

Waiatarua Community News

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Hi!

My name is Dave Pocock and on Thursday night the 26th February I became the new President of the WRRRA. Yes the A.G.M has been and gone and for those of you that didn't come you missed what I consider the most enjoyable A.G.M in 35 years of committee work.

There was a sad side as we said good-bye to some long serving hard working people namely: Tony Bacon, Cathy Wells, Eileen Powell, Jo Hall and Geoff Wood. These people are taking a well-deserved rest after many years of service.

On behalf of all Waiataruan's, I thank them.

The good news is that we have an enthusiastic new committee and, I might add, no pressure was needed to form a full committee from those present. We have a good cross section of ages ranging from 39-60 plus years of age, interestingly all but two are male.

We are all new, or less than one year, on this committee but we have a wide range of experiences amongst us.

We are however, still in need of a secretary, so if you are interested please get in touch. The job is mainly minute taking and minor correspondence, so come and join our happy group.

I promised Jo this would be short so I'll finish by saying communication is a two way street, so if you have ideas, suggestions, queries etc please let us know. I'm available on 8149697ph/fax, email pocock@wave.co.nz.

I look forward to working with the new committee in the coming year.

Dave Pocock.



Waiatarua Vacancy

The WRRRA are in need of a new Custodian for the Waiatarua Hall.

If you are at all interested please phone Dave Pocock on 814 9697.

The WRRRA AGM : A Review

The recent Waiatarua Residents and Ratepayers Association AGM attracted approximately 40 residents. A great turn out.

Upon arrival we indulged in a fine array of chilled Phoenix organic juices, (guava and apple – yum!), a vast selection of Puhoi cheeses to taste, (and taste again ... and again.), as well as a varied selection of Artisan wines by Rex Sunde of Oratia. Very pleasant.

After 30 or so minutes of tasting, socialising, and tasting, Mayor Bob Harvey presented his Council's vision for 'Waitakere Central – Destination Henderson'.

His power point presentation, ('slide show' for us oldies), showed Henderson the now, then revealed Henderson the new. Impressive changes and improvements were captured pictorially.

A 3 dimensional model of the new central Henderson area was on hand to study. This included the \$75 million

Waitakere Gardens, which has been the corner stone of the new development, the new Unitech campus, the developing Westfield shopping centre, the new Waitakere Central Library, as well as the revitalisation of the Henderson Rail Station (a biggie!), and the construction of the new Waitakere City Council offices in Henderson Valley Road.

'Waitakere Central – Destination Henderson' centres around a transport vision, linking the many areas with ease of access.

Mayor Bob Harvey, and council staff present, were informative about the developments planned for Henderson. Mayor Bob using his wit, humour and charm - maintaining our attentiveness throughout.

Thereafter the Waiatarua R & R AGM began with Tony Bacon delivering his President's report, as follows.

President's Report for the year ended 31 December 2003

By Tony Bacon

(This is an abridged version of the report given at the AGM)

Jean and I are just starting our 21st year in Waiatarua. In that time we have seen many changes. We have gone from mostly metalled roads to fully tar-sealed highways, from a TV mast that poured out damaging electro-magnetic radiation onto neighbouring properties to one that is properly monitored and from a Council of self-servers to one that is generally inclusive and responsive.

Enough nostalgia! What has been happening over the last year? It has, I think it is fair to say, been a difficult year. We have had an enthusiastic committee, but there have just not been enough of us, as evidenced by the frequent calls in the newsletter for new members. As President I have frequently been frustrated in my desires to initiate new projects by the knowledge that I would be imposing greater burdens on people who were already doing as much as they could. What **have** we achieved?

- 1 Submissions to the WCC Annual Plan that resulted in commitments to various roading and footpath upgrades—although we have yet to see the results. Also a commitment to a long-overdue upgrade to the kitchen in the community hall.
- 2 Attendance at Waitakere Community Board meetings to make sure our interests were being looked after.
- 3 Participation in workshops about Waitakere Ranges Protection and ARC transport rating.
- 4 Further development of the Waiatarua website www.waiatarua.org.nz, with the objective of making it a focal point for information about the community.
- 5 Submissions to WCC about structure plans and road safety billboards.
- 6 Ongoing negotiation with WCC about the lease on the hall.
- 7 A very successful community breakfast.

One issue of increasing concern to me has been the relationship with and attitudes of the Waitakere City Council—both elected members and council officers. After the disastrous period of the Go Waitakere regime, it seemed that we at last had a council that was prepared to listen to the community and act on what it heard. This was certainly the case at the beginning, and it is true that most of the time issues are dealt with promptly and courteously, but there seems

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to be a slowly growing distance between the community and the council. Examples:

- 1 I have had a couple of phone calls from residents recently who had called the Council call centre with an issue, and were told that this would have to be brought up with the WRRRA so that funding could be sought. It is good that the rôle of the WRRRA is recognized, but since when has an individual citizen been unable to bring issues to the attention of the WCC? One such response could be an isolated incident, but two, on different topics, from different people—it starts to look like a trend.
- 2 You will all have seen the “slow down” billboards around the place replacing the old “winding roads” signs. These are supposed to be an improvement, but I have yet to find anyone who thinks so. The response from elected members and council has been one of “too late, can’t be fixed, don’t rock the boat.” The end result is that we are stuck with useless signage that is illegible and in fact dangerous, with a total lack of interest by anyone at WCC in rectifying the situation.
- 3 The WCC still insists on using the Western Leader as the main means of communication about formal Council issues, despite repeated reminders that the Leader is not delivered in Waiaatarua. To be fair, there has been an acknowledgement of the problem, but the only proposal for rectifying the issue so far has been to have a small ad in our Newsletter pointing to the WCC website!

So, what of the future? I firmly believe that the WRRRA has a very strong role to play in our community, by providing a social focus and in dealings with officialdom. However it is up to the community whether this is going to succeed. We can’t work without a strong committee. I believe we need a committee of 12 to be able to spread the jobs around without overburdening people and to do the things that need to be done. We also need some people outside the committee who are willing to do specific jobs for the community, such as graffiti watch, environmental monitoring, signwriting etc.

This is my last report as President, and I would like to thank all the committee for the work they have done in the past year, and in particular for the support they have given Jean and me over the last few months. Everybody has done their bit, but I particularly want to thank Eileen Powell for the job she has done as Treasurer over the last nine years. Outside the committee, thanks also to Caroline Murdoch for her environmental work and to Mark Goody for doing the signwriting, and last but absolutely not least, to Carol and Grant Longley for the ongoing and invaluable help they give to the community by their support of the newsletter. I wish the WRRRA well for the future, and I hope that in another 20 years I will be at an AGM just like this one. Thanks to you all.

Annual Draft Plan Agreed

Waitakere City Council has completed the first stage of deliberations on its Annual Plan (budget) for 2004/2005.

The draft plan shows an increase in Council costs of 3.97%, most of which is made up of costs of rapid growth and the provision of associated community facilities.

The Council will collect \$93.51 million in rates for 2004/2005. The rates rise equates to \$45 a year (or less than \$1 a week) for the average residential property valued at \$90,000.

MAJOR EXPENDITURE WILL BE ON NEW FACILITIES, INCLUDING:

- 1 A start on the new Central library in Henderson (\$5.9 million next year)
 - 2 Construction will also begin on the new “Waitakere Central” transport and city centre development in the heart of Henderson. A budget of \$18.7 million has been provided (Note: actual costs will be dependent on tender prices and contract negotiations)
- Traditional areas of expenditure, such as roading (\$11.9million), parks (\$10.6million) and stormwater (\$3.1million) continue to get attention.

Under the Council’s Long Term Council Community Plan, a 9.33% rates rise had been signalled for 2004/2005 but this has been reduced by a combination of a stringent budgeting process and the delay of some capital works.

Chairperson of the Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee, Janet Clews, describes it as a “nuts and bolts” budget.

“We have managed to trim expenditure back and still maintain our core assets and functions,” she says. “Perhaps the most pleasing aspect is that we are either starting or completing some major facilities which our communities have been waiting years for.” “It’s a simple fact of life that we can’t do everything that we would like, or that the community wants,” she says. “But overall we’ve managed to keep costs to an absolute minimum and produce a sensible, affordable, programme of work.”

The plan is open for public submissions, from April 13-May 13, after which hearings will be held. Then the revised budgets will be adopted, before the end of June.

Key issues for consultation during the submission period include:

- 1 Whether to include \$210,000 as a share towards purchasing Kaikoura Island in the Hauraki Gulf as a nature reserve - there is **no funding** in the draft budget currently
- 2 Whether to provide financial or other assistance to local iwi (Te Kawerau A Maki) for the establishment of a marae in the City - there is **no funding** in the draft budget currently
- 3 Whether to relocate the Civil Defence headquarters from Te Atatu South
- 4 A Heritage Strategy and action plan
- 5 A new business incentives package (\$170,000 currently in the draft plan)
- 6 A City Image/Marketing programme, aimed at business (\$130,000 is allocated in the draft)

It is time to have your say, Waiaataruan’s. Attend the WRRRA meetings, contact Dave Pocock, the new WRRRA president, and voice your opinion on the WCC Budget for 2004/2005. Let us hear what you think.

Alternatively you can voice your opinion through a submission directly to the Council.

Waiaatarua Fire Brigade

Well done to Glenn Hughes on his First Aid qualification, and to the whole Brigade on successful completion of the annual Breathing Apparatus assessment.

Take the time to check your smoke alarm

There’s no point having a smoke alarm in your home if it’s not in good working condition. When you put your clocks back at the end of Daylight Saving, it’s a good prompt to also check that your smoke alarms are in working order and to replace the batteries if need be. Some batteries need replacing every year to ensure the alarms will work properly. If you still don’t have a smoke alarm, make this the day to install some in your home – in every sleeping area, living area, hall and on every level of your home.

Smoke alarms act as an early warning device and give you a few crucial minutes warning to get out of the house quickly in the case of a fire. They should also be tested monthly and cleaned gently by vacuuming on a regular basis.

Recent Calls

Like hundreds of other Volunteer Fire Brigades throughout the country, wild weather helped to make February our busiest month for years, although not as busy as many. One Volunteer Brigade near Wellington had over 100 calls in a week – that’s really testing the support of families and employers!

February

- 11:01 pm, Wed 4th – Kitchen fire, Piha. Out on arrival of Piha Brigade
- 12:30 am, Sun 15th – Car in ditch, Scenic Drive
- 9:19 pm, Sun 15th – Standby on station – multiple calls to storm damage Auckland-wide being received by Firecomm
- 10:00 pm, Sun 15th – Trees down, Scenic Drive. When we found that Council’s contractors had 40 jobs ahead of this one to clear a large tree across the road, we used the winch on our ute to pull it apart and drag it to a lay-by further down the road. Titirangi Brigade’s chainsaw was used to tidy up the last pieces.
- 10:13 pm, Sun 15th – Trees down, Scenic Drive
- 3:36 pm, Tue 17th – Car rolled, Piha Road. Occupants unharmed when a Mini was parked on its roof
- 3:03 am, Fri 20th – Tree down across power lines, Raroa Tce
- 10:32 pm, Fri 27th – Power lines arcing, South Piha
- 5:17 am, Sat 28th – Fire at Piha Telephone Exchange. The building suffered extensive damage at one end, but good work by crews from Piha, Waiaatarua and Glen Eden meant that Telecom technicians only needed to replace one disc drive and the building’s power supply before Piha’s phones were up and running again less than 12 hours later.
- 7:18 pm, Sat 28th – False alarm – called in error by Firecomm
- 12:26 pm, Sun 29th – False alarm, North Piha
- 1:20 pm, Sun 29th – Car crash, Piha Rd. No injuries

March

- 11:07 am, Sat 6th – False alarm, Kauri Loop Road

Contacts: Phone 111 for any fire or other emergency. Otherwise please call Ian Ford (814 8871), Helen Longley (814 9855) or Karl Nuttall (814 8777).

Waiaatarua Fire Station Open Day

NOON to 4pm, ANZAC DAY - SUNDAY 25th APRIL

- Your chance to: - meet your local volunteer firefighters
- check out the new training area • see our defibrillator and resuscitation gear in action • pick up fire safety information and tips • or just be nosy

Walk of the Month

This month’s walk is the Auckland City Walk (ACW).

The Walk leaves from the end of Falls Rd, which is off Te Henga Road, in the Northern area of the Waitakere Ranges.

Walk through the information shelter to begin the walk. It is a gentle, mostly flat loop walk of 1.5km. The walk loops around to the left and brings you eventually back to the road 100m from the carpark.

ACW has some magnificent forest to behold. It is one of the only areas that escaped logging and has some Virgin Kauri forest. There are also large size podocarp trees such as Kahikatea to be found throughout the area.

There are lovely picnic areas and open spaces near the start of the walk for people to enjoy.

The ACW follows the lovely Waitakere Stream and a short detour off the walk will take you to the Cascade Falls. Be warned that you cannot actually see the falls unless either you go for a dip or there has been heavy rain as it is obscured by a rock face.

Koromiko (*Hebe salicifolia*)

This is the best of the native herbs for treating diarrhoea, and was apparently used by the Maori soldiers during WW2.

The most effective way of using the plant for this is to pick the leaf tip (not flower), open it and eat the encapsulated leaf inside. Koromiko is also useful for nausea, is a general tonic, blood purifier, liver tonic and respiratory tonic.

It may also be made into an infusion, although it does taste bitter. Use 20-40 fresh leaf tips or 3-4 tsp of dried tips to a cup of water. The Maori also used it in vapour baths.

By Sonja Cartwright, Waiataruan and Naturopath



GARDEN GROUP

Our April Garden visit will be to the private garden of Roger Hunter whom many of you will know from visiting the garden centre in Mangere. This is a subtropical garden with palms underplanted with gardenia, cycads and ferns and a colourful riot of New Guinea impatiens. The address is 133 Manor Park, Pakuranga and we will meet there at 10pm, Wednesday 7 April.

We will need some leaf numbers by Friday 2 April please. Ring Eileen on 8149 298 for further info or if you can offer or need a ride.

The Waiatarua Community Library

We have at least 30 of the latest books on our shelves. These are listed on line at www.waiatarua.org.nz

Reservations can be made at email jaws@clear.net.nz or simply come along and visit your local library run by Waiataruan volunteers.

Here are just a few of the new additions to our shelves...

Angels-Demons-Deception Point by Dan Brown.

Brother-Sister by Joanna Trollop.

Watchman by Ian Rankin.

Twisted by Jeffrey Dreaever.

Undercurrents by Tamara McKinley.

Library Hours

Thursday 10 am – 12 noon
Friday 7 pm – 8 pm
Saturday 11 am – 12 noon
Sunday 11 am – 12 noon

The Arataki Rangers Roundup

The Nursery has been a focus of our work over the last month and will continue to be next month. It is a great time to collect seed for propagation.

We have a Nursery worker helping the team down at the nursery, Tamara Henry. She has been a great help and has the place looking wonderful.

Education is full swing with many schools coming to Arataki to experience the wonderful education programmes on offer.

Several tracks have been cleared of tree-falls. Rangemore is clear and is in good condition at present with lots to see. We are getting around them as we can and hope to have them all cleaned up by mid March. The chaotic weather and high winds are making sure that there are plenty of trees to clear as of late!

There have been reports of the odd wasp nest around. If you see one whilst in the park please contact us so we can deal with it before anyone is stung.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any other queries please feel welcome to call us on 817-0099.

Ka Kite, Arataki Rangers

Brickbats and Bouquets

There have been a couple of nominees for the **brickbat** this month. They're listed below. You choose the most 'worthy'.

A **brickbat** to the person/people who walk their dogs in Rimu Road and do not pick up their dog's droppings. A bit of consideration please.

A **brickbat** to the person who was so quick to brickbat the arrival of the large white house on West Coast Road (7859). You would have to admit that your criticisms were rather hasty and the owners have done a marvellous job at restoring this grand looking home.

This month's **bouquet** is awarded to Waiataruan, Les Fletcher.

The nominator reports... For many years Les has completely maintained and weed eated the sides of our road in Waiatarua. A couple of years ago he planted many native trees keeping the berms of our road looking beautiful. All the local residents of the road reap the fruits of Les's labours and have a very attractive road largely due to his constant efforts. Thank you, Les. Your efforts to enhance our beautiful environment do not go unnoticed.

Thank you to the Fairy Flower Shop of Titirangi for supply the bouquet each month.

Waiatarua Rainfall

	RAIN DAYS	WETTEST DAY	FEB TOTAL	YEAR TO DATE
Mountain Road	20	28th (49 mm)	266 mm	418 mm
Brabant Road	23	28th (59 mm)	313 mm	468 mm
Quinns Road	22	29th (41 mm)	257 mm	396 mm
Forest Hill Road	15	28th (65 mm)	295 mm	432 mm
Auckland City		2nd (79 mm)	272 mm	342 mm

The Battle Against Weeds Begins

Last year's annual campaign 'War on Weeds' saw keen residents removing 157 tonnes of weeds from Waitakere City. This is equivalent to half the weight of a full 747 aeroplane.

'War on Weeds', is run by Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust, in conjunction with Waitakere City Council and Auckland Regional Council. The month long campaign will see 29 Jumbo bins situated around Waitakere City for the FREE disposal of noxious weeds.

The 'War on Weeds' campaign will run from the 27th March to 24th April 2004. Weed bins for Waiatarua Residents will be available during the campaign and will be sited at the intersection of West Coast Road and Kauri Loop Road, also at Parkinsons Lookout.

In conjunction with the campaign there will be three free Weed and Plant Identification sessions at:

1 **TITIRANGI LIBRARY:** Friday 31st March, 10-11.30am.

2 **ECODAY** at Olympic Place New Lynn Sunday 4th April, all day.

3 **GLEN EDEN LIBRARY:** Tuesday April 20th 1-2.30pm

There are over 20,000 introduced species of plants in New Zealand and at least 600 of them are noxious weeds. Only about 2,500 species are native. Waitakere City in particular has a large weed infestation, which threatens our native bush. Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust hopes that residents will utilise the free bins and assist in eradicating weeds from Waitakere, aiding in conserving our ecology.

For further information contact:

Rachael Goddard, War on Weeds – Project Manager on 826 4276 or 021 261 5759.

Sick and Tired of Power cuts in Waiatarua?

On the back page of the Western Leader dated 26 Feb, (if you're lucky enough to pick one up from the dairy on West Coast Road, or have one passed on to you), United Networks has published a full page community notice about protecting the power lines from trees.

It is United Networks responsibility to monitor tree growth that encroaches on lines and to let tree owners know if their tree is a hazard.

Further information about this can be found at www.unitednetworks.co.nz

When the issue of Power cuts was discussed briefly at the recent WRRRA AGM some comments that came from residents were...

- When a power cut occurs phone your supplier and have them log your call as a power fault – they in turn will log this with their supplier, and action might be forthcoming at a faster rate.
- If your household is on tank water, a power cut may become a health issue. Log your call with your supplier as a health issue, if this is a concern. (Recently parts of Piha experienced a 17 hour powercut.)
- Because we are a scattered community – living relatively far apart from each other – the maintenance of power lines is a large task, and the maintenance of such may not be as regular as it could be.

Some of us seem to get more or longer power cuts than others living in Waiatarua.

One Waiataruan commented that Power cuts and living with them is just another unique quantity of where we live, albeit an annoying one.

By now most Waiataruan's should have received their voucher for a free rechargeable torch courtesy of the Waitakere Licensing Trust - just the thing for living in Waiatarua.

July 1999 – March 2004

By Jo Hall

It is farewell from me

This will be the final Waiatarua Community News that I edit.

It is indeed difficult to believe that each month for 4 or more years I have co-erced, badgered, encouraged, and gently persuaded, quite a few of you Waiataruan's to contribute to the content of our Waiatarua Community News.

Thank you all so much for your input and support... your articles, your brickbat nominations, the interviews, and the many emails, faxes and phone calls. Thanks also to those that have added some elements of humour to the Community News... especially our local bush reporter, Ken Stacey, (presently recovering from an argument with a chainsaw).

Without the layout skills, expertise and generosity of the Longley family (Longley Printing), this Community Newsletter would not be. Thank you Carol and Grant.

So, it is farewell from me, I hope you have enjoyed the content of the Waiatarua Community News over the past 4 years.

It is with some excitement that I hand over my role as Editor to **Robin Essex**. It will indeed be interesting to see changes made, a new style, new energy and ideas, as Robin and her husband Korstiaan take over.

I've enjoyed the past years as Editor.

Long may the Waiatarua Community News continue.

To contact the new Waiatarua Community News Editor:

Robin Essex, robsx@free.net.nz Phone 814 1850

Advertising

This is free to financial members
for 2004, January to December.

A list of financial members is available at the library, and any
queries about membership can be answered by
phoning the Treasurer – Rod Maunder on 814-1831

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Neighbourhood Watch

The names of our current co-ordinators are listed below. If you haven't been approached yet and would like to belong to one of these groups, give the co-ordinator a call.

NAME	ADDRESS	PH/FAX	E-MAIL
Mary Kelly, JP	3 Atarua Gardens	814-9857 + Fax	turtle@xtra.co.nz
Denis Graham	Back up – Atarua Gdns	814-9706	
Ross & Kath Mullins	330 Forest Hill Road	814-9402 + Fax	
Jenny McGee	886 West Coast Road	814-9954	
Margaret/Paddy Marshall	19 Rarua Terrace	814-9859	

Please accept my Membership to the
Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association

for 2004

I enclose: \$10 Household, \$5 Single Occupant

Name

Address

Phone

Email

To Treasurer

Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association

911 West Coast Road, Waiatarua, Auckland 8 or leave at the library

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Phone the Custodian Pauline Isachsen on 814-9847

APRIL NEWSLETTER

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by WEDNESDAY 14th APRIL, 2004

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