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# NORMANDALE TIMES

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## Normandale Recycling Weekend

### Saturday 20th November 9am onwards

Residents can put out household goods, toys, garden equipment, pieces of furniture, and other bric-a-brac that other residents can pick up and reuse. Take a trip around the neighbourhood and help yourself to anything clearly free to a good home.

You are responsible for anything you put out and anything remaining at the end of the weekend should be taken back in. In the case of bad weather, please be sensible, and not put your goods outside.

## Santa Parade

Normandale's upcoming Santa Parade will be celebrating 38 years of the man in red making a special daylight visit to the suburb on Christmas morning.

Santa delivers gifts by arrangement, and there are sweets for everyone waiting at their gates to watch him ride by in his sleigh.

Details of the start time and route will be published in next month's issue.

## **Spring Festival Cancellation**

Regretfully, we had to cancel Normandale's Spring Festival this year due to Covid restrictions. However, you can look forward to the festival same time next year.

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The next NRA meeting will be held at 17 Pokohiwi Rd, Thursday 18th November 7:30pm - all association members are welcome.

## Think you don't have rats? Think again!

We are on the hunt for more homes that love our native wildlife and are keen to join Predator Free Normandale. Over the last 2 years we have trapped and recorded over 1588 rats. We have also had more reports of the likes of Bellbirds and Kakariki hanging out in our backyards. And on the day of the Jubilee Park clean up a Whitehead was spotted. Now is the breeding season for these birds and they need your help. We have a supply of traps (and tunnels) available and ready to pop into your backyard right now.

For more info contact Nicole pfnormandale@gmail.com





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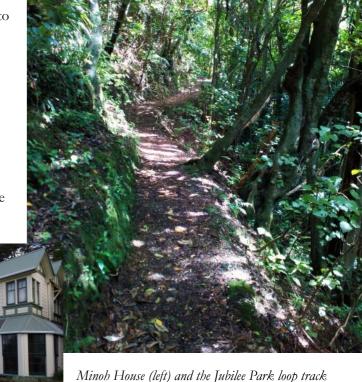




## Jubilee Park & Minoh House

While the Spring Festival didn't happen, below are some interesting facts you might have heard about the area if it had gone ahead.

Jubilee Park opened in 1940 to commemorate Wellington's centenary and is part of Normandale. It includes the sites of prominent houses built in the 1890's- since demolished for motorway construction. It also includes heritage plantings, an old fernery, picnic areas, bush walks, waterfalls, lawns, a duckpond, a roadside exercise station, and Minoh House.



(above). Pop on down and see them both!

Minoh House is a heritage NZ category 1 building. It was originally named Norbury and was built in 1904 by Lower Hutt's first mayor William Fitzherbert for his daughter Alice and her husband George von Zedlitz, Victoria University's first professor of modern languages. Today it is used to promote Japanese culture and Lower Hutt's link with its sister city Minoh, Osaka.

The grounds contain a good selection of mature native and exotic trees, including Kauri and cherry blossom, together with native shrubs and ferns, all of which attract native birds. The walking tracks are sign posted and there are short and longer routes available. The circular route track traversing the pond and waterfalls is recommended for those looking for a little different exercise.