



Did you weather the storm?

Thursday 14th May will be a day that many of us remember – has there ever been such rain! Normandale School was forced to close with water rushing down the main accessway like a river along with flooding to the school grounds.

Did you take photos around Normandale or have a story to share? Please send to ntimes@hotmail.com



Western Hills High Hoops

Casual basketball games for children aged 8 - 12 years. Every Sunday during the school term, 4pm - 5pm. \$2 per family. All welcome, no experience required. More information at www.facebook.com/WesternHillsHighHoops or text Alice at 027 329 7911.

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Celebrating Our Past

The original Hutt to Pauatahanui road, now known as Normandale Road, at least for the first five kilometres, and the settlements around it are an important part of the history of our suburb and of Lower Hutt itself. The Normandale Residents Association have now recognised that history with the erection of four information boards at points of particular interest. We hope that these boards will not only share the knowledge of the area with new residents, but form part of a greater history trail through the city and be of interest to tourists.

You may have already seen one or more of the signs, but please take the time to read them and share our story. The signs are located at the site of the horse trough near the junction with Miromiro Road, the old boundary between Hutt City and Hutt County above the junction with Pekanga Road, opposite the entrance to the old Normandale school at the junction with Poto Road and half way between the junction with Cottle Park Drive and that with the link to Sweetacres Drive. The NRA would like to acknowledge the assistance of Hutt City Council in developing and erecting these signs through the Community engagement fund, and especially the help of Nigel Parkin from the Roads and Traffic Division.

With the completion of this project and the development of the exercise station in Jubilee Park well under way, your committee is looking for new ways to improve and enhance our suburb, so if you have any ideas please let us know at Normandale.residents@gmail.com or by contacting a committee member.

Pete Matcham – President, Normandal Residents Association

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

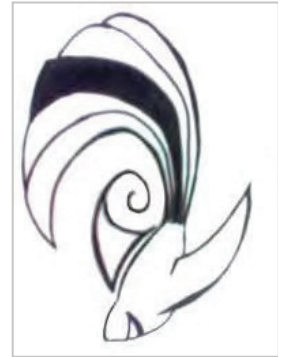
Formal notice is given of the 2015 Normandale Residents' Association Annual General Meeting.

WHEN: 7.30pm Wednesday 17th June

WHERE: St Aidans Church on the hill

GUEST SPEAKER: _____

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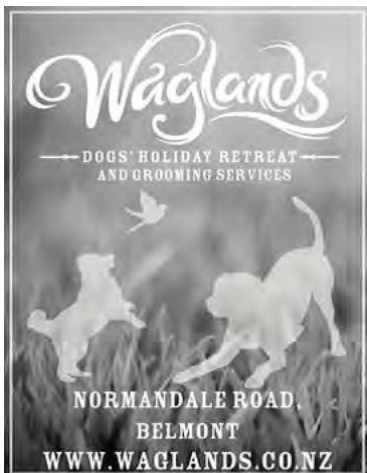
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LOCAL - Waglands Win Dog Grooming Awards

Local business WAGLANDS has had outstanding success at their first major grooming competition. Arlene Adams has been awarded the NZ Groomer Rising Star award and Runner-Up Best Groomed Dog, based on four category wins (Asian Inspired, Purebred, First Timers & Novice Poodle). Arlene was the only groomer to obtain more than two class wins.

The competition had Arlene working three 20hr days over the course of a weekend, and at 23 weeks pregnant it was a determined and committed effort from her and her support crew, Alex Carson.

Arlene would like to thank major sponsors of the event, JR & Wickfield Farm, Emma Case for helping to arrange Cantabrian dogs to work with and Verna for helping with a grooming table and equipment. The greatest thanks go to the dogs and their trusting owners - Hermes the Miniature Poodle (thanks Valerie!), Orsino the Lagotto (Desiree), Misty the Border Terrier parents and Verna for allowing flowers to go on her boy.

Great success for a popular Normandale business – we will watch with keen interest.

Normandale School – Rainbow Day

Normandale School's Visual Arts focus this term is COLOUR. All the students participated in a 'Rainbow Day' on Friday 22nd May. Children were very happy to get to school early. The sun was shining, the music was playing, everyone was dressed up in their class colours...



Room 9 – Red, Room 8 – Orange, Room 7 – Yellow, Room 1 – Green, Room 2 – Blue, Room 4 – Purple, Room 3 – Indigo. At lunch time students could get their face painted and continued the party showing off their dance moves. After lunch there was a school photo in rainbow order, then split into their Whanau groups to decorate a half circle in each of their rainbow colours. Rainbow Day proved a great opportunity for the school to all join in together and have fun.



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*Windy Wednesdays are days we dread
 When plastic and papers appear in our
 flower beds*

*We rant and we rave as our infamous
 winds*

*Pick up and scatter all kinds of rubbishy
 things*

*Bins skid up hills, papers are strewn
 And plastics clatter down the berms*

*We growl and mutter about those
 dasterdly winds*

*And glare at the pile of litter and tins
 But things can change and the time is now*

*The Girl Guides are showing just how
 Maungaraki Hall is the venue you see*

And across you will see the info you need...

Your local Girl Guides, with the kind support of the Hutt City Council, will be holding a special day to sell recycling bins and nets:

10am – 4pm on Saturday 8th August
Maungaraki Community Hall
 (Lower entrance by the school please)

BINS \$15 NETS \$10

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The next meeting of the NRA will be held at St Aidan's Church on Wednesday 17th June 2015 at 7.30pm. All association members are welcome.