CHARTERIS BAY YACHT CLUB – 75 YEARS OLD

On the weekend of 25-26 January, Charteris Bay Yacht Club members past and present gathered to celebrate 75 years of sailing memories.

Paul Pritchett, long standing Charteris Bay stalwart and chief organiser of the event, shared some of the Club’s history with us...

Yes, on January 21 1939, four local bach owners met at Gerald Anderson’s place at Paradise Bay to consider the formation of a yacht club on their side of Lyttelton Harbour. The community response was instant and the following Saturday, January 28, Charteris Bay Yacht Club officially opened and the next day the first race under the club’s banner was sailed.

Inaugural and early members included Gerald and Alex Anderson, Harold Stuart, James Drewitt, Keith Brown, Elliot Sinclair, Hector and Ian Currie, Oliver Hunter, Hazel Mackey and Charles Luney, many of whom were represented 75 years later by descendants pictured below with a number of longstanding members.

Over the years, there have been many highlights, the first being the building of the Clubhouse in its present position. This happened over only a couple months in 1946 and was referred to as the Club Shed as its original planned dimensions were 30x40 feet but by the completion date, on November 23, this had grown to the present main hall size. For many years the building was referred to as the Club Pavilion as was the custom in those days.

Left: Inside the clubhouse, hundreds of photos grace the walls and the entire wooden ceiling of the club house displays a very special and ever-growing list of members over the years.

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It wasn’t until 1958 that the club had its purpose built rescue boat Te Wharau. Its launch day was quite a milestone as rescues prior to this were carried out by a roster of club members who owned motor boats.

Early classes were mainly Idle Along, Takapuna, the occasional X Class and P’s. In the mid 50’s we saw our very own class the Charteris Bay Skimmer being introduced. Then came Junior Cherubs, Zephyrs, Finns, Paper Tigers, Flying Fifteen, Laser and Phase II as the main senior and intermediate classes. There have always been P Class and at one stage a fleet of Flying Ants complemented the junior classes. Since its introduction in the 60’s, the Starling has been with us as a step up from Optimist or P Class.

Club members will remember the introduction of the Optimist to NZ. – Charteris Bay was the driving force behind their rapid spread in the late 70’s. There were many camps hosted by the club after the Optis took on; Orton Bradley and Quail Island being favourite venues. The format of these camps was adopted by the NZYF (now Yachting NZ).

In the late 80’s we saw the introduction of the Mini 12’s – later known as the International 2.4’s – the first club to cater for disabled sailors. Over the years we have had a sprinkling of other classes such as Kitty Cats, A Class, Shearwater, – assorted Trailer Yachts, Javelin, Contender, 3.7, 470, 420, Moth, Rathmans (Phoenix) Flying Dutchman and a few I have forgotten. Over the years the club has hosted a number of National Contests starting with the Tanner and Tauranga Cups in 1959 – Finns, Flying Fifteen, Zephyr, Phoenix, Flying Ant, to name a few – the Flying Fifteen being the most regular at 9 or 10.

On Saturday morning, Commodore Nigel Soper (right) welcomed the large crowd, before the oldest member present, Barry Stuart, (left) unveiled the commemorative plaque with assistance from representatives of the following three generations of his family.

After lunch there was time for photos, and relaxing with old friends.

The Flying Fifteens fleet past and present, (below) was well represented

The club can boast many National Champions, many sailors at International and World Championships, several Olympic representatives and a member of the crew of an America’s Cup winner.

Younger members were taking part in the 2 day Junior Regatta, while the older folk attended the dinner on Saturday evening, and the trip of the Tug on Sunday.

CBYC has survived tsunamis, earthquakes, shark attacks, royal visits, Force 10 storms and many other significant events, but it is here to stay! concluded Paul.
NEAR MISS AT MEDICAL CENTRE

A large branch fell off the gum tree by the entrance to the Medical Centre early on a windless Saturday morning. Luckily it was very early while everyone was at home in bed, because had it come down when someone was beneath, the Medical Centre would have been essential. Ken Watson, with some help, cleared the drive later that morning. Obviously some more pruning of the gum trees is essential for the safety of the public.

Colin

TOUCH RUGBY WIN FOR SCHOOL

Diamond Harbour School’s youngest pupils triumphed in the recent Bay Cluster Touch Tournament held at Ferrymead in December.

Players Daniel Forbes (6), Miro Luxford (6), Will Leach (5), Kathryn Forbes (6), Scarlett Tuipolutu (6), Jenna Janes (6), Hamish Clinch (5), Joe McLister (6).

The tournament is a yearly event for schools in the Harbour, Sumner, Redcliffs and Heathcote Valley areas. Principal It was the first time the school had entered a year 1-2 team into the competition. The team won the division 2 pool for new competitors – beating out 6 other schools. Mum Yaeko McLister said, It was a really good effort. It’s just great to see everyone improving and helping each other out.

Want to get your littlies involved? See p 11

John McLister

SAD LOSS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

On January 8 this year, our community lost a most valuable member. Robert Russell Ward (Russell) had lived with his wife, Shirley, in Church Bay for 22 years, and was in recent years a familiar figure on his beloved tractor, mowing many of the empty sections in the area.

Born in Darfield on May 31, 1930, Russell was the youngest of four children in a Canterbury farming family and his working on the land eventually lead to his passion for tractors and ploughing. Russell was recently accorded life membership of the Lincoln Ploughing Association of which he was a past president and an active member for 60 years.

Shirley and Russell married in 1957 and later with their four children spent many caravan holidays in Purau before buying a section at Church Bay and settling into the house which their son built for them. Although retired, Russell ran 8-10 cattle and hand-reared 6-8 calves each year with a cattle yard on the Bayswater block. Following the subdivision, for 10 years he was very happy on his tractor mowing the empty sections. He started the Green Bin Service and during the last 5 years has delivered pea straw to many gardeners in the district.

The ground surrounds of Stoddart Cottage, the Community Health Centre, and Community Hall have all been maintained by Russell and Shirley as well as the clubhouse at the Charteris Bay Golf Club which they cleaned for 8 years. A Community Award was presented to Russell for his work in establishing the James Drive Reserve.

Russell’s interest with his boat had family and friends water skiing, fishing and floundering at Lake Ellesmere, Purau and Church Bay. Shirley’s enthusiasm with the Diamond Harbour Ramblers found Russell in his boat doing many taxi ferry services for the walkers. This included a 2 day walk in April 1997 when Russell dropped a group off at Adderly Head for a sponsored walk of the Crater Rim, raising money for toilets at the Diamond Harbour Playcentre. A trip to Marlborough Sounds was memorable for the club, which stayed in a DOC hut. Russell coped well when the sea was rather rough round Mistletoe Bay, giving another memorable day for the Ramblers. Russell’s boat was sold when fishing restrictions were applied.

In 1996 Russell bought his Farmall vintage tractor and was a Foundation member of the New Zealand Vintage Machinery Club. He won trophies that honoured his hard work in restoration He was part of many tractor treks, but ploughing was his passion – as documented on the front page of the August 2011 Herald. Russell is survived by his wife, four children and 10 grandchildren—one of whom tells us, Granddad will be watching all of us from his tractor seat up above.

Russell Ward 1930-2014

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THE POWER OF STEAM

A group of us went on the steam tug Lyttelton on a recent Sunday for a delightful one and a half hour sail around the bays as far as Little Port Cooper. For many years I had seen this black painted lady whilst getting on and off the Black Cat ferry, but had never been aboard her. More shame me for missing out on what must be considered a wonderful afternoon’s experience. She is truly the grand dame of the sea, 297 tons of solid working boat that has well over 100 years of service.

The boat is run by a group of volunteers working with the Tug Lyttelton Preservation Society. From the moment one steps on the gangplank one enters another world when life at sea was tough and the days of sail were coming to an end. The tug boat is the dowager duchess of the sea, as steady as a rock and steeped in history. She is a contradiction in some ways — broad beamed, fat and overweight, but with the elegant, shiny brass fittings on the bridge and stairs which lead to the museum. Yes, there is a small museum with sailing memorabilia, refurbished cabins which all add to the trip. One can visit the boiler and engine room and ask as many questions as one likes of the many volunteers on-board. The views are amazing and seeing the different bays, rock formations, Hector dolphins and expanding docks is unforgettable... one can even do it with a mug of tea in hand!

Speaking to various people I was surprised how many had not thought of sailing on this magnificent old gal. Like me, they knew of her and somehow never got around to doing anything about it. Well, if you live in Diamond Harbour, treat yourself; get the 2pm ferry, buy a ticket at the quay and have a great trip. The Lyttelton sails on Sundays from January to early autumn, 2.30-4pm.

Dorothy Shrimpton

FROM THE WRITERS’ GROUP

Stuff

Stuff, stuff, oodles of stuff
Whatever you have, it is never enough
It lurks in the corners and blocks up the doors
And stuffs up your headspace for certain because

Stuff is the thing which you think that you need
But it’s more a disease of acquisitive greed
A hopeful desire for fulfilment of mind
When it clutters your house and cram’s up your mind

For all of the shopping and collecting of things
Fills the space for a moment then blankness it brings
For projecting your emptiness outside of yourselves
Helps not a jot, it just fill up your shelves

With piles upon piles of pans and new shoes
New hats and new dresses, which will you choose
‘One at a time’ is all you can say

So there in the cupboards and closets you find
Lonely and bleak and just left behind
All of the things you forgot that you had
And when you unearth them it makes you feel bad

For having such a terrible role
In the death of the planet, for not being whole
For buying and buying things you don’t need
Just to make you feel better, the pleas you don’t heed

The pleas and appeals of all those who care
Who look after the world and try to be fair
To keep to a minimum possessions and stuff -
In an earthquake they’ll be gone in a shake and a puff

We can live with far less and be happy indeed
If we enjoy what we have, and farewell the greed
Bask in the sunshine and dance in the rain
Fill the void in our gut with their magic again

And now I have finished this treatise on stuff
I’ve preached and gone on and been a bit rough
Really you don’t need all that you think
Let’s cut down on stuff and step back from the brink

Jan Cole
The Eco Gardener's Patch

Tea in the Garden

One of the nicest things to do in the garden at this time of year (when it is often too hot for gardening) is to take tea in it. Afternoon tea outdoors in the shade, surrounded by greenery, is very relaxing and refreshing.

Japan is famous for its enclosed tea gardens, where tea-takers enter through an oblique, sheltered gate and follow a crooked route past classic elements (stone lanterns and water troughs, bamboo water pipes and dippers) to the tea house. Occidental tea gardens are freer in what they should contain or look like, but East or West there are some elements that should always be present if the tea garden is to function well.

The first is enclosure, or semi-enclosure. A tea garden benefits by having the shelter that enclosure (especially from the prevailing wind) provides, and also from the sense of privacy and intimacy that comes from being in a space with walls rather than on an open lawn. The walls can be real walls, or hedges, or just large shrubs or small trees planted closely together. My English tea garden has a hedge on the west and south sides, large shrubs to the north, and a mixed border backed by large shrubs to the east.

With enclosure comes the opportunity for making an entranceway that marks a transition from open, mundane space to the delightful seclusion of the tea garden. Japanese entrance ways usually have a gate or door under a roof (a sort of free-standing porch) but for Western-style gardens a deep archway with climbing plants is very suitable.

Shade and shelter from above is also important in a tea garden, so that the tea drinkers do not get headaches from strong sunlight or wet from passing showers. Options include large trees, rustic shelters, and elaborate gazebos and tea houses.

There are no hard and fast rules about what plants should feature in tea gardens, just a general preference for lots of greenery, and for flowers to be confined to those on shrubs and bushes, and between and under shrubs. Tea gardens are not the place for beds and borders of brightly coloured bedding plants, or show-off variegated specimen plants. My garden has Michelia *Velvet 'n' Cream* with its scented waxy white flowers as the informal hedge on its north side, and in the garden are three very different shrubs that also have scented white flowers – a Meyer lemon bush, Philadelphus lemoineii, and tingahere, the forest cabbage tree. When their spring flowering ceases the roses on the trellised entranceway arch take over.

For more pictures of tea gardens and ideas on how to make them, see my blog: www.christinedann.org/eco-gardener-blog

Christine Dann

The Edible Gardens are to be acknowledged in the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert area with the inaugural Edible Gardens Award in 2014. Nominations close Friday February 21.

Growing your own food brings joy and sustenance to many. Having a ready source of food 365 days of the year from either your back yard, community or school garden has captured the imagination of many and is enjoying a renaissance in cities and local neighbourhoods throughout the world.

This Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board initiative acknowledges not only the direct health and economic benefits of growing and harvesting food but also the community connectedness and resilience that comes from toiling together for a common goal.

The Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Edible Gardens Award for 2014 is an awards programme in partnership with the Canterbury Horticultural Society aimed at acknowledging and supporting individuals, schools and communities who are actively involved in the growing of their own food. It seeks to encourage others to consider establishing a garden, either by themselves or with others.

Gardens will be assessed on the use of sustainable practices, creativity, planning and plant knowledge. You can nominate yourself or others.

Nominations close 5pm Friday 21 February 2014 and assessments will be made in the week of 17-21 March. The nomination form can be downloaded at www.ccc.govt.nz/ediblegardensLMH and hard copies of the nomination form can be found in various locations within Diamond Harbour and around the Harbour Basin.

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Thinking Positively

Our thoughts are some of our most powerful tools. The way we think guides our feelings, our behaviours and our responses to the world. These thoughts can be of varying kinds, some of which support us and lead us to great places, and some which take us on negative spirals and cause us all sorts of problems. Popular psychology often tells us to think positively, but what I find curious is that we never get told how, or even what thinking positively actually means. I was speaking to a group recently and one audience member said she thought that it was quite unrealistic to all go bounding around like Pollyanna saying how glad we are of everything in our day. I agreed with her. To me, thinking positively is something quite different, and today I’d like to share my thoughts on that.

So what is thinking positively? It is thinking in a way that makes us feel good. It is thinking in a way that makes us feel motivated, and helps us respond to the world in a positive way. It is thinking in a way that helps us to interact with others well, and it is thinking about things that are enjoyable for us to think about. The exact structure of these thoughts is going to be different for everyone. Some people love to nut out problems and figure out ways to solve them, whereas others love thinking about their families and some of the fun things that have been happening with them. Some people love to relive past experiences that they really enjoyed and others love to make plans for the future.

There are common elements though to really positive thoughts, which we can all start to tap into. For example, instead of thinking *Can I?*, think *How can I?*. You can also use questions to guide your thinking about future events in positive ways, for example, *What needs to happen so that…?* or *How good is it going to feel when…?*

When you need to feel resourceful in a given situation, thinking of past experiences that were really positive and considering the ways you can use those resources in this situation will help you tap into that resourcefulness. Similarly, thinking about things you’re looking forward to is something that makes us feel good, and considering what needs to happen to get us there helps keep us on track and take the action necessary to get there.

So what do we do when we catch ourselves thinking about unpleasant things? The trick there is to take your mind somewhere useful instead. We can do this in the same way we would distract a child – by asking them questions that take them somewhere completely different.

I recall working with someone who was very nervous about earthquakes. I asked her what she’d enjoy thinking about instead, and it turned out she loved gardening, and was landscaping her new garden at the time. Together we developed a question to take her mind there instead, a question that could keep her mind occupied in a way that was really enjoyable for her for quite some time: *What could I plant in that corner?* A simple question, but one that was really effective for her.

So all in all, positive thinking is a very individual thing. It’s all about what you want, what you enjoy and how you can think in a way that’s most likely to get you there.

Robyn

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Crunch Time Coming for Windows XP

As mentioned in this column last year, Microsoft end support for Windows XP after April this year. Does it really matter? Will it be all that dangerous to keep using XP after April? The answer is certainly yes, if your computer connects to the internet – which these days, for most people, is a must. No one knows yet exactly how serious this is going be, it’s up to the bad guys. But one thing is clear: there will be plenty of opportunities for them to exploit vulnerabilities in Windows XP which are no longer being fixed by regular Microsoft monthly updates.

Worse still, many of the vulnerabilities fixed by the monthly updates for later versions of Windows, will also apply to XP; by reverse engineering the updates, the baddies will know exactly what vulnerabilities Microsoft have found and fixed – except they will not be fixed for XP. Kind of like Microsoft holding up a big sign saying, Hey you crims – here’s an opportunity for skulduggery!

Anti-virus/malware software will continue to offer some protection – but not likely enough. Speaking of which, Microsoft are also ending support for their free anti-virus/malware software, MSE (Microsoft Security Essentials) on XP after April; so if you decide to take your chances and continue with XP and are using MSE, you should replace it! I recommend the free version of Avast.

Even if you are running MSE on Vista, Windows 7 or 8 it might be a good move to switch to Avast as it is currently rated as the most effective free anti-virus/malware software (and above many of the paid ones). Like a lot of anti-virus/malware software, Avast has annoying and unnecessary pop-ups (including audio announcements – in an awful American accent) trumpeting its achievements; however these can be easily disabled in Settings (Under General tick both boxes under SILENT/GAMING MODE and under Appearance un-tick Enable Avast sounds). You need to register Avast (free) for a full 12 months protection. Be careful to avoid all the offers for the paid version and extras along the way!

Support for Office 2003 (for all versions of Windows) also ends after April. Although this is less serious a security problem than with XP, it may be worth considering switching to LibreOffice – a great free alternative to buying a new version of MS Office. LibreOffice can read/write Word docs, Excel spreadsheets and PowerPoint presentations; and users of Office 2003 should find it easier than migrating to the latest version of MS Office.

So what are the choices for XP users?

1. If you do not need to connect to the internet then you should be safe enough staying with XP.
2. If your XP PC/laptop is relatively new and high spec, installing Windows 7 (which costs around $150) may be an option. However, most XP era PC’s and laptops will not have enough memory (Windows 7 needs 4Gb) or disk space.
3. A new PC/laptop running the unpopular Windows 8. For those who cannot bear its touch-screen oriented New UI (user interface), it is possible to configure it to behave much (but not entirely) like Windows 7. Most XP users will find the transition to Windows 7 far less frustrating and difficult than to Windows 8.
4. A new PC/laptop running the Windows 7. You will not find them at the major retail outlets, but they are still available from online retailers (look on TradeMe or on www.pricespy.co.nz).
5. Buy a used PC/laptop running Windows 7 on TradeMe or similar.
6. Switch to an Apple PC or laptop – if you are prepared to pay twice as much and learn something different (although many would claim easier) than Windows.

7. Keep your old PC/laptop and install Linux (free) on it. Linux is my personal favourite and runs well on old, outdated computers – but again you will need to learn something completely different. More about Linux in a later column.
8. Switch to a 10 inch tablet (one of the many brands running Android or – for only twice the price – an Apple iPad). It may be all you need for email, accessing the internet, reading books/magazines/news taking/viewing photos and videos or playing music, etc. Again, you will need to learn something new, but I know several (not so young) people who have successfully managed the move from PC/laptop to tablet. But be aware that if you use sophisticated software or do a lot of typing, a tablet is probably not suitable – although you can get keyboards for tablets which make typing easier.

Ron

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Vaccination of Dogs and Cats

A very happy belated New Year to everyone.

Because I believe in the importance of primary health, I plan on running a series on preventative health care. This month I’ll look at why we should bother to vaccinate our pets.

The vaccines we give protect against viral infections, for which there are preventions but no cures. It is also a good chance for the vet to check the health of your pet. For low risk animals (those that are mainly at home, and don’t have much contact with other animals), we only need to vaccinate every 3rd year, although we should still see them every year for a health check. High risk animals, including those going into kennels, catteries, shows or competitions plus working dogs that come in contact with many different animals and environments, should be vaccinated every year. We also recommend a screening blood test for older pets (over 8 years) to help with early disease detection.

So what are we preventing?

We’ll start off by focussing on parvovirus. This is the only disease that we vaccinate for that affects both dogs and cats, although it was first discovered in cats (feline enteritis/panleukopaenia). It is sometimes still referred to as catflu for this reason. It was used on Marion Island as a biological control for feral cats, and wiped out the entire colony.

I have only ever seen 4 cases in cats, and all 4 died! There is a lot less parvo in NZ than South Africa, mainly because more pets are vaccinated here. I probably see about 4 cases a year in dogs in NZ. It causes symptoms very similar to cholera in people, a bloody (haemorrhagic) diarrhoea that mainly affects young pups. With good supportive care about 70% will survive, but there is no specific cure. It is incredibly infectious, a single stool from a recovered dog contains enough virus particles to infect every dog in NZ, and they will continue to spread it for a full year after being ill!

The virus is resistant to cold or sunlight, and remains infective for up to a year in the environment. It is easily spread on inanimate objects like shoes. I can guarantee that your pet will be exposed at some point, in fact at over one year of age most dogs will be naturally immune, however the same can’t be said about cats, and of course there are other viral diseases that older dogs can get that we’ll cover later.

The NZ strain also seems slightly different to the South African strain in that I’ve seen cases here up to 4 years of age, and the mortality rate seems slightly lower than in South Africa (thankfully)! When you see that cute healthy pup or kitten, remember that without a simple and relatively painless injection, they could be in agony, groaning, with blood pouring out of their backside. Let’s not let that happen! There is a concept called herd immunity which states that if over 70% of a population is vaccinated, the disease will disappear, so make sure you do your bit to lift that immunity figure.

Paul

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ANYONE FOR BREAD AND CHEESE—OR NAVIGATION?

I don’t usually make New Year’s resolutions but I often try to think of a skill I’d like to acquire. So this year I’m going to combine this desire to learn new things with my Timebank coordinator role. I’m aiming to facilitate workshops with the many talented Timebank members we have in the harbour.

So far on this side of the harbour we have an eclectic mix of classes being planned - cheesemaking, celestial navigation and breadmaking. I’m also hoping to persuade some of our bilingual members to take a few language classes. So if you agree with Socrates that education is the kindling of a flame, not the filling of a vessel it may be time to join the Timebank and become a lifelong leaner with no cost but your time.

This year I’m having regular drop-in sessions at Godley Café from 10-12 every Friday. This is a chance for members to come along for a chat or for potential members to ask questions about how timebanking works. So drop in to the Godley Café on a Friday morning or go to http://www.lyttelton.net.nz/timebank to sign up.

Sarah

BURIAL OPTIONS AT DH MEMORIAL GARDEN CEMETERY

Currently, Christchurch City Council staff in consultation with My Herbert Community Board members are working on a number of issues relating to burial options in our local cemetery including the opportunity for green burials.

In their Master Cemetery Plan the Council stated its commitment to providing a natural burial site in the Christchurch/Banks Peninsula area. It also stated that because it would be sometime before such a site would become available, it would provide the opportunity for green burials in operational CCC cemeteries – including Diamond Harbour.

A green burial provides for the unembalmed body in a biodegradable shroud or coffin to be buried at a shallow depth but excludes the possibility of over planting with any vegetation other than grass. Since the Master Plan was released our local group has been advocating for a designated park-like green burial area without concrete beams or headstones but an alternative means of recording burials. This is being considered by Council.

Should you be interested in more details regarding the option of a green burial please contact Debbie Sansom (Cemeteries Administrator, Lyttelton Service Centre; 15 London Street, Lyttelton) or Sally Miller (CCC Cemeteries Administrator). Both can be reached at the CCC on 941 8999. See also the Community Board report on page XXX.

Ann Thornton

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- Diamond Harbour Community Association (DHCA)
- Church Bay Neighbourhood Assn (CBNA)
- Diamond Harbour and Districts Health Support Group
- Friends of Stoddart Cottage
- Friends of Orton Bradley Park

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Please fill in your name, address and phone details and if you wish them to appear in the next edition of the Local Service Directory tick the box (you do not need to subscribe to anything – inclusion in the Directory is free). If you wish to advertise in the Local Service Directory or update club or organisation information, please include a note in the envelope.

Completed envelopes may be left in the Herald box at the DH Post Office or the Church Bay store or posted to: DHCA, PO Box 8, Diamond Harbour 8941. Thank you.
**RECIPE**

**Plain in Pigna:**
*A simple potato dish from the Swiss Alps*

As the weather has been so changeable so far this summer, I have come up with a dish which can be enjoyed equally on a colder evening or on a hot summer’s day. It is very yummy served with lots of salad or even as a side dish for a BBQ. The dish originated in the Swiss Alps, in the Raethoroman area and is cooked in simple huts on a wood fire. *Plain in Pigna* means corn/potato fritters baked in oven.

**Ingredients**
- 500g freshly dug potatoes
- 1 tbsp flour
- 1 tbsp polenta (finely ground corn)
- ½ tsp salt
- nutmeg, freshly ground
- 150g bacon, cut in fine cubes
- 100ml milk
- pepper to taste
- 100g butter (for buttering the oven tray)

**Method**
Grate the potatoes (not too fine) with a larger grater. Mix all ingredients incl 50g bacon with potatoes and spread mixture 30mm thick onto a well buttered oven tray.
Pour milk and water over it and spread the rest of bacon cubes on top of potato mix. Spice to taste. Bake at 200°C for 50 mins.

Serve with lots of green salad.
Bumperfatscha! Bun appetit!

Franziska

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**WEATHER WATCH**

The Year That Was – Weatherwise

2013 was a notable year in at least one major respect. The winter months were warmer than usual, and this was also true, at least in part, for spring and early summer. Also as usual, there were brief cold spells to remind us of which season it was, but these were more than counterbalanced by the generally higher temperatures.

For interest, I abstracted the details of temperatures for the five months that might be called winter (May to September). Unfortunately my records are not complete for all the time I’ve been writing these commentaries. One year (2009) I was overseas for all of June, and in 2012 the record was interrupted for three months as earthquake damage was restored. However, bearing that in mind, there is an interesting trend, which may or may not reflect global warming! From 2003 to 2010 those five winter months had an average temperature of 8.69°C, made up of a mix of almost frosty nights and some pleasantly mild days. In 2005 the figure was 9.06°C, counter-balanced by 2008, which registered only 7.8°C. The winter months of 2011–2013, however, show a change (bearing in mind that break in records in 2012), with average values of 9.4°C. These resulted from runs of cool nights, but to make up for this daytime temperatures were relatively mild. It will be interesting to see what 2014 brings for winter! In contrast to winter, where the cool months are in the middle of the year, and the relevant statistics are included in one calendar year, summer in the southern hemisphere spreads across two years. December, January and February are our official summer months. We could extend it to include November and March, but that means encroaching on late spring and early autumn. Keeping to the strictly summer months, over the last ten years the temperature averaged 15.37°C. There have been some quite wide deviations from that average. The summer of 2008 was quite cool, with an average of only 11.06°C. Most other years had summers with temperatures averaging around 15.5°C. Values of that order are made up of a range of conditions, with some really warm and usually sunny spells, and the occasional break as a brief southerly change comes through. Last summer, however, was notably warmer, with an average temperature over the three months of 16.86°C. Maximum daytime temperatures mostly remained above 20°C, until the last week in December, when, as I’m sure you’ll remember, we had a downpour as we were all recovering from Christmas lunch. The temperature dropped, and stayed down for the rest of the month! Other than that, it’s too soon to say anything very definite about the current summer. We’ll just have to wait and see!

Jane Soons
YOU CAN COME TOO — LOCAL EVENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Live at the Point 2014
At time of writing this we have enjoyed 4 Sunday afternoons of wonderful live music on the Godley House site. For those of you who are yet to experience this great way to spend a Sunday afternoon from 1-4pm, then come on down this Sunday! Bring a rug and a picnic, or buy something delicious from our cafés. Check out Paula Smith’s wonderful stall which sells cool shirts and amazing pacifica-themed quilts. Hire an umbrella from our youngest DH entrepreneur, Jack, and kick back for a few hours listening to some great music from some of the Harbour and Christchurch’s amazing artists.
We’ve already had The Eastern, Dr Sanchez, The Ranchsliders and Podocarp, so there’s been some great variety. Our last gig is the last Sunday of February with The Black Velvet Band, but check out the program below or www.sprig.org.nz or on the DH Website, www.diamondharbour.info.
Thanks to all of you who have already supported these events — it’s fantastic to be able to offer live entertainment like this on our side of the harbour. Your kind donations, our generous local sponsors and some extra grants have enabled us to organise this for a third year which is awesome. Check out our sponsors on our brochure.
We have volunteers who help out collecting donations, the DH Fire Brigade provide First Aid support (also Christine Turner - many thanks) and Brian is there every Sunday to set up and look after the bands.
Come on down and make the last few gigs massive!!

Diamond Harbour Rugby Club
Junior Registration 2014
When
Wed Feb 5, from 3pm, at Diamond Harbour School
or Fri Feb 14 from 6pm, at the DH Rugby Club
Teams
Under 5 – Kindy Rugby—a fun, rugby skills session for 4-year olds, girls and boys, to introduce pre-schoolers to playing Rippa rugby.
Under 7 – Rippa Rugby - a safe, non-contact, fun game for both girls and boys (at school, born after 1/01/2007)
Under 13, 11½, 10, 8½ – Combined Club Teams
Combined teams are made up of players from the Diamond Harbour Club and either the Lyttelton or Waihora rugby clubs. Practices are held at their facilities.
Players living in the Diamond Harbour & Governors Bay area are welcome to register with Diamond Harbour for these combined club teams.
Cost of registration: $25
Information required: Copy of Birth Certificate
Practice & Games
Practice begins in March. Games from April. Places and times to be notified.
Welcome Party
For all players and their families, 14th Feb, 6pm, at the Diamond Harbour Rugby Club – starting with a game of Rippa for the juniors; followed by light refreshments.
Coaches / Managers
Those interested in coaching or managing a team, please contact the DHRC Junior Club Captain.
Contact: Diamond Harbour Junior Club Captain
johnmclister@yahoo.co.nz or ph. 027 8900 308

The Harbour Singers
Practice is on Wednesday nights
7:45-9:30pm
in the Stage Room
at the back of the Diamond Harbour Hall.
The Harbour Singers are a friendly, relaxed group that welcomes new members at any time. Long time member Christine Dann (who loves to sing in harmony but wasn’t sure at first if she would be able to hold her part in a small group) has found that with practice anything is possible – and that now she can even swap parts intentionally instead of by accident! She also enjoys the fun that the Singers have with each other and with conductor Rachel Bayliss, who believes that singing is everyone’s birthright.
It’s a really supportive group to sing in, says Christine, and I always look forward to practice nights.
She also likes the great variety of songs the choir sings. Her favourites are from Africa, but she enjoys ranging from the Beach Boys and the Crystals to Renaissance church and dance music. There’s something for everyone there! You don’t need to be able to read music and there are no auditions for the Harbour Singers – just rock on up on a Wednesday night. If you’re new to town and want to try before you buy, the good news is that the first two practices are free!

Diamond Harbour Camera Club
Next meeting Tuesday February 18
at 7.30 pm
in the Stage Room.
Everyone welcome. Visitors: $3 donation.

Free Running Group
Sundays at 8am. Ph 329 4647 or mikecatton@mac.com

Tracey Ower
YOU CAN COME TOO — LOCAL EVENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Woolfun Day at Bergli
Next Woolfun Day is Saturday February 8, 10am-4pm.
Enjoy a relaxed day working with wool, with like-minded
people in a small group, in a beautiful log house with
wonderful views. Koha. Morning and afternoon tea
provided. Bring your lunch, your woolcraft gear, and if
felting, a table if possible.
Bergli B&B, 265 Charteris Bay Rd, Teddington.
Ph 329 9118. Rowena MacGill

Diamond Harbour Historical
Association
Next meeting is Tuesday February 11 at 6 pm.
A BBQ at Orton Bradley Park will followed by a talk by
Haydn Rawstron entitled:
*John Robert Godley in Canterbury: A whale in a duckpond.*
Please bring food to BBQ, a salad to share, plates, cutlery,
glasses and beverages. All welcome. Jan Studholme

Road Cycling Group
Meets weekly in Diamond Harbour. To join a ride contact
Mike on 329 4647 or mikecatton@mac.com.

Diamond Harbour Tai Chi Group
The Tai Chi group will start practising again from
Thursday Feb 13 at the Community Hall, 11am - 12 noon.
One term runs for 8 weeks, the fee is $30.
We practice Qigong exercises as warm up, followed by
a variety of Tai Chi forms. If you have never done Tai Chi,
now is the right time to join our group, because after the
long holidays we will start with the basics again. This
class is for all ages and gender. If you are not sure about
it, just come along and join us for a trial session!
Our motivation is to bring people together and share the
unique opportunity to learn the ancient Taoist art of Tai
Chi to maintain flexibility and relaxation. We are a
member of the National NZ Tai Chi Chuan Association.
Ph 329 4835 for further information. Peter Fischer

After School Drama Classes
After school drama classes will be on offer again during
2014 for children aged 7-13 years old.
The classes focus on personal development through the
use of the dramatic arts and enquiries can be made to
Jacinda Gilligan on 329 4424.

The Drama Class of 2013 after their successful
production “Joan and Me”

EARLY YOGA FOR YOU
Tuesday & Thursday 6-6.50am in the Stage Room
$5 per class or by donation. Everyone Welcome.
Enquiries: Jacinda 329 4424 cins@paradise.net.nz

Our Library
Happy New Year to you all
from the Diamond Harbour Library

Did you make a New Year’s resolution? Maybe to join the
Library? Now’s the time to do it!
Perhaps you have decided to take it easy and chill out
more this year? What better way to relax than to sit down
with a good book, magazine or DVD from your Library.
It’s also back to school time again...
Check our Library website: christchurchcitylibraries.com
for booklists, recommended reads,
homework help and other fun stuff.
We also have free internet access and
WiFi at the Library. Hours:
Tuesdays: 2-7pm
Thursdays: 10-2pm
Fridays: 2-4pm
Saturdays: 10-12pm

Story Time: Thursday Feb 20 at 10am
with Tania, from town.
Christine

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E-mail: baysidefit@gmail.com

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Garage - Farm Clearing Sale
When: Saturday March 15, 8am
Where: 200 Bayview Road
Enquiries: Ph 027 242 4006 after March 10

Old Wares
Antique drop side table, McCulloch Chainsaw-60cm bar, Single furrow plough, Collar & Haynes, Steel sled wheels, Cross saw-120 cm, 3 scythes, 2 sieves, large steel block/pulley, large wooden block/pulley, old sandstone sharpening wheel, laminated wooden Tiger Moth propeller, assorted farm tools - wooden maul, gorse knife, crow bar, Donald wire strainer, pitch fork, Primus 2 burner kerosene stove, soda water bottle, galvanised 44gal drum, hand shears & lamb marking knife, ear marker, wood working bench vice, 2 old ladders, steel pneumatic tyred wheel barrow. Sledge hammers, picks, spades, rakes, shovels, and carpenters saws-panel-tenon, push mower, 4str &S rotary mower. Hand tools- hammers, spanners, screw drivers, old coffee table, budgie cage.

Miscellaneous
3.3 m of New HD galv. mooring chain, 7.2 m of heavy anchor chain – lighter anchor chain, Large quantity of sawn and dressed timber-mainly hardwood. Wooden gates, treated fence posts, coil sheep netting, boundary netting, bundle new steel standards, galv. fencing staples, nuts & bolts, nails screws etc. gate fittings, Hayes wire strainer, 2 mech. Jacks, 1 hydraulic jack, steel pipe, qty reinforcing rods.

Household
Pottery ware, china, crystal glasses, pots & pans.

Chalfont Café & Bar
NOW OPEN 7 DAYS AND EVENINGS A WEEK FROM 9AM DAILY!
Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner 7 days a week. Hummingbird coffee, great range of cabinet food, plus new blackboard menu and daily dinner menu.

Happy hour: Wednesday 5pm-7pm Sunday 4pm-6pm — with Live Music

DIAMOND HARBOUR COUNTRY STORE
Sunday - Wednesday 8:30am-5:30pm Thursday - Saturday 8:30am-7pm
Takeaway Fish & Chips and Burgers 5-7pm Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights

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A great range of gifts and goodies in store, plus postal services six days a week.
Monday - Friday 10am-3pm, Saturday 10am-3pm, Sunday 12-4pm
(Please note PO box mail is still sorted by 9am)

We hope to see you soon
Jane & Drew
Chalfont Café, Diamond Harbour Country Store
2 Waipapa Ave. Ph 329 4465

Care In your Community
Diamond Harbour Medical Centre
2 Waipapa Ave Phone 329 4402
Doctors: Peter Davies and Charlotte Clifton
Nurses: Nicky, Anna and Petria
Receptionist/Administrator: Jan Hogbin
Services Include:
Medical and Nursing car, Home Visits, Out of Hours calls
New Patients welcome

Snowdrop Cottage
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A great range of top children’s brands
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Also available for sewing repairs and alterations
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CHURCH NOTICES

Catholic Masses
Every Sunday at 5.30 pm
First Sunday of month: Mass at DH Community Church
Second, Fourth, and Fifth Sunday: SCAP* service (which fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Third Sunday of month: Mass at Lyttelton (21 Exeter St)
*Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest

Anglican – Methodist – Presbyterian Services
St Andrews Diamond Harbour
Sundays at 10.30am and Wednesdays at 9am

Prayer for the Parish
Weekdays at 8:15am in the Church Library. This is to specifically pray for God’s presence in all our lives and His Spirit to move in our Parish. All are welcome. If you are unable to join us, please pray wherever you are.

Womens Breakfast
Mt Herbert Parish invites you to a Diamond Harbour Womens Community Purple Breakfast on Saturday March 8, 8:15-10am.
We are delighted to have guest speaker Bishop Victoria Matthews, who is going to share her life story with us.
Numbers are limited, so to book a seat please phone Ruth Willis on 329 4243 or Vanessa at the Parish Office on 329 4790 or mtherbertparish@xtra.co.nz.
Any one interested in helping with future breakfasts, please contact Vanessa at the Parish Office on 329 4790 or mtherbertparish@xtra.co.nz.

Mens Home Group
Sometimes men just want to talk with men, so if you are interested in joining a Mens Home Group please phone Russell on 329 4876 or mt.herbertvicar@xtra.co.nz.

Invitation to Gather
Some local Christians have been gathering to pray for the local Community. If you would like to join with us, please contact Russell Pickersgill-Brown on 329 4876 or email onsight@clear.net.nz for further information.

Monday Night Study Group
Meets Monday fortnightly in a warm and friendly Charteris Bay home. The upcoming meeting dates are Feb 10 & 24, March 10 & 24. For further details, please contact Bruce Beckett on 329 4422.

Bible Discussion Group
Meets fortnightly on Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-5pm in the Church Library. The next meeting dates are Feb 5 & 19, March 5 & 19. For further details, please contact Vanessa at the Parish office on 329 4790 or mtherbertparish@xtra.co.nz.

Alpha
There will another Alpha course starting at the Church on February 17. It will be from 7-9pm, starting with coffee and dessert. This is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith. Enquires to Russell Pickersgill-Brown on 329 4876 or mt.herbertvicar@xtra.co.nz.

Gamma Home Group
Meets Monday weekly in a warm and friendly Diamond Harbour home. For further details, please contact Ross Fountain on 329 4202.

Baby & Toddlers Group
For infants 0-36 months and their caregivers meeting in the Church hall every second Tuesday at 10-12 noon.

City Shopping Van
The van runs on alternate Wednesdays. Upcoming dates are Feb 12 & 26, Mar 8 & 22 from 6:30-8:30pm at the Church Hall. For more information, please phone Russell Pickersgill-Brown on 329 4876 or mttherbertvicar@xtra.co.nz, or the Church Office on 329 4790 or mtherbertparish@xtra.co.nz.

Music Jam Night
Any musicians or wannabes, come along and let’s jam together. There is a PA on site and some instruments for use, or bring your own. The next jam sessions are Feb 8 & 22, Mar 8 & 22 from 6:30-8:30pm at the Church Hall. For more information, please phone Russell Pickersgill-Brown on 329 4876 or mttherbertvicar@xtra.co.nz,

City Mission Basket
The church has a basket for non-perishable food and grocery items for the City Mission.
Many families are dependent on the support of agencies like the City Mission as jobs dwindle and money fails to stretch to meet basic outgoings. We also collect Small Change for the Small Room, with the coins being spent on toiletries and personal hygiene items which are distributed by the City Mission and St Vincent de Paul.

Mount Herbert Parish Newsletter
Please email contributions for the next issue to mt.herbertparish@xtra.co.nz.
You can read the current issue of the newsletter and back copies at: www.diamondharbour.info/church-notices.aspx

Mount Herbert Parish Website
For further parish news and information visit http://mountherbertparish.wordpress.com

Add your own text here...
LYTTELTON MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATE

News and views from Paula Smith, Chairperson, Lyttelton Mt Herbert Community Board.

The wheels of local government are rapidly picking up speed after the Christmas break. Here is a bit of news about some of the things we have been up to...

Diamond Harbour Cemetery
The board had a briefing from staff about plans for the Diamond Harbour Memorial Garden. Some of you made submissions about the development plan for our local cemetery which was included in the master plan for all Christchurch cemeteries approved by Council last year.

It now appears that the two lower terraces may not be suitable for burials because of poor drainage and lack of topsoil. Council staff are seeking detailed costings for drainage and looking at other places nearby to find a solution.

We were also told there are no plans to cut down the macrocarpa trees along the Godley House boundary unless they become diseased or dangerous.

Godley House Site
Consultants finally completed an archaeological assessment of the Godley House site and are recommending the removal of all post-1900 foundations and the filling in and grassing down of the older foundations as a means of protecting what remains until such time as the Council is in a position to make a decision about a replacement building.

The Historic Places Act requires this interim work to be approved by Historic Place Trust before the work can go ahead. So it may be another month or two before anything actually happens on the ground.

No decisions can be made about the long term future of the site until insurance issues have been resolved.

Stoddart Cottage
The cottage has been made safe and waterproofed to protect it from further deterioration. A tender process is underway for a detailed engineering assessment (DEE) together with the design work needed for restoration. It is hoped this can be completed by April and a report submitted to Council shortly after to get a decision to begin the repair work.

It is very difficult for staff to give any indication about when the cottage may reopen until after the DEE is done and there is a much clearer picture of how much work is involved.

While it is frustrating to have to wait so long, I feel confident that in the end Stoddart Cottage will be in a much better state than it was even before the earthquakes. If you go to Grubb Cottage in Lyttelton, which is opened up to visitors every Saturday morning, you can see for yourself the excellent heritage work council does.

Discretionary Response Fund
The board still has over $10,000 to give to community groups for projects or events before the end of the financial year in June. Applications can be made at any time online or by contacting our Strengthening Communities Adviser Philipa Hay at 941 5604.

Enquiries Welcome
Board members welcome enquiries from residents about any matter of community interest. Contact details for your elected representatives can be found on the Lyttelton Mt Herbert Community Board page on the CCC website: www.ccc.govt.nz.

Kind regards,
Paula.
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Harbour Harvest Festival – Help Needed
Project Lyttelton’s Harbour 2014 Harvest Festival is taking place on April 4 and 5 at Living Springs.
We’re looking for people to run workshops for the schools on the 4th or workshops or demos for the general public on the 5th.
If you have ideas for a workshop on a sustainability theme (food, gardening, wildlife, crafts) or would like to help out with the festival in another way please contact Lucette on events@lyttelton.net.nz or 021 1759 845.

Sea Scouts Need Help Urgently

Sea Scouts is open to all school aged children. We are planning to start cubs and keas for younger children, check out our Facebook page for details.
Our first meeting is on Tuesday February 4 and there is lots of work to do. We really would appreciate some help in the following areas:

- Fundraising
- Gear organisation
- Boat maintenance (we have a wooden sunburst that needs a full hull sand and repaint)
- Our cutter needs a new trailer. We will apply for funding in June, but are looking for a temporary solution for term 1. If anyone has a suitable trailer for a 5.2m boat - or even better a boatshed - that could be used, it would solve a big problem.

If you can help in any way, please contact Pete Ozich on 329 3093 or pete@wildspots.co.nz.

Membership Details:
We meet 3.30-6pm on Tuesdays. In terms 1 and 4 we will usually be meeting at Purau or Charteris Bay (high tide only) to sail the cutter or do other adventure activities. Terms 2 and 3 will probably be in the evening at the scout den.
The cost is $300 for the year for the first child and $240 for subsequent children ($20 discount if paid on time). A uniform will also need to be purchased.
Children will need a wetsuit and approved life jacket. If you can’t get one I can loan for the first few sessions from OBOEC.

ANZAC Day
We are already underway for preparations for Diamond Harbour ANZAC Day this year and are wondering if any familes have connections to relatives regarding stories from this era ? If so we would be pleased to make contact and would be interested to hear your views and memories related to you.
This is a supportive Community Event with a small team but without your input cannot make a successful event on this special day.
Please contact one of the following:
Jean Burford 329 4830
John Barry 329 4545 or Don Cameron 329 4868

CIVIL DEFENCE UPDATE

Members Wanted

Our happy Civil Defence team is looking for new members. If you care about our community, think you could cope with one training night per month, and have a sense of humour, we’ll let you join.

Apply Wendy 329 4483 or John 329 4545

Neighbourhood Support
Diamond Harbour

To stay informed about Neighbourhood Security, Welfare and Emergency Information ensure your inclusion on our secure database.

Membership is Free
for all residents and property owners on the southern side of Lyttelton Harbour

To ADD, UPDATE or REMOVE your details, to request an new group list, or for information or concerns

CONTACT: Elaine Bryson (Area co-ordinator)
Email: dhnshq@gmail.com                          Phone: 329 4512
28 Koromiko Cres, Church Bay, RD1 Lyttelton 8971
or
Ron Dubin (Deputy Co-ordinator)  Ph: 329 3032

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ND in Amenity Horticulture
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CLASSIFIEDS

Builders Labourer wanted
Dave Hughey Builders is looking for a Builders Labourer - must be reliable and have own transport. Ph 329 4338 or 027 436 1422.

Cleaner wanted
Domestic cleaning in Church Bay, required 3-4 hours per week, references preferred, rate negotiable. Contact Marg on 329 3295.

Guitars for sale
Two electric guitars and one acoustic guitar. Ph (03) 550 4225.

Wanted to Rent — ASAP — Long term
Retired lady seeking accommodation in Diamond Harbour or immediate area— Small House, Batch or Flat. Please phone 021 157 9211 if you can help.

Ceramic Tiles to give away
Box of ceramic tiles (7x7cm). White mottled ex vanity. Ph 329 4788.

Holiday Home/Short Term Rental - Furnished
March 24 to July 10. Large newly-built home centrally located in Waipapa Ave. Two good sized double bedrooms, large living/dining/kitchen/foyer. Separate sleepout with single bed (not heated). Access to balcony with lovely harbour views, beautiful big garden, lawns will be mowed by gardener. Large modern kitchen and laundry. Open fire. Ph 329 4886 or 021 131 6044.

Windows 7 laptops
Various brands, 2-3 years old, in good condition. 4Gb memory, 15.6” screen, a clean factory re-install of Windows 7 64bit, anti-virus/anti malware, office, media player and other software. $250-$330. Phone 329 3032.

Dell 19” LCD for sale
Good condition, 1280x1024, adjustable height. VGA and DVI inputs. $65. Ph 329 3032.

Dressmaker
Specializing in dance costumes, wedding gowns and formal/prom dresses. Happy to work on any sewing project large or small! 329 3166 or livingdolls@thedollfactory.co.nz.

Boxing Circuit Classes
Monday 6.30pm and Wed 7pm. Commercial gym open 7 days. Ph 329 9525 or 027 773 0036 or baysidefit@gmail.com.

Doggie Bootcamps
We pick up your pet from home in the morning, take them out for the day and drop them back in the afternoon. We spend time walking on the lead individually and as part of a pack and have free time at a safe place such as a dog park, beach or forest. Ph 027 773 0036.

Orton Bradley Firewood for sale
3m3 pine delivered $195. Ready to burn next winter. All proceeds to Park maintenance. Ph 329 4730.

Outdoor Fitness
Outdoor Boot Camp Fitness with Mike at 6:30am Mon, Wed and Fri, all year round. Ph 329 4647 or mikecotton@mac.com.

Services offered
Handyman home services are offered on the sunny side of the harbour. Home maintenance, building repairs, painting, fencing and some plumbing as well as section tidying. Affordable rates. Ph Jim 328 8274 or 027 226 4548.

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Croquet: Weds 1.30-4.30pm, Sats 10am-1pm.
DHCA Com.Mtg: Mon Feb 24, 7.30pm Comm Room
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Film Society: Thurs, 7.45pm, Stage Room
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Insight Meditation: Tues, 6.30pm, 7A Whero Ave
Jazz - Harbour Basin Dance: Tues, 4pm, Hall
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