

The WAIUKU FLASH

COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATES, NEWS & MEMBER INFORMATION TO WBDA MEMBERS

13th April 2018



Hi everyone

Hope you are all well and still intact after that terrible storm on Tuesday evening.

A small number of signs were damaged in the CBD and the town flags got an absolute hammering. A number of trees lost limbs and power outages were experienced but I think we definitely dodged a bullet compared to other areas. We have taken down the flags and will hang the Anzac and Steel 'n' Wheels flags early next week.

Mix 'n' Mingle

Next week on the 18th of April is the Mix 'n' Mingle at Scott's Steelworks Ltd, 118 Kitchener Road, Waiuku. Eleanor Hans from DRK Chartered Accountants has kindly offered to come and bring you up to date on changes to the minimum wage and GST returns. She will also happily answer any questions you may have relating to accounting issues. There is no charge to attend this event and it's a great networking opportunity, so please RSVP as soon as possible.

Steel 'n' Wheels

We still have some space available for exhibitor's cars and machinery but the stall allocations are full sorry. If you

would like to exhibit your pride and joy please let me know and I will email you a form, otherwise go to our website www.waikutown.co.nz and register online.

To all the businesses operating on that day please remember the town centre will be closed off from 7am as in previous years and the roads will re-open at 4pm sharp. We have on occasion had staff trapped in their parks behind their shops until the roads re-open. There is plenty of room on the ring roads so unless you are there for the whole duration please take note where you park. Only the town centre from bottom of Queen St to Victoria Avenue, Kitchener Road from the Z Station to Queen and Bowen St up to Waiuku Mitre 10 are closed, so you can still get around town by using the loop roads either down Victoria Avenue or the Constable, Leonard and Court St loop.

Wharf Upgrade

Great to see the huge improvement in the Waiuku Wharf upgrade. It is looking fantastic and we look forward to it being open to the public before the 29th of April.

Freedom Campers

We have had a huge number of

complaints about people freedom camping on the reserve opposite Hartmann House. These vehicles have occupied this space for a couple of weeks. Please know that the Council Bylaws team has been to see them and told them to move on. WB&DA advocate for freedom camping as it brings financial benefits to the area, but these vehicles need to be self-contained and utilise the allocated areas. In this case they weren't, hence the reason they were asked to move.

Paving Upgrade

Now that the majority of the paving upgrade has been completed, the WB&DA are working with Council to get a specific cleaning regime initiated to keep our lovely new paving clean.

We are aware that they are grubby in some areas, especially outside food businesses and we will ask Council to clean the areas, however I think businesses also have a moral responsibility to keep an eye on their shop front and if someone tips a fizzy drink, drops food or rubbish or walks in muddy boots, they could get a bucket of water and a broom and clean it. It always makes such a difference when you walk



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along the street to see tidy shop fronts and clean windows.

Christmas Car Storage Required

We are still looking for storage for our Christmas Santa car. Currently Sam Wulff from the Waiuku Business Park has kindly allowed us to store it in one of his buildings which is currently up for lease but that could end anytime. If you know of anyone that has a spare shed not being used, that we could park the Santa sleigh in for the year, it would be much appreciated.

Information Centre Help Required

The Waiuku Information Centre is a real asset to Waiuku and we are so fortunate to have one of the last few left in the Auckland region. We are desperate for volunteers for the weekend shifts.

During the winter months it is only open from 10am-3pm so each shift is 2.5 hours. If you or anyone you know would like to support this cause and volunteer at the centre please let me know.

Night Owls - Volunteers Required

While we are on the topic of volunteers, our amazing Night Owls are always on the lookout for new people to do a shift or two each month, driving around in the evenings, being the eyes and ears for our Police. You don't have to use your own vehicle and you are always paired with a buddy. If you would like to support this great team of people, please contact Angela Wilson via mobile on 021 125 5730.

Extension to Campervan Dump Station

I am very happy to report that after more than a year of pushing we have finally had the extension completed.

The turn area is now about 3 metres longer which allows campers much easier access and is far more user friendly. This was a huge issue for many of the larger campers, so this is a good win for tourism in the area.

Christmas Wreaths Available

We still have a couple of Wreaths and Christmas trees left for sale. They are \$50 each and great value for money. They are able to be used outdoors or indoors. If you are interested, please email me asap. Once they are gone they are gone.

Hartmann House

It has been brought to our attention that Susan from Hartmann House has decided to close at the end of April due to family commitments. As you can imagine we are all very sorry to see her go and also very sad that Hartmann House could close for good. If you know of anyone that would like to take over that little business please let me know urgently or pop down and see Susan at Hartmann House. We wish Susan all the best for the future.

Blast to the Past Sponsorship

Finally, saving the best for last – I would like to thank Sam Wulff from the Waiuku Business Park and Raewyn and Neil McCormick from Waiuku New World for once again agreeing to sponsor the next Blast to the Past event. We still require more sponsorship so if you would like to help make this great event happen for Waiuku and support financially please let me know. A date for the event is still to be confirmed.

Have a lovely weekend.

Sharlene Druyven

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"When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on"

- Franklin Roosevelt



Upcoming Events:

Mix 'n' Mingle
Scott's Steel Workz
18th April

Waiuku Steel 'n' Wheels
29th April



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