

IMPORTANT DATES

March

- Emerson Street mural tender closes, 6th March.
- Green Island
 Community Garden
 Sustainable Living
 Workshop, 7th March.
- Otago Anniversary Day, 25th March.
- Neighbours Day
 Aotearoa, 27th March
 –April 5th.

April

- Good Friday, 10th April. Easter Sunday, 12th April. Easter Monday, 13th April.
- Earth Day, 22nd April.
- Anzac Day, 27th April.

Green Island Shed

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10am—1pm

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Green Island Community Garden Working Bees

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Saturdays 10am-12pm

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Greater Green Island Informer March 2020

Putting on a Show: Brighton's Gala Day









Over 12,000 people attended Brighton's biggest day on its event calendar, recently, enjoying one of the better summer days of the season.

Organiser Colin Weatherall said the Gala Day went very well, with nearly \$8,000 of donations raised for the Brighton Surf Club. There were about 170 stalls, with entertainment areas and rides available.

"This year we changed the layout a little. There was a bit more green space for people to mix and mingle. We try to ensure there's plenty of variety," Mr Weatherall said.

The crowd was "excellent, with no issues at all," he said.

Next year's event will be the 25th Gala Day, so the team would be thinking about what they can do to highlight the occasion, he said.

Thanks to the DCC, Bendigo Trust and the Community Lottery for funding this event.

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Next Meeting:

8-9am, Tuesday 24th March 2020

Post Café, Main South Rd

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GGICN's News in Brief



Keep Dunedin Beautiful, DCC and Greater Green Island Community Network are looking for local artists to design a mural for the Emerson Street Playground in Concord.

This is a popular playground, which needs a huge injection of colour and personality on the toilet block.

We encourage as many applicants as possible.

The deadline for design quotes is Friday, 6th March. Please contact us on 470 0814 for more information.

Let's make this happen!

GGICN's New Community Support Worker

Introducing Larna
McCarthy, Greater Green
Island Community
Network's new community
worker. Larna is filling in for
Amanda Reid who is
currently on maternity
leave.



A Fairfield resident, Larna brings a bubbly and

welcoming personality to the office.

"The best part of my job is getting to know the locals better. I'm supported by a fantastic team who have made me feel nothing but welcomed. I look forward to the first lot of events in March that I am helping the community organise, such as the Composting and Sustainability Workshop, and both the Concord and Waldronville Neighbours Day," Larna said.

One of the things that Larna loves about the area is that the "locals are friendly, look out for each other and support each other through tough times."



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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198 Main South Rd

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Community Worker Larna McCarthy

P 470 0814

Articles are free for community groups and clubs (not for profit) and events in the Greater Green Island Suburbs. Please email your articles and stories in Word documents and images/posters in JPEG files. Alternatively you can contact Sasha or Larna to help you write a story, please phone 4700814. Advertising can be purchased by contacting Sasha Turner via email.

MASTERS GAMES SUCCESS



Congratulations to Nathan Jacquiry, Marco Kleinlangeveloo, Yuki Wanatanbe, and Ocean View resident Vanessa Clark, on winning a gold medal at the Masters Volleyball Games recently.

The event took place at Brighton Beach on Saturday, 5th February.

The team won its medal for their efforts in the mixed fours.



A message from your friendly Community Policeman, Fred Jansen.

Please be vigilant and remember to lock windows and cars.

Unfortunately, there's been a slight surge in dishonesty crime in the area.

Also, please be mindful of your speed when driving. Be aware of school zones and reducing your speed.

A crash is only going to make you later, and add more stress. It's simply not worth it.

Take care, be safe and think of others this month.

Local Barber Farewell

The Green Island business community and loyal customers said goodbye to one of its long-standing shop owners last month.

Barber Denis Sparrow retired on February 14th, after 26 years in his barber shop.

Mr. Sparrow said he had received many visits from people to wish him well.

"It's a bit sad actually. [I will miss] the fun and the laughter that I had in here, and the loyal customers," Mr. Sparrow said.

The former Sunnyvale and Waldronville resident said he had no definite plans for retirement. With a son in

Auckland, Mr. Sparrow and his wife, Pat, hoped to travel there and watch their grandson race go-karts.

Mr. Sparrow said he had enjoyed his business in Green Island.

"It's a really good wee community. They are very loyal people, Green Island people."

Mr. Sparrow's shop has been bought by barber Jarrod Stewart.



PS. Greater Green Island Community wishes Denis a happy and enjoyable retirement.

SENIOR NET OTAGO Inc

We teach technology to over 50s and need helpers to sit beside a member while they learn to use their smartphone or tablet. A basic level of skill is required with information shared in a relaxed friendly way. Our Drop in sessions, when members can attend with any problems they are having, are run on Monday afternoons 1-3pm, commencing on 3rd February.

If you can spare 2 hours a week, please contact:

Valerie Steele on 03 455 7380





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We are a Full Primary Kura Kaupapa however this year will be applying for Wharekura status to cater for the 7 High School students we have here. We have 3 classrooms in our Kura Teina (jnr School) and 1 in our Kura Poutama (High School). We started this year with a full range of new staff who are pictured below with their akomanga (classrooms).

Principal: Marcia Cassidy

378 Main South Road, Fairfield.

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A BIG thank you for the members of the Community Care Trust for cleaning off graffiti from the Runciman St tunnel, but also for the many other tasks that they help with in the local community.

Well done guys!!

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Community Garden News

It's harvest time at one of the best gardens in Green Island.

The Green Island Community Garden team will be digging up buckets of the speciality potato, Urenika, on March 7th. These will be available for sale, with proceeds going back to the garden.

Garden co-ordinator Marion Thomas, who established the garden five years ago, said new members were welcome to join and help maintain the garden.

"[I love] the fact that everyone is working and we can share a love of gardening. It's incredibly therapeutic," Ms Thomas said.

It was an extra bonus that gardeners could enjoy fruit and vegetables from the garden.

"In a nutshell, it's about being outside in the fresh air and taking home produce that hasn't been sprayed with chemicals."

Harvesting is possible within community garden hours.

The Community Garden is located at the end of Shand St, Green Island, and welcomes new members.

Drop in on Tuesdays, 12 - 2pm or Saturdays, 10am - 12pm, or call Marion Thomas on 021 263 1221 for more information.



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 the 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.

Want to learn a new skill, or make new friends whilst working on a project?

The Green Island Shed is the perfect place, offering a workshop to mentor wood working, tool handling and construction.



Monday, Friday 10am—12pm, and Saturday 10am to 1pm. Phone David on 027 261 4414 for more details.

The Shed is located behind St Peter Chanel School.

Our Tamariki

Wild Dunedin Festival 17 - 23 April

There's a lot happening during this year's Wild Dunedin Festival with events for all ages during the April school holidays. This year there's a focus on rewilding.

Orokonui Ecosanctuary is holding a Walk for Wildlife, and on Earth Day you can explore the Ecosanctuary for a heavily reduced entrance fee.

There will be a reading from a children's book author/ illustrator at Mosgiel Library followed by an art workshop for school aged children.

The Halo Project is running a Landowners Field Trip in the West Harbour area to show you how to fund and implement a biodiversity rich reforestation plan for your property.

Larnach Castle is running a Native Plant Detective activity throughout the school holidays, with prizes, and free entry for children. The Royal Albatross Centre is putting on express tours at a bargain price, Blue Penguins Pukekura will have excellent family deals, and Penguin Place and Monarch Wildlife Cruises are offering discounts for their tours. This is a great time to visit these local wildlife attractions, when tourism is winding down.

Many other wild activities will be available at Otago Peninsula, Sinclair Wetland, Otago Museum, Toitū, Tomahawk Lagoon, Ribbonwood Nursery, NHNZ, Dunedin Public Library and the Art Gallery. And special guest Suzy Cato and local musicians will be celebrating nature through music and song.

For all Festival information, and to become a friend and have early access to the online programme and preferential bookings, visit www.wilddunedin.nz. And you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.





Congratulations to Emma Egan, of Brighton, who won the lolly jar from the Greater Green Island Community Network stall at the Brighton Gala Day.

Emma guessed there were 311 lollies in the jar. There were 314.



If you have a story, photo or article for the next edition please email this to greatergreenislandcommunity@gmail.com by the 15th of the month. If you would like to receive this newsletter via your email please go to www.greatergreenisland.nz, scroll to the bottom of the homepage and sign up. Alternatively you can read the newsletter online via our website www.greatergreenisland.nz.



Food trucks, free bouncy castle and activities to celebrate Waldronville

Where: Island Park Golf Club, 336 Brighton Road

When: Friday 27 March, 5pm-7pm

Contact: Larna on 4700814 or larnam@psotago.org.nz

Picnic food or money to purchase food from Please Bring: the food trucks. One free soft drink for kids on

entry (limit 200)

www.neighboursday.org.nz



















Abbotsford Women's Institute.

Meets on the 4th thursday of the month in Green Island. Evenings in the summer and lunch time over winter.

We have a craft group from June to August who get together weekly to learn new crafts. A coffee group who meets once a month. Plus competition days with other WI groups. Lunch out. To name a few. If you are looking to make new friends, have a laugh and some fun. Contact Jo Kilgour 4879045 joanne_kilgour@yahoo.com Check out our facebook page or the NZ WI pages.



FREE bouncy castles, activities, Pippity Pop Balloon Art & face painting by DCBC. Fundraising bake sale for Concord Kindergarten and BBQ for Concord School

Where: Emerson Street Playground & Sports Field, Concord

When: Sunday 29 March, 1pm-3pm

Contact: Larna on 4700814 or larnam@psotago.org.nz

Your sun hats, water bottles, picnic blanket Please Bring:

and money for fundraisers

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