

DAIRY FLAT NEWSLETTER

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The Committee's role is to allow issues and concerns relating to the operation of the landfill to be debated and negotiated. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding Redvale Landfill please contact Reception on 09 427 0600 or your nearest Liaison Committee member. Complaints should be forwarded to redvalecomplaints@wm.nz or 021 190 2018

Members were elected to the Committee by the community or have been appointed to represent particular interest groups. Minutes of the meetings are available for perusal at the WM New Zealand Ltd office. Any member of the public can attend and be heard at these meetings as long as at least two days' notice is given to the Secretary, Tara, via email – Redvale@wm.nz.

Our next scheduled meetings at the WM New Zealand Office for 2024 – 12 Feb, 13 May, 12 Aug and 11 Nov.

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Please see our Trust website:
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Should you have any questions concerning the Trust, please contact:

Secretary – Tara Wiggill - Ph: 09 427 0600 or via email- Dairyflatcommunitytrust@hotmail.co.nz

VDI scale for reporting an odour complaint.

Feedback or Odour complaints can be reported to Redvale Landfill through three different methods,

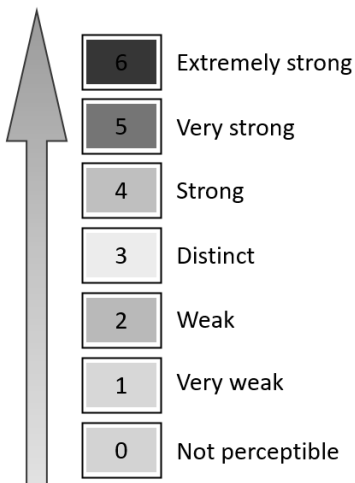
1. Email redvalecomplaints@wm.nz
2. Phone call 09 427 0600 or 021 190 2018
3. Text message 021 190 2018

To work with us, please provide constructive feedback only, which includes the following information,

1. Time and location of the odour
2. Type of the odour
3. Character and intensity of the odour
4. Frequency of the odour – how often it occurs, duration of the odour and time of exposure.

VDI scale example below on how to classify odour intensity.

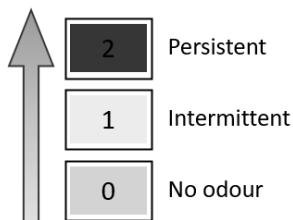
Odour Intensity



Odour Intensity: The perceived strength of an odour above its threshold. It is determined by an odour panel and is described in categories that progress from “Not perceptible”; “Very Weak”; “Weak”; “Distinct”, “Strong”, “Very Strong”, to “Extremely Strong”.

The best way of assessing odour is via the human nose. But everyone reacts to odours differently. One person may object strongly to an odour while another is not bothered by it. The only objective method to assess odours is a calibrated nose that has completed Olfactometric measurement.

Frequency Scale



Odour frequency: The perceived duration of time or exposure experienced.

Please feel free to access Redvale landfill weather station data by using the below link,

<https://app.outpostcentral.com/english/login2.aspx>

Username: redvaleguest

Password: community

Dear Readers,

This is the final Dairy Flat Newsletter for 2024 and at outset, let me wish all of you and your families and friends season's greetings and hoping that 2025 will be good to all of you, too.

By the time that you read this report, all of the local primary schools will have had their Ag Days and speaking to people involved in at least two of the schools (and attending one in person), their Ag Days were well attended and very successful, raising much needed finance for school projects and for those children who showed lambs, kids, chickens or calves, the responsibility that comes with keeping an animal came to the surface and evidenced at the respective prize giving's.

Focussing on the Dairy Flat area, it is important to mention that Waste Management is still aiming to complete the fill by the end of 2028 and then proceeding to the capping, planting and restoration of the site. Every quarter, the complaints register is tabled at the quarterly CLC meeting and actions taken by Waste Management and/or Auckland Council Compliance are discussed. Please note that odour, noise, dust and vermin complaints linked to the Waste Management operation can be lodged directly with Waste Management or, by contacting Council on their pollution hotline (09 377 3107). More information can be found at the Council webpage for reporting pollution to Auckland Council.

Hopefully some good news for all readers and that is that the Green Park Reserve is now open to the public. There is a new carpark off Green Road, and it is large enough to allow horse floats to turn in them and still park about a dozen cars. There is a map of the 154Ha park, showing the areas the public can access, and I mention this as the park is also still a working farm and most of the original buildings are not open to the public. Please note that there are no public toilets yet, but that negotiations with other stakeholders are ongoing in an effort to get toilets in place as soon as possible.

More good news is Dairy Flat is joining hands with Coatesville and like them, we are setting up a Dairy Flat Pest Free organisation. The inaugural meeting of Dairy Flat Pest Free is to take place on 30 October and again, this will have happened after you get this newsletter. However, if you would like to get involved, please do reach out to the organisers.

I often close by asking readers to please support local businesses and reflecting on this request, I need to mention that in the past quarter I have managed to use a local metal supplier (Gap 40), a local sand supplier, a local concrete layer, a local concrete cutter, a local car mechanic, a local tyre fitter, the local bakery, the local dairy, the local stock feed supplier and have also hired the Dairy Flat Hall.

Till next time!

Warwick Hojem

RENT A POTTERY WHEEL

Welcome to potter&dabble, our family-owned pottery wheel rental business, based in Dairy Flat!!

From our studio, located down a long driveway off Tender Road, we offer Nidec Shimpo Whisper-T pottery wheels and potters stools for RENT. Perfect for any potter wanting to practice at home, start small-batch production pottery, rekindle a hobby, or test out a wheel before purchasing.

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Tools & Clays for sale

We offer a selection of our favourite tools and clays for purchase, including 10kg bags of clay, our special clay sample boxes and also gift vouchers.

About potter&dabble

Hi, my name is Louise. Our family has lived in Dairy Flat for almost 11 years. I set up potter&dabble out of my own personal need to rent a pottery wheel, and I am so excited to see the business grow and to be able to support fellow potters.



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Feeling Fab Charitable Trust
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Our Wellness Programme provides a safe, nurturing environment for those who have faced bereavement, trauma or loss, to experience the love and support that is so often missing during the seasons of grief. Our programme offers the opportunity to meet others who have had similar experiences; our team has huge hearts and understands that those grieving need tender loving care in a safe environment.

We have provided this much-needed service in our local area (including Dairy Flat) for many years now and we have been consistently told and seen and heard for ourselves - how vital our programme is for those travelling along their journey of grief. We are very grateful to Waste Management who have helped us so much in the past and also very grateful for the support of the Dairy Flat Community Trust.

We have teams in Dairy Flat, Warkworth, Mangawhai, Dargaville, Rodney and Wellington. We are growing and we really need your help to be able to continue our programme. If you would like to volunteer, please contact us at volunteers@feelingfab.org.nz. We need help with admin work, committee members, hair stylists, makeup, nails, general help (and sometimes reiki and massage), organising food, support people on the day etc.

Our programme has expanded to include Men's Days and this year, Youth Days. We need your support and help to keep our programme afloat - not just volunteering but also sponsorship and funding opportunities. We have had the honour to work with Red Beach Hospice, Harbour Hospice, Women's Refuge Rodney, Sweet Louise, Race 4 Life and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, just to name a few throughout our Rodney area.

Please check out our Facebook and Instagram pages and our website (www.feelingfab.org.nz) for more information, for testimonials, live-streamed videos etc. Please email us at hello@feelingfab.org.nz, or PM us via our Facebook page if you would like to help us in any way or have any questions. Thank you, from Elizabeth and the FF Team.

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Located at 36 Landfill Access Road, Dairy Flat, our Club offers a warm and inviting atmosphere, perfect for families looking for a great meal and a relaxing environment.

But that's not all! Our peaceful location, surrounded by beautiful grounds and ample car parking make us the perfect escape to the country.

As a club, we welcome both members and non-members. Our team at De Hot Bar and Grill, led by Terri, is committed to providing good home-cooked meals at reasonable prices to all. We pride ourselves on being family-friendly and providing a safe and relaxed environment for everyone.

The Pool heating is now turned "ON" for summer and the refurbished changing sheds are nearly ready to go – full renovations expected to be completed by end of November.

Join us on Friday Club night for Meat Raffles (bring cash) and for members, a chance to win up to \$1,000 in our cash draw!

Do you have to be a member to come down to the Club – NO you don't, everyone is welcome.

For those interested in becoming a member for swimming and weekly draw - prices are as follows:

\$180 for families first year and \$120 per year following.

\$90 Single person first year and \$60 per year following.

We are now offering camping facilities for those travelling in self-contained motorhomes, RVs, campervans, or buses, with non-powered, overnight parking available for \$10 per person per night – please note must be self-contained and no hot showers available.

So, whether you're looking for a drink, a meal, swim or a place to camp out for the night, North Harbour Sports and Country Club has got you covered.

We can't wait to see you at "The Club" soon!

Website: dairyflatclub.co.nz.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dairyflatclub>

Email: info@dairyflatclub.co.nz

De Hot Bar and Grill (for reservations and enquiries) Terri 09-426 3391 or 022 048 3373



Your wedding, your way—without the cost worries

Looking for a simple, stress-free wedding ceremony that fits your budget?

As an experienced wedding celebrant, my goal is to give back to the community by offering affordable, heartfelt ceremonies that make your special day truly meaningful.

Whether you're planning an intimate elopement, a beachside gathering, or a larger celebration, I provide services tailored to your unique needs.

Let's connect, no strings attached, and see how I can help make your wedding a personal and memorable experience.

Contact me at nicola@tietheknotnz.com or 0272 698 025 for a chat.

Dairy Flat Community Hall

Contact details: Please E-mail: info@DairyFlatLive.com

Hall is available for community use 7 days a week. If you like to start classes or other activities in the Hall, the Hall committee will support you, with low starting rates.

Activities in the Hall

- Yoga on Monday
- Toast masters on Tuesday/ fortnightly
- Every Friday night Rock & Roll-on live music/ full bands people travel from all over great Auckland to Dairy Flat for those nights.

Check out what's on: www.DFlat.info

Many locals are very surprised, when they find out what's going on in the Hall on Friday nights. Licensed Bar with Club prices. Cover charge for bands applies.

Hall hire

Hall is available for Parties on Saturday nights. Sorry we don't support 18th and 21st birthday parties in the Hall.

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We are located in the Silverdale Rugby Club building at 6 Hibiscus Coast Highway opposite the Hibiscus Coast Bus Station.

We have 3 squash courts, clubrooms, a licensed bar and are open 24/7 for playing.

We offer a range of membership options to suit your needs, or you can play casually with no contract.

Club night every Thursday

Why not come down to our friendly club night on a Thursday from 7pm, meet other members and have a few fun games whilst keeping fit. We run 15-minute games and will match you with other players of similar ability. Not a member no problem you can try our club night two times before we ask you to become a member. We have a fully licenced bar so why not stay for a drink.

Introduction to Squash every Sunday afternoon.

New to Squash? Ever wanted to have a go, then why not come down on a Sunday from 3pm and we will show you how to hold your racquet, how to hit the ball and match you with other players of similar ability. Don't have any gear – no problem wear comfortable clothes for running and non-marking shoes and we will provide you with a racquet and ball. Bookings essential so you will need to register call Jenny on 027 272 8530

Juniors

Junior coaching by Brian Barnett who has been a professional squash player and elite level coach with national coach roles in the Netherlands and Czech Republic. Now running every Tuesday from 3.30-7pm bookings essential call Brian 021 727 079

For further information on the club and memberships please contact Hollie on 021 701 456 or silverdalesquash.president@gmail.com

Intro to Pony Care and Wellbeing



Join us for an exciting 10-week course designed for young pony lovers aged 6 to 12! This program focuses on essential pony care and wellbeing skills, including grooming, feeding, health checks, and understanding pony behavior.

No riding is involved - just lots of fun learning about these wonderful animals!

By the end of the course, you'll have the knowledge and confidence to be a responsible pony caregiver. Sign up today and embark on your pony adventure!

Starts Tuesday 4th February 2025
Tuesdays 5:30pm-7pm
\$180.00

Register at:
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News from Local Clubs and Organizations

Contributions to the newsletter are welcome.
The newsletter is printed every three months.

WM New Zealand accepts no responsibility for the opinions expressed in the articles submitted to the newsletter.

Please contact: Tara Wiggill at WM New Zealand Ltd
Contributions can be emailed to: Twiggill@wm.nz

Update from Louise Johnston, Rodney Local Board Member: Dairy Flat subdivision.

As Christmas approaches, I wanted to thank all our volunteers in Dairy Flat who are helping make Dairy Flat a great place to live, from our local tennis club to the hall committee and our pest-free groups. Our community is changing with more houses in the Countryside living zone and uncertainty in the Future urban areas. As we navigate these changes and the never-ending plans, I do hope that I am keeping you all informed. Often plans and submissions that impact Dairy Flat are notified after the Dairy Flat newsletter has been printed and I post details on the local Facebook pages. Please let me know if you would also like me to email these details as well.

Green Road Park, Dairy Flat:

The 154-hectare park at Green Road in Dairy Flat is starting to take shape. Due to the significant housing growth in the area, we have raised an additional 900 K of revenue from the transport targeted rate for the Dairy Flat subdivision. The local board has allocated this to completing more of the pathway project in Green Road Park which is a big win for the park!

For the toilet and water facilities for the park, while funding has been allocated in the ten-year budget, if we want to see this delivered sooner, please start complaining! You can do this online; it only takes a couple of minutes. www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/report-problem

The Green Road Park supporters have now formed an incorporated society. The supporter's group will be an important advocate for the park in the future and a fundraising vehicle, especially for completing the pathways network and feature tree planting. One of the projects they are working on is an avenue of specimen trees at the park's entrance like Cornwall Park. Unfortunately, they were unsuccessful in securing funding from the Dairy Flat community trust for this project, so they are working on other ways this can be funded. I will keep you updated on the progress!

Also, please remember dogs are welcome in the park but must be kept on a lead as it is still a working farm.

Surf Park, Data Centre and Solar Farm:

The Surf Park have confirmed that the earthworks for the newly consented Surf Park, Data Centre, and Solar farm at 1350 Dairy Flat Highway are still on track to start this earthworks season.

If you want to find out more details on the surf park, please use the below link.

<https://www.epa.govt.nz/fast-track-consenting/referred-projects/auckland-surf-park-community/>

Fletchers and Fulton Hogan's Private Plan Change:

Submissions for Fletcher's and Fulton Hogan private Unitary Plan change (PPC 103) to rezone approximately 107 hectares of land in Dairy Flat from Future Urban to Light Industry have now closed. There were 20 submissions received, and issues raised in the feedback include 'the need to align development with infrastructure provision, this is out of sequence development, development should be restricted until bulk waste and water capacity is available, the need to provide for transport infrastructure including Silverdale interchange upgrades and active mode access across the interchange to Dairy Flat Highway.' The Local Board will provide feedback on this plan change in November, and an independent hearing will be held in early 2025.

Fast track consenting.

Last month, the government announced the list of projects to be included in the Government's Fast Track Approvals bill. I was surprised that the bill included five large-scale, out-of-sequence housing developments in rural Rodney. If approved, the ones that will cause a congestion nightmare for the Dairy Flat subdivision include 1100 housing sites next to Milldale, 1250 sites in Upper Orewa (Russell Road), 210 residential lots and a 350-unit retirement village in Riverhead. These three areas are not scheduled to be developed until 2050 under Auckland Council's Future Development Strategy (FDS). Fast-track consents do not go out for public consultation, and consenting can take just months.

Properties severely impacted by Anniversary Weekend Floods 2023:

The council's voluntary categorisation scheme for storm-impacted properties has now closed. Across Auckland, 3485 properties opted into this scheme, and 2366 have received categorisation. For the Dairy Flat subdivision, ten properties opted into the scheme, with six properties being accessed to date as Category 3, i.e., having an intolerable risk and being in the process of being purchased by the Council. Once the houses have been removed from the sites they will be held by council as 'non-service land'. The future use of these sites will be determined by a later date. If you have a suggestion for a specific Category 3 sites, Council are capturing this information in their expressions of interest register, so that they can consider the ideas as part of the Future Land Use process. Please email any ideas on to recoveryoffice@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

Also, the Council has the funding to maintain these sites once the houses have been removed. If they are not being maintained, please report them to the Council. We do not want these sites to become overgrown with weeds and pests, etc.

Update on the Notice of Requirements hearing:

As part of the planning for the urbanisation of Dairy Flat, the Supporting Growth Alliance (Auckland Transport/Waka Kotahi and Council) has lodged 13 Notice of Requirements (NoR) with the Auckland Council for Dairy Flat. NoR's designate an area of land for a particular purpose, such as a road and are a form of route protection. Following the independent hearing earlier this year, Council are expected to make its recommendation on the NoRs to the requiring authority (AT and Waka Kotahi) shortly. The recommendation can be that the designation should be confirmed in the unitary plan (with or without modification to the conditions) or be withdrawn. 'This decision will be notified within 15 days to submitters, affected landowners, occupiers, and properties adjacent to the designation. There will be an opportunity for any submitter to appeal the requiring authority's decision. Appeals are lodged with the Environment Court'

Summary of the 13 NORs for Dairy Flat:

NoR 1: New Rapid Transit Corridor between Albany bus station and Milldale via Dairy Flat, including a walking and cycling path.

NoR 2: New Rapid Transit Station at Milldale

NoR 3: New Rapid Transit Station at Pine Valley Road, including Park n Ride

NoR 4: State Highway 1 Improvements – Albany to Ōrewa and Alterations to Existing Designations 6751, 6760, 6759, 6761

NoR 5: New State Highway 1 Crossing at Dairy Stream

NoR 6: New Connection between Milldale and Grand Drive, Ōrewa

NoR 7: Upgrade to Pine Valley Road

NoR 8: Upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway between Silverdale and Dairy Flat

NoR 9: Upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway between Dairy Flat and Albany

NoR 10: Upgrade to Wainui Road

NoR 11: New Connection between Dairy Flat Highway and Wilks Road

NoR 12: Upgrade and Extension to Bawden Road

NoR13: Upgrade to East Coast Road between Silverdale and Redvale

Rangitopuni Stream testing

There was a fantastic turn out to the inaugural Pest Free Dairy Flat community meeting last month. The organisers of Pest Free Dairy Flat, Olaf, Roberta and Ann Marie are a great team! Hanna, from the Wai connection project presented at this meeting. *'The Wai project aims to empower community catchment groups by providing knowledge, tools and expert support to help identify issues in their local catchment area'* If locals living by the Rangitopuni stream are keen to get involved with testing the health of their local catchment please get in touch with the Wai connection or I can pass your details directly onto Hanna.

www.waiconnection.nz

Lastly, if I don't hear from you before Christmas, please have a Merry Christmas and a lovely break.

Don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any questions or issues, etc

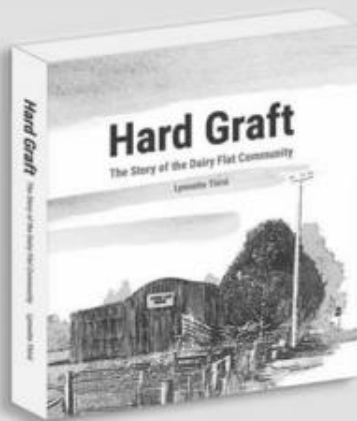
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