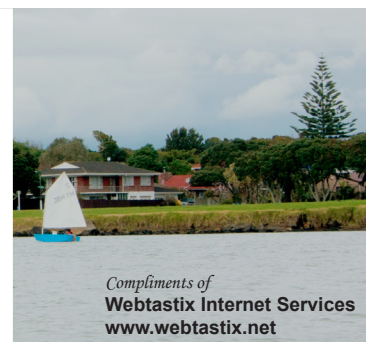


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MANGERE BRIDGE VILLAGE ST PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL

**Sunday
20th March**

Coronation Road between roundabouts at
Rimu & Miro Roads

Come and enjoy the relaxed, friendly atmosphere at this pretty
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Friends of the Farm Household Waste Pilot

Do you want to reduce your landfill waste? Want to do your bit for the environment? The Mangere Bridge Household Waste Pilot helps households to reduce their waste. Friends of the Farm facilitators look at the rubbish being produced by each household and give practical advice and support to reduce the amount going to landfill.

"The pilot made me more aware of recyclable items and helped me to put things in the right place," said one participant. "It was good to find out how to dispose of waste knowing that it's helping the environment," said another. Others were pleased they'd be saving money once the Council's user-pays system for landfill waste comes into operation in the next couple of years.

Round three of the pilot is starting soon. We're looking for new households to join us in making Mangere Bridge a wastewise community. Facilitators, Meredith and Caroline, are wonderful to work with and it only takes an hour to get started. We encourage you to get a group of your friends or neighbours together – it's easier when your friends are doing it too and people can be neighbourly by sharing compost bins etc.

Interested in taking part in the pilot? Email us today at friends@fof.nz for more information, or to register. Or phone: Frances Hancock 0210722696.

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
Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
Mangere Bridge Playcentre
9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road

TUESDAY

Keas 6-7pm / Cubs 5-7pm
Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
Mangere Bridge Walking Group 9am
Meet @ Village noticeboard - 027 201 1981
Mangere Historical Soc 1:30pm
St James Hall Church St [3rd tuesday]
Library Bookclub 10:30am [2nd tue]
Mangere Bridge Playcentre
9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road

WEDNESDAY

Brownies 6-7:30pm
Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm
Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mtn Education Ctr.
Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls
7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall
Mangere Bridge Playcentre
9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
R&R Meeting 7.30pm [2nd wed/month]
St James Church hall
Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30
[4th wed/month]

THURSDAY

Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
Art Group, 9am - 12:00, Memorial Hall
Scouts 7-9pm.
Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm
Senior Citizens Travel Club, Day Trips
phone 526 0250 [1st thur of month]
Mangere Bridge Walking Group 9am
Meet @ Village noticeboard - 027 201 1981

FRIDAY

Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
Playball 2-5 years 9:15-9:55am,
Mangere Bridge Scout Hall, Taylor Rd
Mangere Bridge Playcentre
9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
Probus, Mangere Bridge bowling club
phone 634 6091 [4th Fri of month]

SATURDAY: Plunket Toy Library 9:30-10:30am
SUNDAY: Village Boutique Market 9am-1pm

What's on in the bridge

Opening Hours

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

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village happenings

with Kate

village focus

We are already underway with many events for the village this year and it looks like it's going to be a busy one.

I finally got to catch up with Plunket and the Mangere Bridge Kapa Haka group this week to present them with their awards for best float and best group for the 2015 Santa Parade. Both groups were given an award and some fresh choice vouchers.

Hope you are all enjoying the sunshine :)

upcoming events 2016

Teddy Bears Picnic - Sunday 6th March from 11am-2pm at Naomi and Bill Kirk Park. Come along bring and picnic lunch, there will be face painting and fun stuff for the kids

St Patricks Festival - Sunday 20th march at Naomi and Bill Kirk park, markets stalls, face painting and kids activities

8.30-2pm

Crafty Sundays

Crafty Sundays are back up and running and the next one will be 13th March at Naomi and Bill Kirk park, come along and check out the stalls markets run from 8.30-2pm.

Food and Wine Festival 2016

This year's festival will be held on the 10th April from 10.30am-5pm we have a great lineup of food crafts and entertainment planned for this year so mark it on the calendar. Keep any eye on Facebook for updated details of who is performing when.

I can be contacted on email
info@mangerebridgevillage.co.nz

kind regards

Kate Adams

Village Manager
Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

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Joan

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Friday 18 March, 5pm - 8pm, Waterlea School, 17 House Ave, Mangere Bridge

Auckland, 18 March 2016 - Preparation is now well underway for Waterlea Summer festival, with people marking their diaries as the day to come and celebrate with this years entertainment lineup.

The Waterlea Summer Festival promises a strong and exciting line up including Waterlea's Kapa haka group & their school choir that performed in the Kids for Kids concert at the Vodafone events centre in 2015. All kids B-boy group will also be bringing the hip hop dance beats of South Auckland to Mangere Bridge on the Friday night.

Local act Zoo Boogie has been confirmed for our younger generation; music created for children aged 2-7 years. Zoo Boogie is the journey of a bunch of musically gifted animals who live at a Zoo. Led by Dale the Zoo Keeper, the animals love to perform, share stories and enjoy life together.

Local act Aotea Schwenke is set to sing her heart out on our mainstage. Aotea was in the first season of the X-Factor NZ and placed in the top 24; being in the final 6 girls. She was in an all-girls band during high school which won the national Smokefree Pacifica Beats competition. She is now married and currently studying part time whilst caring for her one-year old daughter.

Waterlea Summer festival Entertainment Co-ordinator and ex-pupil Tanya Haitoua-Cathro says this year is all about celebrating:

"Waterlea Summer Festival has evolved from it's school Gala days and has gone from strength to strength over the past two decades. This year's Festival is about enjoying that. It's about celebrating our children and raising money for a much needed upgrade on the middle school playground. We're looking forward to seeing the community of Mangere Bridge and surrounding communities out in support."

The final act is yet to be announced but watch this space as it will sure to be an entertainment extravaganza to close the Waterlea Summer festival out.

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St James Church Easter Services

Palm Sunday - 20th March:

9.00 am service of the blessing and distribution of the Easter palm crosses as we remember Jesus journey into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday - 24th March:

An evening service at 7.00 pm. This is a foot washing service re-enacting the actions of Jesus washing his disciple's feet at the scene of the Last Supper. A symbolic meal of bread and oil is shared around a common table before communion.

Good Friday - 25th March:

Procession of the Cross, with Stations of the Cross. This begins from the Hammer Hardware shop in Mangere Bridge Village at 8.30 am. The procession proceeds through the Mangere Bridge Village to arrive at St James Church in Church Road for the start of the 9.00 am Good Friday reflection Service.

Easter Eve - 26th March:

This evening (Midnight) service begins at 11.30pm with a service of light where the Paschal Candle is lit and placed in the church. Followed by the first communion service for Easter at 12.00 midnight.

Easter day - 27th March:

At 9.00 am. A celebration of the resurrection of Christ. A Communion service. The St James Choir will present Easter anthems.

For more info:

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Tuesdays	9am-5pm
Wednesdays	9am-5pm
Thursday	9am-7pm
Fridays	9am-5pm
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Sundays	9am-1pm

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Mangere Historical Society

Mangere Historical Society started the new year with the February meeting when current business was discussed and a eulogy was presented for Naomi Kirk, a life member of the society. It was felt that flowers were a lovely way to be remembered for someone who had given so much to the area and the groups she supported. We just need to look around at the hanging baskets, the park, the bougainvillea at the side of the shops and the spring blossoms in Taylor Road to remember her with gratitude.

The guest speaker was Bev Beatson who has been a member of the Society for many years. She spoke about the early days of Weightwatchers in the 1970s when she started as a lecturer and finished as the National Supervisor in Auckland. It was a completely different system to now. You were given a list of foods that had to be eaten which was a more positive way than showing you the list that you should not touch. The classes were very large sometimes 70 to 80 people would attend. Bev said she preferred to do the "weigh-in" herself as it gave her the opportunity to speak to each member individually. The first meeting was held in the Papatoetoe Town Hall in 1972.

As Bev rose up the ranks she was presented with a car and sometimes would travel miles and attend several meetings in different areas, Tauranga, Te Aroha and Whangarei being among them. These could be in the day time or in the evening and then she drove herself home. Her most famous moment was when she weighed David Lange with due ceremony and photographers present.

Are you a local performer, musician, creative or artist?

Do you have a creative project that you'd like to make happen in the Māngere Ōtāhuhu area?

We are looking for people and organisations to submit ideas for creative projects that happen in and with local communities.

These projects could involve craft, visual arts, music, dance, kapa haka, spoken word, or digital arts - anything that has a creative angle to it - and could happen everywhere from the street to theatres, shopping centres or marae. This could be your opportunity to showcase your talent!

The main criteria for this programme are: a way to meaningfully involve community, projects are led by local people, each project has a strong creative idea behind it

If your project is selected, the Māngere Ōtāhuhu Arts Brokers can support you to fulfil your vision, assist with funding, and also help to find the right location or people for you to work with.

If you are interested in getting involved, please send us an email briefly describing:

Your idea and any useful links or images, Some information about you, Who you would be working with, Your contact details, Where you live or how you are connected to the Māngere / Ōtāhuhu area. Please send the above information by FRIDAY MARCH 18 to: sally@mangereotahuhuarts.org.nz - Mob. 021 725598

Copy Deadline for April 2016

Deadline for the April Issue is the 22nd March. To ensure that your article makes the April 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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