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Hello Summer 2021!

No one will forget quickly, the deluge of rain which welcomed us into the first weeks of January, but what about that blistering heat that shone in its wake? Thanks to all of the community members who have shared their summertime snaps! It's wonderful to share the splashes, smiles and sun-streaked fun.




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Green Island Cafe
193 Main South Road, 0210 581 077

Green Island Cafe is located at the center of Green Island in the Post Shop Complex. We offer a wide range of delicious food and coffee to eat in or takeaway. All food is made fresh on site.



The Greater Green Island Community Network is kindly supported by the following organisations:



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Contact us at informer@greenergreenisland.nz for enquiries and rates.

IMPORTANT UPDATE

Announcing new contact details for the Greater Green Island Community Network

Our new postal address is

PO Box 13006, Green Island, Dunedin 9054

Our new phone numbers and email addresses are

Amanda Reid: ph. 425 7719 (mornings)

Email: amanda@greenergreenisland.nz

Lama McCarthy: ph. 4257720 (afternoons)

Email: lama@greenergreenisland.nz

Lilliput Libraries



Greater Green Island Locations

18a Brighton Road, Green Island

3c Church Street, Green Island

21 Edinburgh Street, Green Island

21 Delta Drive, Waldronville

381 Brighton Road, Waldronville

3 Canberra Place Place, Waldronville

2 Scroggs Hill Road, Brighton

60 Scroggs Hill Road, Brighton

1020 Brighton Road, Brighton

576 Brighton Road, Westwood

35 Flower St, Fairfield

7 Fry St, Fairfield

17 John St, Abbotsford

41 Severn St, Abbotsford

Next time you're out and about, check out a Lilliput Library

Take a book.

If you see something you'd like to read, take it.

Share it.

Return it to this or any other Lilliput Library (they're scattered around Dunedin), or pass it on to a friend.



**GREATER
GREEN ISLAND
BUSINESS
ASSOCIATION**

Next Meeting:

Friday 19 February, 8-9am, Agnes Café

No need to RSVP just come along if you are interested

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

Membership for the first year is *only* \$30

Members also receive 20% off advertising in the Informer.

Monthly meetings and 3-4 social events annually

For more information about membership, please contact:

Larna McCarthy on 425 7720 or

larna@greenergreenisland.nz

G.I. FIRESIDE CLUB

JANET CAMERON HALL – THURSDAY 1:15 TO 3:00PM
(down the lane behind Moyles supermarket)

Every Senior Welcome \$2 per week

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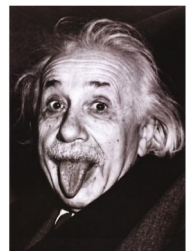
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Do you want company
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Do you have interests that we might like

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The History of the Green Island Clock



Sixty years ago (1960) the Richmond family made a generous donation to the Green Island community in the form of a clock in memory of their mother. The bronze plaque beneath it carried the quotation: "The Golden Hours Do Swiftly Pass." Throughout those fifty years, the street clock has been a significant feature on the junction of Howden Street and Main South Road by the entrance of what was previously the Green Island Borough Council Offices in the days before amalgamation with Dunedin City. The "golden hours" did swiftly pass, and time and weather took their toll, too. The great old clock had given up working properly some time ago.

When the Lions Club of Green Island celebrated its' 40th anniversary, the Club wanted to do something special for the Green Island community to mark this occasion. Local businessman and Lion's club member, Mervyn Tikey was appointed Convenor of the Anniversary Committee.

After speaking to many of the locals and considering ideas, it was decided that the old clock which had passed the point of viable restoration would be replaced with a digital time and temperature one. The clock is now a proud feature in the main street of Green Island. The Lions Club of Green Island presented it in the hope that it may serve the community in the future as faithfully as the Richmond family clock has in the past.

Please note the clock is currently being fixed, and is only showing the temperature at present. Hopefully it will be up and running again soon.

From your friendly
**Community
Constable,
Jansen**



We've kicked into gear for 2021, and for many of us, holidays finished long ago. But for those children starting back at school this month, their year is just beginning.

Please be careful driving around schools, especially between 8.30 - 9am, and 3pm. Slow down and be mindful of pedestrian crossings, little people and car doors opening. Mornings can be especially busy as people are on their way to work, so it's really important to focus on the road, don't rush and observe the environment around you.

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events to share**

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GGICN News

Happy New Year to everyone.

Over the Christmas and New Year holiday our committee has been collating the community survey and will be spending our first committee meeting reading through the goals you have set us.



If you missed out on having your say—don't worry, we are accepting late responses. Please email info@greenergreenisland.nz to ask for the survey link or a printed copy. Alternatively, you can phone a Community worker—Amanda on 4257719 or Larna on 4257720.

Our goals this year will be set by the results of the community survey—as we are a **community led** development team.

We would like to announce that a Sun Shade is being installed in the Greater Green Island Playground this summer. Thank you to the Bendigo Valley Sports and Charity Foundation for granting us \$10,000 towards the project and thank you to the Dunedin City Council for allowing us to install it. The Greater Green Island Community Network will be responsible for the Sun Shade's upkeep for the next two years, as agreed with the Dunedin City Council. The sun shade will sit over the picnic table area.



GREEN ISLAND JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Happy New Year and welcome to the 2021 football season.

Registration 2021 opens 1st February and closes March 7th

This can be done online via GIJFC www.gijfc.co.nz or at the club day that is to be held 28th February

- Kickets \$25
- 6th grade (born 2015) \$60
- 7th (born 2014) to 12th (born 2009) grade \$85
- 13th (born 2008) to 15th (born 2006) grade \$95
- Youth \$100

Season starts 1st May with grading and festival games

Club Fun day

This year the club will run a fun day **February 28th**

Come along for fun games and sausage sizzle

Registrations and uniform pick-up available on this day

Sunnyvale, Main South road.

Coaching, managing or joining the committee.

Please send an email to GIJFCcommittee@gmail.com if you are keen to get involved and help out.

Protected Sea Life on Brighton's Beach Front

We're lucky to live on a coast which is visited frequently by some of New Zealand's protected wildlife, but in recent months the meanderings of sea lions on Brighton's beachside footpaths has left locals understandably cautious.

Adult sea lions are big, with males (brown/black) weighing up to 400kgs and up to 3.5 metres long, and females (creamy grey with darker colour around flippers) weighing up to 160kgs and up to 2 metres long. They are becoming more common on Otago's beaches.

The New Zealand sea lion is one of the rarest sea lions in the world, with a population of 12,000 – and are only found in New Zealand waters.

The Department of Conservation lists them as 'Nationally Critical and protected,' stating that it's an offence under the Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978 to disturb, harass, harm, injure or kill a New Zealand sea lion. Furthermore, a dog owner whose dog attacks a seal could face prosecution.

So, what do you do when you see a Sea Lion?

Minimise disturbance. Stay at least **10m from them, 20m** if you're with your dog (always on lead). Sea lions are confident with humans. **Don't run away from them.** Back off slowly if you're too close, and avoid direct eye contact. They are unlikely to pursue you.

Unlike fur seals, you can walk between a sea lion and the water, unless they're heading to the sea.

Keep an eye out, as a female's fur colour is similar to sand. They might be hidden between dunes.

Move slowly away if you're in the water.

Please report any sightings to the Department of Conservation hotline 0800 DOC HOT (0800 362 468), as it helps the department increase its knowledge of sea lion distribution and movements around New Zealand.



2021 Flooding Brings Quick Community Response

Recent deluges of rain brought much flooding in the Greater Green Island suburbs, creating havoc for drivers and worrying hours for some homeowners in low-lying areas.

But the community spirit rose higher, seeing many residents filling sandbags for at-risk properties and banding together for those in need.

Saddle Hill Community Board chairperson Scott Weatherall said the storm in early January saw at least six Ocean View properties affected by flooding, four of which required sand bags.

“No houses to the best of our knowledge, a number of garages sadly and a couple of cars. One of these always tends to get flooded as it is well below sea level,” Mr Weatherall said

Sections in Waldronville’s Dekota Place were also monitored after a storm water drain at the back of the community flooded. No houses were affected.

Mr Weatherall said the community response was quick, with about 30 volunteers filling sand bags.

“As expected (it was) incredible, this time it was so much easier at Ocean View as we made the call to sandbag earlier and we still had daylight which made things so much easier. Having the pre-filled bags come from town was also a godsend. Thank you to the many volunteers who filled these in at the Dunedin Ice Rink just in case,” he said.

A long-time Brighton resident, Mr Weatherall said he has seen many floods in the area, but a number of factors prevented this being worse.

“Over the past 20 years personally I would have been involved a number of times with similar events. Fortunately this was nowhere near the worst. We were saved, I believe this time, as there was no storm surf running meaning the water at the large storm water outlet at Ocean View could continue to run.

Contractors were also hired to clear the Otokia Creek estuary, which saved the water surges flooding the camp.



Pictured above, residents gather to place sand bags on an Ocean View property



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Monday & Friday 10am—12pm

Saturday 10am to 1pm.

Phone David on 027 261 4414 for more details.

The Shed is located behind St Peter Chanel School.



The Green Island Community Garden is a garden run by the community for the community, where you literally reap what you sow! **Open weekly on Tuesdays 12-2 and Saturdays 10am-12pm.**

If you are interested in being involved give Marion a call on 0212631221 or check us out on Facebook.



Green Island Market Day 2020



Thank you to the Greater Green Island Business Association for providing a fun filled day in the sun once again at the Green Island Market Day. It was full of great community feels, vibrant stalls, talented entertainment and many, many happy faces - not to forget the jolly man in red, Santa.

Green Island Art Group End of Year Report and Function



As with many other organisations around the country, it has been a different year for the art club with Covid 19 interrupting our usual flow of activities. But despite that, members all managed and coped, and some even took advantage to increase their production of art work. Looking back, and when its all put

together you can see what we have achieved. We still put together a number of events and activities, that has occupied the club. In February we displayed our wares in the annual Thieves Alley Market Day, again a successful venture. – snuck in before the lockdown. In July we held our next mid-winter lunch at spitfire restaurant (Old RSA) in Mosgiel. Again everyone seem to enjoy the themselves. In October we held our Art Exhibition in the Meridian – It apparently was our most successful – many paints were sold. November we held our end of year Christmas Lunch at the Spitfire restaurant. Again an enjoyable outing. We have just held our stall in the annual Green Island market day. A little different with no tourists, but the weather held out for the event. So over all, despite the lockdown, we have had good and enjoyable year, and we look forward to extending our collective artistic talents next year. By Lindsay Aitchison.



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Green Island Playgroup

Join us for Green Island Playgroup!

What: to come and meet with other families and whanau in the local Green Island community

When: Thursdays 9.30am – 11am

Where: Coastal Unity Church, 208 Main South Rd, Green Island

Cost: Gold coin donation

Bring: Please bring changing supplies and a snack and drink for your child(ren)

We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information please contact Nikita Choveaux on 027 247 5931 or email nikita.choveaux@plunket.org.nz

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Senior Net Otago 2021

Happy New Year from Senior Net Otago

We are pleased to announce we have new premises at the Dunedin Community Baptist Church, 19 Main Road, Concord.

Our drop in sessions begin 1st Feb

Drop in times:

Mondays 1pm-3pm

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.30am

We are using the Simpson Room, at DCBC.

Cost: \$5

You are invited to hear

Dr Simon McCallum, Senior Lecturer, Wellington/Norway speak on the subject of Computer Gaming.

Date: Tuesday 2nd Feb

Time: 1.45pm

Venue: Otago Bridge Club, 100 Otaki Street, South Dunedin

Our Annual General Meeting

is to be held on Wednesday 10th March in our new premises, time to be set.

Anne Rodger Chairperson Phone: 477 2774



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Email: info@greenergreenisland.nz

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. 03 1725 0121605 00 Westpac

Connecting our community through events, website, newsletter & directory.
Supporting local clubs and groups.
Facilitation of local projects & advocacy for local needs.



The Great Plant Swap
March 20-30, 2021

Every year, in Aotearoa, we celebrate Neighbours Day—and we make a week of it!

And after the year that’s been, we’re continuing to look outside our bubbles —and connect people and communities together more.

And it’s not just about coffee. This year, organisers have introduced a ‘Swap a plant or give a plant theme’

Usually the Greater Green Island Community Network assist community groups to hold neighbourhood events, but in the current Covid-19 environment we are taking a cautious approach. We would like to encourage you to connect with your immediate neighbours with a plant swap, a baking swap or just to swap of phone numbers and email addresses. If you want some more ideas, please check out the Neighbours Day Aotearoa Website or Facebook page: www.neighboursday.org.nz/



The Greater Green Island Community Network would like to remind people of the importance of using the NZ Covid Tracer App. Lets get back in the habit.

If you would like help to download the NZ Covid Tracer App, please give us a call to make a time - Amanda 4257719 (mornings) or Larna 4257720 (afternoons).

We also have some NZ Covid Tracer booklets if you prefer this option.

We have free patterns and material for mask making if you would like to create your own reusable mask at home.

For official information and updates from the New Zealand Government about COVID-19 the website is www.covid19.govt.nz

Or use the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/UniteAgainstCOVID19>

