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The Point Wells Crier

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THE POINT WELLS FETE

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ERRATUM

Our sincere apologies to the Rathe family for our error in suggesting Max Rathe (twin brother of Ngaire Rathe) was deceased. He is in fact not; and living very happily in Australia.

We Say



You Say

TOUGH JOB FOR SANTA AND HIS HELPERS-

Many thanks to Andrew Steen



Santa in his trustee sleigh



Christmas was a delightful display of community spirit in our fabulous little village, we had so much positive comment from visitors to the Point leading up to Christmas about the decorated letterboxes and the kids absolutely loved it! I have to admit, as I get older I get more jaded about Christmas, so it was really refreshing to see so much enthusiasm. Hopefully this year we'll get some spare time to decorate our own letterbox!

Angela and I will sponsor a couple of extra competition categories next Christmas, including one for best night display. The prize giving at village hall and lolly scramble were organised at the last minute, but what a turnout! Ang used some major pressure to get me in a Santa suit (maybe that's what caused the trousers to split), but grumpy Santa soon turned into happy Santa when I saw how happy the kids were to see Santa in his sleigh with a big bag of lollies! Ang's Mini proved to be the perfect sleigh and a couple of pillows stuffed down my jacket produced the required pot belly (that's my version and I'm sticking to it). All great fun and looking forward to next Christmas.

Here are the 3 winners and the three runners up.

Winners: **Most Outrageous:** 7 Riverside Drive (Santa on ladder) **Santa's Favourite:** 278-282 Pt Wells Road **Most Point Wells:** 237 Point Wells Road

Runners Up: 60 Pt Wells Rd- 3 Dunbar Rd - 40 Harbour View Rd

And many thanks to Santas's helpers Eugene, Mark and Angela



Library Report

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CHRISTMAS FARE

Charlene Gardcener

CHRISTMAS DINE AND DANCE

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Traffic Problem by [Article Author]

To the Community and Ratepayers Association Incorporated,

I have been viewing the suggestions for traffic control as proposed in the Point Wells Crier.

Item 1. (from the Crier) Options !

"Do you support reduced traffic speeds in Point Wells **"WHERE THERE ARE NO FOOTPATHS "**

How can anyone claim there are no footpaths ? On average 95 of the properties in Point Wells have a 3 to 4 metre grass verge in front of their dwellings, so much better to walk on than hard pavements, and people do use them, but when there are no vehicles about they walk on the road, QUITE SAFELY. Are you trying to turn Point Wells into another suburb of Auckland ? The only road with few residential grass verges is Point Wells Road, however, if you look along that Road you see the Cycle Path.

Now there's your safety problem for Point Wells residents. (The Cycle Path)

You have children walking, some on bikes with their parents, walkers with dogs on leads, adults on bikes, occasionally a motorbike riding there. All that opposing movement in a relatively confined space will surely lead to an accident, and be assured

falling from a bike can be inflict serious injury or even be fatal.

Item 2.

The four choices for traffic calming on page 1 must be discounted immediately. The reason for this is safety of all the citizens of Point Wells.

I will explain. The Rodney District Council before it was absorbed into Auckland City designated Omaha and Point Wells a **"Sunami Zone"** and this was noted on all the LIM's for the two areas.

Should there be a **"sunami"** in the future, then any restriction to the only escape route from our village must not be installed. A speeding sign can be ignored in an emergency but the first four options will physically slow the exit of people that would need to leave the village very quickly.

I have had it said to me by a volunteer for our fire service that any further restriction for them to get to the fire station in any emergency may extend greater loss to property and possibly life. As you will be aware they are not exempt from the law with regard to speeding **until** they are in an emergency vehicle. Also any regular emergency vehicles will be slowed with physical restrictions i.e fire/police/ambulance into the village.

I hold some concern for the validity of the "Survey" when in your editorial on page 15 of the Crier you state that any one requiring more copies please contact you. On that basis I understand that residents can "flood" your committee with their priorities creating an unrepresented bias for which ever option they go for.

I take very seriously the quality of this village and in no way do I want to see it become just another Suburb of a city, I left the city years ago for that reason. Everything concerning "traffic control" has associated with it coloured lined, (maybe flashing lights) humps and bumps that would be out of place here.

I am in favour of extending the cycle way/footpath to the village store.

THE SPEEDING IN POINT WELLS HAS NOT INCREASED, HOWEVER, SINCE THE 50KM WAS MOVED OUT TO WHERE IT IS NOW PEOPLE HAVE CHOSEN TO IGNORE IT BECAUSE THERE'S NO NEED FOR IT TO START THERE, NOT EVEN WITH THE INCREASE IN RESIDENCES PLANNED FOR THE VILLAGE. MOVE IT BACK AND MOST OF THE PROBLEM WILL GO AWAY.

Yours truly
Howard Dimmock
34 Harbour View Road.

POINT WELLS CLUBS AND SERVICES GUIDE

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Point Wells General Store	Monday & Tuesday	7.30am – 6.30pm	422-7007
(established 1948)	Wednesday – Sunday	7.30am – 8.30pm	OPEN SEVEN DAYS
TAKEAWAYS from 5pm – Wednesday to Sunday – last order at 8.00pm			
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After the rip roaring success of the Point Wells Fete on Sunday 8th February, if you have not already done so, please support the community by becoming a member of the Point Wells Community and Ratepayers Association. Subscription form below. Annual General Meeting on

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