

MANGERE BRIDGE



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Waterlea Primary School

Waterlea – opens its turf - celebratory balloons bobbed in the sunshine while the children enjoyed the challenges of team sports at the opening of our turf. Special thanks to Audry McLaren and Aaron Redgwell for overseeing the fundraising and project respectively. Three cheers to the PTA for getting in behind the fundraising as well. We are most grateful to 4 Winds and NZCT for their generous sponsorship. Thanks to those who worked behind the scenes to make this event a successful one. Special thanks to all those parents who joined the celebrations and added to the festivities.

There is still an opportunity to be involved to help the school to raise \$8000 to complete this great addition to the turf project. Get involved and invest in our children's future by making a donation to our turf's block wall on the 'give a little' web site - www.givealittle.co.nz/org/waterlea - thank you.



We are very proud of Abigail Catterson from Room 7 who was placed 3rd in the Inter-schools Speech Competition that was held recently - congratulations Abigail.

We were thrilled to receive funds from Southern Trust for some iPads which will be used to support learning in a variety of ways.

And as we write this our Cross Country team have just returned from the Mangere/Otahuhu Sports Association interschool Cross Country event and brought home with them the winning trophy- well done team!

Ambury Farm Day

Ambury Farm Day this year is Sunday October 5th from 10am - 4pm at Ambury Farm, at the end of Kiwi Esplanade.

Ambury Farm Day is a free, fun-filled day with farming activities, including: pony and horse rides, sheep shearing, cow milking, butter making, wood chopping, farm animal petting and feeding, gumboot throwing and live bands.

Ambury Farm Day brings a touch of country to the big smoke and allows visitors the chance to experience a real, working farm up close and personal.

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
- THURSDAY** Bridge Art Group, 9am - 12:00,
Memorial Hall
Scouts 7-9pm.
Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm
- 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 Tue Mangere Historical Soc 1:30pm St James
Hall Church St
- 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

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Village Happenings

with Pauline

New Manager for the Business Association

Hello again. It is wonderful that the feel and smell of summer is in the air and I'm sure all of us are looking towards our summer break.

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed Kate Adams as our new Village Manager. Kate started in her role last Tuesday and will spend some time with me getting herself up to speed with the role. Kate will pop around and introduce herself to all the business owners over the next few weeks and is already into it with meetings scheduled and planning the Santa parade.

Kate is a Mangere Bridge resident and her parents and brother also live on "The Bridge" so she is very committed and excited about her new role. Many of you will know her already as she is regularly seen delivering the village newsletter with her daughters in tow in the pram.

The focus for the next two months are the preparations for the Santa parade on Thursday the 4th December. Remember to let us know if you are interested in having a float in the parade.

A burglary occurred at the Hong Kong Bakery on the morning of the 29th September. There were some witnesses who were able to get some very helpful details, the vehicle license plate (stolen) and description. This plus with the CCTV footage has provided the police with useful information. Thanks to everyone who assisted the ladies in the bakery and the police. Been vigilant in your local community ensures that likely offenders are firstly deterred and if not deterred "caught". The message will soon get out that the people in Mangere Bridge will not tolerate crime or anti social behavior. Always remember if you think something looks suspicious it probably is. At a minimum take some details they just might come in handy.

A belated warm welcome to the team at Ray White who have opened in the village. They have certainly brightened up the corner of Church and Coronation road for us.

Have a great month.

kind regards
Pauline Anderson

Village Manager
Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association



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Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

Celebrating 60 years 1954 – 2014

Congratulations to the following Championship winners:

Skips and Leads Winners:	Ian Price and Dolly Lowe
Runners up	Fred Webster and Judy Maguire
Threes and Twos Winners	Helen Robinson and Danny Maddan
Runners Up	David Sayers and Sue Redfern
Graded Fours Winners	Neil Robinson, Danny Maddan, Geoff Slee, Janene Ramsay
Runners Up	Fred Webster, Maryann Stipich, Sue Redfern, Ernie Hall

Thank you to all those Mangere Bridge Businesses that sponsored us for the September Tournament, winners were Karen Wolken's team from Papatoetoe and runner up my team from Plunket Club. Thank you to the Plunket Playgroup mothers for the wonderful supper and we look forward to presenting them with a cheque of the proceeds at our prizegiving.

Prize giving is Wednesday November 12th 7.30pm and all past and present members are invited to come help us celebrate our 60 years, past members please leave message on one of below phone numbers if you are able to attend.

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Mangere Historical Society

Our September meeting was our AGM. It was the smoothest and most friendly meeting a visitor observed. St James Hall was full. The swift re-election of the President Janet Pre-land, Secretary Val Payne, and Treasurer Barbara Dixon was followed by the enthusiastic Committee of Naomi Kirk, Pat Blayney, Beverley Beattie, Barry Taylor, Judith Wilson, Val Benjamin, Val Sampson, Bryan Belcher and newly elected Jill Palmer. The President's report acknowledged the work that these people and others in the Society undertake in their own quiet way, that allows our Society to give this group the successful results that they achieve through out the year. Four years of research has allowed the researchers to amass several hundred names of men and women from Mangere, who went to represent their country in WWII, in the Pacific and the Mediterranean and Middle East battlefields. We have several hundred names, far more than the 100 recorded on the Roll of Honour in the War Memorial Hall and probably 87 that are not recorded on the Cenotaph website. Our 5 folios of information and photos will be loaned to the Museum so that they can add this data to theirs. It will then be retained at our Archives room near the CAB at the Mangere Town Centre for others to research should they want too. These rooms are open on Mondays from 10a. m. -1p. m. and are a treasure house of information on so much of Mangere's history and people. Well worth a visit. Some members spoke of what their children have achieved in their lives. A tasty afternoon tea followed and the members mixed and chatted with their friends, as other members of the public came in to the Hall to record their vote. Our next meeting is the third Tuesday on October and the speaker is talking about "Old Tools".

All Welcome

Mangere Bridge Library Events

School Holiday Programme: all 2:30 – 4pm

Monday 29 September – Let's get trashed; bring your hands (and some boxes, etc) to make something from our trash

Wednesday 1 October – Let's get trashed – wearable art; bring your ideas and materials to make a wearable wonder to showcase in our parade

Monday 6 October – Dancing with the heart; put on your dancing shoes and we'll move, shake and groove together

Wednesday 8 October – Mad Hatter's Tea Party; enjoy a whimsical adventure at our afternoon tea party

Saturday 4 October 1:30-3pm – The Block Party (fun with LEGO)

Friday afternoons 3:30-4:30pm – The Kids Book Club. All sorts of fun activities and games.

DIWALI 13-24 October - The librarians will be all dressed up on Friday 17 October for a special Singalong Storytime at 10:30.

Tea & Topics Wednesday 22 October 10:30
A talk about waste minimisation

Money Week 13-19 October

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WasteWise Community Presentations

Our WasteWise team has been out and about in the community over the last month, raising awareness about waste issues, providing education on recycling and inspiring people with our vision for a "WasteWise caring community". With some ongoing funding from Auckland Council, we've contracted a Project Manager (Sharryn Park) and Project Leader (Justine Skilling), making it possible for us to offer to speak to local groups or organisations about waste issues and the work we're doing.

To date, we've delivered presentations to the Mangere Bridge Residents' and Ratepayers' AGM, Mangere Bridge Playcentre parents, and Mangere Bridge Brownies and their parents. We tailor presentations to particular groups and include recycling tips and practical activities that reduce waste. We've had great feedback and lots of encouragement to reach as many people as possible.

We're thrilled to be able to visit local groups in our community where and when they meet, and to not only share our knowledge but also give people the opportunity to contribute to our "WasteWise" vision for Mangere Bridge. There's no cost, so if you would like us to present to a group you're involved with, please email Justine at justineskilling@gmail.com or contact us through our Facebook page www.facebook.com/FriendsoftheFarmMangereBridge

Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers

A very short meeting held on September 10th. However on Thursday 25th September, the Chair Val Payne and Bill Kirk were chauffeured into the city by Jon Baulcomb to make our submission to the Unitary Plan Hearings panel on the need to reclaim the area between the old Mangere Bridge and the motorway bridge. We presented just two pages that were apparently well received. So at last we have a foot in the door. Our next meeting will be on Wed 8 October St James Church hall at 7.30 pm

Mangere Bridge Santa Parade

Ho Ho Ho! Santa says he's looking forward to attending our Santa Parade to be held at Mangere Bridge Village on Thursday 4 December. Time to get your thinking caps on and come up with some float designs!

Local groups and organisations will be able to promote their clubs at the festival afterwards, where there will be entertainment for the children.

So don't forget to mark the date in your calendar!

Thursday 4 December - 6.30pm - 8.30pm - Contact info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz

Copy Deadline for November 2014

Deadline for the November Issue is the 21st October 2014. To ensure that your article makes the November issue please email your articles to articles@mangerebridge.co.nz. We cannot guarantee a definite delivery time for the Village Newsletter, however we will do our best to have it delivered before the advertised upcoming events.



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