ELLERSLIE VILLAGE NEWS

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF ELLERSLIE VILLAGE NEWS.



This new look publication has been created to tell the stories of the Village, and our community (in a way that's good for the environment). To receive your copy via email sign up at www.ellerslievillage.co.nz or pick up a printed copy from the Village. And what's better, all new sign-ups go into the draw to win a \$100 voucher to an Ellerslie Village business of your choice.

We've had a great time celebrating Argentina ... but it's not over yet. If you're heading to Eden Park for a game, stop in the Village for a bite to eat before catching the train, or watch it at one of our pubs. Brush up on your Argentinian with our shopfront posters or pop into Pastrami & Rye and try their Choripán sandwich. There's still time for the kids to enter our colouring competition or try out our scavenger hunt (details on the website). Plus, thanks to Barfoot & Thompson Ellerslie we've hidden some footballs in the village. How many can you spot? These will be gifted to schools at the end of the tournament. A huge thank you to our businesses who got behind our activity with prizes and sponsorship.

Got ideas for Ellerslie? Send us an email at hello@ellerslievillage.co.nz or to contribute story ideas please email ellerslievillagenews@ellerslievillage.co.nz. Make sure you're following us on Facebook and/or Instagram @ellerslievillage to stay up to date with the latest news and events.

See you in the Village!

SARAH AND EMMAEllerslie Business Association

FAIRIES AND PIRATES UNLEASH MAGIC ON ELLERSLIE Mark your diaries - SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER



DUST OFF YOUR FAIRY WINGS AND POLISH YOUR PEG LEGS BECAUSE THE ELLERSLIE FAIRY FESTIVAL & PIRATE PARTY IS BACK.

The Village will come alive with all things magical on Sunday 10 September from 9.30am for what has become one of our most loved community events of the year.

Dress up: Zoey at the Dollar House is Ellerslie's queen of dress ups! From tutus to wings, flower garlands to sparkly face paint, pirate hats to glitter, you'll find just what you need to dress to impress.

Come hungry: Local cafes and restaurants will be buzzing. Grab an ice-cream or waffles from Scoop and Smile, stop in to Pastrami & Rye whose decorations are almost as good as their sandwiches, pick up supplies from Four Square or Ellerslie Supermarket, or get your hands on some fairy floss.

Prepare to be entertained: With a procession through the village to the tune of bagpipes to kick it all off, sword-fighting pirates, dancing fairies, and singing princesses in our closed off main street. Plus, there's amusement rides, bouncy castles, face painting, a giant bubble display and more.

Stop to shop: The General Collective Kids Market will take over the Arthur Street carpark showcasing the creative talents of Kiwi designers. It's the perfect place to pick up unique clothes, toys and gifts for the little ones.

Be in the know: make sure you're following the Fairy Festival and Pirate Party page on Facebook, or keep an eye on www.ellerslievillage.co.nz to get updates on the event.

MEET ELLERSLIE'S COMMUNITY POLICE TEAM

Thanks to everyone who came along to Coffee with a Cop in July. These informal chats are a great way to meet our community Police team, ask questions and raise any concerns you might have. Keep an eye on our social channels for the next one in November.

Right are three of the four team, (L-R): Aron, Matt and Paea who cover Mt Wellington, Panmure, Sylvia Park and Ellerslie. Their job is to maintain a presence in the community, help with crime prevention, connect with local businesses and support the front line Police. If you see them around the Village make sure you stop and say hi.



GET ON YOUR BIKE WITH MEC!

IF YOU'RE IN THE MARKET FOR A NEW BIKE, EMMA HADLEY FROM MEC BIKES SAYS IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOUR BUDGET OR YOUR ABILITY, THEY'VE GOT A BIKE FOR EVERYONE.

"We've got a really experienced team here in Ellerslie and have built some great relationships with our customers through a shared love of riding," she says.

From kids' bikes to e-bikes, road bikes to mountain bikes, accessories, gear and clothing, whatever you're in the market for the MEC team know their stuff. Their demo bikes allow you to try before you buy and they offer top-notch after sales

support with your first service free at the on-site workshop, plus the door is always open to pop in for a chat and advice from the expert team. You can also join one of their community ride events which take place regularly.

FREE electrifying e-bike event
Join the MEC team for an electrifying
evening of e-bikes and uncover
everything you need to know about
Specialized E-Bikes from the experts.
Get the low down on motors, batteries,
styles and technology to ensure your
e-bike ride is electrifying. Wednesday 9
August, 5.30pm, MEC Bikes Ellerslie, 133A
Main Highway. BOOK now on the MEC
Bikes NZ Facebook page.



HELP SHAPE OUR COMMUNITY



WE WANT TO HEAR WHAT YOU THINK OF THE DRAFT ŌRĀKEI LOCAL BOARD PLAN 2023, WHICH SETS OUT WHAT WE INTEND TO ACHIEVE FOR OUR COMMUNITY IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

This draft plan is a distillation of what we've heard from you over the past months, and the progression of projects that are important to our community, taking into account recent budget cuts. Have we got it right?

Find the plan online and submit feedback at akhaveyoursay.co.nz/localboardplans or pick up a hardcopy of the feedback form from Remuera Library and return it before 14 August 2023.

SCOTT MILNE, Ōrākei Local Board chair

LOVE YOUR LOCAL



MEET JAY YANG, THE TWENTY-EIGHT YEAR OLD ENTREPRENEUR, FOOD-LOVER AND OWNER OF LOWBROW ELLERSLIE

Jay landed in New Zealand eight years ago from China to study Information Systems at Auckland University. With a love of food and a desire to immerse himself fully into Kiwi culture, he started working as a barista at several high-end cafés.

"That's how I learnt to speak English," he says. "You can't just stand there while you're making coffee, so I got chatting to the customers."

After teaching the art of coffee making and even setting up his own coffee roastery, Jay opened his first café, Oak Eatery in Royal Oak, followed by Little Sister Café in Henderson.

In 2021, Jay took ownership of Lowbrow. Krd and in September 2022 opened up shop in Ellerslie.

Lowbrow use only fresh, organic, freerange chicken, soaked in a salted brine, dusted in flour with simple spice and fried to juicy perfection. You can't go past \$2 wings on Thursdays, the burgers with their fresh, soft house-made buns, and kids love the juicy tenders (you won't find any mass-produced frozen nuggets here!)

Despite having multiple restaurants, Jay says he still spends most of his time on the floor. "If you want to grow your business you need to really know who your customers are. I like to see people taking that first bite of a burger, watching them enjoying the food - it feels great - it's the best part of the job," he says.

Lowbrow is open Sun-Thu 11:30am-9pm, Fri & Sat 11:30am-10pm

NEW CAR FOR COMMUNITY PATROL TEAM

Alison Hopkirk, Chairperson of the Ellerslie Community Patrol team says through a lot of fundraising and grants the team of dedicated volunteers have been able to purchase a muchneeded patrol car.

"Previously we've been doing patrols in our own vehicles so this will make it a lot easier for our volunteers and will help increase visibility in the Village. We've had eight new people recently join the team, we have new uniforms and we really encourage the community to get behind us either by joining us or supporting our fundraising," she says.

Got three hours of free time a month to volunteer with the Community Patrol? Get in touch at ellerslie@cpnz. org.nz and if you're at Bunnings Mt Wellington on Sunday 13 August, come and meet the team - they'll be the ones manning the sausage sizzle.







The Marit Roundie Bag by Scancia, \$389 from Coko is made from 100% full grain Nappa leather with brushed gold custom hardware and adjustable shoulder strap.



Tulips, daffodils, jonquils, irises, freesias and hyacinths are all in full bloom at Flowers of St Johns.



Get moving with 10 days of unlimited group classes - Pilates Mat, Stretch, Ballet Barre and Ballet Fitness - for just \$35 at Boutique Ballet & Pilates. Everyone welcome. www.bballetpilates.com

Whether it's date night or mates' night, feast out on a Taste of Tanaka's - 5 courses for \$50/person, every Thursday from 5pm. www.mrtanakas.co.nz



STEP INTO SPRING

Sunshine or not, there's no better place to embrace the season than Ellerslie Village.



Cleanse, exfoliate and hydrate with a consultation and hydra dermabrasion treatment at Caci Ellerslie for just \$99 (usually \$130). T&Cs apply. Call 09 571 0575.



Can't decide if it's ice-cream or waffle weather? There's no need to choose at Scoop & Smile. 130A Main Highway.



Get your nails powder dipped to perfection with the latest on-trend colours at Pamper Nail & Spa, 131 Main Highway.

RAY WHITE PROUD SPONSORS OF ELLERSLIE CRICKET CLUB

Rob Harman, Chairperson at Ellerslie Cricket Club says they are thrilled to have Ray White Ellerslie on board as their new Principal Sponsor.

"The support from Ray White will benefit everyone - from the four year olds on a Friday night, right through to those in their sixties and seventies who play for us," he says. "We want to provide a quality cricket experience in an environment where everyone has fun, joins in and ultimately become life-long Ellerslie cricketers," he says.

Arthur Subritzky, Director at Ray White says he and the team are invested in

helping the club grow and thrive. "We want to make sure cricket is an affordable option, especially for the younger players. The more money we can help bring into the club and the more support we can offer, the easier it will be for kids to get involved," he says.

With the new club rooms set to open in September and the Ray White real fruit ice-cream truck making a regular appearance at Michael's Ave, the season is shaping up to be a beauty!

Ellerslie Cricket Club registrations open 1 August. www.ellersliecricket.co.nz



WHAT'S ON IN ELLERSLIE



Rush Dance Cardio

Tuesdays 6pm

An all levels, all women, dance-inspired workout class at the Ellerslie Community Centre, 138 Main Highway. \$15/class with your first class free.

www.rushdancecardio.nz.



Ellerslie School Trivia & Karaoke Night

Friday 11 August, 7pm

Enter your team for an 80's and 90's themed fundraiser at One Tree Hill College! There's a bar, hot food, raffles, photo booth and prizes for the best dressed. Tickets \$15. Deadline to buy tickets Mon 7 Aug. Email sarahn@ellerslie.school.nz for more info.



World Photography Day Competition

Saturday 19 August

To celebrate World Photography Day the Ellerslie Business Association is running a competition for the best photos of the Village. Follow Ellerslie Village on Facebook or Instagram @ellerslievillage for all the details.



Ellerslie Fairy Festival & **Pirate Party**

Sunday 10 September, 9.30am - 1pm

Ellerslie Village comes alive with the most anticipated community event of the year. With street performers, food trucks, activity stations and the General Collective Kids Market, pop on your fairy wings and pirate patches and enjoy a great family day out.



Quiz Night at the Union Post

Tuesdays at 7.30pm

Think you and your crew are the smartest in the Village? Head along to the Union Post's Believe It Or Not Quiz Night every Tuesday at 124 Main Highway. Win prizes and tuck into the \$20 burger and pint deal. Book a table at unionpost@gsh.co.nz.



Ellerslie Aikido Club

Mondays and Wednesdays from 6pm

Ever wanted to try martial arts? Beginners are welcome to pop in for a free trial class on Mondays and Wednesdays - kids (aged 7-12) 6pm - 6.45pm, Teens & Adults 6.45pm - 8.15pm. 186 Main Highway (upstairs at Ellerslie Eagles). Phone: (09) 579 1118.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO VISIT THE ELLERSLIE **BUSINESS DIRECTORY.**

TAKE UP SPACE

YOUR BEAUTIFUL NEW WORK AWAY FROM HOME SPACE

A hop, skip and jump from the Ellerslie Train Station at 23 Kalmia Street, you'll find the new co-working and meeting space Take Up Space.

With free parking, barista made coffee, wi-fi, printer, smart TV, fully equipped kitchen and arguably the fanciest bathrooms in town (hello full length mirror, GHD and luxury products!), the shared space is perfectly designed for openplan co-working, private meetings and functions.

For founders, Belinda and Doreen, Take Up Space is a natural expansion of their consulting and mentoring business Selfmade7. This powerhouse duo, who also lead a business network for Māori women through Te Puna Kōkiri, is all about big energy, a come-as-you-are attitude and supporting others to reach their full potential.

Take Up Space is open to everyone! www.takeupspace.co.nz



GO BANANAS AT ELLERSLIE FRESH MARKET

You may have seen Nathan Royce, A.K.A. the Banana Man, driving around the Village in his banana car - well it might look like he's up to monkey business but we promise he's not. Nathan, along with Johno Backme and Jasmine Taylor are the owners of The Fresh Market Ellerslie - a new fruit and veg market in Kalmia Street.

They source only the best produce from the markets and local growers along with local honey, ready-made meals from Sherry Kitchen, deli meats and cheeses, specialty teas and Little & Friday donuts.

Looking for a local supplier of fruit & veg for your restaurant or café? Get in touch with The Fresh Market Ellerslie team.





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