

NEWSLETTER

September 2011

Mail

New Zealand Post is shifting their Epsom mail distribution centre to Mt Roskill and it will no longer be practical for Ron to collect our mail there every day. To try and keep the service we are all used to the Board has organized a Private Bag for us down at Newmarket.

Mail will be diverted now to this Private Bag and Ron will be picking it up at the usual time.

To formalize the NZ Post redirection service Ron will be putting a form in your letter box for all Residents to fill in and return to him, detailing the name of all entities that receive mail at your address. This redirection service will last for 12 months and during this time Residents will need to advise all their contacts that their address is now,

Mr and Mrs Joe Blogs,

Apartment (number)

The Pines Apartments

Private Bag 99937,

Newmarket

Auckland 1049

We are also reinstating a mail box at the gate which will catch any mail which might come through the conventional postal delivery system.

The Board regrets the inconvenience but asks for the cooperation of all.

Parking

We are being challenged at times with adequate parking spots for visitors. There are some cars that have been parked for long periods in our top car park. Unless these belong to friends or family living at the Pines it is asked that they be removed.

Heat Pumps

It has been a long term policy not to allow Heat Pumps in the Pines because of noise and visual appearance issues. As we had been asked recently to review this policy, a report was commissioned from Thurston Consulting. We were hoping for a system that would have had the condenser units put on the roof or in the garage, but this has proven to be too difficult. After full and vigorous discussion it has been decided to keep the current policy unchanged.

The Board is convinced that there are adequate alternative heating and insulation systems available.

Ten Year Maintenance Plan

As was mentioned at the AGM the Board has proposed getting a Long Term Maintenance Plan to assist with future budgeting. The draft version is currently being reviewed by the Board members and we anticipate having an informal meeting of the residents to discuss this prior to Christmas.

On behalf of the Board

Don Hargrave

Chairman