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## Market Day hits the mark



### Christmas Carols with Salvation Army Band

Tuesday 17 December  
Herald Island Domain

~ 7.30-9pm ~

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# Season's Greetings to one and all

Another busy year is coming to a close. The Causeway team wish to thank our supports. From those of you who submit articles each month, to our deliverers and our audience, thank you all.

December will be our last issue for 2013 and we will start up again in March 2014. We hope you and your loved ones have a sensational Christmas holiday.

## Christmas Competitions:

Prizes will be delivered before Christmas and a list of winners will placed in the Whenuapai and Herald Island Dairy notice boards.

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## Calendar

**Tues 17 Dec** Christmas Carols, in the Herald Island Domain, with the Salvation Army Band, 7.30-9pm. Come along for some Christmas Singing.

**Sat 21 Dec** Christmas Craft Market, Whenuapai School Hall, 9am-1pm. Enquiries to browns.handmade@hotmail.com

**Wed 25 Dec** Herald Island Christmas Parade, Christmas Morning. The parade will start at 9am outside the Herald Island Fire Station. Consider joining...Make a float, dress up your dog, your bike, trailer, car or boats. Clubs, groups or individuals all welcome to take part. Whether you paint your face, or pop on your angel wings – don't miss the parade, it's Herald Island Magic!!!

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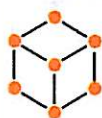
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# U3A Hobsonville – Learning is Forever

The November meeting of U3A Hobsonville was the final meeting for the year and our guest speaker Judge Charles Blackie spoke on his experiences as the Chief Justice for the Pitcairn Island Affairs.

The Pitcairn Islands are a British Territory, situated 3000 miles East of New Zealand and 3000 miles West of Chile with a population of around 50 with a maximum of 60 – a very isolated group of islands in the Pacific. The group of islands consists of Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oena Islands, but only Pitcairn is inhabited. To actually to get to the Pitcairn Islands you fly to Tahiti, then take a small aircraft to Mangareva Island and from there it is 600 miles by boat. The Pitcairn Islands terrain is extremely steep, covering 1100 acres of volcanic soil and rocks with very tropical vegetation. Ships cannot anchor off shore at Pitcairn as the depth of the water is 12 thousand metres deep. Bird life and fish is abundant and there are no four-legged animals on Pitcairn, only "Mrs T" a Galapagos Tortoise, who was born in 1934 and enjoys eating the tropical fruit and vegetables.

In 2004 Judge Blackie was part of the legal team that tried 14 men who were involved in sexual abuse cases. Pitcairn had not had a Judge for 200 years and these cases were history in the making. The court cases actually took place on Pitcairn Island and the logistics of getting there was unbelievable. Everything had to be taken which included all the food for 2 months, legal books, and their legal clothing – the normal dress code on Pitcairn is T-shirts, shorts and jandals. The court sat 6 days a week for nearly 6 weeks, with a satellite hook up from time to time to talk to various witnesses from New Zealand. The funding for the satellite use came from the Mormon Church in the USA at \$US22 a minute. Communications were very limited and they could only use the satellite phone for 30 minutes once a week. News from the outside world was really non-existent. In the end 7 men were convicted and sentenced. Judge Blackie will be returning to Pitcairn early next year.

*Our next U3A meeting will be held on 20 February 2014 at the Whenuapai Village Hall, Waimarie Road, commencing at 10am.*

*For more information please contact Don Chambers 416 2213.*



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There are a number of different things that can irritate the skin and cause your dog to chew and scratch but common ones include flea bites, thick or matted coats, allergies, or scratches after moving through the shrub undergrowth. The location of the hotspot can also suggest another underlying cause e.g. ear infection, anal gland infection, or arthritis problems.

The first step is clipping or shaving the coat around the hotspot and cleaning to allow the air at it. Sometimes the dog will be so sore they will need sedation first. Depending on how bad the hotspot is or how many hotspots there are, they are then treated topically or with medication.

The good news is if you find them early you may not need to visit. Any scratching, chewing or licking is a call to action. Look, clip and clean. Dry that hotspot out and save your dog some misery. Please phone though if they don't resolve or if they keep recurring.

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## Causeway Clips



## Whenuapai Dairy Robbed!

Around 7pm on Wednesday 27 November, 2 young men robbed our local Whenuapai Village Dairy. They ran away down Puriri Rd towards Kauri Rd. Jean jackets and trousers, average height, late teens or early 20's.

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A special thanks to West Harbour Wines and Car-Fe Takapuna for their donations to the raffle prizes, and Sue Noonan of Harcourts for helping with Santa's gifts.

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Principal Rural Fire Officer Bryan Cartelle is asking Aucklanders to take a common sense approach and ensure that if they are lighting an open air fire in any rural area, that they have a permit from Auckland Council.

The start of the restricted fire season is a timely reminder to check your insurance policy. You need to consider insurance of property for loss and replacement from fire, Public Liability Insurance, Forest & Rural Fires Act fire suppression insurance (particularly if you are in the bush or camping a lot).

For more information on the different levels of fire restrictions or other fire related queries visit [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) 'rural fire' or call (09) 301 0101.

### Recycle your old TV at a drop-off near you

Auckland and the rest of the north of the North Island went digital on 1 December – but that doesn't mean your old TV goes into landfill.

Old televisions can be safely recycled through TV Takeback, a subsidised government-led television recycling programme now running across the Auckland region.

For a small charge of no more than \$5, residents can take their old televisions to local drop-off points. Auckland Council has partnered with specialist e-waste recyclers RCN to provide 15 locations around the region.

Recycling old televisions rather than sending them to landfill allows useful materials to be recovered, and potentially hazardous materials safely recycled or disposed of.

To date, 4188 Auckland televisions have been recycled.

Going digital on 1 December 2013, marked the final phase of the nationwide move from analogue to digital television broadcasting.

For more information or to find your nearest RCN drop-off point visit [www.tvtakeback.govt.nz](http://www.tvtakeback.govt.nz)

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### Another BIG Winner!

Having previously had a "Big Wednesday" 1<sup>st</sup> Division winner, and then sold a **Lotto 1st Division** ticket to a local resident, Pramod & Nirmala of Shree Superette are hoping to have another **BIG WINNER** soon!!

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### How to be a good neighbour

If your neighbours are away, you can help in many ways. Offer to make their house looked 'lived in' by:

- turning on lights and television at night
- drawing curtains at night and opening them in the day
- mowing lawns
- clearing their mail, especially junk mail and newspapers
- using their clothesline or driveway sometimes.

Watch their home. Question strangers, but don't say the neighbours are away. Be alert. Notice any strangers around your neighbours. This includes children. Write down their description, and note the time and date. Write down the registration numbers of unfamiliar cars, vans, motorbikes or trucks. Report anything suspicious to your local police station.

#### Starting a neighbourhood support group:

It's easy! First, discuss the idea with a few neighbours. Together, decide how big you want your network to be. One street, perhaps? You can start small, and expand later if you like.

Then ask for a police officer to meet your group and answer questions. You'll learn various ways you might structure your group. Every group is different because every neighbourhood is different.

Some groups appoint Street Co-ordinators, an Area Co-ordinator and a Group Co-ordinator. But you can do things your own way. Just be sure that the work is shared.

Should you invite everyone in your neighbourhood to join your group? Start with the people you know. What if your neighbours include some people you don't trust? There's no need to invite them to join your group.

#### Starting a rural support group:

These are exactly like neighbourhood support groups, except that in the country, your 'neighbourhood' is larger. Most country districts already have a strong community network. A rural support group makes that network more efficient.

One difference is that in the country, houses are far apart. So your area may be just two houses – or a huge district.

Discuss practical ways of calling for help – for example, sirens, car horns, fog horns, flares, cell phones or flashing car lights.

When you respond to a call for help, don't go alone. Go with another person, or at least tell someone first, or call your local police and let them know what you are doing. Your safety is most important.

*Next issue: Emergencies and disasters*

## We've had a fab year

A big thank you to the Wednesday morning crafty ladies! We've had a fabulous year of creating, cuppas, and friendship. We've chewed the fat and solved some local and world issues; had some good laughs and I can't believe we have come to the end of another neat year. Craft Group will finish on Wednesday 18 December 2013 and will commence in the New Year. Enquiries contact: Sue 416 4298 or pop in and join us. Wednesday mornings from 9.30am-12noon.



# Herald Island Library News



*"In life, finding a voice is speaking and living the truth. Each of you is an original. Each of you has a distinctive voice. When you find it, your story will be told. You will be heard." – John Grisham*

We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy 2014.

This year has flown so quickly and we would like to thank all the patronage and positive support given for 2013. We love the books that have been donated this year and more recently with thanks from the Malcolm, Dunkley, Green and McAlister families which is much appreciated.

Remember there is still an amnesty on all late return of books as they are all important to us!! :) Please note that they are there to be shared.

We have culled a lot of the old books that were in sad disrepair and much to our delight have renewed quite a few. We have an increase of new romance novels, children's books and thriller books to appease any book lovers' imagination. As one can see here in a book review written by one of our avid book readers and library helper Christine Henderson.

*'Cross' by James Patterson*

*"This is an easy to read book with the character Alex Cross. When Alex Cross collects his wife from work they are attacked on their way home by a drive by shooting. Alex's grandmother picks up the pieces and becomes a part of his family and life. This story, as are James Patterson's books, is full of suspense, mystery and makes you want to keep reading. Well worth reading." "There are many James Patterson books in our library."*

This is just one of our library's great summer readings! You'll be surprised at the wonderful selection of his books there.

We look forward to a wonderful year ahead and remember, we do provide a home delivery service should you find it hard to get to the library and exchange a book. We also provide a new selection of ESOL books to assist new immigrants.

Do think about bringing your Ukes along for a casual strum on the third Saturday of each month so we can pass the time away to learn a new song. No stress it's from beginners onwards. So pop into the library and Fire Station to see what new books we have in stock and view any of the new paintings or artwork that will take your breath away! Don't forget to enjoy your Christmas Pud :)

So don't waste any time and get your summer reading organised now!

**Our library closes on 21st December and reopens on Wednesday 12th February 2014.**

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# Remembering the first t

*Herald Island Heritage: Local stories retold by Et*

Ray Pollock taught at Herald Island School for four years and two terms, 1952-1956.

It was definitely a demanding, high intensity job for Ray Pollock. With limited resources he had the ability to work collaboratively within the various levels, and that would evidently benefit the school as a whole. Ray's skills for the benefit of the community came to the fore and with that a comfort or reassurance to all who knew him, in the knowledge that he gave it his "all".

When Ray was appointed he recalls the advice given to him by Mr Kendrick Smytherman was, "don't live on the island". "If you can live somewhere else in a less isolated setting it could be more beneficial for you", so Ray took his advice and arranged to live across the harbour in Greenhithe. Ray stayed with a family of dairy farmers, Mr and Mrs Dennis, who were really good people and partly because of their kindness, Ray was able to stay at the school for his full tenure. Ray rode his pushbike each day from the Dennis farm, about two miles to the Greenhithe Wharf and he recalls "Greenhithe roads were a goats' track at the time."

Once at the wharf, Ray then rowed a small pram dinghy across to the Herald Island Wharf to get to and from work for the four years and two terms. This was a distance of about 300 metres and was often a fast-flowing current varying from smooth to rough sailing especially when the wind blew from the North West direction.

There were no worries about the theft of Ray's bike or boat. "The wharf was at the bottom of Rame Road where I would normally just hide my push bike in the tea tree groves near the wharf and jump onboard my dinghy."

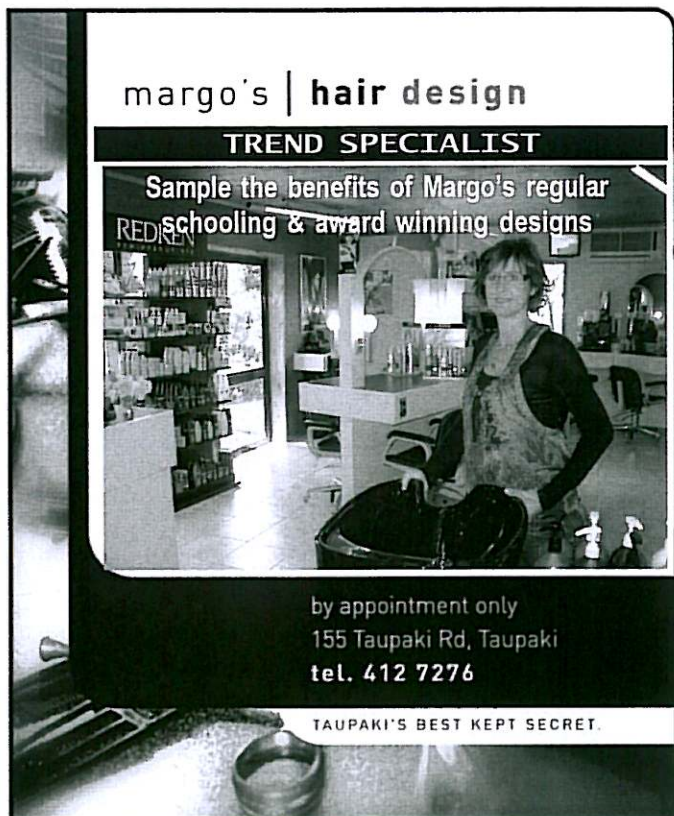
In a newspaper 'Auckland Star' article it was noted that the waterways between Herald Island and Greenhithe were, "usually placid waters but it is a very narrow channel". "When a north-westerly gets a bit of a chop, the sea can be a bit up and down."

"Looking back, I realise wearing a heavy 'south west' raincoat, gumboots and no life jacket could be a pretty risky occupation. If it rained heavily the boat would have some inches of water swishing around the bottom and that had to be removed before I set sail, but I survived and fortunately, never fell out. We were really dedicated teachers then as keeping the school open was the priority."

Ray recalled, "There was no telephone communication so if anyone wanted to come and see me; they had to write and arrange transport. I would pick them up on prior arrangement from the Greenhithe Wharf. It was a lonely existence in the professional sense and the only occasional visitors were the Nature Study and Physical Education Advisers who were very welcome."

"There would be regular inspections every 2 years from the Department of Education Inspectorate, as all teachers were graded on performance in those years. Teachers were ranked in order of experience and competency. The police launch, 'Lady Shirley' and the Sergeant of Police would come and give a talk to the children from time to time. Sometimes they would bring the Social Welfare Officer too."

Because transportation from the island was difficult, there were few opportunities for children to visit more widely. However, in 1953 the whole school travelled to Devonport for the initial visit of Queen Elizabeth II when she visited Auckland. Favourable consideration was also provided by the Base Commander of the New Zealand Air Force at Hobsonville. The school had a good liaison with Hobsonville and annually the Air Force would send a high-speed launch to pick up the children and take them for a party and a look around the air base with its Sunderland and Catalina flying boats. The Air Force was very generous to the school.

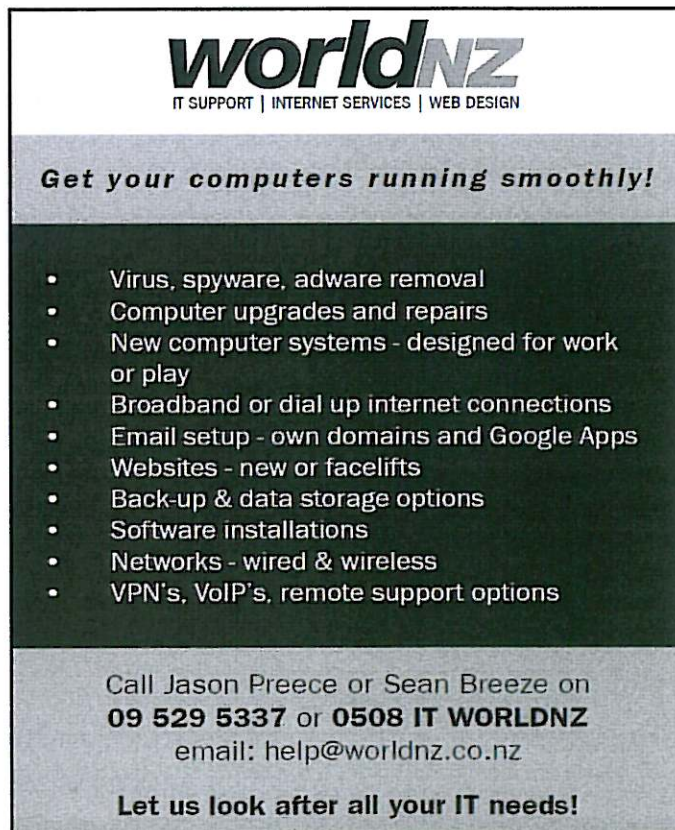


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# Teacher on Herald Island

*by Gillon continued from last issue... ~ Part 3 of 3*

Names of families on the island that he could recall were the chairman of the school committee Mr Ron Wicks. He also had memories of the Martin-Smith family's two girls – Trisha and Darrin – who did well at school also. The girls' mother, Mrs Martin-Smith did relief teaching in the school after Ray left and before the next permanent teacher, Mr Julian, was appointed to the position. Mrs Martin-Smith relieved until the end of 1956 and Mr Julian began in February 1957. The Ayres' family had three children attending; Pat, Albert and Rodney. Michael Manning has kept a constant contact with the island. Other names that come to mind include; Nigel Hooper, the Rainham boys, Karen Greenshields, Bonnie Sheldon, Eileen Shields and Ross Wheaton

Towards the end of 1956 a causeway was being constructed between an area close to The Terrace and Whenuapai. Eventually this would mean that the island was joined to the mainland and Herald Island School would be closed with the pupils being transported by school bus to Hobsonville School. This took place at the end of 1957.

"Over the years it has been so good to see children achieving to their potential in all manner of life's activities. For example, Janet Wicks was head of her class at the New Zealand Dental Nurse's School. Bob Knox is another with a place of honour when he joined the New Zealand Police graduating from Police Training School with the Sword of Honour. Others I have heard about reached successful positions in their chosen vocations."

For the students in this sole-charge school environment the experience gave a good basis from which to help them gain degrees of independence in their work attitudes. This was essential for learning to organise and complete learning assignments. There would be quite a challenging situation for a teacher to be in, with more than forty students to be catered for at a time. Children secured quite a structured education in that social environment which in many ways represented a 'family-like' atmosphere.

There were three terms a year and at the termination of each term, two weeks of school holidays. "The happiest time for me was to see children achieving and doing so well. From a nine o'clock start until 3 pm daily being continually mobile around the classes I found it pretty tiring at times and was really pleased when the holidays came along."

The holidays would be in February, May and in August and a few days before Christmas until the beginning of February.

Ray recalled that, "During the school holidays in January I'd go to my parents and try and build up the batteries before I got back to work."



**Raymond Pollock with his farewell gift from The Herald Island Community 2013 –  
A painting by local artist Mr Rix Carlton**

"I would also attend sole-charge teacher's refresher courses in places like Masterton and this was a huge advantage for sharing information with other teachers in similar positions. These holiday refresher courses were a huge advantage during my total teaching career."

In 1956 Raymond married Betty, a fellow school teacher and has three wonderful children Christopher, Janine and Robyn with a total of seven grandchildren.

From a teacher's point of view sole-charge teaching had lots of rewards plus some side issues. "When I left the island for a position at a city school there were some issues of personal ill-health arising from being over worked," Ray taught for forty two years including post Herald Island years at Northcote College and later as an intermediate school principal and inspector of schools.

The years on Herald Island as a whole were an interesting experience because as a teacher it

taught him lessons on how to manage multilevels of children's learning. It also taught him how to organise the school administration and carry out the requirements expected of a school headmaster or principal.

Herald Island had no local authority at that time and was free for all in some respects especially in the building requirements aspects. Because the island did not fall under any local body council or local authority it was unique in this situation.

Ray received strong cooperation from parents and there were few exceptions. Some children were in need of assistance in developing self-discipline because they didn't always get it from home. This skill encourages children to be more independent. They were a mixed group of children and as expected were varied in their approach to school but the general pattern was that children were cooperative and seemed to enjoy their school experiences. Education Department Inspectors of Schools wrote favourably about the standards achieved by the pupils and the quality of the school environment.

Ray stated that as a teacher "You'd always want your students to have a good basic educational background before they went off to secondary school. In those times the children did well! Children generally, received very good reports and positive affirmations from the educational hierarchy."

A young teacher's posting to an isolated school on Herald Island in the early 1950's, certainly benefited the community as a whole, when Master Raymond Pollock gave it his "all."



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# Government invests further \$31 million in Hobsonville

The Government has provided an additional \$31 million of capital to the Hobsonville Land Company, a subsidiary of Housing New Zealand, to enable faster progress on a 3000 house development at Hobsonville Point in Auckland.

"Hobsonville Point is proving to be a very successful and popular housing development. This Government capital is to enable the company to purchase the remaining 16.5 hectares of land two years ahead of schedule and bring 500 houses to the market earlier," Dr Smith says.

The 16.5 hectares of land is in the south west corner of the 167 hectare Hobsonville development, adjacent to the new secondary school under construction, and in an area known as the Village and Buckley blocks. The land is being purchased from the New Zealand Defence Force and the price has been determined by a process of valuation and arbitration.

"The original plan was that the Hobsonville Land Company would not purchase this area until 2015 and would fund it from house sale proceeds. The Company presented a business case, approved by Cabinet, showing it was better for the taxpayer and for housing supply to bring forward this purchase and development," Dr Smith says.

"The big gains in housing will come from private housing developments off the back of Government reforms to free up land supply, increase competition in building materials, and constrain council development and compliance costs. Hobsonville highlights the Government's pragmatic approach where we are getting on and freeing up Crown land for housing developments where it makes sense."

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## Lively Letters ...

***In reply – the council rules are changing and we should be concerned***

*In reply to Noel Rugg's article published twice in The Causeway. I can assure Herald Island Residents that we are well represented on the Upper Harbour Board by not only Brian Neeson, but also by Lisa Whyte and Margaret Miles who I have been in regular communication with over the past few months since being voted in as Chair of the Residents and Ratepayers Association.*

*Lisa and Margaret have been made aware of any outstanding Island issues and I have had a number of conversations with Lisa and Margaret and have received assistance, advice and support from both and their reassurance that they have The Herald Island Communities best interests at heart. Both have advised that they are individually and collectively available to assist me and our Committee in representing Herald Island.*

*Lisa assisted me in presenting to the Upper Harbour Board my concerns regarding the fishing ban by the Boat club on the wharf and those who attended the public meeting regarding the same issue will be aware that Margaret successfully chaired what turned out to be a difficult and somewhat emotive meeting. The R&R Committee and I wish to extend our thanks to both Lisa and Margaret for their support.*

*In attending the Upper Harbour Board inaugural meeting I have been heartened by the positive response I have received, the new contacts the Committee now have, and the offers of information, advice and support the incumbent Committee (and I as Chair) have received.*

*So to say that there is only one member of the Upper Harbour Board who understands the needs of this side of the bridge is frankly groundless, and indeed, could jeopardise the new relationships being built with members of the board.*

*As an aside, the new committee and I, in the numerous communications with Auckland Council, is also making headway and receiving very positive responses to the requests made, with continued support from our community. Many thanks for all the positive feedback we have received.*

*Please feel free to contact the Committee with any concerns either through me directly, or to the new contact email address: [heraldislandrandr@gmail.com](mailto:heraldislandrandr@gmail.com).*

*Regards,*

*Mike Hassett (Chair, Herald Island R&R)*

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*Please see below a message from Margaret Miles requested be submitted to The Causeway on her behalf by Herald Island R&R Chair, Mike Hassett.*

*"Mike, I was just wondering if you could please pass on my thanks to your residents for their support in the recent elections. I have really enjoyed learning about your area during the last three years. You have a very special community which you should all cherish.*

*Following an application I have been appointed as a chairperson of the district licensing committee – one of 11 appointed in Auckland. I am really looking forward to this role. For this reason I did not stand for chair of our board but will continue to be a very active member of the board. I would like to assure you that my heart will always be with the many local communities I represent.*

*I feel privileged to represent the number of different unique communities within the Upper Harbour Local Board area and look forward to assisting you in any way I can. Please do not hesitate to email or phone me."*

*Kind regards, Margaret*

### ***Curtains are being drawn on this 50 year old store***

***Herald Island Store closing down on 23 December 2013.***

*My son Arjun and I (Payal) bought Herald Island Store four and a half years back and we have served you all tirelessly, seven days a week, 365 days of the year. In return we received your patronage, love and affection and we want to say thank you to you all. We bought the business because we liked the area. We liked the area so much that we decided to settle here and bought a house.*

*Unfortunately, we now have made a decision to close down this business. It was not an easy decision as we know the community needs a local shop to service their daily needs of bread, milk and every now and then enjoy an ice cream. It was lovely to see kids shopping. That gave kids confidence to learn how to shop and how to handle money. We had to make this decision with a very heavy heart. It was not an easy decision for a number of reasons. We invested a fair bit of money in the business. We were also passionate about serving the local community. This was a good little business to connect with local community and get to know them.*

*Believe us, we had tried hard to sell the business for the last 2 years but buyers did not see business potential because of the high cost of running the business. Rent is too high on top of the day-to-day running costs of the business which has been going up and up. This local store is for locals only and has very limited business potential. Business sales have not improved at all, but costs of running the business have been going up. Rents, rates, insurance, water, and electricity, everything is too dear for this small business.*

*It has come to a point now that we had to make this hard decision. We understand this store is for locals and shutting down the shop will cause discomfort but we are sure some other enterprising people might come on board and want to give it a go.*

*Our store will shut the doors for good on the 23 December 2013. Please accept our sincere apologies for any inconvenience this will cause to the local community. We urge the local community to help us clear the stock. We will offer specials on stock.*

*Payal Sharma, Herald Island Store, 52 Ferry Parade*

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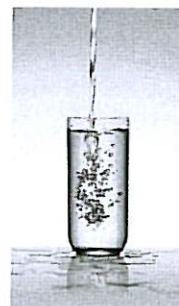
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## Festive food



I love Christmas, I love the food, I love the smell of pine trees, and making special 'foodie' gifts for family is awesome. The sparkle and magic of Christmas is alive.

I think of my father at this time of the year as we both made Stollens (German Christmas cakes). He also made fabulous deep, baked cheesecakes, and they were simply divine!

The recipe below has the consistency of a cheesecake and is a family favourite; it's smashing served cold with a dollop of whipped cream on the side. It's based on a recipe from Annabelle White's cookbook, 'Annabelle Cooks'.

*Sue McElroy*

### Perfect Pumpkin Pie

#### Ingredients:

- 250gm container Cream Cheese (softened)
- 3/4 cup Sugar
- 1tsp Cinnamon
- 1/4 cup Golden Syrup
- 1tsp Vanilla Essence
- 3 Eggs
- 250gm container Sour Cream
- 2 cups cooked, mashed Pumpkin
- 3/4 cup plain Flour
- 400gm Sweet Short Pastry (sheets of pre-rolled pastry are a great option)

#### Method:

- Preheat oven to 160degC fan bake or 180degC normal bake.
- Make sure the oven rack is set at the bottom of the oven.
- Put cream cheese, sugar and cinnamon in a large bowl and combine together with an electric mixer. Add golden syrup, vanilla, eggs, sour cream, pumpkin and flour.
- Blend until just combined.
- Grease and line a round 24cm tin with pastry.
- Pour in the pumpkin mixture.
- Bake until firm to touch in the centre. Check after 35-40mins.
- Cool.
- Top with a dusting of cinnamon or nutmeg, refrigerate.
- We prefer it served cold with whipped cream.

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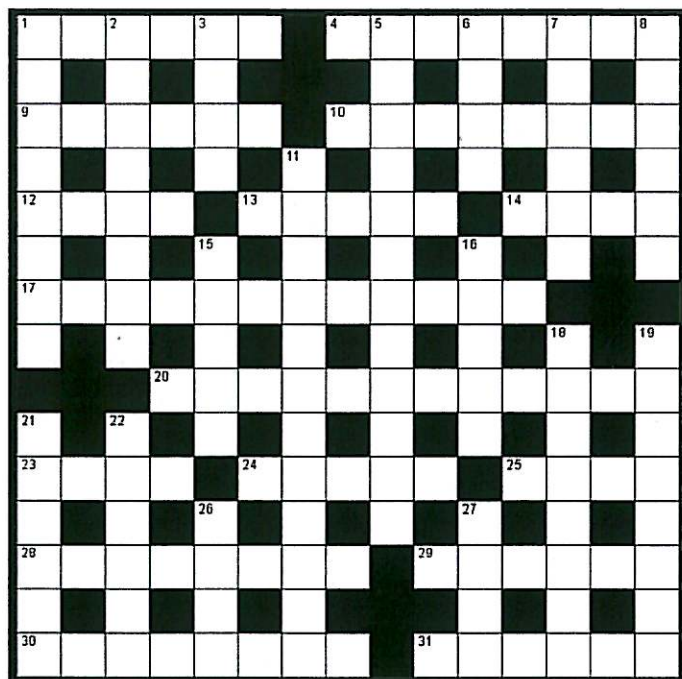
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## Across

1. Dancer Michael loses direction bluntly (6)
4. Film where artist sips straws (4,4)
9. See 5D (3,3)
10. Maybe sink and plunge in the buff (8)
12. Morning falls off plane's debris (4)
13. and 15D Averted hard loss of point for #4 character (5)
14. First say little unless resisting a slam (4)
17. Thrain acted easily in definite termination (7,5)
20. Charitable snakelike doctor heard to shorten the plot outline (12)
23. Just Ed and I found in #4 (4)
24. Property was settled inside (5)
25. Black genre (4)
28. Scam John Urey's girl when married (8)
29. Next to or within Gabe's ideas (6)
30. Are past the desk to get impaled (8)
31. Snapper arrived at god (6)

## Down

1. A row over a mariner for food (8)
2. Hearing examiner finds the unknown (8)
3. Larry, an oaf, not in (4)
5. and 9A Grab the cash and flee where honey marked the new taunt (4,3,5,3,3)
6. Rave for artist of extreme night (4)
7. Valid unknown turned greedily (6)
8. Pierces furious spares (6)
11. Saintly ace makes ad delicate (6,2,4)
15. See 13A (5)
16. Girdles remains (5)
18. Put eastern principle into #4 planet (8)
19. Davy gets urea from Hindu medicine (8)
21. Tosses out projects that lose vet and gain edge (6)
22. Note Woden's ear inside town (6)
26. Old saint for #4 character (4)
27. #4 character flees in a regular way (4)

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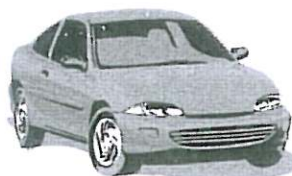
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# Whenuapai Floral & Garden Circle

Ninety-two members were present at the Village Hall for the last formal Meeting of the calendar year, which included a General Meeting followed by the Annual General Meeting. With Minutes and Reports read it was time to elect a Committee for next year and after the Secretary, Margaret, gave an eloquent speech of praise for Noelene, she agreed to continue for one more year. Secretary and Treasurer will also both continue as will most of the existing Committee along with a couple of new additions. It takes a large Committee to efficiently run the large Club which fulfils the goals of interest, friendship, knowledge and wellbeing.

Next it was time for presentations to Committee members for their time and effort in making arrangements and performing various duties for the Club throughout the year. The Best Bloom Shield was presented to Noelene Meadows. Placed second was Mary Anne Clark (yes, that's me – I was surprised and pleased!) while third equal were Betty Struthers and Colleen Bell. With the formalities attended to, we heard from Francis McNichol about his volunteer job of a "Blue Coat" at the Airport. He and 135 others do four-hour sessions at both the International and Domestic Terminals to cover from 6.15am to 9.15pm every day.

Frank has been assisting in this way for fifteen years now and evidently enjoys it. The volunteers help find trolleys or baggage, give directions to toilets, taxis, rental cars, and generally provide whatever assistance is required by travellers. Badges are presented for years of service at intervals of five years and one is eligible for raffle prizes which could be free flights or a pass into the VIP lounge. Frank once won a trip for two to Australia. Another "perk" of the position is the free parking when the name tag causes the barrier arms to rise, allowing free passage in/out of the parking area. There is even a waiting list to become a "Blue Coat" volunteer.

Details were given regarding the trip around Members' Gardens and the Christmas lunch at the Settlers Lodge in Waimauku then the meeting concluded with refreshments being served.

Perhaps the first ever blooming of the Pohutukawa in our front yard, given to us as a tiny seedling, is a sign of a great summer ahead!

It only remains to wish you happy and safe holidays.

*Happy Christmas to all  
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Herald Island, Raewyn  
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Greenhithe Bridge Club  
Mon evenings 7.30pm at the  
Old School House, Collins  
Park. Social players and  
beginners welcome.  
Gill - 413-8339  
Pat - 410-6272

Herald Island Boat Club  
Paul Judd - 416-4194

Herald Island Art & Craft  
Group Meet every Wednesday  
morning from 9.30-12noon at  
the Herald Island Fire Station.  
Friendship, crafts and a cuppa.  
All welcome. Enquiries: Sue  
McElroy 416-4298

Herald Island Garden Club  
Second Tuesday of each  
month.

Lee Barry - 416-3981 or  
Margaret Hollis - 416-7492

Herald Island Hall For Rent  
Eddie Grassick - 416-8220

Herald Island Heritage  
Sub-committee  
Linda Lewis 416-1911

Herald Island Library  
Weds: & Sat: 10-12noon  
Etta Gillon - 416-7638

Herald Island Museum  
Open 10am-12noon Saturdays,  
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57 Ferry Parade  
4161911

Herald Island Playgroup  
Tues 9.30-11.30am at the HI  
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\$1 per family, all welcome.  
Sharon - 416-8933

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Margaret Sauvarin 1/163  
Hobsonville Road 416-6458

# ~ C A U S E ~ CLUB NEWS



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## SERVICE

Karate Classes  
Adults - Children - Teenagers  
Herald Island Hall  
Monday 7.00-8.00pm  
Thursday 7.00-8.00pm  
David Cox - 416-6620  
Henry Lotter - 021-807-231

Neighbourhood Support  
Herald Island, Linda  
Lewis 416-1911, Eddie Grassick  
416-8220, Whenuapai, Graeme  
Barnard 416-4499

NZ Society of Genealogists,  
Waitakere Branch  
4th Thurs from Jan - Nov  
Glen Eden Library, Meeting  
Room, Glen Eden. 7.00pm  
\$4 door charge.  
Lani Rimington - 818-2161

Old Fire Station Craft Group  
Meets every Wednesday  
from 9.30-12noon.  
Contact: Sue McElroy 416-4298

Tauhinu Sea Scout Group  
Rahui Rd, Greenhithe  
Keas (Wed 6 - 7pm) Ages 6 - 7  
Cubs (Mon 6.30 - 8pm) Ages 7 - 11  
Scouts (Thu 6.30 - 8.30pm)  
Ages 10 - 15  
Venturers (Tue) Ages 14 - 18  
Phone 416 4451

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Tina - (027) 291-8027

U3A Hobsonville  
Meets 3rd Thursday of the  
Month (excl. Dec & Jan)  
Whenuapai Village Hall 10am  
Don Chambers - 416-2213

Upper Harbour Boat Watch  
Co-ordinator  
Eddie Grassick - 416-8220  
Greenhithe  
Neil Beken - 483-7323

West City Concert Band  
Invites brass and woodwind  
musicians to join them on Wed  
nights 7.30pm, Henderson  
High  
Colin Hill - 444-6236

West Harbour Tennis  
416-6886, email:  
westharbourtennis@xtra.co.nz  
Open mornings Monday &  
Fridays 9.00-11.30  
\$3 ~ Non-members welcome  
Raewyn Hassett - 416-7304

Whenuapai Air Scout Group  
Mark Kirker - 416-4263

Whenuapai Floral & Garden  
Circle  
Noelene Meadows - 833-1283

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Jan Shackell - 416-7818

Whenuapai Community  
Playgroup  
Mon 9.30-11.30am, at the  
Whenuapai Community Hall  
\$1 per family, all welcome.  
Veronica - 834-0488

Whenuapai R&R  
Chair: Norm Dunkley - 416-  
8537  
chair@whenuapai.org.nz  
Secretary: Andy Milne -  
021416651  
secretary@whenuapai.org.nz

Whenuapai Venturer Unit  
Ian - 416-6047

Whenuapai Hall For Hire  
Jane Paul - 416-1410  
bookings@whenuapai.org.nz

Yoga  
Monday evenings 7.00-8.30pm  
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Val - 416-5758, 0210-444-909

Youth and Children  
Sub-committee  
Jurgen Van Gils 416-7256

## WAITEMATA TIDE CHART

Date	High Water Auckland			Sun Rise	Sun Set
December					
14 Sat	0546	2.9	1806	0556	2035
15 Sun	0641	3.0	1859	0556	2036
16 Mon	0731	3.0	1948	0556	2037
17 Tue	0817	3.1	2035	0556	2037
18 Wed	0900	3.1	2119	0557	2038
19 Thur	0940	3.1	2200	0557	2039
20 Fri	1018	3.1	2239	0558	2039
21 Sat	1056	3.1	2317	0558	2040
22 Sun	1133	3.1	2355	0559	2040
23 Mon	1211	3.0	-	0559	2041
24 Tue	0035	2.9	1251	0600	2041
25 Wed	0116	2.8	1335	0600	2041
26 Thur	0202	2.8	1421	0601	2042
27 Fri	0253	2.8	1512	0601	2042
28 Sat	0351	2.8	1607	0602	2042
29 Sun	0453	2.9	1707	0603	2043
30 Mon	0555	3.0	1808	0603	2043
31 Tue	0653	3.2	1908	0604	2043
January					
1 Wed	0749	3.3	2007	0605	2043
2 Thur	0843	3.5	2103	0606	2044
3 Fri	0935	3.6	2157	0607	2044
4 Sat	1027	3.6	2250	0607	2044
5 Sun	1118	3.6	2342	0608	2044
6 Mon	1210	3.5	-	0609	2044
7 Tue	0033	3.4	0103	0610	2044
8 Wed	0126	3.2	1356	0611	2044
9 Thur	0220	3.1	1450	0612	2044
10 Fri	0318	3.0	1545	0613	2043
11 Sat	0418	2.9	1641	0614	2043
12 Sun	0517	2.9	1737	0615	2043
13 Mon	0614	2.9	1831	0616	2043
14 Tue	0705	2.9	1923	0617	2043
15 Wed	0752	3.0	2011	0618	2042
16 Thur	0832	3.0	2055	0619	2042
17 Fri	0915	3.1	2136	0620	2042
18 Sat	0953	3.1	2214	0621	2041



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Childcare	Playschool	412-8081	Physiotherapist	Hobsonville Physiotherapy Clinic	416-4455
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Computer Repairs/Sales	World NZ Ltd	529-5337	Property Management	Glenn Savery	027-499-8415/832-0832
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