

ORCA SPLASH

New year
2025 edition

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Hari tau hou (Happy new year) to you all.

With AGM season over and a new Committee in place I thought I should send out a quick update on changes in our committee. Firstly Ruhi stood down as Chair during the year and was replaced at the AGM by Rob Andrew. Special thanks to Ruhi for her tireless work but wait she hasn't yet resigned as a committee member so we still have her years of wisdom, hard work and good grace to fall back on. Most of you will have met Rob as he wanders around Onemana trailing his little dog and chatting to all in sundry. If you don't know him, look out for a French Bulldog and a blond mullet. I'm sure he will be happy to share your ideas and inspiration as he grows into the new role. We have said goodbye to Jill Hewitt and thank her for her efforts but are lucky enough to have great replacements in Christine Moore, Murray Cruickshank and also back from purgatory Neville Cross (after having a year off). They all bring different skills and experiences and we look forward to harnessing these in the future.



2025 Committee:

From front left... Annabelle Couldwell, Murray Cruickshank, Kim Mashlan (S) 0277066146, Bruce Taylor 021438063, Rob Andrew (C) 0211771804, Jennie Kingma (T), Sandra Andrew (events) Ruhi Pene 0272941452, Christine Moore, Carol Basham, Alan Mitchell & Neville Cross.
Absent Anna Thomson.

Market day was a great success and we have had positive feedback from the various stall holders and attendees. This is ORCAs major fundraiser for the year so lots of effort goes into making it a success. To those who baked cakes and cookies or donated books thanks and please remember we are happy to have the books back next year to resell to other happy readers.

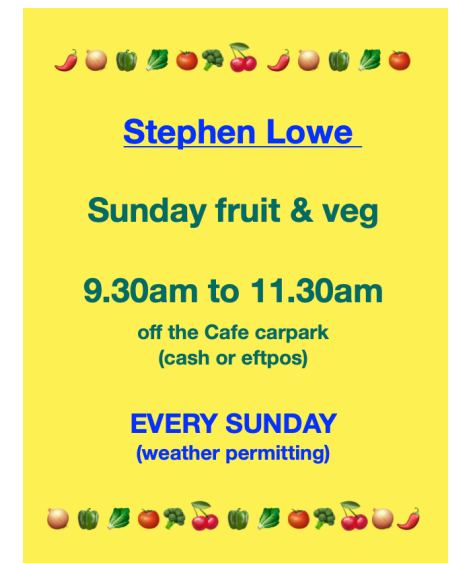
Thanks to John Freer for his presentation at the AGM on the Onemana Emergency Response Plan. He did mention that each street in Onemana has a representative so please have a look at the plan on our website or alternatively there is a list of contacts on the various notice boards.

<https://www.onemana.org.nz/services/>

Fibre is still coming so if you need more info either have a look at the Chorus website to register or alternatively there is a notice by the door at the pools complex or on the shed next to the fire station.

The major item ORCA is working on at present is progressing with the installation of a basketball half court. It was gratifying to see the high level of positive response we received at the AGM and the strong endorsement from the two TCDC Councillors who attended the meeting. I was also surprised to get great unsolicited support from a number of the young surf club guards at their AGM and they were very enthusiastic about having the half court there to use during their down time and between their patrol rosters. It's still early days and we are currently directly engaging, in accordance with council policy, with those members of our community who are directly affected. We also are seeking your feedback as members of our general community so please have your say by emailing us at ratepayersonemana@gmail.com or by talking to a committee member.

We need your comments by the end of January so please let us know your thoughts.



Morning tea at the Cafe

held the last Thursday
each month.

10am 30th January

27th February

\$8.50pp.

Bring something for the
swaps table.

ALL WELCOME

Our little social gem, Sandra Andrew (events coordinator) is currently working on the 2025 programme. If you have any suggestions regarding things you enjoyed, ideas for new community get togethers or just fun and games, email Sandra r.s.andrew@xtra.co.nz she would love to hear from you.



2024-2025 PEAK SUMMER DATES

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7
Tue 24 Dec 	Tue 31 Dec 	Tue 7 Jan 	Tue 14 Jan 	Tue 21 Jan 	Tue 28 Jan 	Tue 4 Feb 
Fri 27 Dec 	Fri 3 Jan 	Thurs 9 Jan 	Thurs 16 Jan 	Thurs 23 Jan 	Thurs 30 Jan 	Thurs 6 Feb 

 MIXED RECYCLING	 GENERAL RUBBISH	 GLASS RECYCLING	 FOOD SCRAPS
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You may not know but Onemana Mahjong club is thriving and has regular weekly games as well as associated social events. It's a low key, learn as you go group who play at the cafe. If you're interested contact Annie 021 289 2242 for more information. Men are welcome but none have been brave enough yet.

FEBRUARY 2025

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MARCH 2025

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We have had a number of people expressing concern about the riding of motorised bikes on the reserves. The situation here is quite difficult as many cyclists have now converted to electric bikes and we are uncertain now what is permitted and what isn't. That said, common sense should be applied and it is not acceptable to ride recklessly on the reserves on or in any vehicle. If you see this happening please contact the police as ORCA has no more authority than any member of the public to restrain these people. On a similar unsavoury note we have had one of our sets of Christmas lights and the solar panels stripped from the pohutukawa and stolen. It's again a reminder that we aren't immune here from such things and if you do see people behaving badly or breaking the law take a photo and report them to the police.

**He aroha whakato, he aroha puta mai
If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive.**