

#### May 2021

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### <u>Celebration of Leigh Library</u> <u>150th Anniversary</u>

## Saturday 22 May 11am – 2pm

- 10.30: Church Hall to collect name tags and late registrations
- 10.50: Assemble in church grounds
- 11am: Welcome
- Brief talks by some descendants of the library's founding families.
- Unveiling of the Library Historic Board

*If raining, the welcome & speeches will be held at Leigh Central. Not far to walk.* 

12:30: Displays open in the Leigh Hall.

Light lunch to follow

Continue viewing and socialising until 2pm

If you haven't registered already, would appreciate it if you could register names + numbers ASAP, thanks. Txt or call: Wendy Brown: 422 6202, 0274 859 997



## PESTEREE LEIGH

pestfreeleigh@gmail.com

We have had great community response with rat trapping. Collectively we have caught 144 rats in Pest

Free Leigh traps to the end of March, with many more caught in April (keep those reports coming in) – not bad for just 5 months!

The real benefits of catching these predators are being felt by our wonderful native species. Leigh is the closest mainland site to Hauturu/Little Barrier, and is also within flying distance of Tawharanui. We hope that birds from these areas may find sanctuary here at Leigh. Our trapping efforts are reducing the number of predators, which will help protect our birds. It would be great to see bellbirds, and other unusual species, joining the tuis, fantails and kereru in our backyards. Many people are not aware that by reducing rat numbers, we are also helping to protect an endemic reptile found in Leigh: the ornate skink. This animal is considered "at risk" of extinction and can be distinguished by the distinctive white or yellowish teardrop marking below its eve. The name of this skink refers to the ornate markings on the

body and tail. **Ornate skinks** are secretive and are mainly active at night or at dawn and dusk – so you must be alert (and lucky) to see one. Thanks for keeping those traps baited and set. By working together, our efforts really are making a difference!



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We still need stall holders as well \$30 a stall. Contact Hilary 02108916855 or email foundationleighnz@gmail.com Proceeds go to KIDSCAN.

Lets make this a great community arts event that our kids will FONDLEIGH remember.

**Foundation Gallery & Arts Hub** 

RESULTS OF THE LEIGH COMMUNTY CLUB 100 RAFFLE April Draw 1st Prize \$300 # 69 2nd Prize \$150 #6 3rd Prize \$50 #67 Congratulations to Brett & Diane, Steve Mantle, John Kennedy Thanks to everyone who participated in this Fundraiser. The next 100 club raffle is on sale now Tickets \$100 are available from leighcommunityclub@gmail.com Frist Draw is Friday July 30.

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## Waste Free Leigh

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Can Cage, funds from these go to the Leigh Hall Committee to help improve the facilities.

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Soft Plastic Recycling, is an initiative of Lily Walkington and there are instructions for what can be included on the door beside the collection box. Koha appreciated to cover costs. A large recycle wheelie bin

is beside the can cages so

that glass bottles can be separated.

The Leigh Bowling Club has a Paint Can near the Piano for wine bottle tops and can tabs which help fund Kidney Kids NZ





ph 09 422 6021

## LEIGH COMMUNITY CLUB

**Leigh Anzac Day Service.** It was great to see an enthusiastic turnout at the Leigh Anzac Day Service after last year's cancellation due to Covid 19. We are also pleased to advise the POPPY Day appeal supported by Leigh Store, Leigh Garage, Leigh Bar, Leigh Bowling Club raised \$1,102.

Tickets are now on sale for the Leigh Community Club main fundraiser for 2021.

**"100" Leigh Community Club Fundraising Raffle.** LCC uses funds raised to seed new projects that will help maintain and improve community life in Leigh & Matheson Bay and surrounds.

In 2020 the funds raised were used to provide an all-weather walking track between Harbour View Rd and Cumberland St and to provide seed funding to help establish and launch Pest Free Leigh with over 200 rat traps now established in the Leigh and Matheson Bay Township.

For 2021 funds raised will be used to help establish a safe fenced play area for preschoolers in the Leigh township, continue walking track maintenance and help expand the Pest Free Leigh Project to include trapping stoats and possums.

The raffle will have 10 monthly draws from July 2021 to April 2022 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$150, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$50

Prize winning tickets will remain in the draw for subsequent monthly draws. Maximum 100 Tickets at \$100 each.

Raffle Drawn on the last Friday of the month at 5pm Leigh Bowling Club

Prize winners will be personally advised, and results published on the Leigh Community Group Facebook page and in the Leigh Rag

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It was great to see the photo in the Rodney edition of 'Our Auckland" of the team hard at work last year planting in the Matheson Bay Reserve. The next planting will take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** so make a diary note and come and help out with the re-establishment of native bush in what has been an unused neglected area. A great chance to meet up with the locals and share a cuppa too. More information in the June newsletter.

The bay has been pretty quiet lately apart from the hardy swimmers, the odd campervan and a new white duck making its home during duck shooting season. No doubt it will be accepted by the mallards as has the noisy black duck that turned up last year.

The toilets are still out of order with portaloos in place and the pontoon is still there, though will hopefully be removed before any major storms. We are definitely now in the quiet winter season. The southern carpark is to be re-sealed and broken bollards have recently been replaced which is good, as the lawn is getting soft and we don't want vehicles driving on it.

The Matheson Bay Association AGM will be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June at **2.00pm in the Leigh Hall.** The Association is looking for new blood as the Chairperson and Secretary are stepping down. The association only meets occasionally, but there is a need for the Auckland Council to have a 'go to' person to liaise with in the area.

Louise van Campfort

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The Leigh Waste Minimisation sewing group meets Thursdays and Mondays 9.30 am to 11.30 am.

Meeting at the Cumberland street rooms, Leigh Hall. We will hold stalls at the Snugleigh event ,June 18th, the Mid winter Swim, June 20th and the Rescue Fabric Swap in Matakana June 13th

## WHANGATEAU HALL Music and Events at Whangateau Hall

Folk Club night is on Monday June 28th. Our second half guests are yet to be confirmed at the time of printing, so check the website or sign up for the announcements at <u>www.whangateau.co.nz</u>.
On July 2nd the WRRA will be hosting a Matariki community potluck. All welcome!
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Jenine Abarbanel

### A LEIGH COMMUNITY MID WINTER SWIM

Meet at Matheson Bay at 10.15 am to take the plunge! SUNDAY 20th OF JUNE 2021 Bring your gold coins. Support our local school and Waste Free Leigh Tea and Coffee by Leigh Central Hot Soup and baking from Leigh school Rescue fabric items from Waste Free leigh



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## Leigh School

The past year has sparked off many new initiatives for our little community school and strengthening our Enviroschool kaupapa was one of them. Enviroschools is an environmental action based programme where students are empowered to design and lead sustainability projects in their schools.

During our weekly Garden to Table sessions, students have been looking into Composting. It is a great way to introduce our kids to the environment by teaching them how to convert waste into nutrient-rich soil. They then learn how to use this soil to nourish the fruit and vegetables they have planted in our school garden.

It gives kids an appreciation for the Earth and the life cycle as they learn how > different materials breakdown.

With this in mind, the wonderful Sarah Solaris has donated her time to facilitate a working bee to build а huge "Compost Lasagne". This will take place at school on Sunday 13th starting June. at 9.30am. If you are interested in coming along for the morning and contributing some for waste our "lasagne", Sarah will in turn provide us with tips and tricks on how to build a productive compost with natural evervdav waste.

We would like to thank Sarah for her time and effort into organising this event for our School. *Georgie Brebner* 

## an SCHOOL COMMUNITY MATARIKI COMPOST MAKING

#### Sunday 13th June 9.30am

materials Each family brings at least 1 big bag to the pile... Your choice of : animal manure, seaweed, grass clippings, hay, straw, dried or rotted leaves, kitchen peelings, small size green prunings, mulch, bulk coffee grounds, manuka brush, a pulled out pampas with no nind, the seed head, etc.

If you haven't got the time or available resource but still want to contribute - you can pay \$7 per bag of local horse poo on the day - bring cash!

kindly We work together for about an hour to make a massive **compost "lasagna"** so we can enrich our garden beds and orchard trees in spring.



10.30 Morning tea made by Garden to Table tamariki. A tour of the "Garden to Table" garden and kitchen and talk on plans for the future. Finish by 11.30am. Bring gloves and a spade along with your compost pile koha. If you have a big or heavy load please park your vehicle in the bus hav above the sarden area.

## What's Going on around here?

## If you have an event coming up, send an email to <u>leighragnz@gmail.com</u> and it can be included in this monthly notification

What Date	What is it	When	How much	Where
May 22 Sat	Library 150 yr Anniversary	11am– 2 pm		Library then Re- freshments at hall
May 27 Thur	Working Bee	9 –11 am		Kowhai Tce Steps
May 28 Fri	Kowhai Singers	7.30 pm	Adults \$20 Chn. Free	Leigh Hall
June 6 Sun	Matheson Bay Assn A.G.M.	200 pm		Leigh Hall
June 12 Sat	Planting Bee	9 –11 am		Kowhai Tce steps
June 13 Sun	Compost making	9.30 am		Leigh School
Jun18 Fri	Snugleigh Event	5.30 pm		School Carpark
Jun 20 Sun	Mid winter swim	10.15 am		Matheson Bay
July 3 Sat	Matheson Bay Assn Planting Day	9.00 am		Matheson Bay

#### **Helpful Contacts**

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We notice complaints on local social media about local issues, that can be dealt with by going direct to the **Auckland City Council** who have a range of ways for you to report a problem They cover Maintenance of public facilities or spaces, Transport parking and roads, Environment and Marine pollution, Illegal rubbish dumping, Graffiti, noise pollution, wandering dogs and marine vessel incidents. These can all be reported online at <u>https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/report-problem/Pages/report-a-problem.aspx</u> or you can phone 09 301 0101 Hotline 24 hours, 7 days

For Illegal fishing <a href="https://www.nc.govt.nz">ncc@mpi.govt.nz</a> ph:0800 4 POACHER (0800 47 62 24)

Report a road incident or unsafe driver – \*555 and Roadwatch https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/driving-and-road-safety/report-road-incidentunsafe-driver

No matter where you are in NZ, 111 is the number to call to report a water rescue to Police.

COVID-19 queries For COVID-19 health advice and information, contact the Healthline team (for free) on <u>0800 358 5453</u> For other COVID-19-relatedqueries, email







### FOR ALL EMERGENCIES DIAL 111 Fire - Ambulance - Police

Don't waste valuable time trying to find local numbers to call if you need fire, ambulance, police or assistance

Call 111 and ask for the appropriate service.

#### **Community Directory**

**Forest & Bird Coast Care Group** - a community initiative to restore reserves and bush areas through monthly weeding and planting bees - Neil Sutherland 422 6001

**Leigh Badminton Club** - Anyone interested in re-starting this club call Dennis Humphrey 422 6625

**Leigh Bowling Club** - to foster fellowship and the game of bowls. New members welcome. President Biscuit McLean 027 590 4829 or Secretary Glen Walker 4226486

**Leigh Business Community** - meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month - Jan Scott 422 6681 LeighbytheseaNZ@gmail.com or www.leighbythesea.co.nz

Leigh Cards 500 - 1pm - 3.30pm Tuesday, Leigh Bowling Club, all welcome, \$3.00 Leigh Cemetery Trust -Secretary Joyce McCormick 422 6893

Leigh Church - Church Hall bookings please Phone (09) 425 8054

Leigh Community Club - meets quarterly, Anzac Day Service, Interesting speakers, council communication, care of walkways, beaches and more. leighcommunityclub@gmail.com President Guy Parkes 021352588

Leigh Community Preschool - 422 6516 www.leighpreschool.co.nz

Leigh Girl Guides, Brownies & Pippins - Fay Bradnam 021 0279 0161

Leigh Hall - Bookings / enquiries phone Lynn Mellsopp 027 2868 625 or email leighhallauckland@gmail.com

Leigh Harbour Valley Society - 422 6880 www.leighharbourvalleysociety.org.nz

Leigh Library – 'The Cottage' opposite Leigh Store Tue 2-6pm, Wed 2-4pm, Thur 11am –1pm Sat 9am –1pm. Librarian Tracey Lawton 021 825 818 / 422 6944

Leigh Penguin Project 0211671524 or email leighpenguins@gmail.com

Leigh School - 422 6031 www.leigh.school.nz

Leigh Tennis Club - leightennisinc@gmail.com

**Leigh Walking Group** - meets Mondays at 9.30am for interesting walks throughout the Rodney, Kaipara and Auckland regions. Valda Paddison <u>paddis@xtra.co.nz</u>

Leigh Women's Bowling Club - meet Tues, Oct -April, for friendly bowls. New members very welcome. Bev Cassidy 4226599

Matheson Bay Neighbourhood Assn - Secretary Peter Spence 021 404 529 or mathesonbayassn@gmail.com

Pakiri Community Landcare Group - Frankie 021 688 997 or <u>nick@nickmolloy.co.nz</u> Pakiri Tennis Club Contact Linda Taylor (Secretary) on 021 242 7459

**Pest Free Leigh** pestfreeleigh@gmail.com;<u>www.facebook.com/groups/pestfreeleigh</u> **Plunket** meet 1st Monday of month Leigh Church Hall Contact Adele 0272901915

Rodney Rams Secretary Amy Weller 021 138 1407 rodneyrams@outlook.com

**Tawharanui Open Sanctuary Society Inc. (TOSSI) -** <u>www.tossi.org.nz</u> Secretary Karyn Hoksbergen 09 585 1315 email <u>secretary@tossi.org.nz</u>

Whangateau Acoustic Music & Social Club - www.whangateau.co.nz

Whangateau Neighbourhood Support – Sharyn Carew sharyncarew@vodafone.co.nz

**Whangateau Residents & Ratepayers Assn** - meets 7.30pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month at Whangateau Hall. Audrey Sharp 422 6209 or Hugh McKergow 422 6219

#### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE & CELEBRANTS

JP - Fay Bradnam 422 6038

JP & Wedding Celebrant - Dr John Peebles 021 974 247

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If your club or group does not appear, please advise the editor.

## What's on at the Leigh hall:

Regular bookings	
Mondays:	Waste Free Leigh Sewing 9.30 - 11.30am
Tuesdays:	Yoga with Marion 9.30 - 11.00am
	Nia class with Amara 5.30 - 6.30pm
Wednesdays:	Yoga with Kaye 6-7pm
Thursdays:	Spinning Sun dancing 9.15 - 10.15am
-	Waste Free Leigh Sewing 9.30 - 11.30am
Friday:	Nia class with Amara 9.30 - 10.30am
	Nia class with Amara 11.00 - 12 noon
Saturday:	Yoga with Kaye  9.00 - 10.00am

#### Leigh Hall Committee Voted in at the AGM

Chair: Ann Dewey Secretary: Alaina George Booking officer and Treasurer: Lynn Mellsopp Committee members: Helen Parkes and Matt Crockett

#### NOMINATE A LOCAL GOOD SORT

The Leigh Community Church has run the Good Sorts column since 2013. Many fantastic locals have been the Good Sort of the month over the years but there are others out there who also deserve the award.

If you know someone like this who has not yet been nominated, please write in a few words their good deed or thoughtfulness, including their name, address and phone number and drop it into the Leigh General Store in an envelope marked "Good Sort" or email the Editor at LeighRagNZ@gmail.com.

The person considered most deserving will receive home baking courtesy of Leigh Community Church.



## Keep Leigh Waste Free

Remember to: Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Rot, Recycle and Repair.

## Forest and Bird COAST CARE GROUP Leigh.

No man's Land to Everybody's Land.

There are a few tiny pockets of No Man's Land around Leigh public land which people have used as garden dumps or household dumps over the years. We need to reclaim them and bring them back into Leigh's beautiful rugged landscape – make them Everybody's Land. Last year our group cleared and cleaned up the weedy dump beside the Kowhai Tce steps, readying it for planting next month. Neighbours have helped by removing the piles of bottles and household rubbish we gathered. Thanks. But now we hope you can help us with the next step. Please diary these dates.

Thurs 27 May. Working Bee 9-11a.m. Kowhai Tce steps. Final clearing/ weeding.

Sat 12 June. Planting Bee 9-11a.m. at the same place.

Hope you can help make this a community effort. Families are welcome at the planting.

Neil Sutherland

### Letters to the editor

Breaking the silence

The Leigh community commemorates Anzac Day with dignity and solemnity. This years service was a respectful occasion that allowed us to remember those brave servicemen and women who risked their lives for us to enjoy the freedom we have today.

Anzac Day is one day in the year when silence is golden. It is disappointing when this silence is broken by the sound of lawnmowers and other noisy activities.

For Anzac Day 2022 let's make sure we maintain the silence.





#### LITTLE BLUE PENGUINS – KORORĀ

The korora are playing tricks on us! Just when out team thought we'd have some quiet time until nesting resumes late July (that's what publications say) we suddenly find our little feathered friends are back in numbers already. This is exciting news but it raises

questions as to why they are here in May. Has the Leigh population always returned earlier than other populations? Or are they responding to conditions at sea food supply? warmer sea water? Will they stay back on land now or are they just visiting for a few days, checking out the real estate? Is the Pest Free Leigh project already creating a safer environment for them? (huge numbers of rats and mustelids are being caught along the coastal strip at the moment).

It will be interesting to see over the next few years whether returning to land in May is a Leigh pattern. It goes to show that nature has its own way and doesn't always conform with what's written in the book!



Neil Sutherland, for the Korora team.

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## Leigh Hall

#### Chairpersons Report from AGM.

The past year has been an interesting one for all of us. We are a volunteer, community managed hall, under the umbrella of Auckland council. I really hope that we remain this way as I believe this best serves our village.

It's a strange thing to have a community space closed to its community.

However due to covid and renovations that exactly what we've had to do.

Our major renovations were planned for April 2020, but due to the level 4 lockdown they were delayed till October. We are so happy that the renovations have happened and that the process was well managed and completed on time. Thanks to all involved in the process.

Our other closures were due to level three and four lockdowns. Thanks everyone for complying with the level two restrictions and we are now happy that we can currently operate the hall as per usual during level one.

The management of the hall is a joint effort through our volunteer committee and Auckland Council. This relationship continues to evolve, but as a committee we were all sad to see Jo Heaven leave her community hall overseer role at Auckland council. Jo has been such a fantastic help and sounding board and we are all missing her. We look forward to meeting her successor. Thank you Jo for all your assistance. I'd also like to acknowledge and thank the hall committee, Lynn Mellsopp, Helen Parkes and Alaina George for all their tireless work and commitment to the Hall. You've all given so much of your time and energy. Thank you thank you. Also a big thank you to members of the community who have donated time, energy and skills to our working bees and improvements. This makes us the community we are, thank you all.

We were encouraged to see the use of the hall expand to include new classes and groups for all ages.

As a long time user and supporter of the hall I would like to express that this hall is an invaluable community asset and I hope that everyone feels welcome. We invite our community to feel that this is a shared space for all. Here's hoping for a great year ahead. *Management Committee Chair Ann Dewey* 

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# **Leigh Volunteer Fire Brigade**

As we head into winter the number of incidents that the brigade has responded to has decreased somewhat. This is quite normal at this time of the year with less visitors to the area, day-light saving and the weather getting a little chillier. We had a total of 7 turnouts over the last month with 1 fire in Leigh which turned out to be a controlled burn, 4 medical calls in Leigh and 2 medical calls to Ti Point.

At the beginning of the month 5 of our crew members spent the day attending a Lines Rescue refresher course in Silverdale to ensure skills are keepig up-todate. Like most of the other skills that crew members undertake, this is required to be completed every 12 months. This is in addition to ongoing training that takes place regularly throughout the year during Tuesday musters. Also in regards to training, congratulations to Ewen McGeorge who has recently completed his Recruit Fire Fighter course to become part of our operational crew. And with two more of our recruits about to complete their training we have a good number of members progressing through their training at the moment.

Once again it was a real privilege for the brigade to be part of the ANZAC Day service this year, especially after two years of no ANZAC Day services being held across the country. It was wonderful weather for the service followed by some great hospitality courtesy of the Leigh Bowling Club.

We have 4 new members that have started with the brigade this month which puts us in a very good position with the number of members. Even with the evenings being a little colder and darker it's great that we have more keen people to join the crew and get involved. As always, if you are interested in getting involved just pop into the station at 7pm on a Tuesday to see what we do,

Paul Smith Brigade Co-Secretary



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As part of the Library's 150th anniversary celebration this month, the library will showcase local authors and books relating to Leigh and surrounds. The display includes personal and family memoirs, biographies, accounts of early European settlers' lives; pre-European history; gorgeously illustrated cookery and garden books; heaps on the Hauraki Gulf, marine and beach topics (Goat Island, what to look for at the beach, fishing); activities traditional (shipbuilding) and modern (pottery); ecology; junior and adult fiction; books about Mahurangi Rugby Club, St Michael's Church, Leigh Volunteer Fire Brigade ... and more ...

Display books will be available for loan after 22 May.

Jenny Stewart (for Tracey)



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#### **Civil Defence and Emergency Preparedness**

In past years communities had Emergency Response Groups that trained in Civil Defence matters and directed local people in the evert of an emergency. These organisations have gone and there seems to be a lack of promotion of what you need to do in the event of a major disaster that would see our community isolated or under threat.

Peter Spence suggested that we all become familiar with what is required and has forwarded the following Links to me for your awareness.

Specifically, for home:

https://getready.govt.nz/prepared/household/

The "What would you Do" booklet

https://www.aucklandemergencymanagement.org.nz/

media/1103/what-would-you-do-guide.pdf

Make a Plan ..

https://www.aucklandemergencymanagement.org.nz/resources/ make-a-plan/make-a-plan-english

These links will help you to Get Ready in case of an emergency.

Being aware of how to react when a disaster happens can save you unwarranted stress and may save the life of someone in our community.

Editor.





#### Leigh Bar Rocking into Winter

This year our little bar reached a milestone of being open for over 6 years and Richard owning it for 3 years. This great milestone would have been impossible without the massive support of our locals. Surviving winter in Leigh is hard enough. Without international tourists it's all the harder. But thank you Leigh for your ongoing support. It means the world to our whanau here! We couldn't do this without you. We thought rather than say where we have been this last year, we want to tell you about what's happening this winter.

To celebrate this winter we have updated the menu for the cooler months. We have our little Bruce's famous seafood chowder as well as a tummy warming lamb shank. The perfect meal to have with a cold Guinness in front of the fire. Sweet tooth favourite of sticky date pudding is back on.

With winter here we have bought back our winter specials. We have steak night on Monday, followed by taco Tuesday. Wednesday is our great value burger night. Thursday an old favourite has come back after a year off, which us our curry night. We have already had a lamb and kumara Rogan Josh. And Fridays we have happy hour 4 to 6.

Finally we have our Sunday evenings. We are planning on bringing back quiz nights on a Sunday as well as having games night including poker and karaoke night! Watch our Facebook for more information.

We are open 7 days all year round (with lockdown exceptions) open from 4 and the kitchen closing between 8.30 and 9. The bar closes when Richard gets sick and tired of it and wants to sleep.

Again thank you Leigh for an amazing 6 years and we hope we have many more years to share with you all. *Richard Scott* 

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## **GOOD SORTS**

Our GOOD SORT this month is **Arthur Gundy** who didn't hesitate when asked by the *Leigh Community Church* if he would construct a new Notice Board for us. We know Arthur has willingly put his clever hands to many projects that benefit our Community so we

were delighted when he accepted our request for assistance. Many, many thanks **Arthur** for your generosity of time, skills and materials. We are thrilled with our new notice board and look forward to using it for all up-coming events @ our *Leigh Community Church*.







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