

MANGERE BRIDGE



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Waterlea Primary School

The Louvre Comes to Waterlea School! Fabulous art pieces created by the students of Waterlea were recently displayed at our art exhibition. The quality of the exhibits, the variety of work displayed, the hospitality and the warm friendly atmosphere all combined to make this evening a huge success. Some works reflected the influence of Lyn Wallace, our resident teacher /artist. Our PTA, led by Nina Crowe, and staff worked behind the scenes to make this evening a fun family night.



We can't wait for our turf opening! Progress on the completion of our new turf has been hindered by the inclement weather but this hasn't dampened our excitement to be soon using it for a variety of sports.

Our Matariki assembly was a festive way to start our Maori New Year celebrations. Valarie Taitua from Papatuanuku Marae told us the legend and waiata of Hape and Kaiwhare which are specific to the Mangere area. Tracey Mathews shared her knowledge about manutukutuku (kites). To top it off our Year 3 children showed their talent when they sang a Matariki waiata and performed the Matariki haka that was written for us by Megan Rikihana (the mother of some of our ex-students). As part of the Matariki celebrations Room 14 and some older children are to perform at Sir Keith Parks School's Friday Matariki assembly.



We warmly welcome Constable Pricilla Tualeva as our new police School Community Officer. We sadly farewell Constable Rav Prasad. We are grateful for the work Constable Prasad has done for our school over the last 8 years. Although his work has mainly been training our road patrollers we will miss his friendly presence around the school and wish him well at Papatoetoe.

What's on in the Bridge

- 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 526 0250.
- 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

Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 8am to 6pm
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Village Happenings

with Carol-Anne

We will breathe a collective sigh of relief once we get into August and leave the frosts behind us for another year. August tends to be wet and September windy however, Mangere Bridge Village offers a warm welcome to new residents and visitors to the area.

It will soon be time for our hanging baskets to be removed to prepare for Spring planting. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Dolly Lowe and her team of volunteers who help to plant out the new baskets and nurture them until it's time for them to go back up again. These colourful baskets are a special character feature of Mangere Bridge and, in fact, form part of the business association's logo.

Work is well underway with the supermarket change over to Fresh Choice. Contractors worked during the night to keep the store open. The shelving is now the other way around so it might take a wee bit longer to find things. The store is about the same footprint as Countdown in Onehunga but the prices will be lower. There will be new freezers and shelving coming soon so the final layout will look different to what it does now. Andrew apologises for the inconvenience.

The Sunday Boutique Market is now well established and a few weeks ago we had maximum capacity of 25 stalls, including new free range pork and specialty sausages which are all Gluten free.

If you don't use the fruit on your trees the local Community Fruit Harvesting group picks and collects fruit to share with those in need; Phone 021 228 9020 or pickfruit@extra.co.nz.

I have been the manager for the business association for nine years. During this time I have been privileged to help lift the profile of Mangere Bridge Village, guide the business association through the establishment of Mangere Bridge Village as a Business Improvement District, the transition into one 'super city' and the installation of a CCTV Surveillance System. In addition the business association now runs a programme of annual events, the most successful being the Food & Wine Festival. Through our very successful tourist brochure Mangere Bridge has been widely promoted to local hotels, motels, car/campervan companies. However, with a change in my circumstances the time has come for me to enjoy a slower pace of life and hand the baton on.

The committee members recognize the importance of having a manager who lives in Mangere Bridge, is well-grounded in the community and in tune with the aspirations of the business association, Auckland Council's Business Improvement District Policy and the community who are their customers. The job is interesting and varied and requires someone with a broad skill's set. If this sounds like you contact Pauline Anderson on 634 4250 or 021 770 799.

I have really enjoyed being of service to the business association members and the people of Mangere Bridge. It's been a pleasure to serve my community and I'd like to thank you all for your support and kind words of encouragement over the years.

The business association can be contacted through their website: www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz or leave a message on 636 7491. 'Like' us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @mbvillagenz

kind regards

Carol-Anne Armitage

Village Manager

Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association



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Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association AGM

Wednesday the 13th August at 7.30pm at the St James Church Hall, Church Road Mangere Bridge. Local Board member Nick Bakulich will be present to answer questions, there will also be a presentation from the "Friends of Ambury Farm" on the wastewise initiatives they are promoting.

Mangere Bridge Arts Group Original Art Sale

The Spring Exhibition of the Mangere Bridge Arts Group will take place at St James Church Hall, Church Rd, Mangere Bridge on Sat 23rd and Sun 24th August from 10 am to 4 pm.

All works are for sale and the exhibits are all produced by the local art group. A variety of media, oil, pastel, acrylic, pen and ink and watercolour are all represented.

This is the tenth year the group have organised this popular event so why not come along and enjoy the efforts of your local artists. This is an opportunity to purchase original artworks at affordable prices, and possibly meet the artist who created it.

Free Entry - Refreshments are available throughout the weekend and over 200 works are for sale at this two day event.

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- St James Church Hall
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Probus turns 16

The Probus Club of Mangere Bridge recently celebrated their 16th birthday at their club rooms in the Bridge Park Bowling Club in Taylor Road. After a delicious morning tea and a short interesting talk from a Policewoman based in Otahuhu, the very enjoyable entertainment was provided by The Grey Warblers who are a male choir from the Hillsborough Heights Retirement Village. Once again this was a very successful birthday party.

Our Probus Club is open to both male and female retirees who enjoy the friendship and fellowship of others. It is strictly a social club and our meetings are held on the 4th Friday each month between 10am and midday. Following morning tea and the Club business we have a very interesting speaker.

Other events are a club outing every 2 months. Recently we visited the John Hill Winery in Hunua for our mid-winter lunch. The food was excellent and the venue really lovely. A large number of our members enjoy musical shows so our trip coordinator also arranges block bookings to these. We recently enjoyed 'Annie' and are now looking forward to 'The Sound of Music' in October.

If you would like to join our Club or would like more information please phone our Secretary Bev on 6346091

Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association

Winter is hers with all its fury, resulting in a low turn-out for our July meeting.. Only a few items on the agenda and no one from the Local Board to talk to us. The elusive Maritime Recreation Fund has been located. It is under the care of the Big City finance department and is to be managed by the Local Board chairs of the old Manukau City wards that were entitled to grants. Mangere's last grant was used towards the construction of the new all tide boat ramp. (unbeknown to the members) It has been suggested that the fund, that is somewhere in the region of \$4m should be controlled by a Trust made up from members of the participating Boards. Hopefully, this way the fund would not be able to be diverted to some Big City project. There seems to be good number of Further Submissions to the Associations submission to the Auckland Unitary Plan for the reclamation of the area between the old Mangere Bridge and the motorway bridges. With the imminent demolition of the old bridge this area would be a sensible place to deposit the demolition material. However as these things take time the material will probably have to be carted away to some distant landfill. Some good news with the announcement that here will be 1600 new houses on the vacant land from Walmsley Rd to the foreshore opposite the start of Robertson Rd. Probably get a new road into the area from Mahunga Drive. Not so good is the apparent stoppage of work on the land by the tavern. There have been frustrating meetings over the proposed Central Interceptor Project. Watercares plan would release huge quantities of stormwater and at times raw sewage into the shallow Manukau Harbour. The Ratepayers Assoc and other parties have combined to oppose this plan. More good news. The Auckland intensive housing plans that showed multi storied buildings between the Village and the motorway has now been changed to two stories only. That's really good news. Now it's time for our Annual Meeting. This year the School Auditorium is not available, so the meeting will be in the St James Church Hall. Come along and have you say. \$5 per household at the door please to keep us solvent. Wednesday 13 August at 7.30pm .

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Mangere Historical Society

The speaker for July's meeting at Mangere Historical Society was Mary Thorne one of the Chaplains attached to the Auckland Women's Correctional Facility, based near McLaughlans Mountain or what is left of it. The Maori name is Kaitiaki Puukakai Te Au Kaitai. The buildings are roughly laid out in the shape of the Stingray in recognition of Hape's arrival in Aotearoa. This facility caters for 6% of the prison population. Mary commented that many of the women are courageous and resilient in so many ways, and have had been through so much before they ended up there.

The Chaplain's duty is to care for all the women in whatever way is required for their spiritual needs and to help them to deal with the many painful areas of their lives, grief, anger and physical hurt. They need to come to terms with the storm of emotions that have to be dealt with before they can be released. The Mother and Baby unit allows the kiddies to stay with their Mothers until they are two, and the care givers that are to take over after that period are introduced in plenty of time to allow all to adjust to the changes that are coming. A lot of training is available to help re-integrate the women.

The prison is deemed necessary to keep the community safe and there are up to 2,000 volunteers working to rehabilitate the women. Literacy, AA and drug programmes are available as well as psychological services for those who need help in these areas. The custodial staff are both men and women and come from many different cultures. The minimum security inmates help socialise the puppies that are to become working dogs for the Customs, Agriculture, Deaf or Handicapped people.

Incarceration is advocated as a positive step towards changing their lives. Many talents are developed while they are living in this facility.

Recidivism is a real problem as the security of a bed and food and care are provided. Visitors are very necessary for the prisoners. There is a youth unit catering for those up to aged 18. Prior to this age they are not allowed to mingle with the general prison population.

The two chaplains have to abide by the prison rules and Mary remarked that the TV version of sadistic warders is not true of their ones, as they all have a very good relationship with everyone.

We all learnt a great deal from listening to this charming lady speaking.

Bridge Park Tennis Club

Have you ever driven past the tennis courts on Taylor Road and thought "I'd like to play tennis" but never done anything about it? It will soon be time to wipe the dust off your racquet and get your tennis whites out! If you are interested in playing interclub in the 2014/15 tennis season, you have until the 10th August to register. If you're keen to play socially, we have great rates for families and individuals, starting from as low as \$120 for the year. For more information come along to our AGM at the club on Monday 4th August at 6.30pm or call: 634 9023/ email: bridgepark.tennis@gmail.com

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