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# **Enhancing the North-West Wildlink**



Sally & Kevin Casbalt and Anne McNeill planting

Community Planting Day was held at the Herald Island Domain on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016. The North-West Wildlink, between the Waitakere Ranges and the Hauraki Gulf, is a green corridor of natural areas providing safe habitats for our native birds. This corridor includes the Herald Island Domain, so on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June, when volunteers increased the Domain's local native flora by two hundred plants, both the Domain and the North-West Wildlink, were enhanced.

The Herald Island Environmental Group seeks to enhance the North-West Wildlink by carrying out plant and animal pest control and by local native revegetation of the island's natural areas. We would love these areas to reflect Sir John Logan Campbell's

1840 description of the Waitemata:

"Evergreen shrubs grew on all sides of every shade from palest to deepest green; ... of beautiful ferns there was a profusion underfoot. The Tui, with his grand rich note, made the wood musical; the great, fat, stupid pigeon cooed down upon you almost within reach, nor took the trouble to fly away." *Poenamo, by John Logan Campbell*.

Local residents can support this vision first and foremost in their own back yard, but also by supporting community events such as this one, or by carrying out animal or plant pest control in a natural area close to home. We are always on the lookout for more local volunteers to help with pest

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control and restoration work. Island residents are your local contacts, either Ian McNeill (416-6047) regarding animal pest control or Jan Diprose (416-8348) regarding weed control or revegetation work.

Special thanks to Auckland Council for bark and plants, John Diprose and Karen Williamson for helping move bark, the 5 volunteers who set out plants and 22 volunteers who planted them, Mike Hassett for photography and Facebook posts, Ian McNeill for Facebook promotion, Sue McElroy for poster advertising, John Diprose of Harcourts Cooper & Co. for flyers, Ian and Anne McNeill for flyer delivery and the Herald Island Residents and Ratepayers Association for sponsoring refreshments.

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Ceramic Exhibition at the Kumeu Arts Centre 4-30 July

1-13 August 'Taking Flight' Exhibition – Watercolours by

June Mackenzie at the Kumeu Arts Centre

2 August Hobsonville Herb Group meets

Herb of the month: Lemon Tea Tree

Topic: Herbal teas

30 August-17 September

International Postcard Exhibition at the Kumeu Arts Centre. Please share this information with any artists, anywhere in the

# A tribute to a long-time supporter of Whenuapai

The area is going to be the poorer with Norman Dunckley leaving the village.

Norman was raised in the house that he and his brother have just sold in Waimarie Road. Over the past few years since their parents died, Norman has been living in the house sorting through an endless amount of stuff gathered by his parents during their lives in the village, from the mid-50s.

Norm has been a stalwart on the Whenuapai R&R, having been chairman for the past few years. Being youngish and tall, he was the one to put up the lights on the Village Hall each Christmas, and he was a regular contributor to The Causeway for quite a while too.

He is staying in West Auckland so we may see him from time to time. Meanwhile, thank you Norman for all that you have been to Whenuapai Village.

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Cost: \$30 per child

Contact Sarah on 09-412-9480 or email thetinshed@clear.net.nz for bookings.

(Please note we need at least 18 children for this workshop to go ahead).

### Nail Art Class

### Tuesday 12th July 2016: 9.30 - 11.30am

Come along and create some nail art templates and have your nails painted. Various techniques taught. All materials supplied, but children welcome to bring their own favourite colours or tools.

Cost: \$15 per child

Bookings: Ginny 021-083-03972 or ginnygirl18@gmail.com

# Kumeu Children's Art Club - Screen Printing Class Tuesday 19th July 2016: 10am - 3pm

Screen printed patterns.

Children will create patterns and designs to print on fabric and paper using a simple stencil process. A really fun day for all ages. All materials included. Cost \$50

Bookings: Julie 021-208-3714 juliemoselen@xtra.co.nz

### Access to Art for Children Friday 22nd July 2016: 10am - 3pm

'A book about me'

Children will create a simple book personal to themselves, using a range of mixed media techniques including painting, image transfer, stencilling, collage and stamping. A colourful, fun filled day for all ages. All materials included. Cost \$40

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# the Kumeu Arts Centre

Clay Class with Victoria Walker Thursday 14th July 2016: 10am - 3pm Thursday 21st July 2016: 10am - 3pm

Come join a friendly clay class for all ages with Victoria. We will use easy clay studio working equipment to build fun pots, sculptures or clever wall hangings for your garden or room, or you may like to make gifts for friends and family. We will be able to paint in exciting glaze colours, then make an extra piece for a special glaze finish. Cost \$50. Discounts for groups. These classes have filled quickly so book early.

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# Drawing and Painting Art Class – with Eion Bryant Friday the 15th July 2016, 10am - 3pm

With step-by-step guidance from artist Eion Bryant. Children will draw then

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# Herald Island Library



"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."

- Edith Sitwell

Welcome!! This month we pay tribute to our NZ winter!! Mind you, I'm not sure whether our weather has made up its mind as to whether it's winter or not!!

Nevertheless, be assured that when you make time to pop into our library, you will not need to worry about the weather. A hot toddy and a book or DVD in hand to borrow, you will be mesmerized by our wonderful art work, and being cold and miserable will be the least of your worries.

One of our books, "Best Ever Home Secrets", states that in winter cats should not go outside when the weather drops below 0 degrees. Their ears have very little protective fur and frostbite can set in easily. Whenuapai and Herald Island, on the odd winter or two in the past, has experienced 0 degrees and below. Mind you, it's said that dogs should not go outside when it's minus 10 degrees or below. Then again, neither should you. Heaven preserve us you say! (This is when one heads to another island and yes!! one of the islands in the Tropics).

On checking one of our many cookbooks, I came across one of my favourites, "Rick Stein's Far Eastern Odyssey", with 150 recipes evoking the wonderful flavours of the Far East. The Thai Mussaman Beef Curry caught my eye and I thought I'd give it a try. The Mussaman curry is the Thai version of the curries of Northern India made really special by the use of fish sauce, shrimp paste, lemongrass and palm sugar, but the beguiling element is the black cardamom, which gives the curry a delightful smoky flavour. This recipe serves 6 to 8 people and is a great one to try and easy to put together on a cold winter's day.

### Ingredients:

1.5kg blade steak cut into 5cm chunks

600ml coconut milk

6 black cardamom pods

10cm cinnamon stick

300g waxy new potatoes

8 shallots

1 quantity Thai Mussaman paste

2 tbsp fish sauce

1 quantity tamarind water

1tbsp palm sugar

75g roasted peanuts

Handful of Thai basil leaves (optional)

### Method:

For the curry put the beef into a heavy based pan with

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350ml of the coconut milk, an equal amount of water and the black cardamom pods, cinnamon stick and 1 teaspoon of salt. Bring slowly to simmering point, part covered leaving just a 1cm gap for the steam to escape, and leave to cook gently for 2 hours until beef is tender, stirring every now and then at the beginning of cooking. Meanwhile peel the potatoes and cut into 2.5 x 2.5 x1cm pieces (using a crinkle-edged cutter if you so wish). Peel the shallots and split them in half. Uncover the curry and remove and discard the black cardamom pods and cinnamon stick. Stir in the rest of the coconut milk, the potatoes, shallots, curry paste, fish sauce, tamarind water and sugar and simmer gently uncovered for a further 25 – 30 minutes or until the potatoes, shallots and beef are tender. Stir in the peanuts, scatter over the basil if using, and serve.

This is a delicious curry and if you've never made a curry before we challenge you to give it a go and would love to hear how you went. Failing all that, we are so very fortunate to have Baba's Curry Café within our reach. One of the Best in the West! Lucky!! Lucky!!

Many thanks to all the people who have recently donated books and DVD's. This is very much appreciated and adds to the variety that is available - well worth checking out before the school holidays.

Herald Island Library, at the Herald Island Fire Station 57 Ferry Parade, Herald Island.

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"So many old and lovely things are stored in the world's attic because we don't want them around us and we don't dare throw them out."

- John Steinbeck, The Winter of Our Discontent

# Massey High School Foundation

The Foundation have some great events scheduled this year and we hope you are able to attend some of these. Details are below to mark in your calendars:

- Share My Song Variety Concert
  Sunday 14 August, 4pm, Bruce Ritchie Performing
  Arts Centre. Tickets \$20 (more details to come)
- Charity Golf Day
  Friday 14 October, 12pm, Whenuapai Golf Course
  (more details to come)
- MHS Alumni Luncheon 2016
  Friday 25 November, 12.30pm, Markovina Vineyard
  Estate (more details to come)

Contact: Jacob Bish, Massey High School

DDI: (09) 831 0528 Mobile: 021 129 3492

Web: www.masseyhigh.school.nz

Unfortunately, the International Night planned for Friday 29th July, which was advertised in last month's Causeway, has been cancelled due to unavailability of the venue.

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# "Causeway Composters"



The warm weather has continued with plenty of drenching great for growth but not so great for seasonal fruits and vegetables. A great time to trim, mulch up, re-sow and enjoy being in the garden. If you used all the compost for your garden, a new cycle can start. The compost bin will be looking quite wet, so it may be a good idea to mix it up a bit with mulching which helps to aerate and take advantage of the chemical reactions for decomposition, instead of leaving a rotting, stinking mess to its own devices.

The worm farm should be going well - the worms love a shaded spot out of the sun. They don't have teeth, so do not put in meat. They also don't like citrus fruits, garlic or onions. But they like crushed eggshell, paper, manure, coffee, tea bags and fruit and vege scraps. Go easy - they need to be well drained. A little mulch is a great idea to speed up the process and inhibit vinegar flies.

### • Further reading:

With erratic weather worldwide, we can all now see the effects of human impact. I don't remember weather systems like this in childhood, but then again, we all believed in sunny days, running around and plane spotting. Life was simple indeed.

Commit to a simpler life in the way our grandparents lived - get a couple of chooks, a guinea pig for the kids, start a fruit stall or a beehive. Our island and surrounding community could be even more unique with the charm of yesteryear, especially as our rural outlook is changing as we speak, with the urban sprawl lapping at our heels.

We quite like Wendyl Nissen's take on simple living, plus she's having a book giveaway currently: www.wendyls.co.nz

Drop us a line with any thoughts/ideas to: causewayscomposters@yahoo.co.nz





# **Budget Footnotes** A WORD OF ADVICE



# Easy payments

When you are working to pay the bills, sometimes the last thing you feel like doing when you get home is sitting down and actually paying those bills.

A direct debit can be a handy way of making sure your bills get paid without all the hassle each month. But what is the difference between direct debit and an automatic payment? What happens if there isn't enough money in your account? Who can cancel the direct debit?

### Automatic payments and direct debits

An automatic payment is an arrangement for a specific amount of money to go from your bank account to the recipient's bank account. These are useful for payments where the amount doesn't change often, like your rent, savings, loan payments or regular donations.

A direct debit is an agreement that the recipient can take money out of your account to pay your bill. You might use a direct debit for regular payments as well as bills where the amount changes from month to month, like your electricity, phone, or credit card

# How to set up a direct debit

You need the recipient to help you set up a direct debit. You will have to fill in and sign a direct debit authority, which tells the bank that you give the recipient permission to take money out.

Direct debits are a service provided to you by the bank and the bank must act on your instructions about the payment to make. This service is separate to any agreement that you have made with the recipient (the person or organisation who you are sending the money to).

### What happens if there isn't enough money?

A direct debit can usually take our money even when there isn't any money in your account. This will put you into overdraft, which you may be charged interest on, and/or pay a fee for. This is different to automatic payments, which won't get paid if there isn't enough money.

### How to cancel

The recipient should cancel a direct debit when you cancel your contract or finish paying them. But, just in case, you should also tell the bank you want to cancel the direct debit. The bank might tell you that only the company can cancel the direct debit, but under the Code of Banking Practice the bank need to follow your instructions about direct debits.

However, you can't just cancel the payments and hope that the recipient will get the idea that you don't want the service anymore. You need to tell them that you are cancelling the direct debit and you either don't want the service anymore, or you want to pay by a different method. You will need to check your contract with the recipient to see if you are allowed to do that.

### **Checking your statements**

Even though direct debits mean you won't forget to pay your bills, don't forget to check your bank statements to make sure the payments match the bills. While you are checking also look for any other strange transactions. If you know you didn't authorise the transaction then contact the bank. Keeping an eye on your transactions is a good way to protect yourself against fraud.

# Trouble shooting

If you are having trouble getting a solution to a problem with a bank you can go to the Banking Ombudsman to get your complaint heard. Check the Banking Ombudsman website for more details about this service www.bankomb.org.nz



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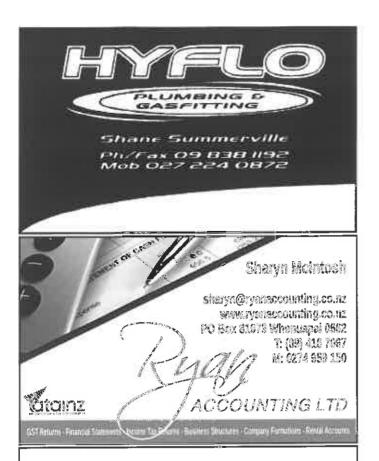
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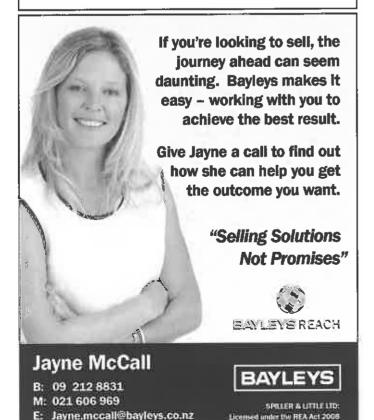


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# Hobsonville Point Craft Market 10 and 17 July, 14 and 21 August, 11 and 18 September, 10am - 2pm.

Located in the old Air Force building called the Sunderland Lounge, this market showcases some of the best Auckland hand crafted talents, all nestled in the fast growing, popular suburb of Hobsonville Point.

At each market you find a range of over 25 stalls, from soaps to candles, women's clothing, kids clothing, baby toys and accessories, paper-crafts and greeting cards, jewellery, fairy magic, art, up-cycled furniture, home decor, hand knits and wooden toys.

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### Kavalliers - A Rocking Great Band Hobsonville RSA, 114 Hobsonville Road. Friday 26th August 7:15pm

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The Kavalliers have a wealth of experience and happily adapt the music to their audience. Check out The Kavalliers' website for photos, info, song lists, and gig guides.

Auckland Youth Orchestra
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The most simplistic pain experience is acute injury. This does two major things; it protects us from further damage and it brings the products of healing to the damaged area. This is the 'useful type of pain'. Acute pain is caused by damage to free nerve endings which sends messages to our brain that are interpreted as pain and causes inflammation.

Inflammation is often thought of as a bad thing but it is actually the body's first response to damage that enables the start of the healing process. Unchecked inflammation is what should be avoided. The damage to our cells releases chemicals that increase blood flow to the damaged area bringing with it our immune response. It causes blood clotting and localised swelling and makes our blood vessels 'leaky' allowing the large cells of the immune system access to the damaged area. The swelling limits movement protecting us from further injury. The chemicals also sensitise the free nerve endings, therefore, pain is felt quicker and this also serves to protect us from ongoing damage. Literally, "if it hurts don't poke it"!

Chronic pain comes about when acute pain and inflammation remain unchecked for a long period of time. Changes occur in the body's response to the chemicals of inflammation, the brains perception of what should cause pain and our learned response to that pain.

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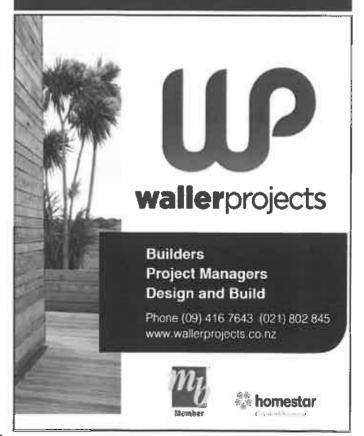
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# July in the Garden



Well we've passed the shortest day and reached the official mid-winter month of July. This is a great time to

tidy the garden shed and you will be surprised what you will find if mine is anything to go by. I always uncover some forgotten treasures along with seed packets and new pots that have been tucked away for future use. It is also a good time to get tools cleaned and sharpened while not in use.

Lots of bulbs have been popping up over the last few weeks, and freesias should be in flower this month along with other early flowering shrubs and flowers to fill your garden with perfume. You can still plant tulips well into July.

Remember that if we get the harsh winter winds these can dry out the soil, so be vigilant with watering if needed. It is best to water in the mornings so that, as the soil warms during the day, your plants can use it. Be on PAD (pest alert duty) as well during this period.

July is a good time to plant roses, trees, shrubs and climbers, soil permitting. As we move closer to longer daylight hours and things warm up, plan your spring garden and try raising your flowers from seed. Exchange seeds with your friends to add variety to your garden. It is also a good time to take root cuttings from many perennials. Rose pruning can be undertaken this month if all danger of frosts has passed in your area.

### July Plantings

Flowers: Alyssum, Aquilegia, Calendula, Carnation, Cornflower, Forget-me-not, Larkspur, Pansy, Stock,

**Seedlings:** Canterbury bells, Foxglove, Godetia, Hollyhock, Polyanthus, Rudbeckia, Russell Lupin, Stock,

Bulbs, corms and tubers: Crocosmia, Eucomis, Freesia, Gladiolus, Hyacinth, Lilium, Moraea

### Herbs

I hope you are all enjoying growing some herbs to use in your cooking.

To deter the white butterfly grow some hyssop alongside your brassicas like cabbages and Brussels sprouts. This will deter them. Basil improves the flavour of tomatoes when planted alongside them. Chopped mint leaves placed in ice cubes are a refreshing addition to drinks.

When using rubber gloves for gardening turn inside out before use and paint fingertips with nail polish to strengthen; they will last longer before your nails pierce them.

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# Vegetables, Plants and Trees

- 1. What common NZ tree is actually the world's tallest lily?
- 2. What plant does natural vanilla flavouring come from?
- 3. What popular tropical plant was named after a French explorer of the Pacific?
- 4. What plant is opium derived from?
- 5. What flower (the world's largest buttercup) is named after a NZ mountain?
- 6. What are "love apples"?
- 7. What plant is sometimes referred to as sparrowgrass?
- What kind of fruit were the golden apples of Greek mythology?
- 9. What were broccoli and cauliflower developed from?
- 10. What berries give gin its flavour?

Answers on page 17



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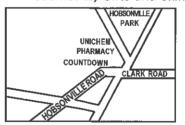
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# Whenuapai Floral

# Celebrating Thirty Years

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Members were happy to slip into party mode and enjoyed Pass the Parcel and a healthy competitive Garden Quiz between courses of good food attractively served. Balloons festooned the dining area, well decorated by the Committee members who had arrived early, and the cake was a visual feast before



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# and Garden Circle

it was cut by Betty Bishop, possibly our most senior member. Many have been attending for the majority of the time the Club has been in existence, and Doreen Dodge is another faithful member from the early days. Ouite a number of us are now Life Members of this popular and long running Club.



Betty Bishop cutting the cake

With heartfelt thanks to the late Zita Horsley who called a meeting in 1986 which was attended by 27 people and resulted in the formation of the Whenuapai Floral & Garden Circle. Happy Birthday to us!!! Just for the record, the 10th Birthday was celebrated at the Hall with tea and lamingtons. Audrey Perry was President then, with Gail Johns as Secretary and Rose Dalkie was Treasurer. On my trip down memory lane I located some Gardening Trivia, which I will repeat so you can test your knowledge (see quiz on page 15).

Until next time,

Happy Gardening from Mary Anne Clark

### ANSWERS to the Gardening Trivia Quiz on page 15



10. Juniper berries

9. Сарраge

8. Apricots

Asparagus

6. Tomatoes

5. Mt Cook lily

4. Opium poppy

3. Bougainvillea

2 The orchid

1. Cabbage tree

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She shared her research on recipes for kitchen, bathroom and laundry cleaners. These all had a variation of either washing or baking soda, liquid castile and borax, depending on the severity of the job. General household cleaners for windows, in and outside of



appliances, china and glass all used mixes of baking soda, white vinegar and essential oils. Diane demonstrated how simple it is to make these. She also suggested Tea Tree oil to use in homemade anti-bacterial sprays. Diane finished by giving some tips for getting rid of smelly cooking odours by boiling up oranges and spices to sweeten the air and also to make pot pourri bags of lavender and rosemary to combat musty odours in your home.

# Make your own herbal tea bags

The **Hobsonville Herb Group** is pleased to welcome **Lynn** Brown (Auckland Herb Society) to their August meeting.

Lynn will talk about herbs and demonstrate how to make your own herbal tea bags. A very interesting and knowledgeable lady when it comes to herbs.

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