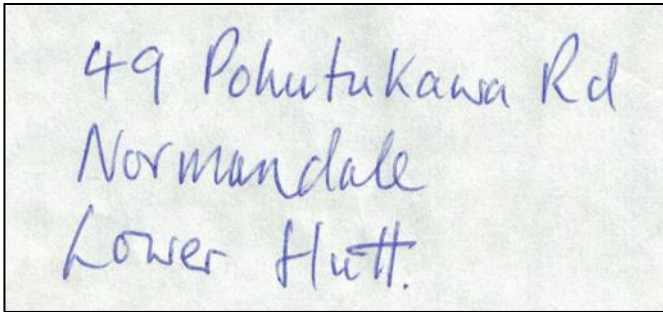


Pokohiwi Problems

Some unique spellings of Pokohiwi Rd collected over the years. Got your own you'd like to share? Send an email over to ntimes@hotmail.com for a feature.



Bird of the Month

Seen here in Normandale, the yellowhammer.



Word of the month:

- Panacea**
A. geological outcrop
B. solution for all difficulties
C. collective accord
D. style of flash frying

Last-month's word:

- Prevaricate**
C. speak/act evasively

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Busy month in June!

After a busy May with the recycling weekend and the inorganic collection (both of which may be done by the time you receive this), we have another busy month planned for June. In June, we will be concentrating on tidying up the entrance to Normandale.

Weeding Working Bee: Saturday 12th June from 10:30am

Where: the path above the carpark just over the Normandale bridge.

Our first activity will be weeding the areas we intend to plant/mulch later in the month. Pop in and join us - even half an hour would be really helpful. Please bring weeding equipment and kneelers if you would like one. Water and snacks will be available for helpers.



AGM: Thursday 17th June 7:30pm.

Where: St Aidan's on the Hill.

On top of a discussion of the Normandale Residents' Association's general business we are also planning a guest speaker to talk about how our community can respond to an emergency. This is an issue that many of you have talked to us about and there are many new members of our community, so we think it is worth discussing again. More details will be in our next issue of the newsletter.

Planting Day: Saturday 26th June from 10:30am

We'll use this time to plant out the area we weeded the previous fortnight. Please bring your own spade or shovel. We'll provide the plants. We'll also bring some drinking water and snacks for helpers.



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Note: Copy deadline 25th of preceding month.

Next NRA meeting:
17 Pokohiwi Road
Thursday 20th April
7:30pm - all association
members welcome.



Normandale School Enviro Group

The Envirogroup headed up to Poto Reserve to spend some time nurturing the plants that we planted last year. We were very pleased with how they have grown! We cleared any weeds from around them so that they had a good space to continue to grow. We also stopped in to check the weta hotels that the Pohutukawa team put up during their last visit. Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who came along with us - it makes such a big difference to us, our community, and our environment. If you get a chance, please pop along to Poto Reserve and see if you can spot any of our new plants or check-in with the weta hotels to see if there are any guests!

-Karen Schrijvers, Normandale School



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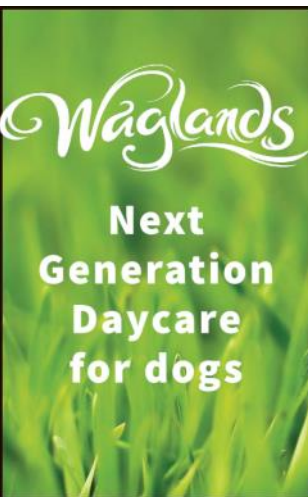
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Annual Community BBQ draws new numbers



The amphitheatre at Poto Reserve saw around 40 Normandale locals over the course of the annual community BBQ. Although the weather was overcast and cool, there were warm greetings and introductions to newer residents while the free sausages, cake slices and apples were received with gusto. Some of our younger residents had fun checking out the fort, as well as the new bug and weta motels scattered nearby. The additions of both plant and book swaps to what was on offer at the BBQ also had many a perusing eye. Overall, a great time was had, and special thanks must go to Kerry Logan for providing music and singing. If you did swing by, it was great seeing you, and here's to a another great turnout next year.



Role Opening:

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