

Pāuatahanui Residents Association

JULY 2020



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PRA - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This is scheduled for **Sunday 16 August, 2.00pm**, at the **Morgans Golf Retreat** (formerly the Pāuatahanui Golf Course), Paekakariki Hill Road.

Gareth Morgan and Nick Tansley from the Morgan Foundation are owners of the golf course and the neighbouring property. They will be sharing their plans for the properties, including developing access for walkers and cyclists between the Retreat and Battle Hill as well as other opportunities for the community to use the facilities.

We will also be providing an update on PRA activities and finances and the SH58 upgrade progress and other topical matters.

Come along and learn more about our 'super cool' little community and have a look and wander around the Retreat.

Rural Information Pack

Several of the PRA Committee Members are currently working on information to be included on the PRA Website.

It is proposed the site will cover a range of information particularly relevant to newcomers to the area and those new to having a lifestyle property.

We will be providing flip chart paper at the AGM and invite attendees to let us know if there are areas they would like to see included.

It is not our intention to provide an exhaustive narrative on all things rural but rather information on where and how to find important information.

Please give some thought to this so you come prepared to fill up our flip chart.

Considering joining the PRA?

PRA membership is only \$20 per household per annum. It's a small investment in meeting our community needs and aspirations and advocating to our local and regional councils. It also enables us to harness our collective resources to maintain our historic and environmental locations. A **membership form** is on the reverse of this leaflet.

The AGM is also the time for re-electing our PRA committee members. It's an opportunity for fresh input and ideas. It's not a huge commitment so please give some thought to joining the team.

Community Water Station

Have you ever wondered what the large shipping container, labelled “Community Water Station”, at the end of Belmont Road is for? The PRA has investigated and here’s what we’ve learned so far.

- The Community Water Station is part of the Wellington Region Emergency Response Office (WREMO) services whose role is to co-ordinate Civil Defence and Emergency Management services on behalf of the nine councils in the Wellington region.
- WREMO manages the drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater services for our local Councils.
- There are three community water stations within the Porirua City Council boundary. The Pāuatahanui Community Water Station (SH58), the Takapuwhia Community Water Station and the Postgate Park Community Water Station.
- The emergency network would supply water from day eight after a major earthquake, with the aim of being able to supply every Wellingtonian with 20 litres of water every day.
- The container has a 20,000 litre emergency water bladder inside that can be used to fill smaller water bladders that would be transported where it is needed.
- It is essentially “a water treatment plant in a box” with the water supplied treated to NZ Drinking Water Standards.
- In an emergency, the station would be unlocked by Wellington Water however it would be up to the local Community hub/s to determine how it might be distributed. The water wouldn't necessarily be used by our community. It might be trucked to somewhere where it is most needed.

For more information see:

- The “Above Ground Emergency Water Network” booklet which explains how the emergency water supply operates.

<https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/dmsdocument/392>

- The Pāuatahanui Community Emergency Hub Guide (2017) which is specific to Pāuatahanui and contains relevant local information on challenges likely to be faced in an emergency

<https://wremo.nz/assets/Hub-Guides/Pauatahanui.pdf>

Pāuatahanui Residents Association Inc

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MEMBERSHIP FORM - 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

Name: _____
Email: _____ Phone No. _____
Postal address: _____

I / we agree to these contact details being kept on the PRA database and used only in communication about local and association issues.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Membership fee of \$20 enclosed

Membership fee has been paid by direct debit to 06-0582-0096750-00

Please make cheques payable to **Pāuatahanui Residents Association Inc.** and forward to: Joanne Cross, PRA Treasurer, P.O. Box 50055, Porirua, 5240.

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