

OLD ADDINGTON: ADDINGTON CEMETERY

John Anderson's grave

John Anderson was born in Scotland, and as a boy was apprenticed to a blacksmith. He worked 12 hours a day and gained his qualifications. In 1847 he married Jane Gibson and came out to New Zealand with her and their eldest son, John, in the *Sir George Seymour* in 1850.

He went to see the Deans Brothers who advised him to open his business in Christchurch rather than in Lyttelton. He set up his forge at the Bricks, which was roughly where Barbadoes Street crosses the Avon River, and built a small cottage there. He used to walk from The Bricks to Lyttelton, collect the metal for his work and carry it home on his back. In February 1852 he moved his forge and his household to a town section he had bought in Cashel Street. Besides his ordinary blacksmith work, he would sometimes beat a gold sovereign into a wedding ring for a young couple.

John Anderson was much more than a plain blacksmith. He was an engineer, as he was soon to prove. In 1865 he turned out the first iron lamp-

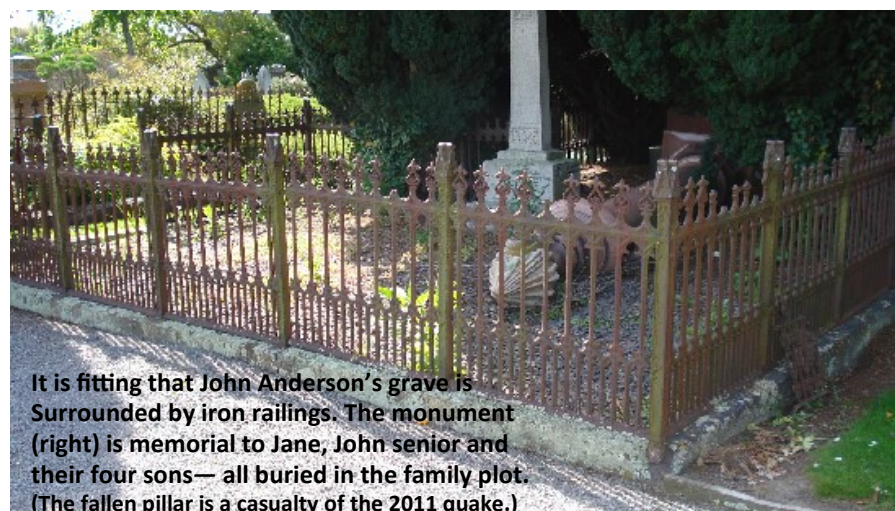
post for the streets of Christchurch. He also had many orders for wool presses. When wool prices dropped, he designed and manufactured flax-stripping machinery for the flax industry.

When Christchurch City Council became an incorporated body, Anderson was chosen as its second Mayor. He was one of the first to support and put into practice the Saturday half holiday.

John Anderson founded a firm which, from its origins of making farm implements, became one of the largest contractors in New Zealand. Andersons Ltd prefabricated some of the biggest and most difficult railway viaducts and bridges. They made gold dredges and coastal steamers, and sent large churns to the other side of the world. John Anderson died on 30 April 1897, aged 76.

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It is fitting that John Anderson's grave is surrounded by iron railings. The monument (right) is memorial to Jane, John senior and their four sons— all buried in the family plot. (The fallen pillar is a casualty of the 2011 quake.)



Addington Times

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You grow in the direction of your gaze!

The door is about to close on 2016 and swing wide open into 2017! As endings and beginnings occur it is always a good time to set aside some space to do some intentional thinking. 2016 - How did this year go for you? Did you make some goals and did they happen? How did your relationships fare and did you give the relationships the time and energy they required so they became and remained mutually meaningful? How did your finances perform? Did the budget blow out? Did you save some money toward a goal? Are you a step closer to what you want to achieve in your life in terms of family, friends, finances, employment, dreams? There are many questions to ponder when reflecting on this past year. The main thing is to be honest with your reflections while contemplating what went well and if not - what can you do differently if you had the chance to do it all over again?

It is also helpful to make plans for the New Year - 2017. Having some achievable and attainable goals can help you experience some success in living your dream and meaningfully directing your life toward the direction you wish to be. This is not airy fairy stuff!! 12 years ago our family had a dream to go on a big overseas holiday. We had a young family of 9 children and both my husband and I were students at university living close to the wind financially. We started saving a small amount each pay, and as we earned a little more we increased our savings. The golden rule for this sum was 'we will not rob Peter to pay Paul on this account'. This year 10 people from my family journeyed to Spain and walked the Camino as well as spent some time on the Mediterranean. It was AWESOME!! We are not rolling in money and nor did we win millions in Lotto, but because we saved long-term toward a goal we did achieve it. The step toward your goal starts today in planning, discussion, pondering, and then some action. It can take years but it is worth it. You grow in the direction of your gaze!

From the staff and volunteers of Manuka Cottage—we wish you a powerful goodbye to 2016 and a hopeful and actionful 2017!

Cherylan Davies, Community Development in Addington: A Great Place to Live, Work and Play!



The City Council wants our feed-back on their plans.



Our MP, Megan Woods, is ready and willing to help.



Our Community leaders are keen to canvass our concerns.

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Addington.net 2017 Kids' IT Programme Consultation with Young People and their Parents

Down at Addington.net we are planning ahead for the 2017 Kids' IT Programme and want to hear from young people, aged 8 to 13 (and their parents) about what learning opportunities they would like to see in 2017. Come along, have your say, and help develop the Addington.net programme:

3.30 pm on Thursday, 1 December 2016

- or -

6 pm on Thursday, 1 December 2016

Addington.net is located in the St James Church building, 389 Barrington Street (corner of Barrington and Bewdley Streets), Spreydon.

For more information please contact Greg or Lynda at Addington.net, phone 9627244, or email: info@addington.net.nz

Addington.net, Pokemon Go and Neighbourhood Week 2016

The morning's heavy rain had cleared but the wind was still gusty and cool for Addington.net's Neighbourhood Week Pokemon Hunt at Barrington Park. However, despite the weather, dedicated Pokemon trainers still gathered to pursue the dream of catching 'em all. We were lucky that the weekend coincided with Pokemon Go's Halloween event. This meant that there was a plethora of ghostly type Pokemon milling about and caught by eager trainers.

There were trainers for Teams Mystic, Instinct and Valour on hand. However, the high level Valour gym and the dogged determination of the Valour players meant that the gym stayed in Valour hands despite the best efforts of Mystic and Instinct trainers.

Addington.net had also 3D printed many Pokemon-related items including team badges which were given away to participants. It was social and fun discovering who had the largest snorlax, or the smallest rattata, or who named their Pokemon.

Addington.net is very grateful to the Christchurch City Council for their support, Neighbourhood Week funding, and permission to use Barrington Park. **Lynda Sawyers.**



Photo above: Lynda leading some of the participants in the Addington.net Neighbourhood Week Pokemon Hunt.

St Mary's Church, Church Square, Addington

Community Carols

Friday 16th December, 2016, 7.00pm till 8.15pm (approx).

All welcome to sing along with the Christchurch Theatre Workshop singers and friends as they entertain inside this lovely church.

Tea/coffee cake to follow entertainment

Free event



A NEW OPPORTUNITY IN LINCOLN ROAD

Lincoln Road in Addington is the first place in Christchurch to boast a St John Opportunity Shop. Judging by public response, the location in the busy Addington shops was well-chosen.

Shop manager, Peter Black, says that by having friendly, efficient staff and being a clean, tidy environment the shop reflects what people expect from St John. He says the shop opened in July and, since day one, feedback has been very positive. 'Customers say it is a nice shopping experience, that what comes across are the friendly staff, tidiness and good prices.'

It's important to note that St John is a charity and the Opportunity Shop is a fundraiser. 'All the proceeds go to support St John here in Christchurch. Profits aren't spread around the rest of New Zealand,' says Peter. 'The money is spent on St John's daily expenses. A new ambulance would be ideal but that will cost about a quarter of a million dollars. That may take a little while.'

I went along and can verify that the shop space is certainly attractive, the natives friendly and the goods on offer appealing.

Good furniture is wanted to supplement the clothing and accessories — like bags and scarves and beads — and glassware, crockery and so on that are for sale. And more volunteers are needed. There are already 38 involved but the abundance of goods means more are required.

Peter is very grateful to the helpers who are already involved. 'I've just got a wonderful, wonderful team. There's a certain kind of person who offers to volunteer; they want to be here,' he says.

Readers might remember Peter from his menswear fashion store, Spark's in Rangiora, or from Ballantynes where he worked for thirteen years.

Regarding the volunteers' duties, he says they work in four-hour shifts. The first of these is from 9-1pm and the second is 1-5pm. 'Some work four days a week while others do one morning a week. At least one shift per week is good as it helps to build a good team,' Peter says.

Di Boyd.

Photographs by Di Boyd: top left, volunteer, Lyn, in the women's fashion section; top right, the Christmas window.

Below left, Lea and Lyn; photo below right, Tony. All are volunteers.



TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 FM.

Addington TimeBank Cheesemaking Expedition



Sunday was spent producing goat's cheese. Ronnie had already sterilised pots, etc. and was heating the goat's milk. After much communal stirring (one part required us to 'stir milk for 30 minutes') we all had very sore arms.

Eight hours later a small round of goat's cheese was ready to put in the press overnight. In between a very scrummy lunch was eaten – a beautiful haloumi cheese curry. Very tasty!

Ronnie was a joy to learn with. She was very friendly and accommodating. Anyone who has a patch of strawberries on the berm outside her section for passers by to help themselves, must be a very special person.

We all enjoyed Ronnie's company, ate wonderful food and learned the intricacies and eccentricities of cheese. Best of all, we did the course for a small donation towards materials and time credits from the Addington TimeBank.

Rosemary Spiewak

What better way to spend labour weekend than learning to make cheese? I've always wanted to make cheese and when the chance was advertised by Addington TimeBank I thought, 'that's me!'

A select four of us attended at Ronnie's place at 9.30, Saturday. She had already spent a lot of time sterilising containers, tools, pots, etc. You don't just make cheese.

Amongst much levity and excitement, cheese was made—first haloumi, then ricotta and camembert.

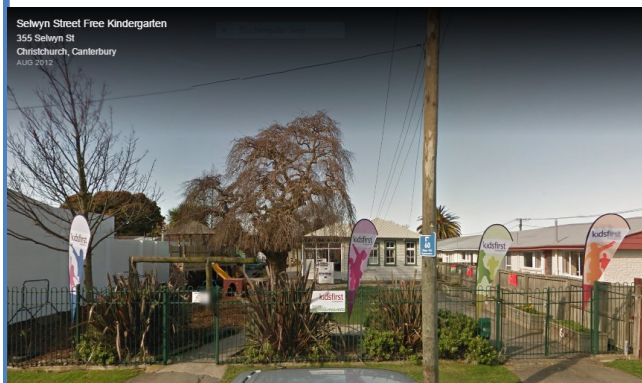
ADDINGTON TIMEBANK READYMADE MEALS



This is a new experimental project for Addington Timebank that we have started because we are aware of people who are temporarily incapacitated or super-busy, who would like good home-cooked meals from time to time.

We are asking TimeBank members who like cooking to provide spare meals as and when they can. To start with you would be donating the ingredients and claiming time credits for your time input. We hope to be able to give contributions of food to our cooks as the project progresses. There is no obligation to do anything regularly and any meal donations are much appreciated. We can help with containers. Please label your meals, identifying if the meal is gluten or dairy-free or vegetarian.

If you are interested in being involved, please ring or text Chrys on 0272 86 86 53 or email us on addington.timebank@gmail.com.



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Kidsfirst Kindergartens Selwyn Street offers places for three and four-year-old children.

Our kindergarten plays a significant role in providing quality early childhood education with 100% trained teachers. We have full day sessions 8.30-2.30 Monday to Friday.

We are part of the Government early childhood 20 free hour initiative and Kidsfirst Kindergartens also offers 10 free hours, which means 30 free hours for your child.

We provide a welcoming, caring environment which focuses on life-long learning for children. Please feel free to visit us to see if our kindergarten is what you are looking for.

Manuka Cottage Addington Community House Incorporated

Operating from St Mary's Church

Activities Co-ordinator: Dianne Fitzgerald

A warm and friendly place for you to enjoy, run by the community for the community.

- Mon** 10am Walkie Talkies Walking Group
10am-1pm Coffee n Chat—10c per cup
11am Parlour Games, Jigsaw Corner, etc.
11am-1pm Art Group (limited places)
- Tues** 10.30am- 3pm **Women only Day**
Morning tea, Bits and Bobs Projects, Bring and Buy
12 noon Shared lunch
1pm Craft Group - gold coin donation
- Wed** 10.30 -11.30am cuppa n chat
12-1pm Community Lunch - gold coin donation
11am-1pm Manuka Trading Post Timebank
11am-2.30pm Manuka Fruit and Vege Co-op
Collect your order and pay \$15 for the next
- Thurs** 10am Addy-venturers Walking Group
10.30am-12 noon Writers' Group
10am-12 noon Café 10c per cup, 20c biscuit
12.30am-2.30pm Mothers' Community Programme

Cherylan Davies, Community Development Worker.

Ph: 338-2591, or visit us at our temporary location at St Mary's, Church Square.

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CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR BREAK

MANUKA FRUIT AND VEGE CO-OP

The Fruit & Vege Co-op's last day will be 21st December 2016 and will start again 8th February 2017. The staff and volunteers of the Manuka Cottage Fruit & Vege Co-op wish you Season's Greetings and are looking forward to seeing you in the New Year!

MANUKA COTTAGE/ADDINGTON COMMUNITY HOUSE

Manuka Cottage will be closed from Thursday 15th December 2016, and will reopen for activities on Monday 16th January 2017. A Membership Christmas Party will be held on Thursday 15th December 2016 for members of Addington Community House Inc. and will be by invitation only.

The team at Manuka Cottage including Addington OSCAR, Addington Times, Addington TimeBank, Addington Well-being, Manuka Fruit & Vege Co-op, and Addington Playgroup wish you a wonderful break over the Christmas and New Year period. May you enjoy your family, friends, neighbours and the wonderful summer months!



ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

The Quarryman cycle trail has brought many conversations around neighbouring residents' associations. Submissions closed at the start of November and hopefully there is a good outcome for all involved. Neighbourhood Week and Heritage Week events were well attended by Addington residents — a big thank you to those involved in organising these events for our community.

It's been a good year for the ANA with the trailer hire up and running, lots of community support behind the issue of bottle stores that wanted to open, and residents getting out to stop these.

The new Central Ward has split Addington, but I think we will see some positives from this in the future.

We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year. **Sarah McKenzie, ANA Chairperson.**

Megan WOODS

Member of Parliament for Wigram



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Authorised by Megan Woods MP, Shop 8/12 McCarthy Street, Christchurch

Addington Fun Fair and Concert at St Mary's in November ...



...was another big success, thanks to the organizers — Allan Hudson (St. Mary's), with Dave Mitchell (music), Sarah McKenzie (stalls), and assistance from Manuka Cottage and community volunteers.



An Addington Success Story



KIWI eftpos & point of Sale offers 24/7 service and support for businesses wanting to purchase or lease mobile or countertop eftpos systems.

Steve Batey, Managing Director of KIWI Eftpos, tells me that the firm originally came to 306 Lincoln Road, to find enough space to accommodate its five staff. That was before the earthquakes, but the building survived and the firm prospered.

As Eftpos Canterbury, the firm originally served the Canterbury region, but now it covers the whole of New Zealand including Stewart Island. The staff has more than doubled since those early days, and by the end of November 2016 they will have relocated to larger premises at 250 Barrington Street. (Ed.)

ADDINGTON COFFEE CO-OP is currently smoke-free

You will have heard recently that twenty cafés and restaurants in Christchurch have agreed to make their outdoor areas non-smoking for a trial period. Addington Coffee Co-op is one of these establishments having now designated the outdoor tables at its Lincoln Road entrance as smoke free.

However, this iconic establishment was well ahead of the game, since its patrons in the outdoor area at the rear have been breathing unpolluted air for some time. Well done!



The Accessible Survival Kit

Founder, Amanda Wallis, is offering the Accessible Survival Kit in partnership with Addington Neighbourhood Association. Its mission is 'to provide people of all incomes with an accessible option and support to assemble an emergency survival kit...in the case of fire, flooding, earthquakes, storms, and other personal or national disasters.'

The kit consists of the following items as recommended by getthru.govt.nz : a first aid kit, emergency blanket, dust mask, rechargeable torch and radio, hand sanitizer, bucket with lid, large garbage bags, gas stove, gas cannisters, cooking pot, spoon and can opener.

You will soon be able to register on line to make minimum payments of \$1 p.w. Items paid in full will be dispatched monthly. For more information email Amanda at info@addington.org.nz or call/text 02102476027



Photo above: Amanda (and baby) with the Accessible Survival Kit at St Mary's Fun Fair.