

YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

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SD CAKES 49 QUEENS ROAD 09 217 8849 MON-FRI: 9:30AM - 5PM, SAT: 10AM-3PM, SUN: 9:30AM-1:30PM

The New Cake Shop in Town!

SD Cakes opened its doors to Panmure on the 17th of February and has already begun to attract a band of regulars who are charmed by the designs and the service.

The business started as a part-time home run project by Sri Lankan couple Niluka and Malika Perera. After eight years, demand for their cakes outgrew the home setup. Now they have dedicated themselves fulltime to this passion project by moving their business into Panmure.

Alongside their cakes, they offer cupcakes,

edible printing, cake lollipops, cake jars, and other party items. They offer both premade and custom designed baking.

In Sri Lanka, Malika studied baking and built experience baking in hotels and other establishments. Even with the years of experience, she is still humble when talking about the cake designs displayed on the wall by the entrance.

In the weeks before opening, the couple worked hard to get walls painted, set up the layout, and create the perfect space to show off their cakes to customers. Walking in, the shop is awash with colour backlit by warm lighting and Niluka and Malika's friendly faces. When complimented on the store front, they made sure to mention the friends who supported the set up.

Welcome the bright pink business into town by stopping for one of their cupcakes - or to talk about your dream cake design. This charming couple are ready to help make any occasion a memorable one.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT



adly, we entered March with a bit of disappointment. The muchanticipated 2024 Panmure Fun Day was postponed this past weekend, due to poor weather conditions. While yet to be confirmed, Sunday 14th April has been tentatively set as the postponement date, and here is hoping the weather is much better! Stay posted via Facebook through the Panmure Fun Day events page for updates.

A kind reminder that the Panmure Community Network (PCN) meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th March, 12:30pm to 1:30pm at the Dunkirk Road Activity Centre. This will be a great opportunity for local community organisations to hear from the PBA regarding its activities, and proposed strategic direction for the next three years. Business members are encouraged to come along- there will be warm drinks and light snacks provided.

For those unable to make this date, PCN meetings will be held quarterly with the next meeting held on Wednesday 12th June, 12:30pm-1:30pm.

If you're looking for some Easter fun, with the additional benefit of supporting our local businesses- the PBA's Mighty Easter Challenge will be back later this month. Keep an eye out for the 'Bunny' decals on the participating stores and be in to win some 'egg-cellent' prizes!

Elaine Saakai Town Manager

SECURITY UPDATE



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ur 2024 security message to members and the wider community is to report, report, report! We ask that everyone do their bit to keep Panmure safe and tidy. While our office conducts daily reporting to Council and their affiliated branches, we ask that our members and the public remain vigilant and report any suspicious occurrences or activities to Police. Please note the contact information below for future reporting purposes:

Police: 111 for emergencies, 105 for non-urgent crime that has already happened (online: police.govt.nz/use-105#online-report-options)

Water leaks: Watercare on 09 442 2222 and press 1 (online: watercare.co.nz/Faults-outages/Report-a-fault)

Public property and space: Auckland Council on 09 301 0101 (online: aucklandcouncil.govt. nz/report-problem/Pages/report-a-problem. aspx)

Illegal dumping: 0800 NO DUMP/ 0800 663

Power outages: Vector on 0508 VECTOR/ 0508 832 867 (online: vector.co.nz/personal/ outages-faults)

Contacts to keep handy for our members can be found on the last page of your 2024 PBA Calendar- if you have not received a copy, please inform our office.

Taniela Kaivelata Security Liaison Officer

SPOTLIGHT ON PANMURE

New Upgrades on the Block

BEST STYLE CUTZ

93 Queen's Road 0210 297 5303

Mon-Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 9am-4pm

ne of our barbers has recently given their business some cool new upgrades! Best Style Cutz has a brand-new interior with renovated walls, barber stations and even upgraded waiting facilities.

The renovations were undertaken as a way to give customers a better experience when they visited. Much of the time, a trip to the

barber is a social activity – it's a place where people gather. Owners say that the main goal with the upgrades was comfort. According to customers the new changes have certainly achieved that. People enjoy the new lighting, comfortable leather chairs and newly installed TV screens.

At Best Style Cutz the service has always been fast and friendly. Now people say that they definitely don't mind waiting. If you're keen to check out the upgrades for yourself head over to 93 Queen's Road for your next cut!



Quick Flash Town Updates

Professional Indian Cuisine

Professional Indian Cuisine is already well known for their stellar Butter Chicken and range of Indian Foods. They have recently expanded their offering to include fried chicken and hot chips too. Now you can hit two types of cravings in one spot.



Curvy Plus

Fans of this women's clothing store will be excited to know that they have launched their website. You can now find their collection online at: www.curvyplus.co.nz. Few people also know that their Curvy Soles collection offers beautiful shoes at custom shoe sizes! Definitely check out their new range.

Lola Café

Lola Café will be celebrating their five year anniversary in September this year! The business has been a popular one in our community with people all over Auckland dropping in for a visit. Follow Lola Café NZ on social media for updates on their offerings. We're excited to see what they have planned for their anniversary month.





Spiceland

Regulars at this store already know that Spiceland has expanded! With more space there is even more range than before. Previously only offering Indian groceries and items, the store has added popular items from other regions onto their shelves.

Have Your Say



Auckland Council's Long-term Plan 2024-2034



The Maungakiekie -Tamaki Local Board invites you all for a cup of tea and chat from 4:30pm-5:30pm 18th March at Onehunga Library.

This is an opportunity for individuals or groups to provide in-person feedback, to ask questions and learn more in an informal, relaxed environment.

Council's Long-term Plan will set the

income and spending for all of Auckland Council (Auckland Transport, targeted rates etc) for the next 10 years.

There are three options our community is being asked to help decide on:

- 1. Pay more get more: increase activities and services and speed up delivery of investments rates increase of up to 14% rates increase in the first year.
- 2. Central proposal: maintain some services and activities as they are, but also cut some or slow down delivery rates increase of 7.5% in the first year.
- 3. Pay less get less: reduce services and activities, focusing on meeting statutory (legally required) rates increase of 5.5% in the first year.

The Mighty Easter Challenge is Returning!



The Mighty Easter Challenge is coming back this year! This year it runs from the 25th of March to 7th April. Lots of prizes will be given away.

All you have to do is spend a minimum of \$5 at any participating dairy or bakery (Hint: look out for the bunny in the shop window).

Then, at checkout, mention THE MIGHTY EASTER CHALLENGE to receive one PBA ticket.

Once you have collected three tickets, bring them to the PBA office at 16 Clifton Court

to receive your Mighty Easter Surprise!

Lots of people had fun with this challenge last year so we're excited to roll it out again. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages for updates on this challenge.

'Out of Junk' Opening Exhibition

Panmure's new Studio Gallery in Clifton Court opens on Thursday 4th April with a thought-provoking and inspiring display of objects crafted from discarded materials.

Established to give Panmure's creative community an exhibition space to showcase their work, this first event celebrates the creativity and talent of a Panmure artist who transforms junk into recycled object art.

Opening hours are 10:00am to 2:00pm, Tuesday - Saturday, and runs until Saturday 27 April. Entry is free!