

Waiatarua Community News

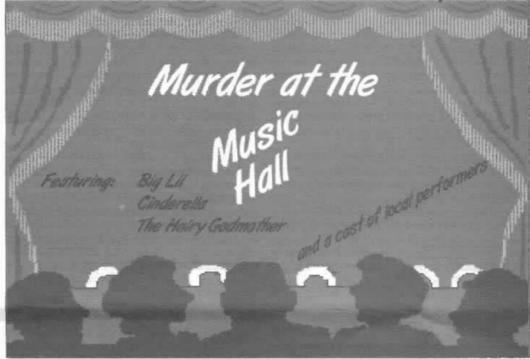
March - April 2005

fter months of encouragement and commitment the brand new Waiatarua Drama Group is bursting at the seams Ato show their community what it's made of. I am sure you are all curious to see, first-hand, this bunch of brave people 'doing their thing' on stage. We are grateful to the sponsors and we trust you will support the cast and crew as much as they do. Every night will deliver talent, humour and unequivocal entertainment not to be missed. The beautiful voice of local singer Christine Healy will leave you spellbound; and Waiatraua Fire Chief, Ian Ford, is quite a sight for sore eyes as The Hairy Godmother.

Don't hesitate in securing your seats for friends and family - it'll be an evening never to be forgotten. Organise a group from your workplace, perhaps, and show everyone what Waiatarua can do! For up-to-date details check the

website www.waiatarua.org.nz/Events.cfm

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#### From the Editor

Hello again everyone... I trust this finds you well.

It's hard to believe how quickly the months roll around. Time can play tricks on us, as we all know. The older you get the faster it goes, and so on.

Our little street, or lane, is a busy place these days. There are a number of folk going about the serious business of creating their future homes – the havens where they will laugh and love and raise their kids.

It's a noisy time, with diggers and trucks firing up engines at the crack of dawn. Prospective owners visit regularly, checking on progress. Water tanks arrive like huge concrete UFOs, and septic tanks teeter on section frontages awaiting installation.

I must confess to entertaining the idea that all this could be considered a nuisance. However, I quickly forced myself to turn back the clock and put my boot on the other foot.

I recall with clarity our own experiences of building a house here two years ago. It was an exciting but nerve-racking, long process. We were wrapped up in consulting with colour specialists and chasing up contractors. The last thing on my mind was how our creation might impact on existing neighbours.

So, to all new residents, greetings! You are entering into an awesome community. If you'd like an official 'welcome pack', full of interesting and useful information, please contact Jeanette on 814 1999.

Remember your Ratepayers and Residents Association is here to help you with any local issues, and this publication is your forum to air views and share information with others. Until next time... Robin

Steve and Kim Smith and Sue Miller - Thank you for your membership fees paid at the Community Breakfast. However, you did not leave any forwarding details for us to send your membership cards. Please contact Dave on 814 9697 or drop a note to 911 West Coast Road.

# **Up-and-Coming Events**

**Trivial pursuit evening!** Anyone interested in getting together at the hall for a fun night of healthy competition, testing general knowledge?

Please contact Les on phone: 814 1130.

Autumn Festival - planned for Authum 2006. A community celebration where we discover 'the biggest pumpkin' or the 'lightest sponge cake', with lots of fun events for the kids too. We have formed a small working party to begin organising this event. If you'd like to be involved in any way, please contact Frank on phone: 814 9869

### BRICKBATS and BOUQUETS

Sponsored by the Fairy FlowerShop, 423 Titirangi Road, Titirangi Phone 817 3780

Sadly, we have not received nominations for **bouquets** two months running. If anyone out there knows of a deserving recipient, please send the details in.

In contrast, we have two **brickbats** to give out. The new weed bin at the end of Kauri Loop Rd was filled up with bamboo by someone. These bins are for the specified weeds and not general garden rubbish! Bang bang with a brickbat to the culprit.

The second brickbat goes to the lady driving a white car, who hit Michelle's brand new vehicle at the Community Breakfast - causing \$300.00 worth of damage!



Our April 6th get-together will be an afternoon of nursery visits. We shall meet 1pm at Riverview Nurseries - 26 Dale Rd. Whenuapai for day lillies; and then go on to Totara Waters - 89 Totara Rd, Whenuapai for subtropical plants. Contact Eileen on 814 9298 by the 2nd of April for further information.

## From the President

Hi All

Yes, it's me again... the A.G.M's been and gone; and yours truly is it for another year. The good news is that all the previous committee, with the exception of Lindsay Whittle (who retired), were re-elected. The bad news is that we have one empty seat. Therefore if you have aspirations to find out what it's about, come join us!

Once again we had a successful and enjoyable A.G.M. with a good attendance of locals, plus representatives from council and community board. Everyone enjoyed fine wine, cheese and fruit juice followed by an extremely interesting presentation on Ark in the Park by John Sumich. This is an amazing project, so if you know nothing about it I suggest you take the trouble to find out. The amount of wildlife being re-introduced into our area is quite astounding, and the whole project is carried out by volunteers

The highlight of the evening for me was the pleasure of presenting Tony Bacon with a Life Membership. This represented well-deserved and very popular recognition of a man who has been involved with W.R.R.A for some 23 years; and still is, as Immediate Past President and newsletter delivery coordinator.

The question of membership was raised as to why and what benefit there is in joining, which made me think once again. Interestingly one of our neighbouring associations only deliver their newsletter to financial members. All others buy it from the local shop! We do not intend to follow that path. Being a member gives you a sense of belonging, but if that doesn't give you the 'warm fuzzies' how about free membership that can make money. Now you're interested? Join for \$10 then spend \$100 at one, or a combination of businesses, offering discounts... and it's free membership. If you had come to our community breakfast as a member with three adults in your family, you would have saved \$9. Easy, isn't it?

Who qualifies for membership? If you are reading this, <u>you</u> do. How to join? Fill out the form contained within and post to 911 West Coast Rd or drop into the mailbox at that same address. Look forward to receiving your application.

We are installing new padded chairs in the hall, so sitting will be a much more enjoyable experience. We have a great facility there - don't forget it for children's birthdays, family gatherings, group meetings etc., as currently it is under-utilized.

Wheelie Bins have been well in the news lately and we have had numerous email exchanges with council. Our findings are that council has researched them thoroughly and we may be pleasantly surprised at the result.

We have a busy year ahead with a number of projects in the pipeline, so watch this publication for details.

That's all Folks, from Dave!

## **Arataki Tunnel**



The construction of an under-road pedestrian tunnel at the Arataki Visitors Centre is now finished, which brings a long-time goal to fruition. The completion of this project allows people to access the nature trails from the Education Centre and carpark area, by safely passing under the Scenic Drive. Sensors at either end of the tunnel automatically switch on

the light when you walk inside, for your convenience.



## **ARC Pest Liaison Meeting**

- 2nd March '05

ARC freshwater ecologist presented a paper on the increasing numbers re illegal fish breeding being released into lakes. These are competing with native fish, and the result is that natives are dying out. Also, 'introduced species' are causing damage to lake edge plants and lake bottoms.

Wildlife Management International staff talked about Kahili Ginger invading the Azores and gave us a timely reminder about the need to eradicate this weed. In the Azores, over 20 years, it has choked other plant life and is now racing unchecked up the sides of ranges to become the predominant plant.

- Jeanette

Roadwatch Report



(30)

This sign means 30 kmp (kilometres per hour), not "kills per moon". Take heed, young lady coming home from work in the white car. There were road works in progress!

Congratulations to all those motorcyclists who manage to corner at such speed, and good luck for the future.

Drivers... if someone is working on their verge adjoining the road, the idea is to slow down and miss them – not take the hair off their arms!

- Les

#### Wheelie Bins

The following response to issues raised was provided by Jon Roscoe (Jon.Roscoe @waitakere.govt.nz) – he says, "I believe similar concerns were raised in 1992 at the introduction of the current 45 litre crate, which was a service that served its purpose well for its time. What we are trying to promote is to see how the new system works before deciding if it works."

- **Q.** Is it an option to consider leaving the wheelie bins out for the rural areas that don't want them?
- A. The service is still optional but we have no provision to continue a manual crate collection system.
- **Q.** Lack of roadside verge. The truck has to be able to pull up alongside the bin and some properties don't.provide a level site near the road. Even the driveways can drop off too abruptly, and anyway this would block personal access. It would not be safe for residents to trundle their bins along the road to a level site. Kauri Loop Road would be an example of these properties.
- **A.** It would be fair to say that this is a problem that exists no matter what receptacle is used. The 'wheelie' bin does not occupy much more space than the current crate but does have a bigger base than the Auckland City Council 120 litre wheelie, and is therefore more stable. The successful contractor knows the city well as they have serviced it for the past 6 years. The contractor must provide the necessary resources to collect all waste from the entrance to every rateable property. Therefore they will have to provide smaller, and more appropriate trucks for some areas.
- **Q.** I liked your suggestion of leaving the bin near the road if steep driveways posed a problem, however some residents do not have a suitable location either their driveways drop off too steeply, or there is too much vegetation and they don't want to destroy it, or there is not enough vegetation and the bin would be an eyesore and a target for vandalism.
- **A.** Again we ask residents to try the service before concluding its appropriateness for them. I have seen this system work in many cities around the globe. In some parts of Australia and Canada the terrain is similar, if not more difficult than parts of Waitakere. We have field officers who will visit any resident having difficulty with the collection area after July 1st in an attempt to find a solution. The comment on the receptacle being an eyesore to some people probably has some merit but I'd have to add that the waste produced by people is certainly a greater eyesore and the sooner we achieve zero waste, or some moderation on the volume of packaging disposed of the better.
- **Q.** Traffic hazard. The bins may fall over after being lowered by the truck, due to uneven road verges, and either block traffic flow or endanger cyclists as they dodge around them. Or they may be tossed onto the road by vandals before or after emptying.
- **A.** This is a problem that may exist regardless of what type of receptacle is used. If the bin falls over as a result of collection the driver is obliged to pick it up and place it back in the designated collection area.
- **Q.** It does not seem practical to have a separate collection for houses unsuited to wheelie bins, so we wondered if it would be better to maintain the current system for the whole of Waiatarua and introduce the wheelie bins to those areas with wide verges or footpaths.
- **A.** The manual crate system costs more, it also has the OHS considerations, capacity problems and we will still have the windblown street litter as a result of them being an open-top receptacle. Assuming we could get the contractor to agree on a separate manual collection service we'd need to examine our Council funding policy in this respect. I would imagine that we would need to consider if all the residents of Waiatarua would be prepared to pay for the additional costs of manual collection and resulting litter pick services?. We would also have to consider those who would not be prepared to pay any additional costs and want a wheelie bin.

You may or may not recall that some 25 years ago we all used the steel rubbish tins for waste collection? These steel bins serviced the same terrain (and were without wheels) and served the purpose well until damage liability and Health & Safety considerations outdated them (principally due to injury from rusty and jagged edge bins). Much consideration and planning has gone into this decision. Waitakere has twice before contemplated wheelie bins in the city for waste collection (as opposed to recycling) so has well considered their appropriateness in the circumstances described. I again offer the time of our field officers to advise anyone who still believes they cannot operate a wheelie bin after the July implementation.

It may also be of interest to note that this is the largest waste collection contract let in the history of New Zealand. Of interest because during the public tender process for this contract (that encompassed North Shore, Waitakere and Rodney) two of the five 'major' waste collection contractors declined to tender. Given the size of the contract we found this rather surprising and sought an explanation. Both companies independently stated that they will not service any manual waste collection contracts any longer - (with respect to our grey bag service). This is a new policy over both companies due to the level of back injury claims form their staff.

#### **School Buses**

Are you affected by the sudden loss of the school bus that was collecting students at the top end of West Coast Road and Forest Hill Road? If so, please contact me as I am working with the local schools to try and convince them of the 'bus service' necessity. In order to achieve this I have been asked to give an indication of student numbers requiring this transport.

Thank you

- Michelle Stanborough 814 9707

# Letters to the Editor

#### Dear Editor,

When I ventured out on my first flatting experience, late last year, I thought it would be a good idea to have contents insurance. It was mainly to cover my laptop which I had recently purchased for university.

I went through my Bank, as I already had a student account with them. The bank uses one of the major insurance companies, so I was given a policy with them.

I believed that I was being very smart and responsible by getting contents insurance. And I felt safe in the knowledge that my possessions could be replaced if something were to happen to them.

So, the morning I awoke (Sunday, 12 December 2004) to find my laptop stolen by my flatmates' distant acquaintances, I wasn't too upset. I thought that I would get a replacement well before the next semester of university.

On Tuesday, 14 December 2004 I called my insurance company again (because they had not returned the call I made to them on Sunday, 12 December 2004). The person Italked to that day informed me that I would not be covered. They said it was because of the following clause in their Policy Document: "Loss, damage, liability or claims for or arising from...theft or deliberate damage by any person normally living or lawfully at the situation."

I was asleep when my flatmate invited her distant acquaintances to stay in our home, I believe that in relation to me they were not 'lawfully at the situation'. I had nothing to do with their 'lawful' entry into my 'situation' and what they did was certainly not lawful.

I had to fight for the right to even lodge an official claim. But, after all my fighting and phone calls, the insurance company did officially deny the claim for my stolen laptop.

I am now \$1300 out of pocket and a university student without a computer. So, if you have contents insurance, I suggest you read your policy document carefully. Look specifically for a clause similar to the one I have quoted above.

Please take heed of my warning before you, like me, find yourself the victim of a policy clause that safeguards large corporations to a ridiculous degree.

- Abby Phillips

#### There's Cash in Trash

Waitakere City rubbish bags could be going up in price again! The grey plastic sacks might rise by 10 cents to \$1.30 from July 1t-if the latest annual draft plan is approved. The last price rise was in July 2003, when the cost went up from \$1.00 to \$1.20.

The council predicts this bag increase will earn an extra \$270,000 per year to help offset increased collection costs. Prepaid rubbish sacks were introduced to Waitakere City in July 1999. Their arrival met with opposition from some residents who felt people living in poorer areas may not be able to afford them, and might begin illegally dumping rubbish.

The bags have made headlines in West Auckland before when a dairy owner was caught peddling at least 80,000 fake copies. The scam was part of an international operation exposed, to some extent, by the council in a citywide dive on retailers selling forgeries.

Arrests took place and the operation was found to be linked to Asia where investigators believed grey bags were being made with council logos and sold for less than 10 cents each. The bags were then re-sold to West Auckland outlets for 50 cents each, and put out for general sale at their usual \$1.00 price.

#### Nasturtium

The fresh leaves and flowers of Nasturtium contain antibacterials and Vitamin C. It is especially useful in the treatment of bronchitis, although has also been found helpful in overcoming influenza and the common cold. To make an infusion: pour a cup of boiling water onto 1-2 teaspoons of fresh leaves and steep for 10-15 minutes. Drink three times a day.

# Play and Win - Who am I?



Absolutely no-one had any idea of who our mystery person was last month. Perhaps it was too obscure. Underneath the Goosey Loosey exterior lurked Robin Essex, editor of the Waiatarua Community News. It is probably not necessary to offer a profile, as in her report each month readers would have already got to know her in many ways.

This month's picture needs some logical elimination and the knowledge that the person inside the truck is also a cast member of the "Muder at the Music Hall" production on at the Community Hall from 7th April.

If you think you know this person or would like to guess, email your answer to korprins@xtra.

Waiatarua Rainfall (February 2005)				
	Rain Days	Wettest Day	January Total	Year to Date
Mountain Road	15	11th (28 mm)	96 mm	128 mm
Brabant Road	15	11th (33 mm)	85 mm	131 mm
Quinns Road	14	12th (30 mm)	67 mm	111 mm
Forest Hill Road	11	11th (29 mm)	71 mm	111 mm
Auckland City			63 mm	94 mm

After every flight pilots fill out a form called a 'gripe sheet', which tells mechanics about problems with the aircraft. The mechanics corrrect the problems, document their repairs, and then the pilots review the gripe sheets before the next flight. Here are some actual maintenance complaints and the solutions recorded by engineers with an obvious sense of humour.

Pilot: DME volume unbelievably loud.

P: Number 3 engine missing.

P: Mouse in cockpit.

P: Aircraft handles funny.

P: Target radar hums.

P: Suspected crack in windshield.

P: Something loose in cockpit.

Engineer: DME volume set to more believable level.

E: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

E: Cat installed.

E: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right, and be serious.

E: Reprogrammed target radar with lyrics.

E: Suspect you're right.

E: Something tightened in cockpit.

# **Fire Brigade**

The Fire Service is one part of NZ's Urban Search and Rescue multi-agency response capability for dealing with urban emergencies. USAR involves the location and rescue of people trapped following a structural collapse arising - e.g. from a single building collapse, or as a result of a major landslide or earthquake. All firefighters will be receiving USAR training, and half of the members of Waiatarua's Volunteer Fire Brigade attended an introductory course on Saturday 5th March.

A number of the Brigade are undergoing some fairly vigorous training in preparation for the Sky Tower stair climb challenge later this year. Watch this space!

#### Recent calls:

- 5:45 pm, Sun 13 Feb Car vs motorcycle, Scenic Drive. Minor injuries to the motorcyclist.
- 2:25 pm, Sat 19 Feb Truck overturned, Piha Rd. No injuries.
- 8:49 pm, Thu 24 Feb Rubbish fire, West Coast Rd.
- 11:48 am, Sun 27 Feb Car vs pole, Piha Rd. Occupants had left the scene.
- 6:39 pm, Sat 5 Mar Car rolled, Piha Rd. Handled by Piha Brigade.

#### Contacts:

Always call 111 for any fire or emergency. Otherwise please contact Ian Ford (ph 814 8871), Helen Longley (814 9855) or Karl Nuttall (814 8777).



#### **Hours of Opening**

Thursday 10.00am - 12.00pm Friday 7.00pm - 8.00pm Saturday 11.00am - 12.00pm Sunday 11.00am - 12.00pm

# WAIATARUA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

911 West Coast Road, under the Community Centre. Phone 814-9353

#### **EASTER BREAK!**

The library will not open during Easter Weekend. Sorry folks – I suggest that you get in early for your holiday weekend reading. If you are caught out and desperate for reading, give me a ring on Ph. 814 1999. New books: "Cow Power" – the story of the cow rescuing its owner during the Masterton floods. Also, the last book by the late Olivia Goldsmith; Stephen Coonts latest – a follow up to Saucer; Fay Weldon's "Mantrapped"; and a new James Patterson – "Honeymoon". Plus new titles from Clive Cussler, Michael Crichton, and Anita Shreve.

# **Country Fair and Special Book Offer**

Oratia School are holding a Country Fair on March 20th (10am to 4pm). To celebrate, our local author Alessandra Zechinni is offering her delightful cookbook "Sweet As" at the special price of \$30; with all profits from sales donated to Oratia School. See Alessandra at the Fair for an autographed copy, or order yours on the Waiatarua Hall phone 814 9353 any time until the end of March - just leave contact details and we'll get in touch when the books are delivered. Delizioso!

#### John Hendrikse

John Hendrikse, a long-time Waiatarua resident, died peacefully on March 6. John was a lawyer, and his shingle could be seen outside his house at 914 West Coast Road (the old "Back o' the Moon"). John was a long-time supporter of the WRRA, as both a committee member and Secretary for several years. He was also a Rotarian and an honorary member of the Korean Community. Our sympathy goes to his family.

# **Meetings Attended**

Jeanette went along to the following meetings as our representative.

# WCC & ARC Waitakere Ranges Protection Legislation –14th February 2005

This was a meeting to discuss draft legislation. Auckland Regional Council has decided that it will support legislation. Waitakere City Council has yet to formalise its support.

The purpose of the bill is "to prevent urbanisation of Waitakere Ranges".

Those against the bill, in its present form, generally expressed opinions that the RMA should suffice to protect the ranges in their current state. Those people for the bill, felt the RMA was insufficient and feel specific legislation is required. A third group expressed opinions that the bill in its present form was unworkable and would be poor legislation.

Information since the meeting indicates that the legal opinions have been taken on board and further tidying up of the draft is ongoing. Also the council is still meeting with concerned residents in the foothills who are worried about the perception of losing current development rights.

#### **Developers Advisory Group**

- 14 February 2005

Discussion: Development Contributions & Financial Contribution Policy.

Purpose of Fund: For community facilities and network infrastructure.

Amount required: \$650 million over 10 yrs – present rate will raise \$120 million

Increase from \$2,000 per unit built to a real cost of \$9,100 per unit.

(This meeting was for property developers)



Advertising and Community Notices

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THE U3A WAIATARUA ART HISTORY GROUP: at our last meeting we ventured into the highly inventive pictorial language of Paul Klee, and the dream fantasies & imaginary landscapes of Joan Miro. We are a small group of people who enjoy reading about and discussing various aspects of art. Would you like to join us in 2005? If so, phone Shirley on 814 8938 so that she can arrange suitable meeting times.

TOASTMASTER: meetings held on every other Tuesday morning from 7.00 till 8.20 AM - more information call Adith Stoneman 818 7728

WAITEMATA TECORIAN SPEAKERS: Gain confidence, communicate more effectively, extend knowledge, stimulate imagination and have fun at the same time. We meet at the Titirangi community centre every second and fourth Tuesday evening at 7.30pm. Men and women are welcome. Contact Margaret on 817 0520 or Gill on 838 1983 for further information.

WANTED TO RENT: Util, flat or similar wanted for young professional couple – nonsmokers, no pets and very tidy. Must be in close proximity to Waiatarua Fire Station. Pls. phone Maxine on 814 1868.

#### **Heart Power**

An Auckland based Humanitarian Aid Agency is launching a city-wide appeal to gather much needed relief supplies for Sri Lanka. The Oneness-Heart-Tears and Smiles Humanitarian Service (www.oneness-heart.org) is staffed by local volunteers and networks with medical professionals and other aid groups in providing educational, pharmaceutical and hospital supplies.

A request was received from a charity in Sri Lanka for assistance in supplying much needed items for preschools, orphanages and community centres currently under construction. The Oneness-Heart-Tears and Smiles are planning to send a container to Sri Lanka within the next month. Items needed by the charity are: tools, bikes, fishing equipment, first-aid supplies, new shoes, school supplies, books, sports equipment, children's art supplies and toys.

If there are any individuals or businesses willing to assist by contributing to the sponsorship of the container to Sri Lanka; or if you have any of the above items for donation, please contact The Oneness-Heart-Tears and Smiles Coordinator – Stacey Marsh on Ph: 630 2977 (bus.hrs).

The Aid Agency has also launched a "Kids to Kids" project with schools in NZ giving children the opportunity to create small kits of urgent school and personal items like pencils, paper, books, soap, toothbrushes & paste, reading books, small toys and a personal note from the children introducing themselves. These will be sent with the container to the children at orphanages in Sri Lanka.

If you are able to help in any way give Stacey a call or try John Marshall on 0274 811 384.



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# Neighbourhood Support

The names of our current co-ordinators are listed below. If you haven't been approached yet and would like to belong to one of these groups, give the co-ordinator a call.

Denis Graham Atarua Gardens	814-9706	
Ross & Kath Mullins 330 Forest Hill Road	814-9402+Fax	
Jenny McGee 886 West Coast Road	814-9954 jenny.mcgee@xtra. co.nz	
Margaret/Paddy Marshall 19 Raroa Terrace	814-9859	
Sandy McConnell 550 Scenic Drive	814 9962	

For more information about **Neighbourhood Support** take a look at the website at www.ns.org.nz

#### Advantages of being a WRRA member?

Show your membership card at the following businesses for a 10% discount (does not apply to already discounted or sale items).

Glen Eden Landscape Supplies 293 West Coast Rd. Ph: 818 6129

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# **APRIL - MAY NEWSLETTER**

Copy needs to be in the hands of The Editor, by **WEDNESDAY 13th APRIL, 2005** Robin Essex, 13 Bendalls Lane, Waiatarua.

Phone 814 1850 - E-MAIL: robsx@free.net.nz



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# **Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association**

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