

Community News



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CONGRATULATIONS

Riding a borrowed bike, Mathew Sinton finished fourth in the 1000 metre time trial at the world junior cycling championships in Quito, Ecuador. His time was two seconds faster than the New Zealand junior record, quite an achievement, especially under the circumstances.

Mathew's bike fractured during training and so he had to use the frame that Tony Graham used at the 1988 Olympics.

Mathew enjoyed the experience of going to Ecuador and spending a few weeks in another culture. Back in New Zealand he now needs a job for the rest of the year.

Congratulations Mathew, well done.

PLAY CENTRE NEWS



Waiatarua Playcentre recently visited Landsend Orchard in Oratia and had a really enjoyable time. Photos from the trip were accepted by the National Playcentre Journal and are in the latest magazine on the back page. We were thrilled!

Last week our centre had a great time at "Kids in Action" in New Lynn. If you have pre-school children and babies, come to Waiatarua Playcentre, it's a great place!

The Play centre sessions are as follows:

Tuesday	9.30 am - 12noon
Wednesday	9.30 am - 12 noon
Friday	9.30 am - 12 noon

We are at 911 West Coast Road, below the Community Centre and the phone number is 814-8835 or phone Marjan, on 814-9832.

H - E - L - P



Thanks to everyone who supported Waiatarua Theatre's recent play, *A Sting in the Tale*. By the last night, the play was booked out - a tribute to the direction of Wayne Hall and to the cast and crew.

In October, Waiatarua Theatre will present a second Farndale comedy. If you saw the hilarious Farndale Castle, you can look forward to even greater hysteria with the next in the series - *The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society's production of Macbeth*. For those who did not see last year's Farndale, the upcoming comedy is one of five plays by two playwrights who create madness and mayhem in the form of an abominable amateur dramatic society. Any performance the Farndale Avenue Ladies Guild put on is bound to be a disaster - and it's a laugh a minute.

But getting back to the cast and crew who make Waiatarua Theatre performances so special - and the call for help.

The theatre is part of what makes living in Waiatarua unique. For twenty years, locals and "outsiders" in the know have been enjoying plays at Waiatarua Hall. The productions are of a very high standard, and it's always a good night out.

But Waiatarua Theatre needs your support to keep going. That doesn't mean you have to act, or to be very "arty". As well as actors and directors we need people who have technical skills to bring the productions to life (builders, electricians, painters, caterers); we need people who are good organisers, good cooks, good helpers; and we need enthusiastic audiences to

come along and enjoy the plays, the supper and a glass of wine with friends.

If you can help - serve the supper or deliver flyers or help paint the set or bang in a nail - please call Gillian on 818-7310. We have a lot of fun, but we need you desperately.

PS The pantomime was very popular last Christmas but it's very hard work. We cannot put a panto on again without heaps of help. Please call Gillian if you want to be actively involved.

AN APOLOGY

Last month it was mentioned that the septic tank cleaning was not going to be continued by the Council. This is not correct and I wish to apologise for any confusion caused.

TITIRANGI DIVERSION DAY

An International Year of the Family Event

On Saturday 13 August we will be holding a Diversion Day at Titirangi, this will involve many activities both in and outside the centre. In the morning we will have demonstrations by various groups and in the afternoon there will be a concert. There will also be displays and stalls throughout the day.

Place: Titirangi War Memorial Hall, South Titirangi Rd.

Time: 10 am - 2 pm. Saturday 13 August 1994
Further information from Vivian Keenan, phone 826-0473.

ROAD SURVEY

The Council has completed a survey of West Coast Rd from Parr's Cross Rd. This will be available very soon and we will report the results and be able to see if our concerns will be acted on and act accordingly.

GARDEN GROUP



This month we will again be meeting at the home of Gerry and Karen Davis at 17 Rimu Road at 1 pm. on Wednesday 24, when we hope to have a speaker, Betty Gross who is President of the Auckland Bulb and Perennial Society.

There will also be a trading table for bits and pieces of plants etc.

There is lots of room, so bring those little ones

along, they will be most welcome.

Phone Margaret on 814-9843 for further information on the Garden Group but everyone is welcome once or every month, there is no membership.

TITIRANGI FESTIVAL OF CRAFTS

"Trust in God who gives us all things to enjoy"

This annual festival will be held at the Titirangi War Memorial Hall, South Titirangi Road, on the following three days

Thursday September 8	10am - 9pm
Friday September 9	10am - 9pm
Saturday September 10	10am - 4pm

Over the years this festival has carried an enviable reputation. There will be over forty leading local crafts people exhibiting a wide variety of top quality craft work. All items on display are for sale. There is free admission, and parking and refreshments are available.

Any further information required may be obtained from the convenor, Veronica Lee on 817-4483

OUR PERIPATETIC SHEEP

Ten pregnant ewes seemed to have created quite a record in the distance travelled in one night recently. Many homes in Bush Road and Atarua Gardens had the pleasure of their company before they made their way back towards home in West Coast Rd. Pausing on the way, they had a visit from the Waitakere City Animal Ranger on the Sunday afternoon at a neighbour's property. They had already spent three days of the preceding week at another neighbour while the fence was installed and that was not their first foray into the neighbourhood. Their families are now arriving so motherhood will be the more important part of their lives.

Stock are a worry on the road apart from the damage and nuisance to gardens so the moral of the story is, get the fence erected properly before the animals arrive and if you find four legged strangers at your place the Council Animal Welfare Centre will respond and can be reached on the after hours number if necessary.

With new lambs about it is timely to mention the need to keep your dogs tied up or enclosed at

night which you are legally required to do. Your harmless family pet can team up with other dogs, (especially at night when you are unaware of their absence) and kill other animals which is very distressing for all concerned.

LIBRARY NEWS.



New books recommended:

The After Life; an introduction to this topic, very good, otherwise the same as most other books on this subject.

A Simple Plan; by Scott Smith. If you like suspense, this is it. Quite different, makes you turn the pages. Don't cheat and peek to see what happens. This writer's first book, can't wait for his next.

Watercolour Handbook; by Ettore Maiotti. A delightful introduction to watercolours - a must.

Schindler's List; Thomas Kenealy. You've seen the film, now read the book.

New residents in the district, please come and check us out. We have a good selection of the latest books.

Through flood, flu and other illnesses, plus overseas trips, we still carry on the good work.

Contact numbers are: Christine 8374651
Phyl 814-9837
Bev 836-4420

WAIATARUA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

911 West Coast Rd,
under the Community Centre.

Phone 814-9353

Hours of Opening

Tuesday	7pm – 8 pm
Thursday	10am – 12 noon
Friday	7pm – 8 pm
Saturday	11am – 12 noon
Sunday	11am – 12 noon

Books can be returned at any time through the chute by the library door.

ON CITY CHILDREN

I'd been a real normal average city kid - a dedicated thief, shoplifter, vandal, sexual experimenter, born liar, gang brawler. A good healthy life and thank Christ, I was never caught except once. Poor mum thought I was a blue - eyed saint, but most parents are pretty dumb, especially about their own kids.

Tim Shadbolt in "Bullshit and Jellybeans".

ADVERTISING

This is free to financial members for 1994, January to December. A list of financial members and receipts are available at the library, and any queries about membership can be answered by phoning the Treasurer Mary Crosbie on 814-9858.

Lawn mowing Services, reasonable rates, phone Ted 8462-454

Builder/Cabinet maker – with 20 years experience - phone John. 814-9577 (ph/fax) or mobile 025 741-368.

Part-time work – Typist required, proficient in setting out business letters on casual basis, in own home.
Phone Ross Ward, Westward Civil Ltd, 814-9002

Entertainment Centre – Black Criterion 1200L* 1220H \$320 or near offer.
Phone 83-74616

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Veterinarian – for pets and farm animals. House calls a specialty.
Phone Neil Pullan 814-9504

Tutor – experienced school teacher available to coach Science and Chemistry. Phone Sheryl on 814-9975.

Bamboo Specialists – Nursery, 2m - 10m tall non running screens, ornamental shelter belts, edible shoots, timber, specialty garden species. We plant, hire, remove and export. Open Sunday to Friday, 833 West Coast Rd. We have the largest range of bamboo in NZ. Phone 814-9847, John and Pauline Isaachsen, Consultants.

Rawleigh Products – The fact that this product has been “a friend of the family since 1889” speaks for itself. 100% guaranteed. Phone Nan or Roy, Independent Distributors on 814-9495.

The Water Filter Warehouse – Water filters/purifiers supplied at competitive prices, free installations, cartridge replacement service. Phone Robin or Paula on 814-9202.

Plumbing & Roofing Specialist – 24 hour on-call service. D. Rush Plumbing Ltd. Craftsman Plumber. 130 Opanuku Road, Phone 814-9397 or mobile 025-724-679.

Firewood – Dry split macrocarpa \$45 per cubic metre. Call 17 Rimu Road or phone 8148-833.

Hairdresser – Requires work. Have you and your family's hair attended to at home. I specialise in cuts and perms, 25 years experience, very reasonable rates, please phone Lesley on 814-9242.

SEPTEMBER TITIRANGI 1994

FESTIVAL OF CRAFTS

SEPTEMBER TITIRANGI

**WAR MEMORIAL HALL
SOUTH TITIRANGI ROAD**

**SEPTEMBER 8 & 9 - 10am. to 9pm.
SEPTEMBER 10 - 10am. to 4pm.**

ADMISSION FREE

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Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association
for 1994

I enclose: \$7 Household, \$4 Single Occupant

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Address _____

Phone _____

To Treasurer,

Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association,
911 West Coast Rd., Waiatarua
or leave at the library.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Copy needs to be in the hands of the Editor,
Margaret Blumhardt, 849 West Coast Road,
opposite Raroa Terrace –
by Wednesday 7th September, 1994.

*Opinions expressed in this newsletter are
not necessarily those of the Editor or the
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Many thanks to the Longley family for once
again printing this newsletter