members wandered around the houses, court room and farm barn displaying so many exhibits that we all recognised from our Grandparents homes and maybe our own!

Our speaker this month was Kelly Douglas from Auckland City Mission and she enlightened us on the multifaceted work that is undertaken by the people there. Herne Bay House catering for HIV and Aids victims, Whitley House at Campbells Bay caring for elderly people convalescing, to food parcels, presents and Christmas Dinner for thousands, help for homeless people, Medical and Dental Clinics, Detox centre, Herne Bay House catering for HIV and Aids victims, and so much more. She told of the early history of Rev Jasper Calder who had such a concern for the needy poor of Auckland through to the present Missioner Diane Robertson CEO at Selwyn Foundation which houses 650 people as well and catering for so many others in need through furniture distribution and advocacy services and so much else. We were enlightened to hear of the magnificent work undertaken on a very tight budget, contributed by donations from a number of interested and concerned people.

The challenge of finding data about the Roll of Honour names in the War Memorial Hall continues with hard won success. Slowly the people's data is recorded and photos collected where possible.

There is so much to learn by joining the friendly members of Mangere Historical Society.

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Flax Weaving	Monday	10.30am - 11.30am	\$5	(beginners/introduction)
Flax Weaving	Monday	11.30am - 1.30pm	\$5	(intermediate - advanced)
Art Classes	Mon/Wed	9.30am - 12.30pm	\$5	(art with Rick Julian)
Jewellery Making	Tuesday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5	(soft tech & recyclables)
Create with Milly	Thursday	10.30am - 12pm	\$5	(Learn to make crafts)
Yarns	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	gold coin	(Knitting/Crochet/needlework)
Onehunga Art	3rd Sat/month	10.00am - 1.00pm	\$5	

## ADULT INTEREST

High Notes	Monday	12.30pm - 1.00pm	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Waiata (Maori Songs)	Monday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Free	(learn Te Reo thru song)
High Notes	Thursday	10.30am - 11.30am	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Art Therapy	Friday	1.00pm - 2.30pm	\$4	(art for special needs adults)
Scene	1st Tues/month	1.00pm - 3.00pm	from \$3	(social club for 55+ adults)
Scene	Friday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	\$2	(bowls, cards etc 55+ adults)

## 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	Tuesday	9.30am - 10.30am	\$5	(pre-school age)
Picasso Kidz	Tuesday	11am - 12pm	\$5	(pre-school age)
Zumbatomic	Tuesday	3.45pm - 4.15pm	gold coin	(5 - 11yrs)
Box Fit	Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	free	(10 - 17yrs)
Kidz Club	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	gold coin	(pre-school age)

## EXERCISE

Chi Ball	Mon/ Wed	10.00am - 11.30am	\$5	
Zumba	Tue/Thur	9.30am - 10.30am	\$3	(children welcome)
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Zumba	Wednesday	7pm - 8pm	\$5	
Hot Hula (New Teacher)	Thursday	11am - 12pm	\$2	(children welcome)
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