



Annual General Meeting

Formal notice is given of the Normandale Residents' Association Annual General Meeting on 18 June 2014 at 7.30 pm, St Aidan's on the Hill.

Speaker: Trevor Mallard

Supper will be provided

Please come along to support your community

CALLING ALL GREEN FINGERS

Poto Road Reserve desperately needs your help.

Our lovely new reserve has been invaded by weeds! We welcome all green fingers, visitors and passers-by, to feel free to pull a weed (or two) whilst there.

Working bees will be organised for future dates. Please watch the Normandale notice board (on Normandale Road).

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GREETINGS

An Annual General Meeting of the Normandale Residents' Association will be held on Wednesday 18 June 2014, 7.30 pm at St Aidan's on the Hill. The guest speaker will be Hon Trevor Mallard. All are invited to this meeting, so please do come along.

For the shorter days and longer nights how about considering joining the Western Hills' Wine Society? They meet once a month to sample a vast array of wines.

Finally, the students at Normandale School have been doing us proud again with four competing in the Weet-bix Tryathlon last month. Well done to them.

Tracy Bryant

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The next meeting of the NRA will be held at St Aidan's Church on Wednesday 21 May at 7.30-9 pm. All association members welcome.

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WESTERN HILLS' WINE SOCIETY

The Maungaraki-based group is keen to introduce itself to potential local members. President and Normandale resident Michael Kuus says the society which has been running for more than 30 years will appeal to a range of ages, from experienced lovers of wine to people who want to demystify wine and those who know a little but want to learn more. At a typical meeting there is usually a theme or a representative of a winery or supplier as guest presenter. Many of the presenters are the first generation of winemakers and pioneers of the industry. They share entertaining tales of their first faltering endeavours, failures and successes.

The meetings are covered by a liquor license and a set measure used which limits the overall amount a person can drink. Please do not expect any binge drinking.

The society meets on the first Wednesday of the month (except August and December) at the Maungaraki Community Centre, Dowse Drive, at 7.30 pm. Visitors 18 years of age and over welcome.

All enquiries to Mr Kuus. phone 569 2273.



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Your local Girl Guide group is having an Open Evening on Thursday 26 June 7-8.30 pm. Come along and join in on the fun. All you will need to bring is yourselves and a plate of food to share with your new friends.

Any questions please go to
www.girlguidingnz.org.nz or call Kylie
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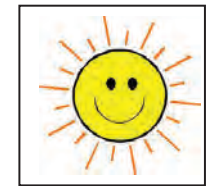
which takes the children to remote places all over New Zealand. They went on a geohazards trip to the Bay of Plenty and studied volcanoes, tsunamis, landslides, earthquakes and hydrothermals. On their actual field trip the seniors went to California Harcourts Park with Julian Thomson from GNS to learn more about earthquakes and the location of the fault line running through Harcourts Park. Mr Thomson said he was very impressed by the focus and ideas from the students.

Anne-Marie Gordon
Principal

WEET-BIX KIDS' TRYATHLON

The Weet-bix Kids' Tryathlon last month was a great success. The event was held at Kilbirnie with 2,000 children entering between the ages of 7 and 15. The 9 year old Normandale School girls started with a 100 m swim, 4 km bike ride and ended with a 1.5 km run. The weather was amazing and everyone had a fantastic time. The girls felt a great sense of accomplishment and relief at the finish line.

NORMANDALE SCHOOL



Normandale School seniors have been learning about **Natural Disasters**. They were involved in a virtual field trip (LEARNZ). This is a programme