

PART B

Council

**Wednesday, 26 November 2003
Commencing at 5.30 pm**

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

WAITAKERE CITY COUNCIL



SUPPLEMENT TO THE AGENDA FOR AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, 6 WAIPAREIRA AVENUE, LINCOLN, WAITAKERE CITY, ON WEDNESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2003, COMMENCING AT 5.30 PM.

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JAIME LERNER - THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CITIES

I first became aware of Curitiba in 1993 when a television crew came to Waitakere to include us in their programme called Green Plans. Surprisingly it still gets airtime on Sky. It tells the story of three interesting cities that are in transition - Curitiba, the 310-year-old Brazilian City, Waitakere City and a City in the Netherlands also practicing sustainability.

As pleased as I was at the time for Waitakere to be included, it was the dazzling success of Curitiba under the leadership of Jaime Lerner that has been the international success story. Lerner, who I had not met but read much about, is considered one of the world's most respected political leaders. His leadership in the evolution of Curitiba from a poor Brazilian City to an example of shining sustainability in transport, waste and recycling is nothing less than a miracle of achievement.

I was therefore delighted to be asked to chair his public meeting and to join him for lunch hosted by the Auckland Regional Council. His visit to New Zealand was a triumph for our good friend Dr Morgan Williams who invited Lerner last year when the Doctor took a group of local government politicians and officials for a 10 day visit to Curitiba.

Lerner, who is now President of the International Union of Architects, is advocating a global ideas "pool" of 40,000 ways to sustain the planet. It is my intention that Waitakere City takes part. He is searching for new ideas to transform urban mass into efficiency, quality and low cost. He is also seeking young architects and emerging leaders to transform our cities. He was elected President of the International Union of Architects in Berlin last year. It is a three-year appointment. Before then, he was the governor of Brazil's Parana State, and previously the Mayor of Curitiba City. He spent many years as guest professor of the University of Berkeley. He has been internationally awarded and applauded for his leadership of Curitiba. His transport initiatives led to new one-way bus lanes streaking across the city, speeding up transportation, never before thought possible in a large South American city.

He oversaw the city growing from 500,000 to 1.6 million, and told me that he had done this by focussing on relationships, quality of life and above all long term visions. He also believes that private and public partnerships are hugely important in the scheme of things, and in creative concepts reducing and recovering from the waste streams.

A rapid transit system based solely around buses was the catalyst for Curitiba's unimpeded growth. While car ownership rates are not dissimilar to Auckland's - one car for every 2.5 people compared with Auckland's one to 1.8 people - 75 per cent of workers use public transport to get to work. Here, 6 per cent take the bus or train.

Services expanded over 15 years from a radial pattern to a spider's web of circular and linear routes. Today, no one lives further than 500m from a bus stop and buses run no more than five minutes apart.

At peak time along the growth corridors, the double-articulated services run every 30 seconds. Passengers pay a flat fare of \$1.35 before boarding, to minimise delays.

And if the bus is late? Companies are fined \$200 for every minute's delay.

Parking is banned in the inner city and the main streets are pedestrian malls.



The city's sustainable development policies extend beyond transport and housing, to environmental measures such as recycling. It is such a model of urban planning, that Francis Ford Coppola has used it for his new movie Megalopolis.

A couple of hour's drive from Curitiba is the teeming megacity of Sao Paulo, where 18 million people are crowded into favelas (slums) and high-rises. Jaime Lerner's frustration over Sao Paulo's endless handwringing over how to revitalise the city centre has a disturbing resonance for Aucklanders. He said "Every 20 years the same problems come up again. Always that discussion and it never ends." Lerner's simple approach includes political will, strategic vision and public acceptance. "If the people understand why it's important to leave their cars or to separate garbage, they will help you make it happen."

He told the New Zealand Herald that motorways can kill a City and although he didn't want to tell Auckland how to run their business, he wanted to remind us that we should know that no city can rely solely on the motorcar.

He felt that Auckland's problems were ones that could be resolved by clear thinking, long-term vision, and strong leadership by the Mayor. I spoke to him about the transport hub we are building and combining the city centre in one area, and although he was full of praise for the concept, he suggested that a city like Waitakere needed to have a master plan, at least 25 years out he said to start with - and I couldn't agree more.

He also felt that Auckland's problems were based around the size of the city; it's sprawl where the European influence in Brazil had meant smaller, tighter and closer communities. This, he said, has given us a chance to reform quicker. But to get people out of their cars you have to have a better alternative.

A short, stocky man with a hesitant command of English, but a great brain and a marvellous skill with audience, Jaime (pronounced Jaa-me) is of Polish parentage that came to Brazil during World War Two. This was his first visit to New Zealand. His presentation at the Hopetoun Alpha, which I chaired, had an enthralled audience as he explained the power of leadership with a vision of a total city. He obviously enjoyed the role of Mayor - it's a captivating role and one of the most exciting anyone can do. He said it had been more important to be the Mayor than the Governor of the province and that he would have gladly paid for the privilege of being the Mayor, because he was able to achieve so much.

Spending the day with this enigmatic and respected Mayor, rekindled my own belief in the long term vision for Waitakere City, and our own passion for what we do, standing up for what we believe and what we believe is possible. We have started to enter the most complex phase of this city's delivery programme. We have spent ten years in planning, a decade of strategic thinking with a new city. It has been very difficult for many - staff and officers of this Council have clearly suffered the trials and tribulations of a huge workload, rapidly accelerating to deliver a new city. It has been gruelling times and staff have left this city probably not unhappy about the experience but burnt with the pace. Councils don't usually move this fast - it's been a fury of performance. If you look at photographs of Henderson at the beginning of the last decade, it's a very sad and tired, neglected stretch of a suburban shopping centre. It's got a way to go but look at it now.

The city I believe has been transformed - green, clean, almost graffiti free, vibrant, and full of potential. This has been the Waitakere transformation and if I have been disappointed it has been on the slowness of the service of government and the lords of the infrastructure that have failed to push the fast track button to allow transportation completion of projects such as motorways, rail and bus links.

But business has responded positively to our re-facing of the West, and this Council has truly performed in keeping the political vision and leadership for four terms of Council. They have been extraordinarily positive in achieving results.

Lerner was an example of how things can be positively achieved.



NAMING THE HENDERSON HUB PROJECT

At the last meeting we discussed the naming of the Henderson Hub project. This has been covered with Elected Members at a number of workshops. I have talked with many people since those meetings and I return again to the issue of having a name that is not locked in yet. We are now at the formation of preparing strategic marketing and business plans. We are also finalising our workshops with Councillors and community, I suggest we incorporate the name of Lucy Cranwell, because through its association with Cranwell Park, it will draw the Northern end of Henderson together with the South-western end. For this we need a strongly branded concept, and I will now work with the team to bring the comprehensive branding package back to you including visual identity elements. I therefore propose the following recommendation:

That the Mayor work with the Henderson Hub team on a comprehensive branding programme for the Henderson Hub Project, and report back to the Council.

I have given great thought to both of these names and I believe commitment to them at this early stage will ensure that they are well perceived, strongly supported, and will last well into the 21st century with pride.

CK STEAD - TWO POEMS YOU SHOULD READ

These two poems, from that well known westie CK Stead, in the New Zealand Listener this week.

City Fathers

(‘The Mayors of Auckland and Manukau cities are combining forces to advance the cause of the Eastern Corridor motorway’ - News.)

John Banks

The part of us
That’s human
Dislikes him.

The part that has wheels
Accelerator and brakes
Voted him in.

His thank-you gift
Will be another scar
Across the face of our city.

Sir Barry Curtis

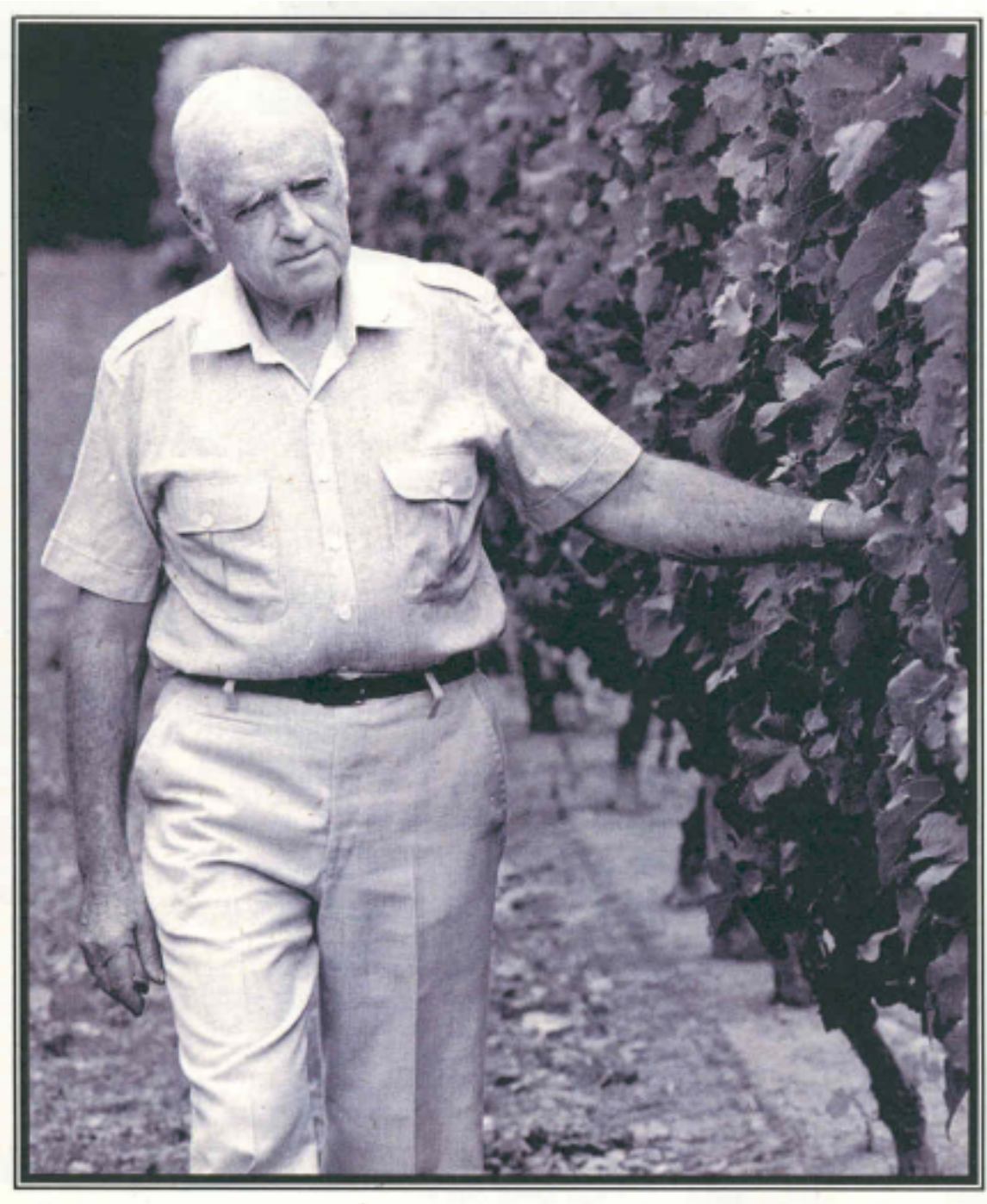
The speech machine
Will go on orating
Without grace or thought
Conscience or content
Gramma or Grampa
As long as coins are fed
Into the slot marked ‘coins’
If, after a pause,
Speaking is not resumed
Insert more coins and
Wait until the tape rewinds
Do not kick or shake.



MILESTONES

WINE MAKER - LIONEL COLLARD **25 March 1921 - 4 November 2003**

It is with great sadness that we learn of the death of Lionel Collard, one of this City's founding winemakers and a member of a pioneer fruit and winemaking family. I have known Lionel for almost twenty years - one of life's most generous men, giving much of his time to the community, to schools, to the City and to the winemaking industry throughout New Zealand.





Lionel has been ill for many years, and his passing is a great loss to us all in Waitakere. The Lincoln Road property, which was first a first growing orchard in the depression, became a centre of wine excellence, winning acclaim and awards. It became a meeting place of wine connoisseurs, the famous, the stylish, the powerful from governor-generals all the way down. He never forgot names or family details. He was a marvellous man. I would like you to read the eulogy, which was read by the Reverend Charlie Hughes.

I enclose the eulogy from the Reverend Charlie Hughes, which he delivered at the service.

When I began my work as the vicar of the Anglican Church in Henderson in January 2001, I got a phone call from Lionel. He invited me to head along Lincoln Road to see him. He welcomed me to Henderson, he gave me a bottle of Sauvignon Blanc, a bottle of Pinot Noir, and a generous contribution to the church funds. We then sat down for what my visit was really all about. Lionel wanted to plan his funeral. He explained his struggle with Parkinson's, he explained his struggle with cancer; and, he said, he wanted the man who would take his funeral to be someone who knew him well. So we talked. Then, and many times since. Talked about his life, about his career, about the family. He, and the family, wanted me to present now a brief history overlooking his lifetime.

Lionel's mother, Dorothea, was born and raised in Lincoln Rd in the wild west of the 19th century. She was a daughter of the Averill family, pioneers, and a woman of both musical and artistic talent. She studied at the Elam School of Fine Arts in its very early days.

Lionel's father, Jack, was born into a fruit-growing family in Kent in South East England, studied horticulture and in 1906 took up a post here in New Zealand as Senior Govt Orchard Instructor. The Lincoln Road property was bought in 1910 and developed as an orchard.

Lionel was born in 1921 and with his brother Brian he attended Henderson Primary School and then travelled daily by train to attend Mt Albert Boys Grammar School. (The closest secondary school to Henderson at that time.) Lionel was deeply affected by the personal qualities of some of his teachers at Mt Albert. He spoke of them as 'masters', using the terminology of the time. They inspired in him a love of languages, a love of learning and reading, an ambition to become a language teacher himself - an ambition to himself inspire young lives. One of those masters, an English teacher, advised Lionel, tongue in cheek, "Collard, if you keep your mouth shut, your ears open, you might make something of yourself." "They were men's men", he told me. "I'd have crawled over broken glass for them".

The depression however, brought difficult days. The family opened a butcher's shop on the farm and Lionel delivered meat by bike. These troubled times left him with a life-long fear of debt.

Lionel followed his drive and attended Auckland University in 1940 enrolled in a languages degree. But his study was interrupted in 1941 when he was called to the Army. Lionel then showed an aspect of his character that was a strong feature of the man. Instead of reluctance and resistance to the change of direction, he threw himself wholeheartedly into his new involvement. He applied for officer training, and joined the HQ staff of the New Zealand Army as a 2nd Lt and Aide-de-Camp to Col. Mackey. He began to pursue a career in the Army - when again his direction was interrupted. His father Jack fell from a tree on the Lincoln Road property and sustained injuries from which he never fully recovered. Brian was already on overseas military service, so Lionel was released from the Army and had to take over the running of the orchard. And once again he accepted and embraced the challenge, where there could so easily have been resentment and resistance.



Soon after, a young woman called Desma Stringer, was told by her aunty, that a nice young man who was just out of the forces, was living nearby. Would she like to meet him? Not really, was the answer, but meet they did, and Lionel proposed under the plum tree in the orchard. Orange blossoms adorned their wedding in 1946.

Bruce was born in 1946, Geoffrey in 1952. As the boys grew, Lionel invested himself in the community groups of which they were a part. He was Chairman of the Kindergarten Assoc, founding Chairman of the Pomaria and Henderson North Primary Schools, Deputy Chairman of Henderson High School Board of Governors, and founding Chairman of Massey High School Board of Governors. In these connections Lionel, who was fundamentally a shy man who sometimes struggled with a lack of self-confidence, learned the arts of public speaking, the spokesman's role. He met and influenced MPs and the Minister of Education. Lionel's community involvement also included the Scouting movement, leadership roles at St Michael's in Henderson, and singing with Brian in the Auckland Choral Society.

Meanwhile, back on the farm, Lionel and Brian emerged as a force to be reckoned with as they oversaw the re-development of the Collard Bros orchard into vines and a winemaking business of increasing report. Lionel worked tirelessly decade after decade to embrace innovation in winemaking, and to foster the ambition of exporting high quality New Zealand wines. It was an uphill battle in an era when wines and wine drinking was not fashionable in New Zealand society. Embracing the move from fortified wines to European classical wines, the establishment of the Riesling variety, the use of artist's works on wine labels - all are examples of Lionel's initiative. In the 1970s Lionel went to night school to learn German, and in 1976 spent a whole season living with a German winemaker on their vineyard to further his understanding of their skills. He was justifiably proud of his achievement in exporting wines to the United Kingdom and made several promotional trips. For 20 years Lionel was Secretary/Treasurer of the Henderson Fruit Growers Assoc, and had an influential role in the New Zealand Wine Institute. In 2000 he was presented with the Waitakere City Centennial Medal for his work in the wine industry and commercial organisation.

And all through his professional career, Lionel kept his mind alert and informed about the wider world of thought - widely read, deeply thoughtful. He was possessed of a great memory - which enabled him to draw on a store of shaggy dog stories at any time or place, and also to remember the names of customers year by year. And not just the customers, but their Christian names, the sort of car they drove, and even the name of their pets!

But I want to say, in a conclusion of my own, that a man's greatest legacy lives not in his work, but in his family, with Desma, Bruce, Geoff, Sheryl, Donna, Emma and Charlotte, Yvette and Brittany. I have been deeply moved at the costly devotion you have shown towards Lionel over his last hard four months. The way you Bruce and Geoff have slept by turns in his room for weeks. Your devoted care has been a proud tribute to the qualities of this man of the land.

This is a wonderful and fulsome tribute to Lionel, his work, his family, and his life.



FILM-MAKER - CAMERON DUNCAN

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When a young man with huge talent is struck down so early in life, the tragedy of his passing seems ever more so. Such is the case of the young, brilliant filmmaker Cameron Duncan. New Zealand first became aware of his talent when he won the 1999 Fair Go Secondary School Advertisement Awards for his commercial on road safety. He was 15 years old. In that year Cameron Duncan was diagnosed with osteosarcoma cancer, as attached at page M1.

In 2000 he was a finalist again, this time with an anti-smoking commercial. He continued to feature highly with his creativity and brilliance, even while undergoing chemotherapy. His short film DFK6498, depicting his suffering with Cancer, became another award-winning film.

For two years Cameron went in and out of remission. Finally he died receiving treatment in Mexico.

A Massey resident and past pupil of Avondale College, his amazing, short life will be remembered. This Council would like to pay a tribute to his life and work. We send our deepest sympathy to his parents. Below are three illustrations of his filmmaking craft as he generated another advertising entry for the 2003 Fair Go Ad Awards at the Corban Estate Art Centre.





At the tangi for Cameron, I asked the permission of the family that we could honour his work and life by naming an award given at the Waitakere Business Awards for excellence in film. So it is my recommendation:

That the Council propose to the Board of Enterprise Waitakere the Cameron Duncan Memorial Prize for Film Excellence, and that this award be announced in 2004 and for every year subsequently.



SURF LIFESAVER - DON WRIGHT

6 August 1915 - 9 November 2003

The passing of Don Wright of the Piha Surf Club marked the end of an era for some of the last of the founding members of one of New Zealand's oldest Surf Life Saving Clubs. Don Wright was travelling to go out to his regular patrol when his car left the West Coast Road.



Don made a huge contribution over nearly 70 years of service to the Piha Club and to surf lifesaving throughout the Auckland region and New Zealand. Members of the Piha community attended his large funeral, and much tribute was paid to his long service, to rescues throughout the years and to the development of surf rescue equipment, particularly the surf-ski.

He was a champion lifesaver, winning the New Zealand title in surf ski, drill and rescue work. He served on the Piha club as Club Captain, President, Boat Captain and Gear Steward, and was a patrol member assisting the young members in the patrol right until his death.

His life demonstrated an extraordinary dedication to the surf lifesaving movement, and I was so pleased to be able to offer a few words on behalf of the Council and on behalf of all those who have offered their volunteer time to save the lives of others.



OWEN HUGHES OF HUIA

The extremely likeable Owen Hughes sadly passed away after a long battle with cancer. Until very late he refused to even acknowledge his illness. Owen, a former Community Board Member, and former Secretary of the Laingholm Volunteer Fire Brigade, was a dedicated worker for the Laingholm area and for Waitakere City. I was very fond of Owen and his courageous stands, his vocal debate and his advocacy for the community to which he so clearly belonged and dedicated his life to serving in any way he could.

Only a week ago I went to see him at the North Shore Hospital, and to be honest I expected to see someone with all the appearances of being at death's door. The case was quite the opposite - I found him as robust, determined and full of fight as he could possibly be, not prepared to give an inch from life. Owen was packed and about to go back home, and I was almost tempted to encourage him to stand at the next election for his great love the Waitakere Community Board.

His advocacy for the environment was second to none and his response to community concerns was always to be relied upon. I know that the local community is intending to record his name in a small reserve and I would ask that this be given consideration. I am only sorry that he will not be there to see it realised.

I am joined with my Council colleagues in extending our deepest sympathy to Owen's family.

ROY BUTLER OF KAREKARE

The passing of Roy Butler is acknowledged after a long a crippling illness. We would wish to record and express our most sincere condolences to Dorothy Butler and to the large whanau. Roy and Dorothy restored the now beautiful Winchelsea House from dereliction in the 1970s. What had been the old mill house of Charles Primrose Murdoch built in 1889, became a simply splendid homestead. Dorothy and Roy married in 1947, and had six daughters and two sons.

AWARDED - COUNCILLOR ANNETTE FENTON

M2 They say that if you ask anyone what they fear the most in life, it's not dying but speaking in public. Put a tape recorder under anyone's nose and ask them to say something. Well, for so many staff that's beginning to change under Councillor Annette Fenton. Annette has been encouraging this Council to take up the art of distinguished speaking with her dedication and passion for the Toastmasters International Organization. She tells me that membership within Waitakere City is growing considerably by the week and I couldn't be more pleased than to find that the ability to speak publicly is alive and well within our Council, as attached at page M2.

We would like to congratulate Annette, who has been recognised by Toastmasters International with the award of Distinguished Toastmaster, for her participation in the Toastmasters International Education Programme. The award is the greatest honour that can be earned by any member of the 190,000-member organization. Congratulations Annette.

WAITAKERE CITY CHARITY FUN RUN

M3 The Waitakere City Charity 11 km Fun Run and Half Marathon has gathered momentum over the years. It is an absolute credit to Nick Schouten the Race Director and member of the Don Oliver Trust that his careful nurturing and absolute professionalism with this event has seen it grow from 286 entries to this year's total of 723. This event is truly a local initiative, whereby in the first year only 23% of the entries came from Waitakere, to the 2003 showed an increase up to 50%. Although 700 people entered in this year's event the appalling weather saw a very creditable 500 people start the course. The best news is that this wonderful event raised \$9000 for the Don Oliver Sports Foundation, \$2,200 to the Race Marshals from the United Surf Club, and \$300 to the local St John. All Councillors should be lined up either to run or take part in their electric scooters. A truly great event and I offer the thanks of this Council to Nick and his team, as attached at page M3.



DANNY GREIG AND THE MOLESWORTH STATION RUN

While we are on the subject of running, I want to pay a real tribute to my running mate of ten years Danny Greig. Council will know of Danny as Chairperson of the Lopdell House Trust, and the driving force behind the West Auckland Sculpture Trust, and also a great supporter of local artists such as John Madden, Ruth Cole, John Green and the many others whose work he sells from his excellent hair studio in Glen Eden. Danny and his wife Sue are I think one of the City's gems. Their partnership and their staff (and great coffee) are part of our business community, particularly in Glen Eden. Danny is also an extremely fine runner and when he invited me to be his support on the gruelling Molesworth Station run I readily agreed. I didn't realise that Dan would be only one of four individual runners in this almost impossible 84 kilometre dirt trail, through the Molesworth Station. Also unknown to both of us, we were surprised on Thursday to be snowed in, with sleet and ice conditions, and by the end of the night starting to pray for better conditions in order that the race could start. The Molesworth Run is an annual event and Greig needed to complete this solo event in under 10 hours in order to allow his application for the Sierra Mountain Run in 2004 to be completed; which is a distance of a mere 160 kilometres.



I am pleased to say that both runner and crew were a perfect team, and, given the odd spot of dehydration, they finished the run in the very creditable time of 9 hours and 3 minutes, gaining second place. I was delighted to return some support for someone who puts so much into the community.

DECORATED - MR SEICHI KINOSHITA

Mr Kinoshita, a strong friend of Waitakere City as the now retired Mayor of Kakogawa, one of Waitakere City's sister cities, was recently awarded by the Emperor of Japan the Order of the Rising Sun. This is one of the greatest decorations bestowed on public figures by the Japanese Imperial Palace. We have conveyed to Seichi on behalf of Waitakere City our sincere congratulations for the decoration, which was presented to him by His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan on 7 November 2003.



REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

M4-M39 Somewhat belatedly, I include the notes written and compiled by Councillor Gary Russell following his attendance at the Regional Development Conference held in Timaru in late September, as attached at pages M4 to M39.

A VERY SAD LOSS - 12 WHALES ON THE WEST COAST

As a mark of respect I visited the whales, now partly buried along the Karekare coast towards Whatipu. This is certainly the largest stranding we have had within the Auckland region in living memory, and one of the saddest sights I have seen or witnessed. I know that many people have seen them lying there, and it has been well reported in the media. Enclosed photographs taken by a local taxi driver who happened to be on the beach as Department of Conservation staff appeared to start work at the scene.





In a week of significant deaths, this loss of whales on the punishing black sand beaches of the west coast can only be treated as something of a convergence, a spiritual moment. It adds to the sadness so many of us within the city are feeling at this time.



WAITAKERE REGIONAL SPORTS TRUST - NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE WELCOMED

A very warm welcome to Garry Calvert from Melbourne, who has just started as the new Chief Executive of Sport Waitakere. For the last three years Garry was working at RMIT University as Chief Executive Officer in Sport and Recreation serving Australia's largest university with over 59,000 students with a seven days per week multi-purpose sports centre and two fitness centres. Other services provided under Garry's control including 32 sporting clubs, social sport programmes, health and well-being programmes, and recreation.

Prior to that Garry project managed the building and management of the \$14,000,000 multi-purpose sports centre at Bundoora, Queensland, which included four basketball courts, a new fitness centre, cardio studio and group fitness area.

Before moving to Melbourne, Garry worked at the University of Queensland in a senior management position with responsibilities for managing the University's Sport and Recreation Department, and facilities including an Olympic pool, 24 tennis courts, synthetic athletic track, fitness centre and nine sporting ovals.

Garry has over 25 years of senior management experience in sport administration, facility, venue and event management. Over the past seven years Garry's work has involved close working relationships with large municipalities in Melbourne and Brisbane.

Garry's professional career extends to athletics where he is accredited at the highest level of athletics coaching with a proven coaching record in track and field, triathlon and duathlon, cycling and basketball. Many of Garry's athletes have been placed in world championships, including the Australian javelin thrower Petra Rivers who was world number one in women's javelin in 1982, a dual Olympian and twice Commonwealth Games gold medallist and silver medallist.

Garry comes with a reputation of never resting until the job is done and is not frightened of hard work and rolling up his sleeves with his staff. Garry is currently looking to live in Waitakere City close to the wonderful facility that the Council is building in partnership with the Trust.

A very warm welcome to Garry whose proven skills and experience and commitment to hard work will ensure the sports complex is a national model for future relationships between local government, the community, sport and business.

WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE

M40-M41 Attached at pages M40 to M41 is the recent column from the New Zealand Herald commenting on Waitakere City Council's recent agenda item on Water Governance. It makes interesting comparison with the 1973 cartoon by Minhinnick in the New Zealand Herald on competitive water pricing. If you can make them out, the faces on the pumps are the Mayors of the region at the time. Is this where the region is heading once more.

REPORT ON SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The Waitakere Special Olympics attended a regional competition in Tauranga recently involving teams from across the North Island, participating in athletics, swimming and ten pin bowling. They were most successful, coming away with gold, silver and bronze placings within their respective groups. Waitakere Ten Pin Bowling was also the regional winner of the annual trophy amongst fourteen teams which took part, by a very close margin of five points in the overall total score.



This is just some of the team from Waitakere who successfully represented Special Olympians at the recent games.

A NOTE OF THANKS

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Attached at page M42 is a letter of thanks from three children that we were able to help in establishing a chicken farm and garden at their school. Special thanks from my office go out to Jack Burton for making it all happen, particularly the truckloads of mulch.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Report of the Mayor be received.
2. That the Mayor work with the Henderson Hub team on a comprehensive branding programme for the Henderson Hub Project, and report back to the Council.
3. That the Council propose to the Board of Enterprise Waitakere the Cameron Duncan Memorial Prize for Film Excellence, and that this award be announced in 2004 and for every year subsequently.

RA Harvey, QSO, JP
MAYOR OF WAITAKERE CITY