



Hello Residents,

Snippets from the November Trust Meeting:

- Now that legalities etc have been finalised, I can tell you that the Trust has purchased Unit 29 from the Fisher Family and as it required massive renovation work, the decision was made to remove it and build a brand new unit. The date of removal at this stage has been set for the last week of March/first week of April, depending on weather. Unfortunately, the time of removal is 2am and we apologise in advance for the noise and any disturbance it will cause our residents. Bruce MacKenzie will have more details once the House Movers contact him with a final date and time. A two-bedroomed GJ Gardner home will be built on the property which the Trust are hopeful of offering for sale before Christmas.
- An Eastlight Folder with the Trust monthly meeting minutes will be kept in the Village Hall on the Trust shelf of the Book shelves. The minutes cannot be put up until ratified at the following month's meeting. You are welcome to read these minutes, but please do not remove the file from the Hall.
- Discussions took place about the roadside hedge trimming. It is no longer a 'hedge' as some of the tree limbs are over 15 years old and are very large. It would be impossible in places to be kept pruned by a resident. The last cut was taken down to the cutting height from before at a cost of nearly \$3000. As these cuts would be an annual cost to the Trust, and in an extreme growing year could result in two cuts per year, the Trust are investigating costs of fencing the roadside kerb. However, as the trees have just been cut, there is no urgency for this for a few months.
- Another interview for prospective resident has been accepted and put on our database. There are now 6 names of keen buyers.
- No doubt you have seen workers strolling through the village with me showing them the areas for mowing and weeding, spraying etc. As our contract had not been reviewed for about 15 years, the Trust thought it time to look into it and called for Tenders. These closed on Wednesday at 4pm. Of course our current groundsman was invited to tender as well. A sub-committee of Lindsay, Bruce, Norman and Graeme will look at all tenders and report back to the Trust.

This and That.....

- My apologies to **Maryann** if I scared any potential card sharps away from the 500 evenings by promoting it at \$20 per night. Of course it is only a mere \$2 per evening for a whole lot of fun. (Thank you to the 10 or so people who spotted the error!)
- Lots of residents do a huge amount of voluntary work in the village (behind the scenes) and every so often I get to hear of it. So here is a massive thank you to **Linda Spratt** (on your behalf) for the very sparkly windows in the Village hall.



SOCIAL CALENDAR - (on the back of this page is a full report)

- ✓ **HAPPY HOUR** - First Sunday of each Month commencing at 4pm.
- ✓ **17th March** - Ngunguru Bowling Club challenge to the Villagers. Start time at 9.15am at the Club rooms - \$3 per player please.
- ✓ **31st March** - Art and Craft and Good Second Hand Goods in the hall. 9am to 1pm. Sausage sizzle and raffles available.
- ✓ **1st April** - Easter Bonnet and 'High Tea' at 3pm followed by BYO Happy Hour at 4pm.
- ✓ **27th April** - Bus trip to Operatunity. Music from the shows.

The Trust thanks the Social Club for always including us in their social activities and events - we are honoured to be invited.

Phi Wilson, Village Manager

SOCIAL UPDATES AND ACTIVITIES

Hi there,

Here is the update of Social Club activities for February and March.



The **Happy Hour** on the first Sunday in each month continues to grow with many of the villagers attending. Last Sunday (4th) we had a small prize for the person who could answer the question 'What year did car less days begin?' An interesting discussion took place about where we were at the time and what we were doing in 1979. It took several guesses from most before the year was identified. Bev Brown won and it was agreed that next month Bev will provide the question for Happy Hour. A small prize will be provided by the Social Club.

The trip to the **Operatunity Concert** (The Rat Pack) was very successful with 16 passengers departing by bus at 10.15am and returning at 1.45pm. We can take 20 on the bus if villagers would like to bring a friend next month.

Don't forget St Patrick's day **Bowling Tournament** on Saturday 17th March. **VILLAGE PEOPLE NEED SUPPORT!!!** Even if you are not playing, come and support the villagers playing against the bowling club members starting at 9.15am. Thanks to Liz and Linda (Bowling Club) for the invitation and the shared programme for St Patrick's Day. At approximately 2.00pm, the games will be followed by a barbecue, Irish music and green wine in our hall. **BYO** drinks. Wear something green (optional) to add to the fun.

Thanks to the villagers who have given so generously to the hamper for the Easter raffle. Tickets will be on sale at St Patrick's Day and at the Art and Craft and second hand goods sale day in the Village Hall on the 31st March.

Easter Bonnet and 'High Tea' at 3pm on 1st April followed by **BYO Happy Hour** at 4pm. Wear a hat and be in for a prize.

That's all for now,
Heather

