



HOBSONVILLE POINT

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PRESCHOOLERS JOIN THE DESIGN TEAM AT HOBSONVILLE POINT

Budding artists from the Hobsonville North Kindergarten (3–5 years old) have joined forces with local artist Janet Holtrigter to collaborate on an art installation for Hobsonville Point.

The finished work will be displayed as colorful ceramics installed into posts, all of which have been made and designed by the children themselves. The artwork will be located in the community garden, between the Catalina Café and Hobsonville Point Farmers Market on Hastings Crescent.

The artwork will serve as a long term reminder for children and families (many of whom have personal ties with the Air Force) of their time at Hobsonville North Kindergarten located near this site on Hobsonville Point.



TIMELINE

GJ Gardner Display Home:
12-4 Thurs-Sunday, 13 Station Street, Hobsonville Point

Hobsonville Point Farmers Market:
Every Sunday 9am-1pm

Hobsonville Point Vintage and Craft Market: 12 June 9am-1pm, every second and fourth Sunday of the month, next to the Café

Auckland Orienteering Event:
19 June 2011

Bus Services planned:
October 2011

Ferry Service commences:
early 2012

Hobsonville Point Primary School:
2013

Hobsonville Point Secondary School:
2014

Note: All dates are subject to constant review and may change.

ORIENTEERING AT HOBSONVILLE POINT

Bring the whole family (all ages and fitness levels) to the Auckland Orienteering Club event being hosted at Hobsonville Point on 19 June.

For those new to orienteering it's all about finding your way across unfamiliar terrain using your wits and sound map reading skills. A compass may come in handy but is not essential. This is a great way for the whole family to get some exercise in a fun environment. Cost of this event is Club members: Adult \$16, child \$8, family \$48. Non-club members: Adult \$24, child \$12, family \$48. There is also

a \$3 hire fee for an electronic card, needed for recording times. Organisers are keen to get an indication of numbers in advance so they can ensure there are enough maps printed, so if you are keen to attend, please contact Selwyn Palmer selwyn@palmer.gen.nz on 09 625 7798 or 022 0625 779. Of course, all spontaneous adventurers are welcome to just come along on the day. Participants can start anytime between 10.00 and 12.30. The course closes at 2.30.

For more details visit www.auckoc.org.nz



THE LANDING

Access to the city will be quick and enjoyable for Hobsonville Point residents thanks to the new ferry wharf opening February 2012, along with a raft of other maritime features. The wharf will be constructed by Auckland Transport later this year.

Other coastal structures and infrastructure at The Landing are currently being designed by leading consultants Beca and Architectus, and include public spaces, visitor berths, boardwalks and public viewing platforms. The Landing's current piece of maritime history, the Seaplane Ramp, will be strengthened and retained to benefit rowers, kayakers and the like.



HOBSONVILLE POINT RUNWAY CHALLENGE

Over 900 eager mums, dads, kids and grandparents took part in the Hobsonville Point Runway Challenge held on 15 May, with many enjoying the adventure and obstacle course, along with the stunning coastal views. Total Sport, who managed the event, did a great job of making sure there was something for everyone to enjoy in the event.

People of all fitness levels gave it a go, walking or running 3km, 5km and even 10km on tracks designed to showcase the old Air Base and natural beauty of Hobsonville Point. And with such a great turnout, the event was a successful fundraiser for the Nurture Foundation, who, through research into reproductive problems, help New Zealanders achieve their dream of having a family.

The Hobsonville Point Runway Challenge will be held again in 2012.



RECYCLING IN ACTION AT HOBSONVILLE POINT

If you've noticed the demolition of old buildings on the Hobsonville Point site, you might also be interested to know that 'Demolition 1', who have been contracted to do the demolition work, are recycling over 80% of materials. These will be re-used both locally and by some of our South Pacific neighbours.

Destined for Tonga will be pine and treated timber, iron roof materials and an assortment of switchboards and hardboards for Tongan construction projects.

The original concrete slabs and foundations will be crushed and recycled for use as aggregate in many of the sparkling new homes on site at Hobsonville Point. Coveted native timber (mainly rimu) will be reincarnated as weatherboards or tongue and groove flooring in new and renovated homes.



APPROVAL GRANTED FOR HOBSONVILLE POINT PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

It's official! Children will soon be able to receive education right here in Hobsonville Point, in less than two years time.

Approval has just been given for the establishment of Hobsonville Point Primary School and Hobsonville Point Secondary School by the Ministry of Education.

The primary school is expected to open its doors to up to 700 youngsters in 2013, and the secondary school will be ready to start taking year 9 students from 2014.

The establishment board for the two schools plans to have public meetings during the set-up process, so everyone will get the opportunity to have their say on the schools' development. More information on the schools can be found at <http://www.minedu.govt.nz>.

MOTORWAY OFF-RAMP ALMOST FINISHED

After much anticipation, the new motorway off-ramp will be opening in under four months. This off-ramp will use an intersection on Buckley Avenue to provide better access into Hobsonville Point and the existing Hobsonville Village.

Cyclists and pedestrians will also benefit from this development, as a new cycle and pedestrian path will connect directly into Hobsonville Point.

This path will extend over the motorway via the new Squadron Drive Bridge to the Buckley Avenue intersection. The project is ahead of schedule, and will be opening in September 2011.

HOBSONVILLE POINT VINTAGE AND CRAFT MARKET

The latest addition to Hobsonville Point is the Hobsonville Point Vintage and Craft Market. This market is held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month in the Catalina Café from 9am – 1pm. The next market dates scheduled are for Sunday 12 June and 26 June. Organisers are on the lookout for exciting new vintage and craft stall holders. Please contact Barbara on 09 833 6977 for further details.



HOBSONVILLE COMMUNITY FUND

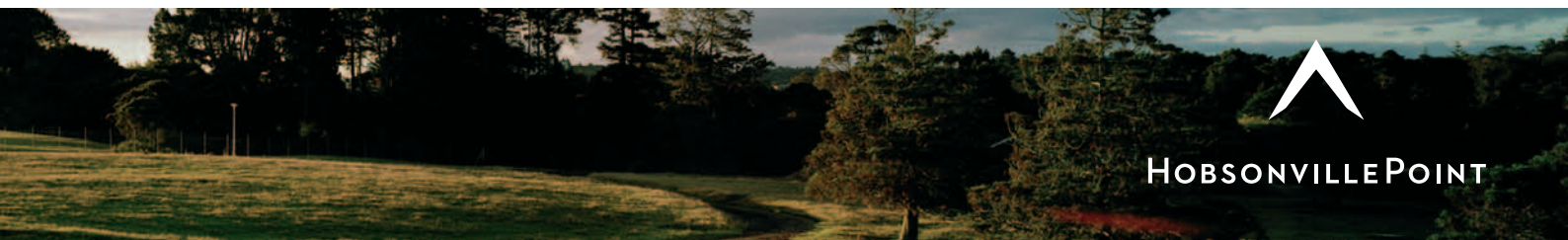
The Auckland Communities Foundation has recently established the Hobsonville Community Fund. The aim

of the Fund is to build a permanent base for funds for future generations and promote long term community vitality for Hobsonville and surrounding communities. A Hobsonville Advisory Board, which sits under the Auckland Communities Foundation, will manage the Fund.

If you would like to make a donation to the Hobsonville Community Fund, please contact Mark Bentley, Auckland Communities Foundation, 09 277 8833, or you can contribute directly into the Hobsonville Community Fund account number: 12-3028-0714703-00, Reference: HOB Fund.

Please call Mark for more information on the Hobsonville Community Fund and how to apply for funding, and for information on the Auckland Communities Foundation.

You can also visit the website at www.aucklandcf.org.nz



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CATALINA CAFÉ

Visitors to the popular Catalina Café can now look forward to dining with a boutique beer, wine or other classic alcoholic beverage in hand, as the café is now fully licensed. To add to the intrigue the menu also features a few scrumptious surprises with the introduction of a gourmet pizza selection: think home-made ingredients, thin semolina bases, tasty sauces, fresh seasonal herbs, fresh garlic bread and kids pizzas.

The Catalina Café will soon be a dinner and function hot-spot, and an updated brunch menu is on the way. Winter hours are 7 days, from 7am to 4pm. Kitchen open 8.30am -2.30pm Monday to Friday, and 8am-2.30pm on Sat/Sun.



CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES UNDERWAY



AS YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED, HOUSES HAVE BEGUN POPPING UP AT HOBSONVILLE POINT.

Building Consent has been issued for 25 two, three and four bedroom homes, and 19 of these are now under construction. The terraced housing currently appearing will have 3-4 bedrooms and is priced between \$559k and \$609k. Five of these homes will be located in the display village. The first show home by GJ Gardner is now open to visit Thursdays to Sundays between 12 and 4pm, at 13 Station Street.

If you're interested in purchasing a property in Hobsonville Point, get in quick because the first homes have already sold. More details are on the website: www.hobsonvillepointliving.co.nz

GATEWAY UPDATE

There are only four of the first 12 Gateway homes left to purchase. An additional five will be released for sale soon. Gateway is a government initiative to help moderate income households into their first home through deferring the payment for the land. For information on purchasing a Gateway home, please contact 0508 935 266 or visit www.hnzc.co.nz/gateway

MURRAYS BAY INTERMEDIATE TRIATHLON - HUGE SUCCESS

The Murrays Bay Intermediate Triathlon has become somewhat of a tradition at Hobsonville Point and glorious autumn weather ensured that the April 11th event was their most successful ever.

The Hobsonville Point Landing was transformed into a hive of activity when 260 students representing 11 North Shore schools came together for an energetic and rewarding day. Organisers were thrilled with response to the event with competitor numbers up by 100 on previous years.



WHAT'S NEW AT THE HOBSONVILLE POINT FARMERS MARKET?

The Hobsonville Point Farmers Market is going from strength to strength, with stallholders and customers appreciating the shelter from the winter weather. Recent additions to the produce on offer include handmade ginger beer, fresh oysters, sauerkraut and an even larger selection of seasonal fruit and vegetables. The live music is proving popular with stallholders and customers alike and as always there is plenty to sample and snack on including yummy hot soup and sweet treats. So come and join us every Sunday from 9am to 1pm to buy fresh healthy food directly from the producers in a fun and relaxed environment. "Like" Hobsonville Point Farmers Market on Facebook to be kept up to date with what's happening at the market.