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OLD ADDINGTON: Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House Inc.

Manuka Cottage was established in 1993 at 45 Dickens Street. The need for a local Community House was identified by the then Community Development Worker Jan Rogers and research undertaken by CCC after many conversations with the local Addington community. The community wanted a gathering place for locals to meet and participate in activities and projects. Manuka Cottage enjoyed 18 years at No. 45 but after the earthquakes had to leave the premises, not because the building was damaged but because the landlord's insurance company said they would not insure non-residential activities. Manuka Cottage then moved to 7 Dickens Street to continue to provide what they do while seeking a permanent solution. As the building was not suitable for a Community House St Mary's in Church Square kindly offered to host Manuka Cottage in their lovely church. CCC has made a small fund available for a community facility that Manuka Cottage will be the guardians of. A park was identified as under-utilised and research proves that if there is a building for the community on it, then people will use the park. This is an incredible asset for Addington! Manuka Cottage has been in the community for 21 years. That's something to celebrate! AND one of the reasons Addington is a great place to live, work and play!







45 Dickens St.

7 Dickens St.

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The Voice of the Addington Community



HARMAN COURTS HAS SIXTEEN NEW UNITS

Pamela Cain is a soon-to-be resident of one of the 16 new Council housing units blessed at a ceremony on 16 February at Harman Courts, Addington. She is seen in the photos below (in the white sun hat) watching a blessing by Kaharoa Manihera, of Tuahiwi Marae, and listening to an introduction by James Hadlee the Council's Assets Manager, followed by a talk by Councillor Andrew Turner. After a cake was ceremoniously cut, visitors including new and long-time residents, Councillors and Community Board members were invited to go through one of the two-storey units, and then enjoy refreshments in the Harman Courts Community Room.

Councillor Turner explained that the new units, built by Miles Construction in association with Gravity Design, represented a 30% increase in social housing on the site, and made a major step in replacing Council housing lost in the 2011 earthquake. The new units are modern, well-insulated, warm, energy efficient, and adaptable to the changing needs of tenants. 'Menzshed' volunteers were warmly thanked for supplying garden planter-boxes (see photo bottom left).











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addington.net is now based at St James Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Barrington and Bewdley Streets. Our hours are 10am-12 noon, and 1-3pm. For bookings or more information, call 9627244 or email info@addington.net.nz



Addington BBQ and you are invited!

Come and celebrate the prospect of a new and exciting community facility here in Addington!

Christchurch City Council is currently consulting in relation to a new home for Manuka Cottage on

Cornelius O'Connor Reserve in Harman Street and we want to know what you think of this proposal!

Manuka Cottage and Council will have staff that will answer any questions. There will be drawings and plans available to show you what the project will look like and Manuka Cottage will showcase some of their projects and activities. We will provide BBQ food, salad and fruit juice so come and enjoy a picnic in the park!

Tuesday 8 March between 5pm and 7pm
Cornelius O'Connor Reserve, Harman Street Addington

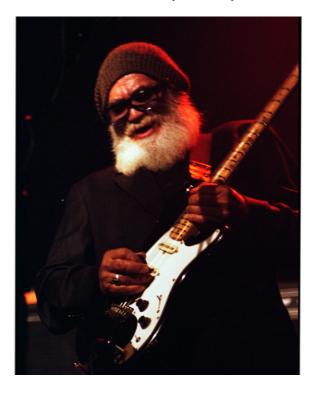
See you there! Cherylan Davies, Community Development Worker Addington.

(Consultation period - Friday 26 February to Monday 21 March 2016)



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Peace Concert Billy T K (senior)



'People love peace. I don't know anybody who doesn't love peace.'

Those are the words of popular musician Billy T K (senior) who will play a 'Peace Concert' in deepest Addington on Sunday 13th March. *Addington Times* readers may recall a successful Billy T K gig last year at the same venue, St Mary's in Church Square.

Billy says his peace message is for everyone: 'All dominations, all religions, all cultures. Everyone's welcome. There was a mixture of people at St Mary's last year.' The concert will be the last gig on a tour that has taken him to rural centres in the North Island and to Motueka near Nelson, and Black Ball and Fox River, both on the West Coast.

His Promoter and long-time friend, Addingtonian Dave Mitchell, says one concert is on Saturday, March 12 at Churchills Live Music in Sydenham. It starts at 9pm. Tickets are \$10. The second concert is at St Mary's at 2pm the following day for no cost except a koha.

Billy is a highly-skilled guitar player who also sings and composes, and has been a professional muso both here and overseas for many years. His publicity material says he is similar in style to Carlos Santana, Eric Clapton and Jimi Hendrix. Readers may know his music from 1960s band Human Instinct. It's his mellow – not his rocker – side that will entertain at St Mary's, and listeners will also hear his thoughts on peace and inner peace. It's that part of the occasion that really is significant for him. 'Music is just the support band.'

The Billy T K contingent has been touring with five German musos who are 'supporters of peace' and will join him on stage. 'My other guest is renowned author Barry Brailsford who wrote the famous book *Song of Waitaha*. I emailed him to see if he would be a guest and he said it would be a privilege.'

Of the concert at St Mary's, Reverend Dianne McEvedy says: 'It's a pleasure to welcome T K and friends back, continuing to share their message of peace through their music which was enjoyed so much last year. This will be followed by refreshment.'

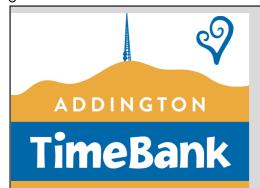
Di Boyd.

Photo below: At the recent Summer Fun event in Church Square, Addington music entrepreneur Dave Mitchell points out a promotional poster for Billy TK's Peace Concert appearance in Addington on Sunday 13 March.



TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 FM.

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Addington Timebank Toy and Clothes Swap

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months so If you have some toys or clothes you no talk about how things are going with the TimeBank. longer want then bring them along. PLEASE REMEMBER that anything you bring to the swap must be in good condition and clean. Look around at the clothes and toys that others have brought along. If you find anything you like, take it home. The whole thing costs no money and is heaps of fun. If you don't have anything



New ATB drop in. Thanks to the generosity of a Time-Bank member, the TimeBank now has a regular drop-in space in the middle of Addington. We're at 12 Grove Road, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11.00 to new ones and to take away clothes that they liked the 1.00pm. Look out for our signs and drop in to say hello. We've been chuffed to meet prospective Time-We'll be running these swaps for the next few Bank Members as well as long term members and to

> We're also at Manuka Cottage every Wednesday between 11am and 1pm, so feel free to say hello to us there. If these times don't work for you, let us know and we can make a time to meet that might suit you

Chrys 0272 86 86 53 or Gen 021 134 5802

INTERNATIONAL OFFERS FESTIVAL

We are offering live music, stalls and workshops Bring and swap your spare produce, clothes and toys

Church Square, Poulson Street, Addington Saturday 19 March, 1pm-5pm

Addington TimeBank/Manuka Cottage/St Mary's Church It's Our Future—Christchurch Collaborations

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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 10am—3pm Women's only Day Morning tea Bits and Bobs Projects, Bring and Buy 12pm shared lunch

1—3pm Craft Group - gold coin donation

Wed 10.30 -11.30 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 10.am Addy-venturers Walking Group 10-12 noon Café 10c per cup, 20c biscuit 12.30-2.30 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.

Cherylan Davies, Community Development Worker, Ph: 338-2591, or visit us at our temporary location at St Mary's, Church Square. manukacottage@clear.net.nz Check our Facebook page at facebook.com/manukacottage-nz

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ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

It's nice to see the freedom camping in Addington Park and that the Council were able to fix the few teething issues. I contacted the CCC in December, and by just keeping the toilet block unlocked and putting in extra rubbish bins, it has made all the difference to our ea. I'm sure its also bringing in a few extra customers to the Addington retail. I know lots of friends have spoken about freedom camping overseas and how it was a fantastic way to travel, its nice to see Christchurch returning the favour.

Our next ANA meeting is 30th March, 6.30pm at St Mary's Church, in Church Square. We would really like to see new members. It's only \$5 to join for the year, as we email out the meeting minutes and forward emails that apply to us from different communities in our area. We are also lucky enough to have two trailers for hire as well. Please contract Eric Lilley, to hire a trailer.

On the 9th of February we had Addington 'Summer of Fun' at St Mary's Church. It was a lovely evening and it was so nice to see heaps of people there. It's really great to have St Mary's Church in the heart of our community. Allan Hudson does an amazing job organising the community events and the huge team of volunteers, too.

Don't forget we have an 'Addington Community' Facebook page to keep in touch with others, especially with those earthquakes coming back again. I hope you were all safe and please remember to check on neighbours and friends. Sarah Pullman, ANA Chairperson.

(NB We respect Sarah's opinion, but local residents still have issues with the behaviour of park campers. Ed.)

The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board is keen to help local youngsters to become more involved in sport. To this end they are asking for donations of sports gear in good condition. The gear will be given out at the PHIT Fest event at Centennial Park on March 28. Donations can be dropped off at the Beckenham Service Centre. (No clothing please.)

Email: emma.pavey@ccc.govt.nz

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A Community Fair for the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board area was held on February 14 at Barrington Park in Spreydon. Numerous local organisations, sports and interest groups, were invited to publicise their activities. The photos here, show (above, left) Karolin Potter, Helene Mauntner and Councillor Phil Clearwater from the Community Board; top right, the stall staffed by volunteers from St Mary's Church, Addington; and bottom right, sit staff from addington.net (currently operating from St James, Church cnr Barrington and Bewdley Streets). At approximately 2pm that afternoon, everyone was bounced around by a 5.7 earthquake.



Photo right: The current TimeBank drop-in (Grove Road). See page 6 for details..



In the photo below, at the junction of Lincoln Road and Whiteleigh Avenue a much-needed median island has been constructed for the protection of pedestrians. This must be one of the busiest crossings in Christchurch at lunchtime on weekdays, so thanks, Traffic Dept!





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Summer of Fun Community Event, Church Square, Addington Tuesday 9th February

The photo, top left, shows 'Christchurch Girls' the excited winners of the Annual Beth Hobson Pancake Race with their cup. Next (top right) are 'The Cone-Heads' winners of the Oddfellows Cup for the best-dressed team. Centre left is organiser, Allan Hudson, about to demonstrate the pancake-tossing; continuing clockwise, we have the queue for free hot-dogs, the bouncy castle, the giant chess game, and the clown with his little dog being greeted by children at the gate.









