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IMPORTANT DATES

March 2019

- GGI Rugby Club Registration, 4th March
- Neighbours Day Aotearoa, 22nd-31st March
- Waldronville Neighbours Day Event, 22nd March
- Concord Neighbours Day Event, 24th March
- Otago Anniversary Day Public Holiday, 25th March
- DCC Roadshow, 29th March

April 2019

- Cavy Rocks Easter Egg Hunt Comp, 13th April
- School holidays begin 15th April
- Easter, 19-22nd April
- Anzac Day, 25th April

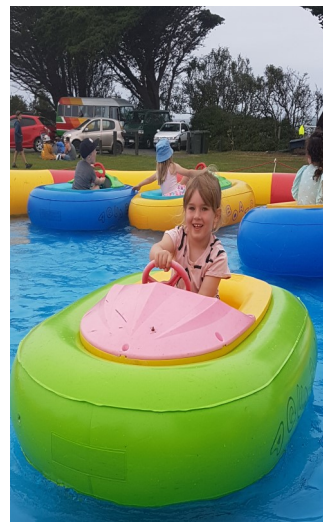
Green Island Shed Open every Saturday 10am—1pm Shand Street, GI.

Green Island Community Garden Working Bees Tuesdays 12pm-2pm Saturdays 10am-12pm Shand Street GI.

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March 2019

Brighton's Big Gala Day



The clock struck 10am, and the Brighton Domain gates opened to the buzz of the annual Brighton Gala Day, recently. In its 23rd year, the day held to form, boasting nearly 200 stalls and plenty of smiling faces. Musicians entertained the crowds, and with plenty of rides for children, there was something for everyone.

The event was free, although people had the opportunity to give the Brighton Surf Life Club a donation at the entrance. Also, over \$50,000 was raised at this year's event - a figure which was fed back into community groups and not-for-profit organisations.

Read more about the people behind the event on page 3.

The GGICN is kindly supported by the following organisations:



Green Island Rugby Club Registration 2019



Hi and welcome to the 2019 Rugby season.

We are holding the last Registration Day at the Green Island Rugby Clubrooms on Monday 4th March 5pm to 7pm. Previous players should have received an email to pre-register or you can use the link here:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/85767> or alternatively visit our website www.girugby.co.nz and click on our juniors page. All pre-registered players are asked to attend one of our open days to receive their mouthguard and get sized for their playing top. Fees for this year are \$50 for 1 child and \$90 for a family, Girls Only grade are \$30. Every child receives a free mouthguard. We will be taking orders for our fantastic merchandise at the Open Day.

All enquires to:

Jason Bezett 0275 882 547 (Junior Chairman)

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Calling all businesses and local trades people in Greater Green Island, there's something very exciting on offer this year—and we would love your support. With approximately 2190 readers—and growing, the Informer has always been an important community voice. We are now offering reasonable advertising rates to market your business in this newsletter. The Greater Green Island Community has a heart to support local, and see businesses flourish. Be part of the vision. For more info email [Sasha greatergreenislandcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:sasha.greatergreenislandcommunity@gmail.com).

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A WALKING GROUP IN GREATER GREEN ISLAND?

Phone or text Dot on 0212230746 indicating day and time that suits best. Dot is facilitating a time and day for a local group after much interest from the community.



Green Island Medical Centre

A friendly reminder that from the 12th February Green Island Medical Centre offers a 2nd late night clinic with Dr Wan Salim and a Nurse. This clinic is by appointment only.

With all these hot days we are experiencing it is essential that we all remember to "Slip, Slop, Slap and Wrap". New Zealand sunlight can have high levels of ultraviolet (UV) radiation. UV radiation can cause skin and eye damage. You can protect yourself and your children by being Sun Smart. For more information visit www.sunsmart.org.nz.

March is Heart Awareness month. Visit www.heartfoundation.org.nz to sign up and become a volunteer or donate to a good cause.

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Brighton's Gala Day - The Family Affair with Flair over the Years

Catching up with Brighton's Colin and Ann Weatherall a week after the monumental Gala Day, the Informer discovers there's only a little downtime for the pair. The community-minded duo are already taking calls about next year's event.

The festive day, which will showcase its 24th event next year, was started by the Weatherall Family, along with the support of the Green Island Lions Club. It shared the calendar with the annual Dunedin Vintage Car Rally, becoming an added attraction at the Brighton destination point.

A Former Dunedin City councilor, Mr Weatherall is full of gratitude and acknowledgement for those people who have supported the event over the years - and the surrounding community.

They included the Green Island Lions Club, Ian and Rosemary Chalmers, Gravity Sound, the Gale family and the Otago Helicopters.

"You don't forget who helped you and supported you at the start," he said.

With a running cost of \$11,000, it's no surprise that the Weatherall's kick off the planning calendar early.

Significant amount of work goes into funding applications to cover costs. "With support of three funders - the DCC Community events, Southern Charitable Trust and Bendigo Charitable trust, we will cover all costs involved and hopefully a small surplus to kick start the 2020 event", Mr Weatherall said.

But it's not about the money—it's a family affair, with son Scott Weatherall contributing input in funding applications, health and safety, incident management arrangements , to name a few.

One of the driving factors behind the Weatherall's motivation is their passion for the community, and bringing people together. It's about the "smiles and happy faces, and the noise of happy people, young and old. We try and take the stress and pressure away," he says.

There's a huge emphasis on making it an affordable day out for people, and Mr Weatherall says there's a lot of communication with stall holders and ride organisers to achieve a fair range in prices.



The Green Island Kindergarten has organized some winter warmth for those chilly months ahead. To buy a raffle ticket for a trailer load of wood, and support the kindy, please call 0273131372. Tickets \$2 each. Raffle drawn in April.



The Greater Green Island Community Network is a registered charitable organisation. To find out more about our projects in the community, please visit www.greenergreenisland.nz. If you would like to support the work we do, a donation would be appreciated to 03 1725 0121605 00 Westpac Mosgiel.

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Articles are free for community groups, clubs (not for profit) and events in the Greater Green Island suburbs. Please email your articles and stories in Word format and images/posters in JPEG files. Alternatively you can contact Sasha or Amanda to help you write a story, please phone 4700814. Advertising can be purchased by contacting Sasha Turner via email (above).

Keeping Cool at CrackerJax



At CrackerJax we have been keeping cool in the recent hot weather. Swimming suits, sunscreen and hoses have been on to cool us down. This play is valued as meaningful learning as we discover how to keep ourselves safe in the summer sun.



Opportunity To Have

Your Say On Dunedin's Main Street

The future development of the George Street area is up for discussion as consultation for the next stage of the Central City Plan begins.

Dunedin City Council Principal Urban Designer Kathryn Ward says, "This is an opportunity for people to have their say on the future of George Street.

"The aim of this project is to improve the retail quarter. We want to know how people think we can make this area more attractive and pedestrian friendly, while also celebrating our heritage and improving safety."

The development area covers George Street between Albany Street and Moray Place. This is the heart of the city's retail shopping centre and is the busiest pedestrian area in the city.

A roadshow will be held in a number of locations around the city to gather public feedback. It will include information and letterbox stations where people can post a feedback form. There will also be workshops, activities and events, and feedback can be given via the DCC website.

THE DCC ARE BRINGING THE ROADSHOW TO GREATER GREEN ISLAND AT FRESHCHOICE ON FRIDAY 29th MARCH, 3-6pm.

A timetable outlining the roadshow locations and dates is available at www.dunedin.govt.nz/centralcityplan.



Fairfield School's Community Bus

Fairfield children often have the opportunity to attend events out of school. The school has purchased a van to ease the pressure on parents who are often required to provide transport, and will make these opportunities more accessible.

The van is available for community hire. Contact the office via email to make bookings or for further information office@fairfield.school.nz.

Also available for hire at hourly rates:

- School Hall (\$15.00)
 - Pool (\$35.00)
 - Wharenui - old playcentre (\$20.00)
 - Akoranga (\$25.00)
- Kayaks (koha or small donation)



IHC Volunteering

"Have fun, feel good, make a difference to a person with an intellectual disability and yourself - Volunteer with IHC"



ihc.org.nz/volunteer

Contact: Dean Reed

Email: dean.reed@ihc.org.nz

Phone: 022 017 3115



Take a moment to connect

Saddle Hill Community Board News

Welcome back to 2019 - it's going to be a great year ahead. We hope you have had a safe and enjoyable summer.

2019 is going to be a big year. One thing we have in October is the Local Body Elections - this is your opportunity to stand for your local community or wider the city and become a local community advocate. If you interested I would encourage you to touch base with an existing local elected member to chat about the role, etc.

Last week I spoke to the DCC Annual Plan submissions. This is the Community Board's opportunity to share their local priorities with the Dunedin City Council Senior Staff and City Councillors as they set the budgets and work plans for the year pending.

We covered several projects that we really need some time, energy and finance put into. These are:

- * An increased maintenance of Sports Fields.
- * The development of Cycle-ways along the Southern Scenic Route (from Waldronville to Taieri Mouth) and also joining Fairfield to Mosgiel.
- * Understanding what a city-wide management plan for Coastal erosion would look like.
- * Consideration of the reinstatement of the Rural Road Sealing Programme . Due to the growing popularity of McMaster Road and Chain's Hill Road there is a need to revisit the City's vision for gravel roads.
- * An improved general maintenance programme - grass verges and recreational spaces deserve a improved level of service.

Hopefully that gives you a small insight into some of the future direction your Community Board has for our area.

As always all our Community Board Members are most happy to be contacted at anytime to have a chat, hear your thoughts and ideas in how to continue to develop our stunning communities.

Thanks

Scott Weatherall

Find the Greater Green Island "Cavy Rocks" to win an Easter Egg

On Friday 13th April a GGICN Cavy Rock will be hidden in each of the playgrounds in the Greater Green Island Communities (just like the last 2 years).

The rock will look like an Easter egg. If you find the rock, phone us on 4700814 or message us on Facebook to collect your prize. Keep an eye on our Facebook (Greater Green Island Community) page for updates.



Viana—One of the 2017 winners

Steady As You Go and Tai Chi Classes in Greater Green Island - Age Concern

Steady as You Go

Green Island

St Margaret's Coastal Unity Church on:
Mondays at 1.00 pm,
Tuesdays at 10.30 am
Fridays at 1.30pm

Fairfield

Please phone Margaret for days and times.

Concord

Dunedin City Baptist Church, Concord,
Wednesdays at 10.00 am

Ocean Grove

Recreation Hall
Wednesdays at 1.30pm

Brighton

Brighton Hall, Taylor Street
Thursdays at 10.30 am

What is Steady as you Go?

The physical and social efficacy of this programme have been evaluated by the University of Otago and the exercises used are based on those proven to reduce falls from the Otago Exercise Programme. The Train the Trainer course from the School of Physiotherapy provided additional exercises.

The gentle exercises are designed to improve balance, leg strength, flexibility, spatial awareness, general fitness and well-being. Participants warm up in a chair, followed by standing exercises, walking exercises and warm downs in a chair. A range of light ankle weights is used for the leg strengthening exercises and all participants are encouraged to work at their own pace and stop if they feel dizzy or lightheaded.

How does Tai Chi work?

Tai Chi is shown by scientific studies to improve muscular strength, flexibility and fitness, while also improving relaxation, balance, posture and immunity. Tai Chi movements also emphasise the importance of weight transference to develop balance and prevent falls.

Tai Chi

Brighton

Robertson Hall
Tuesdays at 10.00 am

Green Island

St Margaret's Coastal Unity Church,
Main South Road
Wednesdays at 1 pm



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Are You Prepared For An Emergency?

Emergencies happen, often without warning, but regardless of their timing, cause or even the type of emergency, we all need to be prepared and the best time to do that is now before any emergency happens. But what needs to be done to get prepared? There are several things that we all can and should do now to get ready.

Know your community

One of the best things to do is to get to know your neighbours and your own community. It is likely that the first people to respond in any emergency are the people around you, that is your neighbours and local community. Knowing the people around you can be important to help a community get through.

Ways to get to know your community and your neighbours could be to make the most of activities such as local events, market days along with other national activities such as Neighbours Day. These events encourage meeting the people around you. By getting to know the people around you, you will discover who may need some extra help in emergencies, what skills and resources are already within the community to assist if needed.

Preparing your home and family.

Getting personally prepared is another important step. Create a plan for your family so everyone knows what to do, where to go and who to contact. Keep a store of water, food and any essential medicines you require and a first aid kit.

Secure items so they do not fall over in earthquakes. A great place to start personal planning is the Happens website www.happens.nz

This site has useful tools to help develop household plans, know what do if stuck at home (or away from home), if you need to evacuate, and more.

Know your area.

What are the hazards most likely to affect your area? Floods, earthquakes, tsunami, landslides, fire... By gaining an understanding of the risks where you live, you can start to plan for what to do to help reduce risk to you. Perhaps the first step in all of this is to start the conversation with your family, friends, neighbours and the wider community.

Who is Civil Defence?

All of us! We all have a role to play in emergencies, whether it is helping your community to get together and support itself or just making sure you and your family are safe.

Want to find out more?

Emergency Management Otago:

www.otagocdem.govt.nz

Emergency Management Otago – Dunedin

team phone 03 4774000

Facebook: DnEmergency – Dunedin City Civil Defence page

OtagoCDEM – Emergency Management Otago page



Concord neighbours day AOTEAROA

Time to Celebrate Neighbours

March 2019

Free kids inflatables and sausage sizzle, old fashioned games and a celebration of Concord

Where: Emerson Street Playground and Sports Field

When: Sunday 24nd March, 1pm-3pm.

Contact: Jen on 021 165 5912 or Amanda 03 4700814

Please Bring: A picnic blanket or chair. A drink of water/tea or coffee.

www.neighboursday.org.nz

Waldronville neighbours day AOTEAROA

Time to Celebrate Neighbours

March 22 2019

Food trucks, free bouncy castle and a celebration of the Waldronville community

Where: Island Park Golf Club, 336 Brighton Road.

When: Friday 22nd March, 5pm-7pm.

Contact: Amanda on 4700814 or amandar@psotago.org.nz

Please Bring: Picnic food or some money if you want to purchase some food from the food trucks. A soft drink will be free (limited to 1 per person)

www.neighboursday.org.nz



This event is funded and supported by these organisations.



neighbours day AOTEAROA

Time to Celebrate Neighbours

Mitchell St held their Annual Street Party in February. Over 40 residents and ex-residents turned up throughout the afternoon/evening, to celebrate living in a friendly street. Why not do this on your own street in Greater Green Island this March?

March 22 - 31 2019



Know your nearest: When neighbours know each other they are more likely to look after one another. This is especially important during and after an emergency. Use the form on the back of this newsletter, fill it out to have the names and phone numbers of your nearest six neighbours.

CELEBRATE NEIGHBOURS DAY AOTEAROA

10 Little ways: (for individuals)

-  **INTRODUCE YOURSELF**
-  **JOIN NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT**
-  **GIVE A TREAT**
-  **PICNIC POTLUCK**
-  **SEED SWAP**
-  **VOLUNTEER**
-  **KNOW YOUR NEAREST**
-  **SHARE A CUPPA**
-  **SIGN UP TO NEIGHBOURLY**
-  **RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS**

10 Big ways: (for groups)

-  **CLEAN UP YOUR 'HOOD**
-  **MOVIE NIGHT**
-  **WORKING BEE**
-  **FREecycle**
-  **COMMUNITY PANTRY**
-  **REPAIR CAFE**
-  **PAINT A MURAL**
-  **COMMUNITY CONCERT**
-  **OPEN DAY**
-  **BBQ/FIESTA**

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

www.neighboursday.org.nz

Know your neighbours

Exchange contact details and keep this sheet handy on your fridge

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For neighbourly inspiration see www.neighboursday.org.nz