

# ADDINGTON TIMES

THE VOICE OF THE ADDINGTON COMMUNITY.

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HEAVENS, WHAT A MESS. Poulson Street is one of several Addington streets undergoing an uplift with new paving and re-sealing.. The transformation will be worth the inconvenience to the public at present.

## **COMMUNITY DIARY. Watch for these upcoming events.**

**JULY 15TH** Mystery bus trip from Manuka Cottage.

**Details on page 2.**

**JULY 29TH** Addington Neighbourhood Association monthly meeting, 7.30 p.m. at Manuka Cottage.

**AUGUST 26TH.** Advance notice of the A.G.M. of the Addington Neighbourhood Association to be held 7.30 p.m. at the Silvan Café.

### **NOTE**

IN LAST MONTHS ISSUE, I FEATURED A WINDMILL, AND ASKED FOR ANY PHOTOS OR INFORMATION. HOWEVER I GAVE AN INCORRECT CELL-PHONE NUMBER TO RING.. Please contact me at [community.marketing@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:community.marketing@yahoo.co.nz). THANKS.

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**Advance notice - Addington Neighbourhood Association Annual General Meeting, August 26**

It's still over a month away but this is just a reminder that the Addington Neighbourhood Association will be having our AGM, as usual, on the last Wednesday (the 26th) of August, 7:30 pm at the Silvan Cafe.

Hope to see you all there.

In the meantime our monthly meeting for July will be at 7:30 pm on the last Wednesday (29th) at Manuka Cottage. As always, all Addington residents are welcome to attend. Contact Nate Cull on 981 5178 if you have any agenda items you would like to discuss.

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Are you wanting to learn how to:



**Upload photo's on your computer?**

**Edit your photo's?**

**Organise your photos?**

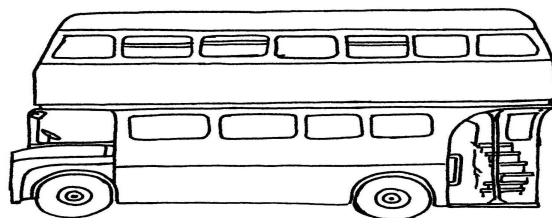
**Create a gift CD?**

Addington.net is offering a new course using Picasa software. Over three nights you will learn the easy steps to organising and using your digital photos. The course starts on Thursday 23 July 6 pm to 8 pm and continues on 30 July and 6 August. The course fee is \$10. Phone for more information or drop in and pick up a registration form. You will be amazed how easy it is!

**We are open 9.30 am to 1.00 pm and 1.30 pm to 5.30 pm, Monday to Friday  
Addington.net, Shop 5, Addington Mall, 300 Lincoln Road, Ph 962 7244**

## Manuka Cottage

***All Aboard !***  
**Mid- Winter**  
**Mystery Double Decker Bus Trip**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2009**



**All welcome**

The bus will depart from the Cottage at 10.30 am

Please meet at the Cottage by 10 am

Lunch provided

A Gold Coin Donation would be appreciated

We will return at 2.30pm approximately

Wear your Winter Woolies!



Jim wanted a job as a signalman on the railways.

At the job interview the inspector asked him this question: "What would you do if you saw 2 trains heading for each other on the SAME track?"

Jim said: "I would put all signals to danger"

"What if they were going too fast?", asked the inspector.

Jim said, "I would switch the points for one of the trains."

"What if the lever broke?", asked the inspector.

"Then I'd dash down the signal box steps waving a red flag", said Jim.

"What if it blew away in the wind?" asked the inspector.

"Then I'd run back into the signal box & phone the next signal box."

"What if the phone was engaged?"

"Oh well, then I'd run back home and get my sister, Linda" answered Jim.

This puzzled the Inspector, so he asked, "Why on earth would you do that?"

"Because she's never seen a train crash!!!"



## NEW HARVEST TRUST – Community Help Centre July – 2009 @ 162 Lincoln Rd

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
NOTE: Work base activity available daily		<b>1</b> Guitar Lessons 10.30am (Please ring to book)	<b>2</b> Mystery Outing 10.30 (Cost \$2)	<b>3</b> Community Lunch Gold Donation "Veggie Soup" 12pm Fun Afternoon 1.30-3.30pm "Sing Star"
- Work Team Activity (Daily) - Gardening - Furniture Restoration - House Maintenance - Yard Maintenance		Beauty Hour Makeup & Nails 1.30-2.30pm	Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30	
<b>6</b> Community Lunch Gold Donation "Spaghetti Bag" 12pm Walking Group-1pm	<b>7</b> Baking 10.30am "Banana Cake" Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>8</b> Guitar Lessons 10.30am (Please ring to book) House Meeting 1pm – 2pm	<b>9</b> Walking Group – 10.30am Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>10</b> Community Lunch Gold Donation "Macaroni Cheese" 12pm Fun Afternoon 1.30-3.30pm "Cards"
<b>13</b> Community Lunch Gold Donation "Mince on Toast" 12pm Walking Group-1pm	<b>14</b> Baking 10.30am "Hokey Pokey Bisc." Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>15</b> Guitar Lessons 10.30am (Please ring to book) Beauty Hour Makeup, Hair & Nail 1.30-2.30pm	<b>16</b> Mystery Outing – 10.30am (Cost \$2) Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>17</b> Community Lunch Gold Coin Donation "Veggie Stir Fry" 12pm Fun Afternoon 1.30-3.30pm "Darts"
<b>20</b> Community Lunch Gold Coin donation "Cauliflower in Cheese Sauce"- 12pm Walking Group- 1pm	<b>21</b> Baking 10.30am "Sugar Buns" Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>22</b> Guitar Lessons 10.30am (Please ring to book) Beauty Hour Makeup, Hair & Nail 1.30-2.30pm	<b>23</b> Walking Group – 10.30am Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>24</b> Community Lunch Gold Coin Donation "Toasties" 12pm Fun Afternoon "Video Afternoon" 1.30-3.30pm Social Evening – See Flyer
<b>27</b> Community Lunch Gold Coin donation "Pumpkin" 12pm Walking Group- 1pm	<b>28</b> Baking 10.30am "Chocolate Muffins" Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>29</b> Guitar Lessons 10.30am (Please ring to book) Beauty Hour Makeup, Hair & Nail 1.30-2.30pm	<b>30</b> Mystery Outing – 10.30am(cost \$2) Arts & Crafts- 1.30-3.30pm	<b>31</b> Community Lunch Gold Coin Donation "Pea & Ham Soup" 12pm Fun Afternoon "your choice" 1.30-3.30pm

**THE LAST WORD (Almost.)**

TAKE MY ADVICE, I'M NOT USING IT.

## PRISONER OF PROGRESS

*Although I have put this article under the heading of Addington Heritage, it is in fact Christchurch Heritage, but you will see it applies to our fair suburb in many ways.*

Author.. Christopher Cape

Prisoner of progress may seem an improbable coining of phrase and a contradiction of terms in some readers eyes, but in six years of living in Christchurch I can think of no better way to succinctly describe my observations and experience of changes to this city's environment , its townscape , its associated loss of heritage. From the demise and demolishing of Cashel Chambers and the Flowers building at Christ's College to the controversial redevelopment of Sunnyside Hospital and the Wigram Airforce Base I have seen and heard the rumours surrounding these and other cases of redevelopment.

Residential villas have been demolished or moved to make way for infill housing. Town houses and concrete slab built office blocks take the place of established villas and gardens that have stood for more than three score decades.

For a country barely 150 years old in "European" terms that equates to half our colonial history. The landscape and the heritage of the tangata whenua has to be included in this and that stretches back to the dawn of time. Surely we need to respect and honour our past and preserve our heritage. It is what gives foundations to our identity.

In late May TV3 News carried the story of a forty year old Kauri tree in St Albans, felled before legislation to protect it was finalised. In Sydenham on the corner of Tennyson and Colombo Streets The Tandori Palace, Banfields Butchery and the 1930s period building occupied by Scissortricks are being demolished to make way for a car park for the new shops. I am reminded of Joni Mitchell's lines in her track "Big Yellow Taxi" : " You don't know what you've got 'til its gone, they paved paradise and put up a parking lot". I don't want to see trees in a tree museum. They need freedom like the rest of us.

The American spokesman folksinger, Pete Seeger's song "Little Boxes" (made of ticky tacky) was adopted here 40 years ago as descriptive of New Zealand . When I look at the new Sydenham police station, the new houses on the Port Hills or in Church Bay nothing has changed. They all look just the same. This time they're sticky tacky concrete.

Surely the future of any civilized society is founded on intelligent recognition and remembrance of its past. Responsible progress respects, preserves and values its history. I suspect that without understanding this any examples of our heritage will be lost to us and we will be led captive rather than lead unencumbered.

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From **Christopher Cape. Part Two with Photos Next Edition.**