

# DAIRY FLAT NEWSLETTER

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and the Dairy Flat Community Trust

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## REDALE LANDFILL COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Current members:

Rob Leinwand ----- Chairman & Resident Liaison Officer  
John McLean ----- AC  
Nigel Donovan ----- AC  
Louise Johnston-----AC  
Bob Gibbs ----- Local Resident  
Bill Earwaker ----- Local Resident  
Kirk Storie ----- Local Resident  
Richard Croker----- Local Resident  
Stephen Walker ----- Local Resident  
David Hardy ----- NHTCC  
Debbie Marshall ----- DF Primary School Principal  
Mark Drury ----- Peer Review Panel  
Fiona McKenzie ----- Manuhiri Kaitiaki Charitable Trust  
Chris Wills ----- Waste Management  
Andy Vosper ----- Waste Management  
Rob Bailey ----- Waste Management

The Committee's role is to allow issues and concerns relating to the operation of the landfill to be debated and negotiated. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding Redvale Landfill please contact Andy Vosper on 09 427 0600 or your nearest Liaison Committee member.

Members were elected to the Committee by the community or have been appointed to represent particular interest groups. **Minutes of the meetings are available for perusal at the Waste Management NZ Ltd office.** Any member of the public is able to attend and be heard at these meetings as long as at least two days' notice is given to the Secretary, Steph, via email - [Redvale@wastemanagement.co.nz](mailto:Redvale@wastemanagement.co.nz)

Our next scheduled meeting at the Waste Management Office – 15th May 2017.

## DAIRY FLAT COMMUNITY TRUST



Current Trustees:

<i>Greg Taylor</i>	<i>Steven Earwaker</i>
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*The Dairy Flat Community Trust is a charitable Trust to administer and distribute monies provided for the*

*Community of Dairy Flat by Waste Management NZ Ltd.*

*Please see our Trust website:*

[www.dairyflatcommunitytrust.co.nz](http://www.dairyflatcommunitytrust.co.nz)

*Should you have any questions concerning the Trust, please contact:*

*Chairperson - Greg Taylor - Ph: 415 6643 or 426 0606*

*Secretary – Steph Dryland - Ph: 427 0600*

## Community Liaison Chairman's Comment

Greetings, and welcome to the first Chairman's' report for 2017.

The Community Liaison Committees' (CLC) role is to "establish and maintain a forum for communication" between Waste Management and the community surrounding the Redvale Landfill. The CLC has representation from Waste Management, and residents of Richards Road, Dairy Flat Highway, Horseshoe Bush Road, and Tender Road. In addition, there is a representative from the Auckland Council, the local Rodney Board, Dairy Flat School, the Community Trust, and other specialists as required.

There are no new issues on which to report, which is the good news. The bad news is that the former issues of noise, odour, dirt on the roads, and the number of truck movements per day continue to plague us. Waste Management had agreed to put a link on their website ([www.wastemanagement.co.nz](http://www.wastemanagement.co.nz)) to a complaint/contact form. The website still needs modification to make it easier for residents to navigate and reach, either a complaints form or a contact form, as required. While there is a link, it is buried in an obscure place on the site. This will be addressed at the next CLC meeting.

Meeting dates for 2017 are 15 May, 14 August and 13 November  
Please note any Dairy Flat residents who wish to attend CLC meetings are welcome to attend as guests.

I am sure there will be more to report after the 15 May CLC meeting.

Rob Leinwand

## Community Learning Directory available.

A Community Learning Directory for the Hibiscus Coast and surrounding communities has been produced to make it easier for people to find out what learning opportunities are on offer in our area.

There are over 140 tutors offering around 180 courses. The section headings are: Art and Craft, Business and Finance, Computing, Food and Cooking, Fitness and Recreation, Music and Dance, Language and Travel, Personal Development as well as a large section for Children and Teens.

Copies are available in the Dairy Flat store, the Orewa and Whangaparaoa libraries and the Citizens Advice Bureau in Orewa.

You can also view the booklet by going to the website [www.hbclearn.co.nz](http://www.hbclearn.co.nz) and clicking on the book cover.

If you are a tutor or know of someone who tutors who would like to be included in the Directory, complete the simple form under 'tutors' on the website.

This is a free service for tutors.

## Silverdale Squash Club

Winter is coming up so why not try keeping fit playing squash at Silverdale Squash Club? It is a great venue to meet others while having some (socially acceptable!) fun at the same time. It doesn't matter if you have never played before – we can show you how. It also doesn't matter how old you are. Some of our members played in the World Masters being held in Auckland – and some of them are well over 60!

For juniors, we our kids' club night is on Wednesdays 4.45 – 6.15. Come and try it out! We've got lots of keen juniors taking part. Also tuition is still being run by the club's coach – so if anyone under 16 is interested, email the club at [tonyforde@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:tonyforde@hotmail.co.nz) or see our Facebook page.

We have several Interclub squash teams of all abilities – men and women and several mixed Masters teams. We also run frequent Masters and Open tournaments throughout the year.

For those who want to get seriously fit and really improve their squash, we can offer coaching sessions throughout the week.

We are always looking for new members – new to the game or experienced. Come along to our friendly Club Night on Thursday evenings 7pm onwards and give it a go.

For more information, contact the club president Tony Forde at [tonyforde@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:tonyforde@hotmail.co.nz)



**Feeling Fab Charitable Trust**

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Dairy Flat  
Auckland 0794  
Phone: 0211373155  
[www.feelingfab.co.nz](http://www.feelingfab.co.nz)

*I would like to introduce you to the Feeling Fab Charitable Trust established November 2016.*

*We are a non-profit organisation who provide pamper days for those who have experienced grief, caregivers and individuals who are in need through a variety of unfortunate circumstances.*

*Our aim is to provide a safe nurturing environment for women to experience a full day of pampering.*

*We are here to help them to leave the blanket of grief and their worries at the door. They will be pampered by our most caring and understanding volunteers. Starting with a massage/Reiki or healing and followed by a makeover and hair styling. There are also goodie bags for them to be able to take home and enjoy. Yummy food is provided throughout the day.*

*Our aim is to give back some of the love, support and tenderness that seems to disappear when we are faced with grief or overwhelmed by life. This is also a great opportunity to connect with others who are going through similar experiences, something which bereaved people generally find really helpful.*

*We have received fantastic feedback from the women who have attended and the volunteers who have given up their time freely to support them and make these days possible.*

*Please take a moment to have a look at the short video that is on our website at [www.feelingfab.co.nz](http://www.feelingfab.co.nz) as this will give you an example of what our pamper days entail.*

*We are always looking for volunteers to help us on the days and any donations of goodies to put in the giveaway bags for our ladies.*

*Kind Regards,  
Elizabeth York,  
Founder,  
Feeling Fab Charitable Trust*



## Queens Birthday Weekend

Ticketed preview night - 1 June

Estuary Arts Centre  
214b Hibiscus Coast Highway  
Orewa

7pm - 9pm

**\$25 per ticket**  
Tickets include wine and  
hors d'oeuvres

## Art Exhibition and Sale

Estuary Arts Centre - 1 - 5 June  
Ticketed preview night - 1 June



The Hibiscus Hospice 2017 Art Exhibition and Sale is set to be a visually stunning event with around 300 works for sale or auction from more than 70 artists. This includes over 20 new artists as well as favourites from previous years.

Not only is there something to suit every taste, but there will be items to suit every pocket with works ranging from \$20 to over \$3,000. Old favourites include Lisa Bindon, Sarah C, Pamela Cooper, Sonja Drake, Keith Grinter, Kairava Gullatz, Gloria Hodge, Rogan James, Donna Massey, Yana Meech and Murray Stuart.

The event is in its 12th year and is run by the Hibiscus Hospice Women's Committee. Proceeds go towards Hibiscus Hospice so they can continue to be there for patients and their families.

Alongside works using oils, acrylics, watercolours and pastels on paper, canvas and board, there will be works on oars, cork, Perspex and steel. The exhibition will also feature ceramics for indoors and outdoors, prints, photography, glassware and jewellery.

The 12th annual art exhibition and sale is on from Friday June 2nd throughout Queen's Birthday Weekend to Monday June 5th. The exhibition opens with a ticketed preview and auction on the evening of Thursday 1st June. Tickets are available online at [www.hibiscushospice.org.nz](http://www.hibiscushospice.org.nz) or by phoning hospice (09) 421 9180. Opening hours on Friday, Saturday and Sunday are 9.00am – 4pm and on Monday, 9.00am – 2pm. Entry on these days will be by gold coin donation with eftpos available.

**The exhibition will be held at the Estuary Arts Centre, 214B Hibiscus Coast Highway, Orewa.**

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### ***Local resource available to help your business***

I keep hearing about NZ businesses not being able to find good staff. I would like to offer my services to a local business.

Maybe you are a small start-up just needing a generalist who can muck in and help you grow your business. Maybe you're an established business who wants to do a special project or introduce a new product line.

If you need someone for a few hours a week, I might be the person for you. Happy to work for a few weeks, a few months or for a longer agreement. I am looking to help someone a day a week.

I have experience in general management, making businesses operate better, projects, planning, and business development. I am happy to muck in and help solve your problems. I work well as a team member or autonomously on a task.

Give me a call, even if you're not 100% sure yourself what you are looking for; happy to talk. Thanks for your time.

Gill 021 253 4210 daytime or 426 4334 evenings.

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## Dairy Flat Community Hall

Hall Hire: Please go to our website [www.DairyFlatLive.com](http://www.DairyFlatLive.com) or call 09-4269500

If you want to start classes, etc. in the Hall we will support you.

### DFlat Live Music Venue

Did you know that you have the best live music just on your door step? People from all over Auckland come to DFlat Hall for:

**1st Thursday of the Month “Jam Night” if you are a musician or a music lover come join us.  
This is always a great night.**

**1st Friday of the Month “Rockabilly”**

**1st Saturday of the Month “Our Blues night”**

**2nd Friday of the Month “Country Rock”**

**3rd Saturday of the Month “Rock & Roll”**

**4th Friday of the Month “Country Rock”**

Always check our website first to see what's on

### North Harbour Sports & Country Club Inc



1235 State Highway 17, Dairy Flat  
RD 4 Albany 0794, Auckland  
Phone: (09) 426-3391

**All Are Welcome** to come in & check it out  
Stay & have a drink or meal from the Bar & Bistro

Membership forms are available from the club if you wish to join or renew.

#### **Member's night, every Thursday night**

- Meat raffles from 6.00pm
- Discounted bar prices

Member's Jackpot drawn from 6.30-7.30pm

**(You must be present to collect prize)**

#### *Facilities include:*

Heated swimming Pool, Tennis Courts, Pool Table,  
Venue Hire

For enquiries phone: 09 426 3391

Or email the club: [info@nhsccl.co.nz](mailto:info@nhsccl.co.nz)



**HIBISCUS COAST  
COMMUNITY LEARNING**

A directory of community education providers  
and courses available in the Hibiscus Coast area.  
Learn a new skill, find a new hobby,  
stay fit and active, and meet new people!

[www.hbclearn.co.nz](http://www.hbclearn.co.nz)

# Autumn Planting Season

What a splash of rain, it was much needed and very timely to get things growing before winter, the weeds have already put on a spurt!

The soil is moist enough to work and is still warm making it ideal for plant growth and nutrient uptake. Remember soil can change from dry to inaccessible in a very short time frame.

Reminders:

- Access is great; it's easier not to carry things long distances, this is especially important to those with heavy soils that rapidly saturate and pug; impeding vehicular access.
- Get mulch delivered as close to sites as possible for later use if required.
- Warm weather provides a great opportunity to hit those weeds while they are still growing actively & are more susceptible to herbicide.
- Weeds need controlling; try not to let their seeds ripen. The spread of weeds such as privet along the fence lines is increasing, but the soil is ideal for hand pulling their seedlings now!
- Rats, mice, rabbits, possum are active so targeting them now before winter is very effective, if using poison you may get mustelids as a secondary kill.
- It's an excellent time to spot the common wasps' nests in the ground & deal to them, you may need to seek professional help as these guys are aggressive & give chase- I can attest to this! Their flight paths are easier to spot when the sun is lower & reflects off their wings, cracks in banks are a favourite dwelling place.

Time to assess past plantings and maybe introduce a wider range of species or replacements in areas with insufficient coverage. Remember different sites will support different species! Adverse seasons highlight pockets that have different attributes to the surrounding area, causing plants growing at the edge of their comfort zone to succumb and require replacing.

Need plant advice give me a call?

Help is a phone call away

Lisa Clapperton

Waitoki Plants 09-420 5455

Nursery open by appointment.

## **Greenpark School**

*Term one at Greenpark Preschool has flown by. The children have made the most of the settled summer weather by spending lots of time outside with plenty of water play. Everyone enjoyed 'tog' day when we set up a waterslide which provided lots of slippery, bubbly fun.*

*We started off the year with a colour focus. Each week we focused on a different colour incorporating paint, play dough, water trough and messy play. Our monotone paintings became detailed and inventive. Reuniting all the colours produced many magnificent rainbow paintings. We celebrated the end of our colour focus with a colourful dress-up day.*

*Watching our monarch caterpillars grow and eventually become butterflies also created great interest. We studied the life cycle and were lucky enough to watch several butterflies emerge from chrysalis. We finished our monarch focus with butterfly face painting.*

*This term we ran two special focus groups, both providing lots of opportunities for creativity. A butterfly group wrote their own butterfly stories, made masks, butterfly collages, symmetrical paintings and studied and illustrated the monarch life cycle.*

*A box construction group enabled a group of older children to work on an individual project over a period of days or weeks. This resulted in some amazing work which included aeroplanes, robots, trucks, cars and boats.*

*Other focus' this term have included cicadas and families. The children's family portraits were enjoyed by all the families and visitors to the centre!*

*This term we have enjoyed learning and playing group games in the afternoon. The children are always keen to tidy up early to play games.*

*Our current focus is stories and books. The children are enjoying bringing in their favourite book from home to share at mat time. The children are also using their imaginations to create and illustrate their own stories.*

*For further information about Greenpark Preschool, please phone 09 426 3342 or visit our website [www.greenpark.net.nz](http://www.greenpark.net.nz)*

**Dairy Flat School** has had a very productive and exciting term 1 in 2017. Despite the weather playing havoc with a number of our planned events we were able to fit everything in. Our picnic day ended up being at school and with a bit of thought all the usual activities were held. Rimu house were declared the winner on the day. The pool was used almost every day of term 1. It is a wonderful asset, which the Board of Trustees is very keen to maintain despite the costs. The junior and middle school swimming sports were held successfully in our pool. The senior school travelled to the Leisure Centre in Stanmore Bay. Puriri house won.

We have upgraded our website to provide much more information about the learning. We have included blogs for each learning zone which include information and links for classroom learning, homework and permission forms. The Board of Trustees, in response to the local lockdowns at the end of last year, have had a **Dairy Flat School App** developed that will send notifications directly to parent's phones. The App links directly to the website so you can read the newsletter, send absences and check information as well as receive messages on the new app.

Dairy Flat School had a focus on culture and heritage in term one. All our students participated in a marae visit and learned about the bicultural nature of our country. The term culminated in our inaugural Culture Day which was a huge success. The school dynamic is changing and we are becoming more multi-cultural. This adds a real richness to the school. It was lovely for children and teachers to be able to showcase their cultural identity. We had Welsh ponies, taekwon-do, origami, Chinese dragons and a range of other cultural activities. A group of Japanese students from Orewa College performed a traditional dance for us. The highlight of the day was the hangi. The pit was dug by our onsite contractors and lots of people helped make it a success. It was delicious.

We have joined other local schools to employ qualified language teachers of Japanese and Mandarin who are teaching the Year 5 and 6 students one day a week. We are excited to be part of this collaboration. We are also part of a Community of schools which include Orewa College, Orewa Primary, Silverdale Primary, Wainui Primary and Orewa North Primary schools. We will work together to improve teaching and learning in our schools to raise the achievement levels of our students.

This year, we are happy to continue with the primary project. We have two university students who come to school one day a week to run lunchtime games and activities for students. Students love the music and 'vibe' they bring to our programme. Jono and Jaz are great role models and provide lots of fun for students.

This year our teachers have a clear focus on improving writing across the school. The Board of Trustees have allocated professional learning funding for teacher development and we are working with an expert facilitator. We encourage parents to talk to their students about what they are learning at school.

The theme for term 2 is all about communication and a celebration of the Arts. We are looking forward to our own Arts Festival and participating in the Northern Bays Arts Festival held in the Bruce Mason Centre.