

Trawling too far

At 6.45am on the morning of the 14 April I was called by coastguard to assist in a rescue of the crew of a fishing trawler which had run aground on the Manakau bar south of Karekare. I headed down to the club and started to prepare an IRB for the rescue. Luckily Karel was home and was prepared to come and help. A short time later and we were on our way. As we neared the area we could see that the trawler had actually steamed right over the bar and was on the beach some distance south of the Paraaha Stream. Two large coastguard vessels were in attendance and a helicopter was removing the crew from the vessel using a sling. Karel and I were asked to go ashore and secure some gear that was around the area and to deflate the liferaft that had been deployed. Apparently every plane that went overhead was calling in the incident as the liferaft had a large fluorescent panel that was clearly visible from the air. On the beach we had a chat to the skipper who was still in a state

of shock over what had happened. We were stood down from the incident at 8.30am and returned to Karekare. A salvage attempt was soon underway with the boat being stripped of every thing that wasn't bolted down and some heavy machinery taken down the beach. Late on Friday afternoon the club was asked to assist in the salvage attempt. Nicoli and Charlotte took an IRB and were involved in getting the line from a large tug into the beached trawler. A tricky job as the surf had picked up from the previous two days. The digger had been used to dig a huge trench to help float the boat. Just after dark the vessel was refloated and towed out to sea and then back to the Onehunga wharf where she is now on the hard. I was impressed by the salvage exercise and now there is no sign of the stranding. The owners were extremely lucky that the sea conditions were favourable and stayed that way enabling the successful salvage.

Philip Parks



PHOTO: TED SCOTT

Karekare Beach races Sunday 2nd May

We are all hoping for another great day. Anyone who doesn't already have a job you can still volunteer - or just be there to help put up tents in the morning, or even better, give a hand with clearing up at the end - it will be a rush to pack up before the sun goes this time.

Parking: Parking is always a headache!! All locals please try to minimise the number of cars you bring to the beach - try not to take up public parking space, park at a friend's place, get a lift, tell the parking people you don't mind being boxed in if you are going to be on the beach all day.



Dogs: The horses take priority today, so please keep all dogs on a leash at all times, if this is not possible, please leave them at home.

Beach wear: This year we have some very special Peter Sidell-designed Karekare T-shirts for sale in adults and childrens sizes. Hooded sweatshirts will also be available. The design on the T-shirt is pictured to the left. To get your t-shirt contact Jenny on (09) 812 8506.

local announcements

For Sale: 1995 Honda Accord 2.2i 4 dr Lxi with new gas shocks all round, JVC CD-player with Sony X-Plod rear speakers very well maintained, no rust, good paint, high mileage. New cambelts, very reliable, comfortable, very good mpgs. \$3950 ono Ph Mike 8128420 or mob 025-291-0477

Need a composting toilet? Swedish Toa Throne design. Small and compact, runs on electricity, easy to use. \$150. **Clean Fill:** Does anyone need a truck-load of clean fill? I have soil and clay available, free delivery. Phone Tracey 8128 078

For sale • potters kickwheel - \$75 • wooden cot, standard size (not american-sized) suit younger infant - \$60 • 6'2" portuguese-shaped surfboard, only a year old and in good condition - \$400. For details on kickwheel & cot talk to Jerrie, for the board Mathew on 8129 121

Local situations vacant • 4 hours a week cleaning and companionship for an elderly lady approx. \$10 an hour. For details phone Margo on 8128 640 • person required for 8 hours in after school hours to look after special needs child approx. \$80 per week. For details phone Margo on 8128 640 • Teachers Aid required from 10.30am to 3pm supervising special needs child for 9 days a fortnight. Ring Lone Kauri School during school hours for details on 8128 746

For sale • Electric callfont 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. Have upgraded. Sensible offers please. 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 8128 944.

Mobile fully qualified massage therapist I can come to you for sports, remedial & therapeutic relaxation massage. Call Chris on 8128 012.

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

Household items purchased for cash We buy: lounge suites, dining suites, fridge/freezers, beds, antiques etc. Phone Mark on 025 688 2811 or 8128 080 after 6pm.

KAREKARE RACE DAY & CARNIVAL Sunday 2 May Since 1985 the Karekare Beach Races have provided excitement and entertainment for the many people who attend the races, as well as a welcome boost to funds for local community organisations. Come along and enjoy a great day of local entertainment. For information contact: Caroline Grove (09) 812 8760 or Jenny Taylor (09) 812 8506. Email: cgrove@ihug.co.nz or see www.karekare.org.nz

NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL 30 April -22 May Welcome to the festival formerly known as LAUGH! This is the 11th year of what has become a wonderful component of the New Zealand Entertainment Calendar. This May we have something for everyone. With shows from Greg Proops to Ross Noble, from Max Bygraves to The Crunchie Class Comedians, Comedy 04 promises to put a lot of funny in your May. For a programme ph: 309 9241 fax: 309 3346 or see www.comedyfestival.co.nz/

THE 2ND AUCKLAND TRIENNIAL 20 March - 30 May 2004 With 39 artists' projects in PUBLIC/PRIVATE: Tumatanui/Tumataiti. This extensive exhibition will be presented at The Auckland Art Gallery, University of Auckland's Gus Fisher and George Fraser Galleries, ARTSPACE and a number of city sites. Leading and emerging artists including Laurie Anderson (USA) probe and consider the very idea of privacy, creating a dynamic experiential dimension for audiences to enjoy, challenge and discuss. For more information: Art Gallery 24 hour information line: telephone 379 1349 or see www.aucklandart-gallery.govt.nz/

WAITAKERE WRITERS' NETWORK Sat 8 May A meeting of the newly formed group Waitakere Writers' Network. Guest speaker is well known children's author Tessa Duder. Anyone interested in writers or writing is welcome. Corban Estate Arts Centre, Henderson at 2 pm. For more information contact (09) 817 9838 or email bernardhol@xtra.co.nz

BIKE WISE JAMS Sun May 9 Kids Mountain Bike series - the only national kids mountain bike series. The event is cool, fun, different, outdoors and you can do with friends. All you need is attitude, a bike and a helmet... So give it a go. Featuring short off-road courses, Push Play school awards, plus skills competitions. Woodhill Forest 11:00am to 1:30pm Online entries will be accepted up until 3 days before the event on www.bikewisejams.co.nz

HAVE A GO AT ACTING Sat 15 May The Performing Arts School of NZ offers a free chance to explore your interest in acting and see if you've "got what it takes". All participants go in the draw to win a free term of classes at The Performing Arts School of NZ. Places are limited, so please call 845 0290 ext.1 to reserve your place and find out the times. All ages catered for 8yrs - adult. Jubilee Building, 545 Parnell Road, Parnell - various times. Part of the Heart of Art festival running in Parnell and Newmarket from 8-24 May. For more information see www.heart-of-art.org/events.asp

TREES FOR BABIES Sat 15 or Sat 22 May Family and friends are invited by Keep Waitakere Beautiful, Waitakere City Council and Plunket to commemorate the birth of Waitakere City babies born since March 2003 by planting a native eco-sourced tree in their honour. 11am-1pm Saturday, bring a spade (some will be provided) and sturdy footwear and head to your closest planting: Henderson Ward: Halyard Common Reserve, Wainamu Bay Drive, Te Atatu on Saturday 15 May or Waitakere Ward: Owens Green, 436B Huia Road, Laingholm on Saturday 22 May. Contact Keep Waitakere Beautiful on 826 4276.

TODDLERS DAY OUT Sun 16 May Preschool fun day, education and amusements. 11 am - 3 pm Corban Estate For more information phone Andrea on (09) 839 0400.

LAINGHOLM MEETING Tue 18 May The annual meeting of the Laingholm and District Citizens' Association. Laingholm Beach Hall, Laingholm, 7pm For more information: 817 4287 or 817 2936

SHORT FILM EVENING Thu 20 May Hosted by award winning West Auckland film maker Tom Reilly, the 2003 SPADA New Filmmaker of the Year, presents his animated short films in a programme of shorts by emerging New Zealand filmmakers. 7.30pm Lopdell House Main Gallery Cost \$5.00 Corner Titirangi & South Titirangi Roads Auckland New Zealand Tel 817 8087 lopdell@lopdell.org.nz

RIPARIAN ZONE MANAGEMENT - TRAINING WORKSHOP Tue 25 May Free 1-day training workshop for all on managing riparian areas. The Auckland Regional Council recently published a Riparian Zone Management Strategy, Guideline and Planting Guide for the Auckland Region. The Planting Guide describes the planting process, the timetable, what to plant, where to plant and how to look after the planting. 8.30am - 4.30pm Venue: Auckland Regional Botanic Gardens, Friends of Botanic Garden Building, Hill Road, Manurewa. Contact Number: 366 2000 Email: lesley.ekins@arc.govt.nz

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES Fri 28 May - Sun 27 June The history of West Auckland is celebrated by members of the Waitakere Central Community Arts Council with an exhibition of paintings, photography and sculpture. Over 20 different local historic sites and tales will be depicted and the story of their significant told, ranging from the wrecking of the Orpheus on the sand bar at the Manukau heads through to the historic St Michaels Church in Henderson. Exhibition opens Thursday 27 May at 6pm at Corban Estate Arts Centre. For more information phone Andrea on (09) 839 0400.

GALLERY WORKSHOP Sun 30th May ARTBEAT will be in the Studio to inspire children with their artmaking. You are welcome to look at art that the talented ARTBEAT team create with the children or join your children in making art. Entry by koha 10.00 am - 2.00 pm, Lopdell House Studio Cost \$5.00 Corner Titirangi & South Titirangi Roads Auckland New Zealand Tel +64 9 817 8087 Fax +64 9 817 3340 lopdell@lopdell.org.nz

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Written advertisements are free for Karekare residents to put local announcement column. For display advertisements a small fee is required please contact Julia Moore for further information. Please send articles, contributions and/or advertisement text material & illustrations via email if possible to: julia.moore@mail.com as long as files are smaller than 2 megabytes. Otherwise phone: 8128636 or send to me via: Karekare Residents and Ratepayers Trust's address: P.O. Box 21-941, Henderson. If you are a local resident or ratepayer and would prefer this newsletter to be sent to another address, please send 12 stamped self-addressed envelopes. **Deadline date for material, photos or advertisement changes for next issue: 25th of the month thanks, Julia Moore**



visiting sea bird

We think this pelagic visitor spotted on Karekare beach last month is a Flesh-footed Shearwater *Puffinus carneipes* (Toanui). Their habitat is in the warmer waters of Northern NZ, and can often be seen in Hauraki Gulf. They eat squid & fish.



How to teach a dog new tricks

We have a new advertiser with the perfect product for pets that go visiting where they shouldn't. It is ideal for Karekare pet owners. Below is a brief outline of how the containment system works...

A wire loop is run around the property or part of the property within which you wish to contain the dog. The wire can be buried in the ground, or stapled to an existing fence, run in an expansion joint across a concrete drive or buried under a metal drive. The wire must be a complete circuit and the two ends of the wire are connected to a transmitter unit that works off the power and is usually put in a garage, laundry or shed. The transmitter puts a radio signal in the wire, there is no power in the wire, so it is harmless to touch it. The dog wears a receiver box on the collar. The owner trains the dog with the warning buzzing, the training takes 10 minutes a day for 7 days. After 7 days training the dog associates the collar only with the boundary, so the dog is fine when going for a walk or out in the car.

Innotek dog containment systems and dog training products are happy to help Karekare residents with any questions or enquiries. For contact details please see our advertisement on the back page.

As promised at the AGM - a full financial report is now available...

Karekare Residents and Ratepayers Trust Financial Report for Year Ended: 10th April 2004

Financial Position

Opening Balance	5,914.85	10.01.2003
Income Received	4,560.39	transfers from 50 acc
subtotal	10,475.24	
Expenses	8,364.68	
Closing Balance	2,110.56	10.04.2004
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Closing Balance	2,110.56	10.04.2004

Bank Reconciliation

	00 A/C	50 A/C
Opening Balance 10.01.2003	2,200.93	3,713.92
plus deposits	3,423.25	1076.75
plus interest		60.39
subtotal	5,624.18	4,851.06
plus/minus transfers	4,493.70	4,493.70
subtotal	10,117.88	357.36
less cheques	8,364.68	
Closing Balance 10.04.2004	1,753.20	357.36

Income

Interest	60.39
Subs and Donations	378.25
Film Company Donations	1,050
Landcare	2,778.25
Billboard	293.50
total	4,560.39

Expenses

EllisGould	4,578.25
Landcare	1,210.56
Website	466.87
Conference Fees	100
PO Box	250
Reimburse Lone Kauri Forest Restoration Trust Grant from Waitakere Licencing Trust	1,455
Donation Ist Response	100
Meetings, Expenses, Billboard.	204
total	8,364.68

Film Company Donations since 01.01.2002	2,300
Spencer vs KKRRT since 01.11.2000	13,879.52

Reaching the parts Telecom doesn't

Do you want faster internet access? A small group of us do, primarily for work related reasons, so we set about to find ways to achieve this. The hurdles are large. Karekare is too far from the Piha telephone exchange to get a Jet Stream connection and the only satellite option currently available has a fast download speed, but only a modem speed connection out. There may also be an affordable two way satellite option available later this year and we are keeping an eye on this option.

Our solution was to get Karekare closer to Piha, electrically speaking, by using high speed radio connections. We have a trial wireless network in place, using standard wireless base stations connected to high gain antenna. These are off the shelf units, that would normally be used in a home or business to connect a laptop with a wireless card, to the internet. They require no license and are extremely low powered (0.03 Watts). By replacing their internal antenna with directional, high gain external antenna, we can connect most locations in Karekare to a house on Te Ahuahu road and from there we hope to connect to Jet Stream. Even if we switch to a two way satellite internet connection, we will still be able to share the cost of this link through the wireless network, making it cheaper for everyone.

We are forming the WiKarekare Trust to act as the operator of the network. Its primary aim is to provide affordable high speed internet access to Karekare to facilitate those wanting to work at home to be able to do so. Hopefully, this will reduce the need for people to travel from Karekare to work in the city.

It is intended that the service be provided at cost. This is a big undertaking and we will have to rely on people donating their time to help with installations and antenna making or the costs will get prohibitively high. The exact costs have yet to be worked out and will depend on the uptake. The basic infrastructure will cost several thousand dollars. Initially, we are looking at a \$450 connection fee to cover the equipment installed at home and a contribution to cover the network infrastructure. This would need to be upfront, as the infrastructure has to be there from the start and has been funded by a personal loan to the Trust. All accounts of the Trust will be available online through our web site. The cost of staying connected will depend on the nature of the internet connection

we buy. A standard Jet Stream connection has a fixed cost per month and excess usage charge. We will probably do this too, as we will have both fixed monthly costs to recoup and data charges. We will also need to budget for a contingency fund for repair work. We aren't trying to make money, so the variable costs will be distributed based on usage. The more people we have connected, the more flexible our options are. Jointly, we might be able to afford a higher speed and possibly fixed rate connection. One idea is to have free access within Karekare and require that people have a positive balance before they can get onto the Internet. Charging would be then be per MByte only.

When can you connect? At the time of writing this, we are looking to connect a few keen people only. This is to ensure that we can deliver what we claim. If you are willing to take a slight gamble and can see one of our existing repeaters, you could join the test network now.

Will I be able to connect? We are installing wireless repeaters in the Valley, on the lower part of Lone Kauri Road and on the Farm Road, as well as the site on Te Ahuahu road. This should give us 90% coverage of Karekare. Due to the very low transmit power being used and the nature of the radio waves at the frequency used, trees and other obstacles can be a problem. Additional repeaters could be installed later to reach the hard to get places. You will need to be able to see one of the repeater sites. Additional repeaters could be installed later to reach the hard to get places. An alternative, we are investigating, is to bounce the signal from house to house (a mesh network).

How fast is the connection? Within Karekare, we can achieve 26Mbits/second, much faster than any external connection we can afford. Externally, the speed will depend on what we can afford at any one time. Initial tests have been through a modem (33Kbits/second) and we hope to move this to a 256Kbit Jet Stream connection shortly.

What other services can we offer? Initially, none. Medium term, we hope to provide an email and web hosting service.
Rob Burrowes

ARC annual draft plan

The Annual Plan for 2004/2005 represents year two of the Long Term Council Community Plan. The Annual Plan will be adopted by 30 June 2004. Now is your chance to look at the annual plan and have your say.

Make a submission

During the consultation period the public can make submissions to the Council commenting on the Draft Annual Plan 2004/2005 which includes some key issues, decisions and policies. The Council then considers these submissions before it makes its decisions on services and programmes and adopts the final plan. Submissions close 13 May. You can make a submission with an electronic form..

Submission hearings are from 4 June to 18 June 2004

To find more info about the draft plan see: <http://waitakere.govt.nz/HavSay/ann-plan0405.asp> or ring: 839 0400.

another local hero

Even at work, first response officer Paul Buchanon doesn't give a moments hesitation before attending to a fatal traffic accident. Paul was the first at the scene of an accident involving a motorcycle with two passengers and an automobile doing a U-turn in the middle of Symonds Street recently. The driver of the bike died whilst he was working on him, and the passenger suffered a compound fracture of the left femur, a fractured right hand, an exposed displacement of the right kneecap and contusions on the face. Paul was the first to reach the patients, and after checking the car driver, he went to the victim lying under the front right wheel the car. It was the motorcycle driver. He died of blunt force trauma and lived no more than 5 minutes after the wreck. The survivor, who was semi-coherent but much improved over his original post-injury state. Paul heard about the specific nature of the injuries later, but was hoping that the driver could hold on until the emergency room and that the survivor would walk without problem after his recovery. Although he did not see the accident he heard the bike roar and heard the impact from 10 metres away.

spontaneous combustion

Piha Fire Brigade got an unusual callout on the 4th of April to put out a fire in a long drop. That must have been one hideously hot curry!

A rumour is circulating that Telecom is about to lay poles and fibre optic cable down Lone Kauri Road. We were not able to confirm anything yet, but did notice a low flying helicopter last Tuesday checking us out at close range. Have they heard about our wireless developments?

Karekare Landcare

10am-12noon Sunday 8th May



If you gorged yourself on a myriad of gooey caramel-filled Easter eggs over the holiday break, but did not turn up for Landcare on Easter weekend, here is your chance to help and burn off the sugar buzz with yet more Easter Eggs up for grabs on the May Landcare day! Bring your visitors, bring the whole family and meet the neighbours having a bit of fresh air and exercise pulling out pea plant on the slope below the cave. Help pull out pea plants and get alarmingly wired again afterwards, with yet more chocolate Easter eggs and



the usual refreshments at 12 noon. After refreshments we are holding a meeting on what we plan to do in the Watchman's bridge area, so please come along and have your say, especially if you live in this area.

For more information on Polygala myrtifolia, the pea plant, see the Karekare website: www.karekare.org.nz/landcaremay2003.htm

Please remove this plant if you see it anywhere. It is spreading, and you might see some in the Glade, above the waterfall, in the bush or on walking tracks nearby or on the sand dunes

Karekare Landcare meets 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. For more info contact Caroline Grove 812 -8760.

Pig control in the Waitakeres

The ARC are taking serious measures to cull the wild pigs in the Waitakeres. Pigs pose a threat to various Waitakere flora and fauna - including the kauri snail, Hochstetters frog, native cucumber or mawhai and the rare dactylanthus. They also cause erosion and damage to tracks. Pig hunting is incompatible with public use of the park. Pig control will complement the very low possum numbers in the Waitakeres following Operation Forest Save.

So, a contract has been let to professional hunters who will be working between March and July, with strict conditions attached, such as - they must carry a warrant at all times, warrant to be displayed on vehicles, all dogs to wear radio tracking collars, no hunting on weekends or public holidays, GPS record of all pigs killed, ARC to be kept informed of where they are working.

The aim is eventual eradication over the next few years.

The public are encouraged to report any sightings or fresh evidence of pigs or other hunters in the area to Scott de Silva at Arataki on 817 0077.

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 Holtrighter ph: 838 5733

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

Waatarua 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.

Local Park Ranger awarded

Our local Park Ranger in Piha, for over 20 years, Andy Pedersen and another ARC ranger Brian Chamberlain have been commended for separate after hours rescues. In a ceremony conducted by Bob Harvey, Andy Pedersen received a merit award from Water Safety New Zealand. In September 2003 Andy saw three women struggling and yelling for help in a surf rip 200m out from south Karekare. Andy called the ARC ranger base for a Westpac Rescue Helicopter, but realising the swimmers might not survive until help arrived, he stripped off to his underwear to go to their aid. Without any rescue equipment such as flotation tubes which he has been trained to use as an experienced Karekare Surf Life Saving Club member, he grabbed instead a lifejacket from the back of a ute and dragged it over the waves towards the women.