



Neighbourhood News

Issue 1, 2024

Mairehau & St Albans Community Update

Welcome back! This is the first issue of the Neighbourhood News for 2024 and it is full of good news. All our Initiatives are back up and running after the holiday break, including the CAP Money Course. The Neighbourhood Trust Team has been working hard to improve our existing Initiatives as well as create some new ones. We will be running a Parenting Event in August and it is our hope that a Cooking Course will be created this year. If you like the sound of this keep an eye on our website and Facebook to keep up to date on new information. The Neighbourhood News has also encountered changes that will affect delivery. For more information on this please check page 7.

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Noteworthy News

Recent highlights at Neighbourhood Trust

Christmas Hampers 2023



As always, we like to begin the Neighbourhood News with a reflection of our Christmas Hampers in 2023. Thanks to the generosity of people in our community the Christmas Hampers were full to the brim of Christmas treats. From meals, snacks and drinks, the recipients were able to enjoy a time of year that is sometimes more stressful than fun. This year's boxes also included a special gift for the families to enjoy over the summer break, further allowing families to enjoy the holiday break.

Thank you to those that have provided support.



OSCAR Programme

Have anything planned for your children this April Holidays? NHT Oscar will be running the Holiday Programme from the 15th of April till the 26th of April. The programme will include games, crafts, trips, and overall fun. All the activities will be based on the theme, which is Quirky Science. So come along ready to explore and experiment.

To find out more about what we do you can visit our website:

<https://www.nht.org.nz/holiday-programme/>

OSCAR Programme



After School Care now available for Ouruhia School, St Albans Primary and St Albans Catholic.

Located at, St Francis of Assisi and Mairehau Primary.
Ages 5-13

For more info, contact:
Roana on 0277019382,
Or childrens@nht.org.nz



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Double the Wheels!

The Neighbourhood Trust has started the year off with some good news, in mid-January we received our new Van that will be operating for NHT Oscar. Since our OSCAR Programme expanded in late 2022 the Neighbourhood Trust has been in search of a van to help transport children from their schools to the OSCAR site.

After a long search and plenty of writing we were able to buy a new van with the help of Hopman Motor Company, the Journey to Jesus Empowering Fund and Pub Charity.



Thanks to Sign Pursuit the plain old van is now a revamped version of the Hands van ready to use for OSCAR transport.



Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

Mairehau Neighbourhood Garden

The summer break is normally a time for relaxing and taking things slow, however the Mairehau Neighbourhood Garden had other plans. During the warm and windy weather, the garden flourished with summer kai. Thankfully none of the kai went to waste as seven volunteers worked over the holiday break to maintain the Neighbourhood Garden. Thank you to those that helped, we very much appreciate the time you have given to help the garden thrive!



Golden Connections

Social events and services for over 60 year olds

Are you over 60 and wanting to meet new people and enjoy getting out?

Golden Connections is based at the McFadden Centre (64 McFaddens Rd) and provides a range of activities.

For bookings or a programme contact Maree,
E.Golden@nht.org.nz
M.0221952589

ACTIVITIES

Monday Mornings, Once a Month **Foot Clinics**

Foot clinic provides a foot spa, nail cut and a relaxing foot massage. Bookings are essential so contact Maree, as there are limited spaces.

Cost \$18, bring your own hand towel.

Fridays, 1pm – 2:30pm **Strength & Balance**

Low impact, circuit class designed to improve your balance, strength and mobility whilst having fun! Cuppa & baking with some time to chat afterwards,
\$2 donation to cover costs.

SPECIAL EVENTS

March 4th, 1pm **Quiz Afternoon**

Cost \$2

Come along and test your knowledge on a wide range of topics.

April 15th , 1pm **Board Game Afternoon**

Cost \$2

Come along for a fun afternoon full of board games. We have a wide range of games to choose from.

May 13th , 1pm **Movie**

Cost \$2

Come along for an entertaining movie. The movie will be decided closer to the time, so come along ready for a surprise.

March 18th, 1pm **St Patricks Day Afternoon Tea**

Cost \$5

Join us for an afternoon full of chatter, laughter and food. Come dressed in as much green as you can!

Bookings Essential

April 29th , 1pm **Fun with Colour**

Cost \$2

Do you love arts and crafts? We will be trying a new activity full of colour and fun. Come along and try something new !

Upcoming Events ...

Keep an eye on this space!
Parenting Event coming in August ...

CAP Money Course

A revolutionary, free money management course that teaches people budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that really works. This course will help anyone gain more control over their finances so they can save, give and prevent debt. This course is for anyone, no matter what your financial situation is. You are taught tools that are life skills.

Our next CAP Money course will begin on March 1st and run over four Friday mornings, 10– 11:30am.

It is held at St Albans Baptist Church, 64 McFaddens Road, Mairehau.

To register, go to the CAP website: www.capnz.org and select 'Find a CAP Money Course'. Enter 8052.

If you have any questions, contact: Jan Bovey

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M. 0277100022

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THE WHĀNAU CENTRE

KIWI DADS

Neighbourhood Trust Community Development Worker, Don is available to spend time over a coffee to chat with Dads about their struggles in parenting, their dreams for themselves and their children and to offer encouragement, support & advice.

Contact Don

E. community@nht.org.nz | **M.** 027 956 9202
+ check out their Facebook Group @KiwiDadsChch

WOMEN'S CONNECTIONS

Women's Connections is a group run by Community Development Worker, Jan, and is for women of all ages. Each week we have a lot of fun together as we enjoy a simple meal, have a creative activity and either have a discussion topic, visiting speaker or outing. Come and join us.

Find out more by contacting Jan,

E. cdw@nht.org.nz
M. 0277100022

Kai Produce

Kai growing in the Mairehau Neighbourhood Garden.



Neighbourhood Trust
community hub:

49 Nancy Ave, Mairehau



KAI SUPPORT

We have kai boxes available for households in the local area who need some assistance.

Visit nht.org.nz/kai-box/ to request some kai. This will be available to pick up from the Whānau Centre on Wednesdays for people who have requested one.

If you have an urgent need, or are struggling to access the website **phone Sarah on 027 710 0042**

JOB SEEKER SUPPORT

We offer CV and Cover Letter support for those who are seeking to find work.

Would you like to create a CV or improve your current one?

Get in touch with Sarah to book an appointment by emailing operations@nht.org.nz.

About

A special thank you to the funders of Neighbourhood Trust

WHY YOUR LETTER BOX?

Kia ora Neighbours,

We are delivering the Neighbourhood News to letterboxes in our community that are not marked **"No Community Newspapers"** or similar. However, you can contact us at comms@nht.org.nz if you do not want to receive further publications.

From your
Neighbourhood Trust
Team.



Neighbourhood News is an initiative of Neighbourhood Trust, the community arm of St Albans Baptist Church. We support the people of Mairehau and St Albans to build vibrant, connected communities, where every person can reach their potential. Neighbourhood Trust partners with other like-minded organisations to offer programmes, classes and events that create connections, support local people, and build on community strengths.

P. 355 6522 **E.** comms@nht.org.nz **W.** nht.org.nz



NHT is pleased to be a "Good Cause" on fundraising platform, Upstream NZ. If you're looking for service providers for your home or business, check out www.upstreamnz.co.nz for available suppliers and choose NHT as your "Good Cause". Each invoice generated will see the supplier give a percentage back to charity. This is a great way to support NHT and local business.



The St Albans Baptist Church family are committed to creating an environment in which people love God, love one another and use their God given gifts. Join us each Sunday at 10am at 64 McFaddens Road, St Albans.

P. 355 6522 **E.** office@sabc.org.nz **W.** sabc.org.nz
A. 64 McFaddens Road, St Albans

SABC Youth

For information contact Seb:
E. youth@sabc.org.nz



Regular Neighbourhood Activities



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MONDAY

GOLDEN ACTIVITY

Time Varies

Contact Maree, Golden@nht.org.nz or
0221952589

OSCAR

7:30-9am & 3-6pm

Monday-Friday

Contact Roana: Childrens@nht.org.nz

TUESDAY

CRAFT GROUP

10am - 12PM

SABC Redwood Lounge

Contact:

Christine 9815134

Sharon 0274731846

Anita 3529272

WOMEN'S CONNECTIONS

12-2PM

A group for Women to build connections and
enjoy some kai.

Contact Jan:

cdw@nht.org.nz or 0277100022

GAME ON!

7pm -9pm, Termly

Parenting Course for Dads (6 weeks)

Contact Don for dates, community@nht.org.nz,
or 027 956 9202

WEDNESDAY

KAI BOX PICK UP

12:30 - 2:30pm

Visit nht.org.nz and click on
Request Kai Support

THURSDAY

MAIREHAU NEIGHBOURHOOD GARDEN

10am - 12pm

All are welcome to come and work in our
garden for as long as you can manage.
Check FB page for any changes to work times.

Contact Don:

community@nht.org.nz, or 027 956 9202

Facebook @NHTGarden

FRIDAY

STRENGTH & BALANCE CLASS

1pm every Friday

A Low Impact circuit class for ages 60+
Finishes with a cuppa after. \$2 donation.

Contact Sarah:

operations@nht.org.nz or 027 710 0042

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

If you like what you've seen & would like to
support us head to www.nht.org.nz/giving