

OLD ADDINGTON: Early settlement.

In the early days of British settlement, parcels of land were purchased by overseas investors. (Sounds familiar?) Some land was designated for agriculture and for the substantial homes of land-owners; other parts were subdivided for cottages to house agricultural workers and supporting tradespeople such as mill workers, butchers, carriers and blacksmiths.

Industrialisation of Addington began in earnest with the development of the railway linking Christchurch with its port of Lyttelton and the establishment of vast railway workshops to service the railway network.

Basic cottages dating from the late eighteenth hundreds and early 20th century still exist. They are mostly small, single-storey, wooden structures, but often with large gardens. A number of these cottages have been carefully renovated and preserved, but others have fallen into disrepair. A row of three wooden cottages in Kipling Street have fallen into the latter category. Recently, they have been fenced off and one-by-one are being reduced to piles of kindling. No doubt the land is scheduled for more in-fill housing, so locals are apprehensive about the possible building of three-storey units and consequent increase of traffic along a very narrow road. (Ed.)

Kipling Street photos, below, thanks to Ian Rawson.



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Deciduous trees in Church Square, Addington, contribute to a spectacular autumn leaf-fall.



A VERY 'GOOD SORT' ...

We are happy to dedicate this issue of the *Addington Times* to Brian Mackay of Addington Print at 322 Lincoln Road. After many years of dedicated service to the Addington Community, Brian has been forced to close his printery due to ill health.

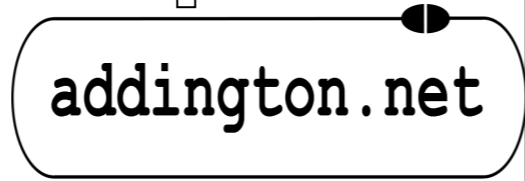
Over the years, nothing has been too much trouble for Brian; he has been more than generous with his support, in particular, for Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House, Inc., and especially for our community paper and its current editor.

Many, many thanks, Brian, from all of us. Kia Kaha.



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A Timebank Trade Between Addington and Hutt South: How Dido Dunlop published her book.

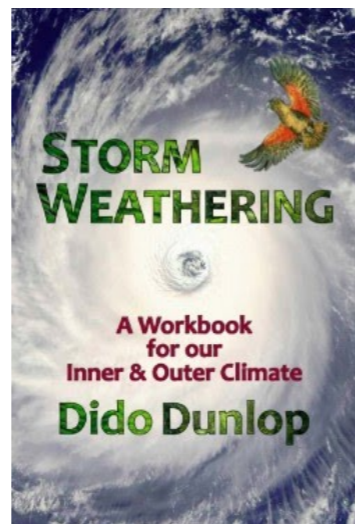
Alan says: “I posted an offer on Addington Timebank a while ago, but got little response. Then Gen messaged me one day that a woman from the North Island needed some help with a book. I was surprised that Gen could easily arrange an inter-island connection... and that I knew the woman (Dido) from some years before. We've now finished the book and sent it off to the printers and I'm looking forward to helping Dido with her next book. She has a good sense of humour and she knows what she wants... just the kind of person I like collaborating with.”

Dido says: “I had a great experience with Timebank. With minimal computer skills, I wasn't sure how I was to format my first book to have it ready to go to print. Gen from Addington Timebank in Christchurch (who does meditation with me through an arrangement between Hutt South and Addington Timebank) told me someone had offered book design in Addington Timebank. He

turned out to be familiar with my teaching background, so he understood what my book was about. It turns out we met at a retreat some years ago and made a nice connection. Alan made the book more beautiful than my wildest imaginings. We had fun working together and getting to know each other more, so community was built. He put in a lot of hours; he says he might use his credits to reshape his garden. Alan tells me he can't wait to start on the next book; I need to finish writing it first!”

Congratulations to Dido and Alan for sharing this wonderful example of Timebanking with us!

If you're interested in Dido's book, *Storm Weathering*, you can order it from Amazon. Even better, if enough orders are placed on 29 May, it will go on Amazon's best seller list, although another day that week would be nearly as good! **Gen.**



A WELCOMING PLACE TO WORK AND SOCIALISE: ADDINGTON COFFEE CO-OP

Artist Richard Wheeler finds the happy racket of a busy Addington café an ideal environment to work in. And he's not the only one. We met at Addington Coffee Co-op and he told me about the kindred spirits who meet at the café.

‘Another artist, Christine McCormack, and I are here every week, mostly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am—2pm. There's a broader group of perhaps five artists who meet here, but it's mostly Christine and I', he laughs, ‘We are part of the establishment now.’

‘People do their paid work from here too. On any day you will see quite a lot of people typing up notes. One man is basically running his business from here.’

Addington Times readers will remember fashion designer and photographer, Sharon Thompson, from a recent edition of the *Times*. She too uses Addington Coffee Co-op as a de facto work space.

The name Richard Wheeler may be familiar to some through Richard's work as a clinical psychologist; he has been in private practice for over thirty years. Richard clearly loves art. He started doing artwork as a serious interest back in the 1980s, has had exhibitions and is widely read on the subject. Though not a resident of Addington, Richard is happy to call himself an

Addingtonian. The two years he has spent at Addington Coffee Co-op are a large part of that.

‘I'm fascinated by the culture in Addington. The staff here are committed to supporting the locals. I feel welcome here. Two staff members have asked me to draw their children.’

He says many artists like to work in quiet and solitude but others thrive on activity. He cites the Impressionists as an example of those who worked in cafés. Addington Coffee Co-op is popular and seemingly always noisy. He says the hubbub becomes ‘white noise’ and is barely a distraction now.

Di Boyd

Di Boyd's photos show Richard in the courtyard and a view of the Coffee Co-op from Lincoln Road.



TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 FM.

An update on Addington TimeBank



There is some movement in the TimeBank! I imagine it like a massive medieval cart being pushed from behind and slowly the wheels are just starting to creak around the first quarter revolution!

People who haven't been on the Timebank site for ages are coming back to look, new ads are appearing, people are answering ads and offering to help, and a whole bunch of us met up on Friday at the Nachos Night (see photo below).

However, one thing that holds Addington TimeBank back a bit, we think, is all the not-filled-in profiles and blank silhouette 'faces'. This feels more 'freaky' than 'community'! We'd love to help you if you can't find your way around the software and we'd love it even more for you to do it yourself. If you feel like the TimeBank is no longer for you or you would like to wait for a while and come back when it is humming, just let us know and we can deactivate your profile until you are ready.

..So jump online at addington.timebanks.org and make your profile look shipshape, super cool or primo, and have a browse through some of the offers and requests made by other people in your Time-Bank community. There are some very interesting and handy people out there!!

Bring toys (in good condition) and some clean, tidy clothing you no longer want. Find and keep toys and clothing you like.
Costs nothing, great fun
Where? Manuka Cottage, Church Square
Next Swap Wednesday 29th June
11-1.00pm

Gen and Chrys.



Meeting up with our on-line community

Members of the Addington TimeBank enjoyed after dinner conversation at the Addington TimeBank Nachos Night on Friday 13 May, held at The Haven in Church Square. The event was so successful, that everyone is looking forward to the next one.



A TALENTED STAFF MEMBER
When I met Richard and Christine at the Addington Coffee Co-op (see Di Boyd's interview on p.7) , I discovered that some of the café staff are also artistically talented. Krissy (above) was wearing an attractive pendant that she had designed and made herself. (Ed.)



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's 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

New activities and groups will arise from time to time. Our goal is to help you to have a sense of belonging and connection in your neighbourhood.

Everybody is welcome and accepted.

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ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

In June we are having a community night with a guest speaker, Dave Wilkinson, from Neighbourhood Support. Everyone is welcome to come and to join us for a small supper afterwards. It will be great to get more information about how to stay safe in our area. This will be at 7pm June 29th, at St Mary's Church, Church Square, Addington.

We also had a Ward Street meeting, trying to solve traffic issues, but unfortunately not many people attended. I'm unsure if we should continue to sort traffic calming?

We spoke about the app 'snap send solve'. If you have a smart phone it's easy to use and notify the CCC about potholes, etc. We are also interested in a Civil Defence/ Emergency Disaster response for Addington.

Bottle-O has withdrawn its application for a bottle store on Selwyn Street. Thanks to those who put in objections to the store — it's great to see the community working together!

Sarah McKenzie, ANA Chairperson.



ANA Trailer hire: phone Eric, 981-5252.



CHANGES IN ADDINGTON

AQUA VITAE

Locals are very sorry to hear that Averill Halliday, owner-operator of Aqua Vitae, has decided to leave Addington and move closer to her home. She will reopen in new premises in Rolleston.

While the Lincoln Road shop has been very successful with its varied offerings, not only of brewing requirements, but also cheese-making supplies, garden plants and free-range eggs, there have been some very disappointing changes in the Addington location.

Parking has been a problem for Averill because illegally parked vehicles have blocked her driveway; her car has been vandalised, and a homeless man has camped on the property. Worse still, she has been intimidated by beggars, and a neighbouring shop has been vandalised.

To keep faith with existing customers, Averill is offering free delivery on all orders for the Christchurch, Rolleston and Lincoln regions. Customers can order by e-mail, phone or via the website, and payment can be made by eftpos, credit card, paypal or bank transfer. The shop at 268 Lincoln Road will close on 17 June.



EVERYBODY'S BUTCHERY in Selwyn Street has had a make-over. Gone are the pictures on the side wall in favour of a smart new exterior.



CREATING THROUGH COLOUR In May, Rosemary and Sue from the Manuka Cottage Art Group joined artist, Maxine Burney, for a 'Create Through Colour' workshop at the Garden Gallery in Lyttelton Street. The Sunday morning classes (10.45 am—1pm) are running until August. (For full details e-mail: maxineburney@xtra.co.nz or tel. 360-3312 021 140 9688.)

In the photos below, we see Rosemary working (left) and Sue (right). The central photo. Shows Maxine and two other students in their class.



Help to keep warm this winter

Community Energy Action is a charitable trust committed to ensuring all homes in Canterbury are warm, dry, healthy and energy efficient. Some of the ways we do this are by providing insulation, energy advice, curtains and energy efficiency products.

If your home was built prior to 2000 and your insulation has not been checked or topped up since, you may need more insulation. CEA can provide a free, no-obligation insulation assessment of your home.

We are a charitable trust, not for profit. By installing your insulation with us, you not only keep yourself and your family warmer, but you will also help keep your community warmer this winter too. Any proceeds we make help to fund our community projects. There are a number of subsidies available for free insulation to low income vulnerable households, with a health condition (criteria apply).

CEA also provides a free energy advice service over the phone or by email. Or you could have one of our inde-

pendent energy advisors come to your home and assess it, with a view to helping improve its energy efficiency. A fee will apply in some cases.

Curtains are invaluable to keeping your home warm during the winter months. Our Curtain Bank collects donated curtains and alters them to provide good quality, lined curtains to anyone on low income who needs them.

CEA showcases a variety of energy efficiency products and techniques at our display room at 299 Tuam Street, Christchurch. Pop in any time during office hours to look around. For community groups of 6-20 people, free tours of the display room can be arranged either during or outside of office hours.

For more information about any of these services, or to chat to one of our friendly energy advice professionals, call 0800 GET WARM, email us at info@cea.co.nz, or check out our website www.cea.co.nz



Deliverers Required!

Do you enjoy getting the *Addington Times*? Would you like to make sure others receive their copy? Feel the need for exercise and enjoy the outdoors? Want to give back to your community?

Then we need you!

We are looking for three Deliverers to deliver the *Addington Times* between Brougham and Coronation Streets. We need people who are reliable and will get the job done!

If you are interested please leave a phone message for Dianne on 03 9815974

This is a local volunteer position

For locals by locals!



Enfield Villa in Burke Street was still standing as this issue of the *Addington Times* was in preparation. Sabotage of the on-site digger had temporarily halted demolition plans.

THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO OFFERED THEIR SERVICES AS PROOF READERS VIA THE ADDINGTON TIMEBANK!



SADLY, MY WORKLOAD IS SUCH THAT I CAN'T REPLY TO YOU INDIVIDUALLY, BUT I NOW HAVE THE HELP I NEED.

I'M STILL GRATEFUL FOR PHOTOGRAPHS OR IDEAS FOR STORIES—AS LONG AS WE CAN KEEP GOING.

Editor, Addington Times.