



Newsletter

August, 2017



***We have changed our email address. Please send your emails to Coordinator Cat:**

catriona@apodc.org.nz

Our telephone number is the same: 022 0842244

NAU MAI and Welcome to APODC

APODC is: a not-for-profit, inclusive organisation, made up of parents and carers with a deaf or hearing impaired child (0-18yrs). All needs, communication methods, and cultural backgrounds are welcome here!

What we do: APODC runs a wide range of fun social, and information sharing events, that bring families together. Developing networks of peer support and friendship, help us celebrate our achievements and who we are, whilst meeting the challenges along the way.

Our goal: APODC children reaching their full potential.

Sign up NOW for 2017 Membership (\$20), and enjoy FREE OR Subsidised events for the whole family until the end of the year!

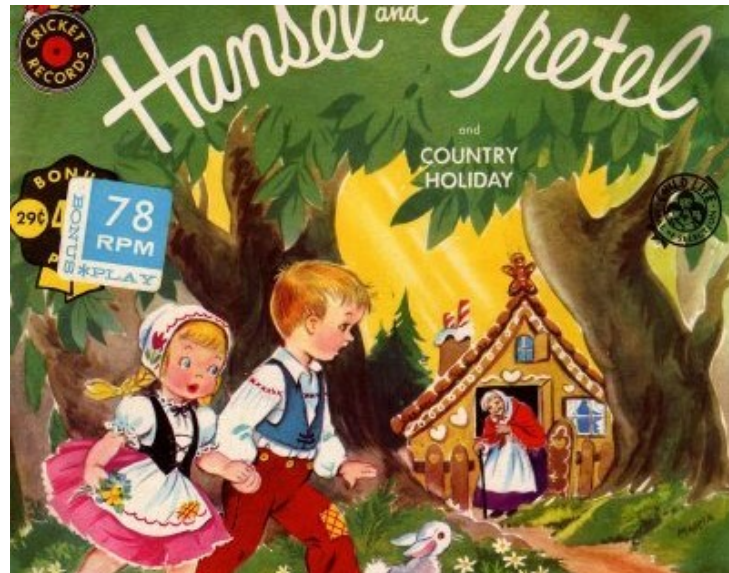
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What's in this month's newsletter?

- * **Hosted introduction to Deaf Club, Friday 18th August, 5.30pm**
- * **Inflatable World, Wairau Park, Sunday 27th August, 10.30am**
- * **Special Meeting Notice, Tuesday 5th September, 7.30pm**
- * **Uptown Bounce, Avondale, Sunday 17th September, 11am**
 - * **Deaf Mental Health Research Project**
- * **PINS Disco Bowling!!, Henderson, Tuesday 10th October, 4.30pm**
 - * **Event Review: BBF and Tip Top**
- * **Camp 17-19th November, and new Family NZSL Class in Manukau**

Introduction To Deaf Club - German theme night



Come and see what Deaf Club's all about:

Meet community members & try your hand at sign language alongside other APODC families

NZSL Story Telling, and art activities with a German twist

Good hot food, at low cost, available from the bar

FREE

Auckland Deaf Society,

164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden, Auckland 1024

Please confirm your attendance:

Email: Catriona@apodc.org.nz OR Phone/Text: 022 0842244



Inflatable World

Join us for some crazy inflatable fun!

- ◆ Sunday 27th August, 10.30am
- ◆ 57 View Road, Wairau Valley 0627
- ◆ FREE entry for Full members, and subsidised rate for Associates; \$12 over 4's & \$7 under 4's

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Deaf Stories Research Project



What is this project about?

A Deaf, and hearing researcher, together with a Maori and Pasifika Advisor, and a research supervisor, are carrying out a study to explore Deaf (people's) stories of using New Zealand mental health and addiction services.

Why are we doing this now?

We want to find out if Deaf have been helped by mental health & addiction services. Deaf stories are important, as they show the Government why there is a need for services delivered in New Zealand Sign Language, with Deaf aware staff.

We are looking for Deaf across NZ to take part:

- Have you had a mental health and/or addiction problem for 1 year or more?
- Have you accessed mental health and/or addiction services in the last 5 years?
- Would you like to share your story, to help improve services?

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[INFORMATION SHEET \(NZSL\)](#)

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[CONSENT FORM \(NZSL\)](#)

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[CONTACT](#) Catriona (Hearing): catriona@cdmhp.org.nz Phone/text: 021 2555095

OR Rachel (Deaf NZSL): racenterprisesltd@gmail.com Text: 021 02633932

This project has been kindly funded by:



Iiti noa ana, he pito mata – With care, a small kumara will produce a harvest.



Uptown Bounce

Wall to wall, inter-connected trampolining fun for ALL

Sunday 17th September, 11AM



Where?: 52 Fremlin Place, Avondale, Auckland 1026

Cost?: FREE entry for Full members, and \$3 for rubber soled socks.

Please bring some with you, if you have a pair.

Associates = \$12.50 (4 years plus/over 110cm tall),

\$10 for under 4's/under 110cm tall, plus sock cost as above

Under 12's: Adult guardian supervision required at all times please



Limited spaces available.

To book please email: catriona@apodc.org.nz

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PINS Bowling Disco — Family Fun Night

- * **Tuesday 10th October @ 4.30pm-6.30pm**
- * **FREE entry for Full members, and \$14 for Associates. 2 games per person.**
- * **199 Lincoln Rd, Henderson 0610**

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EVENT REVIEW

BBF Adventure Land

It's been yet another busy month with a very well attended playdate at new hot spot BBF Adventureland in Henderson. I don't have any pictures to show you, but I think it's safe to say that we will be going again.

Thank you Committee member **Tim Huang**, for hosting this fast paced social event, and to your family for sharing you during the morning!

EVENT HELPERS If any members would like to try their hand at welcoming families and whanau at an event (just 1!), we would very much love to hear from you. Our membership is steadily rising, and we are offering more for families. Having a pool of people to help out at events is a great support to the Committee which is low in number since the recent AGM. It is also a fabulous way of giving back if you wish to.



TIP TOP Here's the crew at our latest Tip Top outing. There's nothing better than ice-cream, exhibited here by the usual turn out, despite the biting wind and cold temperatures. True commitment to the cause!

Massive thanks to APODC dad, **James Gates**, who stepped up to help welcome families and whanau at this most highly prized APODC activity, and to Committee member **Leanne Zhu** for co-hosting AGAIN!

CAMP CAREY PARK—SELLING OUT FAST!

Earlier this year, APODC secured funding through the NZSL Board to subsidise 140 family & whānau places at our 2017 Camp, which takes place in Henderson on 17th-19th November.

We have a **LIMITED NUMBER OF PLACES LEFT!**

If you would like to attend, please return your completed application form as soon as you can
YOUR PLACE WILL BE CONFIRMED UPON RECEIPT OF PAYMENT.



Camp Carey Park, 397 Henderson Valley Rd, Waitakere

\$70 for ALL Member Families! (Cost covers the whole family)

ASB: 12-3011-075765100 Please provide your family name as a reference



Special Meeting — APODC Constitution

Tuesday 5th September @ 7.30pm (20 minutes max.)

Hearing House Pre-school, Corner of Campbell Rd and William Ave, Greenlane (meeting room is behind the pre-school, and can be accessed via side gate, to right of front door)

The Committee wishes to thank members for their feedback to the proposed re-draft of the APODC Constitution.

We need a quorum of 10 Full members to vote in favour of the proposed re-draft of the Constitution, before it can be implemented.

PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE

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New Zealand
Sign Language



NZSL for Families

Saturdays
21st October
10am - 12noon
(2 hrs each)

\$150 per
family incl.
handouts

Enrol for a 10 weeks course in Manukau with a NZSL qualified tutor. Come once a week on Saturday morning to meet other families and practice in beautiful NZSL.

SOUTH AUCKLAND

Geneva-Elevator
14g Ryan Place
Manukau, Auckland

Limited space (up to 12 families).



NZSL RESEARCH

New Company, Merge, is providing the new NZSL for Families class featured in this flyer.

Please note that the weekend course at ADS is not currently running.

The Merge team is also doing some research, exploring views on the need for a central NZSL website that provides easy access to NZSL information for all current and future NZSL users.

Please give your view by participating in the online survey (closes 20th August):

<https://>

www.surveymonkey.com/r/NZSLOnlineHub

Contact to confirm your booking:

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Mobile: 0210771584



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For Your Calendar...

Friday 18th August, 5.30pm Introduction to Deaf Club at ADS	Auckland Deaf Society, 164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden NZSL Hansel and Gretel story time, plus lots of German themed art activities for children, followed by Deaf Club from 7.30pm
Sunday 27th August, 10.30am Inflatable World	Inflatable World, 57 View Road, Wairau Valley Explore this inflatable kingdom, filled with soft landings and giggles. Come and enjoy some social time with other families.
Tuesday 5th September, 7.30pm Special Meeting—APODC Constitution Revision	Hearing House Pre-school, Cnr Campbell Rd and William Ave, Greenlane Have your say on the new APODC Constitution, as an important part of how APODC serves it's families
Sunday 17th September, 11.00am Uptown Bounce	Uptown Bounce, 52 Fremlin Place, Avondale Come and bounce off every wall! Good for the end of a busy week. The kids like it too!
Tuesday 3rd October, 4.30-6.30 PINS Bowling Disco	PINS Bowling, 199 Lincoln Road, Henderson Get your groove on with glow in the dark bowling to music!! Doesn't matter how bad you are, no one will see much. This is a Family Fun Night for the whole family.
Friday 17th – Sunday 19th November APODC CAMP (LIMITED SPACES LEFT)	Carey Park, 397 Henderson Valley Road, Waitakere This is the pinnacle of our calendar and is enjoyed by all. We very much hope you can make this fest of inter-family quality time.



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