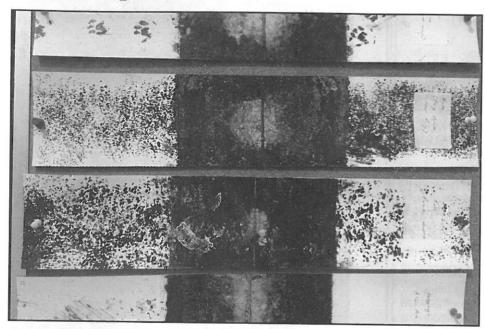
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## Herald Island Environmental Group-"Bringing back the Birds Project" Stage 3 update



Tracking tunnel ink pads showing rats at Kingsway and Pahiki Reserves.

monitoring the bait stations. To recap;

Stage 1 Pahiki Domain: Caught 8 rats. Stage 2 Christmas Beach: 6 rats.

Stage 3 Herald Island Domain: Commenced Monday with 1 rat recently caught.

domain and 1 on both sides of the Island at volunteers. the waters edge. Stations are set with rat traps Ian McNeill, in a sealed container with a special key that Herald Island Environmental Group Co only the volunteer has. Traps are baited with Chair peanut butter, but Nutella seems to be growing in preference by rats. The programme will run for 5-6 weeks in this location before heading toward the causeway. Less rats equals more ground nesting birds like Ruru (Morepork) and shoe line nesters.

We are also aware that many local residents are contributing to the programme

The pest project is now well underway on their own properties, and have been with an army of local volunteers contributing successful in reducing numbers significantly to the initial tracking programme and now with this recent example from Chris Laurenson: "I got 20 on chocolate in 4 snap traps - all seemed to be knocked off as haven't caught any in last 3 weeks".

This project proudly supported by Herald Island Residents & Ratepayers and Auckland Stage 3 comprises 6 bait stations - 4 in the Council Northern Parks with resident

### WAR ON WEEDS

Sunday 2nd October 9.30 - 12 noon

Meet at the Herald Island Domain

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# The changing face of Whenuapai











24 September Arts In Action – FREE arts day! 10-2pm.

Come and try your hand at various art activities.

Clay kick wheel and sculptures, henna and face painting, circus performing, flax weaving, card and flower making, acrylic painting and much, much more. Kumeu Arts Centre, 300 Main Rd, Huapai (behind the Kumeu Library).

24 September Single Mums West – 2pm-4pm at the West Harbour Community Hub, 74B Oriel Ave, West Harbour. Run by single mums for single mums for further information contact Aysh 021-0230-9498 or Rochelle 09-376-3227 or email: skip@womennz.org.nz

War on Weeds – Herald Island Domain Stepped
Walkway, 9.30am to 12 noon. All welcome. Bring
gardening gloves, pruning saw, lopping shears
and spade. For more information contact Jan
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2 October Riverhead Craft Market – 10am-2pm at the Riverhead Citizens Hall, Coatesville/Riverhead Hwy. Enquiries: riverheadcraftmarket@gmail.com

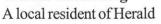
 9 October Village Spring Clean
 4-15 October Printmaking Exhibition – Kumeu Arts Centre, part of Art week Auckland 2016.

15 October Las Vegas Night! Get your friends together for a fabulous night out. Tickets \$20, contact: tickets@whenuapai.org.nz - BYO drinks and nibbles, prizes for the top gamblers. Held in the Whenuapai Village Hall.

**16 November Herald Island AGM**, 7.30pm, Herald Island Hall **28 Nov-18 Dec Affordable Arts** - Everything \$300 and under.

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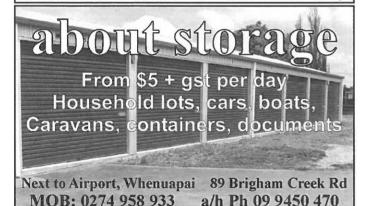
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## Plan Bee ~

Bees are a gardeners best friend and the product they produce is the best, I just love honey, but what used to be an affordable spread, is pricing itself off the market. Honey has hiked up to \$10 for 500gm since the Varroa Mite.

While in Taranaki last week, an article on bees in the North Taranaki Midweek paper, caught my interest...

With Varroa still at large, researchers are now suggesting that wild or feral bee colonies are surviving the Varroa Mite better than farmed bees. Dr Mark Goodwin, from Plant & Food Researches, leads the apiculture and pollination team. He suggests the survival of the feral bees is either due to a genetic change giving them some natural resistance to Varroa, or that the feral colonies are living in a way that has resistance. Possibly making their nests in a tree that contained a natural deterrent to the mite. Still feral bees have also been found living in cavities like rooves, hollowed out trees, man-made structures, even in caves. They haven't got all the answers yet, but gardeners can help play a part by encouraging and supporting the bee population. This in turn will help pollinate flowers and produce in the garden.

#### Be part of 'Plan Bee'~

Encourage bees in to your garden, plant strategically so that no matter the season, there is always something flowering in your

garden. If there are not a lot of flowers around, bees can actually go hungry and die over winter.

The Zealand Gardener is giving away free, beefriendly wildflower in seeds their September issue.



They are also partnering with the scientists at Plant & Food Research to run the inaugural Great Kiwi Bee Count. It's like a bee census. Details at: stuff.co.nz/GreatKiwiBeeCount.

# Annual war on weeds

The Herald Island Environmental Group will be holding its 'War on Weeds' working bee on Sunday 2nd October from 9.30am-12noon. Meet outside the Herald Island Hall. Join the 'War on Weeds' in the Herald Island Domain and help prepare the areas by the steps to The Terrace for a 2017 planting. Let's all get stuck in to make light work of the task. We'll have an 11am break for a chat over a cuppa and biscuits.

Please wear closed toe shoes and a rain jacket. Bring gardening gloves, pruning saw, lopping shears and spade. All welcome.

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# Herald Island Library



Springs into News for September 2016

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— Lucas Remmerswaal, the A-Z of 13 Habits: Inspired by Warren
Buffett

This month we welcome Lucas Remmerswaal Author/Financial Advisor/Sailor/Entrepreneur and staunch advocate of 13 Habits.org - "13 Habits that made me Billions" Inspired by Warren Buffet.

Lucas Remmerswaal floated in with the tide to Herald Island in January 2015 in his 36 foot steel Tadfazwa cutter built in the UK. To supplement his income as a writer he has been seen doing the odd job or two around the island and is a keen gardener and painter. So if you're looking for a handy person he can be reached on 021 352 375 or via his email address 13habits@gmail.com.

In the photo above local Children's Author Lucas Remmerswaal kindly donates one of his books called "The Tale of Tortoise Buffett" to Etta Gillon from the Herald Island Library. It's regarded as a very comprehensive and well-illustrated book which is certainly a must read in encouraging young people to find their passion in the hope of empowering them in their first steps of becoming an entrepreneur.

New Zealand based author and father of six children, Lucas Remmerswaal is on a mission to empower 100 Million kids with the habits that lead to financial literacy. The 13 Habits that made Billions series of books are inspired by Billionaire Warren Buffett. I've got a story about how a person became a Billionaire on the basis of these habits. It's a winner!

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Thank you for the fantastic donation of diverse range of books biographies/historical ones from Mark Frewen, novels and thrillers from the Joass's, Sean Gillon and to Brooke Gillon for her children's books. A huge thank you also to Lee Barry for her wonderful series of children's books which have been gratefully received. The Wonderful Geographic Magazines from Anne Johnson have been an awesome contribution to peruse over by our visitors and library patrons. Thank You!!

Many thanks go to Mike Hassett for organising some wonderful newish shelving for the Herald Island library from the Maritime Museum. These shelves will certainly modernise our well serviced old shelves and will appreciate the exciting new look .To brighten up our library at some stage soon we will look forward to a new spring clean-up and new lick of paint. We are still working our way through the processing of our new books and culling of the old ones, so please bear with us until this is completed.

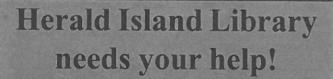
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At the Fire Station - 57 Ferry Parade Herald Island.

Should you have any queries or offers of assistance, please do not hesitate to advise Etta Gillon by email on heraldislandlibrary@gmail.com or phone 09 416 7638

"Good habits are the basic tools that will determine whether you are a tortoise or hare in life!" — Lucas Remmerswaal, 13 Habits.com the Tale of Tortoise Buffett and Trader Hare



Can you give us a helping hand on Saturday 24th September from 9am?

We have some new shelving for the library and need people to help shift books and install the shelving.

If you've got a spare hour or two, come and join Clare, Angela and myself at the Herald Library in the Fire Station at 57 Ferry Parade, Herald Island.

Special thanks to Jacquie from the Maritime Museum and Mike from the Herald Island Residents and Ratepayers for arranging the shelving.

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Thank you!

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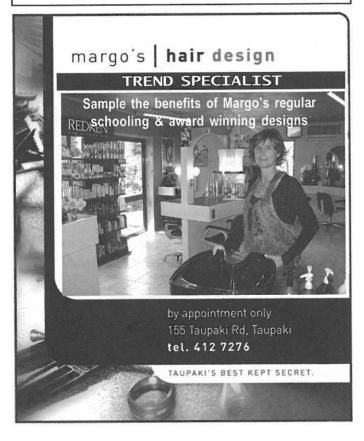
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# Causeway archives

## The way I see things...

#### by Malcolm Hahn

### Something is WRONG

The public meeting on the 7th of August 2006 at the Hobsonville Bowling clubrooms was the second largest local meeting ever held in the west in ten years?

Several hundred locals packed the club rooms and you must ask yourself what was so important to bring so many out on a wet, cold winters night.

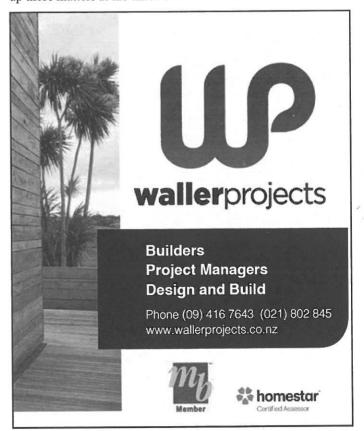
The answer of course was Housing NZ's intention to build 1000 state houses on the Hobby Air base, and the impact that residents believed this would have on their existing community and lifestyles.

This meeting was Housing NZ's third presentation on the proposed development, but the first where the public could directly respond and respond they certainly did by rejecting the proposal unanimously.

From day one, when we first learned that Hobby base was closing down, controversy, secrecy and public anger have dominated the entire issue, and once again we must ask ourselves why this has happened, and how could the development have been handled in such a manner that would result in more community support.

The general feeling of the meeting was that the local people had been kept in the dark, for too long and they thought this was plainly the fault of the Waitakere City Council.

At risk of being called a Council "flunky," Council did in fact make an effort to get feed back from the community, notices were circulated, public notices were inserted in the public news papers, (I saw them and responded) and all libraries carried the information together with submission forms. Looking back through past Causeway issues, which I keep for reference, I personally brought up these matters at the time. On a number of occasions our local



# - Turning back time

ratepayers associations placed notices in letterboxes, (I know because my particular two streets were Puriri Rd and Kauri Rd). Yet residents still say that the Council kept them in the dark. I have personally attended every meeting from the first shambles in a tent at Monterey Park over Bill Lloyd's boat building (steal) to last month's John Key public meeting, so I think I have a knowledge of Council's efforts to communicate with the residents. Having said that, there is still a long way to go.

That is not the whole problem. The problem is getting residents interested enough, soon enough, so that they are official objectors within the time frame, rather than just a bunch of protesters when it's too late.

The second problem is convincing our elected Councilors to generally represent the local residents who elected them, and echo their sentiments in actual Council meetings.

Think hard - when was the last time that one of our four elected councilors actually called a public meeting to present, and get feedback from the local residents on topics such as schools, transport, ARC. Airports, rates, new palace, zoning, Harbour View Park and of course Hobby, and the answer is nil.

Returning to the 7th August meeting - it was wrong, wrong, wrong, for Council to send John Mackay (Council Planning Officer) to face several hundred angry residents.

John is a competent, hard working officer and a gentleman, but he was just the messenger and certainly did not deserve the treatment he received.

#### The way I see things.

When our two Council elected representatives at the meeting finally surfaced, it was to say that the Government owned the land; therefore it was their baby.

To be fair, for the last two years, Waitakere City Council thought it was their own baby and spent quite a bit of time and money on planning and then out of the blue Housing NZ decided they themselves were going to handle the development. You can now appreciate the reaction from our own Councilors.

What lessons have been learned from Hobby?

- 1. Council must be more open and less secretive.
- 2. Ward Councilors must communicate regularly with the residents they represent.
- 3. A more effective method must be found to notify all residents of major works.
- 4. Residents must be more vigilant and respond and acknowledge Council's plans at an earlier stage, rather than complain later when it is often too late.
- 5. Council must listen more to local people on local issues.

Ed: Now it is 10 years later were the fears really justified or has the development turned out much better that expected?

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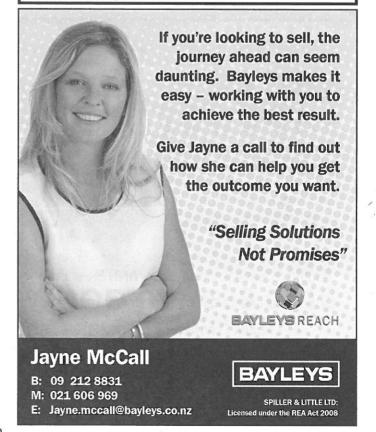
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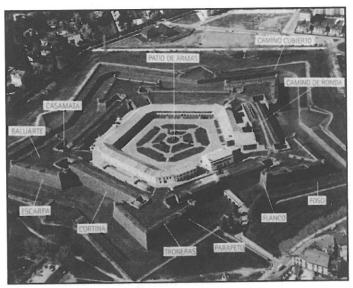
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# A snippet of Spain... Jaca, Pamplona and San Sebastian



Jaca, Spain:

Jaca is a small Spanish town set in the foothills of the Pyrenees mountains (the boarder of Spain and France).

Jaca has a population of 13,121 (2014) and has a complete, San Pedro Castle or Citadel fortress in the centre of the town. It was built between the 16th and 17th centuries on the orders of King Philip II and restored in 1968. The engineer Spanochi followed the canons of military architecture derived from the use of artillery, and it is today the only fortress in the world in this style of construction still standing. It has a pentagonal floor plan with a bastion in the form of an arrow at each corner, and a moat that today serves as a resting place for deer. Its drawbridge leads onto the parade ground, around which are arranged the various barracks. One of them houses the Museum of Military Miniatures, where you can learn more about the castle's history through 32,000 lead soldiers.

## Hobsonville Herb Group

The group meets at 7pm, on the first Tuesday of each month in the Whenuapai Hall on Waimarie Road.

There's a trading table and library and luck door prize.
In October we will discuss 'Herbs for first aid'.
For further information contact Diane 416-3095 or check out the facebook page Hobsonville herb group.





In Jaca our students were billeted out with families and attended Spanish lessons each morning of our 4 day stay. In the afternoons we had outings including: a history tour of the city, a local farm visit where the students rode a donkey, milked a goat, held a snake, played with baby kids and pigs and learnt about organic, low intensive farming. We went swimming, played soccer, ice skated in an indoor, Olympic skating rink, visited the Citadel fortress and tramped in the Pyrenees mountains. The experience was amazing and the homestays an invaluable experience.

Throughout our trip we criss-crossed paths of the Camino de Santiago. Scallop shells guide the way on this pilgrimage across Europe. There are no maps, pilgrims follow ancient trails where thousands of people have walked before them. All roads lead to a common destination, the shrine of St James the great, in the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in north-western Spain.

Pamplona was a shock in comparison to sleepy Jaca. The running of the bulls was on in Pamplona at the time we visited, so the place was teaming with people. Nine days of partying had certainly taken its toll on this city. We had tickets in to the stadium, where we were able to watch the running of the bulls on the big screen without being trampled. An awesome experience seeing the people running in to the stadium followed close behind by the bulls (plenty of crazies!) We were told that you were only able to say you had 'ran with the bulls' if you felt a bulls breath on the back of your leg.. They can keep that! Churros and hot chocolates, a tour of the city and then we were bound for San Sebastian. This city is in the north of Spain on the Atlantic Ocean coast. We had beautiful views of the scallop shaped waterfront from our hostel way up in the hills. We enjoyed city tours, hidden architectural treasures, a day trip to the town of Bilbao to visit the famous Guggenheim Museum. We challenged the students to a 'Massey Master Chef' competition where the students teamed up and shopped, prepared and cooked for the group. One of our highlights of the trip, along with the evening we spent with the Spanish teachers' family - amazing hospitality! A mixture of feeling taking the 6 hour train trip back to Barcelona the night before we flew out. Two and a half weeks of being immersed in Spain lifestyle was priceless, the students grew up and made closer friends during our time away. As parent helpers both Sharon and I agree we couldn't have travelled with a nicer bunch of kids, we'd do it all over again in a flash.

Sue McElroy

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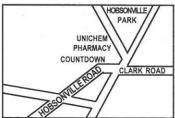
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### September in the Garden

Welcome to spring!

Well it has been a bit rough on the garden lately, so let's see what needs doing.

No doubt lots of weeding and picking up of debris, mowing the lawns, clipping edges and hedges and of course planting lots of nice flowering plants and seeds.

The wonderful colours of the flowering bulbs and tree blossoms make a walk around the island most enjoyable.

This month we are featuring cottage gardening.

Most of our gardening styles are derived from English traditions where most cottage gardens were large and could be anything up to 4 acres. Even as the Kiwi quarter acre garden is fast disappearing, it is still possible to have your own "cottage garden" on a smaller scale. A well planned, carefully planted garden can be a joy to behold, and remember it is YOUR garden and should reflect YOUR personality.

It is pretty much "anything goes" but here are some of the plants that will compliment the cottage look.

Achillea, Ajuga, Alstromeria, Anemone, Angelica, Aquilegia, Aster Chrysanthemum, Cornflower, Crocus, Cosmos, Cyclamen, Dahlia, Delphinium, Dianthus, Erysimum, Euphorbia, Foxglove, Fuchsia, Geranium, Geum, Gypsophila, Heliotropium, Hollyhock, Hyssop, Iris, Poppies, larkspur, lady's mantle, stock, Echinacea, roses, salvia and wallflower to name a few.

If you have the room, some people like to border the garden with a low growing hedge.

#### HERB ROBERT (geranium robertianum)

So many people are growing and using their own herbs. It is always important to identify herbs before you use them. One of the most common ones we see in our garden is Herb Robert, and we treat it as a weed and out it comes. It has a very strong smell which is unpleasant to some people. It is a great insect deterrent and so is a good companion plant for the garden. You can rub the fresh leaves on your skin to deter mosquitoes, and it also deters

The plant has been used to obtain a brown dye, and in folk medicine it has been used as an anti-rheumatic, a diuretic and to treat jaundice and stop bleeding. Recent research has shown that the plant may lower blood sugar levels, and so it has potential as a treatment for diabetes.

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# The Many Causes of Sciatica

Sciatica is defined as pain caused by compression of the sciatic nerve anywhere along its course. The pain is described as burning, lancinating or stabbing and travels from the buttock, down the back of the leg and past the knee. There may also be associated muscle weakness, numbness, tingling or prickling down the leg and into the foot. It has been estimated that approximately 40% of New Zealanders will experience sciatica at some point in their lives.

At a whopping 2cm thick the sciatic nerve is the largest nerve in the body, supplying the back of the leg, part of the adductor muscles and the muscles of the lower leg and foot. It typically originates from the L4 to S3 spinal nerves, travels underneath the piriformis muscle and down the back of the leg and splits into two nerves at the back of the knee. Because this nerve is so large, and supplies so much of the leg, a diagnosis of "sciatica" is not very helpful in telling us exactly what is wrong.

Four of the most common causes of sciatic nerve compression are protruding disk, narrowing of the spinal canal, bony spurs where the nerve roots exit the spine and tightness of the piriformis muscle. Each one of these causes would require a different clinical approach to treatment. Recognising which cause is responsible is paramount to successful self-help.

- A herniated disk may cause an increase in pain with an
  increase in abdominal pressure caused when coughing or
  going to the toilet. Diagnosis is most likely via MRI.
  Musculoskeletal therapy, maintaining core stability,
  reducing muscular tightness in the lower back and specific
  exercises may reduce symptoms significantly. Surgery may
  be required in extreme cases.
- Narrowing of spinal canal and bony spurs are most commonly degenerative in cause and diagnosed via Xray. Specialist referral and surgical treatment may be required depending on the severity although musculoskeletal therapy and exercise has a valuable role to play.
- Piriformis tightness is usually functional in cause can be relieved by specific stretches, massage and addressing any pelvic imbalances.

As you can see, sciatica is a "catch all" description that covers many causes of leg pain and may cause significant disability. If you are suffering from back or leg pain don't suffer needlessly, consult your health care professional who will be able to effectively diagnose the cause of your sciatica and offer effective treatment and advice.

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Recipes from Mary Anne

#### White Chocolate and Cranberry Biscuits

125g softened butter

½ cup sugar

1 tsp golden syrup

1 cup flour

1 tsp baking powder

½ cup cranberries

½ cup white chocolate bits

- 1. Preheat oven to 160 C. Line oven try with baking paper.
- 2. Cream butter, sugar & golden syrup till light & fluffy. Add flour, baking powder, cranberries & chocolate bits, mix through to combine well.
- 3. Place teaspoonfuls on to baking tray and into oven for 20 minutes or until cooked. Cool on a wire rack.

#### Simple Fruitcake

Rich enough for Christmas but great anytime!

No butter, sugar or eggs!

Just 1kg dried fruit soaked overnight in 500ml pure orange juice Add 2 &1/2 cups self raising flour, plus some spice if liked – 2 teaspoons mixed spice

Bake 150 C for 1 & 1/2 hours - cover if needed to prevent over browning.

That's it - lovely and moist and so simple; keeps very well too!

#### Pineapple Cake

400g can crushed pineapple

1 cup sugar

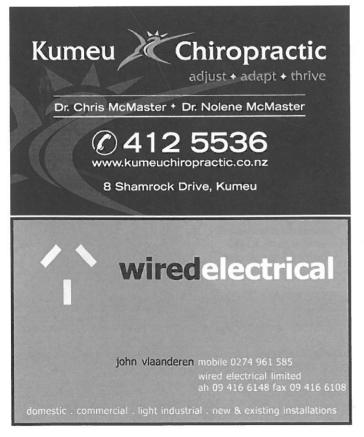
1 pound mixed fruit

1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp mixed spice

4 ounces butter

Boil together 3 minutes and leave until cold Add 2 beaten eggs, 2 cups flour, 2 tsp baking powder Bake at 180 C for one to one and a half hours Leave in tin until cold.





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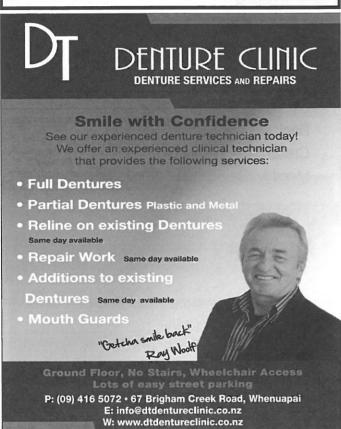


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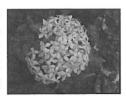




## **Herald Island**

Last month was our club AGM held at a member's home by the warmth of a roaring fire, a great place to be for a winter meet. Then we took a tour of gardens and native forests of Cairns and surrounding areas of Queensland, by watching Lee's slide show. This included the huge gingers, begonias, cycads, ferns and palms that all seem to grow to phenomenal sizes over there. The parks, botanical gardens, and tourist venues, were all overflowing with the lushness of an amazing array of striking, bold and variegated foliage and the huge range of tropical flowering plants. These were an envy to everyone who tries to grow them here. Somehow plenty of animals and birds managed to sneak into the presentation, which helped portray this colourful landscape, even more. The Daintree Rainforest also gave the impression of being a giants land, with its over sized trees, ferns and creepers. Even the fungi was enormous. We finished the evening with a scrumptious supper, thanks to all the members.

Ed: The correct report for August, our apologies











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# Garden Club



Well what a night the club had at Babas our local Indian Café!! Arjun demonstrated how to make Paneer from scratch, with milk, cream and vinegar and then we sampled some (he had prepared earlier) fried. He also showed us how to make the batter for Onion Bhaii and Potato Pakoras, cooked some and more sampling... Then we watched as he made Lamb Tikka and pressed the minced meat onto long skewers, he cooked them and some Naan in his Tandoor oven (these are traditionally made with clay and heated by fire, but are now often metal, using gas.) Then yet more sampling... Arjun made everything seem effortless and Meghna was the delightful hostess, explaining the recipes. But we came to the decision that for us, it was easier, to simply order or eat in at Babas.

Thank you both for a very enjoyable entertaining evening!









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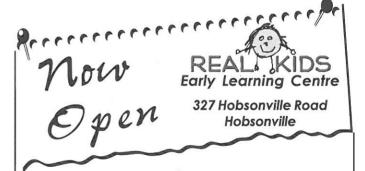
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While our President Margaret was back from her travels, there must have been quite a few others away for various reasons as fewer chairs than usual were occupied with just 58 members attending the August meeting. Members were informed of the Tulip Festival at Eden Gardens on the weekend of 27th/28th August. A new book re productive home gardening entitled "Grow for Flavour" comes highly recommended.



John Pringle and Erica Clarke

Our guest speaker was retired Sergeant Major John Pringle who told us about Angel Flight New Zealand, which is a registered NZ charity comprising more than 160 volunteers including 69 pilots. They offer charitable flights to patients and caregivers to get to medical facilities.

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