## MANGERE BRIDG



NOVEMBER VOLUME

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## **Great Learning Happenings at Waterlea**

Two of the school's strategic goals are "through a full and rich curriculum we are learning to connect to our world and our community". The Years 5 & 6 bike activity at the end of last term certainly went a long way to reaching those goals. The 80 students who rode thoroughly loved it. Thanks to all those who helped make it a brilliant day.

**Triumph in the Inter School Cross Country:** 

On 25 September our cross-country team of 36 Years 4, 5, 6 athletes competed against 12 other Mangere Otahuhu schools. The team had been training hard and this paid off as Waterlea won the 2014 Cross Country trophy coming first overall. The following are the individual results: The winning teams

Year 4 girls - first; Year 4 boys - first Year 5 girls - first; Year 5 boys - second

Year 6 girls - third; Year 6 boys - no official placing we think they would have come forth.



Big Slurp: The Waterlea children participated in the "Big Slurp". World school milk day to celebrate the 65 million children who enjoy school milk around the world. Some classes made and wore cow masks to celebrate the event. How do Cows add? With a cow-culator - hehe. Tell us an udder joke about cows!

Pink Bag Collection: we are always raising money for our school so if you have any unwanted clothes and shoes please drop them off at school for the PTA's Pink Bag collection on Thursday 6th November - Thank you.

CanTeen Mufti Day: Last term we raised \$721.00 for CanTeen. Thanks to the generosity of our Waterlea community every child received a CanTeen bandanna to celebrate this.

# Mangere Bridge Santa Parade The annual Santa Parade at Mangere Bridge Village is on Thursday 4th December starting at

6.30pm sharp.

The parade is now 1.5 kms long and takes 45 minutes, leaving from Domain Road and travelling north along Coronation Road then back up again on the other side so the children get a really good look at all the floats. There are lots of good viewing spots along the route. Coronation Road between Domain and Church Roads will be closed with no parking but there is plenty of parking in the side streets. There will also be a good variety of craft stalls with some inexpensive ideas for Christmas gifts

Due to the road closure traffic will be re-routed either, along Hastie Ave if travelling north, or Crawford Ave if travelling south. If you're driving home from the south after work it's best to go along Wallace Road. Please follow the detour signs.

### What's on in the Bridge

MONDAY

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

Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library. Playball 2-5 years 9:15-9:55am, Mangere

Bridge Scout Hall, Taylor Rd

SATURDAY Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am

SLINDAY Village Boutique Market 9am - 1pm

Mon/Tue/Thu Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am

Mangere Bridge Walking group 9am Tue - Thu

Mon/Wed/Fri

3rd Tue

FRIDAY

Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road

2nd Wed R & R Meeting 7.30pm

St James Church Hall

Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips 1st Thu

phone 526 0250.

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**

Monday - Friday 8am to 6pm Saturday 9am to 1:00pm Sunday 10am to 2pm

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## Village Happenings

Well it's defiantly been four seasons in one day this month, here's to some sunshine and better weather on the horizon. It's definitely made a difference now that daylight savings has started.

Not long now till our annual Santa Parade which is going to be on Thursday the 4th December, don't forget to come along and bring your friends and family it's a fantastic family event. There will be live music, kids rides ,face painting ,dancing, performances and market stalls too so have a look around after the parade. The Parade starts at 6.30 sharp and will come down coronation road from the domain and through the shops.

By now you should have received a copy of the Latest Mangere bridge business directory, a yellow card that was delivered to all residents. If for any reason you have not received one email me and we can arrange for one to be delivered. Its also up on our website.

#### **Village Focus**

#### Phnom Penh Restaurant.

The new restaurant is due to open up before Christmas with Cambodian and European style dishes. Keep an eye out for opening dates and make sure to book in for dinner or lunch

#### Village Butchery

They are already geared up for BBQ weather with a nice selection of meats including gourmet sausages and marinated steak. It's not too early either to be thinking about ordering your Christmas hams!

#### **Boutique markets**

Don't forget to stop in and check out our weekly Sunday markets, there is a great variety of stalls down there with lots of goodies on offer.

We are having a special Christmas market on Sunday the 7th December with a few extra stalls over in Naomi and Bill Kirk Park.

#### Coronation Restaurant & Café

The restaurant is very popular so get in early to book your end of year Christmas functions. They cater for those on Gluten Free diets.

I can be contacted through the Business Association's website:

www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz

kind regards

Kate Adams

Village Manager Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

## **Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby 2014**

The Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby is rolling around again, taking place Sunday November 16th. This is our Third year running and we're promising even more fun than our previous years events with a few surprises instore for drivers.

The Mangere Bridge Trolley Derby is open to everyone - little kids, big kids, and adults, so there's all sorts of drivers and trolleys taking part. If you can build it, you can race it. Race Registrations have now closed however if you haven't entered there is still the opportunity to take a drive down the course during our "Have A Go" time period over the lunch break around Midday.

Come on down to check out all the trolleys and the racing action. The trolleys will be on display from 9am, and then warmup and racing kicks off around 9:30am. There will be races to see who's built the fastest soapbox racer, a show & shine, and some great prizes for Style-Meister. Heats are being run throughout the morning, and then the Semi Finals, and Finals Races after midday.

The Mangere Bridge Scout Group are setting up a massive "Slip and Slide" so make sure to bring along your togs and towel, plus there will be some great sideshows to take part in, and food stalls to keep you fueled up. Pack a picnic and grab a sun umbrella and make a day of it down on the grass in front of the tennis courts or along the side of the course on Taylor Rd.

We've got some great support from loal businesses this year including the Mangere Bridge GAS Petrol Service Station, Ruby Red Café, Mangere Floral Studio, Mangere Bridge Pharmacy, Hubbards, Bridge Fruit and Veg, Bridge Pizza, and FuelMe in Onehunga, and we've also been fortunate to receive financial support from the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board area Auckland Council, so this years Derby is going to be a great event.

For further information go to www.mbtrolleyderby.co.nz or check us out on facebook https://www.facebook.com/MangereBridgeTrolleyDerby









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## **Ambury Farm Day 2014**

Ambury Farm buzzed with around 20,000 people this month, despite the morning's wet and wild weather. Punters enjoyed the shorter queues and less traffic and the afternoon cleared to a lovely day, enjoyed by all who attended. The local community was out in force, with stalls brought to us by Mangere Bridge Playcentre, Plunket, Scouts, Berry Yummy Ice-cream, the Softball Club, Mangere Mountain Education Centre and Mangere Bridge Kindergarten. Many locals volunteered on the day and enjoyed being part of a fabulous community event.

Inspired by our community efforts to be WasteWise, Farm Day this year included the added bonus of being a Zero Waste event, which successfully diverted 78% of waste, or 225kg of rubbish, from landfill! Special thank you to the Waka Ama Portage Crossing team and Destiny's Desire to Walk team for helping us all to sort our rubbish into the correct bin on the day. What a wonderful way to show the wider Auckland community what a WasteWise, caring community we are!

# Upcoming events at Mangere Bridge Library

**Tea & Topics:** Wednesday 22 October 10:30am A talk about waste minimisation, composting, worm farming and bokashi.

Wednesday 26 November 10:30am Carolyn Buckley will be sharing her experiences of Italy.

**The Block Party:** Saturday 1 November 1:30-3pm Free play with our LEGO collection for all ages 0-99

The Wellbeing Book Club: Thursday 13 November 10am-12pm Share a wellbeing book you have read and enjoyed with the group.

## Mangere Bridge Carols by Glowlight

Mangere Bridge Carols by Glowlight is happening on Thursday 18th December at 7:30 pm until 9pm, in the village square outside the Hong Kong Bakery.

Bring a blanket, chair and the family. Glowsticks provided for the children.

There is no rain date so if raining it will not happen, a call will be made by 3pm on the day. For more details contact Lindsay on 021 546 379

## **Daffodil Day**

A big thank you to all who supported Daffodil day street appeal. Our little community raised \$2094.

Well done Mangere Bridge.

The Lucy Bear raffle was won by Herb.



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## **Mangere Community House**

Christmas in Centre Park 'Love and Light' are calling for Youth volunteers, participate in the Event, Singing, Spoken Word, Drama, Dance, Cultural Catwalk, or our Mini Christmas in Centre Park for our children 0-12yrs, or volunteer with our operation teams, First Aid, Security, Ushers, Runners, Stalls, Waste Management, Health And Safety, Gifts and Donations, there's plenty to do, so please register your interest with us at Mangere Community House 275 4920 or email loveandlight@outlook.co.nz

We are also calling out for Donations for our vulnerable and financially challenged families, monetary or food or gifts, as we put together parcels for them to enjoy over the Christmas period.

Silver Sneakers

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Silver Sneakers Senior Fitness, Tues and Thurs 9:30 - 10:30am, Senior Citizens Hall, 3 Pearce St, Onehunga. Ph Kimi 630 0629. First class FREE, thereafter \$5/class

### **Mangere Historical Society**

Mangere Historical Members had their interest aroused by our speaker Brian Goodwin, educating us on old tools and the need to restore them as an important part of our history. He had inherited his Grandfather and Father's versions and as a recently retired Building Contractor, Cabinet-maker and Kitchen-fitter had a good supply of his own that would eventually require attention. Brian had brought along a great selection of sizes and types of spanners, monkey wrench, planes, screwdrivers, screws of differing dimensions and explained how there had been a standardisation of screws, as some were square and others hexagonal. Many others tools shown to us, we had no idea what they could be used for. He explained that the Vintage Tool Society had auctions after they had cleaned up tools that they had acquired, so that others could add to their collections. Many of the older ladies had drawers full of such things in their homes and now know to ring Brian and he may well be able to take them of their hands. He reminds us that our kitchens had no end of tools, many unused for years, and people also collected, thimbles, knitting needles sewing paraphernalia and even sewing machines. He told of Mr Stanley an American entrepreneur who had tools manufactured in his name and sold them all over USA. He managed to buy out any opposition traders and prospered. Stanley tools are still well known today. He reminded us that Keys through the ages have diminished greatly. Now they are not always an essential as they once were.

Brian's other interest include searching for old and rotting scows, lighthouses – often difficult to get too, volunteering at the Maritime Museum – crewing on boats and also the ecological interest in our bush and the eradication of the rodents that do so much harm. He was an entertaining speaker on so many subjects.

Our last meeting will be on Nov 20th at 1.30, speaker Cyril Skilton talking about old Onehunga, with pictures.

#### Copy Deadline for December 2014

Deadline for the December Issue is the 23rd November 2014. To ensure that your article makes the December 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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