



### OLD ADDINGTON: The Reese Brothers Service Station

Photo left from *Christchurch Changing: An Illustrated History* by Geoffrey Rice (Canterbury University Press, 1999, p105).

Photo below: Espresso Carwash Café on the site today. (Ed.)

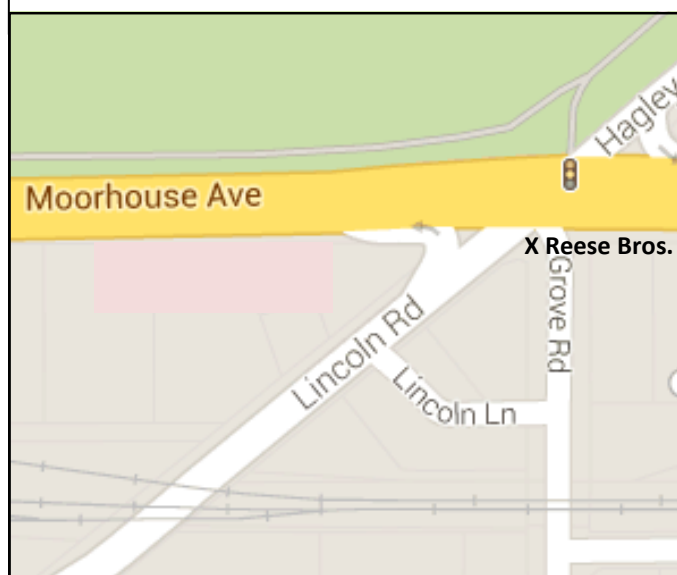


The Reese Bros. petrol station was located on Moorhouse Avenue where Grove Road meets Lincoln Road (see map below).

Unlike today's service stations, Reese Bros. didn't have just one brand of petrol. There are signs for Caltex, Europa and Shell. You could also choose between Goodyear and Firestone tyres, and Castrol and Angloc motor oil.

The Reese Brothers Service Station closed in the late 1960s. Today, its site is occupied by the Espresso Carwash Café.  
**Dave Gorton**

Today's map below shows the position of the Reese Bros. Service Station in the 1960s.



### Addington Times

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### A NEW PARKING PLAN FOR ADDINGTON

As from Monday, 17 February, the new parking restrictions in Addington apply and the Enforcement Team will be patrolling the streets. What this means is that there are now parking restrictions of 120 minutes on weekdays between 11am and 3pm on one side of Bernard Street, Parlane Street, Spencer Street from Lincoln Road to Macaulay Street, Macaulay Street, Poulson Street, Feast Place, Meredith Street, Collins Street from Macaulay Street to Church Square, Emerson Street, Grove Road from Church Square to Harman Street, Harman Street from Grove Road to Lincoln Road, Ward Street, Cotterill Street, Selwyn Street from Ward Street to Harman Street, around Church Square and both sides of Feilding Street.

To encourage the people who work in Addington not to park in the residential streets there is cheap parking by the Court Theatre. Entrances are on Clarence and Bernard Streets. There is a pay and display machine and parking will cost \$2.00 per hour or \$4.00 all day. There are several different parking restrictions along Lincoln Road to make local businesses accessible to customers.

The plan is the result of hard work by Megan Woods MP, Addington Well-Being, Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board, Addington Business Association, Ecan, CCC, CBS Arena, and the Addington Community Development Worker. (Please forgive me if I have left your organisation out!) This group heard your request for safety, understood your desire to retain quiet streets with less traffic, acknowledged that you did not want to live in a car park, and recognized the need to have accessibility from footpath to road for prams and mobility scooters. They also realised that residents are unable to have visitors during the week if there is no off-street parking, and understood the issues for health and support workers who have clients in the area. Last but not least, they acknowledged that residents were tired of cars parking on berms, blocking their driveways

and parking on corners, exasperated at having two way streets turn into one way kamikaze strips and incredulous at some of the contortionist movements as drivers angled their vehicles into impossible spaces.

The group is conscious that if restrictions do not have the desired effect, then the plan will need to be tweaked. They heard, they met, they discussed, they researched, they planned, and they worked as a team to respond to the needs of the Addington community.

Thank you to all who responded to Megan Woods' survey, and to those who attended Addington Well-Being and Christchurch City Council's workshops and consultation sessions. Well done!

To recap:

**Parking restrictions and enforcement began 17 February 2014.**

**Most residential streets have 120 mins parking on one side only, Mon – Fri, 11am-3pm.**

**Lincoln Road has multi time restrictions.**

**Addington Car Park is by the Court Theatre. The cost of parking is \$2 per hour or \$4 per day.**

**Cherylan Davies,  
Addington Community Development Worker**





Don't forget ...

Tuesday 4 March

## COMMUNITY SUMMER FUN EVENT

The Annual Beth Hodgson Pancake Race takes place at our Community Summer Fun event, hosted by St Mary's, Church Square.

The event runs from 5pm-7.30 pm and the pancake race begins at 6.15 pm.

Watch the teams compete and see which you think is the best dressed.

Participate as a community, share food, have fun and take part in games for all ages.



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(We are closed from 14 February until 3 March)

Reopening at 314a Selwyn St.  
Monday 3 March

Hours: Mon—Fri: 9.30am —5.30pm

Free computer use (excluding internet) all day, except Tues. & Thurs. 3.30—5pm

Free internet for seniors daily, 10.00 am—noon.

Free internet for school kids, Mon, Wed, Fri, 3.00—5.30pm.

Free Addnet Learning Groups Mon to Thurs, 10-30—noon.

Free computing clubs for youth, Tues & Thurs, 3.30—5.30.

## REFUSE COLLECTION

If you are new to the Addington area, then you may wish to be reminded of refuse collection dates.

Tuesday is our collection day, but put your bins out on the footpath on Monday evening.

Green waste (green top) bins are emptied every week.

Recycling (yellow) bins and general rubbish (red) bins are emptied in March as follows:

4 March: YELLOW

11 March: RED

18 March: YELLOW

25 March: RED



## Manuka Cottage Addington Community House

Incorporated

Operating from St Mary's Church  
Activities Manager: Dianne Fitzgerald

A warm and friendly place for you to enjoy, run by the community for the community.

Mon	10.am	Walkie Talkies Walking Group
	11am	Parlour Games, Jigsaw Corner, etc.
	12-1pm	Coffee n Chat - 10c per cup
Tues	11am—2pm	Women's Only Day
	11am—2pm	Bits n Bobs projects
		Bring and Buy
Wed		Shared lunch
	10.30 -11.30	Pop in for a cuppa! 10c per cup
	12-1pm	Community Lunch Gold Coin Donation
	11am-2.45pm	Manuka Fruit and Vege Co-op (collect your order and pay for the next )
	11am-3pm	Manuka Hub Addington TimeBank
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: 338-1613 or visit us at our temporary location at St Mary's Church, Church Square.

## ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

The March meeting of the ANA will be held on the last Wednesday of March at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church in Church Square, Addington.

I am sure that one of the topics to be discussed will be the R18 shop and the problem of people in the street asking for money to buy its products.

Please come along to our next meeting. Everyone is welcome and you can talk about anything that interests you, or bothers you about Addington.

Julie Derrick (Chair)



## Welcome to CORNER CAFE!

Diego Li has recently opened the Corner Café in Addington Mall. He is originally from China, but now lives and works in Addington after several years as chef at a Japanese restaurant in Riccarton.

Never fear, however, Diego is serving great kiwi food. He modestly claims 'nice food, nice coffee, fast service', but that doesn't do justice to Corner Café's delicious sandwiches and scrumptious scones warm from the oven. I haven't tried the pies yet, but I'm told by other customers that they're the best.

The smart new décor at the Corner Café is red and black, in honour of Canterbury, and Diego is keen to take an active part in the Addington community. He currently has a special offer to help the Friends of Addington Action. (ed.)



Contact us at [addington.timebank@gmail.com](mailto:addington.timebank@gmail.com)

Or join us at [addington.timebanks.org](http://addington.timebanks.org)

Or visit us at Manuka Cottage at St Mary's Church, between 11am and 2:30pm on Wednesdays or ask about us at [addington.net](http://addington.net) in Selwyn Street.

## ADDINGTON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

We are pleased to say that we have had good official responses to our concerns about parking and about the presence of the R18 shop in our midst. It looks as though we may have a satisfactory solution in both cases, if not immediately, then in the near future. It has definitely been worthwhile re-starting this group to represent Addington businesses.

If anybody out there would like to help us with our organisation, we would be delighted to hear from you. In particular, we need someone willing to visit businesses during opening hours to canvass concerns.

Meantime, we will continue to work with police and Community Board reps on any issues that may arise.

Contact Dean at:

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**Megan WOODS**  
Member of Parliament Wigram

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**Labour**  
A local voice for Addington people



## Many Thanks to ...



Addington Oscar After School Care children stand (below) in front of their replacement storage shed after high winds wreaked havoc with the old one and its contents.

Huge thanks to Bunnings, Riccarton, who supplied the shed free of charge, also to Addington School for accommodating all the equipment until the replacement was found, and to Manuka Cottage/ Addington Community House Inc. executive committee for organizing the replacement shed, delivering it and assembling it in time for the new school term.

**Blair Kenton**



*Photo above: The wind did its worst!*

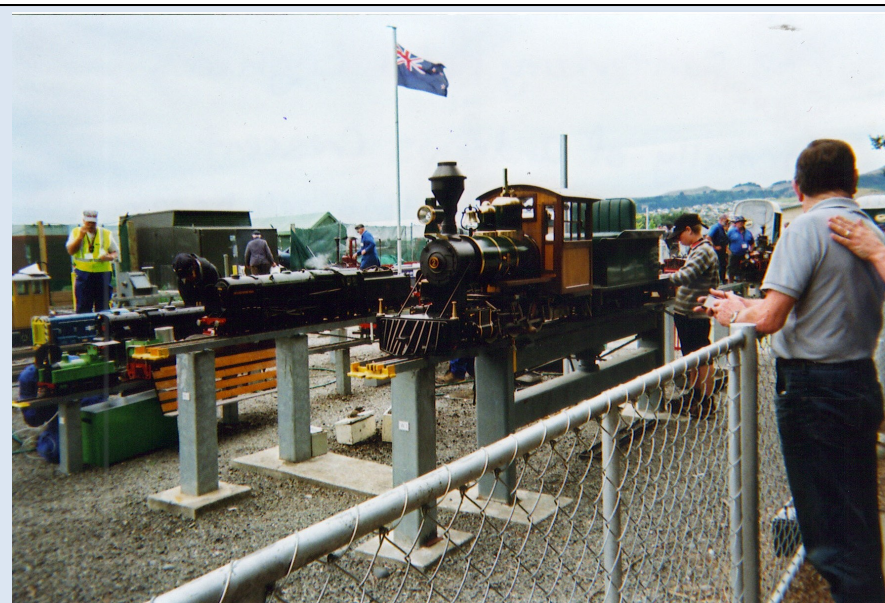


*Photos: Blair Kenton*

*Photo below : Children from the Oscar After School Care Programme proudly present their new storage shed.*

The Canterbury Model Engineers, formerly of Andrews Crescent, Addington and now in Halswell Domain, held their annual Canmod Exhibition in January.

*Photo: Michael Hansen*



### BROADBAND IS ON ITS WAY

A posse of workers has recently been laying Broadband cables in Addington along pavements and roads between Spencer and Barrington Streets. The crossing at the Lincoln Road/Barrington Street intersection has been something of a hazard for pedestrians, but the workers have behaved with the utmost consideration and courtesy, which is greatly appreciated. (Ed.)



## FRUIT AND VEGE CO-OPS IN SOUTHERN CHRISTCHURCH: Addington is now a separate hub

There are now two packing centres for the Christchurch Fruit and Vege Co-op in Southern Christchurch. We have separated so that both groups can grow and help more households to get access to reasonably priced fruit and vegetables. From the consumer's point of view it does not matter where the produce is packed: the same buyer buys fruit and vegetables at the market for both packing centres; both centres pack the produce into bags for households that have paid \$10 a week in advance to their local distribution hub; in both cases, volunteers then bring the orders back to their distribution hubs so that they can be collected on Wednesday afternoon.

Manuka Cottage/Addington Community House is a distribution hub that packs at the Opawa Baptist Church along with hubs from Waltham and

Heathcote. You can place your pre-paid order for fruit and vegetables in Addington on a Wednesday afternoon at St Mary's Church, Church Square, and it will be ready for collection on the following Wednesday. For further information, contact Cherylan Davies on 338 1613.

Other hubs in Southern Christchurch continue to pack with CSFVC (Christchurch South Fruit and Vege Co-op) at the Hoon Hay Presbyterian Church. CSFVC has 16 distribution centres most of which are located in or between Sydenham, Hornby and Burnham. For more details please contact CSFVC by e-mail at [shop@csfvc.org.nz](mailto:shop@csfvc.org.nz) or phone 027 210 5042 or contact Elaine Mayo on 332 5902 or 021 993259, or phone 027 210 5042.





## SELWYN STREET SHOPS — On the road to recovery

Stories and photos by Di Boyd

### SELWYN VILLAGE AFTER THE QUAKES

If you want to rest a while, give blood, catch a bus or a taxi, use Wi-Fi or find a public toilet, the Selwyn Street Shops provide all of those things. And more.

The shops, which are also known as the 'Selwyn Street Village', at the bend in Selwyn Street by Rosewarne Street, are officially part of Addington. The earthquakes dealt to them just as they did to so many of the city's older buildings. The sections of land tenanted now by flowering weeds bear testimony. That said, there's still an intriguing and useful selection of facilities at the Selwyn Street Shops. And new developments are on the way.

At the Brougham Street end of the Village there's a public toilet. When I visited the Ladies, I found it basic but the hand basin was clean and the facility not in a bad state, as some can be.

The toilets are within a well-maintained little rest area which has seating which was in good repair when I sat down to catch my breath. It's a nice place to rest a while — provided you don't mind looking out on the busy motorway end of Brougham Street.

If it's a taxi you want, there's a stand beside the rest area. If you want to catch a bus, the 120 and 60 services pass through the village. The stops are easy to spot, but when I looked there were no timetables on the posts. Car parking at the shops is for 30 minutes. DB.

**The St John's Methodist Church**, also known by its Tongan name of 'Kosipeli', was dealt a was dealt a bad blow by the earthquakes,

The little church and the adjacent hall on the corner of Somerset and Selwyn Streets at the Brougham Street end of Selwyn Village are empty, and the pastor, the Reverend Inoke Siulangapo, is waiting for news about the buildings' future from their English insurer.

Meanwhile, the parishioners have found a new home nearby. The St John's congregation has amalgamated with the Methodist Church of St Marks on the corner of Summerfield and Barrington Streets.

St John's members consist mainly of Tongan, but also some Samoan and European worshippers, but the Reverend Siulangapo welcomes new members, of whatever culture, who would like to worship at St Marks.

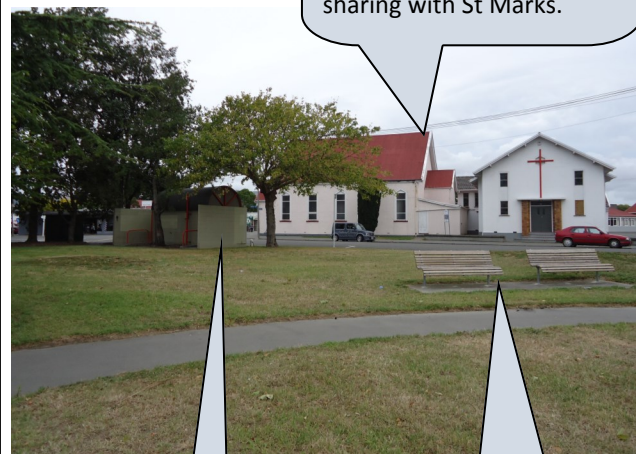
If you have any questions about the St Johns/Kospeli church you are welcome to contact Inoke, ph.384 2183, or e-mail, [suilangapo@xtra.co.nz](mailto:suilangapo@xtra.co.nz) DB.



Perhaps one of the most publicly recognisable features of the shops is the little dairy that refused to die. After the quakes the Selwyn Dairy set up again alongside the heavily trafficked Brougham St where it has become a 'drive in' dairy of sorts. Makeshift signs point shoppers to its new location.

The village also has a hair and beauty shop, a barber shop-come-café, physiotherapist, medical centre, Irish pub, pharmacy with mini postal service, fish shop, blood test facility, and street Wi-Fi. Indications are that a deli is also setting up.

Concrete slabs on one of the bare properties are evidence that at least one new building is going up at the Selwyn Streets Shops. The *Addington Times* will keep you up to date with changes there. DB.



Kospeli/St Johns with its meeting hall to the left. Now the congregation is sharing with St Marks.

Public toilets

Seating with a view of Brougham Street.

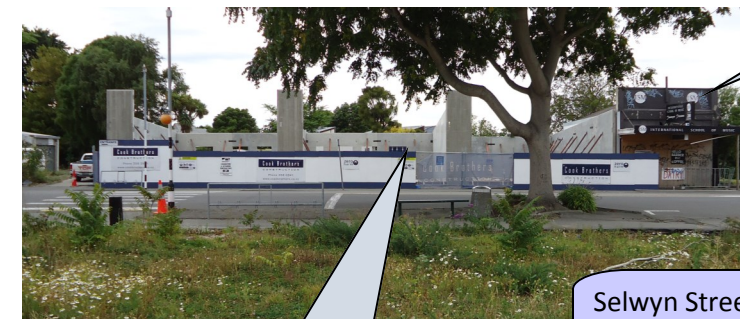
Selwyn Dairy Re-incarnated.

Q. What is this?

A. Wifi is a wireless connection to the internet provided here in Selwyn Street by Telecom for your hand-held devices.



The former Music School building is still standing.



New building has begun.

Selwyn Street Barber shop-come café.



**addington.net**  
has moved to 314a  
Selwyn Street

Addington.net  
We are here!

Addington.net left Addingtown Mall in mid-February and opens its doors again on 3 March at 314a Selwyn Street (beside the Medical Centre).

After 12 years operating from the heart of Addington we have had to leave. The 2011 earthquake that hit Christchurch with such force has had a flow-on effect in Addington. Many businesses have relocated and continue to relocate here, pushing up demand and prices.

We are pleased, however, that we have found a new location which will enable us to continue meeting the Addington community's computing needs. As usual it will

be possible to come in to learn new computing skills, access the internet or do printing and faxing. The seniors' and children's free internet sessions will continue, as will the children's IT clubs. Many people are now bringing in their own laptops to use our Wi-Fi to access internet, e-mail and Facebook. We will also be able to help with tablets and phones in 2014.

Although we will open in Selwyn Street from early March, we will be holding a Grand Opening Ceremony on Thursday 3rd April 2014, from 12 noon to 1.30 pm to which all are welcome! Watch our web page ([addington.net.nz](http://addington.net.nz)) for updates, news and really useful information.

**Marja Blom**