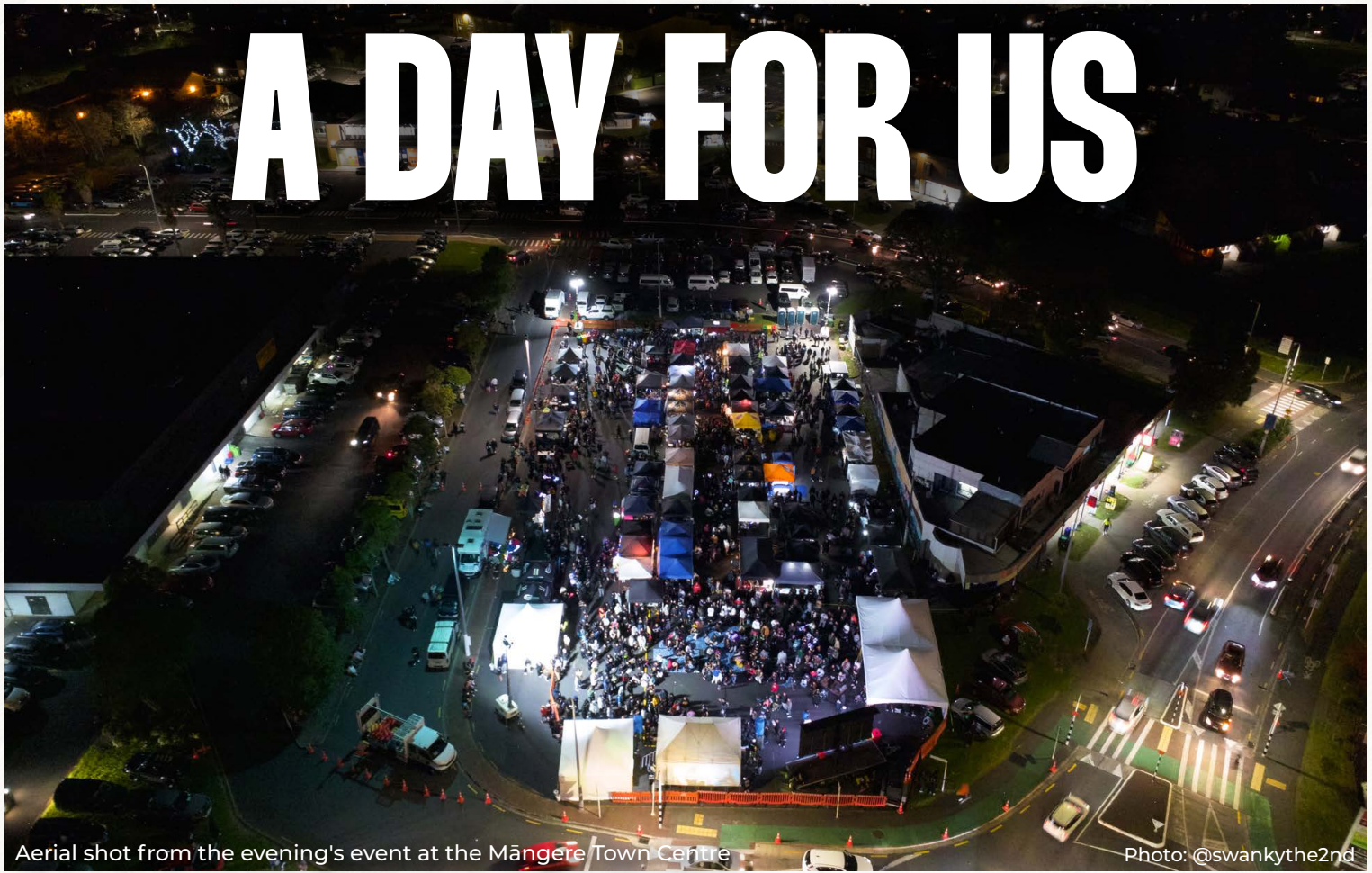


# Māngere's 275 times



Our stories, our people, our Māngere  
Kōrero paki ō tatou, Tāngata ō tatou, Ngā Hau Māngere ō tatou

## A DAY FOR US



Aerial shot from the evening's event at the Māngere Town Centre

Photo: @swankythe2nd



(L-R): Fitz, Barbermux and Lily from TwoSevenFive.



Photo: Joseph Santu

Adeaze - Viiz and Nainz Tupai



Fireworks display to end the evening



The amazing clean-up team!

**In its fourth year running, Two Seven Five Day, a day dedicated to Māngere, was a resounding success with over 4,000 attendees.**

The founders of TwoSevenFive., Fitz and Lily, initiated the inaugural Two Seven Five Day

in 2019, selecting the date of May 27th to correspond with the numbers 27/5.

Lily said the event was an important way to grow Māngere's resilience.

"It's crucial for us to uplift and empower our community through human interaction and connection," Lily emphasised.

"We have been through lockdowns and natural disasters in the last few years so we should be able to celebrate pulling together and making it through."

Two Seven Five Day has experienced tremendous growth and has even influenced other suburbs to follow suit, according

to Lily.

"We love to hear and see that the same model is going to be used in our neighboring communities such as Manurewa 267, 26/07 and Otara 274, 27/04."

"We hope this empowers people in our community to strive for their dreams particularly, our younger generation."



Players from the Legends Game.



(L-R): Phillip Tasmania, Peter Sykes and Foma'i Tofa.

# CELEBRATING 60 YRS OF SPORTING EXCELLENCE & FAMILY



Tom Ale and Edward Kosi from the NZ Warriors.



Group photo at the end of the Formal Dinner event.

A nursery for some of New Zealand's finest sportspeople, a place for family and a village beyond the islands are just some of the ways members and volunteers describe the Māngere East Hawks Rugby League Club. And all those aspects and much more were celebrated at the club's recent 60th jubilee. Auckland councillor Alf Filipaina played at the club, along with his five siblings including his brother Olsen, who was the club's first NRL and Kiwi representative. Filipaina says it wasn't only a place that helped nurture his brothers' talents but a "safe haven" for his whole family. Foma'i Tofa who played in the same team as

sporting legends like UFC boxer Mark Hunt, world boxing Hall of Famer David Tu'a and NZ Warriors prop Jerry Seuseu. "You made your lifelong mates here - and no matter how faraway you go - this is always home." Jubilee committee chair Phillip Tasmania says the club has not only been an effective nursery for junior talent, having won all the junior grade in recent years, it's also developed some of the NRL's current crop of superstars including Jason Taumalolo, Marata Nikore, Tom Ale and Edward Kosi. "We've had 12 Kiwis from the club, over 50 NRL and Super League players and the

women's teams are really growing and have great potential to develop players for the NRLW competition." Sykes says the club was founded by Jack Neal in 1963 to provide something for young men and women to do and it has grown into one of the area's most popular sports clubs. "In the 1960s you get Māngere East growing as a suburb and that's also when the big Pacific influx came - and so people recognised that they needed a club here. "And so this jubilee is about celebrating sixty years of Māngere East Hawks being a club for its community."

# LAUNCH OF THE NGA HAU O MAANGERE NGAHERE PLANTING GUIDE

Maangere now has its very own planting guide, thanks to a collaboration between Kāinga Ora, local mana whenua Te Ahiwaru and Te Akitai, local community organisation ME Family Services and Māori ecology specialists Uru Whakaaro. The guide is an outcome of the Maangere Ngahere Project, which has been running for the past two years, and aims to grow and restore the ngahere in Maangere. The purpose of the guide is to set down values and guiding principles, as expressed by mana whenua, in the delivery of community aspirations for ngahere across Nga Hau o Maangere. The guide can be used as a resource for anyone wanting to do planting in our area, including residents, schools, community groups, marae, churches, businesses and developers. The guide aims to step the reader through the process of

decision making for selecting the right tree, for the right place, to improve the rate of success. "Its so amazing to have such a beautiful book that focuses on the taiao of Maangere", says Justine Skilling, manager of the Taiao Team at ME Family Services. "We're so priveleged to be part of this project and see this guide as a way that all of us in Maangere can contribute to the maunga to moana regeneration of our ngahere." Scan the QR code on the right to access the online copy of the guide.

- Justine Skilling, ME Family Services  
**If you need extra support to make your planting project happen, please contact Raquel Santos Sanga, Ngahere Regeneration Facilitator/ Stream Educator with the Taiao Team- ME Family Services (raquel@mefsc.org.nz).**



The team behind creating the Ngaa Hau o Maangere Ngahere Planting Guide



**SCAN THE QR CODE ON YOUR PHONE TO ACCESS THE GUIDE!**

# KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Congratulations to the recipients below for receiving a New Zealand Order of Merit for the King's Birthday Honours List 2023.



**QIANE MATATA-SIPU**  
For Services to the Arts



**MARY AUE**  
For services to education, technology & Pacific & Māori communities



**FA'ATILI IOSUA ESERA**  
For services to Pacific education



## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

**LEFT:** The Counties Manukau Debating Team at Debating Nationals at Parliament. The team consisted of (L-R) Jacob from De La Salle, Manuia from Māngere College and Cadell from De La Salle. The team won 3 out of 7 debates.

**RIGHT:** The 1st XV captains from Māngere College (left) & Onehunga High (right) at Mt Smart Stadium.



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# Matariki IN MĀNGERE EAST!

**SATURDAY 1ST JULY**

11AM – 3PM

**MĀNGERE EAST SHOPS**  
(COURTYARD OUTSIDE LIM'S)

Poi Making | Raranga Harakeke  
Learn about Matariki  
Waiata | Prizes & Giveaways

**FRIDAY 7TH JULY**

5PM -9PM

**METRO THEATRE**  
**FREE COMMUNITY HANGI DINNER**

Local Performances  
Matariki Presentation | Raranga Harakeke  
Korowai Exhibition | Tūmanako Wall



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Early Intervention Service

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**Local Board**  
Auckland Council

**māngere east**  
**community centre**

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## MUMA - HAVE YOU COMPLETED YOUR CENSUS?

We'll help you to complete the Census AND you'll receive a **\$100 Pak'n'Save voucher**. Call MUMA on 0800 686 267, visit us at 31 Calthorp Close, Favona or email [info@muma.co.nz](mailto:info@muma.co.nz). Together, we can make our voices heard and build a brighter future for ourselves, our whanau and our future generations.

## HARANIA STREAM DAY

Sat 24 June 10am-12pm. Meet at walkway entrance between 166 and 168 Tennessee Ave, Māngere East. Community clean up, planting and weeding bee. Contact [nelly@mefsc.org.nz](mailto:nelly@mefsc.org.nz)

## REPAIR CAFÉ - MĀNGERE BRIDGE LIBRARY

Broken? Throw Away? No way! Bring it to our next Repair Café! Saturday 17 June 2023 10.00am – 1.00pm at the Māngere Bridge Library. We'll have our skilled volunteers ready to fix your small electrical items, sew torn clothes, help with IT queries, repair small wooden items, tune up your bike and mend damaged books. While you wait we'll provide a cuppa and a home baked biscuit. Save the Date!

## PENINSULA POINT RESERVE TREE PLANTING DAY

Sun 2 July 10am-12pm. Meet at the end of Peninsula Rd, Māngere. Contact [kara.goddard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:kara.goddard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)

## GETCONNECTEDTOEMPLOYMENT/EDUCATION/TRAINING

Fortnightly Tuesdays, Māngere Town Centre Library, 10am – 12pm. Contact: [ConnectedMangere@msd.govt.nz](mailto:ConnectedMangere@msd.govt.nz)

## EMPLOYMENT DAY EVERY FORTNIGHT THURSDAY

**TIME:** 10am - 12pm | **WHERE:** Work and Income Māngere 93 Mascot Ave. Looking for employment? Every fortnight Thursday, we will have a variety of employers who will be on site ready to interview you! Email [Mangere\\_Employment@msd.govt.nz](mailto:Mangere_Employment@msd.govt.nz) for more info.

## MĀNGERE EAST COMMUNITY CENTRE

- Before School Care and After School Care
- FREE Adult Education Classes English for Speakers of Other Languages, Te Reo Māori, Hulafit, Korowai and more.
- Venue & Bus Hire – We have our Hall and Kowhai Room and we also have a 32 seater bus and 2 Mini-Buses for hire.
- FREE Parenting Programmes

**CONTACT:** [www.mangereeast.org](http://www.mangereeast.org) | phone 09 275 6161 | or drop in 372 Massey Road, Māngere East

## "TUSIATA O LE TALA O LE VAVAU" - Artists of the Forever

**Stories** - Exhibition at the Māngere Arts Centre, 27 May - 15 July.

## SPONSOR MĀNGERE COLLEGE STUDENTS' TRIP TO JAPAN

Year 13 Social Science students from Māngere College are heading to Japan this year and are needing local businesses to help sponsor their uniforms. Contact Daniel Kelly - [d.kelly@mangere.school.nz](mailto:d.kelly@mangere.school.nz) if you are interested.



# EDITORIAL

Two Seven Five Day

With another incredible 275 Day completed, it's such a great reminder to us what an amazing community we live in and appreciate some of its true legends.

Firstly, we really can't thank Fitz and Lily enough for their inspirational mahi to get this milestone day started and to make each celebration better than the last.

And with the recent King's Birthday honours announced, it's so wonderful to see such well-deserved recognition for Mary Aue, Qiane Matata-Sipu and Fa'atili Iosua Esera for their stellar contributions to this place.

So while our community has some really serious challenges to face like the looming cuts to Auckland Council's services and programmes, as well as the ongoing cyclone recovery process, it's also good to appreciate what's special about Māngere and the people who make it so.

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