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PANMURE

YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE



LOCAL FOCUS

Tastes of Panmure proves popular

The full story on page 3

31 winners took out
\$100 cash each

Photo: @Treemannz Nick, Sushi & Sushi

WHO WE ARE



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Town Manager, aka 'The Boss' of
Panmure Business Association



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Marketing Specialist at the
Panmure Business Association and
the real boss of every promotion



Katie Chan
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the Panmure Business Association
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Taniela Kaivelata
Security Liaison Officer at the
Panmure Business Association, very
hard not to spot him in the street



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timetables

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With love:



Chris has her say

This month I have enjoyed handing over a crisp \$100 note to the daily winners of this year's Taste of Panmure promotion. Without a doubt, every one of those winners has come bouncing into our office with big smiles on their faces.

On another note, the Panmure Business Association is a member of the Panmure Historical Society (PHS) and as a member was invited to participate in an archaeological site visit between Bridge Street and Lagoon Drive. This area was once Mokoia Pa and the existing houses have been removed to make way for the widening of Lagoon Drive as part of the AMETI Eastern Busway project. The site visit was hosted by Mahu from Ngati Paoa and archaeologist Matt Felgate who not only outlined the fascinating history of the site but showed us amazing 3D imaging of the well-constructed kumara pits complete with drainage

channels and stone dividing walls. All material that is being collected is photographed, recorded and stored. Once completed a research paper will be prepared. The PHS hope to be invited again to the site and if you are a member of the society (\$10 annual fee – email panmurehistorical@gmail.com) you too can attend. We truly live and work in an area steeped in history.

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Finally, wishing you all wellness this month, as it seems winter has finally set in.

Chris
Town Manager



Uncovering the past at Mokoia Pa



'Tastes of Panmure' brings joy

Thirty one diners win \$100 cash during May

Panmure's annual foodie promotion 'Tastes of Panmure' has brought sheer delight to thirty one winners who ate out here during May. Entrants simply ate at one of our eateries and posted a picture doing so. People really got in behind this year's new digital format and we were spoilt for choice when it came to choosing our daily winners.

Winners ranged from those partaking in a cheeky pie and chips, to late night kebabs and 'world famous in Panmure' eggs bene. Everyone who entered uncovered some real gems in Panmure

and we all learnt where to go for good value, great service and super yummy food! Almost every eatery had someone win a prize and so many businesses had the word get out on Facebook multiple times, so many more can savour their offerings.

We loved the creativity of the entries and often were faced with a difficult decision. You made our job hard!

Now let's recognise our Panmure eatery 'web celebs' which are those businesses that got the most photo entries in the promotion.

Congratulations to our five top web celebs who each win \$150 cash each:

- *Café with no name...*
- *Master Chinese Restaurant*
- *Blossom Court*
- *Bridge-It Cafe*
- *The Landmark Bar and Eatery*

Finally, a big thanks to all who entered and all our fantastic eateries that got involved! See you again same time next year.



1. Patricia Douglas had dinner with her friends at Master Chinese Restaurant. 2. Krystal Thorpe had her lunch at Beijing Duck Restaurant. 3. Elly Rishworth and her kids at Amaize Gourmet Corn Treats. 4. Mere Ula took this beautiful picture at Bridge-It Café. 5. Rih Thomas had her lunch at Baker Express. 6. Reon Robati had lunch at Kalye Manila Cafe & Eatery. 7. Katie O'Connor and her friend at 133 Bakery & Café. 8. Maria Brady had a late lunch at Landmark Bar & Eatery. 9. Vimlesh Singh enjoyed lunch at Lahori Chaska. 10. Josh Faramo had his pancakes with a friend at Café...with no name.

Rey Ann Filipino Superette

Explore Filipino culture via food

i | **REY ANN FILIPINO SUPERETTE**

2A Basin View Lane, Panmure

P: 021 101 6016

Mon-Fri 9:30am-6:30pm, Sat 8:30am-6:30pm, Sun 8:30am-5:30pm

Rey and Ann Manderico, a couple from the Philippines with two children, started their family business in 2011 by selling and delivering Filipino goods using a van. With support and love from all of their friends living around Panmure, their little business grew quickly. A few years ago, they dreamt of opening a shop in the Panmure town centre, as they live locally and love the community. Panmure simply was the only suburb they wanted to set up their shop in.

They finally realised the opportunity this year, which gave their regular customers a new in-store shopping experience and a handy destination to drop by. "Customers can now explore our new items when they come in, which is much better than any order by phone" Rey said. Rey and Ann would also love to teach non-Filipino customers how to use their products to cook Filipino dishes, which can assist anyone to learn their exciting culture.



Rey, Ann and their children

Check This Out

The place where you can get affordable upcycled furniture

i | **CHECK THIS OUT**

18 Pilkington Road, Panmure

P: 021 818 868

Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 11am-4pm

Steven went into partnership with Bill to start a business called Check This Out, which mostly sells re-cycled furniture and other unwanted household items. The intention behind it was not only for profit, but because they want to help the environment. "People don't want to or don't know how to mend their items, or some of them are just too old, so they throw them away. We collect those types of items, get them fixed and cleaned, make them useful again, and then re-sell them at an affordable price. Hopefully we will help less rubbish go into the ground," says Steven.

Steven had previously been in the building industry for 30+ years, so he knows his way around furniture materials and mending stuff. He has also collected some antique items to resell. They are welcoming people to donate unwanted pieces, and instead of you traveling to the tip, they come to pick them up from you!

Check This Out also supports charities such as the SPCA.



Steven and Bill at the opening of their shop



Brand new furniture at an affordable price



Mega Fruit

Another place to shop for your 5+ a day

MEGA FRUIT

184 Queens Road, Panmure | P: 09 281 9378

Wed-Sun 9am-5pm, Mon-Tue Closed

People are more conscious about healthy eating these days and often look to purchase organic food as part of their lifestyle. To meet this growing need June who has been in the fruit and veggie industry for several years decided to open a shop here. She made the decision to be based here as she lives locally so had noticed that the community in this area could be offered a better food supply. Mega Fruit sells both organic and regular fruit/veggies, with most of the products coming in prepacks, for hygiene and convenience for the shopper.

Working in the industry for such a long time brings benefits, such as June can order stock in at great prices, which means she can offer great deals for both her walk-in and bulk buying customers.



Power to the people

The Dove Hospice Shop flies onwards and upwards

DOVE HOSPICE SHOP

141 Queens Road, Panmure

P: 09 527 7863 | Mon-Sat 9am-4:30pm

www.dovehospice.org.nz



In February, the board of Dove House made a decision not to renew the lease on the Panmure Dove Hospice Shop at 141 Queens Rd. The staff and volunteers were naturally very upset and decided to prove to the management that the outlet was a much needed service to the Panmure community and would be greatly missed if it was to close. They created a petition that was signed by 500 customers and pleaded their case to the Dove House Board to keep the shop open.

The board decided to renegotiate the lease for another year and have installed new signage at the front of the Panmure Arcade with the aim to better advertise the shop, which is situated at the back of the arcade.

Well done people!

City Fitness

City Fitness launches in Panmure

CITY FITNESS

523A Ellerslie Panmure Hwy | P: 09 930 7584

7 days 24 hours | www.cityfitness.co.nz



In 2015 AMF Bowling closed their doors at 523A Ellerslie Panmure Highway and the building, owned by Auckland Transport had remained vacant until Panuku Development Auckland took over the premises as part of the Unlock Panmure project. With some refurbishment of the building a brand new tenant was found for the site. City Fitness have recently opened their doors to both the residential and business community who wish to keep fit in a fresh and spacious 2,400 square metre fitness space. Open 24 hours a day, City Fitness are offering a 'No Joining Fee' for a limited time only as an opening special. Check out the services they have on offer by visiting their website.



Boost your sales effortlessly!

Let us know your offer and we will create a facebook coupon for you. It's way easier than flyer drops and it's free! The ad goes to our 2,900 subscribers. It can also be boosted to a wider audience of around 30,000 for \$40.

Contact:
Renu at promote@panmure.net.nz
or phone 09 527 6389 for more information.

Citizens Advice Bureau

Just moved up the hill

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

7-13 Pilkington Road, Panmure | P: 09 573 5707 | Mon-Fri 9am-12:45pm | www.cab.org.nz



The old offices to the side of the Panmure Community Hall have been home to the Citizens Advice Bureau for over 30 years but with the refurbishment of the large vacant space above the Panmure Library that once housed the old Community Constable's office an opportunity was created for the CAB to move.

The Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board had been working with the CAB head office for several years and once Tāmaki Response had settled into the larger of the two spaces, it was time for manager Liz Smith and her team of volunteers to relocate to brand new, light and bright offices. The team is

delighted with the increased space for storage and larger waiting room for the many clients that pass through their doors each weekday.

The CAB are open from 9am – 12 noon and a Justice of the Peace (JP) is available during those hours.

1. The new entrance to Citizens Advice Bureau
2. One of the client meeting rooms
3. Jenny Hunt (the JP), Bob Boas and Liz Smith



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Gen Fit 24/7

Moved to a new spot

GEN FIT 24/7

9A Basin View Ln, Panmure

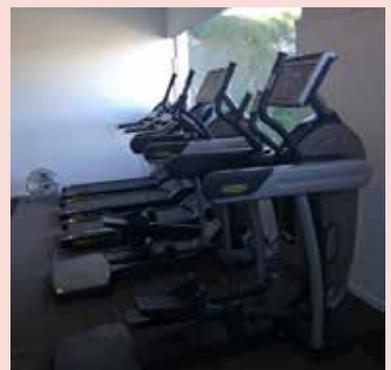
P: 022 637 0825 | www.genfitnz.com

Staff hours:
Mon-Sat 10am-1pm, Mon-Thu 4-7pm



Gen Fit 24/7 has just moved to the middle of the heart of Panmure, at 9A Basin View Lane, upstairs in the property. With lots of businesses around it, you can just park to go to the gym and go shopping afterwards! Only \$6.90 per week on 12 month contract. Wow!

Gen Fit 24/7 offers you a 24 hours 7 days facility in your neighbourhood. They also have a personal trainer and boot camp available in order to help you to achieve your fitness and health goals.





Landmark Hotel in 1957

An historic Panmure landmark

Panmure was once home to three hotels, one of which was the Loomb's Hotel which stood on the current site that is now the Panmure Historic Hotel, on the corner of Domain and Queens Rd. In 1890, the hotel was taken over by the brewery of Campbell (as in Sir John Logan Campbell) & Ehrenfried, Brewers, bottlers and cordial manufacturers who at the time was the largest brewing business in the North Island. The wooden hotel was moved sideways whilst Campbell & Ehrenfried built a new hotel that was considered at the time to be far in excess of the requirements of such a rural settlement as Panmure. The wooden hotel was then moved to a new site at 8 Kings Rd and remained in its original condition as a residence until completely refurbished as an early learning centre - Bright Beginnings.

In 1951, the Mt Wellington Licencing Trust was formed to govern and control the sale and supply of liquor in the area. One of the early aims of the trust was to provide not only a congenial social atmosphere, but to educate people to avoid the abuses of liquor. With the location of the very first trust tavern where Panmure Fresh Supermarket is currently situated on the Ellerslie Panmure Highway, the trust's aims proved to be very popular

and it became an integral part of the community, instigating such events as the 'King of the Mountain' race and the 'Mt Wellington Sportsman of the Year' trophy.

In 1968, the trust opened the Waipuna Lodge and went on to build the Duke of Wellington and the Tainui Tavern in Morrin Rd.

In 1986, the Mt Wellington Licencing Trust bought the Panmure Historic Hotel from DB Breweries and completely renovated and streamlined the hotel's four bars. One of the bars had been forced to close due to the fact that the cellar had been condemned. The new main bar and restaurant was named Finnerty's in recognition of old soliders settlers that were housed in Panmure following the wars in the Waikato.

The trust utilised part of the upstairs rooms as their head office and with the installation of 'pokie' machines in the late 1980's increased their charitable support to a huge number of community based organisations within the Tāmaki and Mt Wellington areas. Over the years the Panmure Business Association has been grateful recipients of their financial support to fund events such as the 'King of the Mountain' sporting event and the

Panmure Christmas event.

In 2007, the trust recognised that the building was in need of a revamp to upgrade the tavern bar into a modern, functional space and on Friday 7 September 2007, The LandMark Bar & Eatery was formally opened.

Leon Matthew, President of the Mt Wellington/ Panmure Returned Services Association, was grappling with a problem of declining membership and presented to his board the idea of selling the building on Pleasant View Rd and looking for new premises to lease. The LandMark was a perfect solution and in October 2012 a co-sharing agreement with the Mt Wellington/ Panmure RSA began making it the first 'pub-club' partnership in New Zealand. The move has proved to be very successful for the RSA, whose membership has grown two fold, in particular with new members under the age of 50 years.

There is always some great entertainment happening at the LandMark, including Quiz Nites, Karaoke, Texas Hold'em Poker and Live Bands. Check out their great meal specials on their website too!

A history of Instant Finance in Panmure

Instant Finance proudly boasts of its long history. The company has been trading consistently under the same name and majority shareholder for 47 years. Instant Finance was registered in 1971 and its first permanent location was in Queens Road, Panmure.

Instant Finance has had tenancies in just three different sites on Queens Road to date.

Current Manager, Vaiama explains "We are currently located at 58 Queens Road which serves as our major representation in East Auckland. Panmure is staffed by 5 employees and we have been at this location for 15 years.

Before 58 Queens Rd we were well established at 144 Queens Road. This branch also housed a certain amount of administrative functionality for the growing Instant Finance Group. The Group at this stage had grown to 5 branches. Panmure was the first but was now beginning to be overtaken in size by our branches in Manukau and New Lynn. It was then and still is however a key location for Instant Finance.

Our first location on Queens Road was somewhere around 160 (about 5 shops in on the roundabout at the Eastern end of the street - we have long

forgotten/lost the details of that 1970's/80's tenancy I'm afraid!)."

Vaiama continues to elaborate on their success, "Instant Finance can trace its proud lineage all the way back to our first location on Queens Road. We started with 1 branch and 2 employees, moved to 144 when the Group had grown to 5 branches and 30 employees and have settled at 58 Queens Road where the Group has

26 branches, an online department, a car yard, a homeware distribution and supply company, separate online companies 'MyFinance' and 'Fair City Finance' based in Christchurch, with a combined turnover well in excess of \$100,000,000 per annum and about 160 employees."

Indeed, Panmure's continuing success and growth has just been echoed by one of its most loyal tenants; Instant Finance.



The Instant Finance team hard at work

We can all help to create healthy waterways

Panmure Prevention Programme now in place



A programme has started in Panmure to help businesses avoid causing water pollution. The Panmure Pollution Prevention Programme is funded by the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board and is being delivered by contractors Wilkinson Environmental Ltd.

Rainwater from the Panmure town centre drains to underground stormwater drains, into the Panmure Basin and the Tamaki River. Stormwater drains are for rainwater only. Pollution in these drains can come from accidental spills on yards, wastewater from floor cleaning, and rubbish.

Wilkinson Environmental representatives are calling in to local businesses over the next few weeks to give free, business-friendly advice on pollution risks. The Panmure Business Association encourages all businesses approached to take part.





Taniela's news

Keeping an eagle eye on Panmure

Chris and I have been asked to support a public meeting being organised by our local MP, Denise Lee. Denise has asked for Local Board member and Onehunga Constable Don Allan to conduct the meeting to address local residents' beliefs that crime is increasing in the area. We felt that we would be of no benefit to the meeting as my recent experience has been that the Panmure town centre is no longer experiencing the levels of crime that we did in 2015/2016. This is backed by NZ Police statistics proving that there is a gap in perception and what is really happening.

A drop in crime does not mean that we should be at all complacent; I witnessed a Tāmaki resident walk past one of our health and wellbeing services - a brief glance into the business showed the person that no one was around, taking a chance the person quickly entered the business and found an iPad sitting on the unattended reception desk, and within a few seconds that person left with it. Fortunately, I recognised the person and I was able to let the police know.

JUNE DIARY DATES

4 **Queen's Birthday**
Public Holiday

6 **Blue Recycling Bins**
Set out for following morning collection

13 **PBA Workshop**
Social Media for small businesses
(PBA members only)

19 **Blue Recycling Bins**
Set out for following morning collection

20 **PBA Board Meeting**
Wednesday, 4:00pm

SAFETY & SECURITY Directory

IF IT IS AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111

Call 111 when:

- Someone is badly injured or in danger.
- There's a serious risk to life or property.
- A crime is being committed and the offenders are still there or have just left.

SECURITY

Panmure Liaison Officer - Taniela.....027 535 3017

POLICE

Crime Reporting Line.....571 2800
(ask for CRL)

This is a non-emergency reporting line, always request a file number to assist us in matching files to events

PUBLIC PROPERTY

Call Auckland Council Call Centre.....301 0101

PBA Board has their say

On the third Wednesday of each month the PBA Board meets at 16 Clifton Court to review what the PBA staff have achieved over the past month, decide how the PBA funds are to be spent and are tasked to ensure that the funds are spent wisely.

On Wednesday 16 May 2018 the PBA Board discussed some ideas about how the PBA may enliven our town at night; reviewed the draft Panmure business survey questions; discussed the Panmure Christmas Street Party versus an alternative promotion and discussed whether community groups working with youth fully understand the PBA's safety and security role.

Outcomes:

- That the Board accepted the HR committee report on procedures and protocol around the Town Manager and PBA staff appraisals.
- That the Board requests the PBA staff to further investigate ways to increase external funding for a Christmas event or to move to an alternative event/promotion.

All are welcome to attend the monthly board meeting - the next one is 20 June, 4pm at 16 Clifton Court. If you wish to inform the board of a particular concern that you may have, please send an email to manager@panmure.net.nz or speak directly to a board member.



A fresh new look for Postie

Postie's head office made a decision to downsize their store at 120 Queens Rd, which worked in perfectly for the owners of the building and Scotty's Accommodation who took the opportunity to move the kitchen, lounge and storage facility downstairs, and allowing the addition of some new rooms overlooking Queens Rd. The Postie staff are enjoying their new space and were able to keep trading throughout the construction. For well-priced clothing, friendly and helpful staff, check out the new look Postie.