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TAI CHI CLASSES	Thursdays at 6:30pm - \$10 casual or \$60 for 10 classes. Contact Ferne McKenzie on 389 1433 or email: ferne.david@xtra.co.nz
BROOKLYN COMMUNITY INDOOR MARKET	LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH. Next market on 30 May - 9.30 to 1pm. Still only \$10 per stallholder. Tables and chairs provided. Phone Euan Harris on 384 6799 to book.

Brooklyn Community Centre can be hired for classes, groups & functions.
Office hours - 8.30am - 3pm - Monday to Friday
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Brooklyn Tattler

What's happening in your Community

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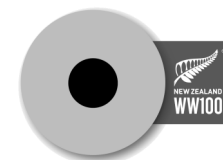
ANZAC Day Remembrance Service

Saturday 25 April 10:30am in the Brooklyn School Grounds

Join us at this special service to commemorate the 100th anniversary of WW1, supported by the Wellington Citadel Band, the Salvation Army, Brooklyn School and Wellington City Council. The service of Remembrance will include a Presentation of Colours by Brooklyn groups and readings by local school children, followed by a march to the Brooklyn Community Centre in Harrison Street for refreshments.



ABOVE: The Brooklyn ANZAC Day march from 2014. Record numbers are expected this year for the 100th anniversary of WW1.



The Brooklyn Tattler is published monthly by the Brooklyn Community Centre, 18 Harrison St, Brooklyn.

Coordinator's Corner

Hi Everyone

I'm finally adjusting to daylight saving which usually takes about a week. It seems so dark in the evenings now, and hard to believe that the first school term for the year has already finished. I'm writing this column during the first week of our very busy (and noisy) school holiday programme.

Thank you to all people who took time to complete and send off the Kaka project survey form about the future of community facilities and services for wider Brooklyn, Mornington, Kingston and Vogeltown, your input is appreciated. So far 170 submissions have been received with more still to come.

We are currently putting the final planning touches in place for the special ANZAC Day service to be held in the Brooklyn School grounds on 25 April to commemorate the 100th anniversary of WW1. The service will be followed by our traditional community gathering for food and refreshment at the Brooklyn Community Centre. A record number of people are expected this year and we hope you can join us. Scaffolding has recently come down from around the WW1 memorial on Sugarloaf Hill, where a refurbishment has just been completed in time for the laying of wreaths on ANZAC Day.

Because ANZAC Day falls on the last Saturday of the month this year, we won't be holding a community market in April. Our next market is now on 30 May. For any stallholder enquiries please con-

tact me at the Brooklyn Community Centre office on 384 6799 or brooklynca@paradise.net.nz

Family and friends of Barbara Hardy gathered at Vogelmorn Hall on the afternoon of Saturday 28 March for her memorial service. Barbara was known to many for her work as a driving member of Upstream – Friends of Central Park, and also as co-tutor of the weekly Feldenkrais classes at Vogelmorn Hall.

If you have driven along Krull Street in Vogeltown recently, you will probably have noticed the gradual transformation of the playground. The upgrade of the Krull Street playground includes the installation of a flying fox, seating and picnic tables. Full details are available on the Wellington City Council website at www.wellington.govt.nz Go to **Recreation** on the home page, then click on **Play areas** under the heading **Stuff for kids** followed by **Upgrades**.

The Brooklyn Community Orchard had over 40 resident's turnout for their community BBQ on Sunday 29 March to celebrate Neighbours Day 2015. Although the weather was cold, people enjoyed each other's company while eating Brooklyn grown veges and fruit, Berhampore bread and Island Bay sausages. You can view photos on www.facebook.com/BrooklynFoodGroupNZ and also find out details about the Brooklyn Food Group's Winter Garden Workshop from 2 – 4pm on Sunday 19 April.

Have a great month.

Euan Harris - Coordinator
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Copy Deadline for the next Brooklyn Tattler is 30 April 2015

Email: niccitong@gmail.com with your contribution.
The Brooklyn Community Association members accept no liability for the contents which have been prepared in good faith.

Friends of Owhiro Stream

Friends of Owhiro Stream are enjoying the increased storage space available to them now that we have the use of part of the garage adjacent to the Vogelmorn Hall.

Grateful as we were for our little tin shed, it was bulging at the seams with tools, morning tea tables, hoses, sacks, first aid stuff and etc.etc., making getting at what you wanted a bit of a mission sometimes.

Loading up for working bees is also made considerably easier, as not only can we now reverse up the hall drive to the garage door, but with more space the tools are all neatly arranged and easy to pick up. We understand that soon the rather recalcitrant roller door will be replaced, which will make life even easier for those of us who are older and not of the stronger sex. A new gate through to the old bowling green is already in place, giving us easier access to this area, for which, in return for use of the garage, we are to keep the greenery neat and tidy.

A small but hardworking group attended our last working bee, tidying up paths and around the art installation, which, in spite of the lack of rain, had become very weedy and overgrown. While looking down into the rather nice deep pool in that area, we saw a magnificent black eel swimming around. Perhaps he/she thought we were going to provide it with something to eat? Our next working bee is on Saturday 11th April - perhaps you could come along and admire it, or help us try and decide whether it is a long or short finned variety.

A recent local event that I hope at least some of you enjoyed was Upstream's Art Trail in Central Park. Among the attractive

and thought provoking installations were some oversized and colourful fungi.

Currently popular ephemeral installations like this are designed to get people to take a second look at their familiar surroundings. But while looking at these, what did we see but a group of ghost-like pale blue-grey toadstools (entolomas? parasol fungi?). So here was the real thing! Utterly enchanting, and gone the next day.

Janet Campbell
for Friends of Owhiro Stream



ABOVE: A large and "magnificent" eel spotted during the last working bee.



ABOVE: Ghost-like pale blue-grey toadstools seen at Central Park recently.

Message from the Mayor

Kia ora everybody.

Wellington City Council's ambitious Ten Year Plan builds on Wellington's strengths and invests in future prosperity.

We don't propose any service cuts at all. Do you agree with the draft?

Go to www.wellington.govt.nz to find the plan and give us feedback by Friday 5pm April 17, or come to a meeting in your ward.

I enjoyed the Upstream Art Trail event at Central Park last month. There was a fascinating range of art works and the launch event was very pleasant. I really missed Barbara Hardy and we all acknowledged her contribution to Central Park.

Warm regards

Celia Wade-Brown
Mayor of Wellington

Councillor Corner

Runway extension a big gamble

Council has released its Long Term Plan (LTP) for public consultation. The purpose of the LTP is to articulate our city's aspirations and set priorities for funding those aspirations.

Wellington City's Big 8 Ideas target growth in a number of areas. The airport runway extension is the most ambitious, carrying a whopping price tag of \$300m, and many think it will be far higher.

With important questions still swirling about the final cost, who will pay, level of demand and financial viability (to name just a few), the proposed extension is a risky gamble with no guarantee of paying off.

I'm in favour of growth and want to see Wellington feature high in the national rankings. But any project, especially one this size, needs to stack up. Otherwise this old school thinking - spend up big, build it and they will come - is irresponsible speculation using ratepayer money.

We need to learn from other local government capital projects: Dunedin's Forsyth Barr Stadium has not seen the revenues that were projected; Auckland Sky City Convention Centre has not even broken ground yet and the cost has already blown out; while Invercargill and Rotorua shelved their ambitions for international air connections.

Take the time to look at the information and facts available - there have been many articles and opinion pieces published - then have your say.

Submissions to the LTP close on 17 April, or, just email your local Councillor by going to www.wcc.govt.nz.

Nga mihi nui kia koe

David Lee
Wellington City Councillor,
Southern Ward

Mobile: 021 220 2357

Brooklyn Scouts - Flying the flag on Commonwealth Day

This year more than 730 Commonwealth Flags were raised around the world to mark the celebration of Commonwealth Day on Monday March 9th.

Four youths from Brooklyn Scouts were part of the shared celebration of this amazing family of nations that encompasses the globe.

Nicky Heitger, Alexa Lee, Frankie Zelas and Mathieu Ewers joined Councillor Mark Peck, and others from SCOUTS NZ at the Commonwealth flag raising ceremony at Frank Kitts Park, with Nicky taking the honours raising the flag.



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The Penthouse Cinema What's on

SAMBA

From the team behind the box office smash 'The Intouchables' comes another poignant, heartwarming and very funny French classic.

SAMBA stars the charismatic Omar Sy in the title role, a migrant from Senegal who has been working as a dish hand and living illegally in France for the past ten years.

He soon meets Alice (a wonderful Charlotte Gainsbourg), it turns out that she could do with some help of her own, and it isn't long before the two form a unique bond.

Now Screening
Rated M, 2 hours duration



From the makers of "The Intouchables"
Closing night film of the 2015 French Film Festival

Screening at The Penthouse from April 9th



WORKSHOP Seed Saving and Planning your Winter Garden

Wondering about how do get the most out of your vege garden this winter?

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Brooklyn Food Group's
Autumn workshop:

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your winter garden. 19 April 2015.

2 - 4 on the 19th of April at the
Community Orchard on Harrison St

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information, email
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Better, Cleaner, Cheaper Buses Submission Guide

We encourage you to send in submissions to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) during the Annual and long term plan consultation period through to 20th April requesting a better, cleaner, cheaper bus plan be brought forward from 2017 to now.

The Wellington bus review consulted on over the last 5 years, will not come about until after the completion of the new bus tender round in 2017, and perhaps not even then, due to the difficulty of adopting a Bus Rapid Transit system with bendy and/or double decker hybrid buses. The scrapping of our trolley bus services are likely to add to the delays. We do not think this is satisfactory.

We are calling for a "better buses" 5 point plan ahead of the implementation of the new tenders:

- Zero fare Saturday buses in Wellington city
- Free bus transfers within Wellington city
- Half price student fares
- Cleaning up the bus fleet
- Safer school buses

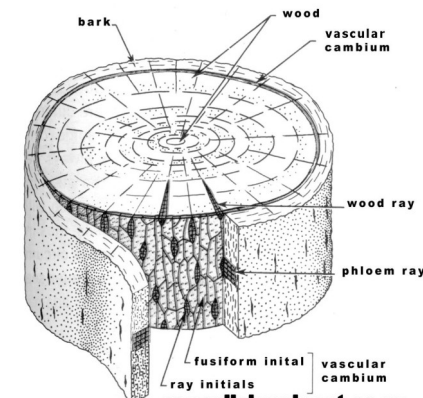
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www.paulbruce.co.nz/better-wellington-buses-submission-guide/

Submissions due by Monday 20 April

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers from time to time to help with different jobs and events at the Brooklyn Community Centre and Vogelmorn Hall.

If you can help with any of the following and/or occasionally have time available and are happy to be on a contact list phone Euan on 384 6799.

ANZAC Day – 8 volunteers needed to help serve food and drinks from 10am.

Tidy Brooklyn Community Centre garden areas for ANZAC Day.

Clean and tidy kitchen cupboards

Wipe down 65 plastic chairs

Make new curtains from time to time.

Kay Miller - on behalf of the Brooklyn Community Association.

Lines from the Library

Hello Brooklyn!

This month I want to remind you of the library's excellent DVD selection.

Our children's preschool, animation and documentary collection is very popular but our young adult and adult collections aren't half as well utilised.

Due to the Branch Refresh stock rotation our adult selection is consistently changing. Every month or so, we send a large bin of our DVDs to Johnsonville and in return Newtown sends us a bin of their DVDs. So if you haven't had a browse recently, I highly recommend you do.

One of our new DVD titles at Brooklyn is 'The Giver', a 2015 film based on the novel by Lois Lowry. The story centers on Jonas, young man who lives in a supposedly ideal world of conformity and contentment. Yet as he begins to spend time with the elder, who is the sole keeper of all the community's memories, Jonas quickly begins to discover the dark and deadly truths of his community's secret past. At extreme odds, Jonas knows that he must escape their world to protect them all; a challenge that no one has ever succeeded at before.

It portrays an intriguing concept of a human utopia and its flaws that is suitable for both teenagers and adults.

In the theme of movies, Central library is hosting free film nights every Thursday. We cannot advertise the films we are going to show because of copyright issues, however if you would like to know what movies will be playing you can come in and ask or just give us a call. If you

would like to be kept up to date with what is coming up there is an emailing list you can join.

The films are shown in the children's area from 6pm on Thursday evenings.

For the month of April, to coincide with the ANZAC commemoration, we are playing war themed movies. If you would like to book a seat or two call any of the Wellington libraries.

Happy watching and I look forward to seeing you soon at the library.

Hannah Gorman



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FRIDAY CIRCLE:

Cars will collect you if needed.

Programme:

Craft activities 9.30am

Morning Tea 10am

Lunch 12noon

Arthritic Exercise 1.30pm

Guest Speaker 2pm

Afternoon Tea 3pm

17th Apr

Ken Daniels
What's all this about
Enduring Power of
Attorney?

24th April

Heather Mordaunt
Arm chair exercise
for home

1st May

(Trade Aid)
"Life just got a whole lot
sweeter" Chocolate
Factory open in
Christchurch using
Farmers in Paraguay &
the Dominican Republic

8th May

Tank & Jess
Photos & talk on their
traditional Chinese
wedding

Who knew we had a Trade Aid chocolate factory in Christchurch (chocolate, soap & coffee will be on sale on the 1st May).

St Mark's Mothers Union have asked us to help them gather 3 & 4 ply wool. These lovely ladies knit for our Wgtn Neo Natal unit helping to keep babies warm. If you have any wool, please drop it off to the Centre or give me a call and I will collect it from you.

Our committee is looking forward to making sandwiches for this years Anzac Day community gathering, to remember the men and women who served our country.

Kirsty the Podiatrist will be here on the 24 April. Please remember to make an advance booking as appointments are limited.

Thank you to all of our speakers, you really make our Fridays.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Jenny Swan
Co-ordinator

WHAT'S ON AT THE VOGELMORN HALL

SPIRIT TAEKWON-DO CLUB	Sunday mornings 9.15am to 12:45pm Thursday evenings 4:45 to 8:45pm Contact Louise on 021 585 119 or email: louise@spirit.net.nz
FELDENKRAIS CLASSES	Awareness through Movement Monday 10am to 11am & evening 7pm to 8pm Wednesday mornings 10am to 11am Contact Toni on 475 3355
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POSITIVELY ZUMBA	Tuesday evenings 7:15pm to 8:30pm Contact Beth via email at: positivelyzumba@gmail.com
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KIDS ART	Thursday afternoons from 3pm to 4.30pm During school terms
WELLINGTON NAGINATA	Women's Martial Arts Group Friday evenings 5:30pm to 7:30pm Contact Alice at henryjonesjnr@yahoo.co.uk
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The Vogelhorn Hall at 11 Vennell Street can be hired for classes, groups and functions. Contact Euan Harris the Coordinator for details. Phone: 384 6799

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School News

It seems the school year has only just begun but the first term is over already and our schools' children, teachers and staff are all hopefully enjoying a well-deserved break.

It has been a busy start to the year and shows no signs of letting up for Term Two with lots of fun activities and excursions planned for the children.

The main extra-curricular activity for Ridgway School in March was their Food Fiesta. It was a huge success with lots of yummy food on offer which the local community were more than happy to partake of. Proceeds from the fiesta are to go towards the development of the outdoor environment. It is hoped that the building development at the school is to be started towards the end of the year with concept designs available near the middle of the year.

St Bernard's school has been busy in the lead up to Easter, but they have managed to squeeze in some tennis lessons and are now preparing for swimming lessons at the Kilbirnie aquatic centre next term.

In March the Year 5 to Year 8 children at Brooklyn School enjoyed a trip to the Tapu Te Ranga Marae in Island Bay, with the older children staying overnight and lighting the fire for the hangi the next day.

Next term the Year 1 and 2 children will be visiting the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra and the Year 3 and 4 children will be going to Zealandia for a day trip.

The school has had a recent installation of solar panels on the roof and they have now officially joined the "School Gen" programme which is run by Genesis Energy to promote solar energy and efficiency to children across New Zealand.

Finally, all our schools got behind the "Moving March" initiative which encouraged children to walk, scooter and bike ride to school.

School starts up again on Monday 20th April and Term Two finishes on Friday 3rd July for all our schools.

Julie Seevens



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UPSTREAM - Friends of Central Park

Final Edition for Upstream – Art trail

And so they came – the first to see the art works were early morning commuters walking briskly on their way to work through the park, but then being diverted by the art works sprouting alongside the stream and reaching the gates with big smiles and encouraging words.

Over 2000 people visited the Art Walk over four days of very variable weather, to put it politely! Locals, newcomers, school parties, family groups, friends and artists wended their way along the stream to be entranced by the innovative works on show. The flax city by a group of children from Brooklyn, Te Aro, St Bernards and Ridgway schools was a popular item along with the People's Choice "Kingdom Fungi", a series of brilliantly coloured and creatively sculpted fungi 'growing' en route. A video of life in the park included encouraging recordings of fish in the stream; an eel, koura (freshwater crayfish) and bullies.

Over 1/3 of the visitors providing feedback 'had never been to the park before – but hopefully they will come again, to the stream, the playground, the Jetty, the tracks, and the bush, with or without the art trail.

Feedback was overwhelmingly positive with other schools and community groups asking to be

included 'next time'. Phew! It took all our energy to bring it off *this* time! However we have tentatively targeted 2017 for V2, if only to put into practice our 'lessons learned' of which there were many!

Working Bee

Our next Working Bee is Sunday 26 April

Everyone is welcome to join in the working bees which are supported by **Supreme Coffee** – coffee, tea and delicious snacks provided!

Upstream - Friends of Central Park meet on the last Sunday of every month except December and January; join us from 10.00 – 12.00 at The Jetty - follow the path beside the stream from the main gates on Brooklyn Road.

For more information, contact Lynne White at all.whites@xtra.co.nz or 3845238 or Debbie at debbie_vanh@yahoo.com



ABOVE: One of a series of giant fungi sculptures making up "Kingdom Fungi", People's choice winner of the Arts Trail.

Farnham Street as such did not exist then, the streets in Vogeltown only went as far as the side of the hill. Davis Street came off Mills Road where Farnham now commences, but only went as far as Balfour, and a walking track connected it to Sydney St (Balfour).

So you can see, a number of these street names had already been taken up for city streets, though at the time, with poor communication, the developers of Brooklyn lots were unaware of this.

More next month.
Chris Rabey

Planes Behaving Badly Over Brooklyn

Have you noticed an increase in the number of planes flying low, loud (and late) over Brooklyn?

Thank you to those people who have contacted us so far with their experience with planes flying overhead. We'd still like to hear your thoughts, experiences and views if this is happening to you.

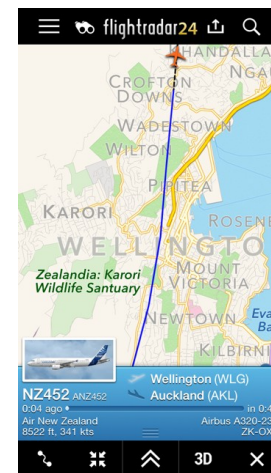
It would seem from comments I am receiving, that residents in other suburbs are also noticing the increase in low flying loud planes where there were none before.

At this stage we are collating material/information. If you are able to assist in any way, that would be great.

Please contact the following Brooklyn Residents Association people:

Carl Savage
carl.savage@paradise.net.nz
Phone: 803 1767

Katie Underwood kt@danzat.co.nz
Phone: 894 3717.



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Before the turn of last century, Brooklyn streets had quite different names to what we know them today. A lot were changed when it became apparent there were city streets with the same names, as well as the inner city suburban areas.

Heading down the valley, the traveller turned left into Hayes, then Adams Streets (now called McKinley for both parts). Garfield was already in place. Adams extended only to the top of the dip in the road then. Taft, at that time, was known as Jackson Street, and extended unbroken right to the short zigzag path below Washington Ave. However, Lincoln Road was in place then, and this continued on to Brandon Street. This is where it becomes quite interesting.

Brandon Street continued south to Vennell Street, and Cheeseman Street linked Vennell, which, strangely enough was longer then than it is now. And the section of road beyond Vennell was Coleridge Street.

Below, back on the Valley, Stock Street is older than most people think, it was

Back on Brandon (Mornington) Road, Coleridge Street stopped where it stops now, and there was no more road there.

On the ridge, Mills Road was known as E W Mills Road, the initials were dropped within 10 years. Just below the crest of the hill, Gowrie Street was then known as Duncan Street, which went down to McIntyre Street (now Harland) and into Veronica and back to Mills Road. Opposite, another strange quirk.

The section of street below Mills Road to Fortunatus Street at the big bend, was known as Butt Street, which joined onto Fortunatus Street which ended just above Connaught Terrace as it does now. Descending further from Butt, Mana, Hoggard, hadn't been formed yet, McColl Street was known as George Crawford Street which joined onto Sydney Street (now Balfour) to Davis Street, which was lengthened and extended back up the hill. Off Krull to the left was Buckley Street (now Whau), which linked Pearce Street. Moffitt, which now is also off Pearce, ran into Gerhardt Street (now Short) and although now drops down into Liardet Street, was originally called Wright Street.

Liardet Street in 1895 continued unbroken from what is now McAlister Park right to Pearce Street. South of all this was farmland.

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GROUP ROUNDUP

Brooklyn Spiritualist Centre

Next meetings:

7pm Sunday 17 May & 14 June at Brooklyn Community Centre
Singing, meditation & medium.
For details phone Tania: 384 8968 or 0274 838 565

Brooklyn Walkers

Brooklyn Walkers meet on Monday mornings outside the Brooklyn Library. The walks are varied covering most of Wellington. Our group is full of friendly people so join us. For more information call Susannah: 384 7412 or Clare 384 9054.

20 April - Walk or bus to Quebec St, Wharangi Track starts at left of Maori Memorial, follow unsealed track in series of loops to Happy Valley Rd near Carlucci, walk to Brooklyn.
(Walkers start 9:20am, others 9:44am No 7 bus) Alternative right at Memorial to Island Bay.

27 April - ANZAC Weekend public holiday. No walk.

4 May - Paekakariki to QE11 Park and return via beach. 9:09am No 8 bus to catch 9:44am train.

11 May - Otari Wilton Bush walkways. 9:38am No 7 bus then 10:25am No 14 bus at Lambton Quay H stop.

Brooklyn Table Tennis

The Brooklyn Table Tennis Club plays from 9:30am on Tuesday mornings and 8pm till late every Wednesday.

Small, friendly group, welcoming new members of all ages. We have three tables, good lighting in a pleasant hall. Balls are supplied and a number of club bats are available for use. For information phone: Philip 934 7445 or Gwen 384 9060.

Brooklyn Scouts

Scouting is for boys and girls who love adventure plus. We meet in the Scout Hall in Harrison Street, Brooklyn.
Keas: 5-7 years, Tuesdays 5.30-6.30pm
Cubs: 7-11 years, Mondays 6.30-8.00pm
Scouts: 11-14 years, Tues 7.00-9.00pm
Venturers 14-18 years, Thurs 7.-9.00pm
For more information contact Gillian Boyes, gillianmay@paradise.net.nz phone: 972 9904

Brooklyn Garden Club

The Club meets at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday each month at the Brooklyn Resource Centre, 36 Jefferson St. Come and hear interesting and informative guest speakers, share gardening tips and plant cuttings, and enjoy the company of our small friendly group. New members and new ideas are always welcome. For further details contact Barbara on 389 4307.

Turbine Talkers Toastmasters Club

Turbine Talkers is the local chapter of Toastmasters International. We hold fortnightly meetings to teach and practice the skills of effective communication in a supportive learning environment. Turbine Talkers meets every 2nd Tuesday, at St Matthews

Church, Washington Avenue. For details phone John on 029 771 3171.
<http://6879.toastmastersclubs.org>

Brooklyn Brownies, Guides & Pippins

Brownies meet Monday evening during school terms, from 6.00-7.30pm, in the Brooklyn Community Centre, Harrison St. We welcome any girl between the ages of 7 to 9.5 years of age to join Brownies for fun, friendship and other activities. Ph. Margaret 389 3028 for details.

Brooklyn Pippins meet Monday evening during term time 6-7pm at the Reformed Church, end of Harrison St. Contact Nicola Burdon: 971 1265

Brooklyn Guides meet Mondays 6.30-8pm at Reformed Church, Harrison St. Ph. Kathryn Marsh on 802 5049

Friends of Owhiro Stream

Drivers down Ohiro Road will have noticed the vast improvement over the past few years to the Owhiro Stream and its environs achieved by this local group. Work is ongoing and if you would like to find out more about it, call: Martin – 389 8995; Janet - 385 2077

Upstream - Friends of Central Park

Our working bee is the last Sunday of the month from 10am to noon. Meet at the picnic table next to the big bridge, 2 mins from the main gate. Come along for great conversations, meet new people, fab morning tea provided and contribute to the care of Central Park! No formal meeting in January. Contact Debbie for informal meeting times.

Email: debbie_vanh@yahoo.com

Brooklyn Local History Group

The next Brooklyn Local History Group meeting is at 2pm Saturday 23 May in the RSA room of the Brooklyn Community Centre 18 Harrison Street. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Please contact Sharon for details: 027 634 4455 or 388 8088 AH

St John Youth Division and Penguin Programme

For 6-18 year olds, weekly sessions term time with some weekend camps and fun activities. Both programmes are structured to develop life skills and self discipline in a fun, friendly environment. The Penguin Programme for 6-8 year olds now meet at **St Matthew's Church Lounge, Washington Ave,** Mondays 3:30-4:45pm. The Youth Division for 8-18 year olds meet at Brooklyn Community Centre Tuesdays 6:30-8:00pm. Contact Karen for Penguins on 389 4060 and Carol for Youth on 0274 321 204 www.stjohn.org.nz

Brooklyn Food Group

The Brooklyn Food Group have a passion for local food and community. We run workshops, shared gardens and a community orchard.

Contact us to get involved or drop in to our regular working bee at the Brooklyn Orchard first and third Sunday of the month from 3 pm till 5pm at the end of Harrison Street. Everyone very welcome.

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