



# Community News

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## WELCOME TO 1989

The Christmas ham got finally finished (or secretly fed to the cat), we endured TUNZ's programming insults to our intelligence, it rained a bit so Forest Hill Road had its biennial slip which won't get mended for at least 6 months, Waitemata City Council is ripping itself to shreds and we marked the days left on the calendar to the blessed relief of the end of the school holidays. In other words, it was a pretty normal summer break!

By the time you read this, the Ratepayers' Association AGM will have happened, and a new committee will have been elected to look after our interests for the coming year. We should all be grateful to these people who give up their time for the community, but it is worth pointing out that their work can only succeed if the rest of the community gives them support.

It can be pretty depressing when a plea for feedback or information is published in the Newsletter and we get one or often zero replies. There are all sorts of things coming up this year that will affect us all - proposals for new radio masts, developments at the Mountain Top Cafe, Waitemata City Council problems and Local Body Amalgamation are four that spring immediately to mind. Your committee cannot work effectively unless they have confidence that they reflect the will of the community, so let them know what you think! Nothing would please the committee better than to be overwhelmed with correspondence, and to have the newsletter bulging with letters to the Editor and statements of opinion.

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## NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

The Sunnyvale Scout Group has tendered successfully for the delivery of one yellow and one white pages directory to each subscriber on the Waiatarua exchange (all those with a number beginning with 8149). They expect to deliver them one weekend in March, but this is dependent on supply. If you experience any problems such as being missed out, phone Richard Hoyle on 8149-641. Richard is also the contact if you require extra copies.

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## HENDERSON BRANCH CIVILIAN MAIMED ASSOCIATION

Are you free during the day on Wednesdays? We need both helpers and volunteer drivers to assist with transport, care and companionship for about 50 guests each Wednesday. For details phone Roz on 8149-443.

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REMINDER - 1989 MEMBERSHIP IS NOW DUE - SEE THE COUPON ON THE BACK PAGE

A MAN OF MANY HAIR

RING RING - RING RING.

"Waiatarua Ratepayers Association, Marilyn Truhbovich speaking".

"Yes.. Joe Public here, I'm a local resident and I'd like to hire the barbecue for the weekend."

"I'm sorry, you'll have to contact Ratepayers Committee Barbecue Guardian Ian Wells. He's not here at the moment but you may be able to get him on 8149-213."

RING RING - RING RING.

"Waiatarua Fire Station, Fire Police Constable Hayward speaking."

"Er.. Yes, I'm after Ratepayers Committee Barbecue Guardian Ian Wells concerning the barbecue."

"I'm sorry, Station Officer Wells isn't here at the moment but you may be able to get him on 836-1119."

RING RING - RING RING.

"Waitemata City, Karen speaking."

"Yes I'm after.. Ratepayer..no..Station Officer Wells concerning the barbecue."

"I'm sorry, Councillor Wells isn't here at the moment. You may get him on 654-389."

RING RING - RING RING.

"Trade Union Council, Sandra speaking."

"Er.. Yes I'm after Station Councillor Barbecue Wells about borrowing the barbecue please."

"Sorry, Brother Wells isn't here but you may get him on 8149-803."

RING RING - RING RING.

"ARA Water, Blumhardt speaking."

"Er.. Yeah, I'm after Station Councillor Barbecue Brother whatsisface."

"Oh, you mean Ranger Wells. He's not here at the moment, but try phoning 8149-804."

RING RING - RING RING.

"Mountain Top Cafe, Cathy speaking."

"I'm after Station Councillor Brother Barbecue Wells about the ranger.. no, the barbecue."

"I'm so sorry, Assistant Manager Wells isn't here. You could try him at home on 8149-601."

RING RING - RING RING.

"8149-601. Ian Wells speaking."

"Stick your barbecue up your.. CLICK"

"Hallo, are you there.....?"

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#### OUR MOTTO - THE NEWSLETTER MUST GET THROUGH!

Do you enjoy the Newsletter? If you do, how would you like to join our dedicated band of helpers who actually deliver each month's issue? The work is not too hard - about 60 copies to deliver in a specific area. The main requirement is a willingness to get out and make the delivery as soon as possible after you receive your supply for the month. We are looking for people to deliver every month, and also some people who will act as backups in case a normal deliverer is unavailable.

If you would like to perform this small service for the community, phone WAYNE EDWARDS on 8149-976, who will be delighted to hear from you.

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#### LIBRARY NEWS

To all our readers, "Good reading in 1989". We shall continue to add new titles throughout the year and hope that we shall not be badly affected by the current situation in Waitemata City, which is the main source of our funds.

For those who like a good family story, We strongly recommend "The Shell Seekers" by Pilcher - no overt sex or violence! Strongly evocative descriptions of scenery to an ex-patriate Pom.

"The Builders Theatre" by Kellerman is a good read for those who do not mind psychopathic murders. There are well defined characters and an interesting setting. Rather too much gratuitous bad language, which adds nothing to character or story, and unnecessary violence at the ending. (*Where do prospective borrowers queue? - Ed.*)

"Skallagrigg", a novel by William Horwood, is the haunting story of Esther, a cerebral palsy sufferer, and her search for the origins of the mythical "Skallagrigg". Trapped in a body over which she has no control, and like many of her fellow sufferers wholly dependent on others for survival, she endures the endless frustrations of an intelligent young woman unable even to communicate. Gradually with the aid of computers the mystery that circulates in the world of ther handicapped is unravelled, providing a thought-provoking insight into that world and a totally unexpected solution to the quest.

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#### SENIOR CITIZENS - come and join the KINDY GRANDPARENTS TEAM

This is an opportunity to be involved with children in a local kindergarten, to support them in their learning and provide a link between young and old in our community.

Kindy Grandparents involves a weekly visit of one hour. No skills are required - just a willingness to mix in with the children. A car is not essential. Why not give it a go?

For more details phone Anne Smith on 8149-497 before March.

ADVERTISING

AEROBICS CLASSES

Beginners - Intermediate. Waiatarua Community Centre, Tues & Thurs 6.30 - 7.30 pm. Concession (8 sessions) \$32, Casuals \$5/session. Phone 8149-785.

WAIATARUA TO PIHA GRUMBLE & GRUNT 16K FUN RUN.

Sunday March 5th. 10.30 a.m. start, meet 10 a.m. \$5 entry. Start: Junction Piha Rd/Scenic Drive. Finish: Piha Domain. Phone Lindsay 8149-872.

WANTED TO BUY

House or property in Waiatarua/Oratia area. Must be sunny. Run down properties alright. Anything considered. Phone 8149-548.

WORK WANTED

Renovations, general house repairs, cabinet making, kitchen units etc. Phone Adrian on 8149-741 for more details and free quotes.

WANTED

A home for a knitting machine, Brother KR600. A small donation to Henderson Civilian Maimed Assoc. would be appreciated. Phone Roz 8149-443.

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Deadline for the next issue is Tuesday, 14th March. Please send legible copy to the Editor, Tony Bacon, 11 Cascade Avenue. All submissions must have a name and contact phone number, even if that is not for publication.

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Our thanks to Waiatarua residents Grant and Carol Longley of Longley Printing for their help in the production of this Newsletter.

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This Newsletter is delivered to all Households in Waiatarua by the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association. If you are not already a member, your subscription of \$5.00 per household (\$2.50 for single occupants) will help us to maintain and improve the services we provide. Subscriptions may be sent to the Treasurer, Gisella Kernot, 12 Tui Crescent, or left at the Library.

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Please accept my 1989 subscription to the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association.

I enclose \$5.00 (Household), or \$2.50 (Single occupant)

This is a renewal / new subscription (Delete one)

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