

Community News

FEBRUARY 1993

FAREWELL

The afternoon tea held in January to farewell Joan and Ken Rudall was a very pleasant occasion enjoyed by all present.

If retirement villages are looking for enthusiastic advocates they need look no further than Joan! Ken and Joan look very well for the change from hills to sea.

GET WELL SOON

I am sure you would wish to join me in wishing Fiona McCrae and Michelle Allan a speedy recovery from recent illness.

Also Wally Eyre, who no doubt wins the prize for living in Waiatarua the longest, is getting back to taking the dog for a walk after his long overdue hip replacement operation.

His name seemed to hit the top of the list very quickly after your committee enquired how much longer he needed to wait, so we are left wondering if it helped.

Keep up the good progress Wally, you will be running around to deliver those newsletters yet!

ANNUAL MEETING

As indicated in December's newsletter, our Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th February. The agenda and other details are printed on the back page.

Your committee urge you to come and hear Mayor Bob Harvey speak of his vision for the city and afterwoods to answer questions. This will be followed by the AGM. Come and be informed about your local area and meet your neighbours.

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Further details of the meeting are on the back page of this newsletter.

WORKING BEE

A working bee to spruce up outside the Community Centre will be held all day on Saturday 6th March from 9am. A list of tasks to be done will be on the door so that if a committee member is not present when you arrive, you will be able to see what still needs doing. We would appreciate help for even a short time. Please bring tools. If you are interested in gardening at other times, our Custodian Mary Crosbie would love to hear from you. Her phone number is 814-9858. Mary also arranges hall bookings. The rates for this are very reasonable and we would appreciate more use being made of the facilities.

RUBBISH

Recycling seems to be going well but here are a few points I have become aware of.

Ice cream two litre packs are are taken but not their lids, nor are the tops of bottles of any sort. Please see that pet food tins are washed out as they can be a danger to cats and dogs attracted to them, and of course if they have the base cut out and then squashed they take up much less space.

Inorganic rubbish is collected by the organic collectors in a separate compartment in the truck. Often the truck arrives about 7am.

Paper is collected by Paperchaser. This collection time varies.

LIBRARY NEWS

Here we are again starting another year with our roster short of three volunteers. Our plea in December fell on deaf ears! Now that you have your calendar for the year, please see if you could be available to help once a month at one of these times.

Second Saturday 11am - 12noon. Fifth Saturday 11am - 12noon. First Sunday 11am - 12noon. Also any help on a Thursday morning - our work day, would be appreciated. Enjoy some good company while helping our community.

For further information please phone Christine McKinder 837-4651 or Bev Latimer on 814-9679.

Our new book selection includes

the following Sahara

Clive Cussler

Entwined Driving Force -

Lind La Plante Dick Francis Jung Chang

Wild Swans -(This won 1992 N.C.R. Book Award)

Maeve Binchey

Copper Beech -Scrupples 2 -

Judith Krantz

Dazzle

Trainer (on TV) - J. Pennington The General's Daughter -----

Nelso De Mille

The Stars Shine

Sydney Sheldon

The Tailorman Journey

Gerald Seymour

The Millionaire (v. good) P. Boast

GARDEN GROUP

I would like to hear from people who would be interested in forming a group. Please phone me that I can ascertain the level of interest and arrange a meeting if enough people respond. Phone Margaret on 814-9843.

FIRE BRIGADE REQUEST

Firefighters in our local brigade are currently making plans to take part in a St John's pre-ambulance course. After qualifying, it would enable the brigade to turn out to more varied types of emergencies -

not just fire related situations. Unfortunately the one stumbling block is money (as usual).

The enthusiasm is there, but they desperately need donations to take part in the course and to purchase new life-saving equipment.

Any contribution for this purpose that would benefit Waiatarua as a whole, would be greatly appreciated.

For further information please telephone Tony Holt 814-9688 or Ian Ford 814-9618



ORATIA FOLK MUSEUM

The museum will be open on Thursday afternoons from 2pm-4pm for the next six months, thanks to the help of Paul, a Taskfoce Green worker.

Help is still desperately needed in the garden and extras would be helpful for the Sunday opening from 1pm -4pm.

Visitors are of course needed also!

Enquiries to Barbara or David Harre, phone 818-7816

MAIL THEFTS

Some boxes on the Scenic Drive have had mail stolen lately. The only solution would appear to be having a padlock fitted, a sad reflection of the times.

ADVERTISING.. Free to members.

Housework wanted -reliable mature lady available in the Waiatarua area. Please phone Lilian 814-9638

<u>Marriage Celebrant</u> - Weddings from the heart - Glenys Scott 814-9598

Babysitting work required by reliable 18 year old university student with own transport. Please phone Kate on 814-9607

Optometrists - Molly and Matthew Whittington have a large range of frames, all lens types, contact lenses, and will also examine your eyes at 245 Forest Hill Rd. Phone 814-9034 for further information.

MARCH NEWSLETTER.

Copy needs to be in the hands of the Editor, Margaret Blumhardt, 849 West Coast Rd., opposite Raroa Tce., by Wednesday 3rd March 1993. Thanks to the Longley family of Longley Printing for once again printing our newsletter.

COMMUNITY BARBEQUE

This belongs to the Ratepayers Association and is available for hire. Phone Richard Hoyle 814-9641

SUBSCRIPTIONS

These are now due and would be appreciated early in the year.

Opinions expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the Editor or the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association.

BOB HARVEY COMES TO WAIATARUA!

Mayor Bob Harvey will be guest speaker at a meeting in the Waiatarua Community Centre on

Wednesday 17 February at 7.30 pm.

Bob has been very busy since being elected last October. He has a vision for Waitakere City which you should know about.

Refreshments are being served from 7 pm; come along and meet your neighbours over a cup of tea or coffee before listening to Mayor Bob, and asking him questions.

Notice of Meeting

The 28th Annual General Meeting of the Waiatarua Ratepayers & Residents Association (Incorporated) will be held on

Wednesday 17 February 1993 at 8.30 pm

at the

Waiatarua Community Centre, 911 West Coast Road, Waiatarua.

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome by President.
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting
- 4. President's Report
- 5. Treasurer's Report
- 6. Library Report
- 7. Election of Executive Committee
 - (a) President
 - (b) Vice-President
 - (c) Secretary
 - (d) Treasurer
 - (e) Editor
 - (f) Six Committee members
- 8. Appointment of Auditor
- 9. Election of Honorary Life Members
- 10. General Business.

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