

## OLD ADDINGTON: ADDINGTON CEMETERY

### The wreck of the *Penguin*—New Zealand's worst marine disaster of the 20th Century.

The grave that relates to this disaster is for William Higgins Henry, 32, and his wife, Eusebia Margaret Henry, née Maxwell, 29. The gravestone of the Henry family states: 'They were lovely and pleasant in their lives and in death they were not divided.' The young couple were returning from Brightwater where they had been visiting family.

boy who were trapped underneath a lifeboat in an air pocket. Some wooden rafts were used with more success. After drifting for some hours a few survivors managed to make their way to the shore.

As the *Penguin* sank, seawater flooded into the engine room. The cold water caused a huge explosion in the red-hot boilers. This tore the ship apart, and sent the wreckage to the bottom of the sea.

Researched by Tim Redwood.



*This elaborate headstone for William and Eusebia Henry in Addington Cemetery, survived the 2010-11 quakes, albeit on something of a tilt.*

*The inscription says the couple 'were drowned in the wreck of the SS Penguin, February 12th 1909.'*

The steamer *Penguin* left Picton on February 12, 1909 bound for Wellington. It was a clear night, with good weather conditions. The 102 people on board were excited by the sight of Pelorus Jack, the dolphin, which had accompanied the steamer for a mile or two.

The *Penguin* entered Cook Strait about 8pm and the weather started to deteriorate. Halfway across the strait there was a strong southerly wind and visibility was poor. By 10pm the captain had not sighted the Pencarrow light at the entrance to Wellington Harbour, and gave orders to turn back out to sea until the weather cleared, but the *Penguin* was closer to land than the captain realised.

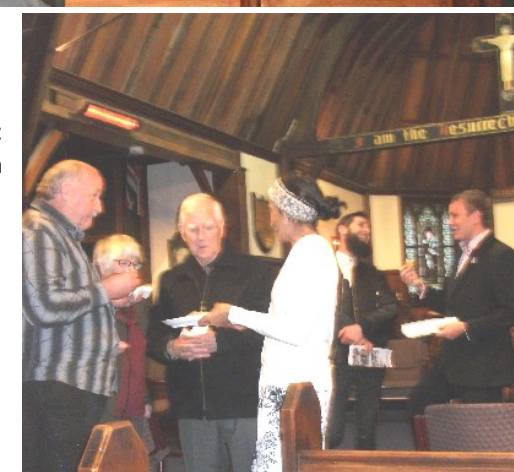
As the ship turned, it struck rocks off Cape Terawhiti, tearing a hole in the hull of the ship, and water began to pour in. The pumps were not able to keep the ship afloat, so the crew began to load the lifeboats with women and children.

Only two lifeboats were successfully launched, but these were swamped. All on board the lifeboats were drowned apart from a woman and young



### MEETING THE CANDIDATES

There was a good turn-out of locals keen to hear from candidates for the two wards, Spreydon and Central, that will share representation of Addington on the Spreydon/Cashmere, and Linwood/Central/Heathcote Community Boards.



## Addington Times

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### WE VALUE OUR VOLUNTEERS

Michael was looking for a change when he became an Addington.net volunteer in early August this year. Addington.net seemed a natural choice for Michael who says it has 'always been my love to do computers', having built his first computer at age 13.

Michael lists his particular strengths as building computers and problem solving. He also has good understanding of programmes such as Facebook and e-mail. Addington.net clients are able to draw upon Michael's knowledge of telecommunication providers and the plans that they offer.

Being a volunteer at addington.net allows Michael to keep growing and learning. Not only is he getting customer service experience but, also, he is expanding his knowledge of technology. Michael is enjoying learning more about Apple products and using Addington.net's 3D printer.

Michael is busy outside of Addington.net as well and says that his current project is to turn his house into an entertainment centre. We are sure, with Michael's background and enthusiasm that he will soon complete this project to a very high standard.

**Lynda Sawyers.**



Michael (photo left) is a volunteer at addington.net

### ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

There have been three big events in Addington, in the last few months - Keep NZ beautiful, Heritage week, and Neighbourhood week. Thank you to those who have helped organise these events.

The Little River Link cycleway is about to begin. The time frame for this is approximately October 2016 to mid-March 2017. For more information visit [www.ccc.govt.nz/cycleways](http://www.ccc.govt.nz/cycleways)

The cycleway will be coming down Collins St, through Church Square and down Grove Road to meet up with Moorhouse Ave.

Don't forget to put the date 19th November in your diary, the Addington Fun Fair is not too far away.

The next ANA Meeting is at 7 pm, Wednesday, 30 November at St Mary's Church, Church Square.

**Sarah McKenzie (Chairperson)**

Want to make new friends?

Children need to meet and play with others?

Then head along to

## Addington Playgroup

For mums and dads with children under 5 years

**Thursdays - 12:30 - 2:30pm**

(starting 3<sup>rd</sup> November—term time only)

**Manuka Cottage  
St Mary's Church, Church Square, Addington.**

Just pop in

or contact Kathryn

Phone/text 027 416 2656

Email: [kathy.byfield@accd.org.nz](mailto:kathy.byfield@accd.org.nz)



At the AGM of Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House Inc., the core governance group was duly elected or re-elected. They are photographed here in St Mary's Church, the temporary home of Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House.

(Photo Left: (L-R.) Dave Gorton, Sue Gorton, Tim Redwood, Cherylan Davies, Rosemary Spiewak, Blair Kenton and Jan Rogers.)

## MANUKA COTTAGE/ADDINGTON COMMUNITY HOUSE CELEBRATES ITS ACTIVITIES IN 2016

At the AGM of Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House Inc., Cherylan Davies, was the chairperson. She thanked the many volunteers who support the Addington Community, along with St Mary's Church, who have hosted us since June 2013, when insurance hassles meant the loss of Manuka Cottage in Dickens Street. She also thanked the organisations, trusts and individuals who have funded our activities—CCC Strengthening Communities Small Grants, Rata Foundation, Lotteries, COGS, Red Cross, Maurice Carter Trust; Anglican Care, and addington.net (who donated three computers). Paid staff were thanked for their contributions.

**Sadly Missed:** long-time volunteers and good friends—Dave Donnelly, Debbie Boyle, and Hamish Alexander.

### Community Consultations:

Tweedleum and Tweedledee—community hopes for Addington; Church Square Cycleway; Meet the Candidates event; New Community Cottage Consultation.

### On-going Manuka Projects:

OSCAR (After School Programme) — Menna; Addington TimeBank — Gen and Chrys; The Fruit and Veggie Co-op — Ian and Tim; Addington Times—Doreen (with thanks to Di Boyd); Monday

Walkie-Talkie walkers group— Tim and Ian; Art group and Manuka Scribes — Rosemary; SPACE Mother's Group — Katherine (Family Development Worker- Community).

Mandy Neill, St Mary's Interim Priest in Charge, spoke on behalf of Dianne McEvedy and Allan Hudson, and the evening ended with a magnificent supper prepared and served by our wonderful volunteers.



Photo Above: volunteers, Laureen, Kahu and Louisa, prepare to set out the supper.

**TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 FM.**





## NEWS FROM THE TIMEBANK

The Timebank BBQ and Table Top Swap was a fun afternoon of eating, swapping, singing, playing, slurping on gelato and most important of all, meeting the wonderful people of Addington. The Natural Magic Pirates entertained the children with songs and parachute games – a fair few had a go at being flip –flopped!

There was plenty of swapping going on too, with a variety of items exchanging hands. A wonderful children's giraffe chair found a new home with a happy grandparent.

Chris fed the masses with chicken nibbles, veggie kebabs and the classic sausage sizzle with a gourmet twist of basil and sundried tomato pesto. Jan from Gelatiamo is the first local business to join us at the Timebank with his fantastic gelato of many fabulous flavours. He is exchanging gelato for time credits - go see him on Lincoln Road.

Please remember that we have started a ready meal food bank so if you need a meal get in contact, or if you have any spare food containers or would like to contribute raw food or ready made meals to the bank, please contact the team.

Chrys

**Ph: 0272 86 86 53 or Gen: 0211 345 802, or get in touch via the website:**  
**www.addington.timebank.org**

**See you all at the Addington Fair - Nov 19!**

## 150 YEARS OLD...

Last month Christchurch South Baptist Church put on a street party (October 15) to celebrate its foundation in 1866 and asked all the locals along. The thriving church celebrated its 150th Birthday with a busy celebration in part of Lyttelton St. Entertainment included music, activities for the children and food.

The church (previously known as Spreydon Baptist) started life in Addington – in a sod hut in a paddock to be precise. From very small beginnings it flourished and flourishes still, though it has had changes of location and moved with the times generally.

Di Boyd.

Part of Lyttelton Street, Spreydon, was closed to traffic for a street party on October 15. (photo: Addington Times)



## ANSWERS TO OUR OCTOBER HERITAGE QUIZ:

1. Grove Road was previously called Park Road (1878 to 1948).
2. The Addington Prison was used as a lunatic Asylum, 1889 to 1912.
3. The two independent Order of Oddfellows lodges in Addington were Manchester Unity (Dickens St) and Washington Lodge (Selwyn St).
4. Antigua St, South of Moorhouse Ave, was once called Windmill St.
5. Lincoln Lane is behind the car wash – Cnr Lincoln Rd and Moorhouse Ave.
6. The Haxell window is in St Mary's, below the knave.
7. Dig a Tattoo Parlour was at the corner of Lincoln Rd and Dickens St before the 2011 quake.
8. The Addington Cemetery, the first public cemetery in Christchurch, opened in 1858.
9. The famous suffragette buried in the Addington Cemetery was Kate Sheppard (Katherine Wilson Lovell-Smith).
10. The Lych gate at St Mary's Church was erected in 1921.
11. A sculpture associated with Peter Pan is in Barrie St.
12. The Addington Sale Yards opened in 1874.
13. You will find a man sitting on a bench (all made of metal) in Kipling Street.
14. The water tower at Tower Junction belonged to the Addington Railway Workshops.
15. Jackson's Creek runs through Addington.
16. Robert (Bob) George Deans (who scored a disputed try at Cardiff Arms Park in 1905) is buried in the Addington Cemetery.
17. Richard Seddon (NZ's longest standing PM) often stayed at 21 Church Square, when visiting Christchurch.
18. Henry Sewell, a large landowner in Addington, became NZ's first Prime Minister.
19. Poulson St, Addington, is spelt incorrectly. It was named after Rev. George Paulson.
20. The 'new suburb of Addington' was first mentioned in the Lyttelton Times in 1863.

**THANKS TO: Graham Robinson and Allan Hudson.**

**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

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.



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## MANUKA SCRIBES



'Barry, will you read us a poem?' 'Tim, how's the book going?' These are just two of the questions asked regularly at 'Scribes' on a Thursday morning at Manuka Cottage.

Tim has been writing a book about his life on an island with his parents, farming. Barry and his poems are a joy. I am writing chapters of my life to put in a family history. Others write poems, sometimes long overdue letters, but a lot of fun is also to be had for an hour and a half.

It's good to get together and enjoy the written word. New members are always welcome.

Rosemary



Misty Morning

**Visit the GARDEN GALLERY**  
 291 Lyttelton Street, Spreydon

(A community project run by an Addington volunteer)

**DIAMOND HARBOUR CAMERA CLUB**  
 is showing 'Another View'

Saturday November 26 — Sunday December 11

**HOURS: 1—4pm,**  
**Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday**

**All welcome**  
**FREE ENTRY**



## ADDINGTON! A great place to Live, Work and Play!



### A PLAN FOR OUR COMMUNITY

What makes Addington a great community? What is important to you in the local area you live, work and play in? Where does it need strengthening? Is your street a great place to live? What are your thoughts on housing in the area? Could Addington be better? What would it take to be the best suburb for you? What is lacking? What do you think needs protecting, encouraging, building, landscaping?

It is time to come together as a community and create a Master Plan crafted by Addington-ites who live here, who work here and who play here. A plan that can be presented to Council and the Community Boards to consider what is important to the residents and business when making decisions in Addington. Look for Tweedledum and Tweedledee at the Addington Fun Fair, Church Square, 19th November 11am - 3pm. We want to hear from you. This is your stomping ground and it should be your dreams and aspirations that guide Addington's own Master Plan. If you can't make it to the fair email your thoughts and opinions to:

manukacottage@clear.net.nz or leave a message at 3381613.

**Cherylan Davies, Community Development Manuka Cottage**



## Addington Fun Fair and Concert

**At St Mary's Church, Church Square, Addington**

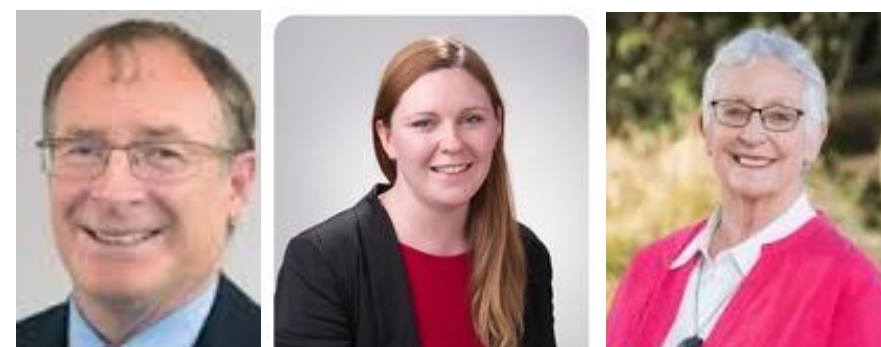
**Saturday 19 November, 11am—3.00pm  
(if wet Sunday 12.30— 4.00pm)**

**ALL WELCOME**

Anyone wanting a stall please contact Sarah: [addingtonfunfair@gmail.com](mailto:addingtonfunfair@gmail.com)

### ADDINGTON'S 2016 COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY BOARD REPRESENTATION

Addington's former representatives on the City Council and Community Board have all been re-elected to the new the City Council and Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board. We congratulate Phil Clearwater, City Councillor, and Melanie Coker and Karolin Potter who represent us on the new Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board. Cashmere Ward members of the Board are: Lee Sampson, Helene Mautner and Councillor, Tim Scandrett.



*Photos L-R:  
Councillor Phil Clearwater and  
Board members, Melanie Coker  
and Karolin Potter represent us  
in the Spreydon ward of the  
Spreydon/Cashmere Community  
Board.*

Our historic suburb is no longer represented by a single Community Board, so we also share representation with the Central Ward, whose City Council member is Deon Swiggs. Addington's Central representatives on the Linwood-Central-Heathcote Board are Sally Buck and Jake McLennan.

*Photos L-R:  
Councillor Deon Swiggs and  
Board Members, Sally Buck and  
Jake McLennan represent us on  
the Linwood, Central, Heathcote  
Community Board.*



We are fortunate that all of these people attended last month's 'Meet the Candidates evening' organized by Cherylan Davies, Addington's Community Development Worker. We were impressed by what they had to say and look forward to working with them in the future.

### The CCC proposed Quarryman's Trail Cycleway is up for consultation

If plans are likely to affect you in any way, check out the website below. Affected roads are: Antigua, Strickland, Roker and Frankleigh Streets, Sparks Road, James Hight Drive, and Halswell Road.

CCC will be using a new web-based public consultation tool called Social Pinpoint for the first time. For Major Cycle Routes, it allows people to click on a specific area on a map that affects or concerns them and leave their comment or thoughts. It's an online tool that aims to improve the way organisations engage with their communities and stakeholders.

<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/transport/cycling/major-cycle-routes/major-cycle-routes-consultation/quarrymans-trail-consultation/>