Swine flu threatens NZ teens

Georgia Petrie & Laura Wilson

Ten students and staff from Rangitoto College arrived back from Mexico showing early symptoms of the swine flu. The swine flu has already killed 80 people from Mexico City. There have also been suspicions that the flu has affected some cities such as the USA, France, Spain and Canada.

Symptoms of the flu include head and body aches, high temperature, sneezing, sore throat, extreme tiredness, dry cough, diarrhoea and vomiting. Swine flu is quite likely to become a global problem. The New Zealand Ministry of Health are taking serious precautions to prevent the likeliness of the swine flu spreading. A class from Northcote College in the North Shore has also recently returned from Mexico.

Clinical Director of Auckland Regional Public Health Service, Dr Julia Peters says "We are taking this very seriously and doing everything necessary to manage this situation in Auckland. The Ministry of Health is managing the response to this issue at a national level." Swine Flu is commonly caught and developed from pigs and pig farms.

US president Barack Obama has also recently returned from Mexico, and is undergoing tests from the Swine Flu.
Billabong CEO Goes Bust

Georgia Petrie

“To show my face and to show my seriousness” were the only words to be quoted by former Billabong Surf wear Company CEO Matthew Perrin, as the 36 year old arrived at his lawyer’s office. The former CEO declared himself and his wife in a state of personal bankruptcy. A large number of prior unsuccessful business purchases left Perrin, formerly worth $2m to be worth nothing. Perrin, his wife and children live in a two story mansion on the Queensland Gold Coast, Australia. In 2002-2003, Perrin took the blame for selling his $8m worth of shares in Billabong. Consequently the company lost around $6m. Perrin now owes $21m to his wife, Nicole, and another of his companies now owes $116m to various shareholders and companies.

Obama Reaches 100

By Sarah August

On the 29th of April Barack Obama finally reached his 100th day as the president of United States of America. After every president has been office for a few months many are evaluated on how they are doing. David Broder from Washington Post comments, “The size of the gambles that President Obama is taking every day is simply staggering….Most politicians, facing an economic crisis as deep as this one, would happily postpone tackling anything else. But not Obama.”

Many are saying that 100 days is very short time for the evaluation especially with the recession around the world. Obama is using his superior communication skills to push his agenda. But 23% still think they like his personality as a president more than his policies. Its is agreed though that his policies are good, but some wonder whether they will go ahead. Many will just have to wait for him to muck up as this maybe a long time.

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Guilty or Not

By Laura Wilson

On Monday 4th of May during one of David Bain’s murder trials his body language and voice changed dramatically when everyone was talking about “everybody dying” and “black hands”. Mrs Bain sister of Margaret Bain said that when David Bain was staying at her house during some of the trials he demanded to read the newspaper. To see what was being said about him. With a tear in his eye he went upstairs. He managed to talk to Mrs and Mr Bain on numerous occasions about his family’s death although they had been told to keep David away from the media. At one time David seemed to go into a trance for a minute and said “Black hands black hands coming to take them away” or something along those lines. When Mr Bain, David Bain’s Uncle was asked to go identify the bodies, David Bain asked to go with him.

Hunted in the Hills

By Molly Mazey – Richardson

Breaking into a remote farmhouse was William Stewart’s way of getting a meal. The 47 year old has been on the run since February 2009. He started his crime in Rolleston and has hovered around the Canterbury Region. He has been walking to his targets as well as stealing cars. There is also a possibility that someone is helping him get around. He has not been seen since picking up hitch hikers after the farmhouse meal. He is thought to have committed a whole string of burglaries and car thefts since February. Jeremy Richardson, a local from Christchurch quotes “it’s a very remote chance that he will target me or my family but it is worrying that such a criminal has been on the run for so long without being caught”.

He is a smart skilful criminal and he proves this with being able to stay away from the police for so long. So how will you be able to protect yourself?
A4: Weather

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“Which grass grows best at this climatic change?” “Prepare your home for the climate change ahead!” These are the types of things which are beginning to grow more common as people become more concerned about the global warming crisis ahead. So far it’s been a pretty laid back crisis to me. It was about 6 months ago when I started hearing the first new articles about the global warming crisis. I believed it at first, all the talk about a world-wide drought and how the grass won’t continue to grow during that time. I was watching T.V. one night when I saw an ad about solar heating. It was basically telling us that if we got solar heating, we would still be warm and cozy when winter occurred. The only problem was it cost the same as installing a heat pump. Unfortunately, there are some naive people in our world who do believe this “crisis” will occur. After all these persuasive climate change products and warnings, I am convinced that Global warming and climate change are just a myth. After living in my house for nearly five years, I have not yet witnessed any change in the patterns of my grass growing, or the wind in the air. Some people are sure that a tsunami could hit them tomorrow, and they don’t even live next to the sea. Others believe that paying for an eco-friendly Toyota will make a dramatic difference to today’s extremely “fragile and polluted” climate. Unfortunately, this idea has already hit the wall in some countries, with the deaf community saying the cars are too quiet for them to hear when they cross the road. Seems to me that Toyota haven’t been using the stop, look, and listen rule of road safety. The cars are also extremely hard to fix if you are alone on the rural roads. Why can’t people just use pedal power anyway? What is the world coming to now????

Georgia Petrie
Vox - Pox

Do you think David Bain is guilty of murdering his family?

Name: Mr B

I don’t think he is guilty and I think he is guilty because it is 15 years later and they need to forget about it because all the evidence has been destroyed.

Name: Jasmine

Yes because of the evidence

Name: Mrs B

I don’t know, but I don’t think he can be found guilty as it has to be ‘Beyond reasonable doubt’ but I can’t see how they can prove that.

Name: Naomi

Yes because his own family didn’t want to be with him because they didn’t feel safe.

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BOB BROWNE'S BAD LUCK

Here I am Walking down the street

Well I like to go walking

It refreshes me

Lemons refresh me too

Hey look a mouse!

Hello mousey!

Who's a cutie

CRASH!

Stupid boy!

Im not dead yet

You will be!

Man im bad at living

Oh well!

AH!!!!

OW!

Sob!

Life sucks!
Cowboys Scout Paralysed After Heavy Storm

Georgia Petrie

A deadly thunderstorm which occurred during the Cowboys’ football training camp has left one member of the squad permanently paralysed. The canopy in which the team were practising in yesterday afternoon collapsed due to high winds and heavy rain. Rich Behm, 33, was one of the many Cowboys team members in the canopy when it collapsed. Behn unfortunately suffered a broken back, and broke several vertebrae. Leaving him permanently paralysed from the waist down. Behn was one of 12 critically injured team members and assistants. Head team coach Joe DeCamilis, 43, also suffered severe injuries after receiving a fractured cervical vertebra, and assistant trainer Greg Gaither suffered from two broken bones in his leg. A total of 70 people were situated in the canopy when it was blown down, including nearly 12 team rookies. “A line of heavy thunderstorms was moving through the Dallas area at the time, but no other damage to buildings was reported” stated dispatcher from the Irvine & Texas fire department. Photographers who witnessed the accident said “it was as though someone came and popped the canopy with a pin.”

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