



# Waiatarua Community News

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## WAIATARUA COMMUNITY PATROL HAS ITS OWN CAR

The Waiatarua Community Patrol has recently got its own patrol car. It is a Kia Rio, which has been donated by Westcity Kia.

Up until recently, the Waiatarua Community Patrol has had to use patrollers' own cars. They are part of a nation wide organisation - Community Patrols New Zealand. CPNZ works in a support role with the police in each area and is made up of volunteers who have been vetted by the police. The aim is to provide high visibility in the local area and report directly to the police with local intelligence allowing the authorities to take appropriate action.

The new patrol car is sign written to be immediately recognisable by people in the area and volunteers have been patrolling Waiatarua, Oratia and Henderson Valley since before Christmas. An area where the patrol focuses quite a bit of attention is the Scenic Drive and Piha Road car parks, where visitors to the tracks in the area leave their vehicles.

There are about 20 volunteers at present and the aim is to increase these numbers so more patrols can be achieved. Major sponsor for the Waiatarua CPNZ is the Auckland City Council. Sponsors offering support for running costs are Toshiba Electronics Imaging Division and PSL Fire and Safety.

Les Duffield is the local coordinator and if you are interested in becoming a patroller or supporter phone 8141130.



## What's your local plan?

Waitākere Ranges Local Board wants to know what you think would make our heritage area a better place to live and work, while protecting and enhancing the unique environment we all value so highly.

The board is working on its next three-year Local Board Plan and would like to hear about the things that are important to you.

Members will be out and about over the next month and are interested to hear the views of local people on a range of subjects, including parks, arts, heritage and culture, the environment, community facilities, town centres and events. There are a number of ways to get involved.

Check out [www.facebook.com/waitakereranges](http://www.facebook.com/waitakereranges) or call 09 813 9150 to find out where and when you can talk to local board members.

Alternatively, go to [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/haveyoursay](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/haveyoursay) and see the section marked Local Board Plans for more information and details on how to provide your feedback.

## Oratia Jungle Festival Returns

( Check out the poster on page 3 ).

Waiatarua News has two single Adult passes to giveaway to the 2014 Oratia Jungle Festival. Simply answer this:

Name one of the pirates in the 2014 line up – and email with your name and phone number to [toitoimusic@gmail.com](mailto:toitoimusic@gmail.com) Good Luck! Oratia Jungle Festival

## From The Editor

Robyn O'Sullivan

Welcome back to another gorgeous summer in the hills! I hope everybody had a safe and happy start to 2014 and is up and raring to go. Read this publication from cover to cover and you'll find out how to win free passes to a festival and loads more. Space is at a premium this month so I will love you and leave you. Have a relaxed February.

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## Waiatarua Ratepayers' and Residents' Association.

from John Andersen - committee member.

We are in need of local people to come onto the committee. It is a positive, friendly group and you do not have to do anything that you do not volunteer for. I have been on the committee for just over a year now and have really enjoyed the experience. The monthly meetings are short and interesting.

The next monthly meeting is on Wednesday, 18th February at 5.30pm.

Further information available from me on 8149332 or chairperson, Dave Pocock on 8149697.

## Waiatarua Community Library

New to Waiatarua?

Do you realise that we have our own library for the people of our area?

We are located on the lower floor of the community hall (911 West Coast Rd).

Do call in and visit the library whether you are a keen reader or an occasional browser.

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## Hi from Waiatarua

Dave Pocock

Well yet another year is upon us and I hope it finds you refreshed and well!

We had our usual 3 weeks under canvas at Orua Bay Motor camp although we can hardly call it camping anymore as we now have a fancy fold out Queen size bed. I believe it is now called Glamping.

I am sure you will have seen by now that our AGM is the 5th March and an important meeting this will be as you will see below. Those of you that are financial members will have seen this on hotmail and I am pleased to say that we have had 1 positive response looking seriously at joining us.

Our committee meetings are every 2nd Wednesday of the month (except January) currently at 5.30p.m and last 30 to 45 minutes. We realise this may have to change, but it is nice to have it all done and home for tea.

Ten years ago when I was elected President we had a situation where the whole committee, apart from 3, was not seeking re-election and now (nearly as bad) we are in a similar situation this year with only 4 current members seeking re-election.

Unfortunately we are losing two office holders in the form of Jan James our Secretary since 2007 and John Stagg our treasurer since 2008; both moving to Oratia and both are going to be truly missed.

I would like you all to consider joining the committee for the 2014 year and in particular a new secretary and treasurer and if you are considering those positions please let me know and we will arrange for you to talk to John or Jan as to what is involved.

For some time now we have been operating with insufficient numbers which makes it hard to reach a quorum at all meetings, so we really need a new secretary, treasurer and another 2 or 3 committee members.

It would be good to have someone who is interested in attending Local Board meetings on a regular basis, plus other council meetings. It would be good to see new, younger people come on the committee as currently the majority of us are in our 60's and me about to join the next decade. I intend standing again but if there is someone out there who would like to be President and has some fresh ideas I would be more than happy to stand aside, but continue with Hotmail.

Feel free to contact any of us for more detail:

Dave Pocock (President) davepocock@xtra.co.nz

Susanne Timms (Vice President) shtimms@xtra.co.nz

John Stagg (Treasurer) jstaggandagarnham@gmail.com not standing leaving area

Jan James (Secretary) pwmandjjj@xtra.co.nz not standing leaving area

Paul Osborne leonieandpaul@xtra.co.nz not standing new baby

Robyn O'Sullivan (Newsletter) munster@ihug.co.nz

John Andersen finwox@windowslive.com

Co-opted Members: Lynda and Frank Hogsden

lfhogsden@gmail.com unable to be full members

We also need a new cleaner for the Hall and Library and this is a paid position so for further details contact Dave or Jan. Jan's husband Paul is our current cleaner and has been for the past 8-9 years.

Please accept my Membership to the WRRRA 2014

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### Can you help us?

We have been renting long term in Waiatarua and as our circumstances have now changed, we are looking at long term rental in local areas - we attend Waiatarua playcentre and have a child at Oratia School. We are professional, clean, reliable and honest, can move immediately and ideally want long term tenancy. We will consider Waiatarua, Oratia, Glen Eden and Titirangi (possibly other areas also). We need 3 bedrooms (or 4) and will pay up to \$500 per week. Please ph Sharnie on 814 9427 or 021 482 900

### Garden Group

Eileen Powell

Hope all you gardeners out there have enjoyed a relaxing holiday. We will start our new gardening year with a February visit to Ayrilies near Whitford. There will be plenty of inspiration in the different areas and we will also be able to visit the relatively new wetlands. Ring Eileen on 8149 298 for further information.

### Advantages of being a WRRRA member?

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### Advertising & Community Notices

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**Better Scrapbooking Ltd:** Scrapbooking workshops on the last Saturday night of each month. Cost \$15 Other regular scrapbooking and cardmaking classes and supplies available. 153 Solar Road, Glen Eden Phone Megan 818-2045

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**Creative Drama Workshops** Titirangi Community House 3.30-4.30. Monday 10th February. Workshops for 6 and 7 year olds will re-commence Thursday 13th February. Participation in these workshops develop your child creatively, emotionally, socially and intellectually and provides a good foundation for those wishing to pursue a career in the 'Arts'. Ph Edith 09 8149410 or [edipus@orcon.net.nz](mailto:edipus@orcon.net.nz)

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**Otimai:** Events and training centre is available for hire (Guides Auckland) and is open to view by appointment. Phone Bruce on 814 9992 for bookings.

**Plants:** Bromeliads \$5 - \$6; Taros, cannas and various shrubs \$4 - \$5. All sales to Nepalese Educ Trust. Phone Margaret 814 9859.

**The Oratia Community Church:** On the corner of Parker & West Coast roads. Fellowship (trips, meetings etc.): 2nd Thursday of each month.

**Tiler / Stone layer,** 20 years experience in the trade available for indoor and outdoor projects large or small. Phone Craig Starr 021610408.

**Waiatarua Playcentre:** 911 West Coast Road, Waiatarua. Phone 09 814 8835. Sessions: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am 12.30pm. **West Auckland Yoga** at Oratia Settlers Hall: Tues 9.30am and 6.30pm, Fri 9.15am (cost \$15). Ph Tasha 021 0274 9136 or Steph 0272 841 178 [www.westaucklandyoga.kiwi.nz](http://www.westaucklandyoga.kiwi.nz)

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