

Long Bay - Okura Great Park Society

Newsletter April 2007



GENERAL MEETING

Thursdays - 17th May

Come along to our next meeting where we will be discussing the following:

- Status of legal appeal. The court case has been set to start on 18th July. It's close! We'll tell you what's been happening.
- Fund raising progress and plans. (Raffles, Movies, etc.)
- Political action items and progress with NSCC, ARC, DOC.

NSCC Offices, Glen Road, Browns Bay at 7pm

FUNDRAISING MOVIE

BECOMING JANE

A biographical portrait of a pre-fame Jane Austen and her romance with a young Irishman.

Starring :
Anne Hathaway
James McAvoy



Sunday 20th May at 6pm

Bridgeway Cinema, Queen Street, Northcote

Phone Jennifer on 473-6847 to get your tickets.
\$15 per ticket

CONVENOR'S REPORT

Dear Great Park Supporters,

Presentation to the North Shore City Council

I am pleased to say that on 28th March, in a heartening display of support, the North Shore City Council unanimously agreed to investigate how they could further protect the backdrop of the Regional Park and the archaeological heritage of Long Bay. This resolution included options such as the purchase of land and the strengthening of protection that the Structure Plan currently offers. The Council has undertaken to meet with the Auckland Regional Council, Government and the Society to look at solutions.

This remarkable decision followed a presentation led by the East Coast Bays Community Board, supported by all of the Community Boards of the North Shore, to a full Council meeting. Representatives from all of the Community Boards attended as well as 150 supporters of the Great Park. You may have been one of these supporters and if so I would like to thank you for the difference you made by being there on a cold and wet night.

Two days later Councillor Julia Parfitt, Community Board representatives Joy Brett and Andrew Williams, and I met with Chris Carter, Minister for Conservation to discuss the Long Bay issue. Following our conversation Mr Carter advised that Government would be prepared to financially contribute to the purchase of land at Long Bay on the condition that both NSCC and ARC also provide funding. Mr Carter indicated that he or his representative would be happy to participate in any roundtable discussions between these parties and the Society to discuss how Long Bay can be further protected.

So this change of attitude is very promising. The Executive are now working hard to ensure that these promises are transformed into action.

Membership fees

You will see in this newsletter that unpaid membership fees are now due for 2007. Your fees just cover the costs for keeping the Society running smoothly and include items like

Continued on page 4...

2007 SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS

Thank you to those who have paid their membership so promptly. Please find your receipt enclosed. (If your fees were paid in the last 7 days your receipt will follow in the next newsletter).

Please call **Beth** on 473 5097 for any queries. The * on your label means your sub is still due.



2007 SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL AND MEMBERSHIP FORM

**LONG BAY - OKURA GREAT PARK SOCIETY
PO BOX 35 348, BROWNS BAY**

Mr, Mrs, Ms _____ First Name(s) _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Phone: _____ Mob: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION 2007: \$10 per member x () \$ _____

DONATION: \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please mail to above address enclosing payment. We will forward a receipt with your next newsletter.

If you have already paid please pass this on to a friend.



Great Park Raffle #2

First Prize: Action Adventures includes Helicopter Flight, Kayaking, Jump from the Sky Tower, Skiing, Coromandel Discovery & Tiritiri Island Trips, Treetop Thrills, Spooky Fun, Health Club Memberships & more! (value \$2100)

Second Prize: Home & Garden Makeover includes Garden Landscaping & Labour, Plants, and 1 year's worth of House Cleaning Products (value \$2100)



Third Prize: Luxury Weekend at Waima Lodge, two nights accommodation for two in the Hokiangā (value \$500)

Fourth Prize: Relaxing Weekend at Landfall Lodge, two nights accommodation for two in Kaiwaka (value \$299)



Phone Linda on 479 1748 to order your raffle tickets or sign up to sell books for the Great Park \$5 per ticket — \$50 per book of 10 tickets



coromandel discovery
COROMANDEL DISCOVERY

HELETRANZ

BEE™

PACIFIC HYGIENE
QUALITY OF CLEANLINESS

SNOWPLANET

Kawau Kat Cruises

village green
minigolf

Uster Landscapes Ltd

Landfall Lodge
Waiwaka

Tree Adventures
COROMANDEL DISCOVERY

Palmers
Landscape & Horticulture



Dennis Worley
Landscape Design & Construction

SPOOKERS

...Continued from page 2.

the printing of newsletters, stamps, etc. At this crucial and important time, with the Society needing all the financial assistance it can get, I really urge you, if you have not paid your fees, to pay them as soon as possible.

Thanking you for your continued support

Fiona McLaughlin

Convenor.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Dear Friends,

I take this opportunity to warmly thank the membership for their successful sale of the first raffle, which has raised over \$24,000. Congratulations to the three lucky prize winners!

The second raffle is being launched with another raft of exciting prizes, as you will see on the enclosed poster. If you missed out on supporting the first raffle, please consider purchasing tickets for this one and also selling them to your acquaintances. Many of you personally bought an entire book of tickets last time (\$50) and this repeated generosity would be much appreciated.

I urgently need volunteers to sell tickets at shopping malls, street stands, markets, rugby sidelines, in RSAs, at bars, door-to-door, etc. Most will be pre-organised methods, but individual initiatives are very welcome. Official badges will be provided.

The success of the second raffle is entirely dependent on the service of the membership. Please call me immediately to offer your help. Thank you in anticipation of your many messages on my answer machine.

Linda Nunn

Fundraising Coordinator.

Phone: (09) 479 1748

LONG BAY PARK PLANTING DAY

Would you like to get involved in a community planting day at Long Bay Reserve (north near Piripiri point)? North Shore City Council Parks Department have scheduled a community planting day on:

Sunday 1st of July from 10am—Noon

Tools are provided and there is a barbeque at the end. Bring a spade if you have one and wear sturdy shoes. Meet at the end of Vaughans Rd. (not in ARC park). Contact Angela Levett on 486-8600 (NSCC Actionline) for further details.

Also, the ARC are having a volunteer planting day on Sunday 10th June from 10am to 3pm in the Long Bay Regional Reserve (south). Volunteers should meet at site 5 and bring sturdy shoes, gloves and a spade if you have them and cold drinks. ARC will provide a barbeque lunch. Call ARC on 366-2000 for info.

Convenor	<i>Fiona McLaughlin (09-473-3779)</i>
Deputy Convenor	<i>Bernard Stanley (09-473-8630)</i>
Secretary	<i>Chris MacDonald (09-473-8004)</i>
Treasurer	<i>Barry Tripp</i>

Long Bay - Okura Great Park Society: P.O. Box 35-348 Browns Bay

www.longbaypark.org

New Zealand
Permit No. 107760

