

BROOKLYN TATTLER

what's happening in your community



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Thank You! Our cover photo is from mural artist Ellen Coup.

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Hi Everyone

Going to the movies is always a popular way to spend a winters night, and in Brooklyn we are lucky to have our very own cinema in the village. Recently I saw The Great Maiden's Blush, a New Zealand movie filmed in Wellington featuring many local scenes which has received good reviews and is co-produced by Vogeltown resident, Jeremy Macey who as well as working in the film industry, is very active in the community, being not only part of the Vogelhorn Community Group but also a member of the Brooklyn Community Association who govern the Brooklyn Community Centre and Vogelhorn Hall. There are some great films currently screening and of course the NZ International Film Festival is just around the corner, starting on 22 July.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES In the two weeks leading up to the NZ International Film Festival, the Brooklyn Community Centre will be busy running activities (including movie trips) for up to 60 kids per day during our mid-year school holiday programme starting the Monday after School Term 2 finishes on 8 July. We will upload all programme details including enrolment forms on our website at **brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz** You can also contact Adam Hendry for more information at the Community Centre Afterschool Care office on 385 0089 or email **Brooklyn.hp.asc@gmail.com** for

holiday programme details, and all Before School Care and Afterschool Care enquiries. Adam tells me that Before School Care which looks after Brooklyn School kids from 7:30-8:30am is gaining in popularity with up to 17 kids being enrolled at any one time.

DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING The Vogelmorn Green is looking better than ever, thanks to the re-sowing of new grass which took place during autumn. Recently I spoke with Damian Nunns who is currently working for Hutt City Council as a dog control officer. Damian has previously been employed by Wellington City Council in a similar role and his current job covers much of the Wellington region. Damien and I discussed the possibility of running dog obedience training courses on the Vogelmorn Green. There can be up to 10 dogs on each course that will be on leads tethered to their owner's and as the courses are run by dog control officers, the dogs will be well controlled. Each course runs for 1-1 ½ hours on weekday afternoons between 1-4:30pm. Damian says the aim of the training is to give owners better and more control of their dogs without having to pay expensive fees. If you are interested please contact me on 384 6799 or email brooklynca@paradise.net.nz

TABLE TENNIS The Brooklyn Table Tennis group meet twice weekly to play in the Community Centre's main hall. People of all ages and abilities are welcome to come along either on Tuesday mornings from 9am to 12pm or on Wednesdays evenings from 8pm. Beginners are encouraged to join. We have just bought a new table which makes playing even more enjoyable and brings our total number of tables up to four. Bats and balls are provided. Contact Philip for more details on 934 7445 or email him at codwg@paradise.net.nz or just turn up.

Have a great month.

BCA COUNCIL NEWS

THE COMMUNITY CENTRE building exterior is in great shape with the paintwork and mural completed, new tint on the office and storeroom windows and new pansies in the planter tubs. It's wonderful to have the building looking 'happy' and loved.

THANK YOU to those who have volunteered to help with maintenance work like cleaning out the garage at Vogelmorn Hall and giving our trestle tables a major scrub. We are creating an on-call list of locals who can help do small jobs around the place including baking scones each month for the monthly market. See Leonie's volunteer ad in this edition. We need you!

BROOKLYN HUB A public meeting was held on 29 May to give residents a first look at the feasibility report on a new community 'hub'. For BCA Council members it is a time to listen to what residents want for this village and community and ensure there is sufficient knowledge and expertise applied to the process. Our approach is to continue on with our five year plan until the Hub project reaches a decision point. Brooklyn Community Centre is run by the community for the community and we can only do this effectively when we work with your mandate.

Kay Miller
On behalf of BCA Council members

from the MAYOR

CELIA WADE-BROWN



Mayor holding the cherished broadsword that was gifted to Wellington City by the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Rt Hon Donald Wilson, on the eve of the final Royal Edinburgh Tattoo performance at Westpac Stadium.

The first five months of 2016 have been action-packed for Wellington!

We've hosted very successful events such as the New Zealand Festival, the Edinburgh

Military tattoo, Fringe, Sevens and respectful ANZAC events. Community groups have also been extremely active: the Brooklyn Community Centre has been a hive of activity, and Owhiro Stream and Central Park are looking great thanks to volunteers.

19 – 25 June is National Volunteer Week, which celebrates the

vital contribution volunteers make to New Zealand's society, economy and environment. This is a really good reminder to thank people who make time to volunteer.

Council decided to extend Smokefree areas across the city. We've been discouraging smoking in bus stops, public building entrances, Civic Square, the Botanical Gardens and Council community centres. We want to be the world's first Smokefree Capital.

Lastly, local body elections are fast approaching. From 16-21 September voting documents will arrive in your mailbox.

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Ngā mihi mahana.

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Celia Wade-Brown'.



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Great to see so much progress on Project Kaka. The commitment of the community has been impressive and has provided a great testing ground for a new model of community development that will be able to be used in other parts of the city. Another benefit from the Kaka project has been to see the ideas from the community about how to make walking and cycling safer in Brooklyn and the wider area. You have come up with some

great ideas; a community driven process is likely to be highly successful. Safety issues around Ohiro and Brooklyn roads continue to concern me. The cost for making these roads safer is high but at some point, action will need to be taken as our budget allows us (as is the case in many other parts of the city).

It was wonderful to see the Town Belt Bill passed a few weeks ago after so much work by so many people. This precious bit of land will now be protected for all Wellingtonians in perpetuity including Sector 4, the Brooklyn Hills and Section 3, Aro Valley and Polhill Gully.

After some good work from locals and a review by council officers, we have gone back to the drawing board to look at the capacity needed for the Southern landfill in the future. We now believe that we shouldn't provide as much capacity as originally planned, preferring to focus on reducing waste in the first place. Work continues to be done on a new resource consent and I will keep you updated on progress.

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Contact: Scott Willson 021 187 5006 or wellington@shaolinkungfu.co.nz **or** just come along to try a free class – wear a T shirt and long trackies.

Venue: Tanera Park Hall, Tanera Crescent (off Ohiro Road), Brooklyn.

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BROOKLYN HUB PROJECT PUBLIC MEETING

Sixty members of the community filled the Brooklyn Community Centre Hall on Sunday afternoon to get an update on the Brooklyn Hub project.

The Kaka Project is a community-based planning project in Brooklyn, and the Brooklyn Hub work is one of its sub-projects. The Brooklyn Hub idea was

The Brooklyn Hub feasibility study asked, “Is a hub possible?” and explored whether a single multi-purpose community building could be accommodated in our village.

The community building explored in the report incorporated a new hall/gym, the library and the current services offered from the Brooklyn Community Centre.

Mike Evans from Designgroup Stapleton Elliott (DGSE) presented a summary of the study’s findings including why the sites were chosen, as well as the estimated \$5-6 million price tag.



created from the feedback received during the Kaka Project engagement in 2014-15. The Brooklyn Hub Steering Group (BHSG) consists of the Ministry of Education, Brooklyn School, Brooklyn Community Association and the Wellington City Council.

The BHSG was tasked with designing a brief to look at the possibility of a hub in Brooklyn.

He described that while the answer to a hub being possible in Brooklyn is “yes”, it is not without significant planning, traffic and cost aspects that need to be weighed up against the real benefits to the community.

The community meeting on Sunday was the first opportunity for the community to discuss and identify the critical questions that must be answered during the next phase of this work.

Some of the key questions the community and the BHSG highlighted for further clarity were:

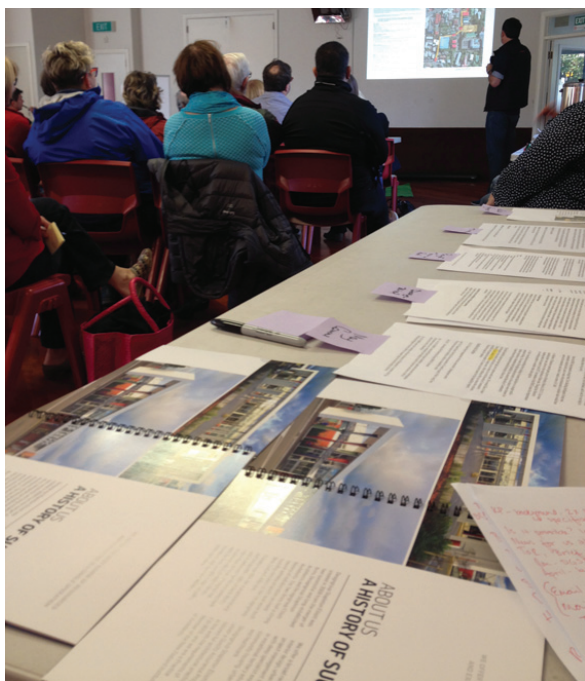
- Does the community want or need a hub?
- How can we make our current model more sustainable?
- A new building is one option, what else can we compare it to?
- Do we really need a full size gym?
- Is a full-size court appropriate for the neighbourhood?
- Open space is important in Brooklyn and we don't want to lose it.
- What would happen to the other resources?
- Why do we need to combine the school and community projects?

The following subjects were raised as key concerns:

- Other options regarding a hub need to be looked at more closely, including a detailed option on the status quo, and what is likely to be the status quo in ten years.
- Current traffic and congestion issues, as well as the worry a hub could exacerbate these issues.
- The spreading of resources across facilities mitigates negative impacts (e.g. traffic congestion). Several attendees remarked on the importance of 'community' in Brooklyn, and more community meetings and discussions were welcomed.
- In talking about the large attendance and the questions generated during discussion, an attendee commented that the turnout "really shows that people are concerned and really interested in what happens here."

As Councillor Eagle explained at the meeting, the next step for the BHSG is to report back to the Wellington City Council's Community, Sport and Recreation Committee on the 15th of June regarding the work completed so far. The BHSG plans to seek further funding to produce a Brooklyn Hub concept by February 2017.

The feasibility report will be displayed in the foyer of the Community Centre for the next month. The report and supporting



documents will be available online at www.wellington.govt.nz

If you'd like to be kept up-to-date with Brooklyn Hub news, please email brooklynhubnz@gmail.com to be added to our mailing list.


*Macaela Flanagan, WCC
Brooklyn Hub Steering Group*

EARLY BUSINESSES & ADVERTISING

BY CHRIS RABEY

Greetings! I am continuing the early advertisements theme, however firstly I have to make an amendment. In the last month's copy I ran a story on Hodson's Drapery. This is what should have accompanied the ad: It was Ron (R V) Hodson who owned

It was a wonderfully atmospheric old style bookshop in which he oversaw a major renovation to re-establish an updated stationery and magazine outlet but with a hardware component to meet some of the DIY needs of the local community. After a number of years he sold the business to his older brother Ken in 1972. A short time later Ron died in January 1973. Thanks to Ron's daughter Ann for providing this addition to my story.



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Brooklyn Pharmacy.

the Drapery, a business he established in 1944 on his return from wartime service in the Middle East. For many years it was sited on the corner of Ohiro Road and Cleveland Streets in what had previously been a butcher's shop. It was not until the mid 1960's that he re-located the business to a smaller site on the corner of Cleveland and Jefferson Street. He subsequently purchased Seymour's Bookshop.

Now, to this set of advertisements.

Frosty Jack Ice Cream was very popular in Wellington and other parts of NZ back in the 1950's and 60's, although the company began production way back in 1924. It produced such delicacies as Topsy Ice Cream on a stick, and Eskimo Pies. However it couldn't compete with TipTop so closed down in the mid 1970's.

HISTORY

H T Boddy was a general carrier for Brooklyn. He was based in a property in Connaught Terrace, on the high side. The workshop and garage had a commanding view of the city up to the 1940's.

Brooklyn Pharmacy, the original premises were in the Chemist shop at the western end of the old Cleveland Buildings, now the Daycare Centre.

The earliest occupier was Mr Glenly, he also had the Post Office there before the well-known Post Office building we remember was built. After him Charlie Clift owned the shop, then Ray Castle, and finally his son John. It ceased to be a chemist (pharmacy) in the mid 1970's. More next month.

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CHILDCARE PROGRAMMES	Before and After School Care & Holiday Programs. Contact Adam Hendry on 385 0089 or Brooklyn.hp.asc@gmail.com
CRAFT CONNECTIONS	Crafters social group. Fortnightly on Thursday 10am-1pm Contact Louise at brockway@paradise.net.nz
CRAFTY VOLUNTEERS	1st Wednesday of the month 6:30-8:30pm. Next meeting 6 July. Knitting, crochet, sewing. Ph Leonie Flint 3896381
EKKAALLAM CHURCH	Tamil Christian worship and service. Sundays 10am-12pm. Contact Robert tec.wgt@gmail.com or 027 858 9916
HIP HOP & DANCE ACADEMY	Hip Hop + Junior Jazz Mondays 4.45-5.45pm. Contact Stephanie on 027 292 9921 or stephanieamandalee@gmail.com Fun Fairy Ballet for pre-schoolers and primary school children Tuesdays 3.15-6pm. Contact Fiona 476 7046 or 021 721 020
MONTHLY MARKET	Next market is on Saturday 25 June 2016, 9:30am-1pm. To book a stall contact Euan Harris on 384 6799
PARENTS & BUBS MANDARIN	Fun friendly classes for young children to learn Mandarin Chinese. Fridays 9am-10:30. Contact Li Ling liling@nihaocc.org.nz
PATRICIA REILLY REMBUDEN	Beginners: Wednesdays 5.30-6.15pm & Thursdays 5-5.45pm Adult Beginners: Wednesdays 6-7pm, Thursdays 5.30-6.30pm. Kardio Power: Wednesdays 7.30-8pm. Strengthen & Tone: Thursdays 6.30-7pm. Contact Patricia on 383 9371 or 027 297 6049
PILATES	Mondays 9-10am & Fridays 9-11am. Pilates/Dance Thursdays at 9am. Contact Beth at renewpilates@gmail.com for bookings.
PORSE PLAYSCHOOL	Wednesdays 9-11:30am. Contact Susan 801 6814 or susan.rudd@porse.co.nz
ST JOHN CADETS	Tuesdays 6:30-8pm. Contact Carol on 388 3838
STRUMMY TIME	Musical Parenting Group. Live music. Fridays during school terms. 11:15am-12:15pm. Contact Pip Algie at pip.algie@gmail.com
TABLE TENNIS	Turn up Tuesday mornings from 9am-12pm or Wednesdays 8pm. Open to people of all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Contact Phillip on 934 7445 or email codwg@paradise.net.nz
TAI CHI	Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm. \$10 casual or \$60 for 10 classes. Contact Ferne McKenzie on 389 1433 or ferne.david@xtra.co.nz
TOTS MUSIC CLASS	Encore! 3-5yrs 9:45-10:15am. 1-3yrs 10:25-10:55am (and potentially 11:05-11:35am). info@encoreschoolofmusic.co.nz or call 976 8742 or 022 645 6943

what's on at

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BABY SENSORY CLASSES	Fridays 9am-1pm. Contact Mel on 022 510 1987 or wellingtoncitynz@babysensory.com or www.facebook.com/babysensorywellington
FELDENKRAIS	Mondays 10-11am and 7-8pm. Wednesdays 10-11am. First class free for beginners. Contact Toni on 475 3355 or temcwhinnie@gmail.com
FIONA HAINES DANCE	Wednesdays 3:30-8:30pm. Contact Fiona on 021 721 020 or f.haines.dance@gmail.com
KARDIO POWER	Mondays 5:40-6:10pm. Patricia 383 9371 or 027 297 6049
KID'S ART CLASSES	Thursdays 3-4:30pm for primary school kids. Contact Euan on 384 6799 or brooklynca@paradise.net.nz
SPIRIT TAEKWON-DO CLUB	Sundays 9:15am-12:45pm. Thursdays 4.45pm-8.45pm. Contact Louise 021 585 119 or louise@spirit.net.nz
STRETCH & TONE	Mondays 6.10-6.40pm Patricia on 383 9371 or 027 297 6049
WELLINGTON IAIDO	Learn the art of drawing and cutting with the Japanese sword. Tuesdays 6-7pm and Saturdays 3-5pm. Contact Cam 021 263 0361 or info@wellington-iaido.com www.facebook.com/wellingtoniaido
WELLINGTON NAGINATA	Women's Martial Arts Group Fridays 5:30-7:30pm. Contact Alice at henryjonesjnr@yahoo.co.uk
ZUMBA	Positively Zumba – Tuesday evenings 7:15-8:30pm Contact Beth at: positivelyzumba@gmail.com

WHERE IS THIS? Off the Beaten Track appears when there is space, to introduce readers to the less known spots in our community.

If you have a photo of somewhere off the beaten track please email it to brooklyntattler@gmail.com along with it's **location** which will appear somewhere in the same edition as the photo.





RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

36 JEFFERSON ST, BROOKLYN
PHONE 384 4299
OPEN WEEKDAYS 9-4

17 JUNE Kammiri C. Aros.
The culture between Brazil and NZ

24 JUNE Friday Circle Talk

1 JULY Winter Solstice Entertainment by
our great supporter "ZAPPO"

8 JULY 1.30pm- Winter Movie
"My family and other animals"

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July. We hope to see you on the day.

Congratulations Rex and Margaret Jones who
celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.
Well done on your 50 years of marriage.

Thank you to Lois McConnell for playing
our piano on Friday the 27th of May. We
had a great sing along.
Hope to see you soon. *Jenny Swan*

MONDAY

11am-11.45 Get the Beat - music
for babies and toddlers. Contact Lois
McConnell Ph 973 1650

1-3pm Mah Jong

6-7pm Yoga

TUESDAY 12-1pm Community Lunch.
Inexpensive lunch, everybody welcome

WEDNESDAY

Garden club 1st Wednesday of every month

THURSDAY 1st & 3rd Thursday of the
month. Wellington Handweavers and
Spinners Guild

FRIDAY

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SCHOOL NEWS

JULIE SEEVENS

Term Two is now well underway with a big focus this term on the Board of Trustee elections. Elections take place every three years with the new board commencing in June this year.

Another area all our schools have been working on so far this term is the annual cross country races. All schools have now had their races and the winning students competed in Central and Southern Zone races in early June. The next major event will be the upcoming Matariki celebrations in June and July.

Ridgway School is looking at an exciting Bikes in Schools initiative which is funded by the WCC to build bike tracks for students to ride on in school fields. A possible area to use is the perimeter

of Vogelmorn Park which would be a valuable asset to the wider community as well as the school. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the initiative is asked to contact school principal Kathryn Smith at office@ridgway.school.nz

St Bernards students recently celebrated Catholic Schools Day where they explored the values of their founders, the Sisters of Mercy and created artwork centred on these values. Plunket has found a new home at St Bernards in a room in the school hall.

Brooklyn students have been studying the sciences this term with Year 3 & 4 learning about space and visiting the Carter Observatory, Year 5 & 6 focussing on electrical circuits, and Year 7 & 8 studying CSI and visiting the Police museum.

Term Two finishes on Friday 8 July for all our schools.

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Last month I wrote about a very successful working bee, and a moderately successful seed collecting expedition. The working bee was at the site we are concentrating on this year in conjunction with Owhiro Bay School; the week after, we received a lovely letter from Jess and Jude, the two women spearheading the project from the school, from which I quote:

“I am absolutely blown away by the work achieved by the FOOS team on the weekend. I am sorry that I was not there to help! The waterfall area with the new path you are building has been transformed. It is very exciting to see such great progress and to be able to start dreaming about what the planting will look like. Also the gap between our two areas is diminishing which is very exciting!”

So were we flattered? Well, just a bit.


And as for seed collecting: inspired by our workshop at Otari, we forsook the shade



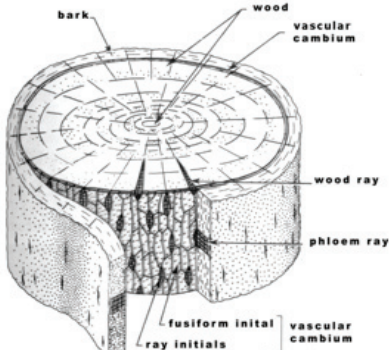
house one beautiful sunny Wednesday morning, and made a trip to Hape Stream, just past the Red Rocks information centre, in search of *Cyperus ustulatus* (Giant sedge) that we had been told could be found there. We were more than a little tentative about the whole thing, but we had no sooner turned up in the valley then there it was, just like the

pictures of it! We found quite a few other things as well, some of which we knew the names of and some we didn't. Great to add to our gene pool by collecting from a new source, and to our botanic knowledge after our unknowns were identified. After which exhausting work, we enjoyed our usual coffee appreciating the fresh air and sea view.

Janet Campbell
for Friends of Owhiro Stream



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In the last week of May we had 20 corporate volunteers from OMD clearing the stream of tradescantia. We were very fortunate in having a fine day sandwiched between days of deluge and thunderstorms and the team did a great job. The rain has created good conditions for planting and we have plans for 500 more plants to go into Central Park this winter which will bring the total number we have planted in the park to about 4000. This includes the mass planting of flaxes at the Ohiro Road/ Brooklyn Road junction in 2011 which are now very well settled in and only need an annual weed.

We have planted a variety of native trees including kowhai, kahikatea, nikau, rewarewa and totara. In addition, we have planted shrubs and ground cover species supplied by the WCC nursery, including fast-growing revegetation and understory species as well as the 'heritage' trees such as northern rata and podocarp species. We are effectively under-planting

existing ageing exotic conifer forest, so while we have to contend with damage caused by the old pines periodically falling, we also have the benefit of shade and shelter in most areas.

Our trapping programme, Bellbird Central, has so far despatched 41 mice and 6 rats, mostly in Vickers traps. There are either fewer rats than expected

or they are too smart to get caught in the DOC 200 traps. Beer mash has been used successfully as bait, thanks to the home brewers in our group! We are moving some of the traps to other areas in the park to see if we catch more predators there.

Next Working Bee is Sunday 26 June 2016

Upstream meets on the last Sunday of every month; join us from 10.00 – 12.00 at The Jetty - follow the path upstream from the main gates on Brooklyn Road for a few hundred metres. Everyone welcome!

For more information, contact Lynne at all.whites@xtra.co.nz



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WINTER HEALTH

As the weather has turned cold and damp it is timely to think about health issues specifically relating to the winter.

FLU INJECTIONS are still available and are funded until the end of July for those in the higher risk groups. These people are those over the age of 65 and anyone with a long term condition for example diabetes or asthma that requires daily treatment. It is also funded and highly recommended for pregnant women. Young children who have previously been hospitalised for respiratory illness are also eligible for funded vaccine. Other people also benefit from flu immunisation and they can choose to pay for the vaccine through their doctor or practice nurse. The current flu injection is designed to protect against three virus strains including two that have not previously been in the vaccine.

OTHER VACCINES When attending for a flu vaccine; some people might wish to consider other vaccines as well. Pneumococcal vaccine is a non-funded vaccine that protects against some strains of pneumococcal pneumonia – so is sometimes called the “pneumonia vaccine”. A single dose for people over the age of 65 gives long term protection. Zostavax – a vaccine to prevent the occurrence of zoster – or “shingles” is also a one dose non-funded vaccine. It can be given to those over the age of 50 and provides long term protection. To find out more about these vaccines including the cost – speak to your doctor or practice nurse.

ASTHMA The cold damp weather has exacerbated asthma for many people. Asthma is a condition in which the airways

constrict and more mucous is produced. People feel short of breath and often have a dryish cough. It is usually worse in the evenings and at night when the air is colder. For people who have known asthma it might be an idea to see your doctor or nurse to update your treatment plan and be sure you have the best medication for your health.

HEALTHY HOMES Keeping your home environment healthy is important for the prevention of many illnesses. Keeping homes warm and dry is beneficial for health. Ideally every one should be a non smoker – if there are smokers in your household - try to keep the indoors smoke free. There is assistance available including medications to help stop smoking through your medical practice or services such as Quitline.

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GROUP Have a passion for creating local food and community through workshops, shared gardens and a community orchard. Contact us to get involved or join our working bees from 5.30pm Monday and Tuesday nights at Brooklyn Orchard, end of Harrison St. thebrooklynfoodgroup@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/BrooklynFoodGroupNZ

BROOKLYN GARDEN

CLUB 1st Wednesday each month, Brooklyn Resource Centre, 36 Jefferson St. New members and visitors welcome. Contact Barbara on 389 4307

BROOKLYN GECKOS HOCKEY FOR KIDS

For years 1-4 and new entrants. Practice with us Fridays 4-5pm at the Brooklyn Bowling Club astro turf at Tanera Park, 8 Tanera Cres, Brooklyn. Just turn up on practice day and we will take it from there. <http://brooklyngeckoshockey.weebly.com>

BROOKLYN LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

2pm Saturday 25 June at the Library. Contact Sharon on 027 634 4455 or 388 8088, or Chris 384 9293 or email ships.pubs@paradise.net.nz

BROOKLYN MAINLY MUSIC

Fun affordable 30 minute music group for parents or care givers to enjoy with their pre-schooler(s). Children develop gross and fine motor skills, language, imagination, mathematical and pre-reading skills through music, action songs and more in a loving shared family environment. Morning tea provided following the session.
Venue: Wellington Reformed Church
34 Harrison St.
Wednesdays 10am.
Rachel 022 407 9652

Venue: St Matthews' Co-operating Parish 96 Washington Ave.

Fridays 9:30am. Contact Nicky 971 1265

BROOKLYN SCOUTS

Scout Hall, Harrison St. Scouting is for boys and girls who love adventure. Keas 5-7 yrs, Cubs 7-11yrs, Scouts 11-14yrs, Venturers 14-18yrs. Gillian Boyes 972 9904 or gillianmay68@gmail.com

BROOKLYN SMALLBORE RIFLE CLUB

Ages 14+

Special \$20 Intro Package: firearm safety, range etiquette, coaching, use of specialised club equipment, targets and ammunition - 2 rounds/13 shots per round. Sundays 4.30pm-6pm mid-March to early October at the Royal Tiger Range, 131 Russell Terrace, Newtown. To join the club contact Dianne Grain on 0274 449 641 d.grain@xtra.co.nz www.bsrc.org.nz

BROOKLYN TABLE

TENNIS 9am-12 Tuesdays and 8pm Wednesdays. Small friendly group. We welcome new members of all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Philip 934 7445 or codwg@paradise.net.nz

BROOKLYN TOY

LIBRARY Rear prefab at Capital Montessori School, Camrose Grove, Kingston. brooklyntoylibrary@hotmail.com brooklyntoylibrary.org.nz www.facebook.com/Brooklyn-Toy-Library-1413096478974 270

CRAFT CONNECTIONS

Crafters social group. Fortnightly on Thursdays 10am-1pm Contact Louise brockway@paradise.net.nz

CRAFTY VOLUNTEERS

Individuals helping their community one stitch at a time. 1st Wednesday of the month 6:30pm-8:30pm. Next meeting 6 July. Knitting, crochet, sewing. Contact Leonie Flint 3896381

BROOKLYN WALKERS

6 Jun Queens Birthday

13 Jun Box Hill, Khandallah Village, Bridle Path, Kaiwharawhara, City. (9:18 No 7 bus, 10:02 train).

20 Jun Petone Esplanade to Lower Hutt via Shandon Golf course and Sladen Park. (9:38 No 7 bus, 10:07 No 83 from Railway Station).

27 Jun Walk to Wallace St, bus to Karori, walk through cemetery, Kaiwharawhara Stream, Otari Wilton Bush. (9:10 start for 9:35 No 18 bus at Wallace St).

4 Jul Central Park, Tanera Gardens, Aro & Norway Sts, Kelburn, City.

11 Jul Pencarrow Walk. (9:08 No 8 bus, 9:27 No 81 bus) at Railway Station. Get off at Eastbourne.

18 Jul Walk to Adelaide Rd though High Sch, No 3 bus to Kilbirnie, walk to city via Hataitai.

25 Jul Ashton Fitchett Rd, Zealandia perimeter, Mitchelltown, Aro St. Walkers 9:10 start, others 9:25 No 8 bus to Ashton Fitchett Rd.

FRIENDS OF OWHIRO STREAM

The vast improvement over the years to the Owhiro Stream and its environs has been achieved by this group. Martin 389 8995 Janet 385 2077

LIONS CLUB We're a new Lions club starting in Brooklyn to help build the community while making new friends along the way. 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30pm, RSA room, Brooklyn Community Centre. Contact Alice Dickson at aliceerdickson@gmail.com or 027 725 4195.

ST JOHN PENGUIN AND YOUTH DIVISION

Penguin Program 6-8 yrs. Karen 389 4060 Youth Division 8-18 yrs. Carol 0274 321 204 www.stjohn.org.nz

TURBINE TALKERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Local chapter Toastmasters International. Deb 027 444 9622 dlambie@live.com <http://6879.toastmastersclubs.org>

UPSTREAM – FRIENDS OF CENTRAL PARK

Meet last Sunday of the month 10am-12 at the picnic table next to the big bridge. Come along for great conversations, meet new people, fab morning tea and contribute to the care of Central Park. debbie_vanh@yahoo.com

WELLINGTON SWORDS

CLUB Tanera Bowling Club Vicki Lamb 970 7496 evenings bishop.lamb@paradise.net.nz

Tanera Bowling Club

8 Tanera Cres, Brooklyn **Venue hire:** maximum 150 people. \$15 hr casual. Party hire rate negotiable. \$150 weekend night.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

for a working bee to get a number of jobs completed at both the Vogelmorn Hall and the Brooklyn Community Centre.

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