

# NORMANDALE TIMES

Published by the Normandale Residents' Association

NOVEMBER 2024



## SUBSCRIPTIONS REMINDER

As a reminder, the Normandale Residents' Association subscription year is from July 2024 to June 2025.

We appreciate the support you give the Residents Association when you pay your subscription as it helps us with the various functions we run, like the upcoming Inorganic Collection Day. By paying your subscription, you are agreeing to being a member of the Association. Please provide your name, address, and if room an email. This will only be used if we have a question about your membership, never for spam. Thanks to the near 10% of Normandale households that have already paid their subscription.

**Subscriptions are \$10 per household**, and can be paid using online banking.

**Spare a tenner?**  
**Help out the community**



Bank- Kiwibank (Queensgate)  
Acct Name- Normandale Residents Association  
Acct No. 38-9025-0690299-00

If you prefer to pay by cash, please get in touch with us (see contact below).

### NEIGHBOURHOOD REMINDER:

*Parking cars on berms and footpaths is illegal.*  
Please be considerate of pedestrians, especially as Normandale has many blind corners.

### Upcoming Santa Parade

This Christmas morning will be the 41st special daylight visit to our suburb by Santa after his busy night of deliveries around the globe. 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 next month.

President: Pete Matcham      Editor: Victoria Hunt  
Website: [www.normandale.org.nz](http://www.normandale.org.nz)  
Get in touch: [normandale.residents@gmail.com](mailto:normandale.residents@gmail.com)

**Disclaimer:** The opinions expressed in this paper do not necessarily reflect those of the committee. **\*Note:** Copy deadline is the 25th of preceding month.

Next NRA meeting:  
21st November 2024  
7:30pm at St Aidan's on the Hill. All association members welcome.

## Big turn out for Predator Free Normandale meeting

50 people attended Predator Free Normandale's community meeting last month, with 21 more traps heading out to back yards in the suburb. A green Barking gecko, seen in upper Normandale not that long ago, is a good sign that predation hasn't encroached on the suburb.



## More than just trapping rats!

**Supplying the neighbourhood with unbiased information & motivation to rid the suburb of pests, and make a better habitat for our native flora and fauna.**

### ***Imagine Mironiro on Mironiro Road***

Welcome to Predator Free New Zealand

We encourage you to keep your new trap set and check it when you can.

For more information check out the tool kits on [predatorfreenz.org](http://predatorfreenz.org)

Every now and again we host local meetings, talks and walks with interesting people from places like Department of Conservation and Zealandia.

For more info contact Nicole: [pfnormandale@gmail.com](mailto:pfnormandale@gmail.com)

021 632 090



**LOOKING FOR SOME PUBLICITY  
FOR YOUR BUSINESS?**

**WANT TO HELP GIVE BACK  
TO NORMANDALE?**

Become an advertiser with the Normandale Times!

Get in touch > [ntimes@hotmail.com](mailto:ntimes@hotmail.com)  
our editor/graphic designer would love to hear from you!

Seen by  
over 1,000  
eyes!

## Rubbish whipped away by windy weather? Try adding an extra council bin clip

The new second bin latches available from Hutt City Council are a game changer for those of us who live on the hills - stopping rubbish going everywhere on windy days.

Extra clips can be bought for your council supplied rubbish and recycling bins from the Hutt City Council offices (30 Laings Rd), or check things out online via [www.toogoodtowaste.co.nz/bin-enquiries](http://www.toogoodtowaste.co.nz/bin-enquiries)



## Update- Melling line investment by Govt.

Transport Minister Simeon Brown outlined the Government's investment in Wellington's metro rail network.

A total of \$52.9 million has been allocated to fulfill a backlog of maintenance across the Johnsonville, Kapiti and Hutt Valley lines, as well as some work on the Melling and Wairarapa lines. Of relevance for Normandale is the re-laying of around 800 metres of track on the Melling Line so it can continue to operate into the future. This funding comes in alongside the Wellington Metro Upgrade Programme, which is pumping \$870 million into track renewal work across the Wellington Region.

Government also recently confirmed significant funding for Greater Wellington Regional Council to purchase new trains and for KiwiRail to make associated track improvements.



Based in the Maungaraki Shops.  
We offer Memberships,  
Weights, Pilates, Yoga, Golden  
Years Classes, Nutrition  
Guidance, Personal Training  
and Massage.

Toni is committed to your  
success, and welcomes you to  
join us. Ph:586 4881,  
[info@o2exercise.co.nz](mailto:info@o2exercise.co.nz),  
[www.o2exercise.co.nz](http://www.o2exercise.co.nz)



## Your Dog's Daycare Paradise

Engagement | Expertise  
Environment

**The Ultimate Dog  
Daycare Experience**

For more information visit [waglands.co.nz](http://waglands.co.nz)

Normandale Playcentre

**Movie**  
Fundraiser event

**WICKED**

SUNDAY 24th Nov, 7.45pm  
Lighthouse Cinema Petone  
Arrival from 6.45pm | Tickets \$25

JOIN US FOR SUPPER, RAFFLES,  
& SPOT PRIZES

Purchase tickets from Gemma  
[normandalepctreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:normandalepctreasurer@gmail.com)  
027 658 8395



A D A R W I N B L U E B E R R  
 R D R A E B S N A M D L O I A  
 G E R M A N W A S P C K A T O  
 E N E H S I F O T I U Q S O M  
 N I F D E R H K T V B Q I X B  
 T K I G L A U T R W O A A R Z  
 I S N J M I T A O E Y Z T W S  
 N B O T E N A O W E R B I P U  
 E F C R A B O T R W C F C V H  
 A M G U G O R S E X A I K L T  
 N U N Q Y W T A D T D C N G N  
 T S I L P S Y H I E I X O E A  
 H S D W S K S Z P B Q H T W P  
 S O L R Y I Q R S E E B W T A  
 I P I B I N W X Y G V N E O G  
 F L W F V K S W D C Z F E N A  
 T I T F E R R E T A C B D K N  
 A A E L E P H A N T G R A S S  
 C T R A D E R I C C I V C R Y  
 E H A I T N A C S E D A R T D  
 I S N S W F G Y P S Y M O T H  
 N U M O S Q I T Q F I S H U F  
 Y R R E B R A B S N I W R A D  
 S B R U S H T A Y L P O S S U

## NZ Invasive species

Find the names of some of the flora and fauna considered as 'invasive species' here in NZ.

- BRUSHTAIL POSSUM
- STOAT
- GERMAN WASP
- WHITETAIL DEER
- WEASEL
- HEDGEHOG
- BROWN RAT
- ARGENTINE ANT
- FERRET
- MOSQUITOFISH
- CATFISH
- AGAPANTHUS
- GORSE
- OLD MAN'S BEARD
- RAINBOW SKINK
- ELEPHANT GRASS
- ASIATIC KNOTWEED
- SPIDERWORT
- GYPSY MOTH
- WILDING CONIFER
- TRADESCANTIA
- DARWIN'S BARBERRY

Normandale Times Official Sponsor - CK&Co.



Thank you New Zealand for voting us the winner of Consumer's 2024 National People's Choice award. **Enough said.**



**Chrissy Kibblewhite**  
 021 244 6784  
[chrissy@ckandco.nz](mailto:chrissy@ckandco.nz)

**CK & CO**  
 REALTY