## NGAIO PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2010

We have great pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Ngaio Progressive Association (NPA).

The Ngaio Progressive Association is a local group open to all Ngaio Residents that elects a committee at its AGM (usually held in October each year). The committee meets monthly (on the first Wednesday of the month, at 7.45 p.m. in the Drop-in Centre in Ngaio Town Hall, Ottawa Road) to consider matters relating to our wonderful suburb and the general welfare of all residents. In some areas such groups are called Residents' or Ratepayers' Associations.

### THE NPA HAS THREE STRATEGIC GOALS:

**Goal 1**
Communication and interaction with residents and members of the Ngaio community will be effective.

**Goal 2**
NPA will continue to advocate for Ngaio residents and consult with the WCC & Local Government Officials.

**Goal 3**
The natural environment will be enhanced.

We have been definitely active in 2010 but, there is a problem: we need more committee members, particularly in the younger age groups. To this end we are asking all residents to consider joining the NPA committee, and working for our community.

### IN 2010 WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN:

**The Ngaio/ Crofton Downs Infrastructure Audit**
There's nothing like a local eye to notice the cumulative effects of vegetation over footpaths, blocked sumps, broken drains, trees touching wires and obscured signage. In May we walked the suburb and alerted council to 96 problems or potential problems. On the positive side, most sets of steps and handrails are now in excellent condition due to a rolling programme of refurbishment.

**Planting in Silverstream Road**
In June we planted another 100 plants on the banks of the Silverstream. After 4 years of growth and LTC (from Trevor Lloyd), the planting is making an impact.

**The Meet the Candidates (for the WCC elections) meeting**

By the time of the AGM we will have also held our **Annual Junk Drive.**

**In 2010 the NPA**

**Made submissions:**
on District Plan Changes

- DPC 61 Huntleigh Park
- DPC 74 Telecommunications Structures
- DPC 72 Residential Review
- DPC 70 Earthworks
- DPC 73 Proposed re-zoning 6-14
- Thatcher Crescent Outer Residential to "Centre

**and**

- Proposed Reserve Land Classification - Outer Green Belt
- Proposed Fence Encroachment Policy
- Proposed Change to Liquor Control Bylaw
- Wellington 2040 - The Future of Our Central City

**Liaised with the Environment Court and GWRC on**

- the Kilmarston Development proposal
- supporting the DPC 61 Huntleigh Park decision

**Reviewed**

- WCC's Annual Plan

**Discussed with Council**

- Cummings Park turf deterioration – yet again
- A possible track from Cockayne Road to the reservoir in Odell's Reserve

In conclusion, we are pleased with what we have been able to achieve in 2010 and sincerely thank the members of the NPA Committee for their untiring support. Community spirit is alive and well and we regularly receive positive comments about our plantings, signs, seats and up to date website. We know that residents feel strongly about their suburb and we are proud to be advocates for their concerns whether they be bus shelters or encroachments or issues arising from infill housing or storm water run-off.

*Mary Munro* *Julia Williams*

**Ngaio Progressive Association Committee**
Chirs Baring, Jo-ann Branthwaite, Viv Chapple, Fiona King, Trevor Lloyd, Frank McGuire, Michael Munro, Deborah Olson, Keith Rodgers, Robin White, Ritchie Wards.

### REMINDERS

**Subscriptions and Donations**
The subscriptions and donations we collect at the time of the Junk Drive are our only form of substantial income. The $10 Annual Subscription to the NPA can be brought to the AGM meeting or dropped off at the Ngaio Pharmacy in Ottawa Road.

**The next NPA meeting**
If you are interested in joining this worthwhile community group please come along to our next meeting – 7.45 pm on Wednesday 6th October 2010 in the Side Room of the Ngaio Town Hall. Hopefully, you will decide to come to the AGM to be elected onto the committee.

**email: ngaiopa@gmail.com**
**web: www.ngaio.org.nz**

# AGM

## 19th October 2010
## 8.00pm
## Crofton Downs School Hall
## join us, new members always welcome

# junk drive voucher

Please keep this voucher to attach to your junk and indicate with a tick if we are to collect the $10.00 fee from your letterbox or if you will leave the fee with the Ngaio Pharmacy.



☐ **letter box**

☐ **Ngaio Pharmacy**

**Street name and number**

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**We know where you live.**

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**www.ngaio.org.nz**

**for information on local news, events, walking tracks, schools, services, businesses, health & safety, green scene, sports groups, community facilities, transport, recreation, civil emergency, neighbourhood watch, annual junk drive, residents meetings .....**

## NEIGHBOURHOOD BINGO

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| | your house number here | |
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The rules of this game are simple. Enter your house number in the centre of the grid and then enter the number of the 8 homes surrounding your home.

Then make contact with those 8 homes over the next month. Introduce yourself, perhaps set up a neighbourhood watch programme or simply swap contact details so should you need your neighbours in a minor or major emergency you will know the people in your immdediate community.

Cross off the squares when you have made contact and if every household achieves their grid Ngaio will become the best connnected suburb in Wellington.

## BINGO!

# NGAIO 2010

# junk drive

## 8.00am Saturday 18th SEPTEMBER




Ngaio Progressive Association in conjunction with the Ngaio Scouts

Believe it or not, we've collected tonnes of junk from Ngaio over the years! Council lends us trucks and drivers for the morning and we supply the organization and the people power. The proceeds, in the form of subscriptions to the NPA, are shared with our partner Scout group. The Junk Drive is our major source of funds - and, in turn, we use the money for the benefit of the community.

All junk is to be left where you normally put your weekly rubbish by 8 a.m. on the day. (We cannot access small private driveways.) If you need help phone Trevor on 479 5438. No garden rubbish, recyclable material or very heavy or bulky items. No fridges or hazardous waste e.g. old garden chemicals, paint or oil. (You can take these to the Southern Landfill.) Leave a $10 donation in your letterbox or alternatively leave your donation at the Ngaio Pharmacy. Please attach the voucher to your rubbish (see back page) to indicate your choice.

**We need volunteers to help make a successful Junk Drive. If you can help on the 18th please ring Mary on 479 3363 or Trevor on 479 5438.**

Please note we no longer run a Used Good Junk stall on Khandallah Road but we do encourage you to re-cycle what you can.

***Have you joined Wellington Re-cycle?***

"This is a recycling group for anything you wish to keep out of the tip or is too good to throw away. Whether it's number 8 wire, the old bed, your kitchen sink, or your old kitchen, then if it's your trash it maybe someone else's treasure."

Go to groups.google.co.nz

Then, under "Explore groups", type in Wellington re-cycle (note spacing and the hyphen). You will then sign in and apply for membership.

This is a very successful way of both passing on what you don't want and/or getting something you do want - free!