



# WAIMARIE: HAMILTON EAST COMMUNITY HOUSE

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## Symmington snippets

The gardeners have been busy making new wooden surrounds for the garden plots to replace the adobe bricks that have disintegrated over the years.

They are looking very smart.

It is time for spring planting so we have ordered seeds for our summer vegetables.

The winter clean up has continued, resulting in lots of leaves for the compost.

We have cleaned out some of the plots with the help of the chickens and pruned the feijoas.

Our compost is dark, friable and delicious looking. It is turned regularly and a mix of green plant waste, leaves, paper, lawn clippings, lots of tea bags and vegetable scraps.

Remember not to add bones, meat, fat or dairy to the mix, turn as often as you can and you will end up with superb food for your flowers and vegetables.

Five of our gardeners have been assigned their own plots to look after with others doing regular weekly jobs such as mowing, sweeping, watering and looking after the compost.

Two Council workers have a plot that they tend on the weekends and Optionz also have a large plot they maintain on Tuesdays.

A big thank you to Chris who has managed to fix our water feature at reasonable cost. He was determined and capable and has given much of his time for free to help with the

irrigation system as well. We are planning to raise the pond edge with bricks and concrete and to create a pond ecosystem to create a sustainable pond and keep the water clean. At present, it is too shallow to support this and tends to accumulate a lot of algae and moss.

Our hens are still all doing very well and laying lots of eggs for us, which we have been eating with our shared lunch. We also sell half a dozen free range organic eggs for \$3.50. They are available at reception.

Gardening starts at 9.30am every Friday.

■ Please contact us if you are interested in joining us.



## Waimarie wanted

If you have good quality books, bric-a-brac, jewellery, kitchen ware, cushions, linen, curtains, tools or china that you would like to donate, we would be happy to have them.

We do not sell furniture as we don't have the space.

Also wanted:

- Supermarket plastic bags
- Egg cartons, preferably half dozen sized ones
- Adult and children's books written in Maori
- Brown or white sugar (for relish)
- Volunteers to help run the shop

## HOME GARDEN ORGANICS COURSE

Join us in a four-class course to gain skills in applying organic practises to your home gardens.

This course is ideal for people wanting to begin growing their own vegetables and not wanting to use toxic chemicals on their gardens for any control of insects and diseases.

You will learn how to make natural fertiliser to help maintain a healthy soil and many other techniques to take you down the path of sustainable gardening.

You will not only grow

healthy nutritious food but you will also improve your soil and environment promoting a safe home garden for you and your family to enjoy.

**ORGANIC GARDENING COURSE (4 classes)**  
Starting Wednesday October 14th from 10am to 12.

Held at Waimarie Community House  
53 Wellington street Hamilton East

**\$10 per CLASS**  
Book your place for this course with Waimarie community house  
07 858 3453

Join us with like minded gardeners to learn about systems to implement into your garden to produce healthy organic vegetables.  
**Topic Covered:**  
Siting your garden  
Making no dig gardens  
Soils  
Composting and wormfarming  
Pest and disease control  
Companion planting  
Rotation planting  
Lunar Gardening

Contact Anne  
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Waimarie: Hamilton East Community House

RH: Room hire

These may vary from school term to school term.

### Term 4 2015

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Morning</b>		<p><b>Budgeting advice</b> 9am-3pm</p> <p>By appointment only (1hour appointment) Phone Waimarie</p>	<p><b>Vege and fruit boxes</b> \$11 Place and pay your order before Wednesday 2pm</p> <p><b>Organic gardening</b> Tutor: Cheryl 10am-noon \$40 per person for 4 weeks from October 14</p> <p><b>Cooking on a budget</b> 10-noon Cost: Gold Coin donation each session for 6 weeks from Sept 9</p>	<p><b>Free legal advice</b> <b>Niemand Peebles Hout</b> From 9am By appointment only Phone Waimarie</p> <p><b>Vege and fruit boxes</b> Ready for pickup from 10.30am</p>	<p><b>Gardening Group</b> 9.30am –12.30pm</p> <p>New members welcome. Call Jane or Anne at Waimarie to join the gardening group.</p>
<b>Afternoon</b>	<p><b>Ukulele for children</b> Tutor: Alice Bulmer 6 weeks from October 19 3.30-4pm beginner 4.15-4.45pm next step Cost: \$20 (Family with Community Services card will get subsidised) Contact Anne at Waimarie.</p>	<p><b>Network meeting With Hamilton City Council</b> 2pm Every second Tuesday of every month. All welcome.</p>	<p><b>Tai Chi</b> 2- 3pm Tutor: Eddie Tan \$5 per class</p> <p>Contact Anne at Waimarie.</p>	<p><b>Free public access computer</b> 1- 4 pm - Research - C.V Updates - Look for Work (help available on request)</p>	
<b>Evening</b>	<p><b>Ukulele beginner for adults</b> Tutor: Alice Bulmer 6 weeks from October 19 5.30-6.30pm Cost: \$60 Contact Anne at Waimarie.</p> <p>RH</p> <p><b>Sahaja yoga meditation</b> 7-8pm Enquires to Novell 027 8394556</p>	<p>RH</p> <p><b>Toughlove</b> 7.30-9.30pm Phone 8565999</p> <p>Ongoing meetings</p>	<p>RH</p> <p><b>Free Bible studies</b> Answers to life's questions. Every Wednesday 7-8.30pm Everyone welcome. Phone 021 2573287</p>	<p><b>Book club meetings</b> Third Thursday of every month <b>Off site</b> 6.30 – 7.30pm Phone Anne 8568531</p> <p><b>SEKCA meeting</b> 3.30 – 4.30pm Every second Thursday of each month. New members welcome.</p> <p>RH <b>Green Party</b> 7 - 9pm Third Thursday of every month</p>	