



Birkenhead Northcote Community e News

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Participants of the Placemaking Workshop with David Engwicht, held in Beach Haven last month, ponder their ideas and suggestions and take the learning's from this exercise of `placemaking` and how to engage in encouraging change.....



After all the ideas have been collated and put into an action plan we will keep you all informed of the placemaking outcomes.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

60s-Up Movement – Northcote Branch ~ we hold our members meeting on the 1st Friday of the month with exception of April this will be 2nd Friday because of Easter.

Men and Women invited to join us, we have great entertainers at our meetings and go for a trip somewhere interesting most months.

Anyone interest can contact;

Pat Vercoe Phone 419 0756

Girl Guide Biscuits for Sale;
Contact Diane 483-7701.
Plain \$3 Choc and Minis \$3.50

RAWENE CENTRE

Mainly Music starts on 20 April at the Rawene Centre, 33 Rawene Road, Birkenhead. This will run every Tuesday during school term from 10 to 12 for pre-school children. \$3 per child and \$5 per family, this includes morning tea.

Connections Craft Group. Come create and have coffee and cake too! Fortnightly at the Rawene Centre, 33 Rawene Road, Birkenhead. \$5 per session including morning tea. Crèche on-site with adult supervision @ 50 cents per child.

**For more information,
please phone 481 3030.**

Promoting Community Mental and Physical Wellbeing.....

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Just a wee reminder,

that North Shore
Schools
(Northcote, Glenfield,
Rangitoto & Birkenhead
Colleges) are still offering
Community education
courses, check them
out....

New Settlers Friendship Group

at All Saints Church Hall, 181
Hinemoa St.

We offer English conversation
practice, learning about New
Zealand ways of doing things,
and opportunity for friendship in
a new country. Whether you are
a very new arrival in NZ, or
someone who has been here a
long time but still needs
conversation improvement,
come and join our friendly
group. Sessions are Monday
mornings 10.00am--12.00pm
(except public holidays and
school holidays). Contact: Eric
on 4805753.

Its got to be the opportunity to be taken !!!

Introducing our new Administration Director: Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Trust NZ
Sonja Johnston is married with one adult child. She is New Zealand born but grew up in France & New Caledonia. In 1997, she moved with her family from Wellington and made North Shore their home.

Sonja has worked in various administrative roles for Fonterra (previously New Zealand Dairy Board) and as office manager for an investment banking company & an insurance brokering firm. Her most recent role was as programme co-ordinator for a new initiative called, Opportunity for Migrant Employment in Greater Auckland.

In 2004, Sonja graduated with a Bachelor of Social Work – Second Class Honors (Division I), and has since worked on various social research projects for our GRG Board member Jill Worrall as her research assistant. This is how she became aware of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren as she was required to collate all the qualitative data gathered from the 2009 survey.

Sonja said: “Due to reading this data I gained a very good appreciation and understanding of what is involved when grandparents need to raise their grandchildren. All I can say is that I have an utter admiration for all they do for their grandchildren as so often it is at a personal cost to them selves”

We the GRG Board welcome the appointment of Sonja, as you can appreciate this organisation has grown huge. Di's workload has become just too heavy. She will still be the National Co-ordinator, and is thrilled that Sonja will ease the load. Di will still continue to do the things she loves with GRG Trust: Newsletters and taking calls from you, our amazing members, she feels it is time for her to do the 'feel good' stuff and we feel she has earned that right after 11 years of voluntary service. Yes we are eleven years old now! Sonja, will take care of the Admin: trainings: conference and the other 101 things that need attending to.

GRG Trust NZ Board

Get involved.....and celebrate community...

Northcote Tigers Rugby League & Sports Club are celebrating their 100 years Centenary in 2010.

We are seeking current & ex members to register for events planned during the celebration weekend of 4th June – 7th June 2010.

You can email northcotetigers@xtra.co.nz or visit our Club website www.northcotetigers.com for further information. You can purchase personalised commemorative plaques NOW or place an order for a limited edition Centenary Supporters Jersey...

There are also a limited number of sponsorship opportunities for local businesses including naming rights for the 2010 Premier Team & advertising in the Centenary Book – details available on club website- details above.

Its got to be the best information sharing opportunity !!!

**Rodney/North Shore –
Warkworth**
12 April 2010 commencing at
10am
Warkworth Catholic Parish
14 Percy St, Warkworth

**Rodney/North Shore –
Takapuna**
23 April 2010 commencing
at 10am
Takapuna Methodist Church
Cnr Tennyson Ave/Lake Rd
Takapuna

**NORTH SHORE RODNEY
COGS COMMITTEE local
meetings....in local spaces.....**

**Rodney/North Shore –
Helensville**
27 April 2010 commencing at
10am
Helensville War Memorial Hall
Helensville



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