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YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

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## Panmure Basin Fun Day 2024

**A**fter postponement in March, the Panmure Basin Fun Day finally arrived on April 14th. This year saw over 2000 families, community groups, and regular basin visitors of attendance.

There was a full line up stalls, games, and workshops. Favorites included the model train rides and boating activities. A young mother attending for the first time was thrilled to attend and said her kids were already excited for next year! Other popular activities included the pirate playground, face painting and giant game station.

The Fun Day once again involved the Panmure Skate Competition, held at the Basin Skatepark. A full roster of skaters participated, filling the park, and drawing an enthusiastic crowd of onlookers. Participants across all age groups took the opportunity to get involved and show off their skills.

The recent upgrades at the skatepark have made the spot more popular with skaters. With the skating community eager to get more people involved in the sport, the site may be used to hold more events like this

in the future.

Despite uncertain weather in the leadup, this year's Panmure Basin Fun Day ran smoothly and was an excitement filled day for those in attendance. Thank you to everyone involved in making the day happen. We'd especially like to thank the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board & Eke Panuku for funding the event alongside the Panmure Business Association. Thank you also to Fresh Concept for putting the event together. We look forward to the turnout next year!

## TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT



**W**ith the cool weather now arriving at our doorsteps, the PBA were very pleased that the postponed Panmure Fun Day was able to go off without a hitch on April 14th! It was great to see all those in attendance- enjoying the fine day and taking advantage of all the fun activities on offer.

Thanks to those that have engaged with our Power Hour & Coffee with a Cop sessions already this year- the next two Power Hour & Coffee with a Cop sessions will be held on June 12th at The Café...

with no name (55 Queens Road), and July 10th at Foodies & Me (121 Queens Road). Sessions start at 11:30am- the perfect time to take a break from work, grab a FREE coffee and do a bit of socialising! Business members are highly encouraged to come along as it's the ideal setting to speak directly with our Community Police Team from Mt Wellington Station.

For those looking for an opportunity to network with the wider community and our local groups, a kind reminder that the Panmure Community Network Meeting

will be held at the Dunkirk Activity Centre at 12:30pm, Wednesday 12th June. These meetings are held quarterly, so its best to make sure you don't double book on that day. The PBA will be providing snacks and hot drinks will be available at no cost, no RSVP needed.

*Elaine Soakai*  
Town Manager

## SECURITY UPDATE



**A**s the days get shorter, we kindly remind all of our members to stay vigilant as they walk to and from their vehicles- whether arriving early in the morning, or leaving later in the evening. The Panmure Business Association maintain bright under veranda community lighting and lit up trees to illuminate the main street and fringes of the town centre, however, caution should be taken when utilising our public car parks or public transport services and train station. To keep everyone safe, and to deter anti-social behaviour and illegal dumping, we strongly encourage our members and

the public to report any outages of lights in the public car parks (these are located along Pilkington Road, Pleasant View Road, Lagoon Drive, Kings Rd), to Auckland Transport online at [contact.at.govt.nz](http://contact.at.govt.nz). In the instance of traffic signal lights not working, please call 09 355 3553 and log a report. If there is an emergency, disturbance or you feel unsafe remember, always call Police at 111. Let's all work together to keep our town lit up, safe and tidy!

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## ANZAC Day 2024

The Mt Wellington/Panmure RSA organized a beautiful ANZAC Day commemoration this year. The parade, led by the RSA and Ikuna Youth Band marched from The Landmark to the Panmure Community Hall for the main service.

Attendees filled seats fast, spilling into the side rooms as well. Much of the local community came to share in the day's remembrance including local board member Maria Meredith, and Councilor Josephine Bartley. They spoke of the significance of the day to them and to New Zealand's collective history. In a sweet moment during the somber commemoration, Councilor Bartley was joined by her dog Milo as she highlighted the role of animals in the war effort. RSA Secretary, Leon Mathews gave a moving

speech of commemoration and shared about the role of the RSA in our community.

The morning of reflection concluded in the laying of wreaths by the headstones outside the RSA. Many followed to share in this part as well. It seems that despite the years, ANZAC Day's history remains highly significant in Panmure's community.



## World of Cultures Celebrations Come to an End

Through March and April, Panmure Library held a series of events as part of their World of Cultures celebrations.

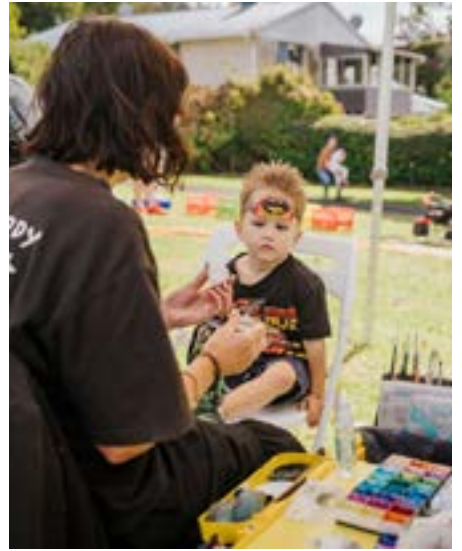
The community got to experience a variety of cultural workshops including German Easter Egg Decorating, Coconut Fusion, Sushi Making, and a multicultural Storytime. Library staff also hosted a large Sri Lankan and Thai cultural event that featured performances, craft workshops and food tasting. The celebrations concluded with a showcase of Scottish Culture with a performance from the Royal New Zealand Navy Pipes and Drums.

Senior Library Assistant, Gimhani Abeynayaka organized Panmure's World of Cultures celebrations this year. She was thrilled by the turn out and enjoyed watching the community learn about, and experience one another's cultures. She is also very thankful for the support of her library team who delivered the events to make this year's celebrations a success.



HIGHLIGHT OF PANMURE BASIN FUN DAY





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## SupaValue Has an Enthusiastic New Owner

### SUPAVALUE SUPERMARKET

88 Queens Road

09 570 5525

Mon-Sat 8:30am-8pm

Sun 9am - 8pm

The familiar snack stop on Queen's Road has a brand-new face behind the counter! Samit took over SupaValue at the end of February. This is his first venture into the business world and he's excited to take it on. Samit has said that Panmure's community is new for him, but he's enjoyed the first few months getting to know his customers.

Still feeling new to the town, Samit is eager to meet more of the community and hopes to become a popular stop in the town center. Feel free to pay a visit during your next convenience store run and welcome him to the area.



## This Great Laundromat is Gaining Momentum

### LAUNDER LIMITED

1/100 Queens Road

022 393 0036

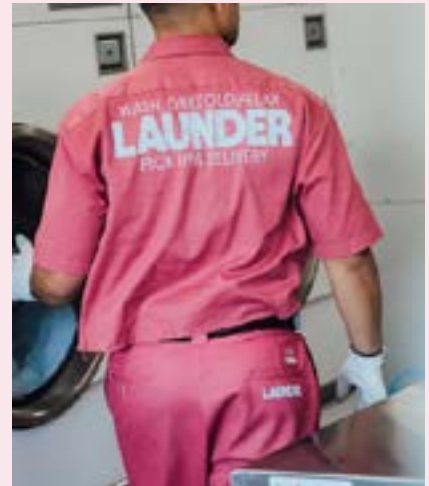
Mon-Sat 9am-4pm



New to the business community, Launder Limited has already made great strides in their work. After opening in December last year, brothers, Esta and Filoa McCarthy have been re-enlivening the space at 100 Queen's Road.

They have worked to upgrade the building, reach out to clients, and gotten loads upon loads of laundry done and delivered! The pair have also been sponsored by Dickies, who have provided stylish uniforms for the staff.

The charming, down to earth nature of the young business owners has seen them gain a steady amount of attention online. In March, they were featured by Tangata Pasifika. That interview saw the brothers share about their community-oriented ethos and strong family values. It also introduced the wider family who have been putting in work behind the scenes to support their growth. The strong grounding in their roots and people-centered approach is what resonates with



people as Launder grows.

So far, Launder has been servicing commercial clients. However, they are very excited to launch their residential service soon! With the rising cost of living, Launder is eager create a welcoming space for the community and offer a service that helps to lighten the load.

## Ace Hire Leaves Panmure

Locals have been saddened to learn of Ace Hire closing their doors. The tool and machine hire business were one of the longest standing in Panmure, operating for over 60 years. They were well known for their brilliant staff and honest, good-natured service.

We had the opportunity to speak with Kevin and Theresa, the lovely owners who have been running the business for the past 36 years. They expressed gratitude for the overwhelming support shown by the Panmure community after the closing announcement.

In their earlier days, Kevin and Theresa were actively involved in the local scene, participating in and supplying vehicles for the Annual Christmas Parade.

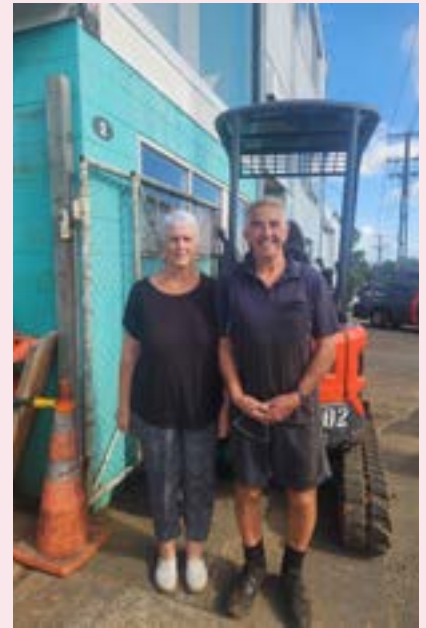
Though stepping back in more recent years, they have always valued making real, authentic connections with the

community.

Ace Hire has been with Panmure through many changes, becoming a well-loved part of the community. Former employees, apprentices, local businesses and other community members reached out to farewell the couple and express appreciation for their work over the years.

Kevin and Theresa seemed surprised by the number of well wishers remarking that closing had made them appreciate just how much their presence was felt in the community. Ever the working mind, Kevin admitted that it might be a bit too soon for him to retire completely - there may be more on the horizon yet. Whatever the next phase of their life includes, the couple are excited to embrace it.

Though we are sad to see such a beloved



business go, we wish Kevin and Theresa all the best as they head into the next chapter of their lives.

## Studio Gallery Extends 'Out of Junk' Exhibition



via word of mouth. The sci-fi and steam punk inspired works on display have been engaging for a wide range of visitors – with children taking to the dynamic sculptures too. Due to this, Studio Gallery has decided to extend the exhibition until June 29th.

Gallery Director Alan Duncan is a friendly, welcoming presence in the space and is always happy to talk about art. The gallery is set up as a passion project to allow local artists a space to share their work. He's been visited by doodle artists, people working on home crafts and many others who share an interest in art.

Alan is adamant that all creativity has a space in the gallery. If you have something creative to share, or just want to experience the talents of our local artists, pop in during your next trip to the town center. With free admission, it's the perfect pit stop if you're looking to add something different to your day!

### STUDIO GALLERY

8 Clifton Court

021 280 2136

<https://studiogallery.co.nz/>

It has been a month since Studio Gallery opened its doors at 8 Clifton Court.

The opening exhibition, 'Out of Junk' by Sean Boyd has been met with delight from visitors. The space has already begun to draw attention through positive reviews

STUDIO  
GALLERY

# OUT OF JUNK

Extended until



# 29

JUNE 2024

Open:  
Tuesday-Saturday  
Hours: 10am-2pm

Local artist Sean Boyd is a master of turning unwanted materials into spectacular metal sculptures. You are welcome to visit us to see these masterful pieces of construction and imagination.

Admission Free

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