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Greater Green Island Informer

February 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

February 2019

- Waitangi Day Public Holiday, 6th Feb
- Steady As You Go begins in Brighton, 7th Feb
- Send your articles, posters and adverts for March Informer by 15th Feb

March 2019

- Otago Anniversary Day Public Holiday, 25th March
- Neighbours Day Aotearoa, 22nd-31st March

Green Island Business Association meetings held each month. Follow the Facebook page to for the first meeting date in 2019.

Green Island Shed open day every Saturday
10am-1pm
Shand Street, GI.

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

Green Island Market Day A Buzz of Fun



The Green Island Market Day took over Main South Rd, before Christmas, boasting another hub of fun, activity and community. Bouncy castles, face painting, stalls and bargains galore kept the crowds enjoying the day out.

A big thank you to Narelle Stewart and the Green Island Business Association for the fantastic organisation of the event. Keep an eye on the Greater Green Island Business Association Facebook page for details about stall bookings for the 2019 Market Day.

More photos on pages 4-5.

Photo on the right: Felix and Thomas enjoyed meeting Santa at the Market Day.



The GGICN is kindly supported by the following organisations:



Green Island Art Group

Members of our group enjoyed an end of year luncheon at the Village Green Cafe & Bar at Sunnyvale late in November. As this was the fortieth year that the Green Island Art Group has been operating it was felt appropriate to recognise the work that some of our members have done. Life Membership badges were designed and awarded to Juliet Ickringill, Shona Brown and Yvonne Johnston in acknowledgment of their contribution to the group.

Pat Hunter became a Life Member before 2012 and she was also given a Life Membership badge.

Our final day for 2018 was celebrated with a Christmas morning tea and Secret Santa gifts were distributed by Santa Bruce Cromb and his able Christmas assistant Maria La Rooy. Group photographs were also taken by Lindsay Aitchison.

To celebrate the group's forty years it is planned to contact ex-members and organise a get-together early in 2019. This will also be the occasion to launch a book on the history of the group which has been researched by Mona Cromb. If you know of ex-members who would be interested in attending please contact Mona with contact details – phone 488.1465.



Photograph by Lindsay Aitchison (left to right)

Juliet Ickringill, Shona Brown, Jack Coker (President), Pat Hunter & Yvonne Johnston

Promoting Your Business Locally

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. Email Sasha Turner, greatergreenislandcommunity@gmail.com for more info.

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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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Community Worker Amanda Reid

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Taking Pre-School Learning To A Sandy Level

If you think pre-school education is molded into playdough shapes, with a dazzle of dress-ups and a splash of confined water play, then you haven't heard of Brighton's Little Rock Preschool.

Operating next to Big Rock Primary School, the pre-school is making a name for itself, with its outdoor adventure program for its 4 year old's.

Taking advantage of Brighton Beach, and the estuary, the preschool launched the program last year with teacher Andrea Brown heading the inspiration. "This program is very unique and rewarding with many benefits including, learning outside the preschool, social interactions and language enrichment, development of confidence and self esteem. It builds resilience and encourages risk taking, problem solving," Ms Brown said. Kaiako (teachers) encouraged and promoted safety around water and the sun while also allowing children an unstructured, unhurried place to learn, discover and grow, she said. "Children excitedly go home and tell stories of their beach adventures and they love coming to preschool in their wetsuits."



Above: Sand between the toes poses no problem for these Little Rock Preschool children.

Green Island Medical Centre Late Night Opening

A very happy new year to everyone, we hope you had a great time with family and friends.

As from the 12th February 2019 we will be implementing an extra late night clinic with Doctor Wan Salim and a Nurse which will run until 7pm. We will continue our usual Thursday Night Doctor/Nurse clinics with Niranjana Sharma till 7pm. All clinics are by appointment only.

Reminder- Patients aged between 65-80 years are entitled to a Free Shingles Vaccine. Call in or telephone the Medical Centre to find out more information.

**We will be closed
Wednesday 6th February
2019 for Waitangi Day.**



Right: The winner of our "Guess the Jellybeans in the Jar" supporting Men's Health, at the Green Island Market Day, was Melanie Porteous.



The Green Island Community Gardeners and Green Island Shed members celebrated the year 2018, with a BBQ together in mid December. The two groups are situated behind St Peter Chanel School on Shand Street. The community garden is open on Tuesdays 1-3pm and Saturdays 10-12pm. The Green Island Shed is open on Saturdays 10-1pm. If you are interested in joining either group, please call 4700814.



Green Island Market Day 1 December 2018 - A Bright



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Registrations for the Green Island Junior Football Club 2019 season are now open.

Find more information on the club through the:

Facebook page: Green Island Junior Football Club (search @GIJFC to find it easily)

Website: www.giafc.co.nz

Or email: gijfcinfo@gmail.com

Sunnyvale Park, Green Island



Steady As You Go Brighton, Age Concern

Steady As You Go improves Balance, Leg Strength, Flexibility, Mobility, Coordination, Spatial Awareness, General Fitness, Wellbeing, Social Connection.

Brighton Hall

Taylor Street

10.30am Thursdays

Starting—7th Feb 2019

\$3 per class

Register Now

For enquiries and bookings please contact:

Margaret Dando QSM,

Age Concern Otago

Phone 4793052

Email: margaret@ageconcernotago.co.nz

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Time to Celebrate Neighbours

March 22 - 31 2019

Why not get involved? Here are four ideas on how you can participate:

1. **Picnic potluck:** Why not organise a potluck get together in your building or local park? Simply let people know when and where, and get people to bring a plate to share. Easy as. You can use the invites (on the right) for your event. If you need more, contact Amanda on 4700814 or download them from the Neighbours day website—Resources page.
2. **Random Acts of Kindness:** Do something nice for your neighbour, just because you can! It could be leaving a post-it note on their apartment door telling them something you appreciate about them, mowing their berm, or bringing in their rubbish bin. Let your neighbours know you care by doing a small random act of kindness.
3. **Share a sweet treat:** Getting to know your neighbours is a piece of cake!
4. **Introduce yourself:** Simply wave and say hello next time you pass your neighbour on the street, or head over and knock on their door to introduce yourself. If your neighbour speaks another language, greet them in that language.

If you need some guidance on how to hold an event the Greater Green Island Community Network is happy help out. Call 4700814 to talk through your ideas with the Community Worker. We have some resources you can borrow, such as trestle tables, a BBQ, bubble wands and face paint. You can also apply to the DCC for funding via the “Neighbourhood Matching Grant” (see DCC’s website).

www.neighboursday.org.nz



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