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VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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November 2010

We apologise for the incorrect heading last month that said this is the last edition for the year, there will be one at the beginning of December as always

Waterlea School Twilight Gala

Friday 5th November 5-7.30pm

Hangi* Auctions* Home-made crafts* Games* Sausage Sizzle* Raffles* Cakes

Come along, enjoy and support Waterlea School

Mangere Bridge Primary - Car boot sale!

WHEN: Saturday 4 December 2010

TIME : 8 am – 12 pm

WHERE: Mangere Bridge Primary School

Come along to Mangere Bridge School for lots of great bargains. Cake Stalls, Bouncy Castle, Food and Drinks.

For Stalls, please contact Chris 6363635 or chris@erson.co.nz \$10.00 per "car boot".

Mangere Bridge Scout Group

Mangere Bridge Scout Group expects to begin construction of their new Scout Hall in the New Year. The group wants the hall to be used by the whole community and would like to hear from any groups who would be interested in using the hall, especially during the day. They offer use of a main hall approx 17.5mtrs x 10mtrs, a training room approx 11mtrs x 6mtrs, a smaller room, kitchen facilities and male and female toilets.

Please send any preliminary enquiries to hornez@xtra.co.nz

Mangere Bridge Santa Parade

Thursday 2 December

Yes, it's that time of the year already and the Santa Parade is not so far off so it's time to do some creative thinking for your floats!

Due to the unsettled weather last year crowd numbers were down but estimated around 5,000. We had some great floats so we are looking forward to what this year's parade will have to offer.

It's also a great opportunity to publicize your club or group during the entertainment that follows after the parade. Space will be allocated for participants to erect tents and for stalls.

If you would like to take part this year please contact Carol-Anne on 636 7491 or mbvillage@maxnet.co.nz

Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowling Club

Congratulations to our junior Zac Smith who came 3rd equal in Auckland Junior Singles. Marilyn Baskiville 3rd equal in Manukau Champ of Champ Singles. Marilyn and Ian Price 3rd equal in Auckland Mix Pairs.

Championship Winners: Fours – Fred Webster, Helen Robinson, David Sayers, Geoff Slee

Runners up – Marilyn Baskiville, Dereck Ansty, Judy Maquire, Joshua Smith

Skips and Leads – David Ward & Joshua Smith

Runners Up - Ian Price & Sue Redfern

3's & 2's - Derek Ansty and Helen Robinson

Graded Fours - Ian Price, Angela Leslie, Helen Robinson, Gloria Maunghan

Runners up - Fred Webster, Maryanne Stipich, Chris Payne, John Bowman

Prize giving to be held Wednesday 10 November.

President: Charlie Toft Ph: 622 3254 Secretary: Marilyn Baskiville Ph: 634 2241

What's on in the Bridge

- Monday:** Guides 6 - 8pm.
CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm.
Methodist Church Hall.
St John Youth- every Mon 6:30 - 8:00pm.
Tai Chi All ages, \$6 for students - 7pm
St James' Church Hall - Phone 266 7473.
- Tuesday:** Pippins 4:30 - 5:30pm
Keas 4 - 5pm
Cubs 4 - 5:30pm
- Wednesday:** Brownies 6 - 7:30pm
Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm
Plunket Toy Library 9:30am - 10:30am
Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain Education Centre.
Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall.
Exercise Classes with *DYNABANDS* Manukau Yacht Club 6.30pm - 7.30pm.
Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 am- 12:30pm
Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road
- Thursday:** Bridge Art Group, 9am - Noon, Memorial Hall
Scouts 6:30 - 8:30pm.
- Friday:** Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
- Saturday:** Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
- Mon/Tue/Thru** - Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
- Mon/Wed:** Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall
- 2nd Sun's:** Sunday Walking
- Tue - Thur:** Mangere Bridge Walking group 9:00am
- Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri** Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
- 3rd Wed:** R & R Meeting 7.30pm St James Church Hall
- Mon/Wed:** Chen Style Tai Chi, all ages - 10am
St James Church Hall - Phone 266 7473
- 1st Thu:** Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips
phone 634 1062.
- 1st & 3rd Sat:** Village Square Market.
- Contact Details for Scouts - 0800 Scouts

Opening Hours

Monday - Wednesday 9am to 5:30pm
Thursday - Friday 9am to 6:00pm
Saturday 9am to 1:00pm

Phone: 09 636 4249

Ph/Fax: 09 636 6228

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Village Happenings

with Carol-Anne

Carol-Anne Armitage our Village Manager is currently on leave so I will fill in for her with village news.

Probably top of the list is the Mangere Bridge Business Associations winning of the Best Business Improvement District (BID) for Allocated Resources, at this year's Manukau City awards function held at Villa Maria. This is the 3rd award we have won in the four years that the BID programme has been started here in Manukau.

By the way, the Annual General Meeting of members of our Business Improvement District and Business Association is being held at the library at 5.45pm on the 26th of October.

We have also nearly completed our strategic business plan for the next three years. This has involved two meetings to gain input from both business association members, and the wider community of key stakeholders in the village as to where they would like our direction to be maintained. This documented plan is necessary in order to maintain our funding, allocated by the Manukau City Council, towards promoting the best interests of our members, in as efficient and responsible way as we can.

What else, oh yes...our CCTV system has recently been very useful in a police investigation into a recent armed robbery in another part of Auckland, where the "getaway car" was stolen from the back of the village, with the perpetrators caught on our cameras, so one up for the good folks.

Work is on going on our new pavement, which while it has caused disruptions, we are delighted to be getting capital works completed in the village.

Work has also started on our new hanging baskets, an ongoing successful project which we have been able to sustain as a community, where other town centres have tried but failed.

Carol-Anne will soon be back, and in touch with those of you who contribute to our fantastic Santa Parade, as that will be coming up very shortly. In fact she may already be back "on duty" by the time this newsletter is printed and distributed.

Lastly, do try and support our local shops and businesses. The village is doing well, but locals shopping locally is a big part of what we are trying to achieve.

kind regards *Bruce Manning*

Chairperson

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Free cooking demonstration

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(eg: pizza, sushi, noodle fritters, fruit pancakes, onion bread)

WHERE: Kowhai Court, behind Mangere Town Centre (next to Lab Test)

follow signs

WHEN: Saturday 20th November & 12th December

TIME: 9.30 - 11.30am

Ph Julie or Pam 254 4177 for more info, leave a message or just come along and join in.

6 Week Summer Fitness Challenge

Come along, lose weight or get fit with cardio, boxing and weight resistance training, assisted by healthy eating tips by a qualified nutritionist.

WHERE: 99 Taylor Road, Mangere Bridge (AKL Chinese Community Centre)

WHEN: 1 November 2010 - 11 December 2010

DATE/TIME: Mon & Wed mornings 6am - 7am Saturday morning 7am - 8am

COST: \$10.00 (for full 6 week programme)

PRE-REGISTRATION: Contact Allen by text or email

TEXT: 029 6221742 **EMAIL:** twenty47@xtra.co.nz

MANGERE COMMUNITY HOUSE Whare Koa (mcc operated)

141 Robertson Road, Joanna.keane@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz 275 4920

Community House Morning Tea - Friday 26 Nov

Come along bring a plate to share 10.30-12.00pm

Singing Classes - I believe I can Sing

Ph Sopo 021 1466292 or Joanna 275 4920 for more details

Tinana Boogie - a great new activity for cardio & brain

Wednesday 1.30-2.30pm Gold Coin

In House Counselling - Friday am Ph 277 5337 to make an appointment

Games Morning - Scrabble, Thursday 1.00-11.30 all welcome

Drivers Licence - Beginners, Restricted, Full & HT Mon/Tues 10.00-12.00 \$30

Ph: 257 2099

AA Aroha - Sundays 7.00pm Ph: 636 8281

Career Services - Wednesdays 1.00 Ph: 275 4920 Frances

When Anger Hurts Programme - Ph: 275 4249

JP Services - Thursdays pm 1.00-3.00 ring for an appointment

Wairua Mirimiri Clinic - Ph: 275 4476/257 0142 to make an appointment

Hart-Counselling - free service for children, youth, adults. Koha acceptable

Appointment Ph: 027 6899 009 email: Karen.tana@xtra.co.nz

Widow & Widowers Group - Ph: 275 4249 to find out more

If you are interested in joining a class for Bollywood Dancing, Art, Guitar or Something else please let us know. We are trying to develop new Programmes of interest for the community. All ideas welcome.

View website: www.manukau.govt.nz Ph: 275 4920



Copy Deadline for December 2010

Deadline for the December Issue is the 21st November 2010. To ensure that your article makes the December issue please email your articles to articles@mangerebridge.co.nz

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A note from Alice Benson, Community Constable

Hello, I'm writing a second article in the village newsletter as the first one I wrote actually made it in which was a pleasant surprise! The most feedback I received about the article was actually about the photo. "You can't see your face", several people commented. Now I thought that was a particularly good thing which is why I submitted it, but I will bow down to pressure and take a new one.

Over the last month I particularly enjoyed Ambury Farm day which I thought was really well organized and was a great opportunity to meet hundreds of people. I felt sorry for the stands parked near me though as I think the children may have activated the sirens on my car once every 3 minutes, which I guess after 8 hours may have been a little tedious for them!



Burglaries always increase slightly in the warmer months unfortunately, however, I hope those warmer months are nearly here. So just small reminder, even if you do have stayers on your windows make sure you close them before leaving the house.

Take Care – Alice.

Collectors needed, SPCA

Our annual street appeal, Angels for Animals, is quickly approaching and we need your help to make it a success! We are looking for "angels" to help collect over the three days of our appeal, Friday 12, Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 November.

This year, our target is to get over 1,000 bucket rattlers out onto the streets of Auckland to raise much needed funds for the SPCA Auckland. From Warkworth to Tuakau, from the Waitakeries to Waiheke Island – there is bound to be a collection site near you. We would love to see as many 'angels' inside malls, outside grocery stores, or standing on busy street corners as possible. You can even dress in costume if you would like!

The donations raised from Angels for Animals 2010 will go towards our work by developing satellite services throughout the Auckland region.

If you would like to be involved in this year's SPCA Auckland street appeal, just go to the website www.sPCA.org.nz/angels where you can register on line or call us at 09 256 2520.

A supply of flyers and coloured posters can be sent to you, just email us at angels@spca.org.nz or call 256 2520, with your contact name and postal address, and we will post some out to you.

.....go on be an Angel...Auckland's Animals NEED YOU !

Silver Sneakers

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Silver Sneakers Group Fitness - Tuesday & Thursday 9.30-10.30 - Senior Citizens Hall, 3 Pearce Street, Onehunga - Ph: Kimi 630 0629
Kimiw.nz@xtra.co.nz First Class FREE thereafter \$4 per class

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Onehunga Community Centre

83 Church Street, Onehunga Ph: 634 9253 (by the Library)

OCC are holding a white ribbon event incl BBQ's and entertainment on the 25th November. This annual Christmas event will be held on the 8th December where there will be a decorated tree, swap a candle for a pet food donation (Animal Shelter Charity) and then Carols by Candle Light out the front of the centre. All welcome!

Onehunga Community Centre Classes – www.onehungacentre.org.nz

MONDAY

Active Music & Movement 10am-1130am Gold Coin
Encouraging under 5s to learn through music and dance.

Waiata 1.30-2.30pm FREE - Learn Maori language through song. Join a multi cultural group of keen singers. This is a social group learning basic and not so basic Maori songs. Children welcome.

Study Space 3.30-5.30 FREE (Also on Thursdays)
Homework support provided for school years 9-13 with a focus on NCEA.

Bliss Dance 4.00-5.00pm FREE
Youth dance class. Learn new moves, keep fit, have fun. Trained modern dance instructor.

TUESDAY

Boxfit 12pm-1pm \$5 (also on Friday)
High energy fitness class with trained female boxers. Children's play area available.

WEDNESDAY

Chi Ball 10am-11.30am \$5
Low impact exercise. Promotes balance and well being.

THURSDAY

Knitwizz 1.00pm-3.00 Gold Coin
Knitting, crochet, embroidery. Come along, learn or show off your hand craft Join a group of all ages.

YBOXFIT 4.00-5.00PM free
High energy fun & fitness suitable for both boys and girls from 11-14yrs. Qualified YMCA instructor.

FRIDAY

Picasso Kids 10.00-11.00am \$5 bookings essential
Mother and pre-school (2-5yrs) art classes. Paint, texture, sculpt. Great fun in a safe learning environment, with classes by a qualified instructor.

Support your hospice shops - South Auckland Hospice

Hospice South Auckland offers a comprehensive hospice/palliative care service to the south Auckland community, and has been meeting the needs of people in our community for nearly 30 years.

We provide palliative care services and support as well as counseling and social work services to patients and their family/whanau, both in their home and at Totara Lodge. Totara Lodge has a specialist in patient unit where patients can come for symptom management or just for a rest, and a Day stay unit where our community patients can receive therapeutic services such as massage therapy or come to socialize.

The service and support we provide are at no cost to our patients and their family/whanau (but they are not free to provide).

Our Hospice Shops provide a much needed income which enables us to provide our services to the community. As Christmas approaches, we are desperately in need of stock including quality clothing, bric-a-brac and furniture. As you embark on spring cleaning think of us and call:

Marc Rooke 640 0243 or Email mark.rooke@hospice.co.nz

Important Contact Details:

Citizens Advice Bureau	275 6885
Mangere Bridge Post office	636 9645
Village Management Office	636 7491
Mangere Bridge Community Information Services	
Village Newsletter	021 815 184
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