



THE GLENDENE GAZETTE

Saturday, 15th April 2023

*The glendene
Community Society
Newsletter*



We've been busy!

Over the past three months, Glendene Community Hub has been busy hosting events and activities. We have had so many new groups come through the doors and use our hub. It's great to see the buzz around the place.

On the operations front we have had our first lot of seniors graduate their digital literacy course and we have received positive feedback from participants.

We are also excited to announce that we have launched a new website which will help keep the community updated on our upcoming events and activities.

We look forward to continuing to serve and connect with the community.

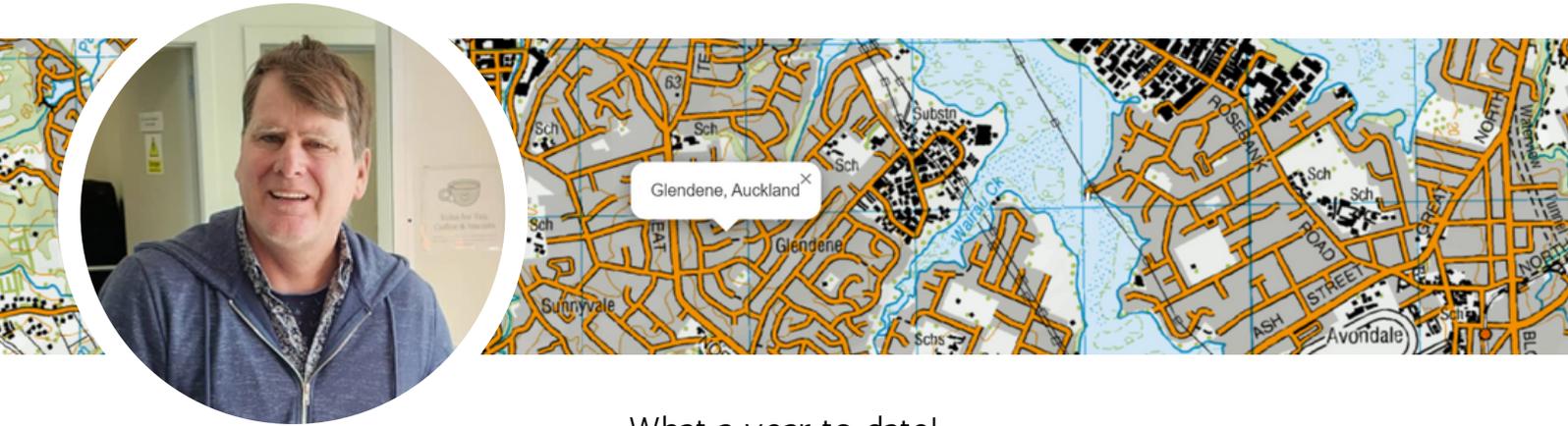
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UMESH CHAND - HUB MANAGER



A note from the Chair



What a year to date!

The end of Covid and very nasty storms that showed the importance of community at work. The Kelson Community Hub did a fantastic job supporting the emergency shelter at St Leonards School. Our Hub, after meeting with the Hon Deputy Prime Minister Carmel Sepuloni, helped to support the response by giving regular updates on our Facebook Page in regards to the support that was available to people affected by the flooding.

More recently your Chair and Secretary presented a deputation to the Henderson/Massey Board on the importance of the Glendene Hub to the Glendene Community. We did this because we are aware that our funding may be at risk with the Councils proposed cuts to Local Board Funding.

We also had an open day in which we encouraged all our members to come to the Hub and make a submission about the proposed budget cuts. This was a great success with Councillor Shane Henderson, Brooke Loader and Brenda Brady of the Henderson-Massey Local Board and Kay Thomas, Chair of the Whau Board attending. A great day was had by all, music, a sausage sizzle, a bouncy castle.

But we all know what is at stake. The future of our Hub. This is why your Chair spoke at the Henderson-Massey Local Board Hui on the proposed cutbacks and the impact that they would have on our community.

We will keep going and keep advocating for you.

There was a Garden Working bee at the Hub on the 1st of April. Thank you to those who got involved in this important asset within your community. The gardens are looking lovely.

Kind Regards

Daniel Harrison

on behalf of the Glendene Community Society Board.



Meet your 2 new co-opted board members!



Manava Parakoti



I was co-opted to the Glendene Hub Community Board and this is a privilege to be part of the whole hub family with a diverse family dynamic to support the community direction, believes and value, serving our West Auckland families. Thank you Umesh, Daniel and Melanie and the Board team, for your ongoing support towards our small group of Te Opunga Ra Kuki Airani team. My belief is to support the beliefs and the values vision and mission statement of the Glendene hub community, uphold the team collaboration for a better West Auckland community in the future.

Aphinesh Singh



- Originally from the Fiji Islands, migrated to NZ in 2008
- Have always been involved in service organizations and served as National President of Apex Club of Fiji
- Was awarded a gold medal for service to the poor, needy and underprivileged by the Fijian Govt in 2007
- Lives in Kelston, Auckland.
- Keen to serve the community



We have our first graduates!

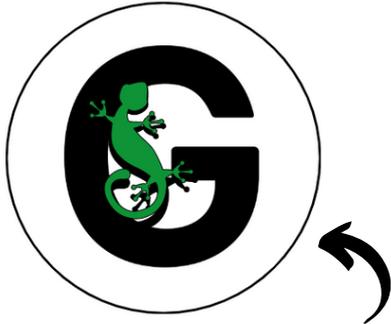


Congratulations to this fabulous bunch of ladies who completed our first ever Senior Digital Literacy Class run by Leilani Glassie.

This course was a huge success and we look forward to the next one!



We've got a brand new website!



and a new logo!

The Glendene Community Society's new website is an excellent resource for locals, providing easy-to-use navigation and up-to-date information on events, programs, and services offered by the society. It also includes a user-friendly contact form for visitors to send messages to the society's staff, ensuring timely responses to inquiries.

Another standout feature of the new website is the gallery, which showcases photos and videos from past events, programs, and community activities. The gallery is a great way for visitors to get a glimpse of what the society has to offer and to relive past experiences. In addition, the website provides a convenient online registration system for upcoming events, programs, and classes, saving time and hassle for those looking to participate.

It's an effective tool for the local community, providing easy access to information and resources. Whether looking to get involved in community programs or stay up-to-date on upcoming events, the website is a valuable resource for locals.

Check it out here! → <https://www.glendenecommunity.org.nz/>

Congratulations to our Volunteer of the quarter - Gabriel Ibanez!



Gabriel Ibanez is a student at St Peters College and lives in Glendene. He volunteered to help out during the school holidays and was here 5 days from 9am to 12pm each day.

Photo top left shows Gabriel and his dad Eric receiving a \$100 Pak n Save voucher courtesy of Paul Gregory, Barfoot & Thompson Swanson



Thanks to Paul Gregory for sponsoring this award



what else has been happening at the hub?



New front garden looking stunning and new garden planters! Thanks to Caleb for giving us a hand.



Long time hub supporter and member of the Matafafia Knitting Group, Fou, celebrated her birthday with the ladies. Happy Birthday Fou!

Enjoy some more pictures of our groups and events below!



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