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# **WAIMARIE: HAMILTON EAST COMMUNITY HOUSE**

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# SCHOLARSHIPS

There are two scholarships available

SAM is a scholarship fund to promote healthy pursuits in young children with the hope that they will continue to engage in sporting and cultural activities across the lifespan. We have funding for music in

particular — hiring of musical instruments as well as paying for music lessons. We can support a child for up to one year.

The children must be of school age (5-12 years old). Families must have a Community Services Card in order to receive the funding. Funds are paid directly to the provider. Contact us for a form. Phone 858-3453 or email waimarieham3216@xtra.co.nz.

The Sekca Governance Scholarship is a \$600 per annum scholarship offered to Waikato University students who are interested in learning about governance and community organisations. This is a good opportunity to add to your CV.

We meet once a month for an hour on Thursday afternoons with an occasional planning session or similar. Successful applicants are required to attend 10 meetings a year and the scholarship will be paid quarterly. If interested, contact us or the University Scholarship team or download from our website.

### THANK YOU

Thank you 2015 funders and supporters! FUNDERS

COGS (operating costs) D V Bryant Trust (wages) Hamilton City Council (operations/

Karamu Trust (garden tools) Lotteries (wages, training, volunteer

Norah Howell Charitable Trust (musical instrument hire) Sky City (garden facilitator, music

Tindall Foundation (budgeting) Trust Waikato (wages) WEL Energy Trust (wages) **SUPPORTERS** 

Agrisea (garden tonic) Community Probation Service Hamilton Budget Advisory Service

iRs (joint social enterprise, JustWork)

Pukete Neighbourhood House (advocacy support) Sunshine Bakery (bread, pies) Neighbours and friends (items for the shop and the garden) The Carpet Barn Te Rapa (carpet) Hamilton City Council (mulch) TransPower (mulch)

Also a big thank you to all those neighbours and volunteers who have given their time and energy to

Waimarie.

## SEAWEED GOLD

Thank you to Agrisea and the gardeners for the very generous donation to our community garden.

What is Agrisea? Agrisea is a New Zealand multi award-winning company manufacturing quality liquid seaweed concentrates from a New Zealand sustainable native seaweed for agriculture and horticulture.

Agrisea's unique long, slow, cold brewing retains the vast range of elements in their concentrates. These seaweed products provide high nutrition for soil, plant, pasture and animal health. Learn more on www.agrisea.co.nz.

# Community support the key

Welcome, Waimarie: Hamilton East Community House serves the

South East area of Kirikiriroa. We run a variety of programmes and services and we are always open to new ideas and suggestions.

Please pop in or email us and let us know what you would like to see happening at Waimarie and/or how you could help us to achieve your vision. We need the support of our community, you, to help us be of maximum benefit.

#### Change of staff

Our new administrator/funder is Anne Cecile Morgagni who hails from the Champagne region of France and has an Italian grandfather.

We also welcome Ange Apiata (also a committee member) who is now working 10 hours a week as our kuia/sponsorship facilitator.

# **MANAGER'S MUSINGS**

Marie Brunskill who hails from the UK has also joined us as our new garden facilitator.

#### **Upcycling and** renovating

I have undertaken to revamp my outside room that has always suffered from an identity crisis. I have decided it is to be an office/ creative space to encourage me to write, scrapbook, paint and create.

It is amazing what you can do with very little money. I have repainted, added a feature wall and was fortunate enough to benefit from a friend who had her carpet and underlay replaced after leaking pipes. The carpet is mainly in excellent condition and cost \$140 to An old and tired looking faux cast iron table and chair is being repainted. An old dining table has been restained and painted white on the base and legs will be my main workstation.

I have turned an old oak bed into a day bed perfect for nana naps. I have purchased awesome ceramic pots from our op shop and plan to create a beautiful sea of colour for the outside. Now all I need is to get my hands on some cheap bird's nest pendant lights!

Before you chuck out that old chair, imagine it painted or sanded and varnished and put in a new location. Check out your local op shops, garage sales, fairs or TradeMe for bargains. Group items that individually are not very interesting but together make an effective

statement — glass bottles, shells, small vases. The possibilities are endless. With the temperatures dropping, autumn is the perfect time to spruce up a room and your life.

#### **JustWork**

If you would like to support people recovering from a mental illness into paid work please consider our joint social enterprise with iRs called JustWork.

We offer car cleaning, domestic

We offer car cleaning, domestic cleaning, gardening and woodwork. Workers receive the minimum

wage, are well trained and supervised by iRs staff so customers get a great deal.

Please contact iRs on 843-0456 and check out our competitive rates.

We have many wonderful volunteers and we couldn't function without them.

> Ka kite ano Jane Landman

# Books help Waimarie

Pre-order your Entertainment Book 2015-2016 Waikato and Bay of Plenty

Twenty per cent from each book sold contributes to Waimarie's fundraising.

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For the upcoming edition, you will again have a choice: the traditional Entertainment Book membership that comes with the Gold Card and vouchers or the Entertainment Digital Membership that puts the value of the Entertainment Book into your iPhone or Android smartphone. Entertainment Book and Entertainment



Anne on 858-3453 or email waimarieham3216@xtra.co.nz. Thanks for your support!



# Waimarie welcomes new faces to team

membership securely online visit

Marie Brunskill: I joined the community house team this year from a horticultural background to work with the community garden group.

I am originally from the United Kingdom where I had an allotment for a few years, and am enjoying growing in a community atmosphere again.

I run the weekly garden group of volunteers who meet every Friday morning.

The volunteers love being out in the garden — it is great to h such an e and friendly group.

We also enjoy a tasty lunch together after our work, prepared by the volunteer cooks, using our own produce.

Lots of our work recently has been weeding and tidying up, mulching our paths to keep the weeds at bay, and the beds have all been given a good dose of our homemade compost to give them a boost after the summer.

We now have a resident hen who we hope will help out with the weeding, and provide us with some eggs for our Friday



Marie Brunskill

We have also been busy sowing our autumn seeds such as broccoli, cauliflower, beet, and leeks which we will be planting out in the next couple of weeks.

We are now looking forward to some autumn rain and cooler days for working in the garden.

Anne Cecile Morgagni: I am the new administrator/funder at Waimarie Community House.

I am in charge of the course's co-ordination, funding and



Anne Cecile Morgagni

marketing. I am French from Troyes in Champagne region. I have graduated with a

master's degree in communication/marketing in France.

I was a communication advisor before I moved to New Zealand two years ago to live with my Kiwi partner and his 5-year-old son. I like art and trávelling.

Ange Apiata: I have four grown children and four



**Ange Apiata** 

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I have been at Waimarie Community House for several years as a volunteer in the garden and doing all sorts of

I am employed part-time as kuia and sponsorship coordinator.

I collect donations from business, look after Gabook the whanau chicken, as well as anything that needs doing.

like food, gardening and spending time with my whanau.