

GGIBA looking forward to 2022 Christmas Market Day

Earlier this month the Greater Green Island Business Association made the difficult decision to cancel the 2021 Green Island Christmas Market but are already looking ahead to 2022's Market. Each year the market is put on to showcase and celebrate the amazing community. The Greater Green Island Business Association are proud that 100% of proceeds each year are given to local charities and groups.

Community worker, Ben McKenzie, who attended the Greater Green Island Business Association meeting, acknowledged that while it is disappointing to cancel, "due to uncertainties around covid alert levels and current 100-person event limits it was a necessary decision to keep the Greater Green Island community safe."

This year the market has been planned by student intern, Alex McDonald. Mr McKenzie is positive that next year's market will be a hit, thanks to the processes and documentation implemented by Ms McDonald, during this years planning.

"I would like to thank Alex for all her hard work, and I know even though this isn't the desired outcome, her creativity, admin skills, organisation and ideas will have an impact on future markets."

As we move into the Christmas period Mr McKenzie wanted to encourage community members to still support local.



Cleaning up the Community

As part of the Keep NZ Beautiful 2021 campaign, the Greater Green Island Community Network encouraged locals to roll up their sleeves for Clean Up Week, Oct 25th—31st.

Thank you to this community-minded individual for his fantastic effort in cleaning his local streets. Kai pai!



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Next Meeting: Thursday 18th November,

Where: 8am at the Food Room

No need to RSVP just come along if you are interested

Become a member of the Greater Green Island Business Association, and develop your networks and business.

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Jocose – A touch of beauty



Meet Jo Geeves, one of Greater Green Island's most experienced beauticians. Owner of Jocose Skin and Beauty, Ms Geeves has worked in the beauty therapy profession for over 28 years, and is based in Abbotsford.

"My job isn't about eyebrows and eyelashes, facials and waxing. It's about listening, caring and leaving someone better than when they arrived for their appointment," Ms Geeves said.

Community is important to Ms Geeves and she said she values the loyal support of local residents.

"I love all my clients, and the people of greater Green Island area are so welcoming and loyal."

Jocose skin and beauty also stocks: Goli gummies (only stockist in the South Island), Antipodes Scientific Organic Beauty, Nature Body products, Ethique, Global Soaps, Flash lash eyelash serum, gift vouchers, and jewellery.

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Green Island Business Association



The last couple of years have been challenging for many businesses but fortunately for those in Green Island, there has been a lot of support.

Green Island Business Association president Antony Durie said the association, which provides support and a forum from which to voice concerns, has witnessed minimal negative impacts from lockdowns.

“I don’t think people have been badly affected by it. Businesses have bounced back with the support of the community,” Mr Durie said.

Mr Durie has been the president of the association for two years, but has had a 15-year affiliation with the group.

“I think it’s important for businesses to have a group to voice things to the council to make changes. It’s all about getting Green Island to go forward,” he said.

With support offered for local business owners, the association also contributes to the Green Island Market Day, as well as supporting the Greater Green Island Community Network in their projects.

The relationship between the community groups has been a very positive, Mr Durie said.

Are you are new business in Green Island and are looking to engage with other business owners? Would you like a local platform to voice opinions?

Please touch base with Ben McKenzie at ben@greatergreenisland.nz to find out more information about joining the association, and its monthly meetings.

Membership is only \$30 for the first year.

GRAFFITI BUSTERS ALERT

Are you keen to beautify the area, removing graffiti and tagging?

GGICN will supply the products and gear—we just need YOU!

Interested?

Please email

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Brighton Junior Surf Club – Surf’s Up!



Summer is nearly here, temps are soaring and people are making Sunday trips to Brighton Beach—and it’s not just for the surf.

The Brighton Junior Surf Club has opened for the season, with at least 70 kids attending the Sunday morning sessions, contributing to the 115 juniors in the club. And the invitation is open to anyone else interested.

Brighton Club Junior Surf co-ordinator Danny Blair oversees the nippers, who are aged between six and 14 years old.

“My role is to provide them a safe environment and coaching and training support for them to learn about safety at the

beach and develop skills for those interested becoming patrolling lifeguards,” Mr Blair said.

Another theme of the program is to have fun.

“The program is designed to engage our young learners in active participation. Kids will learn personal, lifesaving and competition skills in a fun and safe environment...We also play lots of games on the beach, splash around and swim in the surf, and ride boogie boards and paddle boards,” Mr Blair said.

Cost: \$50 per junior or \$100 per family.

For more information, please call Danny on 021 805 953.

Saddle Hill Community Board Update

Local and wider Dunedin City residents should be interested, invested at least curious as to the Dunedin City plans to dispose of the city waste moving forwards.



The Dunedin City Council have a live Resource Consent Application with the Otago Regional Council as we speak and the Dunedin Residents have the opportunity to submit to the process.

If you are supportive submit, if you are not in support please submit and if you have questions submit.

The Community have fought hard and have requested this Resource Management Process to be open and transparent – we now have the opportunity to have our say moving forwards.

You can submit using plain language – you do not have to be a technical expert just a concerned and interested resident to share your thoughts on how your City Council plan for the next number of years plan to dispose of rubbish in a hole at Smooth Hill which is on Big Stone Road just south of Brighton. <https://www.orc.govt.nz/consents-and-compliance/current-notified-applications/dunedin-city-council-rm20280>

New Shed for Garden



There’s nothing quite like a cuppa after a busy morning in the garden, and the Green Island Community Garden team are raising their cups to their new space.

Thanks to the Mitre 10 Mega donation of a new shed, Marion Thomas said the group was thrilled, and now had somewhere to sit for breaks. Plans were being made to build a deck around lockable shed.

Community Worker Report

This year is speeding along quickly, it is hard to believe it is already November. These last few months have encouraged me to think creatively about how we connect as a community. It is promising to see small community and sporting events starting up again, especially as the weather gets warmer. These next two months look out for an interactive 12 days of Christmas display and a children's Christmas colouring competition.



Our key community groups like the Shed and the Community Garden are still buzzing and growing. The Community Garden located behind Peter Chanel school is a great way to learn some gardening skills, meet great new people, give a little back and access fresh produce.

I'm pleased to announce that the GGICN were given \$62,500 from the DCC Place Based fund. All that we do is made possible through the support of our key funding partners. This money supports the production of this newsletter, advocacy and facilitating engagement between the community and the DCC, amongst many other things. We would like to thank the DCC for their support in investing into the Greater Green Island Community.

A new initiative is the Graffiti Busters group. This will be a local response group who will be equipped to remove unwanted graffiti from our community. While DCC does come past to clean it up, statistically we know if we get rid of graffiti quickly reoccurrence rates go down. This group is our way of ensuring fast removal to keep Greater Green Island beautiful! If you are interested in being part of this group, please get in touch.

Are you finding it hard to put food on the table each week?

Did you know about the Mosgiel Foodbank?

Located at 2 Wickliffe St, the Mosgiel Foodbank is available to those in need of groceries and other supplies.

Hours: Monday—Friday from 10—11. 45am.

Please mosgielfoodbank@gmail.com or txt or phone. 0225462610, and the co-ordinator Michelle Kerr will get back to you as soon as is possible. If you have never been to the Mosgiel Foodbank before, proof of Id and address is required.

Updates on Traffic Plans

It has been interesting getting a sneak peak at the 2020 Community Survey results. Rooding was a hot topic, especially with people wanting to feel safer in their community with large numbers of people wanting reduction in speed and raised crossings. Ben has met with the DCC to get an update on projects in the area:

The Shand Street roundabout is out for tender at the moment, with the hope of awarding and announcing this before Christmas. Work is scheduled to start mid-January and be completed by the end of March. The reason why the project has taken so long is due to the upgrading of water and waste pipes under the area they are developing.

The 30km speed limit for the main street of Green Island has been accepted for the bylaw change and is planning to be implemented at the end of December 2021 between Shand Street and the south end roundabouts.

There is still no real update on the proposed bus hub, more details to follow.

The Concord Underpass is still in early stages of development as is the proposed bike track. This is exciting because it is the early stages of development when the community can have the most say. We will keep everyone updated as we get more information

Christmas giving on a budget

Eeeek, it's that time of year again, and the stores are beginning to flaunt their Christmas displays. We're not sure about you, but it seems like just a few months ago the Christmas 2020 decorations were being boxed away and we were letting out our belts a few notches.

But Christmas is about the giving, and if we've learnt anything from the past couple of years, the best giving isn't about gifts – it's about checking in with each other and thinking of creative ways to reach out when the going gets tough.

So rather than be swayed by the itch of the credit card, avoid debt and show love locally and creatively.

- ◆ Spend time and write a letter, with a handmade card.
- ◆ Grow vegetable and flower seeds and give someone a living gift that keeps on giving.
- ◆ Make the most of local markets and school fairs, supporting local.
- ◆ Organise a garden working bee for a friend.
- ◆ Create your own vouchers for family and friends. For example, babysitting, meals, car washing, etc.
- ◆ Plan a day of 'free fun' and quality time.

Our Tamariki



New pets always add big excitement to the household environment, and this week-old foal is no exception.

Born on the holidays on a Brighton farm, the foal, which is yet to be named, is the new pet of William Lawrence.

What a great start to the holidays, William!

Do you have something you would like to share on the Tamariki Page?

We would love to hear from you.

Please email: Informer@greenergreenisland.org.nz



Concord School swung into term 4—literally, with a new swing set in its grounds.

Thanks to the initiative and letter-writing skills of student, James M who wrote to the Board of Trustees in March, the students had their wish granted. Well done James!

The school is also buzzing about new bikes, thanks to My Ride and Otago Community Trust.



Level 2 restrictions failed to dampen the energy of Polyfest this year. St Peter Chanel School lit up the stage at Otago PolyFest recently with a dazzling performance that consisted of Māori and Pasifika elements.

Well done St Peter Chanel!

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Garden Gossip

With the bursts of November sunshine, Dunedin soils offer a more inviting home to new vege seedlings in the garden bed. So yes, that's right it's time to weed those box gardens and plant for a plentiful supply of lettuces, cabbage, cauliflower, carrots, beetroot and leeks to name a few.

Unfortunately there are pests in the garden who love to indulge in leafy greens just as much as us, however with a bit of sneaky know-how you don't have to share your produce with them.

Did you know that mint (best kept potted as it can spread quickly), rosemary or basil can deter aphids, mites and white butterflies?

By putting certain plant pairs together, one can act as a deterrent for pests that bother the other. A common pairing is onions or garlic...with pretty much anything!! Both are smelly and hated by most pests so are particularly good when planted amongst other more vulnerable crops.

Marigolds and nasturtiums may add colour but they're a great tool to use if aphids are a problem.

To make your own organic spray, try crushing a few cloves of garlic, adding 1 litre of boiling water and cool, then drain through a sieve.



From your friendly Community Constable, Fred Jansen



With the weather improving (finally!), there's plenty more people out on their bikes now. Whether they are on pedal power, electric, motor bikes or motorised scooters, we need to be mindful of sharing the road. Please be mindful that people on two wheels are more vulnerable. Give room going past them and look for them before pulling out from intersections. Injuries they suffer are usually severe and life changing. A simple 'sorry' won't fix it, but a couple of extra seconds may prevent it.

Just a note to also remember to use your horn when pulling out of your driveway and be alert for pedestrians – especially small children. Everyone gets busy and it's easy to become distracted when the headspace is full but being alert to your surroundings is essential. The ramifications of not being otherwise is just not worth it.

Keep safe,

Fred

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The team at Greater Green Island Community are seeking more wonderful volunteers to help with the delivery of the Informer each month. Does this sound like you?

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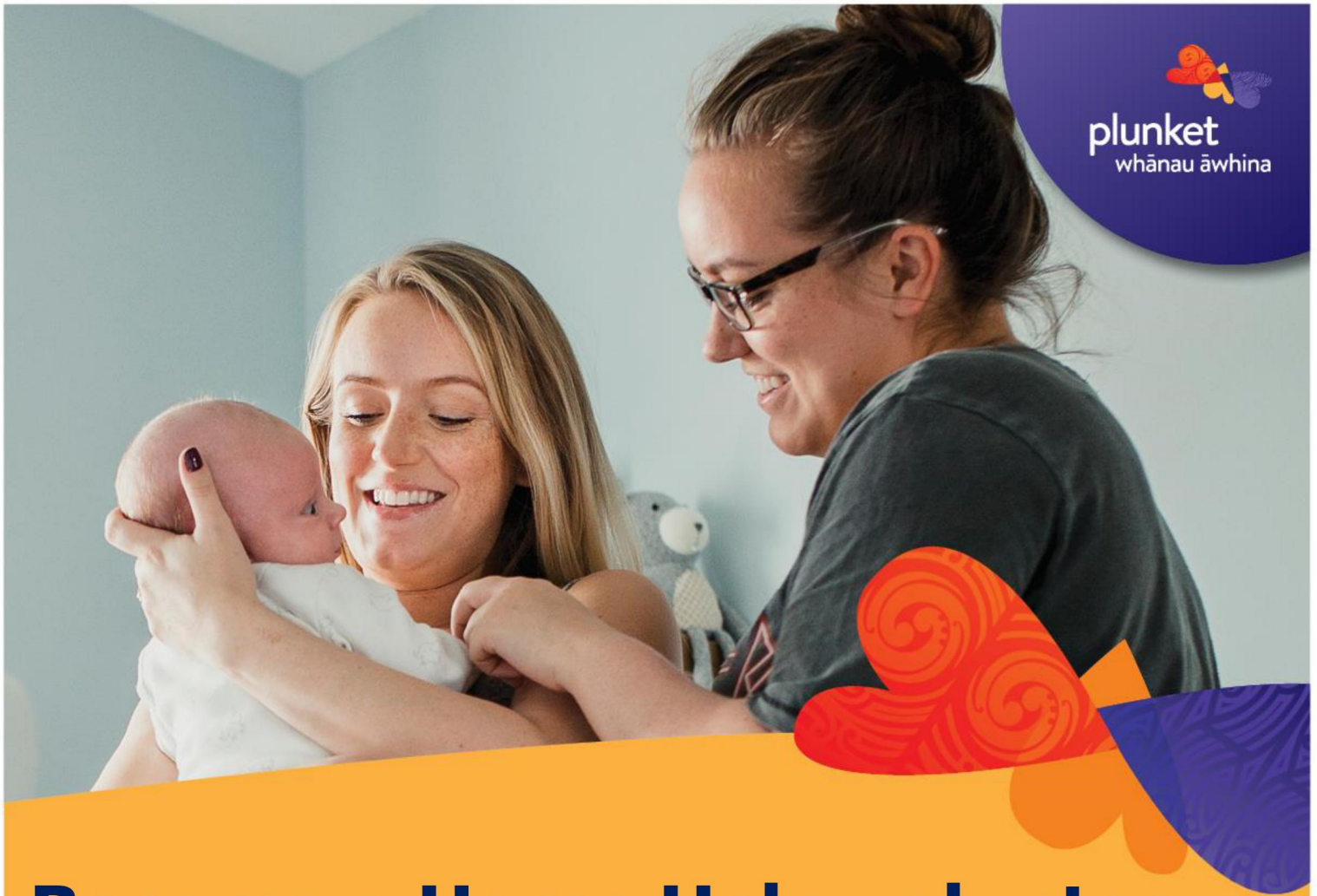
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If you are interested in giving back to the community and supporting our young mothers, whānau and children, we would love to hear from you!

We are looking for people who are:

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For more information, please contact:

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