

From remote carparks to any parked car

This "Lock it or Lose it" sign that was installed a couple of months ago is not in response to a sudden increase in crime in Karekare alone, but as a whole Wataikere-wide preventative measure according to the Henderson police office.

During the last summer a large number of car break-ins were targeted around beaches and walkways in the Waitakere Ranges. The group of thieves later targeted recreational areas, sports and shopping centres in and around Henderson.

Sergeant Brian Lounden said to the Western Leader "As a result of police paying extra attention on the beaches and other popular areas, the thieves are now going elsewhere". The thieves started stealing bags in recreational centres, and gaining entry into cars with the owners keys. The key advice to prevent car break-ins (OK, bad pun), is to not leave goods on-view in the interior of your car, put them in the boot, or better still, don't leave things in your car at all if you can avoid it. Use lockers in recreational areas and watch for people loitering around with no apparent reason.



Best art in the west

The West Coast Gallery is looking great (thanks to the dedicated volunteers who helped renovate and also to Waitakere Licensing Trust for their grant). The back wall exhibitions are underway with the first two exhibitions being hugely succesful. We will be changing the wall monthly and have a great variety of artists lined up. We welcome West Auckland new and emerging artists, (as well as experienced artists) to bring in their work. With over 120 artists on our books, work is changing constantly and there is always a surprising variety of good quality local art for sale at very reasonable prices.

Please read in "Whats On" section of this Billboard for information on two upcoming exhibitions: Laird McKechnie's photo exhibition and Tui Eves "From where I stand".

Plans are underway for Labour weekend Piha Market at Barnett Hall on Monday 25 October. The Gallery will be organising this one with Piha Preschool running the kitchen. We welcome artists to demonstrate their work and can offer free stall space to those willing to do so. We would love to hear from any musicians and performers who want to participate. We plan to hold a children's art workshop at the market, so come and paint, draw, create. Volunteers welcome to join our dynamic group. Stalls bookings phone Claire 8128 192.

The Gallery is a non-profit trust, and all profits are put back into art projects for the community. Open Thursday - Sunday. Phone 8128 029.

Julie Nash (coordinator), West Coast Community Arts Trust

By way of a brief update though to prove that KKRRT did not hibernate the month of July (although the temperatures some mornings made that a clearly reasonable option!), I can report that at last month's Ctte meeting we played host to Denise Yates and Penny Hulse, two of our three Waitakere Ward City Councillors. Penny and Denise came to debate with us the path to permanent protection of the Waitakere Ranges. We had a robust debate. Clearly we share similar goals but still differ on the best road ahead (or, perhaps more accurately, how fast to travel down that road). As a committee we are appreciative that Denise and Penny are so cheerfully prepared to front up to a community group like ours. Kare Kare Fire Station on a cold July evening at 7.30pm is a bit of an ask for anyone compared a warm cup of coffee at home, but our Councillors still think that our opinions warranted their attendance. (I'd wager that it is more than could ever have been expected of some ward Councillors in the past!)

Whatever our disagreements about tactics, and given that it is now less than six weeks before we will receive voting papers for this year's local body elections, we were able to note and agree that unless the local body elections deliver a Council sympathetic to long-term protection of the Ranges, then all our hot air will be just that; hot air. The next signpost on the road to protection therefore is the October election. All residents and ratepayers must make sure that they are on the electoral roll, and then make sure that you register your vote. Remember that this is a postal ballot. You can be certain that the outcome of this particular election will have a profound impact on protection of the Ranges. It will either be a 'go forward with legislation' Council that is elected or a 'thank god we threw that lot out' Council bent on putting the brakes on. It will be the voters who decide.

Regards, David Munro



Last chance to get your Karekare T-Shirts & Hoodies

Locals are given the last opportunity to buy the remaining Karekare Beach Race Day T-shirts and hoodies. Contact Jenny Taylor on 8128 506.

Adults T-Shirt - \$25.00

Small 1 x Black, Bottle Green, Light Grey, Dark Grey
2 x Sand, Red
3 x White
Medium 1 x Bottle Green, Light Grey

Large 2 x White, Red
XL 1 x Cobolt, Red, Light Grey;
2 x White
XXL 1 x Cobolt; 2 x White

V-Neck Slim Fit T-Shirt = \$28.00

Medium 1 x Black
Large 1 x White; 2 x Red

Childs T-shirt = \$15.00

Size 4/6 1 x Bottle Green

Size 12 2 x Pink
Size 14 4 x Pink, 1 x Pale Blue

Long Sleeved T-Shirt = \$28.00

Small 1 x Black

Hoodies = \$45.00

Medium 1 x Black, White; 2 x Red
Large 2 x White

local announcements

News from Waiheke Jesh, Wendy & Lulu Jaskiewicz have bought a coastal section on the Esplande, near Oneroa, bush covered, with views across the bay and out to sea. They are now thinking about new house plans. The family want to thank those who helped contribute to their farewell gathering, especially Jenny who hosted neighbours as they completed their packing!

Farewell Jim Tain, the oldest member of the KK Surf Club, passed away Sunday 25 July. Mayor Bob Harvey attended the funeral on Friday 30 July at the Morrison Funeral facility in Glen Innes.

Joining the boys in blue Lucy Parkes has been accepted into the New Zealand police force and is off to Wellington for training. So may the force be with you.

More babies on the way Jasmine Clark, a Lone Kauri School alumna, is due in September providing Margo with her first grandchild. Ann Robinson is just as expectant for her first grandchild by her daughter, also named Jasmine. Julie Mercer and Bob Cook are expecting their first child in early January 2005.

House for rent 2 bedroom home, mid Lone Kauri Road now available. Ring Ester for details on 360 2032 or 027 2888 553.

For sale • Electric califont for shower - used in Karekare while building, no longer required. \$100 ono • Glass fish tank, 3ft long by 1ft by 1ft, and plain white metal stand, for sale. Stopped keeping fish when I started building. • MacIntosh computer: Older Powermac, with printer external modem, keyboard and screen. For all these items call Jacqui 8128525

Get fit and flexible Yoga classes with Jyoti Thursday 9.30 - 11am. Please bring your own mat, blanket & empty stomach. At the Barn 124 Lone Kauri Road. Enquiries ph: 8128 640.

Do you need help at home? For babysitting or housekeeping duties in your bach or home. Reasonable rates available for all kinds of light domestic duties. Call Virginia on (new number) 8129 125.

Reiki and massage by appointment ring Carlene on 8128 080

Local roofing and spouting for free quotes or expert advice for new or replacement/repairs call Peter 8128 972

Old & unusual items purchased for cash We buy your antiques and collectibles etc. Phone Mark on 025 688 2811 or 8128 080 after 6pm.

what's on

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND, until Fri 13 August 40 works spanning 54 years from some of NZ's premier photographers, including never before publicly exhibited works from Brian Brake-George Chance and a selection of NZ's finest contemporary photographers. *Vero Centre, 28 Shortland St, Central city, ph 416 8035*

PHOTO EXHIBITION until August 22nd Laird McKechnie's extraordinary coastal landscapes. *Free admission, West Coast Gallery near fire station (Please keep fire vehicle access clear by parking opposite). Open Thurs 10am-1pm, Fri -Sun 11am-5pm For further information ph: 8128 029.*

CALCULUS until Fri 27 August. A series of exquisite abstract miniatures reflecting our local artist John Edgar's two decades of work with greywacke stone. *Entry by donation, open daily, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Auckland Domain. For more information ph 306 7067 or visit: www.aucklandmuseum.com*

COLLECTING NZ CERAMICS Sat 7 August An illustrated talk on the joys of collecting New Zealand ceramics with John Perry, to coincide with two ceramic art exhibitions. *Education Room, 1pm, Auckland War Memorial Museum For more information ph 306 7067 or www.aucklandmuseum.com*

MIX N MAX Sat 7 August Acoustic Stylz proudly presents performance art with many forms of expression. From Poetry in Motion to Jazz and original singer song writers. From schools to professional artists. 90% local content. We want to film this show, and give the performing artists the experience on-camera and with an audience. *8 pm Waged \$20 others negotiable, students koha. New Lynn Community Hall, New Lynn. For more information contact Gaile Tinihau on 027 420 1406.*

UTOPIAN TUBES Thu 12 August Helen Grant from The Living Art Company and musician Richard Ingamells invite you on a theatrical and musical expedition into Africa with plant hunters 'Adam' and 'Evelyn'. Join these intrepid collectors as they dance and sing throughout their journey, to flute, mandolin and percussive accompaniments. Ingamells is an experienced flautist who has released several albums, and has toured with top UK musicians. Helen Grant is currently reading towards a Phd in performing arts at Auckland University. *7.30pm Tickets \$5.00 Lopdell House, 418 Titirangi Road, ph 817 8087.*

THE ART OF WOOD CUT AND WOOD ENGRAVING, Sat 14/ Sun 15 August an introduction to printmaking, wood engraving and wood cutting, a hands-on seminar presented by Auckland Ex Libris Society, lectures, demonstrations, practical technique sessions, tools, paper, ink supplied, opportunity to print participant's efforts. *\$40., Sat 9.30am-3.30pm, Sun 9.30am-2pm, Kinder House, 2 Ayr St, Parnell, ph 575 7520.*

BIODIVERSITY IN WEST AUCKLAND Thu 19 August Forest & Bird presentation by Mark Bellingham & Doug Craig. How much variety do we have on our doorstep. *7.30pm Kelston community Centre, Great North Road. Donation towards the hall appreciated. Ph Glenys Mather 818 3241.*

DESIGNING AN ECO HOME Sat 21 August Sustainable Living Centre workshop/ seminar series with Johann Bernhardt from the Building Biology and Ecology Institute (BBE) *10am-12pm, at 4 Olympic Place in Olympic Park, New Lynn. Bookings essential: ph 826 0555 or email:slc@ecomatters.org.nz*

SLIDE EVENING Thu 26 August Susan Jowsey and Fiona Lascelles will discuss their oeuvre, and the ideas behind their work for The Pleasure Hunters exhibition. Hear Jowsey, a well respected New Zealand artist and winner of the 1996 Visa Gold Premier Award, talk about her projects. Lascelles will discuss her interest in space as a new colonial frontier, as well as her experiences as an emerging New Zealand artist. *7.30 pm Gold coin entry, Lopdell House, 418 Titirangi Road, ph 817 8087 www.lopdell.org.nz*

WE FOUGHT FASHION AND LOST 27 August - 7 November A selection of fabulous and quirky, creative yet sometimes bizarre garments from the leaders of NZ avant garde fashion - WORLD from 1989-2005. Coincides with the Air New Zealand Fashion Week 2004. *Museum donation. Open daily, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Auckland Domain. Ph 306 7067 or www.aucklandmuseum.com*

ORCHID SHOW Fri 27 - Sun 29 August This is the only shown in Auckland where the public can buy direct from orchid growers' stalls. *At the West Wave Aquatic and Recreation Centre, Alderman Drive Henderson Entry fee \$4 per person or \$3 for seniors. For more information see the Spring show (21 Today) website http://www.geocities.com/aucklandorchid or contact Bev Meredith on 0274 418 568.*

WAITAKERE CITY ORCHESTRA Sat 28 August The Sentinel Series Music for Strings is an exciting programme with Conductor Brigid Ursula Bisley. *At 8pm, Glen Eden Playhouse Theatre, 15 Glendale Rd, Glen Eden. Tickets available from the 9th via ITICKET either online at www.iticket.co.nz or by phone on 3611000 for a surcharge of \$2.99. General Admission tickets will also be sold. Adults:\$30, Senior citizens, Beneficiaries, Students & Children: \$20 Family (2 adults & 1-2 children): \$70*

STUDIO OPEN DAY Sun 29 August Roll the printing press with Neil Buddle as he teaches the tricks of the trade and helps you make a print using the studio's Florentine printing press. *10am - 2pm, Koha entry. Lopdell House studio, 418 Titirangi Road, ph 817 8087 www.lopdell.org.nz.*

FROM WHERE I STAND opening 2pm August 28 -September 19 Exhibition by artist Tui Eves who explores the strange combination of Pacific Genealogy, Surf culture and Karekare beach seascapes. *Free admission, West Coast Gallery near fire station (Please keep fire vehicle access clear by parking opposite). Open Thurs 10am-1pm, Fri -Sun 11am-5pm. For further information ph: 8128 029.*

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Eco-friendly advice

EcoMatters Environment Trust has renovated a typical 1970s council house at to house the Sustainable Living Centre. The Centre opened in June and has numerous areas for visitors to explore and learn how to live sustainably in the urban environment. In addition to being open to the public for tours and viewing, the Centre houses a full range of workshops and seminars on topics related to sustainable urban living. The Centre aims to provide visitors with practical and affordable tools and knowledge that they can easily apply in their own homes.

Information is available on the environmental impact of the average urban family's lifestyle, and ways in which this impact can be minimised with a focus on energy, water and waste.

A wide range of sustainable products and services are in the process of being installed at the Centre as working demonstrations accompanied by information for visitors. This includes rainwater collection tank and rain barrel, grey water recycling system, water saving devices, solar hot water system, energy efficient appliances, non toxic paints, natural oils and waxes for the floors, natural matting, hemp curtains, efficient heating, underfloor and ceiling insulation, etc.

A full curriculum of workshops and courses will be provided on topics related to sustainable urban living, eg how to install insulation, native plant propagation, composting and vermiculture, organic gardening, designing and building a

green home etc.

A garden will be planted to highlight the benefits of xeriscape, companion planting, permaculture, organic gardening and integrated pest management, and various composting methods will be demonstrated.

Meeting areas and work spaces are available for environmental groups to use as a central point of contact, to hold lectures and workshops, and to share information about their group's activities with visitors.

An environmental library will be established with two computer work stations and a range of books and periodicals which visitors can use to gain knowledge of environmental matters.

A small retail shop will be open which will sell products on display at the Centre as well as recycled paper and cards, organic/hemp clothing/linen and books.

A website will be established which will act as a key resource for those seeking information on sustainable products and services currently available. The website will include information on the environmental impacts of all aspects of urban living, as well links to the websites of suppliers of sustainable products displayed at the Centre.

Sustainable Living Centre, 4 Olympic Place in Olympic Park, New Lynn. Open 10am -2pm weekdays, workshops on Wednesday evenings & Saturday mornings. For more information phone 826 0555 or email slc@ecomatters.org.nz

local public services, groups & contacts

Arataki visitor centre Scenic Drive. Open 7 days from: 1 Sept-31 May, 9am-5pm. Open Mon-Fri: 1 Jun-31 Aug, 10am-4pm. ph: **817 0077**

Auckland Regional Council web: www.arc.govt.nz ph: **366 2000**

Piha store 15 Seaview Rd. Open: Weekdays: 9am - 5.30pm, Weekends: 8.30am-5.30pm. ph: **8128 844**

Piha library Open :Tue 10am-1pm & 6.30pm-8pm, Wed 10am-1pm, Thu 10am-1pm, Sat 10am-2pm. ph: **8128 231**

Piha post office Open: Tue, Thurs, Sat 10am-midday ph: **8128 486**

Piha community pre-school \$10 per session. Open : Tue 9am -4pm, Thu 9am- 1pm, Fri 9am-4pm. ph: **8128 013**

Piha playgroup \$2 contribution at Barnett Hall. Open: Mon & Wed 9am-11am. ph: **8128 013** or co-ordinator - Kelly on **8128380**.

Plunket Plunket nurse at Barnett Hall, every third Wednesday of the month from 10am -midday. ph: **838 8806** as an appointment is recommended in advance, or ph. **8128 806** on the day, to cancel or speak to nurse at Barnett Hall. The Henderson Plunket room hours are Tues, Wed & Thu 9am-3.30pm.

Piha tennis club Casual players can get the key to the courts at the campground office for a small fee. Contact: Ross Pownall/President. ph: **8128 185**

Refuse transfer station The concourse, Henderson. Mon-Fri: 5am-7.45pm, Sat: 8am - 4.45pm, Sun: 8am - 3.45pm.

Waitakere City Council Bldg 6, Waipereira Ave, Henderson. Email: info@waitakere.govt.nz. Web: www.waitakere.govt.nz ph: **839 0400**

Waitakere Central Community Arts Council For info on upcoming classes & workshops email: waitakereartscouncil@xtra.co.nz or contact Janet Holtrichter ph: **838 5733**

Waitemata Theatre Group For information on club nights, performances, costume hire,etc. contact Carol Gibson ph: **836 5572**

Waiaerua Playcentre Sessions Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9.30am - 12.30pm for 0-6 years. 911 West Coast Rd. Learn and grow with your child. For information contact: Susie Butler ph. **8128 696** or Chris & Angela Turbott ph. **8128 447**.

West Auckland Historical Society research centre at Henderson Mill Cottage, 35 Sel Peacock Dve is open every Monday 10am-3pm and also every second Sunday of the month from 10am-2pm, when guided walks take place. For more information or to book the walks ph: **818 5055**.

West Auckland Reiki Group Reiki support group for all types and lineages of Reiki, meets at the Titirangi Centre for the Art of Wellbeing, cnr Titirangi & Rangiwai Rds, Titirangi, every 1st and 3rd Thurs night at 7.30pm. Call Jill or Martin on **8128 858** or email: Reiki@aurora.org.nz

West Coast Gallery Old Piha Fire Station, open Thurs 10am-1pm, Fri -Sun 11am-5pm ph: **8128 029** or after hours **813 6684**.

Karekare Landcare

10am-12noon Sunday 8th August



This month we will be planting the last remaining plants for the waterfall area. You'll find us by the waterfall at 10am. For any additional information call Sherryn Eastman on 8128 801.

Karekare Landcare meet on the second Sunday of each month at 10am to tackle weeding or planting projects according to

the season. Come and meet those interested in conservation, and become familiar with the special native plants in our area.

Upcoming:

Karekare Community beach cleanup with Friends of Whatipu

On Sunday September 5th, join us in a clean sweep of Whatipu beach. We will meet with Friends of Whatipu halfway down the beach..The cleanup will take about 2 to 2.5 hours in softish sand so a reasonable level of fitness is required.

Rangers will pick up the bags of rubbish collected.. Gloves and lunch supplied. Contact Robin Binsley 8128420.