

Brooklyn Community Centre

BROOKLYN TATTLER

what's happening in your community



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This month's cover photo is of Joanna McNaught and Pawan Singh. Pawan takes over as the new owner of Jo's Pies on 31 November. See the full story on page 5.

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from the **COMMUNITY**

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY CENTRE **PHONE 384 6799**

Hello and welcome to the November edition of the Tattler. Next month will be our final edition for the year then we take a break for a month and come back in February.

Brooklyn Festival

We are so excited to be a part of the inaugural Brooklyn Twilight Festival coming up on Saturday 11 November, rain or shine. The Brooklyn Street Festival which was held annually in Cleveland Street last ran in 2009 when it was then cancelled due to increasing costs and compliance. Scottie Reeve from Two Todman is the driving force in bringing a street festival back to Brooklyn, this time in Harrison Street, and which includes a market in the Community Centre, community stalls on Harrison Street, live entertainment throughout the afternoon and evening, bouncy castles, food trucks, and much more. The festival will be held from 3pm to 10.30pm with 3pm - 6pm focusing on family entertainment and activities. Entertainers include Anika Moa, Karen O'Leary, Newtown Rocksteady (rebranding for the day to Brooklyn Rocksteady!), Ingrid and the Ministers, and Casual Healing. Ridgway School are going to open proceedings with their amazing Kapa Haka group. There will also be a community stage in the Community Centre grounds for budding locals to sign up on the day and showcase their talents. Go to www.brooklynfestival.co.nz for all the up-to-date info.

Natural Treatment Clinic

The Brooklyn Wellness Hub now have a weekly natural treatment clinic in the Community Centre's RSA room on Tuesdays from 10.30am to 12.30pm during school terms. You are welcome to drop in for natural treatments of acute chronic conditions, relaxation, and for anxiety and stress support. Free blood pressure assessments and advice. For more information go to www. brooklynwellness.nz

Childcare

The last day of before and after school care for the year will be Tuesday 19 December when Brooklyn School closes for the year. Due to other activities at the Community Centre the following week, we are not able to offer a December holiday programme. The January school holiday programme will run from Monday 8 January until Friday 26 January. Adam, our childcare manager, is currently organising the programme and details of it will be up on our website soon.

Market

The final market for the year is coming up on Saturday 9 December here at the Community Centre. This is our Christmas market so there will be lots of great gift ideas, and Santa may even be able to pop in. Mark it in your diaries now.

Ukulele dasses

Learn to play the Ukulele with Moggie Grayson. Adult classes Mondays at 10am until 18 December. Bring your own ukulele and a 30-page clear file. Junior Ukulele classes for beginners aged 8 - 12 years, parents can join in as well. Saturday afternoons at 2pm starting 18 November and finishing on 16 December. For more

details, contact Moggie Grayson on 384-8213 or email moggiegrayson@gmail.com

Meals on Wheels

The volunteers who deliver lunchtime meals to our residents who rely on this essential service do a fantastic job but we are always needing more people to help out. If you have a spare hour or two either weekly, fortnightly, or monthly, and are able to deliver some meals, please contact Sue at 021 620 599 or email at sue@mcglashan.co.nz.

RATs and Masks

We still have a supply of rapid antigen tests and face masks for anyone who needs them. There is no charge for these, we just ask if you are feeling unwell to get someone else to collect them for you.

Have a great month.

Julie and Euan

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LOCAL NEWS UPDATE



Monthly update on issues and projects involving our community

NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 15 November 2023 at 7pm Brooklyn Community Centre 18 Harrison Street - Come and have your say

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We continue to collect a variety of batteries at our collection point at the BCC. To date, we have collected 116kg of 9 types of batteries. The biggest (by volume) have been 61kg of AA, 19kg of AAA and 7kg of D batteries as well as others.
We are excited to see the long-awaited return of the Brooklyn Festival – last held well over ten years ago – on Saturday 11 November. There is a family friendly early half, then a more adult focused evening festival. We hope for a great turnout and fine weather. We encourage you to enjoy and support local businesses and groups who will have stalls.
Ōwhiro mai uta ki tai (Ōwhiro from the hill tops to the sea) is a new community led initiative initiated by Martin Payne and Dr Paul Blaschke (of Friends of Ōwhiro Stream) and representatives of the Owhiro Bay Residents Association to form a catchment plan for the Ōwhiro catchment. More on this when information comes to hand.
GBRAI hosted the candidates for Rongotai at Ridgway School and Wellington Central at the BCC. We had over 200 people turn up to listen and question at both meetings. We thank everyone for their engagement and tolerance.
Wellington Water is responsible for fixing drinking water, storm water and sewage services city wide. According to WW, since 01/07/2023: # 2,658 leaks region wide; 962 leaks in Wellington # in September WW fixed 700 leaks in the region: 286 leaks in Wellington # on average WW provides approx. 160M ltr of water region wide a day and Wellington takes the bulk of that at approx. 92M ltr a day (approx. 37 Olympic swimming pools worth).
WCC has submitted its consent to the Greater Wellington Regional Council for its next landfill stage (Southern Landfill Expansion Piggyback Option – SLEPO). SLEPO will be constructed on an old, existing landfill "cell" within Careys Gully. It is likely to be operational by 2026.
WCC is currently working through consents and funding. Expectation work will commence in 2024.

Email us your ideas, queries or concerns, or to sign up to our newsletter at: brooklynresidentswellington@gmail.com

JO'S PIES OWNER CALLS IT A DAY

Joanna Catherine McNaught has been baking for over 48 years. Originally from Cornwall in the UK, Jo came out to NZ in 1996 and for many years worked managing local pubs, bars, and cafes before deciding to open her own business in December 2013.

Over the past ten years, Jo's Pies has built up an enthusiastic following of loyal regulars who go through a daily average of 250 to 350 pies and over 100 sausage rolls. The numerous five-star reviews and thumbs up on Jo's Facebook page are proof of her many satisfied customers. During 2021, Jo's Pies featured on episode 27 of the Bakery Run TV programme which can be viewed on YouTube.

After ten years of early 3am starts, Jo has decided to pass on the reins to new owner Pawan Singh who takes over on 31 November. Pawan has no plans to change the winning formula that Jo has worked hard to establish, so you will still be able to drop in for your favourite treats. Pawan is an experienced baker and has known Jo for many years.

On 7 December Jo is heading back to the UK to spend more quality time with her mother and relatives. Jo hasn't cut all her ties with Wellington as she is keeping her house in Island Bay, so we may see her again in future. I ask Jo what her top selling pie is, and it's the good old kiwi favourite - the classic steak, cheese, and hash brown homeboy.

Euan Harris



Katie Underwood

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> Contact me on: m: 027 248 2061 t: 04 894 3717 e: katie.underwood

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What a pleasure to have another fine, sunny day for our working bee. And very satisfactory too as far as work accomplished - nearly all plants safely in the ground. As always there are a few strays, somehow we never manage to plant every single one. But, if those that were planted down on the flat near the playing field are taken as an example, in two or three years it will be a nice bushy walk down from Domanski Crescent and over the bridge, from where you can continue along the steam and past the school. So now the 2023 planting season is over, and we revert to trying to eradicate, or at least control, blackberry, fennel, dock etc. Yes, it does sound like hard work and a never ending chore, but I can assure you that rolling up carpets of tradescantia is VERY satisfying. It leaves a nice clear space where seedlings might have a chance to germinate before it returns again - as it undoubtedly will.

I sometimes think how very privileged we are to live in Aotearoa/New Zealand; conservation and restoration are issues the world over, or at least those parts of it that don't have to worry about what they have to eat tomorrow, or whether they will be alive to eat it. But, in Britain for example, exactly what do you restore to? What it was in Victorian, Elizabethan, or medieval times? Or earlier? Britain wasn't always fields and hedgerows, it was once all forested. I once read that 'how things should be' is how they were when you were twelve years old. Here in Aotearoa, we have the privilege of having remnants at least of original bush that has survived in balance for probably thousands of years, so we know what we are aiming for.

Planting days on the second Saturday of the month, 10am - 12.30pm

Janet Campbell for Friends of Owhiro Stream email owhirosteam@gmail.com



BROOKLYN WELLNESS HUB

Brooklyn Wellness Hub News www.brooklynwellness.nz

November Hub Focus – release anxiety and stress to promote health and wellbeing. Workshops, Open Day, and Natural Health Clinic at Brooklyn Community Centre every Tuesday 10.30am -12.30pm

We have talked about the current mental health crisis among our youth in our Wellness Hub meetings.

What are the real causes of depression and anxiety and how can we help?

The COVID-19 measures seem to have aggravated the situation and it really worries us that most of my children's teenage friends are on antidepressants.

In Johann Hari's book "Lost Connections" he defines depression as being a situation in which one is disconnected from those activities, people and experiences that give your life meaning. An approach to overcoming depression is to re-establish connections with these vital factors in a new way.

Across the world, Hari found social scientists who were uncovering evidence that depression and anxiety are rarely caused by a chemical imbalance in our brain. He says they are largely caused by key problems with the way we live today. In our next few articles, we will explore factors like loneliness, detrimental societal values, disconnection from one's work and from nature and talk about possible solutions.



Encourage your young people to refocus on some ways to feel more positive about themselves and learn some self-care strategies like massage workshop, health eating, doing exercise with friends etc. We would be very happy to talk with them at our Open Day, at the Clinic, or individually as they prefer.

Massage Workshops for Beginners – release stress and anxiety, relieve pain. Sunday 5 November 2-5pm at Crombie Room, Home of Compassion. Cost \$55 Register/info Mel melmoimartin@gmail.com.

Natural Health Clinic at Brooklyn Community Centre every Tuesday 10.30am -12.30pm. Each week different practitioners will be available to offer a range of natural therapies, health assessments, education, and information. You are welcome to drop in any time and discuss any health issues you are concerned about, experience some relaxing natural therapies, eg. massage, foot spas, holistic pulsing, reflexology, or talk better eating and lifestyle over a cuppa. Koha \$5.

Contact us for specific appointments for clinic, information, or workshops on brooklynwellnesshub@proton.me

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3-10.30pm Saturday 11 November, Harrison Street, Brooklyn

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TURBINE TOASTMASTERS

On 21 November Turbine Talkers Toastmasters will host an open night at our venue, the Reformed Church, 34 Harrison Street. Turbine Talkers is a group of local Brooklynites (and some from further afield!) dedicated to mastering the sometimes-scary act of public speaking. This doesn't mean that we are all master speakers; our club contains a diverse mix of people at different stages of their public speaking journeys.

Our meetings consist of prepared fiveto-seven-minute speeches, impromptu speeches, and evaluations. We even prepare supper for ourselves. Some of the many things our members have learned about through attending Turbine Talkers

include the communication styles of Chris Hipkins and Chris Luxon, the reality of working as a policy analyst at the City Council, the (occasional) stupidity of the English language, the theory of "the conflict of visions", and innumerable titbits of our members' lives.

So, if you would like to enhance your public speaking skills, gain more confidence, meet some new people, and enjoy a free supper on Tuesday 21 November, please come along to our open night meeting at 7.15 pm at the Reformed Church or contact Sam on 022 436 8715. We look forward to seeing you there!

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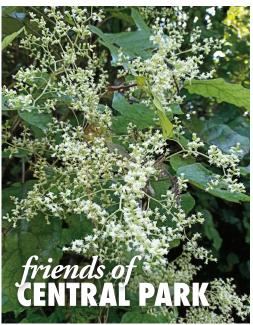
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WEEKDAYS	BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY	CHILDCARE PROGRAMMES	Contact Adam Hendry, Childcare Programme Manager. Phone 385 0089 or email childcare@ brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz.
>	9 AM	PILATES	Contact Faye Tohbyn on 022 054 2369 of fayetohbyn@gmail.com
MONDAY	10:30 - 11:30 AM	FELDENKRAIS	Improve your movement, posture & breathing. Contact Toni McWhinnie on 021 1782056 or email temcwhinnie@gmail.com
	6 - 7:30 PM	BROWNIES	Contact Margaret 389 3028 or email marrexj@gmail.com
AY	9 AM - 12 PM	TABLE TENNIS	Open to all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Contact Philip on 021 230 4083 or email: codwgpdl@gmail.com
TUESDA	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	NATURAL TREATMENT CLINIC	All welcome for natural treatments of acute and chronic conditions, relaxation, anxiety and stress support. Free B/P assessments and advice.
	6:30 - 8 PM	ST JOHN CADETS	During school terms. For details contact Ross Young on 021 264 0440 or email ross.young@stjohn.org.nz
_	10 - 11 AM	FELDENKRAIS	Contact Toni McWhinnie on 021 178205 or email temcwhinnie@gmail.com
WEDNESDAY	5:30 - 7:30 PM	KARATE	Grasshopper Karate to Advanced Karate classes. Book your free trial class. Contact Sensei Patricia at www.familyfitkarate.co.nz contact or 027 297 6049.
WED	7:30 - 8 PM	CARDIO & CORE	A 30-mins strength workout for busy people like you! Contact Patricia at www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact or 027 297 6049.

WEDNESI	8 PM	TABLE TENNIS	Inquiries Philip on 934 7445 or email: codwgpdl@gmail.com.
>	10 AM - 12 PM	CRAFT CONNECTIONS	Fortnightly crafters social group. Contact Louise email: louisebrockway.nz@gmail.com
THURSDAY	11 AM - 12 PM	SENSORY PLAY SESSIONS	Messy Minis fortnightly sensory play sessions for under fives. Contact Carla 022 029 7415 or Bela 022 652 4022.
HUR	5 - 6:30 PM	KARATE	Beginners' to Advanced Karate classes. Contact Sensei Patricia at www. familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact or 027 297 6049.
_	6:30 - 7:30 PM	TAI CHI	Contact Ferne on 389 1433 or email: ferne.david@xtra. co.nz
DAY	9 AM	PILATES	Contact Faye Tohbyn on 022 054 2369 or email: fayetohbyn@gmail.com
FRIDAY	11 AM - 2 PM	FRIDAY CIRCLE	Seniors Social Group, meets weekly for light lunch and activities. Contact Euan Harris, details at bottom of page
RDAY	9 - 10 AM	DANCE CLASSES FOR CHILDREN	Pre-school fun classes and Ballet & Jazz classes for 5 - 8 years. Contact Debbie at info@db4dance.co.nz
SATURDAY	12 - 4 PM	QUARTERLY MARKETS	Next Brooklyn Market on Saturday 9 December from 12pm to 4pm. Email: market@brooklyncommunitycentre. org.nz to book your stall.
\	9:15 AM	BROOKLYN ANGLICANS	Our one hour service starts in the hall at 9:30am. Contact Rev. Scottie Reeve at scottie.reeve@gmail.com View online www.brooklynanglicans.nz
SUNDA	10 AM - 1 PM	EKKAALLAM CHURCH	Tamil Christian worship and service. Contact Robert tec.wgtn@gmail.com or 027 858 9916
	4:30-6:30 PM	KARATE	Grasshopper Karate to Advanced Karate classes. Contact Sensei Patricia at www.familyfitkarate.co.nz/contact or 027 297 6049.

To book Brooklyn Community Centre for classes, groups or events contact Euan Harris on 384 6799 or coordinator@brooklyncommunitycentre.org.nz

UPDATE CATS PROTECTION WELLINGTON



Te Hononga

Earlier this month, members of Upstream hosted a group of volunteers from other parts of Wellington with a common interest in our waterways. Te Hononga, led by Eugene Doyle, has a mission to look after our waterways and the catchment areas that feed them. Eugene is hoping volunteers will learn from each other and collaborate on areas of mutual interest. Though the weather was dicey it was good to share the history of Central Park and the journey of Upstream with people caring for catchments in Houghton Bay, Khandallah, Karori, Wadestown, Tanera Park, and other parts of the region. Just being in the park and not pulling weeds or planting was relaxing. However, a couple of volunteers from other groups just couldn't resist the urge to remove a wayward old man's beard (the weed, not a person) they spotted in the park. Being able to recognise a weed at 100 paces, then having the intense urge

to remove it, is an occupational hazard for seasoned volunteers. Being able to resist the urge is also a skill worth mastering or you'd never finish a walk! There is always so much to do.

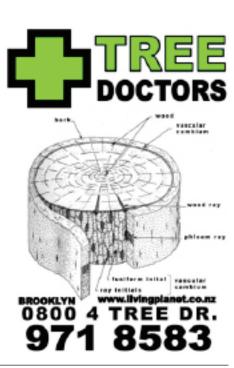
If you want to help out, come along to the next working bee. Bring your own mug. We provide coffee and morning tea.

Next working bee is 26 November 2023 -Last Sunday of the month between 10am - 12.30pm

Check https://www.meetup.com/upstream/ for confirmation of working bees.

Contact Lynne at all.whites@xtra.co.nz Everyone welcome!

Sources: https://blog.tepapa.govt. nz/2009/04/30/is-your-hen-and-chickensfern-a-fake/



TIPPY LOVES OTHER CATS

If your much-loved cat is missing feline company, you need to meet Tippy!

This pretty two-year-old calico girl was rescued from a colony over a year ago, and – like many colony cats – she is most comfortable with her own kind. One of her hind legs had been badly damaged and had to be amputated, but she has no problem getting around on three legs.

Tippy is happy to live with people and will accept pats and chin scratches, but she doesn't seek out a lot of human attention. She's far more interested in cats than humans, and doesn't like children or dogs. Tippy would do best in a quiet home with just one or two



people, and she'd make an excellent friend to another lonely cat.

There's more about Tippy and all our other cats at catsprotectionwellington. org.nz. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube for pictures, stories and videos of cats in our shelter.



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Trustees of The BRC Charitable Trust met last month to allocate funding for its second distribution of grants in the local community this year. Requests were received from educational institutions, sports clubs, environmental, and community groups. Applicants should have received notification of an outcome by late October.

We are pleased to announce the following organisations/groups received funding for these specific projects:

Brooklyn Geckos Hockey Club to cover annual

turf fees (Wgtn Hockey Association) **Brooklyn Northern United JFC** to put towards the purchase of 100 club jerseys **Brooklyn Playgroup** to purchase assorted construction vehicles

Brooklyn School to put towards replacing Chromebooks

Brooklyn Trail Builders to purchase various tools, gloves, sunhats & weed spraying **Vogelmorn Community Group** to put towards replacing commercial oven/extractor fan Whanāu Manaaki Brooklyn Kindergarten to install a self-closing tap/valve in the bathroom

Our next round of funding will occur in March 2024. Applications will open on 1 March and close on 31 March. Any not-for-profit community organisation, group, or incorporated charity that provides an activity, programme, or service for the benefit of people in the wider Brooklyn area can apply (with a maximum funding of \$5,000 for each project).

The BRC Charitable Trust

THE VOGELMORN

FOUNDATION

Visit us at www.tvf.org.nz

The Vogelmorn Foundation has commenced distributing funds to local organisations and individuals.



For more information or to apply for funding please visit our website. Applications MUST be made online.

> Wellington, 6022 admin@tvf.org.nz

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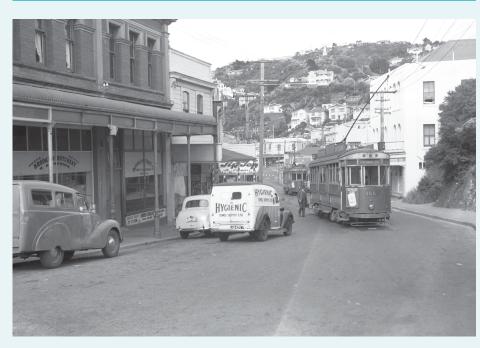
The top photo of Harrison Street was taken during 1976 when cars were still predominately British and Australian. The main change to the right, is Max's GHB (Good Housekeeping Brand) Food Store where Wing on Chang is today.

Top photo credit: Charles Fearnley, source; Wellington City Libraries Ref: 50003-2211

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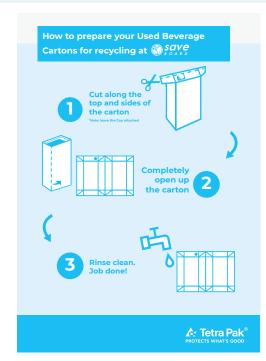
CLEVELAND STREET IN THE 1950S

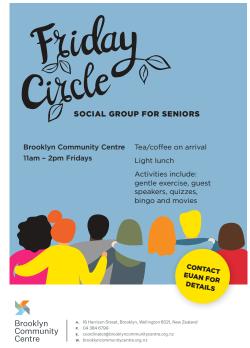
Growing up in Brooklyn in the 1950s allowed me to witness the suburb as a one stop shop, where all manner of retailers were open to serve customers everything they needed. While these two photos portray a dreary looking suburb, in fact Brooklyn was blessed with many attractive shops.

In the first photo, a tram waits for passengers who are heading into the city. The shops to the left show two barbers' poles. This was owned by local barber Percy Joyce. As Percy was also a retailer, he would often stop cutting to attend

to a customer out the front. Just down from Percy was an ice cream shop, which sold ice creams in tiny cones for small children. Next door to him was the bookshop. Despite different owners in later years, locals always referred to the shop as Seymour's. The second picture shows a similar view. Most of the houses in the distance up Todman and Charlotte Avenue are still standing.

Chris Rabey





COMMUNITY GROUPS COMMUNITY GROUPS

BROOKLYN BROWNIES, GUIDES AND PIPPINS

Pippins (5-7 years) brooklynpippins@outlook.com Brownies (7-9.5 years) brooklyn. brownies@gmail.com Guides (9-12.5 years) brooklynguides@ gmail.com or visit https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/

BROOKLYN FOOD GROUP

Local food and community. Working bees held weekly on Monday evenings from 5:30pm to sunset at the Brooklyn Orchard on Harrison Street. thebrooklynfoodgroup@gmail. com or www.facebook.com/ BrooklynFoodGroupNZ

BROOKLYN GARDEN CLUB

Meets 1st Wednesday 7:30pm from March to October. New members and visitors welcome. Contact Kathleen Skudder on 027 650 9108 or email: kathleen. skudder@gmail.com

GECKOS HOCKEY CLUB

Years 1-4 and new entrants Fridays 4pm-5:15pm. Years 5-8 Tuesdays 4:15pm-5:15pm. Tanera Park Bowling Club astro turf. Just turn up on practice day http:// brooklyngeckoshockey. weebly.com.

LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH

Sundays 11am-12:30pm Ridgway School Hall, 120 Mornington Road. Contact Avia 021 1096457. Email: aavia123@gmail.com Find us on Facebook.

BROOKLYN LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Next meeting on Saturday 9 December from 2 - 4pm at Brooklyn Library. We'd love your input or queries. Please contact the convenor in case our advertised date or venue changes. Sharon Macintyre 0276344455 sharonmacintyre42@gmail.

BROOKLYN MAINLY MUSIC

Fun affordable 30 minutes, for parents or care givers to enjoy with their preschooler(s). Morning Tea provided.

Wellington Reformed Church 34 Harrison St. Rachel 022 407 9652

BROOKLYN NORTHERN UNITED JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

First kicks enrolments open throughout the season. Email enquiries to info@ bnujfc.co.nz or visit us online at www.bnujfc.co.nz

BROOKLYN PLAYGROUP

Fun group for parents & caregivers with preschool children. Meets Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30-11:30am during the school term at the Korean Church - 184 Ohiro Road. Turn up on the day.

BROOKLYN SCOUTS

Scout Hall, Harrison St. Scouting is for boys and girls who love adventure. Keas 5-7 yrs, Cubs 7-11yrs, Scouts 11-14yrs, Venturers

14-18yrs. Financial Support available. Find out more at www.brooklynscouts.org.nz or contact John Morrison on membership@brooklynscouts. org.nz

BROOKLYN SMALLBORE

RIFLE CLUB Ages 14+ Sundays 6.30pm-8pm mid-March to early October at the Royal Tiger Range, 131 Russell Terrace, Newtown. To join contact Dianne Grain on 0274 449 641 d.grain@xtra.co.nz www.bsrc.org.nz

BROOKLYN TABLE TENNIS

9am-12pm Tuesdays and 8pm Wednesdays at Brooklyn Community Centre. We welcome new members of all ages and ability. Tables, bats and balls provided. Phone Philip on 021 230 4083.

BROOKLYN TOY LIBRARY

The Toy Library is based in the Vogelmorn Precinct at 93 Mornington Road. We have a fantastic range of toys for children aged 0-7 years available to hire. Find us on Facebook or visit our website: brooklyntoylibrary.org.nz

BROOKLYN WALKERS

Meet Monday mornings (except public holidays) outside Brooklyn Library. Phone Deborah 934 2238 or Lindy 027 356 5037.

6 November – Buckley Road to Kilbirnie. Catch 10:14am No. 29 bus at Brooklyn Library.

13 November – City to Kelburn. Start at 9:30am from Gandhi Statue by the Railway Station.

20 November – Polhill Transient Track, Catch 9:29am No. 17 bus from Brooklyn Library.

27 November – Newlands Walk, Catch 9:42am No. 52 bus from Wellington Station.

4 December – Island Bay to Lyall Bay. Catch 9:55am No. 1 bus from Adelaide Rd at Basin Reserve.

BROOKLYN JUNIOR CRICKET

CLUB At the old Wellington Bowling Club, Tanera Crescent, Brooklyn. More details online at www.bjcc.co.nz

FRIENDS OF OWHIRO

STREAM Working bees on the second Saturday of the month 10am-12:30pm. Contact Martin on 389 8995 or email: owhirostream@gmail.com

PREDATOR FREE BROOKLYN

Hello Kaka, goodbye rats! We're looking for volunteers to host traps on their properties. If you'd like to help email predatorfreebrooklyn@gmail. com

RATA PLAYGROUP Calm and nurturing place for

babies and toddlers 0-3 years to explore, learn and socialise with a parent or family member. Morning

sessions available at Capital Montessori, Camrose Grove, Kingston.

montessori.school.nz/playgroup or email

rata@montessori.school.nz

THE KUNG FU SCHOOL

Learn Shaolin Kung Fu for self defense and functional fitness. Wellington Swords Club Building, 2 Tanera Crescent, Brooklyn. Contact Rob Young on 021 408 521 or wellington@shaolinkungfu.co.nz www.shaolinkungfu.co.nz

ST JOHN PENGUIN AND **YOUTH DIVISION**

Penguin Program 6-8 yrs. Karen Don 027 404 6343 Youth Division 8-18 yrs. Ross Young 021 264 0440 www.stjohn.org.nz

TURBINE TALKERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Your local chapter of Toastmasters International. Tuesdays 7:15pm-9:15pm fortnightly at the Reformed Church on Harrison St. Sam Day 022 436 8715, Sylvie 022 197 3610 turbine@toastmasters.org.nz http://6879.toastmastersclubs.org

UPSTREAM - FRIENDS OF CENTRAL PARK

Working Bees from 10am-12:30pm on the last Sunday of the month. Contact Lynne White at all.whites@ xtra.co.nz Come along for great conversations, meet

new people, delicious morning tea and contribute to the care of Central Park.

SCRABBLE WELLINGTON

Wednesdays from 7pm upstairs at the Vogelmorn Precinct, 93 Mornington Rd. All abilities welcome! Contact Nick Ascroft on 022 675 1399. Email: nick ascroft@hotmail.com

VOGELMORN TENNIS CLUB

Welcomes players of all ages and abilities. Join our social, family-friendly club. Club days, competitive play, professional coaching.

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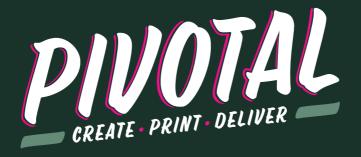
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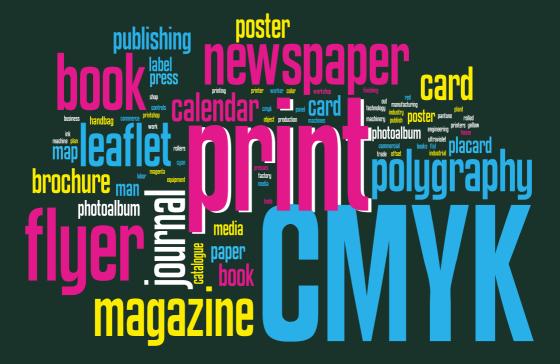
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