



HOBSONVILLE POINT

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WORKING TOGETHER ON ROAD SAFETY

What began as a concern voiced by local parents has culminated in a creative and cooperative learning exercise for students from both Hobsonville Point schools.

Parents of primary school students had expressed concern about the speed of cars and trucks in the neighbourhood.

"Knowing that the schools are very keen to contribute to this community and experience real life learning, we sought to address the issue by asking school students to design banners that will get an important safety message across to drivers," says Kathleen Waldock of Hobsonville Land Company.

The schools gladly rose to the challenge, with students from the secondary school leading workshops with their primary school counterparts to design and produce suitable artwork. The primary students generated lots of creative and colourful ideas while the secondary students did a fantastic job of organizing resources and designing the banner layouts.

The winners, whose art will be printed and displayed on banners around the Point, are Andre De Billot, 7, and Caitlyn Rodolf, 8. A third banner will also be displayed to tell the story behind the project to passersby.

"When drivers see these banners, we hope they'll realize that it's children, not just adults, who are asking them to slow down," says Kathleen. "We think they're a great visual reminder that there are young people in the area and as such, we all need to take extra care behind the wheel."



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Information Centre:
Open 7 Days from 10am to 4pm

Display Village:
Open 7 days from 10am to 4pm
on Liquidambar Avenue

Hobsonville Point Farmers Market:
Every Saturday and Sunday from 9am to
1pm at The Landing, Hudson Bay Road

Hobsonville Point Craft Market:
Every second and third Sunday of the
month from 10am to 2pm at the
Sunderland Lounge on Marine Parade

Angelite Holistic Fair:
Natural therapy practitioners, holistic
healing products, clairvoyants and more.
Every fourth weekend of the month from
9am to 3pm in the Sunderland Lounge on
Marine Parade, Hobsonville Point

Kaipatiki Project:
Volunteers needed for the nursery!
Wednesdays between 9am and 12pm.
No experience needed, learn on the job!
Contact Kaipatiki for more info on (09) 482
1172 or email restoration@kaipatiki.org.nz





SUSHI ROLLS INTO SUBURB

Mouth-watering sushi is now on the menu with the opening of two specialist sushi shops at Hobsonville Point.

Akita Sushi Japanese Restaurant and Takeaway is on the ground floor of the Brickworks Apartments on De Havilland Road. Chefs James and Jane have over 10 years of experience and make all food fresh daily, including non-standard sushi on request.

"Healthy homemade food and friendly service is what we stand for at Akita Sushi," staff member, Bryan, says. "We have a variety of ingredients including the freshest salmon, gourmet homemade sauces and gluten free or wheat free options. We also have a large hot food menu and a takeaway option especially for your kids' lunches."

Visit Akita Sushi's Facebook page for special deals or phone (09) 416 0109 to order a school lunch.

Around the corner on Hobsonville Point Road is Hobsonville Sushi which offers takeaway food. Sushi only is available from 7:30am, and hot food from 9am, Monday to Saturday (until 7pm). Special orders, such as party packs, are available seven days a week with free delivery to Hobsonville Point homes for orders over \$30.

"We offer a wide variety of sushi, tempuras (deep fried food) and hot foods," says Stella Jung of Hobsonville Sushi. "From noodles to our special hob boxes, you can sort your lunches and dinners here. All sushi costs only \$1 each and tempuras start from 80¢."

Hobsonville Sushi can be contacted on (09) 444 3177.

FOCUSING ON FITNESS

From personal training to Pilates, there are plenty of ways to stay active at Hobsonville Point this winter.

Award winning personal trainer, Amelia-Jane Hoffmann, operates Fit, Gorgeous Brides on Station Street. The boutique studio caters chiefly for brides but also supports other clients who want to get in shape.

"Every Monday and Wednesday at 5pm and 6pm, the 6 Week Toning Challenge is held indoors," says Amelia-Jane. "It's small group training with a focus on toning with weights, body weight exercises and Pilates while also helping out with nutrition."

Contact Amelia-Jane for a free consultation on info@fitgorgeousbrides.co.nz or 027 329 1297.

The Point is also home to a Pilates studio, pilatesFIT Boutique, on Hobsonville Point Road. The studio offers Pilates mat and reformer sessions in a relaxed and fun small group environment.

"We focus on strengthening and toning the entire body while working to improve posture, flexibility and overall wellbeing," says owner, Chelsea Kawana.

Visit www.pilatesfitboutique.co.nz or email chelsea@pilatesfitboutique.co.nz.

Meanwhile Indie Yoga has just opened a studio next door.

"Our timetable has something for everyone," says owner, Kyleigh Burniston, who has taught yoga for 20 years. "We offer early morning sessions for those who'd like a calm start to their busy working day, mid-morning classes and evening classes."

Visit Indie Yoga on Facebook for more information or email kyleighb.yoga@gmail.com.

And for those who like a workout in keeping with Hobsonville Point's military roots, Boot It – Northwest runs boot camps several times a week.

"It's a fun, effective and affordable way to enjoy group fitness exercise with no yelling and no egos," says owner and trainer Melody Fullerton. "Each session is designed with five phases to maximize results - warm up, strength, high intensity, endurance and a cool down/stretch."

For more information, visit Boot It Northwest on Facebook or www.bootit.co.nz/northwest.

GOING FOR GOLD

Students at Hobsonville Point Primary are set to go out in style as they plan a celebration quite unlike any other for their final year at the school.

"We wanted to go out with a bang and do something huge," say the students. "We thought about a camp but our Principal, Daniel Birch, challenged us to think bigger. We're all interested in the environment and thought we could tie that in with some fun at a theme park so we asked if the Gold Coast would be an option. It has a great environmental programme for its waterways and theme parks too."

With Daniel's encouragement, the students are now planning their dream trip. They have developed an application system, with students who are interested each submitting a written application.

They are also busy raising funds through sausage sizzles and a quiz night.

"We want the quiz night to be a huge community event that allows us to have fun and create a sense of community too," say the students. "We've been writing to lots of local businesses to help with prizes and the donation of goods or services. In return we'll be advertising these businesses in our newsletter, on flyers and on the night."

The quiz will be on Saturday 3 September from 6.30pm with tickets available for \$10. There will be a free supper and nibbles, and great prizes and raffles available on the night. Book your tickets here: www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/hpp-quiz-auction-night-tickets-26597695423. To offer your support, please email mea.b@hobsonvillepoint.school.nz or grace.t@hobsonvillepoint.school.nz.

NEW APARTMENTS TO FOSTER COMMUNITY FEELING



Six buildings housing 116 apartments will form Bernoulli Gardens, a new project being undertaken by Ockham Residential in the Buckley B precinct.

Bernoulli Gardens will continue Ockham's commitment to deliver innovative, best practice housing projects that cater to the social, economic and demographic needs of Aucklanders such as the building pictured, which is located on Wilkinson Road in Ellerslie. Six individual buildings will enjoy a boutique garden environment unique to Hobsonville Point. Pathways and bump-spaces woven into the creative landscaped environment will generate a real sense of place and an opportunity for connected urban living. A residents' lounge and deck will look north over the large central garden and provide an active link to a shared car park.

With a range of apartment configurations from one bedroom plus study through to three bedrooms, Bernoulli Gardens will appeal to individuals and families looking for an affordable, secure and creative living environment.

As usual, Ockham has made a real commitment to a quality building façade. Six varieties of brick have been used to create texture and draw attention to the striking rounded corners of each building, while also minimizing long term maintenance costs.

Axis Series apartments will be released this month and registrations of interest can be made at www.ockham.co.nz/axis-series. The balance of Bernoulli Gardens will be released early next month. For more information, or to register your interest, visit www.ockham.co.nz/bb3-register-your-interest.

JOURNEY OF JOY AWAITS IN CATALINA PRECINCT

Visitors traversing Hobsonville Point's Catalina Precinct will soon be able to enjoy something a little unexpected with the development of a themed play trail extending the length of the spine road (Onekiritea and Rangihina Road), towards Bomb Point.

Under development by AVJennings, the road is being landscaped as a garden or park, presenting an experience very different to that of a regular thoroughfare for both pedestrians and cars alike. It will be a shared space for vehicles and people, with different zones encouraging users to journey, gather, interact and rest.

The road will also feature a play trail themed around water, utilizing the rainwater catchment in the street as it journeys towards the Bomb

Point wetland. Visitors young and old will be able to interact with the water through gardens that capture street runoff, pipelines, still and running water features including a water play area, and stepping stones.

AVJennings Project Director, Adriaan Vlok, hopes the road will become an active and vibrant space for the community.

"There will be plants to attract bees and birds, lawns to stretch out on, whimsical birdhouses and places to enjoy a barbecue together with neighbours. It's going to be the first of its type in New Zealand and we hope there will be lots for everyone to explore and enjoy."

The road will be open to the public later this month.

BOMB POINT/ TE ONEKIRITEA FUTURE SECURE

The Hobsonville Land Company (HLC) wishes to reassure residents and park users that long-standing plans for a park at Te Onekiritea (Bomb Point) have not changed, and that this will remain a public space for everyone to enjoy. Retaining this site as a public park is just one part of a long standing agreement on a range of reserves and amenity between HLC and Auckland Council. Transfer of ownership is a complex process and it will take some time – likely a number of years – to finalize this.

We hope this re-stating of HLC and Council's long-held commitment to Te Onekiritea Park will reassure residents and the wider community that nothing has changed in our vision and planning. If you have any questions regarding the intentions of our organisations in this matter, please do contact us.

Chris Aiken, Chief Executive,
Hobsonville Land Company



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BUS BEATS DRIVING WOES

Auckland's traffic woes are a thing of the past for the growing number of Hobsonville Point residents who choose to catch a bus to town for their daily commute.

The Point is serviced by route 956 which runs direct to Auckland's CBD, taking about 45 minutes. Some journeys require a transfer at the Constellation Drive station.

Resident Orson Waldock works near Fanshawe Street and admits being wedded to his car until recently moving to Hobsonville Point.

"The bus has been great. It runs like clockwork, is a clean and comfortable ride, and the Northern Expressway means it sits at 90kph for the majority of the trip," he says. "Having access to both the ferry and bus has enabled my wife and I to get rid of one car which has been a real financial boon."

Fellow resident, Gaurav Malhotra, is equally impressed.

"I've found the service to the city quite reliable and it doesn't take too long either," Gaurav says. "I prefer public transport as it gives me time to read, listen to music or just ponder. It's a stress-free way to get to work, doesn't cost much compared to the ferry or driving and parking your car, and it's good for the environment too."

A public transport/Cityhop (shared car) information evening will be held on Wednesday 17 August at the Hobsonville Yacht Club from 6.30pm. Please email info@hlc.co.nz for more information and reservations.



HOUSING SOON TO TAKE OFF ON AIRFIELDS SITE



The first stage of housing is about to get underway on the Airfields site with overall resource consent now approved.

The Airfields 14/6 masterplan for the Auckland Council-owned site was adopted by Council late last year having been earlier developed in conjunction with the Hobsonville Land Company. It consists of a minimum of 14 hectares residential and up to six hectares for mixed use development. In total a minimum of 890 houses will be built and Council organization Panuku Development Auckland has signed AVJennings to deliver the first stage.

One hundred and two homes with a mix of standalone and terrace houses will be built across 1.95ha along the site's southern edge as part of this first stage. A minimum of 10% will be affordable Axis Series housing and construction is expected to start later this year.

In the meantime, key infrastructure works are well underway including landscaped stormwater ponds and roading networks to create future housing. Towards the north of the site, Panuku has also recently demolished three buildings and retained the former WASP hangar which borders with Launch Road. With initial refurbishment works now complete, the WASP hangar is destined as a focal point for the mixed use zone in the future.

Panuku Development Manager, Don Greenaway, says he's proud to be leading the delivery of this new precinct at Hobsonville Point and the Airfields site's location in close proximity to The Landing, combined with its stunning sea views, will make it a worthy addition to the wider point community.

NATIONAL ACCOLADE FOR PREMIER PRECINCT

Hobsonville Point's first precinct has been recognized at the country's premiere property development awards.

Buckley A was accorded 'Excellence' in the Natural Habits Urban Land Developments Property Award category at the 2016 Property Council New Zealand Rider Levett Bucknall Property Industry Awards. These are the country's most prestigious and longest running commercial property awards, celebrating excellence in property development based on economic and financial factors, project vision and innovation, design and construction, owner and user satisfaction, and sustainability and efficiency of operation.

Led by lead developer Hobsonville Land Company (HLC) and project development partner AVJennings, Buckley A was transformed from former Air Force base land into a 30.4ha neighbourhood comprising 818 homes which today house some 1,500 people.

HLC CEO, Chris Aiken, is delighted at the recognition.

"The first precinct in the 167ha master-planned development has become a blueprint for the remainder of the site and Auckland as a whole," he says. "With its commitment to quality, affordability, amenity and sustainability, the precinct demonstrates how to increase suburban density in a way that will be embraced by the market. This recognition is a credit to the whole development and design team."