

# Beautiful Manukau

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## DIARY DATES

15 February 2015

Entries close in our Brand It design competition open to South Auckland secondary and tertiary students

20 February 2016 | 8.30am-1pm  
Waiuku Town Centre Tidy-Up

5 March 2016

Frances Street, Manurewa - mural competition unveiling

9 April 2016 | 11am-8pm

Free Family Day at Eye On Nature  
Auckland Botanic Gardens Event Site

30 April 2016

New Zealand Record Attempt

Puhinui Stream Clean-Up - bus transport will depart from Auckland Botanic Gardens Event Site

Tuesdays & Fridays | 9.30am-12.30pm

Wednesdays | 9.30am-12.30pm (shed only)

Boomer Business Open

Men's shed projects, baking, arts and crafts, computer and mobile phone classes for the over 50's. All welcome.

**IF YOU'D LIKE TO HELP WITH ANY OF THESE PROJECTS, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL ON 09 269 4080**

## NZ RECORD ATTEMPT

Ever wanted to set a record? Now's your chance!

On 30 April 2016 we're going to attempt to set the New Zealand record for the largest number of volunteers in a single environmental clean-up event.

Manukau's Puhinui Stream is a little-known backyard treasure. With the community's help, and in partnership with Auckland Council, our six local boards, Wai Care and Sustainable Coastlines, we hope to remove rubbish and debris from approximately 10km of the stream - and set a record in the process! Starting from Redoubt Road we will follow the stream through Manukau's industrial and residential areas, aiming to reach the foreshore at Manukau Harbour.

We want as many people as possible to come and help! Please register your interest online at [beautifulmanukau.org.nz/nzrecord](http://beautifulmanukau.org.nz/nzrecord) or contact Barbara Carney on 269 4080. We'll celebrate afterwards with entertainment and a free barbeque for those who help.



The Puhinui Stream watercourse from Totara Park to the Manukau Harbour.

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

As well as our usual day to day operations involving tagging removal, Zero Waste and keeping Auckland's southern rail corridor tidy, we've been busy with a few other projects since Christmas.

In January we joined forces with the force - helping Counties Manukau Police and Otara Health clean up the Johnstones Road bridge area of Otara Creek (pictured right).



With assistance from the Manurewa Local Board we supplied paint and ply boards to the eight community groups and individuals taking part in our Frances Street mural competition.

Manurewa Intermediate, St Elizabeth Anglican Church, Manurewa South School, the Maia Trust, ABC childcare, Lupton Street Baptist Church, Sikh Temple Manurewa and freelance artist Francis Pesamino have each created artworks to brighten the long fenceline near Manurewa's train station. We will unveil the murals and announce the winner at a ceremony on 5 March.

## WE WANT YOU!

We need volunteers to help at our environmental education community day 'Eye On Nature' on **Saturday 9 April 2016**.

We also need many volunteers for our New Zealand Record Attempt (see above) on **Saturday 30 April**. If you can help, we'd love to hear from you!

You can register online to become a volunteer at [beautifulmanukau.org.nz](http://beautifulmanukau.org.nz), or phone 269 4080.



## Eye on Nature

**AUCKLAND BOTANIC GARDENS**  
**9 APRIL 2016 | 11AM-8PM**

This year's award-winning Eye On Nature event will be bigger and better than ever. We've opened up our Wearable Art and Cooking competitions to schools right across Auckland. This is the first year schools outside South Auckland have been eligible to enter and competition is set to be fierce with first place prizes of \$1,000 up for grabs.

With a focus on 'Water for Life - Cool, Clear, Clean', young people will be encouraged to take responsibility for New Zealand's waterways and its life forms throughout the event. Our competitions tie in with the water theme and provide unique opportunities for Auckland schools to showcase their students' creativity.

As well as live competitions, there'll be games, hands-on arts and crafts, entertainment and fun for everyone.

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