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Ensure that you give both your name and partial address - enough to identify who you are in the references.

If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque, please send your subscription to: The Treasurer, c/o 17 Pokohiwi Road Lower Hutt, or contact one of the committee.

Thank you to those who pay and have paid, we appreciate it. All Normandale residents are eligible.

## Quiz

**Word of the month:**

**Pontificate**

- A. Build a bridge
- B. Explain in a confusing way
- C. Decorate a cake
- D. Give opinions pompously

**Last month's word:**

**Lugubrious**

- A. Mournful, dismal, gloomy

## Looking for a new editor.

The roll entails:

- ⇒ coming to meetings;
- ⇒ dealing with correspondence on the ntimes email;
- ⇒ working with our social media to post information on events.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get to know your community that I have thoroughly enjoyed over the last few years. If you are interested contact any of the committee members including me and send your details through!



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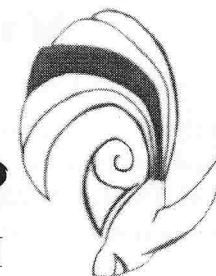
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## Thank you & feedback from the AGM

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Throughout the years the Normandale Residents Association has been helmed by many dedicated individuals as President. At the AGM last month, President Peter Matcham stepped out of his role as well as another long time and exceptionally dedicated member, Caroline Dunbar. Caroline has served as note taker for many years, as far back as 2006, and Peter was vice president in 2001 and 2004, before taking the role as President in 2006. A huge thankyou to both of them, as well as the other regular members who have left over the last year, is warranted!

This AGM also saw two new recruits to the committee, James Selwood and Penny McColl and a presentation from the local Search and Rescue Team.

In addition, you have a new President (of the association)! I have stepped in to replace Peter, Sandie Matcham is the new secretary, and Robyn Caygill has taken over the role as treasurer. This means that the new address for correspondence has moved to 17 Pokohiwi Road, and the number to reach the president has become 04 566 4130.

We now have a unique opportunity with the changeover to decide as a whole how we would like to mould our activities to suit the community better **—Over the page there is an article recapping the important mile stones.** I think it is important for you all to understand what it is your committee can get done for you, so that you all get a better idea of what could be improved in the community as a whole

**We are looking for a new editor!** - more details on the back page. It is also time to **pay your subscriptions for 2016/17** - see the back page for details.

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Paul Caygill*

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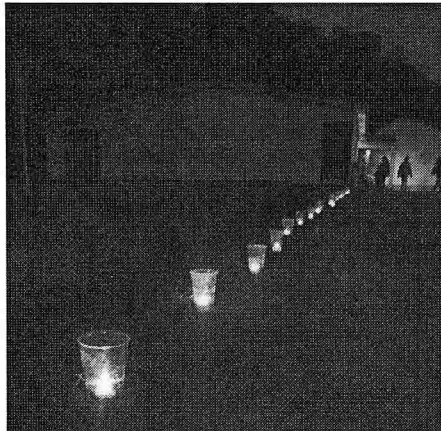
The next NRA meeting will be held at St Aidans church on Wednesday 20th of July - all association members welcome. The meetings last from 7:30 until 9:00.

## MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS


On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June Normandale School held a Matariki evening for Whanau. Earlier in the week students made lanterns using plastic bottles which were scattered around the school. The evening started with the whole school singing 'counting stars'. The KapaHaka group performed the new school song, giving us a taster of their performance which will take place at the Polyfest on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>.

A sausage sizzle was fired up and activities were scattered around the school such as: star gazing, fish book mark making, colouring in, Matariki stories and film in the school library.

It was a lovely evening and it certainly became obvious how much 'little' Normandale School has grown over the last few years with there now being over 170 students!



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## In retrospect

Over the years the NRA has been involved in many activities to make your community a better place to live. Most notably of these was the active advice on the sale and development of Poto Road Corner (dating as far back as the 2007-2008 term!). What a great resource the playground and reserve area at Poto Road corner is for Normandale!

The committee has made submissions on a wide variety of topics over the years including: trains, roading, by-laws, recreation areas, and council district plans.

Lobbying by your committee has seen upgrades to storm water systems and pedestrian areas. We've secured funding for resources like the new exercise equipment at Jubilee Park and the planting of rhododendrons at the entrance to Normandale.

Our regular tasks have included the inorganic rubbish collection and funding the Christmas Parade.

Do you remember the 50th anniversary celebrations and the commemorative booklet?

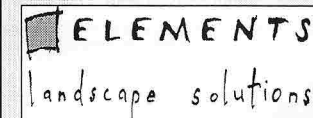
All this, and more, adds up to a lot of value added to your community thanks to the awesome work of your NRA.

**THANK YOU** for your fantastic leadership **Pete**.



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The Pride Awards Trust publicly recognise and celebrate young people's achievements through an annual awards ceremony so they can be an inspiration to their peers and communities. We focus on young people who are often unrecognised for their successes - the unsung heroes among us!

Nominations are now open for the 2016 Pride Awards and I'd like to spread the word to Normandale residents. You can find out more about our charity at [prideawards.org.nz](http://prideawards.org.nz)

Nominations close:  
Sunday 31 July 2016

**Jennifer Abbott**

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