

Karikari Panui - Bringing Community Together

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Greetings to all our readers

Spring greetings to all our readers and a special welcome to newcomers on the Peninsula. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for up-to-date information and events happening here and slightly further afield. Also, feel free to pass on the Panui to anyone who might be interested in our community. Residents of Marreine Place, Parramatta Nexus and Simon Urlich are fed up with water impacting their streets and properties. Read more on page 3.

This edition of the Panui has a focus on making connections—whether it is to give encouragement and help to someone, or to ask for it. We'd like to encourage readers to reach out to a new neighbour or someone you know is living alone. Check in, visit, drop off some flowers or baking or give them half an hour of your time for a chat. Thank you to our contributors who have shared their perspective on this issue.

If you feel alone and would like to meet others come along to the Karikari Community Hall at 10am on Tuesday 13th September. Ladies a plate. See page 4 for more information about this.

Brian Page, Chairman, Karikari Residents and Ratepayers Association, makes this comment: *The Karikari Peninsula Ratepayers and Residents Association sadly notes the recent passing away of Glen Mitchell, one of our long-time residents, and local handyman.*

Glen was chairman of the Ratepayers Assn, and my predecessor in the role, as well as taking an active role on the Hall Committee for a period, where he was responsible for the maintenance of the building.

He was a guy who could turn his hand to almost anything, whether fixing cars, roofs or painting, and as such he will be sorely missed by this community. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Glen's family at this time.

The Karikari Fire Brigade will deliver water across the peninsula. Charges are per 5,000 litres: \$130.00 for local area and \$140.00 to Rangiputa. To order contact Lorraine: 0274501080 with your details and make payment to Bank account: KKFB 12 3096 0027374 00. Include name and address in reference. Please keep check of your water tank regularly as you may be disappointed if same day delivery is not possible. Please note: there are **No Sunday Deliveries.**

Whatuwhiwhi Recycling Station Hours: open Mon -Weds - Fri 7.30 - 1pm. Weekends: 9-1pm. Make sure your recycling is clean please. Rubbish day over the Peninsula is Wednesday. Bags are available at Bayview Store, and also at supermarkets. There is really no excuse for the dumping of household rubbish near Coca Cola Lake as noted by local Ian Burke on the Karikari Area Facebook Page.

Wet Wipes: these go in the rubbish not through the sewer system!

A huge thanks to all our supporters who have enabled the Panui to continue for another year, including Rural Delivery who ensure the hard-copy of the Panui gets into letter-boxes, and the contributors to this edition. Your help is much appreciated.

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Karikari Community Hall Fundraiser Event

BATONS UP BATONS UP BATONS UP

Join the committee at 5.30pm on 16th September at the Hall for a fun evening. This is a great opportunity to meet up with friends, make new ones and support your community at the same time. Batons Up tickets available on the night: \$10 each. A huge range of wonderful prizes have been donated. There will be a potluck dinner (everyone bring something towards the shared meal). Please bring your own drinking glasses.

BYO (BRING YOUR OWN BOOZE, DRINKS)

All tickets will go into the draw for a night for two at Car-rington Resort-what an awesome donation! Thank you.

The committee would appreciate donations of pantry foods to make up some of the prizes. Donations can be dropped off at Leanne's ph: 0211138139. 37 Simon Urlich Road.

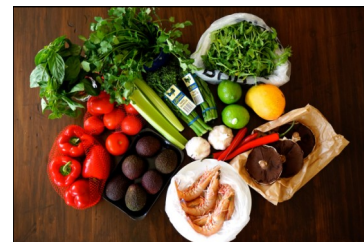
As it gets closer they will be looking for vegetables etc.



Pataka Kai

The pataka kai, or community cupboard, is working well, according to Debera M. She checks it most days, and said she's only had to toss out a few items that went off. It's not a good idea to wrap cut-up pumpkin in plastic wrap- the Pataka can get warm which can make for quick growth of mould. Please do not leave clothing there. This community cupboard is a wonderful way to share your surplus food and maybe find something for the pot on those nights when the budget is scarce.

The pataka is located at the entrance to Karikari Community Hall.



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Too Much Water!!!

The battle for remedial work to prevent water flowing from the wetlands onto Marreine Place has been waged for many years. Laurie Atkinson worked tirelessly on residents behalf right up to his death. Others have since taken up the work, demanded more meetings, written to FNDC and DOC, showed their staff over the area and explained in-depth many times the extent of the problem. All to no avail.

Last week nature took charge and showed what she is capable of. Sometime as heavy rainfall occurred on Wednesday night/Thursday morning, water broke through from

the wetlands and turned Marreine Place into a river, Parramatta Nexus into a lake, and swamped numerous properties-even down Simon Urlich Rd.


Right: Lake Parramatta Nexus

Below top: Going fishing?
Below middle: Councilor Foy experiencing the floodwaters.
Far below: CEO Blair King (orange hi-viz) shares his thoughts with the assembled group.



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Response from FNDC

On Monday 22 August Mayor John Carter, CEO Blair King, Councilor Felicity Foy, Community Board Member Bill Subritzky and several FNDC staff met with over 20 residents from the affected streets.

The locals gathered to express their frustration and anger about the situation. Many stories were told of inaccessible properties, drain maintenance not completed regularly, RFS's not being responded to, no routine inspections of drains carried out, and no follow-up after emergencies.

This event cause damage to properties, internal and external, including the blocking of sewage pipes making toilets inaccessible, and at least one power source blown.

Longtime residents said water flowing down the street on this scale had not been seen in their thirty years of being in the area.

A suggestion was made that over time alterations to the level of the swampland may have affected its ability to contain water draining into it after heavy rainfall. The water has now created its own path, exiting into Marreine Place and from there into more streets.

Felicity Foy said that the existing water infrastructure was not adequate and the size of the pipes needs to be addressed.

The new CEO of FNDC, Blair King, was taken of a tour of the deeper floodwaters to see the wetlands for himself. Mr King has an engineering background so it is hoped that he will be able to give clear guidance to his staff in order for this on-going problem to be resolved.

Residents are still not hopeful of a swift solution as FNDC and DOC need to come to an understanding about the way forward.



Welcome Morning Tea

Are you new to the peninsula?

Are you feeling lonely?

Do you want to meet new friends?

A community morning tea is planned for 9.30am on 13th September so people can begin making those connections. Come along and discover what is already available or make your suggestions. Please bring a gold coin donation for the Hall and ladies a plate please.

All are invited to this morning tea – long term residents please come and make our newer community members welcome and share information about groups currently happening here.

If you can't make this date phone Debera on 027 4437 169 and chat about ways you can meet others, and suggest activities that you would be interested in; cards, social get-togethers etc

Welcome Morning Tea

From 9.30am

13 September

Karikari Community Hall



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**Be the Change,
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There is an oft-repeated quote from Nelson Mandela that goes, "be the change you want to see in the world."

It sounds simple, but first you need to know what sort of change you'd like to see. In this edition we bring stories of people who are being the change they want to see, or have received a kind and helpful action from another.

Community Gardens

You've noticed the planting and quirky additions to the gardens that have been created at the corner of Inland Rd and Simon Urlich Rd. All are welcome to stop by anytime to help pull out a few weeds, or help with maintenance.

Donna stresses that this is not 'her' garden—it is a team effort. If you see her or another member of the team working there, stop by and give them a hand.



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One Person's Experience

I attended a 60th birthday party in Houhora the other night. Amongst the people paying tributes, was a woman new to the community. She thanked the birthday 'girl' for making her feel so welcome. It took me back to my own arrival on the Peninsula eight years ago. Within days, a storm thrashed the area making me wonder where on earth I'd come to. Since then, I have gauged all storms on that first one and nothing has come close. Amongst the damage, were three broken windows and a blown-in garage door. Luckily my son was able to come out and barricade the windows for me, despite the fierce winds. What was even nicer, was a neighbour who popped up in the rain with candles and water for me. With no electricity, there was no pump and this lovely neighbour correctly anticipated that I might be unprepared for such an occasion. She continued to visit me regularly over the ensuing months, bringing fish, magazines and other gifts and making sure I was OK. I really did feel welcome in this community. I know she has been just as kind to other new arrivals. Thank you Leigh. It doesn't take much to be kind to people and these deeds are often remembered long after the event. I am sure there are many other lovely neighbours out there. Just letting you know you are appreciated and it is people like you who make our communities so special.

Liz

Say Hello

We all know people who have no trouble making connections with strangers—you might be one of them. However you might be more like me—reticent about taking the first step.

I spoke to Donna Koele for her tried and true strategies for making connections with others. Donna reminds us that we live in a beautiful community and there are plenty of opportunities to get involved with others.

“Welcome new neighbours,” she said. “Pop in to those who you know are alone—don’t be shy.”

“Try smiling and speaking to people you meet when walking on the beach—a few timely words could lead to a wonderful friendship.”

Another suggestion Donna has is when you hear someone is unwell, get together a few friends and organise several meals to help them through their rough patch. “Be there for each other,” she said. “Don’t think people are too busy with their own lives; just knock on the door.”

Donna also acknowledged the many kindnesses that occur daily across the peninsula. “People are generous with their fish—giving surplus to the elderly and those who can’t get out to fish for themselves.”

Thank you Donna for your advice.

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For more information contact Dot Craig our President, Sue Waru our Club Captain or Vivienne Walker our Secretary. OR you can just rock on up to the Hall from 12.45pm onwards on a Monday or Wednesday. Even if you don't bowl, you'll soon learn, as we have our own bowling instructor in Rod Craig. Come have a look.

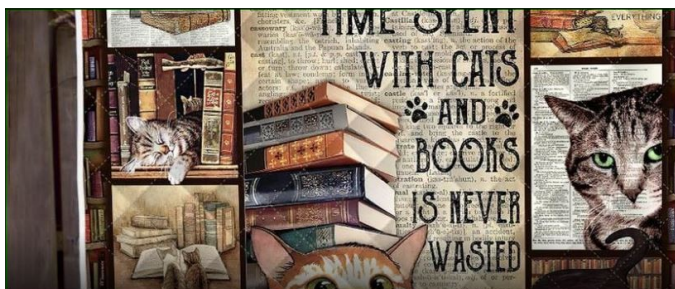
Club president Dot adds; 'We ARE a fun group - sometimes even chuckle when a good bowl goes off the mat (if you're in the opposing team!) All age groups and abilities welcome, and it's a lovely way to make new friends, discuss the fishing, and of course decide what the weather is gonna do. Oh, & learn to bowl of course!

The Karikari Community Library at the Hall

Open every Thursday from 10am to 1pm.

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Book Club Karikari

The Book Club meets once a month—usually the second Wednesday evening of the month. There is no particular format— other than the necessity of having a scrumptious supper.

There is discussion of what members have read over the previous month, and books are always shared for others to enjoy.

On a recent evening everyone made a dish to share from Anabel Langbein’s recipe books. So you’d be forgiven for thinking this was a cooking group—but food and books do go perfectly together—don’t you think!!

The book club welcome new members. Contact Mary 027 490 7607 or see their Facebook page.



Karikari Crafters

The craft group extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to try their hand at a new skill or reignite an old hobby, or just come along for a cuppa, a chat and companionship. The group meet at the Hall 10am on 1st Monday of the month.

Contact Barbara 021 1864 442 or Leanne 021 1138 139 for information or check out their Facebook page for upcoming activities.



The Karikari Garden Club currently has eight life members, two male members and thirty-four female members. Most reside here on the peninsula. We normally meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 258 Tokerau Beach Road. We try to plan a variety of activities for the year and some involve visits to other regions. Our committee of twelve get together a few weeks before our planned outings to organise our trips. Our next trip is to Taipa Salt Pig who will help us gather salt water and show us how to turn it into table salt. We enjoy gardening and sharing our knowledge of plants. Our gatherings are an excuse for like-minded people on (and off) the peninsula to get-together and enjoy friendship, fun and laughter - usually in a garden somewhere. Contact Debera 027 4437 169 or Leigh 09 408 7229.



Te Roopu Raranga Tahī o Whatuwhiwhi (weaving together) meet fortnightly. Beginners and experienced weavers are all welcome. Bring kai for a shared lunch. Contact Barbara 021 186 4442 or Mereana 027 254 8334 for more information.

Line Dancing: Karikari Community Hall

Intermediate: Sunday 10.30am;

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Keep watch for fall armyworm and their larvae. To identify visit www.mpi.govt.nz/fall-armyworm/

If you suspect you've found fall armyworm, take a clear close-up photo and report it by calling 0800 80 99 66, or online at <https://report.mpi.govt.nz/pest/>

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Karikari Hall Committee: meets first Tuesday of the month at 5pm at the hall. Chairperson: Judy Billington; 021 282 4597. Secretary: Sally Shirkie; Bookings: Nina Raharuhi; 021 038 0394.

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Tai Chi for health: In recess at present.

Karikari Peninsula Residents and Ratepayers Association: Chairperson: Brian Page; 09 408 7197 or 027 322 1652. Treasurer/Secretary: Lesley McCormick; 027 7413230. Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm at the Hall. All are welcome. Subs are \$15 a year per family. Pay to: ASB 12-3096-0035251-00. Please include your family name as reference.

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