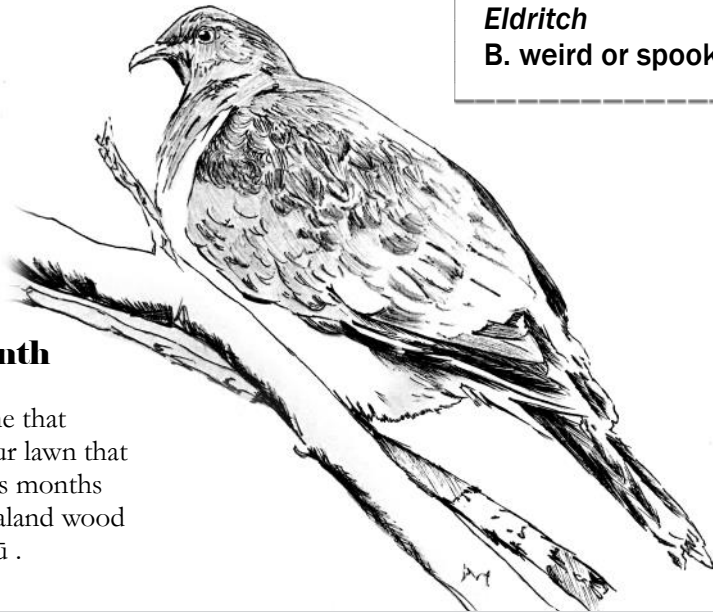
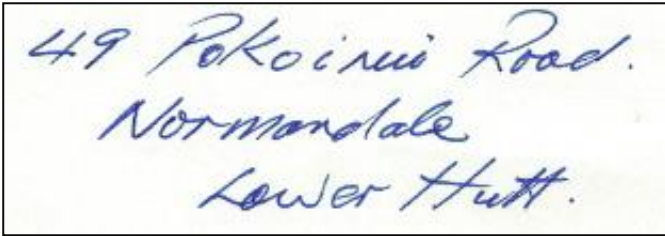


Pokohiwi Problems

A new segment where we showcase 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

In honour of the one that plonked down on our lawn that my mum helped, this months bird is The New Zealand wood pigeon, or the kererū .



Word of the month:

- Bailiwick**
A. one's area of interest
B. judge's secretary
C. type of grass
D. a move in wrestling

Last-month's word:

- Eldritch**
B. weird or spooky

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Normandale Calendar of Events 2021

COMMUNITY BBQ.

Saturday 20th March.

11:30am- 2pm,

Poto Rd Reserve.

Backup Date- Sun 21st March

(same time & place)



A free (vegetarian friendly) BBQ hosted by the Normandale Resident's Association, now including a plant swap & gardening books table. Bring along some plants you might want to give away/swap. There also will be cake and refreshments to enjoy, with Normandale native Kerry Logan providing the tunes.

Here are some other events that the Normandale Residents' Association is planning to run this year. These are draft dates right now, and are subject to change.

MAY

Recycling Day, and Inorganic Collection Day

JUNE

Planting Working Bee, Annual General Meeting, and Planting Day.

August- Clean Up Jubilee Park

September- Spring Festival at Minoh House

December- Annual Santa Parade.



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Note: Copy deadline 25th of preceding month.

Next NRA meeting:
17 Pokohiwi Road
Thursday 18th March
7:30pm - all association
members welcome.



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Wellington Transport Plans now open for consultation

Wondering what's going on with the Melling interchange, or at the bottom of Normandale bridge? Do you have some thoughts about Snapper vs train tickets? The Greater Wellington Regional Council wants to hear from you!

Consultation on both the draft Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 and draft Regional Public Transport Plan opened on the 15th February, and will be running through to the 19th March 2021.

You can find the draft plans and how to make a submission at <https://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/regional-transport-story>

Hutt City Council are also planning development of their Integrated Transport Strategy. The public is also invited to participate in the strategy's development, with further workshops with key stakeholders also on the cards. The Normandale Residents' Association are one of those stakeholders, so if you've got some thoughts about the future of transport in Lower Hutt please feel free to drop us a line, and we'll pass it on to council. If you're more keen to make your thoughts more directly known, watch this space for more details from the council as things develop.

"We are planning for a city with a strategy that not only tackles congestion, but also encourages more cycling, walking, and other active ways of getting around Lower Hutt."

-from Mayor Campbell Barry

Kiwi wines for the tasting

New Zealand wines, some from boutique vineyards, will dominate the year's programme at the Western Hills Wine Society.

Presenters will include Pisa Range Estate from Central Otago (April), Te Mata Estate from the Hawke's Bay (May), Porters Pinot of Martinborough, Hawke's Ridge and Moana Park Estate from the Hawke's Bay, and Mt Rosa from Queenstown's Gibbston Valley.

The society aims to give locals an introduction to New Zealand and overseas wines in a friendly and fun environment; meeting in the Maungaraki Community Centre supper room on the first Wednesday of every month, running from 7:30-8pm.

The wine society meetings are covered by a liquor licence and a set measure used which limits the overall amount a person can drink. Visitors 18 and over always welcome. Admission is \$15 per person.



NRA Subscriptions

Just a reminder that Normandale Residents' Association subscriptions cover the time period of July/June. They allow the Residents' Association to do things like hire out the bins for the upcoming inorganic collection, to the cake for the community BBQ. If you want to double check your subscription has been paid, ring 04 566 4130, or email normandale.residents@gmail.com.



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