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ADDINGTON TODAY—A personal view

Lifelong Christchurch resident, Linden Barr, has vivid memories of retail in Addington in the 1970s. He welcomes the current changes in the suburb saying "It has always been a colourful place but it was a commercial graveyard... Who'd have thought we would see lawyers and engineers and businesses like the Radio Network set up in Addington? Staff from these buildings will frequent the local cafes." However, he adds that in order for parts of Addington's retail area to do well, people will need to walk and take buses and not just drive through.



"Barr" is a name Times readers may associate with horse training. Linden says his family made a name for itself training gallopers. Our readers may also remember his bookshop-stationers "The Funny Way" on Lincoln Road. Linden named his shop after his race-winning horse. Husband and wife Cliff and the late Denise Guthrie owned the dairy over the road at 261 where "Secondhand Books" is now. Cliff helped out at The Funny Way, part-time.

While he never got rich from the business, Linden enjoyed the interaction with locals and got to know the Addington area pretty well. He puts some of the suburb's current success down to the "Jailhouse Accommodation" which opened in 2006 in the old Addington Jail. He says it has raised the area's profile.

The prison was built in 1874, and together with the Poulson Street Salvation Army facility, the Epitaph bikie gang, the trots at Addington Racecourse, the Railway Workshops and the nearby Sunnyside Mental Hospital, it cemented Addington in the public's mind as an undesirable area.

Those things have now gone or changed and since the earthquake, as readers will know, the suburb has a new energy.

Di Boyd

FUN FAIR STALL REMINDER

The Addington Fun Fair will be held on Saturday 23 November, at St Mary's Church. If you would like to have a stall on the day, please e-mail Shona Robins: shona.robins@gmail.com

The cost of a stall is \$10 for a Community Group or Non-profit organisation and \$20 for a business/ commercial stall. There is no charge for information stands.

Last month we incorrectly named Louisa who lives in Church Square.

Our abject apologies, Louisa. **Ed.**



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Finding The Balance in Addington

What do you love about Addington? What sort of things do you want to see happen in Addington? What do you need for Addington to be a great place to live, work and play in? You should have now received a copy of the booklet, **Finding the Balance** by Christchurch City Council, in your mailbox inviting you to help review the 10 year District Plan. This is your chance to shape Christchurch City Council's thinking about Addington.

At the September Addington Well-being meeting the group discussed how residents, business, employees and recreational users can be encouraged to be involved in promoting their vision for Addington and



how they wish their aspirations to be acknowledged in the 10 year review of the District Plan currently open for public consultation. Cherylan Davies, Community Development Worker in Addington, and Karolin Potter, Spreydon Heathcote Community Board member, are interested in what you need for Addington to be a thriving, flourishing, inclusive and vibrant suburb for people to love living in, for business to be supported by residents and to be successful, for community groups to be effective, and for recreational needs to be accommodated generously. To give you a chance to participate in a response to the District Plan Cherylan and Karolin plan to be out and about at the Addington Fair, 23 November, at Church Square, and at various place along Lincoln Road on Friday 29 November. If you wish to be involved in collecting people's aspirations please leave a message for Cherylan on 3381613.



Kanuka Cottage

Celebrating 20 Years in Addington

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of Manuka Cottage, Addington Community House Incorporated, to be held at St Mary's Church, Church Square, Addington, 23 October 2013 at 1pm. You are welcome to join us for Community Lunch at 12 noon. Refreshments will be served after the AGM to celebrate our 20 years.

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Selwyn Street Butchery has a new owner







fun". That was four years ago when Lisa Willert was newly of the local butcher. qualified as a butcher.

looking for a new employer when she called at retain the building's old frontage. Everybody's Butchery in Selwyn Street. Lisa had seen a newspaper article on the owner, Graham Robinson, and Food provision is in Lisa's family. Back in Germany, her wondered if there might be work available. "Graham said grandfather is a butcher and another pair of grandparents

very old buildings. The butchery certainly fits the bill as it again open so she can practise her sport of hammer was purpose-built in 1906. The building's frontage is throwing.

The new owner of Addington landmark "Everybody's suitably old-style and very different from the suburban Butchery" came to New Zealand from Germany "just for buildings around about. It harks back happily to the days

Lisa wants to keep up the neighbourhood nature of the Lisa says she arrived with nothing but her luggage. Since business and will continue to provide the same goods then she has gained work experience with two while adding a couple "creations" of her own. She says Christchurch butchers, but says she was bored and the familiar exterior wall painting will go, but she will

there was no job for me but would I like to buy the busi- were bakers. "At one stage there were four generations working in the bakery," she says.

Everybody's Butchery has previously featured in The Lisa observes that compared to Germans, Kiwis are very Addington Times because Graham has an interest in relaxed. She seems destined to be in Christchurch a while preserving Addington's character through retention of its yet, and is looking forward to the time when venues are

Di Bovd



Addington TimeBank operates two hubs: the Website Hub is where trading happens using the Internet; the Manuka Hub is for people who would like to network with each other and talk about the things they would like to offer and request.

About a dozen people have been meeting for the last few weeks on Wednesdays from 1.00pm to 2.30pm. We realise that several of us have similar needs and wants and we are sharing ideas and information. We have also found that some community groups would like our help; we fold the Addington Times ready for the deliverers to put in letter boxes; and we are planning to visit the South Christchurch Community Gardens to help there.

The Manuka Hub uses a token system to track our interchanges, and we also link in with the Website Hub for particular offers and requests. Last week, for example, we called on the Website Hub and invited a member to come to our group and talk with us about massage. We all enjoyed the session and talked about lots of things to do with health.

De-cluttering: In a session coming up we are going to work on this. Some of us will bring along items that are too precious to put in the red bin but which we no longer love and want to keep. We will work together to figure out what to do with various items: give away, sell, keep in the meantime, or recycle, etc.

Everyone is welcome to come along. If you would like more information please call at Manuka Cottage/St. Mary's or email Dave at addington.timebank@gmail.com and put Attention Dave in the address line, or phone Elaine on (03)3325902 or (021)993259. Elaine Mayo & Dave Gorton



Judy Charlesworth is the winner of the patchwork quilt and matching cushion donated by Manuka Cottage for Parenting Week in Addington. The quilt was designed and made by Dianne Fitzgerald. Pictured left to right: Marlene Griffiths, Laureen Hands and Judy's daughter, Amanda Wallis, who received the quilt on Judy's behalf.

TUNE INTO RADIO ADDINGTON AT 107.5 F.M.

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Manuka/Addington Community House

Operating from St Mary's Church Manager: Dianne Fitzgerald

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Mon 10.am Walkie Talkies Walking Group 11am Parlour Games, Jigsaw Corner, etc. 12-1pm Coffee n Chat **Tues** 9.30-1 pm Women's Only Day 10-12 noon Bits n Bobs

10am Bring and Buy Addington Playgroup 9.30-12 12-1pm Go-Ssip and coffee Wed 10.30 -11.30 Pop in for a cuppa!

Community Lunch Gold Coin Donation 12-1pm 11am-3pm Manuka Fruit and Vege Co-op

(collect your order and pay for the

Manuka Hub Addington TimeBank 11am-3pm Thurs 10.am Addy-venturers Walking Group

> 10-12 noon Café 20c per cup 10.30-12 Ideas & Action

12.30-2.30 Mothers' Community Programme

Unless stated our activities and groups are free.

New activities 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

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Shop 5, Addingtown Mall. Hours: Mon -Fri 9.30-5.30 New Clubs at addington.net

Come and explore the world of 3D, programming, robots, audio and video. Adults became excited about what the children are doing in the computing Club, so we decided to start an Adult IT Club on Thursday night, 10 October 2013, from 6.15 pm to 7.30 pm. With only a gold coin donation everyone is welcome to come and have a go. We are planning workshops and you will be able to work on individual or group projects. If you are more into designing posters, cards and calendars, then the Digital Art Club is for you on Tuesdays from 6.15 to 7.30 pm. We also have: FREE Internet for seniors daily 10.00 am - noon; FREE Internet for school kids, Mon, Wed, Fri, 3.00—5 pm; FREE Adnet Learning Groups, Mon-Thur, 10.30 am—noon; FREE computing clubs (kids only) Tues & Thur, 3.30-5.30pm Digital Art Workshops, Tues, 6.15-7.30pm (Gold coin donation).

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ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

The Addington Neighbourhood Association (ANA) met for their AGM on 28 August. John Wilson came to the meeting with evidence of progress on his "History of Addington ".

Questions were raised at the AGM about what's happening where houses are being demolished Church Square which is a heritage area. I will be contacting Housing NZ to find out. There was also concern about other Housing NZ/Council housing tenants having to move from their flats in Ward St. There needs to be consultation with the local community.

There is lot of local concern about the legal high shop in Lincoln Road. How can this shop be allowed to open without consultation with the local community? The ANA will look into this issue.

Another big problem concerns unsupervised children from Addington Primary School using dangerous pedestrian crossings at Selwyn/Brougham Street, and Simeon/Collins Street. Adults can judge whether a turning car is going to stop when the lights turn green, but little children can easily misjudge and could be injured or killed. The Simeon/Collins Crossing is right in the middle of a

There need to be crossing patrols for the children before and after school, or a bridge should be built over Brougham Street. I will be writing to NZ Transport about this. Our next meeting is on the last Wednesday of September at 7.30, in St Mary's Church.

Julie Derrick (Chair)

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