



**Parent to Parent Auckland
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Seminar: Working together with HDC

Why people complain or do not complain when things go wrong

The Health and Disability Commissioner is hosting a free seminar for consumers with high and complex needs and their carers and family members.

This seminar will cover:

- The Code of Rights – what it means for you in practice
- Why people complain or do not complain when things go wrong
- How HDC can assist you when things go wrong

Where Fickling Convention Centre, 546 Mt. Albert Road, Three Kings

When Monday 19th November from 10am till 12.30pm (morning tea provided).

Cost Free

Contact To register for the seminar,
call 0800 11 22 33 (ask for Vanessa or Hemant); or email seminar@hdc.org.nz
(include your dietary requirements or support needs, if any)

Fire Safety In The Home & Community

Presentation in this month's Shared Vision Consumer Group meeting
by George Stephens and Melissa La Roche from the Waitemata Fire Area

When Wednesday 10.30 to 12pm 14th November 2012

When Seminar Room, Te Puna Hauora, 58a Akoranga Drive, Northcote
Morning tea is provided

Contact RSVP to Miles Ostick- 486 5503 or 021 025 45480
or email: flashtrash@xtra.co.nz

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Success at High School

Mel Rea, Head of Learning Support at Rangitoto College (North Shore) is coming to talk about how school and parents can work together to support children with ASD through high school for a successful experience and outcome. Mel is a teacher and also worked for 20 years as a Speech and language therapist, including for GSE.

The presentation will cover:

Introduction – who is Mel, what is Learning Support at High School

What structures of funding that are available within High Schools

How Mel's Learning Support team are aiming to support students in school as a model to what you can expect in other schools

When: November 15, 2012 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: Grey Lynn Community Centre 510 Richmond Rd, Grey Lynn, Auckland

Cost: Gold coin donation appreciated

Contact: Veronique Manti, Children's Autism Foundation 09 555 0966 events@autism.org.nz

STAYING ALIVE

An interactive family day with the NZ Emergency Services

Climb aboard a fire truck, a police car or an ambulance and meet our brave volunteers.

Plus, Westfield Albany brings you Santa's arrival at 1pm on the main stage.

10.00am Staying Alive Starts

10.30am Road Crash Rescue

11.30am Airport Striker Demo

12.00pm Police Dog Display

12.30pm Road Crash Rescue

1.00pm Santa's Arrival Show on the main stage

2.00pm Rural Fire Fighting Display

2.30pm Air Force Crash Fire Demo

3.00pm Road Crash Rescue

4.00pm Staying Alive Ends

6.00pm Titanium, J Williams and Brooke Duff on the main stage

9.00pm Lighting of the Westfield Albany Christmas tree

Fireworks Display Fundraiser

When Saturday 1 December 10am-4pm

Where Albany Lakes, Civic Crescent, Opposite Westfield Albany

Visit www.westfield.co.nz/albany for more details.

Thriving Communities Community Hui

This workshop is for disabled people, their family, whanau and supporters.

Come along to tell Auckland Council how they can make it easier for disabled people to be involved in our communities.

It is our chance to have a say about what happens in Auckland and how Council can support Community Development.

When Monday 19 November 2012, 10.30am – 2pm (including a light lunch)

Where Western Springs Community Hall, 956 Great North Road

Cost Free

Contact 09 257 5140 or email info@adl.org.nz

Numbers are limited, so please RSVP by Monday 12 November 2012

Geddes Software Solutions Auckland Seminar

Suitable for parents, teachers, teacher-aides and specialist staff. An excellent opportunity for families and professional teams to work together.

Morning and afternoon tea provided but bring your lunch if attending the full day.

9.00am - 12.00pm Session Title: Introduction to StoryMaker and Flashcards.

This is part 1 of a two-part seminar.

Hands on seminar for those working with children with significant language delay, using accessible software that enables the development of meaningful literacy skills.

Cost \$50 per person.

9.00am- 3.00pm Session Titles: Introduction to StoryMaker and Flashcards and Developing skills in using StoryMaker

A two-part "hands on" seminar for those working with children with significant language delay. Part 1 (see above). Part 2 (afternoon) focuses on developing further skills in using the software, particularly StoryMaker 4.

Cost \$80 per person or \$50 afternoon only,

Discount available for families - \$30 per person for the whole day

Where Fickling Convention Centre, Waikowhai Room, 546 Mt Albert Road, Three Kings

When Monday December 3rd 2012

Register at <http://geddesoftware.com/seminars.htm>. Limited number of places

Contact Helen: helen@geddesoftware.com, ph 03- 4536544 or 0212539321

Payment required to complete registration.

Free Tickets for a Pool Party

We have some tickets some left for this Family Fun Day pool party. Hydroslide, sausage sizzle, drinks, clown, games and entertainment.

When: 17 November

Where: West Wave at Henderson

Time: 12.00-2.00pm

Contact: Marie or June at Auckland@parent2parent.org.nz to register for the free tickets.

Please tell us the number of people going, the address to send the tickets to and your postcode. Tickets will be allotted in a first come first serve basis.

The Radio Network Special Children's Christmas Party

The organisers are guaranteeing Special Schools the number of invites they request. So for **parents with children going to special schools, please contact the schools directly for tickets and not Parent to Parent.**

Only children within the categories below are invited through Parent to Parent –

- suffering a life threatening illness
- have an intellectual disability
- have a physical disability
- up to the age of 12yrs

This **does not include siblings.**

If your child qualifies then please ring June or Marie on 625 5021 to register your details. We are not able to guarantee that your child will receive a ticket

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**Parent Information Seminars: 'Taming your ASD Teen' 15th Dec
Understanding your child with ASD and improving their behaviour late Jan 2013**

Rainbow House is currently looking for expressions of interest from parents wanting to attend these seminars.

If you are interested, please email prior to 30th November to rainbowhouseltd@gmail.com
The cost is \$200 per couple. To gain the maximum benefit, they recommend that two adults per family attend the seminar.

GIVE GOALBALL A GO!

Have fun, get fit and meet people while learning how to play this fast-paced, action-packed Paralympic sport. COACHES AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED

Who for visually impaired people

When every Monday in Nov. & Dec. 1-2pm

Where Allan Brewster recreation centre (tavern lane, papatoetoe central)

Cost \$3 PER PERSON, PER SESSION

Contact: Maia Lewis - 021 995 951 maia@halberg.co.nz

OR Annette Reilly - (09) 262 5965 annette.reilly@manukauleisure.co.nz

Janet McVeagh - Recreation

January Holiday programme

Who Children and Adults of all Abilities. Electric & Manual Wheelchair Friendly, Siblings & Friends also Welcome!...

When Monday 14th – Friday 18th January 2013

Where

Monday 14th: Auckland Zoo (8.30am – 4.00pm)

Tuesday 15th: MOTAT (8.30am – 4.00pm)

Wednesday 16th: Day trip to Long Bay (Swimming and BBQ) (8.30am – 5.00pm)

Thursday 17th: Movies and Shopping day (Albany) (8.30am – 5.00pm)

Friday 18th: Rainbows End (8.30am – 5.30pm)

Pick up and Drop off Points: Papakura, Central (Kerrie's House) and East Auckland

Cost: \$87.40per day attended (accept ACC & Carer Support as a form of Payment)

Essential: confirm your place and send your completed parent agreement/enrolment detail forms and payment one week prior to the Holiday Programme

Hamilton Road Trip Camp

Programme

Leisure Hits Fun Park: Driving Range Mini Golf/Baseball batting etc

Hamilton Pools – Water world

Hamilton Zoo

Te Awa/The Base Shops and Movies

And much much more....

Who All ages

When Monday 21st – Friday 25th January 2013

Cost \$611.80 (Carer support can be used as a part payment)

Hurry as limited numbers and wheelchair spots

CONTACT jm.recreation@ihug.co.nz or Txt Kerrie on 021.2119882

ADHD, Autism and Related Learning and Behaviour Issues **By Dr Leila Masson, Dr Helen Smith and Gina Wilson (Naturopath)**

Helping families to become healthy and happy
 Last seminar of 2012. Do not miss out!

When 24 Nov 2012 9.30 to 2ish
 Where Karaka Bay, Glendowie
 (please note access is down a steepish path)
 Cost \$30
 Contact email gina@indaco.co.nz to book before 17th of November
 pre booking essential

SAILABILITY AUCKLAND **Sailing for people with disabilities**

Have you been looking for an exciting sport/recreational activity to get involved in?
 Whether you just want to sail for fun, or compete at the Paralympics, this day is for you.

Sailability Auckland presents a FREE opportunity for people with a disability to experience sailing regardless of ability. Come prepared for the weather, you may need a splash-proof jacket or even some sun screen (we hope), everything else will be provided.

When Saturday November 17th 10:00am - 1:00pm
 Where Saint Mary's Bay, next to NZ Marine / Yachting NZ Building,
 85 Westhaven Drive, Westhaven Marina.
 Cost FREE: Bookings are not essential but if you could let us know you are coming
 that would help us plan the day

Disabled Surfing

Here is a fantastic, limited opportunity to give disabled surfing a go in Auckland
 There are 10 places available under the Halberg Disability Sport Foundation, so it will be first
 in first served.

Who Physically and/or Sensory impaired young people (8 - 21 years)
 When Saturday 1st December 9am - 1pm
 Where Piha
 Cost: Free (A Koha box will be there)

Equipment: Supplied

What to bring: Warm clothing, clothing to get wet in, food and water, sunblock, a positive
 willing attitude

Volunteers also needed: Be there at 8:30am, must have a wetsuit, clothing suitable for on the
 day, food, water and sunblock.

Register your interest as a participant or volunteer by MONDAY 19th NOVEMBER to:

Contact maia@halberg.co.nz Ph: 021 995 951

Maia Lewis Disability Sport Coordinator, Northland & Counties Manukau

ALTOGETHER AUTISM NETWORK MEETING

This meeting is open to all people with an interest in ASD

The meeting will cover the following:

- Find out about the Altogether Autism service, its development to date and meet some of the team
- Feedback issues and gaps in services
- Network with others and make connections
- Raise awareness about Autism Spectrum Disorders

When Tuesday 27th November 2012 10am to 12noon

Where Te Tuhi Centre for the Arts

The Social Room

13 Reeves Road

Pakuranga

Auckland

Cost Free

Contact please RSVP Tel:09 625 5021 Email: auckland@altogetherautism.org.nz

ASD BASKETBALL in Waitakere

ASD Kids Community Charitable Trust runs successful and popular basketball training at The Trusts Stadium at Henderson.

The children do not need to have played basketball before as there is usually a beginner session and another advanced session later with an overlap in between. It is presented in a fun way by a very capable coach.

Who kids with ASD and siblings

Where West Auckland Trust Stadium

When most Sundays 2.30 to 4.30pm

Contact Mary Henderson at maryhenderson2@me.com

www.asdkidstrust.com for further information and other activities.

FREE TICKETS to Lost At Christmas Pantomime

We have **free tickets** to the production of Lost at Christmas to give away.

When Saturday 1st December 2012

Where Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane Rd West, Auckland

Cost Free

Contact Marie or June at Auckland@parent2parent.org.nz or 09 625 5021,

with details of your full postal address, preferred session time and the number of tickets required:

One ticket = 1 adult & 2 children (1-14yrs)

Session times at 10am, 1pm and 4pm

Tickets will be posted to you on a first come first served basis as tickets are limited

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