



Hi de Hi
Dorpskrant



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Matakana Bus trip

After a nice drive during sunny weather the coach took us to Matakana for a visit to the Morris & James pottery. There was a hiccup because the café is closed on Tuesday's. This challenge was quickly solved by the staff of the pottery; within ten minutes, we received free coffee and tea. What a great service! We spread out to have a good look in the showroom, until the guided tour started.



I can recommend the guided tour; it was very interesting with a live demonstration of shaping a huge vase or pot. Afterwards some people did purchase pottery, and we left for Warkworth.

In Warkworth we all went our own way, a bit of shopping and of course lunch. We had some rain and in the end many villagers ended up in the pre-loved shop. It was good fun. After a request, we decided to stop at the Honey place; many had a very yummy ice-cream there.

We arrived home at 4.15pm to "Ons Dorp" which was bathing in sunshine!!



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Deadline for Dorpskrant
24th of the month.

Hi de Hi villagers,

What a beautiful month March has been, glorious, weather, too good to be true.

Not a very busy month, the usual activities, one event stood out, the coach trip to Matakana and Warkworth, further reading about this day in this edition.

The podiatrist will be back on 5th April, the villagers who have seen Siona before will have received an appointment. All villagers are welcome to walk in after 10.15 am. The price for a treatment is \$30.00. You will find Siona the podiatrist in the paviljoen, in the computer room. If you want something extra done, just ask Siona.

Kudo's to all villagers and staff that are looking after our village. I received many compliments from visitors about the peaceful, beautifully presented village. Many of you will agree with that statement, driving into the village after doing some shopping or a doctor's visit, gives me exactly that feeling.

We would like to visit Palm Springs Hot Pools in Parakai this month. More about this further down in the Dorpskrant.

The Happy hour this month will have an addition, the “Ons Dorp Singers” will perform for us.

Another event the month April will have, is the celebration of the Kings birthday, read more later in the Dorpskrant.

In May you will receive the Dorpskrant for the last time in this form, as nobody has come forward to take over. I will talk with management about a possible solution to inform you of any events in the future.

Leaving you, with the wish for happiness and good health for all.

Welcome to “Ons Dorp” Laurina Flikweert. Villa 26

Attention-Attention-Attention

The Trust advises the villagers, that the coffee, soup and other hot drinks, available from the Atrium, are to be consumed at the Atrium, and NOT TAKEN HOME.

With thanks the Trust.



Coach trip to Parakai Palm Springs Hot Pools

The coach will take all those who are interested, to the Palm Springs Hot Pools in Parakai. This complex has been completely renovated, and looks lovely. There are three pools to choose from with different water temperatures. Private showers are available. Price for the pools is \$16.00p.p.

We suggest you bring a picnic lunch to have there, plenty of seating is available. For those who would like to buy lunch, we will stop at a bakery in Helensville to pick up lunch.



This trip is planned for **10th April**, the coach will leave at 9.30 from Elizabeth and Don's place as usual, cost for the coach is \$10.00p.p. we will be back, when we have had enough.

If interested please contact Margie villa18, phone 974-4713 or 021-222-6833, by the 5th April.

Cancelled Browns Bay trip

The trip to Browns Bay on the 10th April has been cancelled to make place for the Parakai hot pool trip.



Happy Hour

Happy Hour is on Friday the 11th of April from 4-6 pm



Your "Ons Dorp" singers will entertain with a selection of well known, War time songs as Anzac Day is remembered later in the month.

Kings Birthday

We will celebrate the 57th birthday of the Dutch King Willem Alexander. We will celebrate this on 26th April in the Paviljoen with a Happy hour and a Nasi and Bami dinner. The music will be looked after by Jim Joll.



Bowling

Every Monday evening, is the time where some enthusiastic Villagers come together in the Pavilion to play nine games of bowls from 7.30 to 8.30pm. The evening is very relaxed and always full of laughter. All players doing their utmost best throughout the evening to ensure their team is the best. When all games are



completed, everybody enjoys a cuppa, a biscuit and a chat. Currently the bowl-team has 18 active members, which is the maximum. However if you are interested, you are welcome to watch and may be able to form your own bowl-group on a different day/ evening. See you in the Pavilion on any Monday night — Guusje

Dutch War Memorial Service – Herdenking

The Dutch community's Service of Remembrance will this year be held on Sunday 4th May at 2pm at the Dutch monument in Dove-Meyer Robinson Park, Parnell, Auckland. After the service there will be afternoon tea at the Rose park Hotel, Gladstone Road, Parnell to meet with friends.

To all those villagers that would like to attend, the village van will take you if there are enough villagers, up to seven. The van leaves from the care center at 1pm.

Contact Margie villa 18 974-4713 or 021-222-6833

Light tree Paviljoen

After request from villagers that the light tree is special to them, it has in the Society meeting of 25th March, unanimously been decided that the light tree is no longer in the way, since the foyer now has space for more walkers. So the light tree can stay where it is.



Podiatrist

The Podiatrist has been treating villagers in the pavilion and will be returning on Saturday the 5th of April, Villagers with an appointment will be seen to before 10 am. Any other villager just walk in after 10 am and you will be called in order of arrival.

An E-Waste collection for Ons Dorp residents has been proposed and will happen within the next few months. Date & time to be advised when details are finalised. This is a chance for you to start to gather your unwanted computers, printers, phones, cables, small kitchen appliances, TVs etc and put them aside for collection. Most items are free, but some will incur a small charge for recycling, which you will need to cover at the time. This collection is aimed to help you clear the unwanted goods which clutter up your garage, and to save our landfill.

We will send a flyer with more details well in advance of the date , Eirene

Sjoelen



We will have another sjoel afternoon in the pavilion on Friday the 25th of April

at 1pm. There will be coffee, tea and biscuits during the afternoon and a small gift for the winner in each pool.

If you would like to participate: please contact Antonia villa 38 or call 027 4804835,

There is a maximum of 24 players.

To all Men:

A group of us meet at the Atrium, Mondays at 10am for a coffee and a chat to get to know each other a little better.

We mostly bring our own large mugs to save the cups provided, we finish at 11am, and we love to have others join us.

Hope to see you there, Eric Hefford.



Transport

Transport is being offered to those that would like to join activities within

“Ons Dorp”.

Please note: You will need to be able to walk **unaided to and from** the vehicle.

The following people are available to help with transport:

Joop Hageman	09 837 5176
Roelof Siebring	09 838 1017
Simon Hoekstra	09 299 9126
Rein van Staalduinen	09-974 4713

Please call in advance so pick-up can be organised.

Open Fellow ship

A gathering for all who love, or want to know the Lord Jesus



Where: in the Atrium

When: every Friday

Time: 2pm

++ All Welcome++

Contact Faye Villa 36 PH. 838-6952

Market in the village

The Market in the village has been going for many years, it has been impossible to find out, when the start date was. We do know that it's been going for more than fifteen years. Many villagers and outside Society members visit the Market every last Friday of the month. We would like to see more people, as this Market is for every villager. The proceeds go to the Society. This helps the society to organize Happy hours, coach trips and dinners through the year. So you see it's important to support the Market.



Many thanks to all the volunteers that are there every Market day, to set up , sell and tidy up again, serve coffee, sell tickets, sell in the shop, etc., etc. Too many to name.

For the new villagers that have not been able to get to the Market yet, here are some off the goods that are sold.

Vegetables in jars and cans, soups, spices, a great assortment of biscuits.

There are tables with knick-knacks, craftwork, with very nice presents for little ones. The cheese man, also the herring man with witlof (chicory) and of course herring (a real Dutch treat for many.) There are freshly deep-fried beef croquettes a real treat. You can test your luck by buying a few tickets in the raffle. To finish this off, coffee or tea are served for free. So come to the Market, have a look, do some shopping and have a cuppa and a chat with the people around you.

The Village Shop is open every Wednesday morning and on Market Days between 9 and 12pm

The shop in the village is open and run by 4 volunteers every Wednesday and the last Friday of the month (Market day) from 9.00 – 12.00.

We sell a large range of Dutch products.

Biscuits, Speculaas, Syrup Wafers, Cafe Noir. Licorice, Coins, School Chalk, Double Salt . Vegetables in tins and jars, Sauerkraut, Red Cabbage, Apple Sauce. Soups, Pea Soup, Chicken Soup, Vegetable Soup.

Div. Breakfast-, Candy-, Ginger Cake, Cherry Liquor Chocolates, Jam.

We like to encourage all villagers to support and buy from our shop because the total profit goes on a monthly basis to the Society to help and fund their activities.



Raffle winners on Market day

Friday March 28th

1st prize – Truus Lenferink

2nd prize – Jack Velzeboer

Next Market

Friday 25th April



Guest speaker Medical alerts

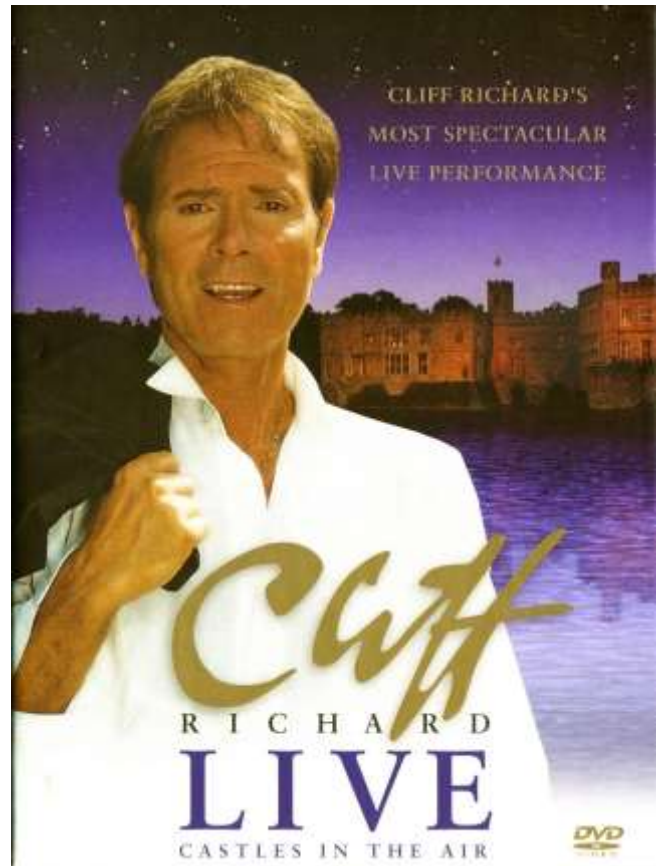
On 9th April we will have a guest speaker coming to the Paviljoen, to talk and explain everything about medical alerts, and who can receive government funding for the alarm.

This presentation will start at 2pm on 9th April. We will have a small afternoon tea/ coffee, after the presentation.

Movies showing in February

In the Paviljoen at 2.00 pm

April 13th Cliff Richard, Castles in the Air



Batteries

Many thanks to all the villagers who have posted their used household batteries in my letterbox at Villa no 8. Last weekend I took just under three kilos of batteries to the battery recycling collection point. The woman on reception was most impressed by the full carton. Those of you who have not yet done so, are welcome to separate their used batteries from the rubbish and post them at Villa no 8 for recycling... It helps keep the harmful elements out of our landfill. Well done , Keep it up — Gail



Exercise at the Paviljoen

Monday Balancing Classes

Monday 10-11pm

Every Monday

Thursday Exercise Classes

Thursday 10-11pm

Every Thursday

Watch "(1 Hr) Lively Chair Yoga Class with

Tatis Cervantes-Aiken at Yoga Vista" on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/4eCb3TFHnTg?si=58vW20rXGtKFyeMb>

Also, have a go on the exercise bicycle!!



Regular Activities in the Paviljoen



Sjoelen every last Friday of the month at 1.30 am



Monday Afternoon Klaverjassen at 1.00pm

A very relaxed afternoon playing cards, with tea/coffee in the break.

Monday Evening Indoor Bowling at 7.30 pm

These are very enjoyable social evenings with a cup of tea or coffee at the end of the evening. Therefore, if you enjoy social evenings and want to give it a try, you will not regret it!



Tuesday Afternoon any games from 1.00 pm until 5 pm



Here again, villagers who enjoy playing games get together to play a social game with a chat and cup of tea or coffee. All villagers are welcome, please bring any games you may have from home if you like.

Wednesday Morning at 9.00 am

Crafty villagers get together every Wednesday morning, starting at 9:30am to do knitting, needle work, in short anything to do with hand crafts. All villagers welcome.



Wednesday Afternoon Playing Canasta at 1.00pm

Villagers interested in playing / learning Canasta or Klaverjassen please phone Theresia on 320 0296 or 027-614-3643.



Thursday Afternoon Billiards or Pool at 1.00 pm

Villagers play pool or French billiards (3 Balls, no pockets) Newcomers are welcome.



Thursday Afternoon Pickle Ball, from 4.00 – 5.00 pm

Paviljoen or Bowling green.

Contact Petra, ph 833-8044 or mob. 021-256-3361



Housie every 3rd Thursday Evening of the month at 7:00pm

Good prizes, good company. Coffee or tea with biscuits during the evening, Contact Guusje Boots, ph. 837 5241 or Roelof Siebring, phone 838 1017

