Yokoso Roskill Residents ...

A warm Japanese welcome (Yokoso),
Hope you are all enjoying our much warmer than usual winter! Whilst getting used to the new look winters, keep an eye out for our less fortunate. Bring them along to the FREE Soup Evenings at St Johns (see pge 7), spare a thought for our seniors at the Roskill Retirement Village (pge 4) and keep warm with Zumba classes (pge 6).

Enjoy reading about what’s happening in our “Piece of Paradise” in Puketapapa”.

From the Roskill Together Team

Check out ROSKILL YOUTH ZONES new look!
Have you noticed the incredible graffiti art works at RYZ, 740 Sandringham Rd Extn? Facility Manager Steven Hodge of Auckland Council thought colour injected into the centre would create an inviting atmosphere. Talented Graffiti Artist Monty Collins has been involved with Roskill Youth Zone and Lynfield Recreation & Youth Centre art projects in the past and continues to amaze and inspire local youth.

CHAMPION in Tongan is “Hau”
Roskill Together Trust hosted their first Puketapapa Local Board funded Roskill Community Network (RCN) meeting on Thursday 14th July. The network includes local organisations and individuals that serve the Mount Roskill Area. The theme of the network meeting was the environment. Guest speakers from the Earth Action Trust, Auckland Council and Friends of Oakley Creek spoke about the importance of ensuring that domestic waste is minimised to reduce the amount of waste that goes to landfill. Auckland Council gave details of the upcoming Te Auaunga Awa project that will see Oakley Creek re-naturalised, the introduction of native plants, the creation of a new social space and other social outcomes that will include local young people being recruited as apprentices to be employed in the construction work of the awa project. Friends of Oakley informed us about the conservation and clean up work that they are involved in. The next network meeting will have safety as the theme, to be held on Thursday, August 11, 2016. Venue to be confirmed. Congratulations to Chelsey Lowe who won a compost bin compliments of Earth Action Trust.

Roskill Together Trust

**BRONWYN GUPTILL**
Roskill South Oasis Early Years Services Hub
Drop in to see Bronwyn and the team at:
56 Glass Rd
Mt Roskill South
09 620 8079

**How does Roskill South Oasis Early Years Services Hub help our community?**
Our aim is to improve access to services and improve coordination of services for our families. Our main target group is children 0-6 years old and their whanau. The current services we either run or coordinate are Mainly Music, Playgroup, Oasis Beat, a school holiday programme, family health days, car boot sales, Foodtogether a fruit and veggie co-op, assist with transport, advocacy and social work. We also are involved with running one-off events like the Molley Green Community Day, the Light Party and other special days.

Some new groups that are starting in term 3 are, Mellow Parenting, Pregnancy and Parenting workshops and a Young Mums support group.

The Oasis Hub is also used outside of Hub hours for Girl’s and Boy’s Rally, Sunday School and sometimes fitness groups.

**How long have you been involved and why are you involved?**
I have been involved with the Hub since it started over 8 years ago, but I have been involved in this community since 1980! I used to attend the Church that was run at the Hub building and helped with the Sunday School and Girls and Boys Rallies.

I am involved because I love the people in this community, I want the best for them and love working alongside them.

**Who helps you to provide these services?**
Our partners can be anyone who provides services for children 0-6 Years old, i.e, Plunket, Public Health Nurses, etc. We also work alongside youth workers in the community who are funded through other organisations.

Our main funder for the past 8 years has been MSD, but this year we will be funded by Whanau Ora. We also get funding for one-off events from the Puketapapa Local Board and other funders.

**What is unique about the hub?**
It is small and non-threatening and in the middle of the community and people don’t need an appointment to come and see us – they can just pop in!

**Where does the community see the hub in the future?**
They see us being here forever and providing more services – for the whole family!

**What makes you smile each work day?**
The people, the people, the people!

He tangata, He tangata, He tangata!
CONGRATULATIONS MT ROSKILL !!

In appreciation to you, the Mt Roskill Community for participation and achievements in the Department of Internal Affairs Community Led Development Pilot 2011-2016, the Honourable Jo Goodhew, Minister of Internal Affairs presented the Roskill Together Trust and Staff members with a kauri tree and plaque on behalf of the community.

The plaque reads: “Ma whero, ma pango ka oti ai te mahi”, translated means: “With red and black the work will be complete.” This refers to co-operation where if everyone does their part, the work will be complete. The colours refer to the traditional kowhaiwhai patterns on the inside of the meeting houses.

An official planting ceremony will be arranged once a spot has been confirmed. If you have any suggestions, contact the Roskill Together Trust team on 09 629 0482.

We are looking for anyone who is interested in helping us to actively create a better community.

If you would like to be involved with Roskill Together Trusts themes for auctioning the community plan, please contact us. See our details on page 8.

Themes:
- Growing Community Connectedness
- Pride in Mt Roskill and Improved Local Environment
- Community Safety
- Improved Employment Opportunities and Local Economy
- Health & Wellbeing
Do you know someone who is a victim of Domestic Violence suffering in silence?
Call us and share with us … we can help you heal the scars and put your life back together:

Activity Centre:  
13 May Rd, Mt Roskill, Auckland
Phone:  
09 443 5622
Email:  
roopaauraap@gmail.com
Website:  
roopaauraap.org.nz
Facebook:  
Roopa Aur Aap Charitable Trust
Twitter:  
@roopaauraap
Website:  
roopaauraap.org.nz

“Serving South Asian Community – Bringing Families Together”

ROSKILL RETIREMENT VILLAGE UPDATE
Recently some residents unfortunately experienced a home invasion at the village located in Stoddard Rd, spreading concern throughout the other 100 residents. The Roskill Village Committee Chairperson Darryl Reid, was shocked that someone had obviously targeted the couple. He immediately set about making the villagers aware of such dangers. Community Patrols Mt Roskill were contacted who will continue to drive through the village to keep an eye on the vulnerable residents. The village also have continued support from Neighbourhood Support and local Police. Roskill Together Trust will dedicate the August RCN Meeting to “Safety” to ensure all Roskill residents are aware of what services are available. If you notice any suspicious behaviour do not hesitate to ring 111 for assistance.

2016 FREE* COURSE
STARTING JULY IN MT ROSKILL

**Skills for Everyday Life**
Our friendly classes are for people wanting to improve their English language, writing and maths skills for everyday life, study or work.

**Dates:**  
Monday 25 July to Wednesday 7 December
**Class time:**  
Monday and Wednesday 9.30am to 12.30pm
**Length:**  
18 Weeks
**Holiday:**  
Monday 26 September – Friday 7 October
**Location:**  
Community Action Centre  
766 Sandringham Road Extension  
Mt. Roskill

* Free to New Zealand citizens and permanent residents and criteria apply. Classes run subject to numbers being met.

**Want to know more and how to apply?**
Come to our information session on Monday 18 July,  
9:30am - 10:30am at Community Action Centre, Mt. Roskill

**OR**
Join the first class on Monday 25 July

For more information please contact  
Sonjia Ristic  |  sonjia.ristic@manukau.ac.nz
manukau.ac.nz | 09 968 8735
Lynfield’s own sculpture

An Auckland artwork is back on public display after years of being in storage.

Opened Stone, a sculpture by Japanese artist Hiroaki Ueda was unveiled at the Manukau Domain in Lynfield on June 21.

The sculpture was hand-carved from a large block of red African granite. The uncomplicated structure is reminiscent of a Shinto prayer-gate. It was commissioned by the New Zealand Society of Sculptors and Painters for the 1971 International Sculpture Symposium celebrating Auckland’s centenary.

Following the symposium, the sculpture was placed in the forecourt of the Auckland Art Gallery. It was removed in 2008 when the gallery underwent renovations.

Artist Bronwen Muir was an assistant to Ueda during his residency at the symposium. She said the work is an amazing legacy.

"It has this heart and soul and we are all so lucky to have this work here in New Zealand," she said.

Muir said Ueda was a quiet gentleman with a fascinating life, born to a samurai family. He was recruited as a kamikaze pilot but was never sent on a mission.

Opened Stone is the only work of Ueda’s on display outside of Japan. The artist passed away in 1997, and requested the work be positioned overlooking the sea. This is certainly the case now, as it perches in its new home overlooking the Manukau Harbour.

"[It] reflects the council's objective for public art to be seen and experienced more widely," says Auckland Council's arts and culture facilities and assets manager Stephen Johnson.

The Puketapapa Local Board are happy to have the work on display in their region. "We're really pleased that this work has found its way [here]," said board member Michael Wood.

Muir is glad it's finally back on display. She sees herself as the sculpture's guardian, and has been campaigning for its display since it was stored away.

"I really hope that people will make that expedition [to see it]," she said. "It doesn't need words."

Help Wesley Intermediate School students raise money to improve their play areas in the school. They will be making and selling their own products and services. Support the kids and attend their big day . . . .

Wesley Intermediate Market Day

24 August 2016

Wesley Intermediate Hall
Sandringham Rd Extention
Mt Roskill
Kia ora! A big kapai to everyone who attended the Puketapapa Matariki Celebrations on top of Mt Roskill—Pukewiwi, Sunday 3rd July. It was a glorious day for the community to get together and enjoy sun, food, entertainment, workshops and kites! Thanks to the Puketapapa Local Board, this event looks like it will be a successful annual community gathering, showcasing our local schools kapa haka groups, artists and chefs.

Residents learnt how to make maori kites, harakeke (flax) weaving and how to play traditional maori games. Roskill Together Trust engaged a local artist to teach other locals how to make and play a maori flute or koauau.

We look forward to another sunny day of kite-flying and whanau fun next year.

RTT proudly supports Maori Language Week in July “Te Wiki o te Reo Māori” and encourages lessons. Enrol at Unitec Mt Albert or check out Te Wananga Aotearoa for more information.

Keep fit and warm this winter with “Zumba” at St John’s Presbyterian Community Hall, located behind 422 Mt Albert Rd. Commencing 26 July on Tuesday and Thursdays mornings at 10am and Saturdays 9:30am. The cost currently is $5 per person with the hope of a cheaper rate if more people join in. So bring the whanau along and get ready for summer! Ring Sally for more information on 0210837970 and ask her about the Fitness Challenges she has in store for Mt Roskill residents.
Inspiring Kids

Kids get inspired by the teachers earning their respect. Even from this young age it is very important to do this. ZUU Chimps is based on mutual respect & when they see their teacher leading by example they will follow. The animal exercises are FUN! The kids start to interact with groups they normally may not & together they build a culture of inclusiveness.

We can inspire you too!

If you’re a passionate principal, teacher or parent & would love to get ZUU Chimps into your school, simply contact us on 09 390 4510.

BUNNINGS MT ROSKILL — FATHERS DAY FAMILY EVENING

Wednesday August 31st 6 pm to 8 pm

□ Father’s Day Craft making  □ Hands on Activities
□ Information Zones  □ Refreshments  □ Giveaways
□ Challenges  □ Prizes  □ Family Fun!

To register visit Bunnings, 2 Carr Rd, Mt Roskill or Phone 09 624-0177

ST JOHN’S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 422 MT ALBERT RD, MT ROSKILL.
(Community Hall behind the church, via Akarana Ave)

ALL WELCOME!

Phone: 09 620 6609
Email: office@stjohns.org.nz

- Free Wi-fi in Store
- Kids holiday projects
- Undercover parking
- Fundraising
- DIY workshops
FREE COMMUNITY CLASSES:

ROSKILL YOUTH ZONE, 740 Sandringham Rd Extn:
- MUAY THAI KICKBOXING  WEDS 6:30pm
- YOUNG ROSKILL ROYALS  MONS 3:30 - 5:30pm
- BASKETBALL  MONS 5:00 - 8:00pm

WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE:
- YOGA  THURS 9:30 - 10:30am

INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN CONSTRUCTION?

Over 32,000 new jobs will be created in the construction and infrastructure sectors over the next few years in Auckland.

In Wesley, Mount Roskill, the redevelopment of Te Auaoura Awa (Oakley Creek) will offer training and apprenticeship opportunities for local young people.

Give yourself the best chance of securing a local apprenticeship.

Sign up now for this free construction training course for 17-24 year olds starting in August 2016.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

This practical fees free course will be delivered by Unitec Institute of Technology and will:

- Train you in construction, carpentry, plumbing and landscaping
- Lead to a Level 2 Certificate in Multiskill Building Construction
- Include mentoring support and restricted driver license training
- Give you the opportunity to meet potential employers

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applicants for the programme must:

- Be aged between 17-24
- Meet Level 1 numeracy and literacy skills
- Be a permanent New Zealand resident
- Have completed three years at secondary school
- Be physically fit and commit to being drug free while on the course and if employed
- Hold a learner driver licence
- Disclose any Police record
- Be able to commit to 30 hours per week, Monday-Friday, August - December 2016.

While preference will be given to applicants living in Wesley, Mount Roskill, Mount Albert, Three Kings, New Windsor and Sandringham, applications from outside of these areas will be considered.

To find out more, please contact Patrick Gifford (Youth Connections).
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