



Community News

Autumn 2017

Coming soon



Artist rendering of the new QEII Recreation and Sport Centre (February 2017)

Work began on 17 January 2017, creating the eagerly awaited 4573 square metre facility which will return swimming and fitness amenities to QEII Park. The new centre is expected to open in mid-2018.

The new centre includes leisure and training pools, a hydroslide, an aquatic adventure playground, a steam room, sauna, fitness centre, and café. It is scheduled to open in the middle of next year. The project will cost \$37.7 million and is being funded largely by Christchurch City Council. The Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust has made a generous donation of \$7.47 million for water attractions.

“The new QEII Recreation and Sport Centre will be an outstanding asset which will see the return of swimming and fitness amenities to QEII Park,” said Mayor Lianne Dalziel.



This Community Newsletter is published quarterly by the Dallington Residents' Association, with the help of the Shirley Service Centre. Contributions and queries should be forwarded to the secretary:

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Dallington Residents' Association AGM

Tuesday 9 May at 7.00pm at Trade Aid at 174 Gayhurst Road
Everyone welcome

The committee is seeking new members and officers so please consider joining and having a say in the development of your local community

Dallington Walking Group

Come along, stretch your legs and meet a friendly bunch of people. The Dallington Walking Group meets every Monday morning at 10.00am (except Public Holidays) for a walk around the suburb.

On the first Monday of each month there is an extended walk somewhere around the city - meeting at 9.45am. Dates and locations for extended walks are on display in the window of the Community Craft Shop.

After each walk there is a cuppa and time for a chat at the Community Shop. A small donation is appreciated.

Walks leave from the Community Shop Craft on the corner of McBratneys and Gayhurst Road. For more information contact Carol 385 1573 or Kathy 389 6066.

The Mother of All Clean Ups Saturday, 13 May

On the eve of Mother's Day the Christchurch community has the opportunity to give something to Mother Nature; cleaning up her rivers and Estuary. The event is jointly organised by Avon-Otakaro Network, the Opawaho Heathcote River Network, the Avon-Heathcote Estuary Ihutai Trust and City Care.

In 2016, close to 1,300 people collected just over 20 Tonnes of rubbish from the banks of the Avon and Heathcote Rivers and the edge of the Estuary.

To register your participation for 2017 contact the co-ordinator on email info@estuary.org.nz

Proposed new lake in the East

East Lake Trust have recently released an indicative design for a proposed Flat Water Facility utilising a part of the red zone flat land in the East. The new design seeks to put the "Wainoni back in Wainoni" by restoring the Avon River, with its original bend in the river around the back of Porritt Park. This has the advantage of allowing the lake to join up to the existing Kerrs Reach rowing sheds and at the same time remaining separate from the Avon River.

The new lake will be filled from water supplied by aquifers and will therefore be a fresh water swimmable lake.

East Lake Trust chair David Goodman says "trustees are thrilled with the new design", and after several years of hard work, "the trust feels they are now on the home straight" with Regenerate Christchurch looking to "release consultation documents and draft Regenerate Plans in September 2017". The East Lake Trust goal is to ensure that a full sized lake and amenities are in the plan, and are co-operating with Regenerate Christchurch on pre-feasibility.

Regenerate Christchurch is primarily responsible for pre-feasibility for the various projects submitted for the regeneration of the red zone and must remain independent looking at all options. From East Lake's perspective the only workable option is a full sized lake that can hold events for canoeing, waka ama, rowing, dragon boating and triathlons. In addition Goodman notes "that a full size lake will be required for capacity and safety reasons as there is a chronic shortage of training facilities for flat water sports in Christchurch".

The facility will be part of a *City to the Sea*, walk and cycle way running from the city through to New Brighton. The lake will occupy less than 15% of the red zone flat land which totals approximately 530 hectares.

Goodman notes that "there is plenty of room for all proposed projects and significant greening of the red zone".

Goodman says that the key question that Regenerate Christchurch is asking; "What is the best use for the red zone

land for the benefit of greater Christchurch".

The Trust believes that the proposed lake will not only bring considerable benefits to Christchurch by improving the amenity value of the East but also providing a world class flat water facility which will benefit flat water sports for the whole of New Zealand. There will also be significant tourism and other economic benefits from the thousands of visitors that will be attracted to enjoy national and international flat water competitions.

For further information contact David Goodman on 027 7878785.



Bus Route Review

Representatives of the Residents' Association recently

submitted a proposal to ECAN to review the Bus Route 44. Currently this runs from Dallington via the Palms Mall then via Shirley Rd, Emmett St, Briggs Rd and Innes Rd to Mairehau then down Kensington Ave, Westminster St, Flockton St, Warrington St and Barbadoes St to the City Interchange and to the ARA College.

The proposal is to convert the route to an inner orbiter style of bus service so that Gayhurst Rd, Gloucester St, Armagh St and other streets that lost their bus services in the 2012 and 2014 Metro Review have them restored.

Since the 2012 and 2014 Bus Route Reviews ECAN has been steadily losing passenger numbers! There used to be 42 bus routes operating at 31 Dec 2010, 36 at 31 Dec 2012 and 28 at 31 Dec 2014. This 33% reduction in bus routes means that people are returning to their cars to get about. ECAN needs to encourage people use the bus and this, we believe, would be a very good way to provide a direct connection to the City Interchange for Dallington residents as well as having a smaller but operational ring route system running in the city.

If you have any comments please send them via our website www.dallington.co.nz using our CONTACTS US page.

From the CCC

Extracts from Coastal/Burwood Community Fortnightly Update

Regenerate Christchurch Community Day

Everyone in Christchurch is invited to help shape the future at the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Community Day.

This year will see a plan prepared for the regeneration of former red zone land from Avonside to Bexley and Richmond to New Brighton, says Regenerate Christchurch's Chief Executive Ivan Iafeta.

"Come and help shape the largest regeneration opportunity in New Zealand's history. We're inviting everyone to journey through an interactive experience to learn about the land and river, and then share their thoughts on how this area could shape an exciting future for Christchurch."

The Community Day is on Saturday 25 March from 10.00 am to 3.00pm at Haeata Community Campus, 240 Breezes Rd, Wainoni.

Child Matters and Community Networks Aotearoa Seminars

Child Matters and Community Networks Aotearoa have been contracted by MSD to provide a series of seminars around the country. The seminars are about maintaining the safety of children in your organisation:

- ♦ What organisations need in their policies regarding safety of children regardless of whether that is their core work or not.
- ♦ How organisations cover this off in their policies, and who these policies should cover.
- ♦ What sort of checks and procedures organisations need to undertake when recruiting volunteers, (irrespective of their work in communities.)
- ♦ And, at the end, some core training for volunteers on how to tell if there is some issue, what to do about it, and who to talk to.

Even if your organisation does not specifically provide children's services, these seminars are essential because of the Government focus on safety of children, the Better Public Service targets and simply to ensure professionalism and best practice in all organisations.

Date: Monday 22 May
Time: 2.00 pm
Location: Christchurch Community House, 301 Tuam Street

Healthy Christchurch Lunchtime Seminar Series

The Healthy Christchurch lunchtime series for 2017 at Community and Public Health, 310 Manchester Street have the following seminars lined up:

Thursday 30 March: Human Rights Commission – Red Zone Report

Wednesday 12 April: CDHB & CCC – Alcohol Harm Minimisation Activity

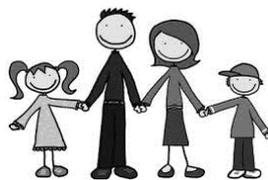
Tuesday 2 May: MBIE Urban Performance

The seminars run from 12.15 pm to 1.15pm.

Parenting Week is coming 21 -31 August

What would your families like in your part of town? Would your organisation like to run a seminar or event or host a speaker we've organised?

Neighbourhood Trust is co-ordinating the week. They are there to support you with FREE publicity, admin, ticketing, attendance lists, signage, contributions for a sausage sizzle or face painting for an expo.



Parenting Week 2015 saw over 1,600 people attend a variety of seminars and workshops on various facets of parenting – such as dealing with difficult behaviour, teens, parenting children with special needs, cyber-safety, family cooking and budgeting.

Talk to Neighbourhood Trust NOW (please) as they need to finalise the

programme early April to get 1000s of brochures, corflutes, flyers etc printed and distributed. Let us know if you want to go on the emailing list to keep you up-to-date. If you'd like to be part of a core planning team, they would love to have you on-board.

Contact Lee Arthur
Mob: 021 0242 2492
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www.nht.org.nz

Funding Opportunities

Council are currently reviewing and preparing our funding programme for 2017-18. At this stage we anticipate that the opening date for applications for our annual funding schemes will be early April which is similar to last year.

The exact dates of opening will be advertised the Community Funding Team and advised via our CCC website <https://www.ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding> by early March.

Christchurch City Council Funding – The Discretionary Response Fund

To assist community groups where their project funding request falls outside other Council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations.

For further information please visit: www.ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding/discretionary-response-fund

Christchurch City Council Funding - Youth Development Fund

Each year the Council's Community Boards set aside an amount of money to fund young people in their local community. Under this scheme, the Community Boards will consider applications for a variety of activities i.e. Education studies, Cultural studies, Representation at events, Recreation development and Capacity building.

For further information please visit: www.ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding/youth-development-fund

DALLINGTON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Dallington Community Craft Shop is located in the block of shops on the corner of McBratneys and Gayhurst Roads, open between the hours of 10.30am and 3.30pm each weekday.

Call in and see us, stop and chat and have a cup of tea. There are lots of lovely things to choose from including hand-knitted garments and hand-made wooden toys, books and plants, and home-made muesli bars.

For more information contact one of the trustees:

- Wendy Bruning - 385 8824
Lois Daly - 980 5114
Diane Percy - 366 9491
Mary Tamplin - 385 1044
Linda Stewart - 310 6410
or 027 405 3257

Otakaro Park Scout Group

The scout den in Halberg Street is the venue for the following scouting activities:

- Keas (Years 1-3) Wed. 6.15-7.15 pm
Cubs (Year 4-6) Thurs. 6.30-8.00 pm
Scouts (Year 7-10) Mon. 7.00-9.00 pm
Ventures' (Yr 11-13) Tue 7.00-9.00pm



New members are always welcome

For more details call Angela Smith-Williams, 388 3247, 0211683171, or otakaroparkscoutgroup@gmail.com
Facebook: dallingtonscoutgroup

Art Classes are now held at the Brighton Gallery on a Thursday afternoon. You are welcome to come along. The number for the Brighton Gallery is 382-0045.

Burwood Playcentre

241 New Brighton Road - phone 385-4378. Open week days from 9.15am-12.15pm for children 0-6 years. 20 Free ECE hours are available. Enquiries to Tracey 021 193 2084

OSCAR: an out-of-school care and recreation programme for five to 13 year olds is held at Banks Avenue Primary School. If interested, please telephone Sophie on 027 438 2604

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