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**ONEMANA RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION**

**PO BOX 390**

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## *NEWS LETTER 26 September 2017.*

Good day – spring is here! The fresh breeze carries the scent of flowers to every wet and grey corner and wipes out the winter chill and damp. We see the Onemana gardeners working and sharing and everybody enjoys the beautiful Azalea, Tulips and Daffodils. What a privilege to live in Paradise Coast. The ORA committee is busy with processing all the membership payments, thanks so much to everybody who already paid their subscription. It seems that we really started early this year, so please accept my apology if you feel that you paid twice in one year, that was never the intention. Thanks so much to many of our members who just added a donation to the membership fee. It is much appreciated and we undertake to spend it wisely.



The Summer holiday season is around the corner and we hope to see many of our members down for the holidays.

Our annual AGM is in January, we will confirm the date shortly. We will make sure that we have a venue that can accommodate everybody and we look forward to meeting our people and get your expectations of the ORA.

### **RURAL FIRE - TOTAL FIRE BAN:**

We want to thank our local Rural Fire team, under the baton of Jo Adams. These people work so hard during the holidays and we want to remind our members that there is a TOTAL FIRE BAN, that includes Fireworks during the Summer Holiday.

### **WALKWAYS AND RESERVES:**

The ORA is working closely with Council and DOC and we believe that all the walkways and Reserves will be in a pristine condition to enjoy and share. We are currently in meetings with all the role-players at TCDSC and DOC to make sure that they take care of the needs of our residents.

### **DOTTERAL BREEDING SEASON 2017- 2018:**

The breeding season is nearly with us and there are five pairs of Dotterels protecting their space on the beach. We look forward to seeing some nests in the dunes on the beach very soon.

Ken Wedgewood can be contacted on 07/ 8658833 if you come across a nest that is not fenced in. He so kindly is taking care of the birds – thank you Ken.

Please keep your dogs under control and respect the Council's rules and laws regarding dogs.

The exercise area is still on the Northern Beach area, where they can run free under supervision.

After Labour weekend, no dogs are allowed on the Southern area where the birds are breeding. It is also not wise to have dogs close to the Children's play area and please use the doggy bags that the ORA provides. We want to believe that responsible dog owners respect other people's property and the fragile environment of our Reserves.

### **PEST CONTROL:**

Rabbits/stoats/rats/Possums and Pukekos are a constant threat and it is the owner's responsibility to take care of these pests on your property. Ken Wedgewood is handling the Reserve areas and there are traps that you need to warn your children about. Contact Ken if you have any concern. 07 – 8658833.

Make sure that you control the rabbit population on your property, they might look cute and cuddly but causes enormous problems around the Coromandel.

We have Possum traps available if you want to make use of it, just contact us.

Pest control is everybody's responsibility if we want to save our indigenous birds and forests. Thank you for your support.

### **SURF CLUB:**

The Surf club is currently working with a Planning Consultant Company who is assisting them with consultation, enlisting specialist support and professional Resource Management Act services.

This is a lengthy process that requires input from various role-players and the club is working closely with TCDSC and the Community to complete the new building as soon as possible.

The club has a vibrant membership of 212 and still would invite people to join and support the great work that they are doing. Their AGM is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2018.

### **SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE:**

During a recent assessment, it was discovered that 95% of people honour the traffic rules and speed limit in Onemana drive, however it is the 5% who is causing the accidents and incidents. Please be so kind to assist us to remind people that there are always children playing on our Reserves and refrain from speeding in the village.

### **EVENTS:**

QUIZ NIGHT - 10<sup>th</sup> of October at the Onemana Café. Come join in the fun!

COFFEE MORNING - 19 October at Onemana Café.

Please support our local café, they are really going out of their way to serve our community – great food and great team.

## More on the events later in the year will follow in our next Newsletter.

### PLAQUE ON THE RESERVE:

Some of you might have noticed that the plaque with the map, mounted to the stone on the Reserve has been removed. It is under repairs, had some water damage, hope to replace it shortly.

### MEMBERSHIP:

It would be a privilege if we could represent all the home owners in Onemana, permanent as well as Holiday makers. Help us and inspire your neighbours to join please. The annual fee is only \$25.00 and you all know that it is not about the fee, but about the one voice speaking on behalf of the Onemana tax payers.

You might not be aware, but there are committee members, (well over their seventies) who endlessly work, rain or sunshine, to maintain walking tracks, checking the Reserves, making sure that Playgrounds are safe, or watching over the locals in a storm night when the power goes out. Arranging and attending meetings, always lobbying, to keep the standard of living in our village.

The Committee members are people with a passion, giving the most precious commodity - their time, to better living in our village and keep the Council honest in their commitment.

So please support us as we are doing it for you, the Ratepayers. Our current membership is just over 52% and it would be great if we can increase that number.

For your convenience, a membership form is attached to the Newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you.

## JOIN OUR FACEBOOK AND GET THE INFORMATION ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN ONEMANA DAILY.

### CONTACT DETAILS OF THE ORA COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Herewith again the contact numbers of the ORA Committee members.

We hope to be able to introduce the Committee members via a photo and a short CV in next month's Newsletter. That will give you the opportunity to contact them, make sure that they represent your views and needs and then have your say at the AGM, when voting for the new committee, that will run our organisation in 2018.

Carol Basham 0275 743 758

Stan Alder 027 286 0541

Peter Kowalewicz 07 8659581

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Valerie Rapley 021 753 787

Ruhi Pene 0272941452

Linda Goodman 0274 763 760

Graham Lawson 027 246 8149

Helena van der Merwe 021 955 461

Stephen and Gillian Bertram is still abroad, so we will place their numbers when they get back.

*Till next time, enjoy the spring/summer weather  
and the rain !*



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**NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM/Membership renewal 2017/2018**

To join the Onemana Ratepayers Association please complete and return this form (scan and mail or post) and make payment by either cheque or internet banking.

<b>Full Name</b>	
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If property is in another name than yours please write both, your name and name in which property is registered. If there are more than one owner, please supply all names.

<b>Onemana Address</b>	
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<b>Onemana Phone</b>	
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<b>Postal Address</b>	
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<b>Other contact Phone</b>	
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<b>Email</b>	
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<b>Residency Status</b>	Are you a permanent resident in Onemana	Yes	No
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<b>Would you like to be notified of social activities in the village by e-mail?</b>	Yes	No
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I have paid my \$25 subscription by:  Cheque  Internet  
 I also wish to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ towards the amenities at Onemana.

<b>Total amount paid</b>	\$ _____	<b>Date of Internet Banking</b>	_____
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Please include the following details when paying by Internet Banking:

Particulars	Code	Reference
<b>Onemana Address</b>	<b>ORA</b>	<b>Your Name</b>

Bank Account Details      BNZ 02-1254-0028390-00

<b>Name of account if different from name</b>	_____
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