

MANGERE BRIDGE



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Articles Needed

Hey guys, here at the Village newsletter we are currently struggling for Articles to put in the newsletter each month, if you have any news you would like to get out to the community or any events coming up please get them through to articles@mangerebridge.co.nz before the 21st of each month, we also have a reminder mailing list each month if you have regular events. The village newsletter cannot run without your Articles / stories.

Friends of the Farm and Foreshore

if you are running a local event and want help to reduce rubbish going to a landfill, please email Janine at janine.nillesen@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

We'd love to work with you to achieve a Zero Waste event, or as near as possible...

In partnership with Auckland Council and Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association.

Toe Society

For our helpers or those who are interested please note this Saturday 3rd May we'll be doing our regular mangrove monitoring/research, starting at 9.00am.

We will meet in the parking area off Onehunga Wharf Rd under the SH20 bridges. Allow an hour or so.

Monitoring is easy – we count, measure seedlings and remove some from our research area. You don't need any skills or special equipment! It doesn't take long to do, it's a lot of fun getting out in the mud, and you can feel good about your contribution to our knowledge of the harbour. We always need more volunteers so please come and join us. You can participate in as much or as little of the research as you wish and have time for.

Remember to wear clothes you don't mind getting muddy, gumboots or diving booties (or other shoes that won't get lost in the mud - no jandals). Hats, sunscreen and water all help if the sun's out.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday. - www.toesociety.co.nz



The wonderful Entertainment books have now come out for 2014-2015! the fundraising the books assist with is helping keep this newsletter running, so please do support us... please contact me to order one at shane@mangerebridge.co.nz or by visiting <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1032k86>

What's on in the Bridge

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| MONDAY | 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 |
| TUESDAY | Keas 5-6pm Cubs 5-6:30pm |
| WEDNESDAY | 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 Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm |
| THURSDAY | Bridge Art Group, 9am - 12:00, Memorial Hall Scouts 7-9pm. |
| FRIDAY | Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library. |
| SATURDAY | Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am |
| SUNDAY | Village Boutique Market 9am - 1pm |
| Mon/Tue/Thu | Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am |
| Tue - Thu | Mangere Bridge Walking group 9am |
| Mon/Wed/Fri | Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road |
| 2nd 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 |
| 4th Fri | Probus, Mangere Bridge - Bridge bowling club phone 634 6091 for information |

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Village Happenings

with Carol-Anne

I am in 'recovery mode' after another hugely successful Food & Wine Festival. The weather was great, there was a good variety of stalls and the music reflected the ANZAC theme with the Tuxedo Swing Orchestra and rock 'n' roll with Roger Skinner & the Motivation. A Vertical Bungee Jump was a popular addition for the children together with Safari Tractor rides and face painting.

'All Roads lead to Mangere Bridge' according to the Event Survey including: Titirangi, Browns Bay, Howick, Mt Albert, Epsom, Papakura, Papatoetoe, Mangere East and Central as well as locals plus some visitors from overseas. Crowd numbers were in excess of 6,000 and it was great promotion for our area. Many of these visitors will come back and become customers, which is good for our local economic development. I want to acknowledge the sacrifice made by some of our local businesses by the drop in customer numbers during the event so please support them and 'Shop Local'.

Having a stage and sound engineer made a huge difference to the entertainment. The Sweet Adeline's, Bollywood Dance Party and the Brass Band added to the vibrancy and color of the day and in the park; Max Purdie jazz duo, a jazz sax busker and Drops o' Brandy playing a mixed genre of music. There were 61 stalls with foods reflecting a large number of countries including: India, Turkey, Spain, Hungary, Jamaica, Malaysia, Thailand and Japan plus Maori and Samoan food and a good variety of crafts and clothing.

The event has taken a huge step upwards mainly due to the significant increase in funding received through Harcourts Mangere Bridge who had naming rights, the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board, the Manukau Courier, Four Winds and Lion Foundations. We look forward to ongoing partnerships to ensure the future of the F&W Festival. I'd also like to thank the great team of volunteers who helped on the day especially Donna our Boutique Market Manager.

Another first was our aim to have a Zero Waste event. The business association is working together with the Friends of Farm and Foreshore and WasteWise champions to help create awareness of waste minimisation in our community. In 2015 we will not be paying for rubbish removal through our rates but per 'bin empty' for general waste. We will be given three bins for compostable, recycling and general waste. The more we can redirect the cheaper it will be and less going into landfill which is the aim of Auckland Council's Waste Minimisation Policy. Thanks to our Waste Champions who manned the Bin Stations at the event. They achieved an 89.6% diversion from landfill. Total weight of rubbish was 152.75kg; total recycling 57.5kgs/37.7%, total compost 79.3kg/51.9%, leaving only 15.9kg or 10.4% to landfill. What a great achievement! For more information see www.mangerebridgewastewise.blogspot.co.nz.

I can be contacted either by phone 636 7491, to leave a message, or preferably through the business association's website www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz.

kind regards

Carol-Anne Armitage

Village Manager

Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers

A good muster at our April meeting. We received a letter from NZ Transport Authority in reply to our suggestion that material from the demolition of the old bridge could be used as fill in the proposal to reclaim the area between the bridges. NZTA told us that cannot apply for a consent for that sort of work. That would have to be done by the Auckland Council. NZTA was passing the suggestion on to Council. We have also asked Council to consider that in our submission to the Unitary Plan. In our last newsletter we advised that the Manukau Maritime Fund of some \$4m had been swallowed up in the amalgamation, and spent elsewhere. Following our letter to the Council officer involved, we have been advised that the fund is still in control of South Auckland Parks. Concern was expressed that the fund could quietly disappear in some future budget. It was resolved that a letter be sent to Colin Dale, the previous CEO of Manukau City, seeking his advice on how this fund can be secured and used only for the purpose for which it was established. Perhaps a Trust could be set up with one member from each Local Board in the Manukau Ward, that would administer the fund and makes annual grants to qualifying projects. A local Board member spoke on Board activities and listened to ideas. The Village Manager reported on some problems in the Village. The Auckland Airports 30 year expansion plan was discussed. The meeting was advised that the plan to develop a Northern Runway as agreed fifteen years ago has been radically changed without any public consultation. The runway is to be moved North 90 meters and is to be lengthened by 890m, to take large international aircraft. George Bolt Memorial Drive will be diverted East and enter the airport through the golf club. Concern was expressed that the use of a huge area of Ihumatao land for a runway was not the best use of said land. A second runway should be built on reclaimed sea bed south of the existing runway. The Ihumatao land should be used for commercial activities allied to the airport with a huge opportunities for local employment. It was resolved the a letter be sent to the Minister For the Environment, and the Minister of Local Government, with copies to parliamentary members of the areas that will be effected with the new flight paths:- Pakuranga, Manukau East and Mangere. The letter is to suggest that a Govt commission of enquiry be set up to consider the merits of the two locations for a second runway and make a recommendation to the Minister. Great news on mangrove removal. The Chair advised that the Local Boards had been allocated a substantial sum of money for the work. The fund will cover resource consents, disposal of removed mangroves and provision of resources and refreshments. Great news We must soon organise a series of working bees as there is a lot of new growth that needs

removing very soon. The next meeting will be on the second Wednesday of May. 14th May in the St James Church Hall at 7,30pm.

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Mangere Historical Society heard about the Life of the Maori in Mangere pre 1863

Farrell Cleary from Mangere Education Centre was able to tell us about the major chiefs and their influences on their people. Farrell spoke of Chief Hua Kaiwaka, and related the connection between Hape and his arrival in Mangere on the back of the huge Stingray and the road at the top of Queen St in Auckland; Karanga hape, the call of Hape.

The Mountain Education Centre shows the way the people gardened at this time. The tribes that lived in Mangere were the Ngati Whatua, Ngati Mahuta and Te Waiohonga before 1863. Chief Te Wherowhero who was almost six feet tall, was from the Ngati Mahuta, and lived in Mangere until driven out by the Ngapuhi raiding party. He returned eventually and became selected as the first Maori King in 1864. Hui/meetings were held at Ihumatao Marae to select the new King as well as in the Waikato. He had land and accommodation not only at Mangere, but in Onehunga, Remuera and on the hill where the Museum now stands.

On his death in 1868, his son Tawhiao became the second king. His cottage is being restored on the rise in Coronation Rd. This may have been the one that was promised to him by the Government of the day, as he was keen to return to Mangere.

Several of the original tribes split into hapu and settled in their own areas.

Chief Ihaka Wirihihi Takanini was a great leader and his name is kept in WIRI and TAKANINI. Mohi was the Chief at Pukaki.

It was Ngati Whatua Chief Apihai Te Kawau who invited Hobson to shift the Government centre to Auckland. Paore Tuhaere was the nephew of Apihai.

Potatau Te Wherowhero took his first name when he became King.

Kati Takiwaru was his brother. Matire Toha was the Ngapuhi wife of Kati Takiwaru. She never left Mangere and took the oath of Allegiance when the Tribes were ordered to do this or lose their rights to their lands. Te Pora Tiaho was Tawhiao's sister and she lived in Mangere until 1858. Namata Ngapaora was a cousin of Potatau and Tawhiao and was involved in the building of St James Church. Wiremu Potua Te Tuhi was the scribe and editor of the first Maori Newspaper. It is thought that the printing press was possibly held at St James Church. He went to the Waikato and returned to Mangere for his last 15 years. Honana Maioha also stayed on his lands. Warena Kahawai was the historian of the Waiohonga. Tamaati Ngapoaro was said to have left Mangere with great sadness in 1863.

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| Sew Style (L2) | Monday | 12.30pm - 2.30pm | \$5 | (sewing machines provided) |
| Flax Weaving | Monday | 10.30am - 11.30am | Free | (beginners/introduction) |
| Flax Weaving | Monday | 11.30am - 1.30pm | Free | (intermediate - advanced) |
| Creative Kids | Tuesday | 4.00pm - 5.00pm | Free | (art classes for 8-12yrs) |
| Art Classes | Wednesday | 9.30am - 12.30pm | \$5 | (art with Rick Julian) |
| Yarns | Thursday | 1.00pm - 3.00pm | gold coin | (Knitting/Crochet/needlework) |
| Onehunga Art Club | 3rd Sat/month | 10.00am - 1.00pm | \$5 | |

ADULT INTEREST

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|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| High Notes | Monday | 12.30pm - 1.30pm | Free | (music for special needs adults) |
| Waiata (Maori Songs) | Monday | 1.30pm - 2.30pm | Free | (learn Te Reo thru song) |
| Dance 4 Us | Tuesday | 1.30pm - 2.30pm | gold coin | (Dance for special needs adults) |
| 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

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|-----------------------------------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Active Music & Movement (Class 1) | Monday | 9.30am - 10.10am | gold coin | (pre-school age) |
| Active Music & Movement (Class 2) | Monday | 10.30am - 11.10am | gold coin | (pre-school age) |
| Picasso Kidz | Tuesday | 9.30am - 10.30am | \$8 (\$45 for term) | (pre-school age) |
| Picasso Kidz | Tuesday | 11am - 12pm | \$8 (\$45 for term) | (pre-school age) |
| Box Fit | Thursday | 4.00pm - 5.00pm | free | (10 - 17yrs) |
| Kidz Club | Friday | 9.30am - 11.30am | gold coin | (pre-school age playgroup) |

EXERCISE

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|----------|-----------|-------------------|------|--------------------|
| Chi Ball | Monday | 10.00am - 11.30am | \$5 | |
| Zumba | Wed/Thur | 9.30am - 10.30am | \$3 | (children welcome) |
| Zumba | Wednesday | 7pm - 8pm | \$5 | |
| Box Fit | Thursday | 4.00pm - 5.00pm | free | (10 - 17yrs) |
| Zumba | Sunday | 8am - 9am | \$5 | |

FOOD & COOKING

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| Milly's Kitchen | Thursday | 11.30am - 1.00pm | \$2 | (Learn to cook traditional kiwi meals) |
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Important contact details

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| Citizens Advice Bureau | 275 6885 |
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| Village Management Office | 636 7491 |
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