

RESIDENTIAL NEWS: KENT HOUSE



One of our residents (Glenn) loves trucks and the staff arranged for a day out with a local Logging Truck Company! (Pre - COVID) All geared up in the safety gear, Glenn loved the experience as this has been on his 'Bucket List' for along time! Even though he was not allowed out of the truck the experience was 'unforgettable'

A BIG THANK YOU TO
G.J Sheldrake Ltd
Logging Services



Above: Glenn, they gave him a t-shirt and hi-vis top with their logo on them, also his own hard hat to keep. Glenn was smiling for days.



Above: Noelleen enjoyed her visit to a pet shop in Rotorua!

Photo right: Dougal and Glenn testing out a 'Vintage Ford Car'!

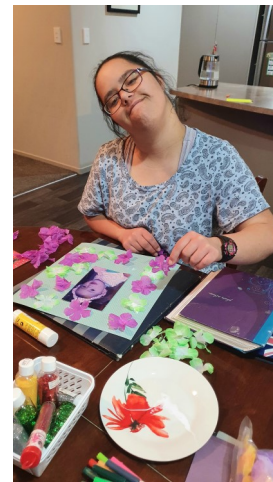


Photo above: Roberta and Morgan- Scrapbooking classes are enjoyed at Kent House by all of the residents, tutored by one of our admin staff - Estelle!

Photo Below: Our workers in the **Kindling Department** have had a bit of variety since the Covid outbreak, as our supply of cores had slowed down we have had them working on some of the Packaging Departments contracts! Good work, Guys!!!



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I hope everyone is safe and well during these very unusual times brought about by Covid19.

This year has been a difficult and trying year due to 'Covid19 - Lockdowns' for a second year in a row. We have

managed to steer clear of this virus in both Residential and Vocational. We have been extremely busy in Vocational, due to obtaining a new contract for packaging with a global company 'Sealed Air' for bag deconstruction and secure disposal! We are presently processing 60 - 80 tonne per month which equates to 3,000 bags.

'Sealed Air' are in discussions with a second Fonterra supplier to amalgamate their bag deconstruction requirements as the recovered plastic is in very high demand. If this proposal proceeds we can expect volumes to double.

'Residential Services' have operated very well and the demand for placings, exceeds availability. Regular audits have all provided positive feed back and no major compliance issues have been noted. Staff in Residential and Vocational have done a marvellous job supporting our people during our lock downs.

Hopefully once our vaccination rates reach 90% or greater our life will get back to normal again.

OUR FIREWOOD AND E-WASTE TEAM -

Photo Right: Here are some of our very busy workers that help bag the **FIREWOOD** for our local deliveries, when they finish the bagging they continue to dismantle the **eWASTE** which comes to us from our local community and other areas around NZ!

eWASTE: We take anything electrical, from cell phones, washing machines, electronic devices, Microwaves and Televisions! Most of these items have to be dismantled and baled (like the plastics) before they leave our yard!

Well done guys and gals!!!

Photo Right:

This is Daniel who works in the eWaste department! Part of his job is to pull apart TV's, Computers and other electrical items! On this day he had dismantled at least (3) large TV's before lunch time!

Photo Right:

Mark also works in the eWaste area pulling apart Computers & printers & wiring. He also helps with the firewood & loading the baler of the cardboard & hard plastics. Here he proudly shows off a bale he 'tied off' by himself!

Well done both - Mark & Daniel



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CREATIVE ART- COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION GROUPS 50-52 BRIDGE STREET



Photo Left:

Stage 1. **KOROWAI Classes**—Needlework Fiona and Brenda

Stage 2. **Feather selections** - Marie Kapene (tutor) Brenda, Fiona and Robertal! We thank Marie for her time and her contribution towards our groups journey.

Photo Below :

Morgan, Rebekah, Theresa and Ashlee painting the backdrop for a library scene - **Creative Art were acknowledged for their contribution to the Little Theatre's Youth Production "Surprise."**

Thank you Sonnet - for your ongoing support towards our art groups.



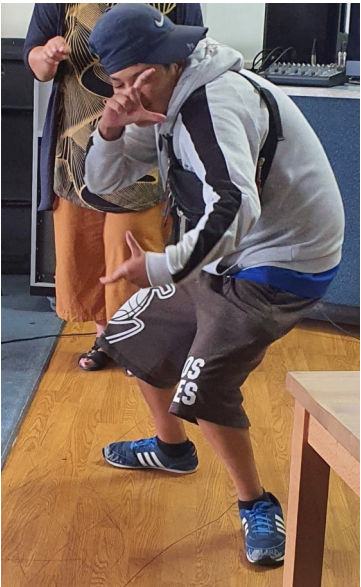
Photo Above:

Morgan - making 'nail files' at one of our local business '**Mystic Gifts**' in Rosebery Street, Tokoroa which our participation group attends weekly!

Photo Below: Support worker Rick (from Creative Art) with his group of men workers helping to erecting a new 'Green-House' for our residential homes!

We have received a very kind donation of some lettuce seedlings and French Runner Beans from Jean Wood who supports our organization by purchasing our firewood during the winter season.

She is very keen to see the progress of our 'Green-House' and has lots of gardening experience to offer, if needed! Thank you Jean for your thoughtful gesture !



PACKAGING DEPARTMENT - Our Packaging Departments work has been 'full on' over the last few months with a 'NEW' contract with "SEALED AIR" The staff allowed their workers a bit of 'down time' on Friday as they have all been working very hard over the past few months! They were given a tasks of making 'something to wear on their head' from scraps in their work area which was going to be judged by Russell (CEO)

Photo Left:

The Winners were Briar and Melanie with their 'Rooster Mask' (a very clever idea, using the gloves as the Rooster cone)



Below: Other creations done by the staff/workers!



Photo Above:

This is Tiana's creation! 'Queen Tiana's crown!

Well done, everyone! Staff and Clients enjoyed the 'Creative Break!'

Photo Left:

Russell (CEO) couldn't resist trying on this hat with the long braids! He said it reminded him of his youth! Lol!!

N.B. Russell also earned a new statues last month, hence the 'GOLDCARD'!!



Photo Below: Norman showing off his crown ' Norman the ALL BLACK King'

Photo Below: New worker Marty got into fun too, by showing off another 'ALL BLACK crown!

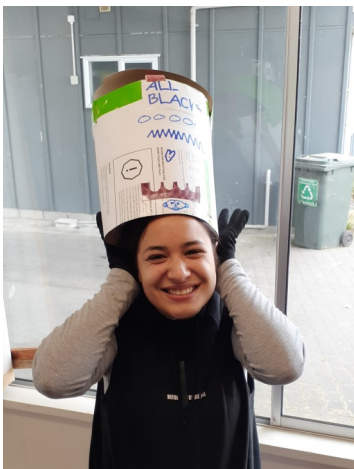


Photo Right: Packaging workers indulged in a bit of creatively again this week—Creating 'Wearable art '! The winner was Norman with this delightful outfit!

