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22 SEPTEMBER 2-5pm

BROOKLYN TATTLER

what's happening in your community



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This month's cover photo is of Adam Hendry, BCA Childcare Manager, and children attending a special movie screening at the Penthouse on the Teachers' Strike Day.

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from the COMMUNITY CENTRE

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September Tattler

We hope you enjoy our extended edition of the Brooklyn Tattler which has been delivered free to households in Brooklyn, Kowhai Park, Panorama Heights, Mornington, Vogeltown and Kingston. We are continually working to refresh the Tattler and include more news of interest to the local community. As always your feedback and comments are welcome.

Please contact us at

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We have a busy month coming up including our AGM, quarterly Brooklyn Market, and the next School Holiday Programme.

Thank you Penthouse Cinema

As many of you will be aware, primary school teachers were on strike for a day in August which resulted in some schools being closed for the day. We wanted to be able to offer our local parents childcare for the day but it was looking unlikely we would be able to due to the strike day being a Wednesday, the same day that Porse Playschool use the centre in the mornings. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Sandra and the team at the Penthouse who came to our rescue by reserving a theatre for us and putting on a special screening of The Incredibles 2. This meant we were able to take the children to the movies in the morning then come back to the centre once Porse had finished their session.

AGM

The Brooklyn Community Association who govern the Brooklyn Community Centre, Vogelmorn Hall, and our popular school age childcare programmes are having their AGM on Sunday 16 September at 2pm in the Brooklyn Community Centre. Guest speaker is local southern ward councillor Fleur Fitzsimons; see her column this month on page 4. Come along and meet the people who run your local community centre. Ask questions of Fleur on local issues and become involved by joining the committee, or just say hello. A great afternoon tea will be provided once again by our next door neighbours, the Brooklyn Playcentre.

Brooklyn Market

Our next popular quarterly Brooklyn Market is on Saturday 22 September from 2pm to 5pm. Come along and catch up with friends and neighbours while browsing through a wide variety of stalls; everything from jewellery, candles, and soaps to pickles, vegan products, and kids' stalls. Plus Brooklyn's resident knife sharpener Andrew will be here to sharpen knives, scissors, and garden tools. We will have great coffee, cakes, butter chicken roti & grilled wraps and a BBQ on the deck; plus for the kids, face painting and a giant bouncy castle in the playground. Everybody welcome.

Check out our market Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/brooklyncommunitycentre/>

School Holidays

Term three ends on 28 September and our fortnightly holiday programme runs from Monday 1 October featuring two weeks of fun activities including our

popular day trips. Childcare Programme Manager, Adam Hendry and Senior Childcare Supervisor, Chris Barry-Goss are busy putting the final touches on the activity days. Programmes will be available from the Brooklyn Community Centre foyer or downloadable online at brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz Phone Adam and Chris on 385 0089 or email: childcare@brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz

Don't forget to put your clocks forward by one hour on Sunday 30 September for the start of daylight saving. We're all looking forward to longer daylight hours, warmer weather, and cheaper energy bills!

Community Market

SEPTEMBER 22nd 2-5pm

Brooklyn Community Centre

18 Harrison Street

Food trucks, crafts, vintage clothing, entertainment, fresh bread, kids' stalls, jewellery and much more!

Rain or Shine!

from the COUNCILLOR

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Hi everyone

I have been reflecting recently how lucky we are in Wellington to have so many commercial free community spaces provided by or supported by the Council. These include our great community centres and libraries. I am reminded of the commitment the New Zealand Government made after WW2 to subsidise the development of living war memorials throughout New Zealand; places such as community centres, swimming pools, libraries, and halls. The underlying policy intention of these memorials is the same as our modern community centres and libraries – to build spaces that help unite people and build community. I am concerned about the loneliness facing some members of our community; our libraries and community centres offer warm safe places for many people to connect with others. There really is much to celebrate about the role these public spaces play in our local communities. I know the Brooklyn Library has a popular pre-school story time on Tuesdays at 10:30am.

I am a relatively new Councillor but have been pleased to meet many residents and to work with people to address a range of issues including: accessibility parking at the Brooklyn shops, flickering street lights, filling of potholes and many others. Feel free to get in touch.

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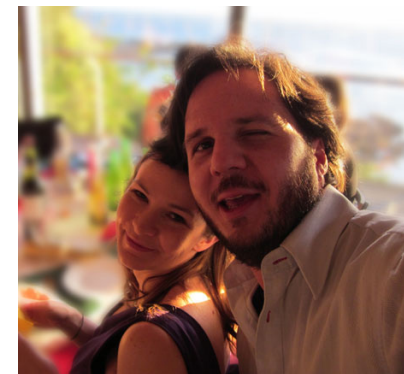
OUT & ABOUT IN BROOKLYN

This month Evan Harris talks with Zach Widener, co-owner of Caribe Coffee on Cleveland Street

Zach Widener has lived in Kingston twice, the capital of Jamaica and now here in Wellington. Zach was born in El Paso, Texas, which sounds like the setting for an old Wild West movie. At an early age Zach's family shifted to the state of Florida and settled in Miami where he spent the first ten years of his life. Zach's father was a US diplomat and his next and final posting was to Jamaica where he eventually retired, setting up a scuba diving shop which Zach worked in before heading back to the US to study and complete a computer science degree.

Zach came to Wellington in 2003 aged 24 because he had an older brother based here who spoke highly of life in the capital. Not long after arriving in Wellington Zach met Naomi, his future wife and business partner. Thanks to his computer science degree Zach was able to gain employment in the IT sector. Naomi worked in the hospitality industry and had extensive experience in café and bar management. Her knowledge and his desire to create a business together that would incorporate Caribbean culture, led to the creation of Café Caribe in the shop that was previously Carnival Cats on Cleveland Street.

Prior to opening, Zach and Naomi attended a small business course in which they looked at case studies of similar cafes. Zach says from the outset they wanted to roast and create their own in-house coffee as opposed to importing beans from an outside supplier.



This was to be a point of difference for their café and one that paid off when they were presented with gold in the NZ Coffee Awards 2010-11 which further enhanced their reputation. Zach takes me down the path by Café Caribe to a building that looks like your typical home garage on the outside. But the inside is unlike any garage you have ever seen. He lifts the door and there is roasting specialist Joe Wishnowsky, busy besides a large chromed machine turning beans into roasted coffee ready for packaging and distribution. Zach and Naomi's many clients include government departments and corporates.

Zach says that on 7 September, Café Caribe will celebrate nine years in business. He never envisaged being here that long, but has enjoyed creating and growing the business to its present level. The customers are great and the local Brooklyn business community very supportive. After nine years the decision has been made to sell and let another person take over and grow the business even further. Zach and Naomi have no immediate plans but definitely intend to remain local residents.

I ask Zach what the most popular coffee that customers order daily is. And he replies, "A flat white. Nine out of every ten coffees is a flat white".

WARTIME DIFFICULTIES

On the home front during World War Two it was the women of the area, (and Brooklyn was part of this) who had to adapt most to war time demands. If their menfolk were serving overseas or even in the Home Guard, they had to do everything in and out of the house. Women did all the household buying and therefore managed the ration books, which meant altering the family diet. They had the task of clothing the family, so mending and dress- making, darning and knitting were all essential skills.

The pedal Singer sewing machine and the skill to use it were valuable and necessary assets. While many remembered the depression days of the early 1930s where the likes of darning skills and the lining of coats with redundant white flour bags were common practice, these skills again came to the fore and mothers taught them to the next generation.

The Government imposed rationing, and some say it was the most stringent in the world, somewhat exacerbated by the presence of 50,000 American troops in the country. Sugar was 12 ounces or 24 tablespoons per week per person, tea 8 ounces, (16 tablespoons) per month, stockings, 1 pair every three months, butter 8 oz. per person per week, meat 2 ½ pounds (1 kilo) per week, and were all rationed as were clothes.

Householders bought these items from the grocer or retailer who cut the appropriate coupons from the ration book. Coffee was nowhere near as popular as it is now and was never rationed. Householders obtained their ration books from the Post Office. There were three classes of books - one for children eight months to five years old, one for children 6-10

years old, and one for those over ten years old. Strict instructions on their use were given in local papers.

These included:

- Ration Books were to be in safe custody. A loss of one meant great difficulty in securing another.
- Continuing to trade with your regular grocer. Shopping around was very unwise.
- Coupons not used in the rationing period could not be used later (except clothing).
- If a person went on holiday or left town they had to take their books with them.

Petrol was rationed as well which meant a lot of extra work for the garage owner. They had to sort and count coupons, and send in monthly returns to balance sales and supplies. This applied to every item sold by retailers as well.

Householders had various ways of coping with the system. Many grew their own vegetables. Farmers killed their own livestock and gave a lot to friends and neighbours. The old wooden butter churn was resurrected to churn butter. Surplus eggs were preserved with a coating of ovoline paste (similar to Vaseline).

Sunday midday roast was the big meal of the week; home killed beef, mutton, or pork with potatoes and various vegetables. Monday was cold sliced meat, Tuesday to Saturday it was usually mince meals like cottage or shepherd's pie. When the Sunday meat had run out it was sausages, liver, steak & kidney stew, Irish stew, pressed flap, or stuffed sheep's heart. Sheep's brains were unwelcome, as was tripe. Occasionally an American soldier would turn up with tinned fruit, a billy full of ice cream, or various confectionaries.

Nowadays households would find it immensely difficult to deal with these restrictions.

Chris Rabey



Our final (for now!) community dinner was another sell-out. Hasan Alwarhani cooked delicious Syrian food while Michel Alkhouri talked about Make Foundation's work with Syrian refugees, and played some traditional pieces on his oud. Thanks to Wellington City Council for their grant, Ingrid Godlieb for her flowers, and to all our diners whose support of the series reflects the vitality of our community and enthusiasm to connect.

Anna Banaś is running a Non-Violent Communication workshop on Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 September from 10am - 4pm. She'll focus on the small, possible steps we can take towards communicating to connect. Bookings via info@redefiningconflict.com.

The Vogelmorn Community Group invites you to our inaugural 'Annual Reflection Meeting'

(no AGMs for us) on Sunday 16 September. Explore our journey so far, our plans for what's next - and how you can share in them! Come at 7pm to chat over light refreshments for a 7.30pm start.

Barbarian Productions' annual Spring Uprising festival returns - a chance for artists, social organisations and community to come together. The festival opens on Sunday 23 September with a Whānau Day from 1pm - 4pm. The Green Cafe will be especially open for the event and there'll be fun for the whole family, including a dress up jam, chill zone for the folks, Captain Cook's Cycle Navigation of the Vogelmorn Green and more... If you enjoyed last year's election party, you'll love this year's Daylight Saving party on Saturday 29 September from 7pm - 11pm with food for sale, music, dancing and open bar (no BYO).

Matt Whiting returns with two exciting workshops: Grow-Your-Own Mushrooms on Saturday 29 September, and Making Fermented Foods (kim chi, sauerkraut, kombucha) on Sunday 30 September. Contact Matt on matt@ourterroir.nz.

'Beer & Brazier' BYO craft beer tasting continues on the first Wednesday of the month 7.45pm - 9.15pm.

More info and events calendar at vogelmorn.nz

REPLACING THE BELL ROAD WATER RESERVOIR

A community bonus on Bell Road Reservoir project

Since our last Open Day and meetings with neighbours and other residents Wellington Water has been working to address the key concerns about the project raised by residents.

This particularly relates to heavy trucks going to and from the reservoir site through the construction period, as well as the potential of trucks going to the Southern Landfill through the village.

As a result, Wellington Water has come up with an updated proposal that will not only significantly reduce heavy truck traffic related to the project - but create an opportunity to enhance a large area of the Town Belt.

Following consultation with Taranaki Whānui, the local iwi, the proposed new reservoir has also been named Moe-i-te-Ra – this loosely translates to lying in the sun.



Proposed site for the new Moe-i-te-Ra Reservoir - Photo Credit: Helene Hall

Where have we come from?

Since March, we have met with adjacent neighbours and other



key groups and held a public information session around the proposal to replace the old and seismically vulnerable Bell Road Reservoir with a new seismically resilient structure – Moe-i-te-Ra.

The project will enhance water supply resilience for Mount Cook and Tē Aro residents in the Bell Road and Aro water supply zones, replacing ageing and vulnerable infrastructure. Additionally, it is intended to provide backup supply to the Brooklyn supply zone.

In response to community concerns regarding traffic, Wellington Water has also explored further options for stockpiling earthwork material generated by the proposed reservoir development.

This has resulted in an amended development proposal involving significant changes to how earthworks and traffic effects will be managed. Wellington Water has delayed the intended Town Belt application lodgement for the development to November 2018.



Existing Bell Road Reservoir

Photo Credit: Helene Hall

The Proposal

We have worked with the Wellington City Council in consultation with residents to develop a new approach, using the existing Bell Road Gymnasium site and the gully behind the site for the temporary storage of material excavated from

the proposed new reservoir site while it is under construction.



Bell Road Gymnasium

Photo Credit: Helene Hall

Wellington City Council has subsequently advised the current gym owner/operators that their lease will not be renewed when it expires in 2021.

While this will proposal will require removal of the old gymnasium, it will offer a longer-term opportunity to redevelop and significantly enhance the ecological quality and local community utility of this part of the town belt.

Significantly, heavy truck movements associated with the reservoir site development on the road network outside of Bell Road will be reduced by up to 70%. Trips from the development site to the landfill through Brooklyn will also be reduced by almost 80% percent.

This will however mean that Bell Road will be closed to all traffic and pedestrians for the duration of the project of between two to three years.

Long-term enhancement opportunity

This approach will provide the opportunity to think about future use and landscape development of a large area of the Town Belt.

Wellington Water will be looking to work with the community to consider options for improving public access and usage of this area.

This will present an opportunity for the community to develop a vision for the future of this area – whether that is about ecological enhancement opportunities or developing walkways or other landscape treatment to support outdoor recreation and enjoyment of the new spaces.

Key facts about Moe-i-te-Ra

Fully covered 10 million litre capacity structure, sufficient to cater for forecast population growth

and water demand within the Bell Road and Aro water supply zones out to 2115.

- Proposed site at Upper Bell Road

- Requires approval from the Wellington City Council under the Wellington Town Belt Act

- Requires RMA approvals from Wellington City Council and Greater Wellington Regional Councils

How it affects the Town Belt

- Temporary impacts due to extensive earthworks required to position and cover the reservoir, truck movements and removal of some of the existing vegetation.

- Reservoir will be fully covered and once completed

the site will be landscaped and within five years, completely restored.

- Removal of the gym structure and the existing exposed concrete reservoir.

MOE-I-TE-RA OPEN DAY – SUNDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER

To learn more about the proposal and landscape enhancement opportunity, give feedback and ask our experts questions, come along to the open day.

VENUE: St Matthew's Church, Washington Ave

TIME: 10am to 1pm

TALKS: 11am - Transport and stockpiling – Mark Stanko Project Manager
11.30am - Landscape – Emma McRae Landscape architect

12pm - Town Belt and RMA process – Matt Trlin

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How it affects residents

- Noise, traffic and potentially dust from the earthworks and heavy vehicles moving on and off site via Bell Road - and potentially other roads in the area.
- Measures put in place to control working hours and require efficient loading and route planning
- For residents overlooking the site, views will be temporarily disrupted by construction.

Detailed assessments of all impacts and how they are managed are being completed as part of the consenting process – this includes lodgement of the Town Belt Act application in October, followed by public consultation, submissions and public hearings.

If Wellington City Council approves the Town Belt Act easement, Wellington Water will then need to apply for resource consents, and a Notice of Requirement, under the Resource Management Act. This will involve a further round of public consultation.



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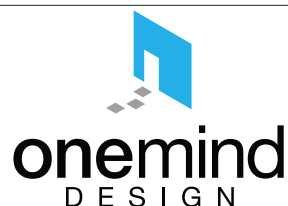
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Poppy, Cece and Jizel are amazing bakers. Aged just 4 ½ they have mastered the skills of preparing their workstation, measuring and mixing ingredients, kneading, and arranging their dough. They work together side by side most mornings, and then wait patiently for their dough to rise. Once ready, the dough is braided and woven to create the most amazing and elaborate loaves. If I had to choose one special thing about a Montessori preschool class, it would be the smell of freshly baked bread, biscuits, and pastries.

In our classrooms baking starts the moment the children arrive for the day. After saying

goodbye to their parents, one of the first places children run to is to the baking table. Older children take the lead while their three year old friends watch in awe, taking the process in and learning until ready to take their turn; although the little ones sure take the lead in eating when the yummy treats are available at morning tea! This is a great example of real life learning and the passing of knowledge from the older children to their younger peers.

Montessori classrooms encourage the children's engagement with real life. Maria Montessori believed that a child is happy when they have the feeling of being fully contributing members of the family, and by extension, their community. In a Montessori classroom they have a chance to do just that! We cook, bake, garden, and run our class like a little community. Like a family, we work together, eat together and have fun together. We also love to be hosts, so if you're curious about us, do come and visit. We'll have a cup of tea and some freshly class-baked goods to share.

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The City is our **PLAYGROUND!**

While it's true that Brooklyn Playcentre is just that, our own little centre of playing and learning, from time to time we love to get mobile and explore our community outside the kid-zone. Our recent trip to the Cable Car and Museum saw us trotting into the CBD en masse, mingling badly in our hi-viz with the suit and briefcase crowd on Willis St as we made our way up the hill to the main attraction. Just a bunch of tiny commuters doing their thing, we even bumped into a dad or two!

We love field-trip experiences like this, and as a parent-run centre, it's just magic to see our own tamariki engaging and observing new contexts and boundaries, with older children learning to be aware of, help and be patient with the smaller ones, not to mention the pure fun of digging into that museum dress-up box, (and I'm not just talking about the kids). Every lunch time at Playcentre is well-earned, but those sandwiches never taste better than they do on field trip days.

WE LOVE TO **PLAY!**

Your tamariki from birth to school age are welcome to join the fun on any of our weekday sessions. Give us a call or find us on Facebook!



385 6531 22 Harrison St,
Mon-Thu, 9am-12:30pm



Spring **HAS SPRUNG**

The orchard is coming alive. The almond was the first to flower and now the plums and pears are also sprouting buds and blossoms. The bees are out looking for nectar and you can feel the energy rising after a very wet winter. We hosted a great pruning workshop in July with much learning passed on to our community, and our orchard featured in the recently released 'Edible Paradise' film as an example of community spaces providing for their community.

As energy rises and the days warm up there are more jobs to do to prepare for the spring season; we meet every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month from 3pm and would really appreciate more help from our community to get the orchard ready for summer fruiting. No knowledge or skills needed, just a couple of hours of your time and the willingness to contribute. There are **ONLY 2 MORE SUNDAY BEES LEFT**. When daylight savings returns we move back to Monday weekly working bees.

We have just received a grant from the WCC for wildflower seeds and will be sowing these in September so will be preparing the beds below the trees. September is 'Bee Aware' month and we want to support that issue by providing as

much organic matter for our bees, at our bees, ... so come along to the next Sunday Working Bee – 2nd September at 3pm.

Look forward to meeting you all then.



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**Monthly update on issues
and projects impacting our
community**

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Tuesday 18 Sept, St Matthews Church, Washington Ave
Come along, we'd love to have your input

Bus hub Cleveland / Harrison intersection	Speedy completion of the bus hub sought. There are serious safety concerns caused by current construction, so PLEASE BE CAREFUL and watch out for each other as you negotiate through the village.
Bell Rd reservoir replacement	Public information forum Sunday 16 Sept, 10am – 1pm St Matthew's Church. Come along to understand the impact of this project, to raise any concerns, and put forward ideas for use of the old reservoir site.
Mobility Parks	One of the two Jefferson St parks is now removed. Plans are now underway for a new Mobility Park on Cleveland St (outside Fire Station), plus one at Vogelmorn Precinct.
Ohio / Cleveland / Todman intersection	Ongoing consultation with WCC, seeking "Barnes Dance" crossing sequence with all traffic stopping for pedestrians and better cycle and pedestrian safety.
Truck movements through Brooklyn	Awaiting WCC action to address residents' concerns about volume, noise, emissions and speed of heavy vehicles heading to the three landfill sites.
Vogelmorn Precinct	Stage 1 works given go ahead for detailed design and contractor pricing, with WCC funding now available. Design team looking to continue collaboration with community through construction, so watch this space.
Ohio / Brooklyn Rd intersection	Safety improvements needed – community suggestions sought as Council struggling to resolve this issue.
Harrison St Flats	To be demolished as EQ prone, timing TBC.
Come along to our meetings to be heard or email us with your queries, concerns and ideas: brooklynresidentswellington@gmail.com	

from the LIBRARY



Kia Ora all.

Another month flies by and still the work on the Bus Hub continues. Hopefully the end is near with the contractor preparing surfaces to be sealed as I write. On a brighter note we have started rotating items with other branch libraries. This is to be done on a three weekly rota covering Adult DVDs, Large Print, and Biographies. So each week we will have a new batch of one of these genres. Sadly due to lack of use we are losing the YA and Adult CD collections from Brooklyn but you can still borrow Adult CDs at Central. This will however mean more space to increase the DVD collection so watch this space and let us know if there are any titles or specific genres you love. Let us know and we will try....

Preschool Story Time happens every Tuesday morning at 10.30am. Bring down your littles to be entertained and enchanted by our wonderful story tellers. Let's go Lego is happening in different suburban libraries; check out the events calendar on our website. There will be some exciting things

happening during the next school holidays. It is too early for the events to be on our calendar but this is just a reminder to have a check towards the end of the month. I will let you know if anything is happening in Brooklyn Library and give you a brief overview of what will be on around the libraries in the next edition.

We had a scooter handed into the library back in June that had been found in the surrounding vicinity and are wondering if anyone knows who it belongs to. Also a stuffed lion was recently left in the library... surely someone is missing this well-loved toy.

Nga Mihi

Heather and the team at Brooklyn Library



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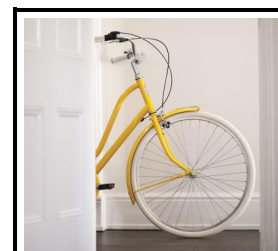
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BROOKLYN GARDEN CLUB	Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the RSA Room. Contact Barbara on 389 4307.
BROWNIES	Mondays 6pm - 7:30pm school terms. Contact Margaret 389 3028
CHILDCARE PROGRAMMES	Before & After-school Care & Holiday Programmes. Phone Adam Hendry 385 0089 or childcare@brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz
CRAFT CONNECTIONS	Crafters social group. Fortnightly on Thursdays 10am - 1pm. Contact Louise email: louisebrockway.nz@gmail.com
INDIAN COOKING	Saturdays & Sundays at 6pm depending on class numbers. Contact Anu at anugupta@xtra.co.nz
EKKAAALLAM CHURCH	Tamil Christian worship and service. Sundays 10am - 12pm. Contact Robert tec.wgtn@gmail.com or 027 858 9916
MANDARIN EARLY LEARNERS GROUP	Thursdays 9:30am - 10:15am. Early learners (Under 5s) fun and interactive group classes. For info visit www.nihaocc.org.nz
QUARTERLY MARKETS	Brooklyn Market Saturday 22 September, 2 - 5pm. Contact 384 6799 or market@brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz
FAMILY FIT KARATE & FITNESS	Beginners Wed 5:30 - 6:15pm & Thurs 5 - 5:45pm Adult Beginners Wed 6 - 7pm & Thurs 5:30 - 6:30pm Kardio Power Wed 7:30 - 8pm. Stretch & Tone Thurs 6:30 - 7pm. Contact Patricia 383 9371 or 027 297 6049
PORSE PLAYSCHOOL	Wednesdays 9 - 11:30am during school terms. Contact 801 6814 or email susan.rudd@porse.co.nz
PILATES	Mondays and Fridays at 9am. Contact Liz 027 503 0211 or lizbirkett.yoga.pilates@gmail.com
ST JOHN CADETS	Tuesdays 6:30-8pm school terms. Carol 0274 321 204 or 388 3838.
TABLE TENNIS	Tuesdays 9am - 12pm or Wednesdays 8pm. Open to all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Inquiries Philip on 934 7445 or email: codwgpdl@gmail.com .
TAI CHI	Fierce Tiger Tai Chi Chuan School. Thursdays 6:30 - 7:30pm. Beginners welcome. \$10 casual and \$35 per month. Contact Ferne McKenzie on 389 1433 or ferne.david@xtra.co.nz
GET THE BEAT	Music for under 3 year olds. Mondays at 10am in the RSA Room. Contact Lois McConnell on 973 1650.
KANGA TRAINING	Mondays 10am - 11:30am. Postnatal workouts. Hannah 021 030 6981 http://www.facebook.com/KangatrainingWellingtonCentral/
VINYASA YOGA	Saturdays 10:30am with Jenn. All levels welcome. \$5 drop in. BYO mat. Email: jetbluenz5@gmail.com
HYPNOBIRTHING TASTER SESSIONS	Want to know more before booking a course? Free taster sessions for expectant parents. 10am - 1pm Saturday 15 Sept, 13 Oct, 10 Nov & 15 Dec. Call Anna 020 4122 2384 or email: letannaknow@hotmail.com

what's on at VOGELMORN HALL & GREEN

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BABY SENSORY CLASSES	Fridays 9am - 2pm. Contact Mel on 022 510 1987 or wellingtoncitynz@babysensory.com or www.facebook.com/babysensorywellington
FELDENKRAIS	Mondays 10 - 11am & 7 - 8pm. Wednesdays 10-11am. First class free for beginners. Contact Toni on 475 3355 or temcwhinnie@gmail.com
KARDIO POWER	Mondays 5:40 - 6:10pm Patricia 383 9371 or 027 297 6049
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WELLINGTON NAGINATA	Martial Arts Group Saturdays 10am - 12pm. Contact Alice at alice.graham@compasshealth.org.nz
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SCHOOL NEWS

Term three is half way through already; our children had an exciting August with trips to the City Gallery, Capital E, Embassy Theatre and ASB Sports Centre to name a few. Primary teachers voted to strike for a day on 15 August resulting in the closure of schools; hopefully an agreement can be reached and this will result in being a one-off action.

The annual Art Splash and Dance Splash performances are scheduled for the end of September with all our schools being involved. Also this month is the Inter Zone Swimming Competitions coming up on 13 September.

St Bernards' families have been busy planting 93 native plants; students had a visit from the Jonah Project to discuss whales and dolphins; and this term students are involved in a Mountain to Sea Whitebait Connection Programme which teaches biodiversity, freshwater monitoring, human impacts, and includes trips to local waterways.

It's been a super social month for Ridgway students with a school disco and a pool party in Berhampore to raise funds for the Years 7 and 8 camp coming up later in the year. They have also had Pedal Ready in teaching them safe biking skills and competency and are hosting an inter school chess championship later this month.

Brooklyn School had a visit from author Brian Faulkner in August and the senior students are gearing up to host Carterton students for their annual sports competition.

Term three finishes on Friday 28 September for all our schools.

Julie Seevens

Cory Kondracki

life coach
cancer counsellor



I am a qualified therapist and have a Diploma in Life Coaching and a Diploma in Cancer Counselling.

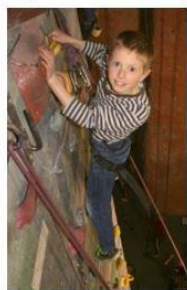
I'm passionate about what I do and feel privileged being a part of someone's journey.

I look forward to hearing from you.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEAL DELIVERIES



Meals on Wheels delivery driver Rex Jones (right) chatting with John of Owhiro Bay.

Recently I accompanied Meals on Wheels stalwart Rex Jones on his regular Friday run. Rex has been volunteering his services as a delivery driver for over 24 years. Rex arrives at Brooklyn Community Centre shortly after 11am to wait for the Spotless Services van to arrive with the day's hot meals and desserts. There are a total of nine deliveries to be made, starting from the bottom of Brooklyn Road through to Owhiro Bay including Kingston. Rex looks at his running sheet and works out the quickest route. Nearly all the people are regulars and are very chatty as we make our way from house to house. The run takes about an hour and 20 minutes.

If you can spare a couple of hours during the middle of the day to deliver meals please contact Sue on 021 620 599 or email us at coordinator@brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz

Euan Harris, Coordinator, Brooklyn
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WEDNESDAYS 9AM – 4PM

A group of local people meet each Wednesday in a warm and welcoming space at St Matthew's. Anyone is welcome to come along and join in for as little or as long as they like. Do drop in any time to see what is on offer.

WEDNESDAY CIRCLE PROGRAMME

10:30 am	Morning Tea
Noon	Lunch
1 pm	Arthritic Exercise
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Speaker
2:30 pm	Afternoon Tea

SPEAKERS – WEDNESDAYS 1:30-2:30PM

5 September – Ideas for our next outing

12 September – Coronation Street Quiz

19 September – Val Wilcox: Stories from my childhood

26 September – Bingo

If you have a special interest, hobby or something you would like to share with others, please contact Jenny as we're always looking for guest speakers. Ngaire Burton, former Coordinator of the Brooklyn Resource Centre for many years, passed away last month. Ngaire was much loved and fondly remembered by many at the Centre - our condolences go out to her family. We had a great bus trip last month to Eastbourne and the Petone Working Men's Club for lunch. This was enjoyed by everyone; we are looking to do more outings in the future.

Jenny Swan, Coordinator

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PILATES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Kia ora, my name is Liz Birkett and I am loving my new role as Pilates instructor at the Brooklyn Community Centre on Mondays and Fridays. These 55 minute long classes are warm, welcoming and fun. I was a primary school teacher so am able to teach at an individual level, making the classes suitable for both beginner and intermediate students. It is a privilege to watch my clients grow in strength and confidence week to week. Here is what one student says:

"Your new Brooklyn classes are such a hit. We are all delighted with your careful and excellent tuition."

I supply mats, and Euan (Brooklyn Community Centre Coordinator)

always has the heaters on early so the hall is warmly waiting for us. Many clients attend both classes for maximum benefits. Pilates supports us to bring ease and confidence to our everyday movements and activities. During these 9am classes we learn to engage our core muscles in both static and dynamic exercises. We open the chest, back, hamstrings, and hips. We strengthen the glutes, shoulders, and pelvic floor muscles, developing and maintaining good posture. Sound like thirsty work? Clients have earned a coffee and after class kindly show their patronage around Brooklyn's cafes.

If you are looking to connect with your body, breath, and community, please sign up for Term Four; an eight week block course beginning Friday 19 October and Monday 22 October.

Phone 027 503 0211 or email
lizbirkett.yoga.pilates@gmail.com



Liz Birkett (in pink) and class ready for coffee after another fun Friday Pilates session

MIKA THE SQUEAKER



Are you looking for a cat who enjoys a good conversation?

Mika is a friendly ten year old girl whose original person sadly passed away. For some months after that she was alone in the house being fed only once a day by another family member.

A neighbour eventually took Mika in until they developed health issues and couldn't care for her anymore and brought her to us.

Mika adores people's company. She spends most of her time out on the main sundeck at the shelter and will happily come down from her sunny shelf for a chat if you start a conversation with her. And she's not loud at all – she has the tiniest squeak for a meow, which is incredibly cute. Make a special trip to meet our loveable Mika.

CPW is open to visitors at 29 Vancouver Street in Kingston from 12pm to 4pm every Saturday and Sunday. Ph: 04 389 9668.

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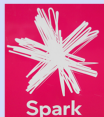
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Upstream meets from 10.00am – 12.00pm on the last Sunday of every month - join us in Central Park at The Jetty. Enter the park through the main gates at the bottom of Brooklyn Road and follow the path upstream for a few hundred metres. Everyone welcome! In August an international group of five volunteers from Conservation Volunteers New Zealand (CVNZ) see <http://conservationvolunteers.co.nz/> cleared a nasty patch of blackberry and tradescantia bordering the City to Sea Walkway that runs through Central Park. CVNZ is a not-for-profit organisation that coordinates volunteers from New Zealand and overseas to work with and support community groups such as Upstream, on a range of environmental projects.

On the other side of the City to Sea Walkway path is a potential wetland area (i.e. very boggy!) which already has some kahikatea growing there. Upstream hopes to develop this further in future to provide a diversity of vegetation and a variety of habitat for native birds, forming another link in the bird corridor through Wellington.

Also in August, RNZ ran a story titled "Tui spotted in Lyttleton for the first time in 40 years" which made me realise how rich the birdlife is in Wellington, particularly in those areas close to Zealandia, but constantly expanding outwards. Tuis, kereru, moreporks, kotare, riroriro, pipiwharauroa, and more, are common sights and sounds around the Brooklyn suburb.

Continue along the City to Sea Walkway in one direction and you pass through playgrounds, reserves, pine plantations, farm land, and suburbs until you reach the sea. In the other direction, the landscape becomes increasingly urban until you find your way to the historical Bolton Street Cemetery.

With more and more groups joining up to support the goal of a pest free Wellington (and New Zealand!) along with visions of reintroducing kiwi and other threatened species to the inner city, perhaps these will be places that our grandchildren will go to hear the call of the kiwi. Worth dreaming about and working towards!

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ROSA WOWS THEM!

In June this year Rosa McGann, a Year seven pupil at Brooklyn School, along with over one hundred other girls and boys, auditioned for the upcoming World of Wearable Arts (WOW) 30th Anniversary 2018 shows. Rosa was offered a feature performer role which she readily accepted, and is now busy with rehearsals three times a week. Rosa, aged eleven, says she is more excited than nervous and is enjoying the hustle, bustle and creativity of rehearsals - and the costumes! Rosa doesn't really know what she wants to do when she grows up but says this experience has made her think acting or performing could be a fun job.

The World of Wearable Arts 30th Anniversary shows run from 27 September – 14 October at the TSB arena.



Rosa McGann who will be performing at WOW's 30th anniversary shows

Annual General Meeting

Brooklyn Community Association (BCA)

2pm Sunday 16 September

Brooklyn Community Centre

18 Harrison Street

Guest Speaker WCC Councillor Fleur Fitzsimons

Come along and meet the people who run the Brooklyn Community Centre and Vogelmorn Hall
Afternoon tea kindly provided by Brooklyn Playcentre

FIRST AID CHAMPIONS



After winning the Wellington District Senior First Aid Championship title in May this year, the Brooklyn team of Laura Campbell-Morrison, Isabella Ross, Laughlan Smith and Joseph Edwards travelled to Ruakaka, two hours north of Auckland, to compete

at the Interprovincial First Aid Competitions in August. The team was put through various events and scenarios featuring broken bones, burns, cardiac arrest, and electrocution, to name a few. The Brooklyn team once again showed strong first aid skills placing first in Team First Aid and Pairs First Aid tests, and also placing in the top three in four of their other events. Overall on point aggregate they came third out of 12 teams.

If you're keen to learn first aid skills and find out more, then please contact the following people:

ST JOHN PENGUIN AND YOUTH DIVISION

Penguin Program 6-8 yrs.
Karen 389 4060

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Our last working bee on 11 August was held in conjunction with Owhiro Bay School, with whom we have built up a good partnership over the years. Fortune favoured us with good weather and it was a pleasure to be joined by so many parents and young children. Jess and Jude, enthusiastic and hard working parent volunteers, have been working on the area surrounding the school for several years. Clearing blackberry, fennel, broom, and any other weeds you can think of, they have created an area the school children can enjoy and hopefully also learn something of stream ecology and environmental planting. The area they and FOOS are working on extends from the sports grounds to the school, with a track along the stream edge exiting below the school to Happy Valley Road making an attractive detour from the busy road if you are walking down that way. One day (!) it might be possible to walk (or bike) all the way to the coast - or that is the hope anyway....

We are told that the way to have an environmentally aware population is to engage children with these issues

at a young age; those who have been introduced to bush and seashore when young, the theory goes, will better realise the importance of preserving these places as adults. Recently we received a letter from pupils of the school whose task, currently, is to find “enterprising ways of helping local community groups,” asking if we could visit them and talk about our work. Hopefully these are the young people who will grow up to be eco-warriors of the future! In the meantime, we will have to get our thinking caps on to think of some enterprising ways in which they can meaningfully help.

Janet Campbell
for Friends of Owhiro Stream

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Brownies
Margaret 389 3028
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Kathryn Marsh 802 5049

BROOKLYN FOOD GROUP

Local food and community. Working Bees held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month from 3pm, at the Brooklyn Orchard, end of Harrison St. thebrooklynfoodgroup@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/BrooklynFoodGroupNZ

BROOKLYN GARDEN CLUB

Meets 1st Wednesday 7:30pm from March to October at Brooklyn Community Centre. New members and visitors welcome. Contact Barbara on 389 4307

BROOKLYN GECKOS HOCKEY FOR KIDS

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astro turf at Tanera Park, 8 Tanera Crescent. Just turn up on practice day <http://brooklyngeckohockey.weebly.com>

BROOKLYN LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Next meeting 2pm Sat 22 September at Brooklyn Library. Everyone welcome. Chris Rabey 3849293 ships.pubs@gmail.com or Sharon Macintyre 027 634 4455 or evenings 388 8088 sharonmacintyre42@gmail.com

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BROOKLYN PLAYGROUP

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Church - 184 Ohiro Road. Turn up on the day.

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. Contact Gillian Boyes 972 9904 or gillianmay68@gmail.com

BROOKLYN SMALLBORE RIFLE CLUB

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9am-12pm Tuesdays and 8pm Wednesdays. We welcome new members of all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Phone Philip on 934 7445.

BROOKLYN TOY LIBRARY

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BROOKLYN WALKERS

Meet Monday mornings (except public holidays) outside Brooklyn Library. Phone Susannah 384 7412 or Clare 384 9054.

10 September Pukerua Bay to Mana via Te Ara Harakeke walkway 9.08 No 8 bus, 9.44 train

17 September

Eastbourne to Days Bay 9.38 No 7 bus, 10.07 No 83 bus at railway station

24 September

Paekakariki to QE11 Park and return via beach 9.08 No 8 bus, 9.44 train

BROOKLYN CRICKET Junior registrations at Tanera Bowling Club, Brooklyn, on Saturday 8 September from 10am to 12pm or at www.bjcc.co.nz. Senior registrations to darylgiles1@gmail.com. Season starts in October.

FRIENDS OF OWHIRO

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UPSTREAM – FRIENDS OF CENTRAL PARK

Working bees on the last Sunday of the month 10am-12pm at the Jetty, a few hundred metres along the main path. Come along for great

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VOGELMORN COMMUNITY GROUP

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