

Waiatarua Community News

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The 40th Anniversary of First WRRRA Committee

According to Pat Cole, the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association began in 1964, "because of bad temper". Rates notices had been issued and many people were disgruntled. Mrs Cole placed a notice in the window of Chester's local store. It read,

***'Anybody interested in arguing about rates
please come to the home of Mr and Mrs G.S. Cole, Scenic Drive,
on Sunday morning at 10.30am'***

Fourteen people turned up and, as a result, a committee was formed to organise details and draw up a constitution. An inaugural meeting of the WRRRA took place four decades ago in September this year and officers were duly elected.

To this day The WRRRA continues, as strong as ever, following in the footsteps of those pioneers who banded together for a common cause.

From the President

Another month has flown by and summer is getting closer. Been disgusted at the state of recent repair work in Forest Hill Rd? We were - so our Road Watch officer, Les Duffield, wrote to council. Result - the job is to be redone at **no cost** to council or ratepayers. The work will be carried out when weather improves.

Other items of note in recent times regarding roads are: beautiful upgrade Bush/West Coast Rd intersection and the new STOP signs Piha/Scenic Drive intersection. If you can't read these, hand in your license! Incidentally, improvements like this don't happen by chance and we owe a big 'thank you' to our local pro-active community board member, Kevin Healy. Kevin is a regular at our monthly meetings - always ready to help, advise and follow through with council matters. By the way, he is also one of our volunteer Fire Officers. Thanks Kevin.

On the subject of volunteers, we have a dedicated group running our library. Do you use it or are you like me (lived here for 15 years and until recently never set foot inside)?

Excuses being... I always go down the road towards Glen Eden, not open when I think of it and so on. Well I recommend you take the time to visit. You may be pleasantly surprised - no crowds, easy parking and a comprehensive selection of books. If the book you want is not on the shelves, talk to those on duty and they may just be able to get it for you. Who knows - if we all use our local library, we may end up with more volunteers and longer hours.

Improvements are starting on our hall, with the kitchen being first. Exciting stuff.

You will notice no cry for a 'minute secretary' as we received not one but two responses last month, thanks to Chris and Michelle. Chris attended in minute-taker capacity at the last meeting, and we can't be too bad as she is coming back. Michelle has indicated a desire to be involved in other projects.

We will be hosting a Meet the Candidates evening in the Waiatarua Hall at 911 West Coast Rd, Tues 7th September at 7.30pm. Come and hear what the people you will be voting for have to say, and I'm sure they will be willing to answer any questions. No good complaining afterwards!

Our next committee meeting is 8th September at the Hall, which will be our regular meeting venue once again. Thanks to the Fire Brigade for their hospitality over the last few months.

Now the finer weather is coming, it is probably a good time to acknowledge our dedicated band of newsletter deliverers who voluntarily battle the elements to ensure you receive this. Also thanks to Tony Bacon who co-ordinates it all.

Advantages of being a WRRRA member?

Show your membership card at the following businesses for a 10% discount
(does not apply to already discounted or sale items).

Glen Eden Landscape Supplies - 293 West Coast Rd. Ph: 818 6129
The Nikau Club Café - Scenic Drive Ph: 814 1919 (applies to max 2 adults per visit)
Colourplus Paint & Wallpaper - Glenmall, Glen Eden Ph: 818 8263
Elkes Wine and Food Market - 113 Sturges Rd. (Sat 10am-2pm)

Who recalls the Autumn Festival? Well it is going to happen, but not in March 2005 as we understand Oratia has their bi-annual country fair then. However, March 2006 gives us all plenty of time to practice pumpkin growing and sponge baking. We have an organising party, so if you would like to help contact Frank Hogsden on Ph: 814 9869.

Time to go as I have probably rambled on too long

- Dave

LOCAL BODY ELECTION 'MEET THE CANDIDATES' EVENING

Yes, the candidates are a comin' up into these here hills!
Where: Waiatarua Community Hall, 911 West Coast Road.

When: 7.30 pm September 7th

Listen to what they stand for, and the important issues.

Share your views.

Ask the hard questions, face to face!

WAIATARUA RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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From the Editor

Greetings – As much as I like to anticipate what exciting events lie ahead, I can't help but reflect on those folk who went before us on the Waitakere Rangepayers and Residents Association. Imagine how difficult times must have been then, yet folk still mustered the energy to pay heed to community matters. In fact these individuals paved the way for us now, and so we move forward with new and exciting projects. I'm sure however, our path is immensely easier in this day and age.

In 2004 we are all extremely mobile, and blessed with a plethora of modern gadgets to save time. Funny how we still say life is too busy! As an Association, we also have the luxury of support from other strong local bodies to assist us in our ventures.

In the throes of reminiscing the history of WRRRA I was struck by a haunting thunderbolt from my past, triggered by the name of the outspoken woman who represented the start of it all.

Pat Cole was the husband of Gordon Cole, a well-known local musician. This man, it turns out, was head of the Avondale College music department when I was a mere school girl. I played the clarinet in the orchestra, and have to confess to some serious misbehaviour at Mr Cole's expense. I think he must have been a little hard of hearing, or perhaps just too nice; but he never once flinched when, through sheer boredom, my partners-in-crime and I would each push our mouths further down the instrument's barrel to alter our 'embouchure'. For those who are unfamiliar with the mechanics of this, the result is always a resounding high pitched squawk! No matter how loud or long we hooted and honked Gordon continued to encourage our musical talents with his enthusiastic conducting. In hindsight, I think this wise man was probably practising reverse psychology by ignoring our antics. Anyway, with all due respect, Mr Cole, I salute you for your diligent patience. May you rest in peace.

BRICKBATS and BOUQUETS

Sponsored by the Fairy FlowerShop,
423 Titirangi Road, Titirangi Phone 817 3780

August/September's **BOUQUET** will be presented to Beryl Simpson who selflessly shares her garden, knowledge and skills with those in need. We are sure many local people have been assisted by Beryl in maintaining good health and well-being over the past forty years. Hats off to an amazing lady – a real gem, shining in our community!

The first **BRICKBAT** is bestowed upon residents who put out their rubbish for collection far too early (even the night before). Please remember we are sharing this environment with all manner of wildlife, and they just love to get into the goodies these bags contain. If you really have a problem greeting the truck driver in person there are several steps you can take e.g. Place bags on high structures, hang from a tree branch or purchase animal repellent.

A second nomination for the **BRICKBAT** arrived in relation to roaming dogs in the Turanga Road area. According to our information these canines are becoming a danger to drivers, and walkers are finding "the doo doos" a real nuisance. One wandering Yorkshire Terrier even went as far as to attack a neighbour's pet bird!

Garden Group

Something different is happening in September, as we are visiting the Manukau Institute of Technology's School of Horticulture on Wednesday September 1st at 1 pm. The students are required to produce over a thousand saleable-grade plants within the one year fulltime programme, and we will see how this happens. All plants are for sale. Pp 3's of trees, shrubs and perennials are \$3.00 and \$4.00. Natives are mostly \$3.00. Cactii, succulents, herbs and punnets are also available. Ring **Margaret on 814 9859 by Friday 27th August** for further information.

Fire Brigade

We're in the process of purchasing a replacement second vehicle and have located a small four-wheel-drive, double-cab truck. The purchase price of \$20,000 (plus some modification) will be covered by a grant from the Waitakere Licensing Trust. We value the Trusts' role in supporting our local Volunteer Fire Brigades, and are grateful to Kevin Healy for his efforts in co-ordinating this.

Civil Defence Exercise

The exercise involving Fire, Ambulance and Civil Defence was carried out on Sunday 1st August at Huia Dam. The crews were presented with a scenario of two vehicles 90 metres below the road after an accident. Waitakere Brigade provided one crew who were tasked with triage, with the Brigade and friends also supplying 14 casualties. We're grateful to those who gave up their Sunday morning for this.

Recent Calls

July

9:16 pm, Fri 23rd – Car crash at the bottom of Darkies Hill, Piha Rd. Two cars collided head-on and left six people injured, two of them seriously. One of the badly hurt was trapped in the vehicle and cut out by crew from Henderson Rescue Tender. Waitakere crew provided scene management and first aid. At one stage there were four ambulances at the incident. The Police Serious Crash Unit attended and the road was completely closed for more than two hours while they completed their investigation.

August

12:20 am, Fri 6th – Car fire, Turanga Rd. Again the Police were heavily involved – it was their car! A complicating factor was that they were unable to retrieve two cases containing a small amount of ammunition from the burning vehicle, so we were forced to wait until the fire (and fireworks) died down before extinguishing it. Although we were confident that the scene was then safe for us, we accepted the Police offer of bullet-proof vests for the crew. The media picked up this story.

8:50 pm, Tue 10th – Car versus pole, Piha. Turned back en route

8:23 pm, Wed 11th – Electrical short-circuit, Forest Hill Rd.

11:15 pm, Thu 12th – Car over bank, Scenic Drive. The driver had left the scene, but Police and their dogs were doing their utmost to track him down.

6:31 pm, Fri 13th – Car spun outside Fire Station, no injuries.

5:39 pm, Sat 14th – Car fire at the far end of Anawhata Rd.

Contacts

Always dial 111 for any fire or emergency. For other information please call Ian Ford (814 8871), Helen Longley (814 9855) or Karl Nuttall (814 8777)

The Aratiki Rangers Roundup



We have nearly completed the Aratiki visitor centre garden revamp. A team day is booked for the 18th of August to finish the large gardens. The carpark is looking great thanks to some of the new planting, and re-doing the last of the large gardens will really make the place look wonderful.

There is a memorial statue being made to commemorate the work of the dedicated people who created the Centennial Memorial Park (now part Waitakere Ranges Regional Park). The statue is being made by a local artist, Pardo Jackson, and will be placed up the lookout track at Aratiki in September. The nursery is busy with pricking out the seedlings from this year's seed sown. There is plenty to do down there and Brendan would love any volunteer help if possible. You can reach him on 817-0094 if you are interested.

We are constantly striving to make the Waitakeres a special place for present and future generations. Come and help us by volunteering for any of the various projects going on in the park, from weed and animal pest control to gardening and track work. Contact us on the rangers station phone if keen. Ph: 817-0099. - *Ka Kite Aratiki Rangers*

Walk of the Month

This month's feature is the Waitakere Dam Walk. It begins at the Waitakere Dam carpark which is located 1.5km north of Mountain Road on Scenic Drive. The walk takes approximately thirty minutes each way and is down a sealed road, so is suitable for prams or buggies.

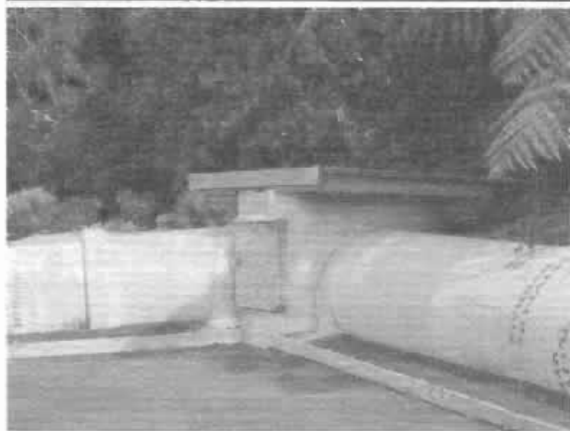
Walkers will go steadily down the dam road to meet the Waitakere Dam. Halfway down, the road branches off to a seven-metre wide Kauri tree.

There are spectacular views to be had over towards the cascades area from the dam face.

A walk for a further ten minutes along the road past the dam goes to an earth saddle dam.



Play and Win - Where am I ?



We received a record number of replies with the correct answer to last month's 'Where am I' picture. The basket of fresh vegetables from **Woodford Gardens** goes to Johathan Barrett & Sarah Haigh. Congratulations! The correct answer was, as almost all our contestants know, the corner of West Coast Road and Bendalls Lane.

This month's picture may look like a badly constructed drain system. However, it is a very important tool to keep the Bettys of this world safe.

If you can identify this structure and think you know its location, e-mail

your answer to korprins@xtra.co.nz or write it on the back of an envelope and drop it in the letterbox at the Waiatarua Community Hall 911 West Coast Road for a equally wonderful prize.

Playcentre Report

It is a busy time of year at Playcentre with our AGM coming up, the end of the financial year and also our annual centre evaluation on Monday August the 23rd. This is where we come together as a centre to evaluate the past year and to plan for the upcoming year, as well as address any needs and concerns. The unpredictable weather has tried its best to keep us indoors. However, there is still much fun to be had inside with stories, music and dancing, blocks and trains, and the odd spot of baking to keep little hands busy.

We have a dedicated group of parents who have formed a playground committee, with the aim of upgrading our existing playground and outdoor area. To date, a landscape architect has been employed and she has drafted up a concept plan for the area. The committee aims to keep the ball rolling, and will apply for grants from various organisations when they have all the information they need. The condition of our outdoor area has been an issue for a number of years so it is great to finally have been able to pick up this project and see it through to the end.

Waiatarua Playcentre is open Mon, Wed and Fri from 9.30 to 12.30.

We cater for children from 0-6 years.

All enquiries and visitors warmly welcomed.

Phone during sessions on 814 8835, or Jenny on 814 9954.

If you wish to play an active part in your child's preschool education, come and see what Playcentre has to offer your family. We are located down the drive from the Waiatarua Community Hall at 911 West Coast Road.

Funds Offered to Warm up Damp Houses

People suffering health problems from living in cold, damp houses could be eligible for \$2000.00 worth of energy saving measures under the EcoWise West home retrofit project. The scheme helps households on low income and aims to create warmer, drier, healthier homes by providing residents with basic energy efficient retrofit, using local labour. Underfloor and ceiling insulation, damp-proofing, hot-water cylinder wraps and draught stopping will result in family health improvement and cheaper heating bills. Those interested in applying for these funds may call WCC on 839 0400 or visit www.waitakere.govt.nz



Hours of Opening

Thursday 10.00am - 12.00pm
Friday 7.00pm - 8.00pm
Saturday 11.00am - 12.00pm
Sunday 11.00am - 12.00pm

WAIATARUA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

911 West Coast Road, under the Community Centre. Phone 814-9353

For our dedicated crime readers we have the new books by these authors - Kathy Reichs, David Morrell, Lisa Scottoline and John Katzenbach.

For the children we have Lynley Dodd's latest 'The Other Ark'. She has taken a break from Hairy Maclary and written this enjoyable & wonderful shareable book.

Amongst other new books is the latest Andrew Crowe 'Life Size Guide to NZ Native Ferns', and the Montana finalist 'The Living Reef'.

Remember, these are just a few of the new books, and all are listed on Waiatarua's web site.

Waiatarua Rainfall (July 2004)

	Rain Days	Wettest Day	July Total	Year to Date
Mountain Road	17	18th (23 mm)	127 mm	1125 mm
Brabant Road	20	27th (33 mm)	157 mm	1208 mm
Quins Road	21	28th (34 mm)	156 mm	1057 mm
Forest Hill Road	--	--	--	997 mm
Auckland City			78 mm	796 mm

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The 'Seasonal Garden Advise' section in last month's newsletter highlighted the fact that some residents of the Waitakere Ranges are unaware of the need to preserve the native bush and stop the introduction and continuation of exotic plant pests. Most of the plants on the suggested planting list are exotic; some such as Hydrangea and Ivy are actually on the Weedfree Waitakere and Waitakere City Council lists for invasive weeds. Native plants are forced to compete with introduced exotic plants, especially rampant growers like Wisteria (also on the list) which devastates all in its path by climbing up and smothering the canopy. As a direct result of the decline of the natural habitat native birds either disappear or are forced to feed on exotic species, which in turn spreads the seed of the exotic interlopers. It is frustrating to say the least that while many of us struggle to repair the damage of man's carelessness, others blindly continue to disregard what is a prominent Waitakere issue - the regeneration, stabilization and maintenance of our precious environment.

Maxine Arden

Thank you Maxine for your informative response. It is good to know readers are 'on the ball'. I personally apologise for failing to check out the information sent to me. We are quite new in this area and still coming to grips with all the ins and outs of living in such a special environment. - Ed.

Dear Editor,

My husband and I recently came home at around 1.00 am, after a late night out, and encountered a car stopped in the middle of our road (off Scenic Drive in the 480 numbers) with its lights off and door open. We thought the person was visiting our neighbour but as the would-be robber left in a hurry, (he had the cheek to wave in the direction of the house), we had our suspicions. Then as we passed the neighbour in question, we found the garage wide open with a few contents on the drive. On waking our neighbour, he was very surprised to see what had gone on while he slept. The robber got away with nothing as we are to understand, but a brief description of the car is a mustard colour Toyota corolla occupied by a very wide eyed male with beard. Please alert our Waiataruan neighbors of this nuisance in our midst.

Your faithfully, I and W

Drama Group Update

It looks as though the Waiatarua Drama Group is about to be revived, thanks to the response of eight keen people. Concerns were raised at recent WRRRA meetings that the original group's idle funds, props etc. may need to leave for pastures greener. However a meeting will be called very soon and, under the initial guidance of Lyndsay Whittle, locals can look forward to some "lights/ curtain/action" before too much longer. If others would like to join this brave handful of entertainers, in any capacity whatsoever, please contact Lyndsay on 814 9872



From the Constitution of the WRRRA

Excerpt from 'Objects': -

To co-operate with the Statutory Bodies in looking after the affairs of the District and to secure the maximum fair expenditure of the General Rates levied by such Bodies within the District for the benefit of ratepayers, residents and visitors.

As a resident or ratepayer, isn't it comforting to know you have a very dedicated committee looking after your best interests? We hearten anyone with ideas on "maximum fair expenditure of General Rates" (or any other matter pertaining to the Waiatarua district) to contact the WRRRA at any time. Better still, feel free to attend a meeting and make good use of our new 'Open Forum' timeslot - 7.30 to 8.00pm every 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Waiatarua Community Hall 911 West Coast Road.

Notice Board

Notices are free to financial members 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 Mauger on 814 1831

Repeat commercial advertisements of members will only be printed as space allows.

BABYSITTER: mature, honest and reliable lady. Experienced. \$10 per hour. Phone Juliette on 0274-875-805.

BED AND BREAKFAST - ATARUA GARDENS: no room for your out of town visitors? Contact Carol and Denis. Phone 09 814 9706 or 025 283 7544

BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT AND INFORMATION: please call your local La Leche League leader, Adith on 818-7728.

CLEANER: experienced cleaner available evenings and weekends for domestic cleaning. \$16.00 per hour. Phone 0274 875805.

COFFEE MACHINE: Sunbeam espresso as good as new seldom used still with six months guarantee \$ 170.00 Phone 814 9684

CREAM FOR JOINTS, MUSCLES, BRUISES: essential oils and all natural ingredients. Phone 814-1868.

DEEP FRYER: Black and Decker stainless steel unused Christmas gift \$ 45.00 Phone 814 9684

JP - MARY KELLY: for all personalised weddings, re-affirmation of wedding vows, ceremonies of commitment, naming ceremonies, MC, Chair for public meetings etc. Phone/Fax 814-9857.

HEALTH: for healthy, fast weight loss; nutritional and personal skin care products: contact Linda, your independent Herbal Life Distributor on 818 8949 or roglin@paradise.net.nz

LANDSCAPER: for experienced, professional landscaping services (including paving, concrete, retainer walls, fences, decks, gardens/plants, water features) at a competitive price, contact Bevan on 837-1992 or 021-375 707 or at totaland@ihug.co.nz

LAWN MOWING: Local reliable. Phone Eric 837 2333.

LOCAL ISSUES: Kevin Healy, Waitakere Community Board email: kevin@healy.co.nz or Phone 814-9505

LODGE - AUCKLAND'S WAITAKERE PARK LODGE: open Thursday to Sunday for lunch and dinner. Now open for Sunday brunch from 10am. Enjoy the log fires in our luxury lounge bar, magnificent views and dining on the deck. Phone 814-9622.

MASSAGE - LIFESTYLES MASSAGE THERAPY: providing therapeutic, sports and relaxation massage in a safe, professional environment. Phone Doug Maynard on 814-8981 or 021-543-302.

NATUROPATH - your local Naturopathic Clinic at Waitatarua Phone 814-8881. For menstrual, digestive problems, low energy, frequent colds and flu etc.

OTIMAI: Events and training centre is available for hire (Guides Auckland) and is open to view by appointment. Please phone Cherie and Graham to view 814 9992 or 638 9060 for bookings.

PLANTS: taros, bulbs, cannas and various perennials for sale. \$1 - \$3. Also some shrubs. All sales for charity. Phone Margaret 814-9859.

PROPERTY SALES: looking to buy or sell? For best results and free advice please phone John on 0274-122-853. Bayleys Titirangi.

ROOFING AND SPOUTING: free advice, consultation and inspections, 28 years experience. Quality new and reroofs, repairs, spouting etc. Onduline organic and non polluting roofing, gutter leaf protection Ph Mark 812-8337 or 025-958-058.

SECURITY: FIRST CITY CARE SECURITY SERVICES. For all your security requirements. Ph Greg on 814-9954. Mobile 021-356-066. Email gregmgee@firstcitycare.co.nz Website www.firstcitycare.co.nz

THE NIKAU CLUB: Bar, Café, Restaurant. New winter hours: Monday/Tuesday closed, Wednesday-Friday open midday till after dinner, Saturday/Sunday 10.00am till after dinner. New chef/new menu. Children welcome. Phone 814-1919.

THERAPIST/COUNSELLOR: Marguerite Laing BSP. Reducing the effect of conflict, stress, eating disorders, communication difficulties; and liberating energy to bring serenity and clarity. Phone 814-9889.

TOYS - FABULOUS WOODEN TOYS: have a look at our website www.creativetoy.co.nz for amazing wooden toys imported from Germany and Switzerland. Free delivery in Waitatarua! Phone 814-9903

TREEWORX: fully insured and qualified arborists. Phone Joe Krazz 021 244-8733.

VET - WEST COAST VET CLINIC: offering full veterinary service for your pets. 24 hour service Phone 818 4104

WAITATARUA USA: University of the Third Age Friday the 17th September 10.30am at the Waitatarua Community Hall - 'To Naples on an orancini'

WAITEMATA TECORIAN SPEAKERS: Gain confidence, communicate more effectively, extend knowledge, stimulate imagination and have fun at the same time. We meet at the Titirangi community centre every second and fourth Tuesday evening at 7.30pm. Men and women are welcome. Contact Margaret on 817 0520 or Gill on 838 1983 for further information.

WASHING MACHINE: Frigidaire Fisher & Paykel 6 months ago new pump \$80.00. Phone 814 9684

WATER SERVICES LTD.: pump sales and service. Tank repairs, cleaning and new tanks installed. Filtration and water treatment. Phone Phillip on 812-8537 or 027-279-6036.

WEST COAST WATER: for all water deliveries phone Patrick on 812-8079 or 027-288-9111.

WINE AND FOOD MARKET - ELKE'S: open every Saturday morning for fresh Pandoro and German Rye Breads, organic cheeses, german meats, Q-garden pickles and chutneys, chocolates and more. Also a great selection of Siebel wines, Port and Mead at cellar door prices. Tastings available. Open Saturday 10am - 2pm at 113 Sturges Road, Henderson.

YOGA - FAY'S CLASS: for true fitness and relaxation Phone 837-7794

Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust

Operation Springclean 2004. 1st - 19th September

With your help we can make our city a healthier and more beautiful place to live. Please register now and tell us what you'd like to do to clean up your community, school grounds, street, local park, river, lake or any other part of the environment which you think needs attention. Share your ideas and plans with us. Together we can make our community a better place. Together we can make a real difference!

Phone 826 4276 - Fax 826 4278 - e-mail kwbt@xtra.co.nz



Fire Restrictions

As we quickly motor through the year just a reminder of the 'Restricted Fire' season which starts December 1st, when any "open air fire" will require a permit from the Council. There is no charge for the issue of fire permits.

If you live in a rural area like Waitatarua, and if you must burn rubbish or garden waste in large quantities, then follow these rules:

- * Check with Council to be sure you understand all the regulations.
- * Don't burn plastics, rubber, paint, poisons, painted wood, treated timber, dust, food scraps, wet material, fabrics, green grass, foliage, tins, or glass. These materials may produce large quantities of toxic smoke.
- * Don't burn between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

For incinerators:

- * Your incinerator must be 3 metres from your boundary and 12 metres from any building.
- * You must ensure that air is circulating through the fire.
- * Your incinerator must not be close to anything combustible.
- * There should be adequate water supplies available to put out the fire.
- * The incinerator should not be left unsupervised while in use.
- * You should ensure that the wind isn't blowing towards your neighbours washing or through their windows. And don't forget that fires cause smoke, smells and unhealthy effects, and can get out of control!

Please accept my Membership to the Waitatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association

2004

- I enclose: \$10.00 household, \$5.00 Single Occupant
- I would like a copy of the book "Song of Two Waters" @ \$20.00 (delivered)

Name

Address

Phone

E-mail

To Treasurer

Waitatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association
911 West Coast Road, Waitatarua, Waitakere City or *leave at the library*
WEB Site www.waitatarua.org.nz

Waitatarua Community Hall Hire

With the new kitchen finished soon, this fantastic venue in a beautiful bush setting is available for hire. If you are planning any kind of function in the future, make a note in your diary now. Corporate training sessions, birthday parties, weddings, etc. The hall can cater for upto 110 people

For more information phone our Custodian **Pauline Isaachsen** on **814 9847**

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

From time to time snippets of news come to our attention via the 'bush telegraph'. We would prefer to access information on any interesting news articles directly from the original source. If you would like to share stories with our community we welcome your contributions wholeheartedly. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

Copy needs to be in the hands of The Editor, by **WEDNESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER, 2004**

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