

Greater Green Island Informer February 2020

Green Island Market Day—A Growing Attraction



Sunny skies burst through for last year's Green Island Market Day, as numbers increased for the popular street event.

Music, school performances, stalls and entertainment for the children—once again, the day proved to be a huge success for visitors and stall holders alike.

Event organiser, Narelle Stewart said she was thrilled with the day, after many months of planning with the Green Island Business Association.

"Market day is always such a positive event. We have been so fortunate to have beautiful weather. It has grown to be a real community get together so it's wonderful to see people spend time and stay to enjoy entertainment and activities, as well as checking out the wonderful variety of stalls," Ms Stewart said.

Many people were involved in the event organisation.

"There are a lot of people I would love to thank for their hard work, and almost all of this is done by volunteers— the GGIBA and GGICN for their support, ideas and organising all the details to make everything come together. Meditrain & Civil Defence for being available on the day, for the great job Fulton Hogan did with the road closure and keeping everything safe and flowing during the event," Ms Stewart said.

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IMPORTANT DATES

February

- Waitangi Day Public Holiday, 6th Feb
- Send your articles, posters and adverts for March Informer by 15th Feb

March

- Otago Anniversary Day Public Holiday, 25th March
- Neighbours Day Aotearoa, 27th March – 5th March

Green Island Shed

Open Every Saturday

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as well as \$297.90 given in our collection tins.

Thank you for your support!



slushy or fizzy slushy when one of equal or greater value is purchased, OR valid for one free regular chips with the purchase of any unwrapped pie. Offer only available at Night 'n Day Green Island until 31/12/20.



Next Meeting: March 2020 Date and Venue to be confirmed. No need to RSVP, just come along if you are interested.

Become a member of the Green Island Business Association, and develop your network 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, Contact Larna on 4700814

Otago Vintage Car Club : Brighton Run

Spectators dotted the drive from Green Island to the Brighton Domain recently, as the Otago Vintage Car Club enjoyed its annual run from the city.

The day was a success, said Club chairperson Nicola Wilkinson, with 38 cars participating in the drive. There was only one break down.

The winner (pictured below) was the youngest entrant Ryan Boult, in the Field Tests 1913 Overland.

Well done to all drivers, and thank you for showcasing your motor gems for all to see.





Happy New Year!

We are lucky enough to be close to some amazing beaches in our area, and with the warmer weather, comes

increased traffic on our roads. Please be patient. Don't speed, and definitely don't tailgate. If you experience aggressive drivers, pull over safely and ring *555. Too many accidents happen on our roads - let's try and make 2020 a year of no casualties.

Fairfield Group Fitness



Express (30 min) fitness training sessions with lots of variety and fun in a relaxed environment.

When: 6.15-6.45am Tuesday and Thursday.

Starts: Tues 15th Oct

Where: Fairfield School Hall

Cost: \$3 per session (Drop-in pay-as-you-go entry).

Bring: Yoga mat, water bottle and friend. Fairfield Group Fitness is a non-profit communityfocused initiative. Locals for locals, doin' it for the love

of it! Everyone (13yo+) is welcome anytime!

Just do it! Come along, get active and feel great with an awesome bunch of people this spring and summer! See you there, Chris

For session info, other pop-up events and wellbeing tips follow Fairfield Group Fitness on:

Facebook: Fairfield Group Fitness
<u>https://m.facebook.com/FairfieldGroupFitness/</u>

Congratulations to Community Worker Amanda Reid, and her family, on the arrival of Bronte Ruby Grace Reid in December.

Enjoy your maternity leave with your precious baby girl.



Community Constable, Fred Jansen

Friendship Group Attracts Interest

A group of close friends who grew up in Green Island and Abbotsford from 1948, have built a reputation for hosting popular reunions and events.

One of the group organisers, Yvonne Reid, who is organising a function in March, said the group has been hosting informal meetings since 1996, and has been attracting interest from new people wanting to join.

Ms Reid, who now lives in Caversham, said she has many fond memories of living in Green Island.

"We grew up in such a wonderful community. In our day, it was a real community. People looked after each other really well," Ms Reid said.

Details for the next event Green Island Rugby Club Rooms

Sunday, 15th March, from 2pm onwards.

Please contact Yvonne Reid on 03 455 6056 or 027 681 8646 to register interest. Cost: \$5.

Looking for older adults interested in participating in a study on exercise and cognition.

The study consists of two 45 min sessions at Otago University.

Reimbursement of \$20 on completion of each visit.

Study begins on 21st February.

For more information, please email Jordan at exercisecognition365@gmail.com





The Greater Green Island Community Network is a registered charitable organisation. To find out more about our projects in the community, please visit www.greatergreenisland.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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Readership: 2190 approximately (via email, Facebook, website, school newsletter links and printed versions)

Articles are free for events, community groups and clubs that are not for profit in the Greater Green Island Suburbs. Please email your articles and stories in Word documents and images/posters in JPEG files. Advertising can be purchased by contacting Sasha Turner via email greatergreenislandcommunity@gmail.com.

Safety in the Water Tips from Brighton Surf Club

Sunny days in summer mean many flock to the beach, enjoying a leisurely pace and the thrill of the surf. Fortunately for Greater Green Island residents, we have the added bonus of the Brighton Surf Club to watch over the waters, but water safety is everyone's responsibility.

Club school beach education instructor, Gabby Trotter, shares some tips for keeping safe at the beach.

- Swim between the flags and choose a lifeguarded beach
- If you get stuck in a rip remember the 3 R's. Relax and float, raise your hand and ride the rip
- If you see someone in trouble, call 111, and ask for police.
- Inflatable toys are not appropriate for the beach, they can get you in serious trouble



BRIGHTON SURF CLUB PATROL TIMES

From Labour weekend until mid-March our Volunteer Surf Lifeguards patrol the beach on weekends and public holidays from 12 noon – 5.00pm. Our Regional Guard Team will be on duty during the primary school holidays from Monday 19th December to Friday 27th January and their patrol hours are 11.00am -7.00pm.

For more information, please call (03) 481 1724.

Help needed for the Emergency Defence Community Response Plan

The Greater Green Island Community Network is working alongside the Saddle Hill Community Board and Otago Civil Defence to create an Emergency Defence Community Response Plan (for Abbotsford, Burnside, Concord and Green Island). As part of this plan, we would like to develop a Community Asset List—to identify skills and resources in our community that may be needed in an event of an emergency. We are inviting individuals and organisations, who wish to be of assistance in such a civil



emergency to be placed on a confidential list of personal/organisations that many be called upon to render their services in such an emergency.

The following is a list of personal (living or working in our community) required:

Medical Doctors, nurses, paramedics, midwifes, dentists, physios, vets, pharmacists

Security Police, security personal

Communication Computer technicians, radio operators, walkie talkie radios

Community Support Teachers, Children minders, Neighbourhood Support *Equipment/service organisations required* Automatic external defibrillators, First Aid kits, generators, water tankers

Transport Vehicles Buses, taxies, trucks, heavy excavation equipment

Vulnerable People If you live alone, use oxygen or require special support services and would to volunteer your name to be on a "vulnerable people list" please feel free to give us your contact details.

Or if you have any other skills or resources that you could offer in an emergency, please email Brenda brenda@novex.net.nz or phone 0211 255 322. Your information will be stored confidentially in a document held at the Green Island Police Station by the Greater Green Island Community Network Charitable Trust.



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 Larna 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).











