



THE HAZELDEAN PARKING BUILDING

The parking building at the corner of Harmon Street and Grove Road and was completed shortly before the earthquakes, and although it could hold over five hundred cars, it was never fully utilised. The contractor told me that it was far cheaper to demolish the building than to reconstruct it, so down it comes!

Dave Gorton (text and photos)

ADDINGTON ACTION

Organised by local residents in response to the Feb 22 quake

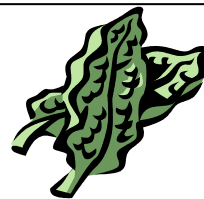
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Tiny Tips

Here is an easy way to construct and use a very effective compost bin.

The bin is made from plastic-covered wire netting, about 1.5 metres in length and 1 metre in height and three or four sturdy garden stakes, plus twistie ties. Form the netting into a cylinder overlapping the edges then join the edges with the ties. Place the cylinder on the ground in a sunny place, push the stakes down the inside of the bin. Tip all the kitchen scraps and grass clippings into the bin. They break down very quickly, when the bin is full just lift up the netting and rake out compost from the base of the bin.

Happy composting—Julie.



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Are you interested but have not joined the Timebank yet? Email your interest!

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Photos: Coll Harvey

PASSING TRAFFIC OR LOCAL BUSINESS?

The six businesses on Lincoln Road (heading out of town) between Barrington and Spencer Streets have until 31 March to tell the Christchurch City Council what they think of plans designed to ease traffic congestion at the Barrington Street - Lincoln Road intersection. Owners of Spice n' Things, Lincoln Road Takeaways, Armageddon Internet, 270 Superstaff, Kim's Cutz and Aqua Vitae must consider a proposal put to them by Mr Chang Xi, traffic engineer with the Traffic Operations Team, City Environment, that the six car parks outside their shops be removed and replaced by four others in Spencer Street. This news comes as a body blow to the businesses as they rely heavily on passing traffic. The possibility of alternative parks off Lincoln Road is cold comfort.

The owner of Aqua Vita, a brewing and distilling specialist shop, Geoff Guest says "Imagine yourself in your car and there's no parking are you going to go to a side street? No. Nobody's going to do that." His thoughts are echoed by Mitt Atapattu, the manager of Spice n' Things on the corner of Spencer Street and Lincoln Road, and by the owners of Lincoln Road Takeaways next door. Even a suggestion of an evening clearway is a problem for those who are open late.

Mr Guest sees the proposal as foreshadowing further changes that will affect all businesses along Lincoln Road, as the Council's ultimate intention appears to be to create a clearway. He says that businesses, including those that will become established in the commercial buildings currently being erected, will need more parking, not less. "If Addington is to become a thriving community, then the Council needs to look at a completely new traffic flow through Addington, instead of a "band aid" providing only a short-term solution.

"It is time for business people along Lincoln Road to form an association to enable them to fight collectively for their rights", says Mr Guest.

Addington's close-knit community is having to adjust to the demands of greatly increased traffic flows and also to the all-day parking that is clogging residential areas. The needs of both the residents and the small businesses that are the lifeblood of historic suburb, must be addressed. Responding to the current Council proposal is an important first step for the people of Addington.

Di Boyd

ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

At the last ANA meeting there was a lot of discussion on the parking problems and too much traffic in Addington. I will be contacting the City Council traffic department, to ask about having turning arrows put on the traffic lights at the Brougham St and Selwyn St and at the Whitleigh Ave - Barrington St and Lincoln Rd Intersection. There are petitions about the parking problems to sign at Manuka Cottage and at Everybody's Butcher.

The other big item at the ANA meeting was a proposal to remove six car parks from the front of the shops in Lincoln Rd from Spencer St going west. The people who own these businesses are very worried about losing customers if this happens. Some of the businesses are places people quickly pop into, like the fish and chip shop, but won't park around the corner if there are no carparks in front of the shop. There is a petition at the shops on Lincoln Rd to sign.

Our next ANA meeting is on Wed. 27th March at 7.30 pm at 7 Dickens St. **Julie, Chairperson ANA**

A New Arrival

Lucia Clearwater has been living in Addington for six years and has always wanted to work in her local community. She is a Registered Midwife who has recently joined Danu Midwives, a midwifery practice which operates Christchurch wide, and Lucia hopes to work primarily in her local area.

"Working in my local community enables me to provide the best possible care for women," says Lucia. "It means that I can be readily available to the women when issues arise in pregnancy, when labour starts, or during the early days of parenting".

Lucia offers home visits during pregnancy and the postnatal period. Birth location depends on the woman's choice and can be home, hospital or birthing unit, with waterbirth available.

"The birth of a baby is a special time for a woman and her family or whanau, and I am passionate about supporting women to make informed choices which enable them to have positive birth experiences," says Lucia.

Contact Lucia on: 9609019 or 0278703022, or check out the practice website: www.danumidwives.co.nz



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RADIO ADDINGTON

Update from Blair

Radio Addington is back on air 24/7 and hopefully I have put the computer glitches to rest that have plagued the station since November 2012. As per the feedback I received from listeners the format has changed from All Music "Random" to a "Banded" format where similar music plays during a certain period each day. I look forward to more feedback about this or any other queries you have about the Radio Addington community station, contact Blair 03 3381613 or radio.addington@gmail.com

RADIO ADDINGTON format:

Mon	0000 - 0400 Random Access 0400 - 0800 Classical 0800 - 1200 Golden Oldies 50s-70s
to	1200 - 1600 Popular 80s-10s 1600 - 1800 Comedy Drive 1800 - 2200 Rock Music
Fri	2200 - 0000 Heavy Metal
Sat	0000 - 0300 Random Access 0400 - 0600 Classical 0600 - 0900 Kiddy Time (Stories & Music)
and	0900 - 1200 Golden Oldies 50s-70s 1200 - 1600 Popular 80s-10s 1600 - 2000 Rock Music
Sun	2000 - 0000 Heavy Metal

TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 F.M.

Twilight Community Night

11 April, 2013 (rain date 18 April)
5-7pm at Church Square, Addington



Addington is a great place to live, work and play. It has recreational spaces, houses, community groups, schools, businesses, and most importantly, people. Immersed in a richness of history, the ambience of lush trees and picturesque streets draws people out of their homes to enjoy their surroundings, Addington is unique.

It is this uniqueness that needs protecting: the quaint village-like atmosphere; the history that adds to the character of Addington, especially the houses that reflect another era, the quiet streets; the historic walking trail, and the peaceful parks.

Since the earthquakes in 2010 and 2011 Addington has undergone some major changes - some good and some not so good. On 11 April a Twilight Community Night has been organised so that all of you who live, work and play here can have your say about what you want Addington to look like. Come and share your dreams and desires for Addington. This is your backyard! Be creative! Be supportive! Be inventive! Come and help Addington to shine!

There will also be stalls, food, and entertainment, information on community groups, businesses and schools and much more. If you would like to have a stall, take part in the entertainment, or be a volunteer to help the event run smoothly please contact us. Come on Addington it is time for your voice to be heard!

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St MARY'S ADDINGTON

Easter services

Palm Sunday Eucharist 24 March - 10:00 am - 11:15 am
Maundy Thursday Eucharist 28 March - 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Good Friday Service 29 March - 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Easter Sunday Eucharist 31 March - 10:00 am - 11:30 am

ANZAC Day Memorial Service

25 April - 10:00 am - 11:00 am

This is a community memorial service for ANZAC day. We gather first inside the church, and later the service heads to the lych gate on which are listed the names of Addington residents who died in the World Wars.

A note from Megan Woods -

Traffic, safety and parking are concerns that Addington people are talking to me about all the time at the moment. There is no doubt our neighbourhood and streets have more people and cars on them as more people work in Addington since the earthquakes.

So that I can get a good picture of the problem I have sent a survey to local residents and businesses to gather as much information as possible from those who are affected.

The responses from these surveys will allow me to best advocate to the City Council on behalf of local residents and reach an agreement on the main areas of concern.

If you are a local resident and have not received a survey, you can contact my office on (03) 338 6347 or by e-mail at:

megan.woods@wigram.org.nz. I would really like to hear from you.





Megan WOODS
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