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FROM DAVE'S DESK...

Well what a last few months we have all had. As for building news, the cost of a new home



is about to jump in price thanks to the politicians getting more involved in something they know very little about. I refer to the proposed changes to the Building Act. Adding to the cost increases in timber prices, district council fees, licensing and insurances, it will make the cost of building a new home more expensive, which means your existing home should be worth more.

For those of you still deciding whether to build or to build an investment property, now is a cost effective time.

The single hot topic with new home buyers at the moment is treated timber. The timber companies have even made a new type of treatment called HIT. There are a range of ways timber can be treated, they all have different points, it's not just a matter of having treated timber. We are hoping that the codes will change and have a low, medium and high risk category, rather than changing all housing to high. Only time will tell what the bureaucrats will decide. One thing is certain there will be changes.

THANKS

Thanks to all the people who have referred their friends and family on to us, it has been very much appreciated.

Thanks Dave

NEW ARRIVAL



Dave and Janette are proud to introduce their bundle of joy, Natasha Renee Smithson born prematurely June 5 weighing 890grms. (Just under 2lbs).

Natasha is doing very well, now weighing in at 5lbs 15oz and arrived home from hospital on 11th August.

Janette had been spending every day over the last couple of months commuting to Wellington Hospital and Dave had been travelling in every evening, so it is a great milestone for Natasha to be home.

Wednesday's are now Dave's official day off to spend with his family, but is available the other 6 days of the week.

Has Winter Finished?? A Word of Advice - maintaining & using your gas safely

Carbon monoxide – the silent killer. Gas is a great fuel, instant, efficient and environmentally friendly. Gas appliances need to be used in

well-ventilated areas with plenty of fresh air circulating. Flued gas appliances need to have both the flue and appliance checked annually to assure effective and safe operation. Special precautions are called for in bedrooms and bathrooms, where appliances may be unsupervised and the room size may be small. These rooms must have permanent ventilation and newly installed appliances must be specially flued to the outside of the house.

Signs that an appliance is not working correctly, or that the flue is blocked include:

- A yellow flame, rather than a blue one (except some 'flame effect' heaters that are designed to burn with a yellow flame).
- Soot deposits in or around the appliance.
- An unpleasant distinctive smell.

If you notice any of these signs, turn off the appliance and contact a licensed craftsman gasfitter.

Safety Tip ensure your appliances are properly maintained & well ventilated.

Don't

- Use flued gas appliances in small rooms such as bathrooms or bedrooms.
- Use your gas cook-top or oven as a space heater. If used this way they can emit high levels of carbon monoxide.
- Boil a very large pot of water on a single gas burner. Boil several smaller pots (with their lids on). This reduces the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning from incomplete combustion.



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OPEN SHOW HOMES AT KENNEDY PARK, WAIKANAEBEACH

23rd & 24th August 2003
11am – 3pm daily



93 Weggery Drive, Waikanae Beach

Homecreators Open Days held during Queens Birthday Weekend at Kennedy Park, Waikanae Beach proved very successful again. There was a steady flow of interested new home buyers as well as a few familiar faces. The Show Home will be open again for the last time on 23rd & 24th August, 11 am – 3pm daily. Please note that the Show Home is open for inspection at any time by appointment. Call Dave, tel 297 1685.



130 Weggery Drive, Waikanae Beach

Our newest show home at 130 Weggery Drive, Kennedy Park, Waikanae Beach will be open for inspection on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th August, between 11am and 3pm Call Dave, tel 297 1685.

WATER FILTERS

Central Water Filters are proud of their association with Homecreators as suppliers of quality under bench water filters. These competitively priced and stylish units come with a two year warranty. Central Water Filters do provide on-going service for replacement cartridges. Cartridges supplied, filter to a level of 0.5 micron (1 micron – 1/1,000 of a mm) are Giardia and Crypto safe and really do make a difference to the quality and taste of your drinking water.

For further details please contact Brian Matthews directly at Central Water Filters, PO Box 4357, Palmerston North, tel: 0274 417 310 or via e-mail at centwaterfil@clear.net.nz

We highly recommend the use of a water filter for all drinking water in Kapiti. Give Brian a call if you don't have one and you will not believe the difference in the taste of the water. Dave & Janette Smithson.

DID YOU KNOW?

Jeremy Smithson has more staff undertaking apprenticeships than any other building company in the whole of the Wellington area including all the big construction companies. Good Ah!!

WELCOME BACK

We would like to welcome back to our team Sandra Sweetman.

Sandra has done most tasks in the office over the years and is now back part time doing all the running around as well as making sure your home is looking great at handover.

Sandra is also the clever lady who does the gift baskets you receive at handover.

SECTIONS AVAILABLE

We have some great building sites available in Paraparaumu and Waikanae. Land is selling quickly on the Coast as the number of available sections declines because of the huge demand. If you know anyone who is wanting to build or if you are interested in building a new home on the Kapiti Coast, call Dave (04) 297 1685.

MARY'S GUEST HOUSE



We have single and double rooms available now at Mary's Guest House at great rates. If you know of anyone looking for accommodation in Paraparaumu short or long term, ask them to call Diz on (04) 297 1691 or look up Marys Guest House website www.marysguesthouse.co.nz

TIPS

If you have any helpful tips you would like to share with our customers please call Kathy on (04) 297 1685.

**Being defeated is often a temporary condition ,
giving up is what makes it permanent.**