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Whenuapai School's cycling programme



A School Cycling Program is now up and running at Whenuapai School as part of the school curriculum.

Opening of the Whenuapai School

Bike Track took place on the 2nd June 2017.

The aim of this program is to enable our students to develop into competent cyclists with the skills, knowledge and experience to safely ride on New Zealand's roads and off road trails. A significant amount of work has been done to get this going. Mike Beale is a parent at the school. He is an avid cyclist and very passionate about cycling and the benefits that arise from it. He has worked incredibly hard to source a significant amount of funding to make this happen. The first of the 3 cycle tracks has been built and we have been able to purchase a bike fleet and new helmets for our school. Teacher training has taken place and our classes have all started their cycling sessions.

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with the skills, knowledge and experience to safely ride on New Zealand's roads and off road trails.

The benefits of the programme for our students, families and our community:

- Improved health and fitness
- Developed awareness of road safety
- Additional teaching opportunities within the school
- Increased Resilience
- Improved coordination and spatial awareness
- Alternate method to travel to school
- Greater confidence
- Family oriented activity
- Opportunity for family members to learn to ride
- Bike trails are a community asset

This is an exciting development for our School and Community. A massive thank you to all the sponsors, teachers, parent helpers, PTA and Mike Beale for making this happen.



Funding approved for Auckland's Lincoln Road improvements

Transport Minister Simon Bridges is welcoming the approval of \$46.4 million in advanced funding by the NZ Transport Agency to Auckland Transport for the construction of the Lincoln Road Corridor Improvements Project.

"This is great news for Aucklanders. This project will help to create a much better transport system for this rapidly growing part of the city," Mr Bridges says.

The project will include new bus lanes, improved cycling facilities and road safety

improvements.

"When this work is completed, the Lincoln Road corridor will be able to safely and efficiently accommodate the movement of more people and more goods," Mr Bridges says.

"There will be significant travel time improvements for people using buses and 'high occupancy' vehicles, and cyclists will be able to enjoy a safer ride, separated from other traffic."

Mr Bridges says the upgrade will also

provide for a new bus/transit (T3) lane in each direction, segregated 'Copenhagen style' cycle lanes, a solid median, upgrades to intersections and utilities and new pedestrian signals.

The Lincoln Road project will be delivered by Auckland Transport.

More information about the project, including maps and a flyover, can be found at: <https://at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/lincoln-road-upgrade/>

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Circulation 1,200 — pass it on to your friends or tell them to read the Causeway online at www.thecauseway.co.nz

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Whenuapai and Herald Island Rock Workshop

Join us for some creative, "rocking" fun during the July School Holidays!

Meet at the...

**Herald Island Fire Station
between 9.30am-12noon
on Wednesday 19th July
or Thursday 20th July
TO PAINT SOME ROCKS!**

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**Let's get crafty and create a
rock hunt in our community.**

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**The Causeway will donate
rocks, paints, craft items and
felt tip marker pens.**

1. Meet at the Fire Station between 9.30am-12noon (Wed 19 July or Thurs 20 July).
2. Paint and decorate some rocks!
3. We'll photograph your cool rocks.
4. You will be given a list of parks and reserves in our local area so you and your family can go and hide your decorated rocks.
5. Refreshments provided.
6. Open to all age groups. Helpers will be on hand.

~Please Note~

**A parent must accompany
their child/children at the Fire Station.**





Calendar

- 10-21 July **Legomania** – At the NorthWest Shopping Centre during the school holidays. (See Causeway Clips for details).
- 10-21 July **YMCA Massey July School Holiday Programme.** (See Causeway Clips for details).
- 10-21 July **Kumeu Arts Centre School Holiday Programme.** (See Causeway Clips for details).
- 12 July **Children's Worm Farms:** Introduction for kids into worm farming and compost. Massey Library, 10.30am-11.45am. Free event. Call 09-482-1172 or compostcollective.org.nz for further details.
- 16 July **Kumeu Farmers Market.** (See Causeway Clips for details).
- 19 & 20 July **Painted Rock Workshop** – Family activity during the holidays. Spend a morning painting rocks, we'll photograph them, then hide them in a local park or reserve. Pop in any time between 9.30am-12noon, at the Herald Island Firestation. See details on page 2 and page 4 & 5.
- 28 July **Travel Fundraiser** – Support students going to Vietnam and Cambodia in 2018 with a quiz night. Hobsonville Point Secondary School, 70 Hobsonville Point Road, 7pm, \$20pp. Check out eventbrite.co.nz for further information.
- 31 July **Massey High School Open Night.**
- 1 August **Hobsonville Herb Group** meets on the first Tuesday each month from 7.15pm at the Whenuapai Hall on Waimarie Road. Always something new to learn and make. All welcome.
- 8-11 August **Fame The Musical** – Massey High School, 7pm, Tickets available now! (See page 16 for details)
- 14 July-6 August **NZ International Film Festival** – Film screenings around Auckland. See nziff.co.nz for further information.

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Painted rock craze . .

Collecting, painting and hiding rocks in local parks has really taken off. I've only just heard about the phenomenon when we recently visited Australia. Apparently it started in Palmerston North, New Zealand!

It's a bit of creative fun for both kids and adults, like a community treasure hunt. I'm guessing it's a spin-off from Geochaching.

These school holidays The Causeway invites local kids to come to the Herald Island Fire Station and paint and decorate some rocks, then we'll photograph your rocks and pop prints on the "Westie Rocks" Facebook site.

You can take your rocks home and hide them in a park or reserve close to home, we'll have a list of local parks and reserves that you might like to visit or you might be going on holiday and hide your rock in a park out of Auckland, that's perfectly fine.

**About the 'Westie Rocks' Facebook Site:*

The site is about creating art and spreading happiness by painting rocks to hide around West Auckland (New Zealand) or wherever you may travel to.

The goal is to encourage creativity, exploring and community. Have some fun!

If you find an art rock, take a picture, share it on the Westie Rocks Facebook site if you'd like and either keep it, or re-hide the rock.



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If you want your rock to be posted back on the Westie Rocks Facebook site when it is found, they suggest you to write on the back as follows: 1. #WestieRocks (and the fb logo).



Please make sure your artwork is coated with a sealer so it's weatherproof. If you stick anything on to your rocks, make sure it is stuck on super tight, and ideally put it under the sealer coat. If in doubt, stick to paint, permanent markers and sealer.

- * Hide your rocks on public land only. Private property is off limits.
- * Any photo you post can be shared and used by others unless specified in the photo description.
- * Please always be a tidy kiwi when you are out and about. If you spot some litter, be a hero, pick it up and take it to the closest bin! It's awesome to leave places nicer than you found them.
- * Rocks reflect the opinions and attitudes of the individual artists, and not those of the administrators.

Lets Rock people!!

Join us for some creative, "rocking"
fun during the school holiday's
"WORKSHOP"

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Renting?

Know your rights

One of the common enquiries the Citizens Advice Bureau's receive is from tenants seeking clarification over just what rights they have and what obligations their landlord has, particularly over access to the property. Here are some basic rules, which when followed, should ensure a happy tenancy for all.

Access to property

Landlords must give at least 48 hours notice to inspect the property and can only carry out a house inspection every four weeks. If they are coming around to do any repairs, they have to give 24 hours notice. Any visits or maintenance must be carried out between 8am and 7pm.

If the landlord is going overseas for more than three weeks, then they have to appoint an agent to act on their behalf. This is the person the tenant can contact if they need to during the landlord's absence.

Repairs and Maintenance

Landlords have a responsibility to keep the premises in a reasonable state of repair and comply with all building, health and safety laws. If the tenant needs an urgent and serious repair for damage that's not their fault, then they have to do their best to contact the landlord. But, if they can't get hold of them, then the tenant can get the work done and the landlord has to compensate them.

Since July last year landlords have a responsibility to have the right type of smoke alarm installed in the right places. They need to be the ten-year, long-life models that comply with certain standards. There should be a smoke alarm within three metres of each bedroom. For their part, tenants have a responsibility not to damage, remove or disconnect a smoke alarm and to make sure the batteries are working.



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Rent and other bills

Landlords must supply a written and signed tenancy agreement and inform the tenants in writing of any rent increases, but they can only review the rent every 180 days. The rent can't be increased if there is a fixed-term agreement until the end of that period.

As a tenant you are responsible for paying the rent on time, and for the power, gas and phone bills and water usage charges if there is a meter to measure how much water is used.

The landlord is responsible for paying the fixed water charges.

Selling the property

Landlords must tell the tenant in writing if they intend to put the property on the market.

Tenants have to give permission before landlords or real estate agents show prospective buyers or registered valuers through the house. While tenants can't unreasonably refuse access, they can ask to be present during open homes, or insist that the property is shown by appointment only.

If the buyer of a property wants it sold as 'vacant possession' the landlord who's selling the house must give the tenant at least 42 days written notice to end the tenancy so it will be empty for the new owner.

However, if there is a fixed-term tenancy then either side is unable to end the tenancy early, unless both parties agree. So, if the property is sold while being rented for a fixed-term, then the property must be sold with the tenancy and tenants in place and the new owners becomes the landlord until the fixed-term runs out.

When disputes happen

The best advice is to keep good records of any dealings over the property, including property inspections and rent payments. The Tenancy Tribunal is there to help resolve disputes. You can apply online at the Tenancy Services website or by picking up a form from the Citizens Advice Bureau.

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Method

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It can also be chilled and drunk as an iced tea.

Sage and Thyme gargle

(both herbs have strong anti-oxidant and antibacterial actions)

Place a generous sprig of each herb in a pot or vessel with well fitting lid and pour over 2 cups of just boiled water. Cover immediately and leave for 15-20 minutes, strain and use. Frequent use is the key to success: every couple of hours on the first day, then reduce as throat improves. It will keep in the fridge for up to 3 days.

Winter warming drink

600ml water

1 Tablespoon grated ginger

1cm of Chilli pod

2 cloves chopped Garlic

Half a lemon grated rind and juice

Simmer very gently for 20mins, strain and add honey if desired.

Tea for Sore Throat

(From 'The Green Goddess', Wendy Nissen)

1 tsp cider vinegar

Pinch cayenne

The juice of 1/4 lemon

1 tsp honey

Mix well these ingredients together in a small teacup and then add hot water, not boiling. Sip.

Hot Ginger Lemonade

1-2 inch piece of fresh Ginger root, grated

1 quart of water

Juice of 1 Lemon, freshly squeezed

Honey to taste

Pinch of Cayenne powder

Grate Ginger root and steep in hot water for 10-20 minutes. Strain and add freshly squeezed Lemon juice, Honey, and a pinch of Cayenne. This concoction is warming and is soothing to a sore throat. The Ginger root can be used more than once.

Garlic Honey immune booster

Take your garlic and peel all the papery wrappings off each clove. Take the flat side of a large knife and crush the garlic cloves and let sit for at least fifteen minutes.

Place your garlic into your jar and cover with raw honey. Screw the lid on the jar and let it rest on your counter for 3-5 days. The garlic will absorb some of the sweetness and nutrients from the honey, and the honey will absorb some of the beneficial properties of the garlic. Once it has finished sitting, place in the refrigerator to keep fresh throughout the season.

Cold Feet

Sprinkle a little cayenne pepper inside your shoes or slippers – don't overdo it!

Tonics courtesy of Diane, from the Hobsonville Herb Group. The group meets on the first Tuesday of each month in the Whenuapai Hall on Waimarie Road from 7.15pm. Always great company and always something new to make and learn. Visitors and new members welcome.



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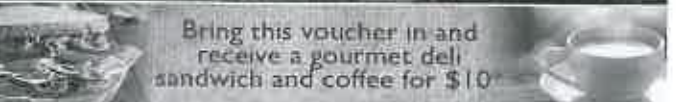
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At the end of April this year Peter and Etta Gillon (Herald Island Librarian) headed on up from Queenstown to a sleepy little haven in the South Island called “Akaroa”. There they paid a visit to see former old established Whenuapai residents Geoff and Jenny Maxwell, now fully ensconced Akaroa Bank Peninsular residents.

“The town of Akaroa sits on the eastern side of the splendid harbour from which it takes its name. Canterbury’s oldest town, Akaroa was founded in August 1840 by French settlers. The name Akaroa is Kāi Tahu Māori for “Long Harbour”, which would be spelled “Whangaroa” in standard Māori, the North Island was already well populated with British colonists, and on the way to annexation for Great Britain. Action had to be undertaken swiftly if the South Island was to become a French colony.

Around this time there were no French colonies established in the Pacific. Approximately 60 French whaling ships were making the regular crossing between France and New Zealand for the lucrative whale trade. Oil from New Zealand whales lit the lamps of Parisian streets. A French annexation of the South Island of New Zealand, an area a quarter of the size of France, with only about three or four thousand Māori inhabitants, would have been perfect for French needs.

Jean – Francois Langlois born 22nd of June 1808 in Lucerne, Normandy France felt that Akaroa, on the Banks Peninsula, would

make an excellent French base, and began forming plans to take the South Island for France. He negotiated with, and obtained signatures from 12 Ngar-Tahu Māori chiefs from Port Cooper, whereby he bought most of Banks Peninsula, on the east coast of New Zealand. According to the deed, in French, dated 2nd August 1838, the land was bought from the Māori for a deposit of 150 French francs in goods. The remainder of the total price was to be settled on Langlois’ return to take possession of the land. Langlois bought most of Banks Peninsula. The goods the Māori received initially, were: 2 cloaks, 6 pairs of trousers, 12 hats, 2 pairs of shoes, some pistols, axes and 2 shirts.” “My have times changed!!”

“However, just one month before the “Comte de Paris” left France, the British signed the Treaty of Waitangi with Māori Chieftains, at the Bay of Islands in the North Island, on 6th February 1840. The South Island Māori chiefs signed the treaty a little later, on 30th May of the same year. The unknowing French duly arrived at Akaroa in August 1840 to discover they would be settling in a British colony. After the signing of The Treaty, a British warship had sailed to Akaroa and planted the Union Jack.

The French also discovered that the land bought by Langlois had been resold again, several times since, as was often Māori custom. Some British settlers laid claim to certain areas of land which had originally been bought by Langlois. Fortunately, due to much diplomacy no major incident arose from this event. The French Government requested the British Government to protect the rights of French landowners in New Zealand, and this was agreed upon in 1841. Langlois himself returned to France in October 1842, with a cargo of over 1.700 barrels of whale oil.

The French colonists settled in Akaroa as planned, but instead of a large South Island French colony, just two small towns of around 60 French inhabitants were established. In spite of the small number of French colonists, quite a few New Zealanders are today descendants from these original French settlers from Normandy and the Charente. A number of Akaroa streets today still carry French names.”

The population of Akaroa in 2013 is normally 624 and in summer reaches over 5000. A delightful place with excellent cuisine, beautiful gardens and possibly better renowned for locals being able to swim with the dolphins and that its famous Hector dolphins are fully protected in the harbour.

rary News ~ July

Jenny and Geoff Maxwell greeted us in great health as if it was only yesterday that we last saw them. They are still to this day being kept busy with their hobbies, business and social life. Apart from them finding the number of cruise ships in the harbour a bit of a problem, they both find life is treating them pretty well. We had a great time catching up with them and before we realised, it was time to go. In the short time we were there we had a delightful time with them both. For people who love Brocante goods, Geoff and Jenny are still taking shopping guided tours to France to share their secret of 'beautiful Brocante'. Jenny explains in an interview she did with Tim Fulton, The Press on the 21.01.15, she says that "Brocante is not junk or antique, but possibly classified as Old French style. They understood that Brocante took off in France in the 18th century as a successor to the rag trade".

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Peter Gillon checking out the history of this wonderful community.

available and realise how Geoff and Jenny have been kept pretty busy. Jenny noted that New Zealand has gorgeous French shops in Greytown and Bulls, but have also imported plenty of factory made Brocante-style goods with a minimal amount of French words on them. It was also noted that Brocante could often be bought at a fraction of the imported price. Take time to view www.foundinfrance.co.nz

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Housing & Home Loan News for June/July 2017

Market Cooling through winter

House prices in Auckland have continued to edge lower as a winter chill has set in, and the cooling is spreading to surrounding larger cities.

The effects of the Reserve Bank's 40% deposit rule for rental property investors are still rippling through the market after its introduction in the second half of last year. A slight rise in interest rates in late 2016 and a toughening of lending criteria by the big four banks has also dampened activity.

Real Estate Institute figures for May showed the House Price Index for Auckland fell 0.7% in the month, down 1% from three months earlier. This index takes into account the skewing effect of more houses in the expensive brackets selling than cheaper homes, which rental property investors would be more likely to buy. The raw median price for Auckland rose 0.6% as fewer cheaper homes were sold to rental property investors.

Elsewhere, Waikato's House Price Index fell 1.0% in May and was up 1.6% from three months ago. Bay of Plenty's growth rate, which includes Tauranga and Rotorua, fell to 0.6% in May and the index there is up 2.0% from three months ago. Northland house price inflation, which includes Whangarei, was also weaker at 0.8% for the month.

A significant factor in the slowdown is a change in approach of the big four banks, who are reaching their internal limits for funding and face extra capital requirements on both sides of the Tasman.

In the years before the Global Financial Crisis, the big banks were able to easily go into 'hot money' markets in London and New York to borrow cheaply for 90-day terms and then lend that money out in New Zealand as longer-term mortgages. New funding rules imposed in 2010 now restrict the banks from simply jumping into these 'hot money' markets whenever they can't find enough local deposits. Deposit growth has been weaker than lending growth for over a year, which leaves a gap that banks have had to fill by borrowing on more expensive long-term debt markets overseas. Some of the big four banks are also up against their internal limits for this type of borrowing and so they are having to slow their lending and increase their interest rates to attract more deposits.

Secondly, the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority and the Reserve Bank are reviewing capital requirements. They are both expected to increase the amount of equity capital that banks have to hold in reserve against every loan. That too is reducing bank appetites for lending and increasing costs.

However, there are still plenty of solid underpinnings for prices on both the demand and supply side. Jobs growth is still running strongly at over 5% per annum and unemployment is below 5% and falling. Net migration remains at record highs despite predictions of falls and housing supply is still growing slower than it needs to in order to keep up with population growth. There were barely 10,000 building consents issued in Auckland last year to cope with population growth of over 50,000. A shortfall of around 5,000 new homes was added to a shortage already estimated at 40,000 for New Zealand's fastest growing city. That

shortfall is not expected to be eaten away quickly given building consents are now trending down and the big banks have stopped lending to many apartment and section developers.

Rents are now rising in Auckland and beyond to support yields for rental property investors and neither the National, Labour or New Zealand First parties are planning to impose a capital gains tax on rental properties. Interest rates also remain low and the Reserve Bank expects to leave the Official Cash Rate on hold at 1.75% until early 2019.

One potential cloud on the horizon is a new Reserve Bank limit on debt to income multiples. The bank is now consulting with the public on the potential tool, but has said it would not use it at the moment even if it had it because of the recent moderation in house prices. It issued a consultation paper in June that modelled the impact of a speed limit for lending of five times income. Similar to the loan to value ratio limit, banks would not be able to do more than 20% of new lending at over five times income. The bank estimated 45% of current bank lending was being done at over five times income so a speed limit would have a significant effect. The bank estimated such a limit would reduce credit and house prices by between two to five%, and could reduce sales volumes by nine%.

The Government has yet to approve the use of the tool, and a second round of consultation would also be needed before it could be used in anger. At the moment it remains an unlikely prospect, but another acceleration in inflation would make it more likely.

The bottom line

- House price inflation has slowed nationally and prices fell a bit more in May in Auckland and some surrounding cities, but not much elsewhere.
- The Reserve Bank has forecast an unchanged Official Cash Rate through all of 2017 and all of 2018. It does not see the first hike until late 2019.
- Banks have stopped lifting longer-term mortgage rates and some are tightening lending. They have pulled back from lending to developers.

- The Reserve Bank is unlikely to be able to introduce a DTI limit in 2017. It has to do lengthy consultation and it has said it would not use the tool right now even if it had it because of the market's moderation.




- The key variables to watch in 2017 are China's bad debt situation, Europe's financial and political dramas, global inflation and interest rates, New Zealand's election result, and Donald Trump's twitter account.

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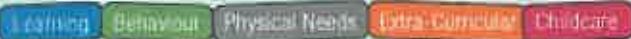
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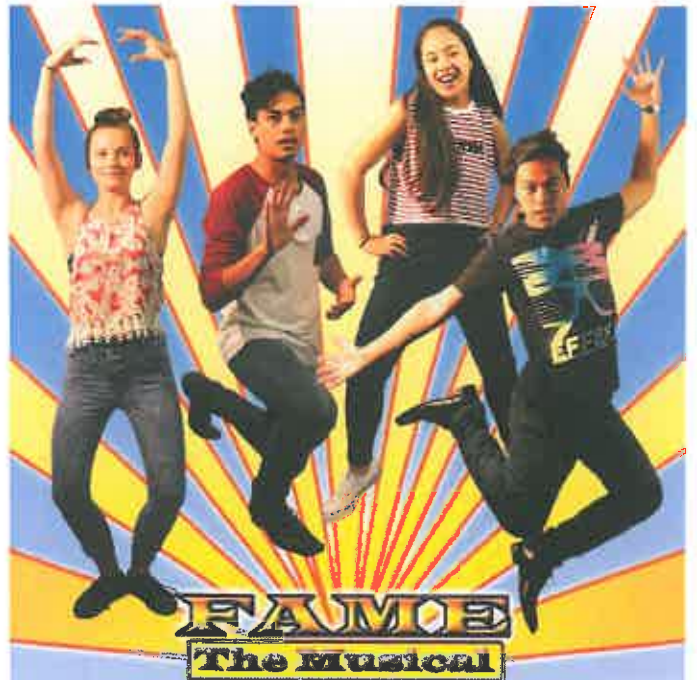
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Bouquet of Edible Flowers.

The tables were decorated with a purple theme and this extended beyond the Happy Birthday serviettes to the vases of edible flowers from which we were allowed to take home one each, although many did not make it that far. The flowers were made of purple card on wooden skewer stems and the centre of each bloom was a Belgian chocolate wrapped in silver coloured foil. I took an extra to pass on to our committee member, Pat Hooper, who was once again at her "other home" and not released until the following evening after yet another surgical procedure. She was intrigued to see what an edible flower looked like having imagined a larger version of what usually adorn specialty cakes.

Doreen Brown had once again baked and iced our cake, which, this time, was ceremoniously cut by Margaret Ball who has been our Treasurer for the past twenty years. I reserved my piece to take home for later as the well presented meal had quite filled me up. Soup was available in addition to hot meats and vegetables, bread rolls, salads, also desserts; fruit salad, jelly, pavlova of course, the yummy marshmallow type with some crunchy edging too, lots of whipped cream, little cakes and Christmas pudding, tea and coffee as well.

If the level of conversation was anything to go by then everybody had a marvellous time and when we left it was nearly three p.m. As I had arranged to meet a relative afterwards, there was no time to look around the shops so we went directly to her home for a lovely catch up. I had earlier told her our plans on the phone and that we wouldn't need fed. Since we then got caught in the end of working day traffic, our journey home took twice the usual time but the outing was thoroughly enjoyable from start to finish.

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route for spices, food, animals, metals and precious stones, which over the centuries drew in many other civilizations.

We were treated to a slide show of amazing photos showing the arid desert, camels and goats, tombs, open air markets and Mosques. But didn't expect to see such beautiful courtyard gardens, plenty of brilliant blue tiled architecture, brightly coloured stained glass windows and so many cheeky grins on the happy local faces.

Val visited several "World Heritage UNESCO sites" along the way, staying at hotels, local Inns and even tented out in the desert! Just imagine walking the same route that thousands before you have done, over thousands of years, including the famous *Darius the Great*, *Alexander the Great* and *Genghis Khan*!

Val has proven that being retired is a busy business. She is President of U3A, which has over 120 members, leads a weekly Yoga classes and is a regular volunteer at the Auckland Zoo and more. She continues to walk New Zealand's famous tracks and each year heads off overseas to adventure in some rather more unusual locations. Soon she is off to Madagascar!

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Date	High	Water	Auckland	Sun Rise	Sun Set
8 Sat	0642	2.9	1916	0734	1718
9 Sun	0726	2.9	1957	0733	1719
10 Mon	0808	3.0	2036	0733	1720
11 Tue	0849	3.0	2115	0733	1720
12 Wed	0929	3.0	2154	0732	1721
13 Thu	1010	3.0	2235	0732	1721
14 Fri	1051	3.0	2318	0732	1722
15 Sat	1135	3.0	-	0731	1723
16 Sun	0004	3.1	1222	0731	1723
17 Mon	0052	3.1	1314	0730	1724
18 Tue	0145	3.1	1412	0730	1725
19 Wed	0241	3.1	1515	0729	1726
20 Thu	0341	3.1	1619	0729	1726
21 Fri	0443	3.2	1722	0728	1727
22 Sat	0545	3.2	1820	0727	1728
23 Sun	0644	3.3	1916	0727	1728
24 Mon	0742	3.4	2009	0726	1729
25 Tue	0836	3.4	2100	0725	1730
26 Wed	0928	3.4	2150	0725	1731
27 Thu	1017	3.4	2239	0724	1731
28 Fri	1106	3.3	2328	0723	1732
29 Sat	1154	3.2	-	0722	1733
30 Sun	0016	3.2	1243	0721	1734
31 Mon	0104	3.1	1334	0721	1735
August					
1 Tue	0153	2.9	1428	0720	1735
2 Wed	0244	2.8	1525	0719	1736
3 Thu	0336	2.8	1621	0718	1737
4 Fri	0429	2.8	1713	0717	1738
5 Sat	0522	2.8	1802	0716	1739
6 Sun	0611	2.8	1891	0715	1739
7 Mon	0658	2.9	1928	0714	1740
8 Tue	0741	3.0	2008	0713	1741
9 Wed	0823	3.0	2048	0712	1742
10 Thu	0904	3.1	2129	0711	1743
11 Fri	0946	3.2	2211	0710	1743
12 Sat	1028	3.2	2254	0708	1744
13 Sun	1113	3.2	2341	0707	1745
14 Mon	-	3.2	1201	0706	1746
15 Tue	0030	3.2	1254	0705	1747
16 Wed	0123	3.1	1352	0704	1747

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