



Community News

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ISAIAH SAYS – don't forget your fire permit!

Yes folks, it's summer (believe it or not). Isaiah Woodhead and the Waiatarua Volunteer Fire Brigade remind you that all fires in the open need to have a fire permit. These are issued by the local Rural Fire Authority, which for us is the Waitakere City Council, phone 836-8000. The Fire Brigade does not issue these permits.

Everyone who lives west of Oratia School (that's us) is in the Waitakere Rural Fire District, and in all Rural Fire Districts there are three distinct Rural Fire "Seasons" -

- ***OPEN** Fire Season (usually 1 May - 5 November) - no permit required, but all fires must be under control and put out by sunset.
- ***RESTRICTED** Fire Season (6 November - 30 April) - a permit is required for all open fires. You must comply with any conditions on the permit, and again they must be under control and out after dark.
- ***CLOSED FIRE** Season (only declared by the Rural Fire Authority when fire risk is high or extreme) - all open fires banned and permits cancelled.

Once again this year, you responsible citizens of Waiatarua have shown all due care and consideration over Guy Fawkes. Despite the headlines you've seen from elsewhere in the country, it is now five years since the Waiatarua Fire Brigade has been called to a fire caused by fireworks or bonfires in the Waiatarua area. An impressive record - congratulations to you all!

A hundred plus people gambled on a fine evening for the community bonfire at the Fire Station on Saturday the fourth and despite the threatening clouds, we got away with a dry evening. We must apologise though for the bonfire not living up to expectations - even dead gorse and ten litres of diesel couldn't compete with the soaking that it had received in the past month. So even after we finally got it lit you just about had to stand inside the fire to keep warm.

We still have smoke alarms for sale at \$20 each - great Christmas presents! For smoke alarms or information about the Fire Brigade.

Contact Ian Ford, phone 814-9618, Lyndsay Whittle, phone 814-9872, or Richard Seccombe, phone 814-8860.



WAIATARUA THEATRE PRESENTS

Bah! Humbug!

See Scrooge, Tiny Tim and The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come as you've never seen them before in the upcoming comedy by Waiatarua Theatre at the Waiatarua Hall.

The play's title in full is *The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society's Production of "A Christmas Carol"*, the hilarious destruction of Charles Dickens' classic tale by the renowned, if luckless, Farndale ladies - staged by our own theatre group.

If you've seen Waiatarua Theatre's other 'Farndales' (*Macbeth* and *The*

haunted Through Lounge and Recessed Dining Nook at Farndale Castle), then you'll be booking early. If this is your first chance to see Waiatarua Theatre's talent in action - don't miss it. Ask your neighbours, it's a good night out.

An evening at Waiatarua Theatre's *A Christmas Carol* is a great way to kick off this year's party season with a group from work, your sports club, your street . . .

The season opens at 8 pm on Thursday November 23, and runs for three weeks until Saturday December 9. On Thursdays and Fridays it's \$10 (light refreshments), on Saturdays \$15 (full supper) . . .

Written by David McGillavray and

Walter Zerlin Jnr, *A Christmas Carol* is directed by well known local actor/director Jeanette Heine.

This is side-splitting humour at it's best. We're not kidding when we urge you to book early. The last two Farndales have been booked out after the first week!!!

Special Prices -

- ★ Parties of ten, one ticket free ★ Book on opening night and receive a complimentary glass of bubbles
- ★ First twenty bookings for the first week receive \$1 off.

For Bookings -

Phone 818-7310;
814-9433; 814-9505.

WAIATARUA R&R ASSOC. COMMITTEE

The next meeting of your Ratepayers committee will be on Monday 4 December at Kevin Healy's home at 10 Cascade Avenue.

If you have some problem or idea you would like to discuss with the committee we would like to see you.

Please contact Gerry Davis on 814-8833 and arrange to attend the meeting for a short time.

GARDEN GROUP

This month's visit will be the last for this year and so a "bring a plate" luncheon is planned for midday at Terry and Margaret's, 849 West Coast Road, opposite Raroa Terrace. You are welcome to come even if you have not come to any of our visits.

At 1.30 pm we will leave for a visit to Mary Stewart's garden at 100 Forest Hill Road. Those who cannot make the lunch are welcome to meet us at 1.45 pm for the garden visit.

Mary's garden is at it's best and after a wander you can sit on the deck and enjoy looking down over it. The date is Wednesday November 22.

Our meetings are always the fourth Wednesday and so if you would like to remember our visits, mark next year's calendar, February to November- you are welcome to join us occasionally or every month, there is no membership or fees to pay but sometimes the gardens we visit charge an entrance fee.

The visit to Jeanette Davis is re-scheduled for next year, when her garden will be at it's best.

For any further information, or if you need transport, please phone Margaret or Terry on 814-9843 or Eileen on 814-9298

LIBRARY NEWS

Christmas is fast approaching. The last day for borrowing books is Friday, December 22 from 7 pm – 8 pm until the library re-opens on Tuesday, January 9 from 7 pm – 8 pm.

Take plenty of books to last you over the holidays.

New books this month are:-

The best of friends Joanna Trollope

Paula Isobel Allende

(This is a very interesting true story all about the Allende family in Chile)

Thank you for your custom over the past year, keep it up!



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all
from
the "Girls from the library"

PLAYCENTRE

Please note that our sessions are now as follows:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday,
9.30 am - 12 noon.

If you are interested in seeing what goes on at Playcentre, come along during a session to 911 West Coast Road, down the driveway, or you can phone Marjan on 814-9832 for further information.

BURGLARIES

There have been reports of daytime burglaries and suspicious cars moving around the area.

Keep your eyes open and ring the police about any people cruising around and door knocking or acting suspiciously, someone nearby may be very grateful

DISTRICT PLAN

You have been notified of the release of the new District Plan which among other things contains rules regulating the erection of buildings, establishment of land use and subdivisions in the City. This plan which is open to formal submissions of support or objection until 5 February next year is available for viewing at all Council Libraries (with perhaps the exception of Waiaatarua) and Council buildings. This plan will then be in force for ten years.

Your President, Gerry Davis, phone 814-8833 also has a copy and would be interested to hear from people who are interested in making submissions as a combined Waiaatarua one would be more effective.

Council Officers will be available at various places in the evening to discuss the plan with you, one of which is Henderson Square on Thursday 23 November from 5.30 pm - 8 pm. During the day call or phone 836-8075.

WAIATARUA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

911 West Coast Road,
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.

The Friendship Trust

This trust was formed by the Glen Eden Baptist Church to administer the community ministries of the Church which include the following ;

KINGDOM FUND

The Kingdom Fund was set up to provide interest free loans to people, primarily of West Auckland, to assist their financial needs.

Loans are approved on the criteria set down by the Kingdom Fund Committee.

Normally money will be loaned for the following purposes:-

- a) enable people to consolidate debts and to allow a budget to be worked out and followed.
- b) enable major repairs to a vehicle or a home appliance.
- c) purchase a capital item for their home.

Loans will not normally be granted for other purposes unless the committee decides the circumstances are exceptional.

The committee seeks to build up the capital base of the fund through soliciting gifts or interest-free term loans. All of the money raised in this way will be available for loans and any expenses involved in the administration of the fund will be covered by other fund raising activities (which may also add to the capital base).

For further details phone Sean Marston, the Community Ministries Manager, on 818-6233.

BUDGETING SERVICE

This is a free service that seeks to provide one off, short term as well as long term budgeting advice to any person, couple or family who sees they are in need of this help. The main requirement is that budgeting help is needed to balance the income and expenses of the person/s involved. Their income level is not a consideration. All discussions and enquiries are confidential. The intended end result is a budget drawn up that is agreed to by both the client and budgeter and that through the service the client is given ways of paying off any debts.

For further information phone the Community Ministries Manager, Sean Marston on 818-6233 or call at 97 Glendale Road for an appointment.

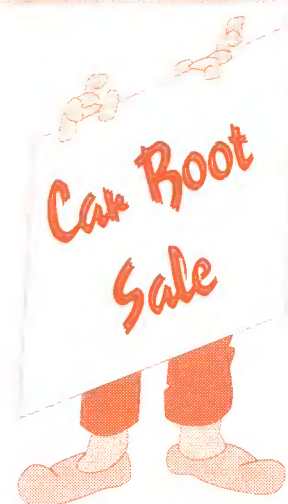
FOODBANK

This is a social service to provide food parcels for people who are temporarily unable to provide these items to meet their immediate needs.

This is not an on-going service but one off or up to three over time.

The requirement to receive more than one parcel is that the client agrees to receive budgeting advice if they are not already doing so. This will help fix the cause of the financial shortfall and the necessity to receive food parcels.

Phone the Church office on 818-6233.



Oratia School is having this on Saturday 18th November at the school – starting at 8 am.

Thought for the month

"If you think you are too small to make a difference you obviously have never slept in bed with a flea."

OSCAR WILDE.

Please accept my subscription to the
Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association
for 1995

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

Name

Address

Phone

To Treasurer,
Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association,
911 West Coast Road, Waiatarua

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

*Copy needs to be in the hands of
Margaret Blumhardt
849 West Coast Road, Waiatarua
(opposite Raroa Terrace)
by Wednesday
6th December, 1995*

STUDIO POTTERY OPEN DAYS

**Tony Bacon Wendy Ronald
Mary-Ann Gaelic**

- * Wheel-thrown domestic ware
- * Hand-made native birds and animals

BUY DIRECT FROM THE STUDIO!

Sat & Sun 9/10 December

11 Cascade Avenue, Waitatarua

(look for the signs at the top of the West Coast Road,
near the Waitatarua Community Centre)

9.30am to 6pm

**MEET THE ARTISTS. ASK THEM
QUESTIONS. SEE THEM AT WORK!**

Bring this advertisement to be in
to win a pottery prize.

**FAIR
FUN
FOR ALL**

BARGAINS FOR EVERYONE

**CAKES - SWEETS - BOOKS
PLANTS - PRODUCE - JAMS
PRESERVES - CLOTHES
JEWELLERY - NOVELTIES
HANDCRAFTS - DRINKS
FAST FOODS
WHITE ELEPHANT**

GLEN EDEN METHODIST CHURCH
302 WEST COAST ROAD

9.30 a.m. Saturday 18 November

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necessarily those of the Editor or the Waitatarua
Ratepayers and Residents Association.*

ADVERTISING

*This is free to financial members for 1995,
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 - Eileen Powell on 814-9298*

FOR SALE Designer women's' suits, large range
of styles and colours all at heavily reduced prices,
phone 814-9294.

GALLERY 807 (807 West Coast Rd) is currently
showing a retrospective display of the art-work of
Ruth Coyle. All pieces are for sale. There are a
variety of goods for Christmas gift ideas too.
Open Saturday and Sunday.

FOR SALE Stained Glass Native Bird hangings,
beautiful as Christmas gifts, also childrens' range of
window hangings, dolphins, wizards, Pooh Bear
etc. All reasonable prices at Glass Studio 293
Forest Hill Rd., Waitatarua 814-9293. Experi-
enced in leadlight window design, make ,repair
and lampshades made to order a speciality.

THE WATER FILTER WAREHOUSE Mobile
Service for Water Filters/Purifiers. Sales, Service,
Installation, Replacement cartridges. Free quotes.
Phone Robin 814-9202.

CHRISTMAS TREES cut pine, \$10, good selec-
tion, reserve from November 20 (\$5) and pay
(\$5) on collection. 849 West Coast Road, drive in
lower gate (not straight opp. Raroa Tce,
phone 814-9843.

SANTA SUIT for hire, \$20 per day,
phone 814-9843.

FOR SALE Sheep crate, wooden for ute or
trailer, 182 cm (6') long, 118 cm (3' 9") wide,
\$30. Dog kennel, A frame, suit medium sized
dog, \$30. Phone 814-9843.

BUILDER Self employed, qualified carpenter and
cabinet maker seeks work in the area. All kinds of
work undertaken.
Phone John on 814-9577 or (025) 741-369

VETERINARIAN For pets and farm animals.
House calls a speciality.
Phone Neil Pullan on 814-9504.

FERNS RESTAURANT For a la carte dining.
Open Wednesday to Sunday, 6 pm till close.
Saturday and Sunday Lunch, 11 am - 4 pm. Cafe
open Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 11 am till close.
Coffee, wine, specialist teas, snacks, light meals.
Ferns Restaurant is also happy to cater for func-
tions. Special menus available for your special
requirements.