

IMPORTANT DATES

September

- Father's Day 3rd Sept
- Commercial Tavern Hunting Competition 8th, 9th, 10th Sept
- Bowling Club Annual Book Sale 9th Sept
- Fairfield Craft Market 10th Sept
- Green Island Community Garden Working Bee 16th Sept 10am—1pm
- Bus Service Changes 18th Sept
- StoryMaker Software Training 20th Sept
- Green Island Art Group Meridian Mall Exhibition 21st-24th Sept
- St. Peter Chanel Fair, 23rd Sept
- Election 23rd Sept

Do you want to support the Greater Green Island Community Playground Project? You can buy a brick with your family name on it, purchase some botanical Nutrimetics product or you can make a donation through the give a little page. Please phone 4700814 for more info or find the details on our website.

If you have a story, photo, article for the next edition please email this to amandar@psotago.org.nz

School Production "Out of this World"



Our original school production "Out of this World" was a huge success! Written and directed by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Heron. On the 1st of August at 6:30pm a handful of awesome actors performed their hearts out, including individual classes dancing and singing to a range of different songs. We also had colorful and bright costumes that really stood out from the crowd and we had our very own radical rock band that played in nearly every song. We had tons of practice but it was all worth it especially when we got all positive feedback. So overall our production was AMAZING! By Joseph Nicol, Green Island School.

Green Island Bowling Club

For over 125 years the Green Island Bowling Club has occupied premises at the north end of the main street opposite the present Night and Day to provide a sport to the community of the Green Island area. Our green is behind that big brick facade bordering the pedestrian path. Bowls is a fascinating game that provides a pastime for all ages. Indeed the game is offered to players under the motto 'A Game for a Lifetime' which covers the ages from school age until senior citizens. Many players have taken up the sport to replace the game that they no longer can compete in their older age, like Rugby, Soccer and Netball.

We are an amalgamated club of 40 men and 30 women who compete in weekly interclub games from October to April, in tournaments and in championship events both singly and in team efforts. Our playing green is considered one of the best in the Dunedin and is often used for major events. As well we have many social events throughout the year which are enjoyable and our up-to-date premises are well used.

We also have fund-raising occasions and are soon to have
**Annual Book Sale on Saturday
9th September, 2017 from 10 a.m.**

In conjunction with this we are looking for contributions of books, DVD's, jigsaws etc to offer for sale.

If you would like to know further details of the activities of the club and the Book Sale please contact either Graeme Pryde, President. Ph 488 1542 or Dorothy Burnard, Secretary Ph 477 1270. We would be happy to show you what we have to offer.

SPC School Fair

Come along and check out the best Fair! White Elephant, Tombola, Cakes, Sweets, Cafe, BBQ, Plants, Crafts, Raffles, Music, Books, Clothes, Toys, Chocolate Wheel, Drown the Clown, Candy Floss, Face Painting and Special Area for Under 5's. Motorbikes, Pony Rides & Bouncy Castles. **Where: St Peter Chanel School**
When: September 23rd 11am-2pm.



Bus Service Changes

If you live in Green Island, Abbotsford, Brighton or Concord, you'll notice changes to your bus service shortly – part of route and timetable changes coming for Dunedin bus services on 18 September.



What's changing?

The Concord to Green Island connection has been reinstated; the Brighton – Abbotsford – Green Island service (route 70) will have a new off-peak service running from Green Island to Concord six times a day on weekdays. The first service leaves Green Island at 9.48am, then runs hourly until 2.54pm.

What else is in the works?

All urban bus services, including the Brighton – Abbotsford – Green Island service, will be fitted with bike racks by 18 September. Free Wi-Fi on buses is coming soon. A brand-new ticketing system is coming next year which will help you manage your ticket with online top-ups.

When can I find out more?

You can expect a new bus timetable booklet in your mailbox this week and full details of all routes and timetables will be available on www.orc.govt.nz/buses. If you haven't received a timetable in your mailbox by Friday, 1 September, contact the bus helpline on 03 474 0287.

After School Programme

Oasis Children's After School

Programme runs on Tuesdays during term time at St Mark's Church, corner of Shand & Howden Streets, Green Island from 3 –

4.30pm. Attendance is FREE. Programme includes craft, games, baking, story telling and fun for all primary school age children. For more information phone Catherine on 021 1432974 or Jan on 027 3515171 or just turn up on the day and complete a registration form.



Local Veterans Remembered



Loving Memory



Loving Memory is dedicated to Green Island WWI, WWII, Boer and Vietnam War veterans, who served across the NZ army, navy and air force. Volunteers derived the stories from public and private sources, with many families of veterans contributing stories, photographs and memorabilia.

Loving Memory is available for purchase for \$55, with free delivery in Dunedin. For orders outside of Dunedin, shipping will cost \$8 for up to two copies. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, order forms will be available at the Green Island Community Police Station. Alternatively, a form can be sent to you via email, if you contact arian@psotago.org.nz.

A really wonderful publication. You people who have been involved have done a sterling job. The end result far exceeded my expectations. It was wonderful to show my grandson his great grandfather, who he never knew. Once again thank you for a book that will be treasured for years to come.

G. D. From Green Island and proud of it.

Community Garden Spring Plant



Celebrate spring by planting at the Greater Green Island Community Garden on Saturday 16th Sept 10am Shand street, behind SPC School.

Green Island Vet Clinic



From October 2nd, we welcome back Vicky Armstrong to the practice from maternity leave. We are pleased to announce that Marie Harrington will stay on in a permanent capacity as well. This increased capacity of Veterinary Surgeons at the clinic means greater availability of appointments and less waiting time when you need a vet.

Our 4 Veterinary nurses are experienced and caring and will do everything to ensure your pet's visit is as stress-free as possible. Helena runs a great puppy preschool service. We are 100% focussed on small animals and can provide comprehensive medical and surgical care for your pet. We are well equipped with in house blood testing, digital x-ray, ECG, ultrasound and endoscopic facilities. We are locally owned, locally invested and easy to find!

For professional veterinary care from a great team of 3 Vets, 4 nurses and locum, Jennie Edmonds, call (03)4882690

Green Island Tennis Club

September is the start of the 2017/18 tennis season and on each Saturday, wet or fine the courts and clubhouse at 181 Main South Road, Green Island will be open for registration and enquiries. We are a small club and provide for learners, competitive players and social players. Club racquets are free to borrow for learners and prospective members.

If you would like more information about the club please contact Wayne - cell [0272478148](tel:0272478148) or [4550191](tel:04550191) or email: danagray@es.co.nz



Sunnyvale Community Centre Close To Completion



If you've played or supported cricket or football for or against Green Island in the last 12 months, or have had a game of squash in the Sunnyvale courts you'll have noticed that, after a number of years, the "Stage 3 development" of the Sunnyvale Community Centre is now close to completion. Originally built some 40+ years ago, this 3rd stage was originally planned to be completed back then, so it's been a long time coming and many of our community have commented that it's not only great to see it finally being finished but that what is being provided far exceeded their expectations.

The development includes a new upstairs lounge which provides unrivalled views over the Sunnyvale Park out to Waldronville, Saddle Hill and Chain Hills. New shower, toilet and storage facilities allow the Community Centre to meet the needs of its members, all of which have grown significantly over the past 40 years. Construction has only been possible due to the significant goodwill of our members and the greater Green Island community, both personally and on a professional level. Financial contributions from many residents and businesses, including significant donations from local trusts, plus an amazing amount of goods and time donated personally and by local businesses, now has the facility close to completion. The Community Centre's Board is also now working with a party interested in establishing in the new lounge a café/restaurant style business, and we will soon be communicating with our member clubs and local community to gauge the support for this.

Donations are still being sought to support the completion of the development, including a movable wall between the planned 2 new squash courts, and replacement of the gymnasium floor. Members of our community can still "buy a brick" and businesses "buy a block" to assist us with this. Details can be found at our website www.sunnyvalecommunitycentre.co.nz.

We will also soon be personally contacting all that have already bought a brick/block to provide a project update. Our new lounge furniture is being delivered over the next couple of weeks and we are also excited to be able to offer the option to sponsor a set of the new tables and chairs. As a sponsor, for \$500 +GST, you will be able to have your name engraved on your respective table as a legacy of your contribution. You can contact John Moyle 027 2307779 or john@moyles.co.nz for more information about this.



Thank you again to the many, many individuals and local businesses who have, and continue to, support us with our development. The greater Green Island area has experienced significant growth over the past 10 years with a large increase in housing and the local population, and this has been supported by investment in our area from existing and new businesses. We are confident the Sunnyvale Community Centre will enhance our community and we look forward to hosting many of you in the years to come.

Night Visit at Crackerjax



Matariki has been the focus for our centre over the last few weeks and to celebrate we organised a night visit to Crackerjax. While the caregivers had a hot drink and a chat, the children had the opportunity to explore their play ground after dark. The children got to go on a hunt around different stations with their torches to look for bugs, listen to legends around the fire, play glow in the dark games and a whole lot more! Angela Speck, Director.



Keeping It Real With Fred

Now that its Spring time, my tip is to mark your boat tote tanks with vivid or a permanent marker. Put your drivers licence number on them. If they get stolen or/or handed into the police we can identify who owns them.



Fred Jansen, Senior Community Constable.

Abbotsford School Health Team

Our school Health Team has a small group of year 6-8 students who meet every Wednesday lunchtime. We aim to make our school a better and healthier place. So far this year we have eliminated sugary drink options from the weekly lunch order option, organised a walk and wheels week, built a worm farm and put ideas for parents in the newsletter about healthy snack, lunch and drink options.



In Term 2 Abbotsford School Health Team created a bathtub worm farm for their school.

We created this worm farm so we won't waste our food scraps. Whenever we have scraps we just put them in the scrap bucket for the worms. The worms produce worm tea (wee) and castings (poo). We can use this as fertiliser in our school garden. Below is the Abbotsford School Worm Farm.



Do you like to
**Knit and
natter, craft
and crochet?**

Or perhaps want to learn?

A group of like minded people meet at
Greenlands Cafe and Restaurant,
(old Arthur Daley's),
Main South Road, Green Island,
2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month.

1-3pm

Contact Pip on 0274892558



Election Day—Have Your Say this September 23rd

“WHY SHOULD I VOTE? NOTHING EVER CHANGES ANYWAY”

Fun fact – in 2014 around ONE MILLION eligible kiwis didn't show up when it came time to vote. To put that in perspective, New Zealand's current population is only 4.69 million, and that's in total. So why should you vote? Because your vote and the other 999,999 kiwis who are asking the same question have the power to change the face of our government and the policies they action.



“I'M NOT ENROLLED”/“I THINK MY DETAILS ARE INCORRECT”

There's still time to enroll if you do it ASAP and it's easy as! You can enroll online at <http://www.elections.org.nz/voters/enrol-check-or-update-now/how-enrol> or download the form from <http://www.elections.org.nz/enrolment-form>. You can also visit your local post shop or free text your name and address to 3676 for a form to be sent to you. Lastly, you can contact the electoral commission on 0800 36 76 56.



“I DON'T KNOW WHO TO VOTE FOR”

You always want to vote for the party that will stand for the future you want for New Zealand, but it can sometimes be hard to figure out what parties are fighting FOR when all you hear is them fighting each other. Try out one of these handy online tools to help figure out which party best aligns with your values, simply visit: <https://votecompass.tvnz.co.nz> or www.onthefence.co.nz or www.newzealand.isidewith.com

“WHERE CAN I VOTE?”

The voting venues will be confirmed on the 30th of August, and you can check online (<http://www.elections.org.nz>) or call 0800 36 76 56 to find the one nearest to you. Head there on Saturday September 23rd between 9am and 7pm to cast your vote and make your voice heard.

G.I Welcomes Kitty's Cleaning

We would like to say a big welcome to Kitty's Cleaning Services who are now located on Main South Road. Cathryn Mazer, who has been a Green Island resident for eight years owns Kitty's Cleaning Service and opened the business out of her home, after working in the film industry. Cathryn discovered there was substantial demand for a higher quality cleaning than was offered in the Dunedin market at that time, which led her to incorporate the company in 2012. The business proved to be popular, and having twelve staff, Kitty's Cleaning became too big for the office space in the laundry of her home. Cathryn chose Green Island as it is close to her home, but also because she recognised the growth of the business community and wanted to be a part of it. “With people becoming busier, we recognise that people do not need the extra stress of cleaning. Our cleaners take pride in supporting households with maintaining a clean and tidy environment. All of our staff are police checked and extensively trained in the art of housekeeping”. *Kitty's Cleaning Services Dunedin offers professional cleaning for the home, office or commercial site. Kitty's runs a highly-trained team of professional cleaners and specialist cleaning technicians that all meet our exacting standards in providing an immaculate clean for all our customers. From regularly scheduled daily or weekly cleaning services to the occasional helping hand or top to tail spring clean, Kitty's will make your place sparkle. To schedule a cleaning service or get a Free Assessment simply call Kitty's Cleaning Services on 0800 KITTYS or pop into the office on Main South Road, GI.*



StoryMaker Software Training

Wednesday 20th September 9.00am - 3.00pm

Venue: Simpson Room, Dunedin City Baptist Church
19 Main South Road, Concord, Dunedin

Cost \$65 per person (family members are free)– Trial versions of the software will be available at the training day which will run for 1 month. Annual licences can be purchased—\$15 for a single user for Flashcards and \$22 for StoryMaker. Numbers will be limited to allow for individual support, so register early. **About the software:** This interactive software has been developed to assist students learn to read and write who have significant language delay or are non-verbal and who have failed to make progress with literacy skills. These tools allow you to quickly create customised reading and writing material using photos and video so that students are motivated by personalised books.

The training is for parents, teachers, teacher-aides, support workers and specialist staff. An excellent opportunity for families and professional teams to work together. This training day is relevant for both first time users and those familiar with previous versions of our software.

Register <http://moveaheadsoftware.com/training-days>.

Payment required to complete registration, details on the webpage. For more information or family members contact Helen: helen@geddesoftware.com or phone 0212539321.

Looking forward to sharing this proven effective software

Experience Hair

Now taking bookings for the Green Island market day on the 2nd December 2017.

10am till 1pm, cash only!



GGIC Playground Funding

The Greater Green Island Playground funding is going so well that we have now upgraded playground equipment plans to make it accessible for all. The roundabout and trampoline will be wheelchair and pram accessible, so everyone can enjoy the fun together.

Total funding raised thus far:

- AAW Jones Trust \$10,000
- Alexander McMillan Trust \$10,000
- Bendigo Valley Trust \$20,000
- Z Good in the Hood \$1,260
- Green Island Leos Quiz Night \$1,700
- Queens Birthday Fun Day \$4,000
- Greenlands Quiz Night \$1,042
- Dunedin City Council Contribution \$18,000
- Larson Pharmacy & Postshop \$4,000
- Give a Little Fund \$200
- Nutrimerics Sales thus far (6) \$60
- Brick Sales thus far (18) \$1,300

Total Confirmed to date: **\$71,562**

Thank you for all the community support and local contributions! Please phone Amanda or Leanne on 4700814 if you would like to purchase a brick, have a donation and or can help with fundraising.

Queens Medal Awarded



Ngairi Duke (retired manager of Citizens Advice Bureau Dunedin) received her Queen's Service Medal from the Governor General Her Excellency The Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy at a ceremony which was recently held in Wellington. Well done Ngairi!



Crackerjax children admire the playground. From left to right are: Georgia Gavagan, Hazel Scott, Izac Weir and Nate McEwan.



Quiz Night Fun

The Greater Green Island Community Network would like to thank everyone who supported the Greenland's Quiz Night Fundraiser for the Community Playground on Tuesday 29th August. \$1042 was raised from the quiz entry fee and the raffle ticket sales which is a great achievement. An extra big THANK YOU to Rob Fitzpatrick, Buzz and the Greenland's Team for organising the event, we really do appreciate your support and enthusiasm.

Thank you to all of our sponsors who donated quiz and raffle prizes!!



Jules Haldane, Nutrimetics.



Above: The winning team celebrate at the Quiz.

Left: Watch as the funds grow. CCT woodwork volunteers created this sign for the Memorial Gardens. Thanks.

Right: The photos of how the playground will look onsite.

