



HOBSONVILLE POINT SETS CHRISTMAS SPIRITS ALIGHT



Here at Hobsonville Point we're getting into the Christmas spirit full throttle, turning our community into a Christmas wonderland!

You'll notice that the largest Liquid Amber tree by the Hobsonville Point Playground is decked out in Christmas lights for the month of December. Kids will love to come and see this beautiful Christmas tree.

Our Farmers Market is also planning Christmas celebrations for Wednesday 21 December from 3-7pm, where you can come along to stock up on amazing locally sourced Christmas goodies. The market is open every Wednesday 3-7pm and every Sunday 9am-1pm. On Wednesday 14 December, there are fun activities at the market for kids to get involved in.

Special Christmas hampers are also available for order and pick up from the market on 21 December. Please contact Margo to place your order. You can catch up with her at the Market on any Sunday or Wednesday, call her on 022 697 8175 or email hpfmmanager@gmail.com.

The Catalina Café is offering 2 for 1 kids pizzas on Wednesday nights. So Wednesday makes a great family outing starting at the market, moving on to pizza, and then enjoying the Christmas lights.

The Hobsonville Point Vintage and Craft market will be operating from the Catalina Café on 10 December from 9am-1pm, which will be a great source of original Christmas gift ideas.

See you there!

SPECIAL NOTE:

Wednesday 21 December will be the last Hobsonville Point Farmers Market for 2011, re-opening on Sunday 8 January 2012.

The best way to keep up to date about all that is happening at the Farmers Market is to like us on Facebook at 'Hobsonville Point Farmers Market'.

TIMELINE



Information Centre:

Open 7 days from 11am to 4pm

Display Village:

Open 7 days 10am to 4pm

Hobsonville Point Farmers Market:

every Sunday 9am to 1pm and every Wednesday 3pm to 7pm

Hobsonville Point Vintage and

Craft Market: Every 1st and 2nd Sunday of the month, in the Catalina Café from 9am to 1pm

Ferry Commences: Late 2012

Hobsonville Point Primary School: 2013

Hobsonville Point Secondary School: 2014

*Merry Christmas from the
Hobsonville Point Team!*

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



THE NEW INFORMATION CENTRE OPENS ITS DOORS



If you have a question about Hobsonville Point, its amenities, future development or purchasing a home or section, be sure to visit the recently opened Hobsonville Point Sales & Information Centre located at 5 Station St, Hobsonville.

Previously situated in the Catalina Café, the Hobsonville Point Sales & Information Centre offers a dynamic touch screen TV to explore your way through Hobsonville Point's different stages and progresses, and boasts an example of living standards for the future of Hobsonville Point.

The Hobsonville Point Sales & Information Centre is open 7 days from 11am-4pm, so come along and learn about what makes your new community so unique. For phone enquiries, contact Joanna on 021 919 685.

WELCOME, PRINCIPAL

The Establishment Board of Trustees (EBOT) is thrilled to introduce Hobsonville Point Primary School's new Principal, Daniel Birch.

Mr Birch has a wealth of teaching experience behind him and was previously Principal of Discovery One School in Christchurch.

Mr Birch begins his new role in term two of next year and until then he is a member of the EBOT, as one of the major influencers developing the school's vision and values.

Hobsonville Point Primary School is set to open in term one 2013 and the Secondary School in term one 2014. Recruitment for Hobsonville Point's Secondary School's new Principal is now underway. Watch this space!

And in other school news, the Ministry of Education is currently undertaking an evaluation process to select a private partner to design, finance, build and maintain the schools. We will be sure to keep you updated on progress.

CALL FOR EVENTS

Hobsonville Point is a magical location for a variety of community, festival and sports events. There are also locations for weddings, dance classes or even family reunions. If you are interested in holding an event, get in touch with Kathleen Waldock on 09 261 5280 or info@hlc.co.nz. She would love to talk you through the possibilities.



CATALINA x2



Our friends Wayne and Rachael from the Catalina Café are delighted to welcome an extra 'Catalina' to the team.

Check out the new Catalina Aircraft model, now calling the Catalina Café home, on loan from the Catalina Club of New Zealand.

With a wing span of over a metre, this aircraft model is a must-see, so stop by and check it out!

Note: Over the festive season, the Catalina Café will be closed 24 December 2011 to 5 January, reopening on 6 January 2012. Wayne and Rachael wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

MEMORIAL HONOURS THE GREAT

You may have noticed there is a missing flagpole opposite the former Headquarters Building. The flag pole is being refurbished by Hobsonville Point's very own New Zealand Traditional Boat Building School.

It will soon return to its former home, and will serve as a remembrance to the men and women who lived and/or worked at Hobsonville Air Base.

A memorial wall of polished granite will be built alongside the flag pole with an inscription stating: "To All Who Have

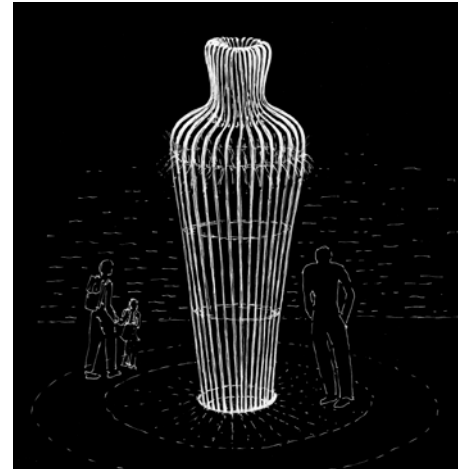
Passed This Way. From 1928 to 2002, in wartime and in peace, New Zealand Defence Force personnel were based at RNZAF Hobsonville for training and in support of military operations."

The memorial is funded by the Hobsonville Land Company, the Royal New Zealand Air Force and the Hobsonville Old Boys Association, and will be a special place to remember family and heroes.

Look out for the memorial early next year.



VIRGINIA KING SCULPTURE



Well-known Kiwi artist Virginia King has been commissioned to create a sculpture for the soon-to-be developed Hobsonville Point Wharf.

The height of the sculpture will be 5 metres, with another metre extending down through a circular hole in the wharf towards the water. The magnificent sculpture is conceived as a symbolic eel trap, or Hinaki. From a distance, it will appear as a beacon, and a symbol of protection and nurturing of the waters.

Virginia King's sculpture will be installed when the wharf is complete in mid 2012. The wharf is being constructed by Auckland Transport, for a full ferry service to commence in the second half of 2012. Architectus and Bellingham Marine are designing the wharf on behalf of Auckland Transport and Hobsonville Land Company.

THE HUNGRY BIN

The Hobsonville Plant Network is attracting a following of avid gardeners from throughout the community and the new Hungry Bin worm farm is causing a lot of excitement too!

The New Zealand-made Hungry Bin is a clever and convenient way to compost your food scraps. The worms quickly transform waste into castings and nutrient-rich liquid and you use

the deposits as fantastic fertiliser. Be sure to check it out in the Community Garden on Hastings Crescent.

If you want to learn more about Hungry Bins, check out www.hungrybin.co.nz. For more information about composting in general and other garden related enquiries, contact Darren at the Hobsonville Plant Network by email darren@ecomatters.org.nz or phone 021 308 862.



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HOBSONVILLE POINT SALES SOAR

Hobsonville Point homes are being sold at a rapid pace, with 30 homes now sold and new families moving in, in the lead up to Christmas.

If you still want to join our visionary community you're in luck. Each of the builders: GJ Gardner, Universal Homes, Jennian and Jalcon Homes still has a variety of house options available for sale in the stunning Buckley precinct.

There are also currently 50 more homes under construction, and more roads, services and amenities to be in place soon.

There is still time to meet the builders at their display homes for more information. For opening hours visit www.hobsonvillepointliving.co.nz



JALCON HOMES

Hobsonville Point's latest show home, by Jalcon Homes, is open for viewing.

The stunning home showcases the kind of family living that memories are made of.

With four comfortable bedrooms, two living rooms and a wonderful open plan living area, this home has everything your family will need and more. The show home has been clad in traditional, tried and trusted materials, with extensive glazing to bring natural light and warmth inside.

Come and see the home for yourself at 15 Station Road between 12-4pm any day. You can also make an appointment with Jalcon Homes by visiting their website: www.jalcon.co.nz or calling 0800 52 52 66.



ORIENTEERING RELAY EVENT



Over 100 people braved the blustery elements on 6 November to take part in a challenging orienteering adventure around Hobsonville Point.

Running and navigating around buildings, open fields and patches of native bush, all participants had to work hard to keep on track.

It was an almighty challenge for athletes and keen orienteers alike. For more information about Auckland Orienteering or to see how you can be involved next time, you can check out their website: www.orienteeringauckland.org.nz

WALK THE WALK

With Primary School developments well underway, you may have noticed the pathway from the Hobsonville Point Park Playground across to Boundary Road is no longer accessible.

For your convenience, a temporary route has been opened to reconnect the Coastal Circuit until the new roads and paths are up and running. To get to your destination, simply follow the brightly coloured windsocks seen on tall posts and cross the paddock.

Have fun following the windsocks but as a caution; as this route is temporary it will be uneven to walk, run and ride on. Make sure you take care when crossing!

