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Upcoming Events

Weeding Working Bee: Saturday 17th July from 10:30am

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

We will be doing some further weeding around the entrance to Normandale. 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.

Clean Up Jubilee Park: Saturday 14th August

A community effort to spruce up our local park with our Clean Up Jubilee Park event. Save the date, more details to follow in next months issue.

AGM President's Report 2021

This last year has been characterised by beautifying and connecting. We began our work beautifying the entrance to Normandale towards the end of 2020 and this month has seen further activity in the area. We'd particularly like to thank Tim Grey for his work weeding in the area over the last few years.

We also ran our successful recycling weekends and our inorganic collection. As we move to a more sustainable future, we'll be encouraging more reuse and repurposing and reducing waste. We are also keen for more purposeful planting of Normandale to reduce erosion and encourage birds. We've also begun work repairing access to one of the walkways in our area in response to several comments from community members.

We have done more connecting this year with lots of visitors to our committee meetings, some social activities and connecting people with opportunities to have their say. (cont.)

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Note: Copy deadline 25th of preceding month.

The next NRA meeting will be held at 17 Pokohiwi Rd, Thursday 15th July 7:30pm - all association members welcome.

AGM: Presidents Report 2021 cont.

We again ran our community BBQ and had a very successful day, including for the first time a plant swap and books free to good homes.

I was looking back at old agendas and realised that there are lots of visitors and requests for connections. To give you a bit of an idea of the range of things, these included

- requests for connecting a resident to a cleaner,
- supporting the Maungaraki Community with their plans to improve the area,
- connecting with WREMO and the Community Emergency Centre – we are taking responsibility for the stored water
- a visit with the Mayor Campbell Barry talking about the 10-year plan
- and many more!

Thank you to all who attended the AGM and particularly to our guest speaker Kane McCollum from WREMO (see a summary of Kane's talk over the page) and our two new committee members Fiona and Katrina for stepping up to help out.

I'd like to thank the committee members who made up our wonderful committee, supported me this year, and contributed many hours of their time: our office holders for the 2020/21 year: Sandie, Victoria, Angelica, and the rest of the committee Cheryl, Pete, Phil, Margaret, Ivan, and Grant for all their hard work this year.

And finally, we couldn't have done all this work for our community without the support of our community. Thank you all.

-Robyn Caygill, President

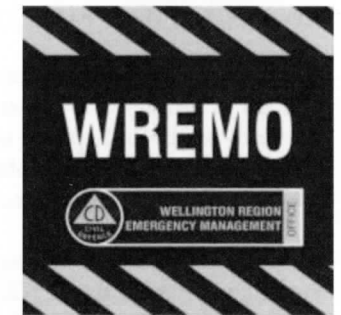
Emergencies and Normandale

After the NRA AGM, Kane McCullum from WREMO spoke about the "4Rs" of emergency management: readiness, resilience, response and recovery. He reminded everyone that the "Community Emergency Hubs", of which St Aidan's is the hub for Normandale, are places where community members can convene after an emergency to assess available resources in the community, and what help can be provided. There are no blankets or food kept in these hubs. What they do contain, is a radio, and a kit with a plan for the locals to help themselves in an emergency.

The kit has a list of roles which include: hub supervisor, information co-ordinator, collating needs and wants (making lists and matching community resources with requirements), and communications. It might take a few days after a major emergency for locals to assign roles and get the hub up and running. Kane pointed out there is a likelihood that "outside" help (i.e. from WREMO or Council) might not arrive for 7 to 10 days! THIS is why all residents need to have sufficient food and water for several days at home!

The NRA committee are investigating having WREMO staff run a demonstration or workshop at St Aidan's for Normandale residents of how the kits are designed to work

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, drop us a line (see front page for contact details, or on our Residents of Normandale Facebook page). The more people show interest, the better the demonstration can run – which long term makes Normandale all the more prepared.



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