

OLD ADDINGTON: The Police Station

Editor's note: We have featured the police station before, but local researcher , Mike Burdon, has something more to add.

By 1880 Canterbury had a population of over 60,000 people. The town of Christchurch was starting to expand beyond the four town belts (today's Rolleston, Bealey, Fitzgerald and Moorhouse Avenues), and new boroughs and suburbs came into being, of which Addington was one of the first.

The Addington Police Station was opened on Wednesday, 20 November, 1878, and was formally known as the Halswell Community Police House.

The house was set up as a community base following a criminal gang blowing up the original police-leased dwelling. The Addington Police House was located almost in front of the Addington Prison and just across the road from the Star Hotel so the police could keep a wary eye on any strange and unlawful undertakings in or around the hotel, or "grog shop" as hotels were then known.

The suburb of Addington has always been a very busy area for the police because of the large numbers of people living in the area and working at the Addington

Railway Workshops, the Sale Yards and the Addington Raceway. These attracted both a permanent and temporary population.

The police house was replaced in the 1960s but closed in 1970. The house was sold and is now the site of the Master Valet Dry Cleaners.

Addington still has its own Community Police Constable, who is now based in the new Christchurch South Police Station in Sydenham, which is the base for the Southern Patrol Group. The Community Constable still keeps an eye on any strange and unlawful undertakings in the Addington area, especially on race days at the Addington Raceway, and when rugby matches are held at a new stadium which is the home of our local team, the Canterbury Crusaders, and of course, during the New Year's Eve "booze-ups" at the local "grog-shops".

Mike Burdon



Photo left: The old Addington Police Station.

Photo right: The new Christchurch South Police Station in Beckenham.



Watch this space!
It seems that Ngai Tahu Property is about to develop this site by the Lincoln Road overpass.

Addington Times

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FILLING THE GAPS IN LINCOLN ROAD

Above right, in front of Addingtown Mall the pre-earthquake site of the pharmacy@addington is being prepared for building. On the left, building has already begun behind the big white fence beside the new pharmacy@addington at 348 Lincoln Road. Rumour has it that both these sites are destined for coffee shops. (Ed.)

ACTION PLAN! Party Pills, Herbal Highs, R18.

Well done to everyone who wrote letters, signed petitions, spoke to Council representatives, MPs, and media, attended meetings, educated your children, and participated in the many protests across the city including the one held in Addington. You are part of the nationwide pressure pot that forced the Government to meet, and pass under urgency new legislation that forced the closure of the R18 outlets across New Zealand, and required the industry to prove the products are safe. A great example of democracy in action.

In preparation of the inevitability of this industry finding creative ways around the legislation and awaiting the Ministry of Health to create regulations, Christchurch City Council have agreed to continue with their draft Psychoactive Products Retail Location Policy. This draft policy seeks to restrict the places where retailers operate and put conditions around sensitive sites. It is open for public consultation from 3 July–

4 August 2014. This means if you are happy for the R18 shop to re-open on Lincoln Road, then you don't need to do anything unless you feel strongly that you need to comment. However if you DON'T want this retail outlet in your community then now is the time to say so. You can do this by going online at <http://www.ccc.govt.nz/> click "Have your say" and fill out a very simple form, or phone 941-8999, 8am-6pm for advice. If you don't have access to a computer visit addington.net in Selwyn Street. They have great computers, classes, staff and volunteers and they will assist you should you require it.

Now is a great time and today is the day to keep the momentum going on this issue. It is a very important privilege to say how you want Addington to be so it is a great place to Live, Work and Play.

Cherylan Davies , Community Development Worker.




Addington.net programme (314a Selwyn Street)

Monday

10.00 – 12.00 pm Free senior internet
10.30 – 12.00 pm Free Addnet learning group
1.00 – 2.00 pm Free Android Club (book)

Tuesday

10.00 – 12.00 pm Free senior internet
10.30 – 12.00 pm Free Addnet learning group
12.30 – 1.00 pm Free Volunteer.net for community groups (book)
3.30 – 5.30 pm Free IT Kids Club (7 to 10 year olds)

Wednesday

10.00 – 12.00 pm Free senior internet
10.30 – 12.00 pm Free Addnet learning group
1.00 – 2.00 pm Free Digital Art Club (book)

Thursday

10.00 – 12.00 pm Free senior internet
10.30 – 12.00 pm Free Addnet learning group
3.30 – 5.30 pm Free Addington Digital (10 to 15 year olds)

Friday

10.00 – 12.00 pm Free senior internet

For more information call 9627244 or
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Contact us at
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or join us at 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 in Selwyn Street.

ADDINGTON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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INTERNET SECURITY AND PRIVACY

Problems and solutions for non-technical folks

There are always scams and fraud going around. In the past we had to think about chain letters or cheque fraud. Nowadays the technology is different but some people are trying to rip us off in new ways. A certain amount of scepticism, if not paranoia, is healthy. If it sounds dodgy or too good to be true, check it out before responding to the message. If it's a scam, usually the best thing to do is simply ignore it.

Some examples:

** An Indian call centre is offering "windows support" over the phone.*

There is no way for them to know over the phone that you even have a computer, let alone what problems it might have. They may want to sell you a solution to your "problem", steal your passwords, bank account details, etc. or sell access to your computer to third parties. Some scams are quite sneaky and it's unclear how the scammers get their payoff.

** An e-mail arrives "from a friend" who is supposedly in difficulty in a foreign country and needs you to send money now.*

Someone has gained unauthorised access to your friend's e-mail and is sending this message to all of your friend's contacts. This is an example of *identity theft*. If you have an alternative way of contacting your friend, advise them that their account is compromised, if possible they should change their e-mail password.

** Perhaps now we all know the one about the Nigerian prince who needs to secure his funds with a little money from you...*

After many years, this scam is still running so someone out there is falling for it.

** You receive an e-mail supposedly from a bank asking you to change your password.*

Real banks never ask for your password in this way. This is an example of "phishing". It's just a random person who wants to steal your bank password by showing you a fake login screen. You can check where the link is really from by reading it carefully: it may say something like info@anz.com (note that a genuine message would come from [anz.co.nz](mailto:info@anz.co.nz) as ANZ is a registered company).

Addington.net runs free addnet team sessions from 10.30-12 Monday to Thursday. Ask our friendly, helpful volunteers for advice about anything that you might be worried or curious about. Many other organisations also offer advice, whether it's general advice for beginners or warnings about specific new threats. Check, for example, the following websites:

<http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/scams>

<http://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

<http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/email-and-internet-safety>

<http://snopes.com/fraud/topscams>.

Greg, Marja, and
addnet team volunteers



What's happening to the Council's Social Housing?

In response to concerns about the City Council's new interest in social housing, such as Ngai Tahu Holdings or social housing plan, voiced by residents of Harman the Salvation Army, retaining only 49% for itself. Unless Courts in Poulson Street, Addington, Addington this is done, the Government refuses to continue its Neighbourhood Association recently arranged for a rent subsidies for tenants.

speaker from the Council to address the residents and other interested parties.

Naturally, residents are concerned that if the Council no longer has a controlling interest, their rents will

Former Spreydon-Heathcote Community Board increase and that they will be unsure about who to go Chairman, Phil Clearwater, who is now a Christchurch to when problems occur. Phil Clearwater advised that City Councillor and member of the Housing Committee, in this case it would be important for residents to have explained the difficult financial situation the Council is representation on any social housing board.

in and the possible solutions.

The Council will make its final decision after consulting

As a result of earthquake damage and insurance with interested parties, and it has already appointed a shortfall, the Council is no longer able to maintain its hearings panel to put recommendations to the full social housing. Consequently, the government is Council. Residents were advised to have their say by insisting that the City Council lease 51% of its social filling out a submission form before the cut-off date, housing stock to another large organisation with an June 26. (Ed.)



Harmon Courts

Men – IT IS ALL ABOUT YOU!

Last month it was Men's Health Week and a lot of focus on taking care of your health. It is always a timely reminder to take responsibility for our health. Feeling unusually under the weather? Book an appointment to see your GP. Haven't got one? There is a long list in the phone book or online. Sore teeth? Ring your dentist. Haven't been since school? Get a new dentist and book an appointment. Feeling out of sorts with yourself and can't quite shake it off? Pop down to chat with Donald at the Men's Support Hub at 357 Gloucester Street <http://canmen.org.nz>. He will steer you in the right direction and you might make new connections. And just to make it easy for the modern man who can navigate his way around the online sites here are a view resources just for you. <http://menshealthweek.co.nz>, www.taneora.co.nz, www.facebook.com/ManaTaneOraOWaitaha, www.theblokesbook.org.nz, www.getthetools.org.nz. You are someone's grandfather, father, husband, son, uncle, nephew, brother, friend, or grandson and they deserve to enjoy having you around happy and healthy.



Addington Fun Fair and Concert

This will be held on Saturday 22nd November, 2014 -11am till 3.00 pm., in the lovely and historic setting in Church Square, Addington. (If wet on Saturday, it will be held Sunday 23rd)

The whole area will be used to provide local community groups (and others) with the opportunity to fundraise, publicise their activities and to get to meet one another.

Old style carnival games will be organised for children (egg and spoon, pancake, sack races) and live entertainment will be provided with a range of performers for all ages, including cultural groups and, where possible, local musicians. This is the main event in Addington and is now well known through-out Christchurch.

Coralie Winn (a local resident) will again coordinate the event with Mathew and Laureen Barus (musical entertainment) and support from St. Mary's, Manuka Cottage and the Addington Neighbourhood Association. At last November's Fair we had over 35 stalls and donations received from stall holders will be used to keep the costs down for children's entertainment e.g. pony rides and water ratz. The Square will be filled with colour, music and life so please come along. Details about stall bookings will be provided in next month's Addington Times.



A Burke Street resident, who kindly offered a home to a couple of pet rabbits, has found that the family has unexpectedly grown. If you are interested in a ball of baby bunny (at \$5 each unsexed) phone 379-9601. Above—Mother rabbit with her babies.

F.A.S.T.

Recently STROKE AWARENESS WEEK was held. This is a good reminder to brush up on our survival skills.

There are three common symptoms and all you need to remember is **F A S T**. It is easy and may save someone's life one day.

F = FACE. Look at the person's smile – is one side of the person's face lopsided?

A = ARMS. Get the person to raise both arms. Is one side weak?

S = SPEECH. Are they unable to speak or are their words slurred or jumbled?

T = TIME. Act quickly. Ring 111.

Time lost may cause brain loss. It is always good to remember what to do in emergencies. Do not panic if you don't know the what, where, how and why, just dial 111 and the operator will assist you.

It is better to err on the side of caution than to take the risk that the person is ok when you are unsure. The operator will tell you if an ambulance is unnecessary. For more information check out the website at www.stroke.org.nz.

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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 Shared lunch
Wed	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 10c 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 or visit us at our temporary location at St Mary's Church, Church Square.

Cards Anyone?



Manuka Cottage has a group of very friendly people who play 500 every Monday and would like to have more players join in. If you are interested, pop along to Manuka Cottage any time between 10am – 1pm and let Dianne know. To play cards is free and so are the scones that you might like to eat with your 10c cup of hot drink.

There are other days available to play cards as well and other card games that can be introduced to this group. Manuka Cottage is currently being hosted at St Marys Church in Church Square.

Dianne Fitzgerald, Manuka Activities Co-ordinator.

A Dangerous Crossing

There has been disappointingly slow progress in our efforts to make Brougham and Selwyn Streets intersection safer. Despite a lot of hard work by local mum and intersection user, Amanda Wallis, campaigning to make safer changes to the intersection to minimise the risk of accidents and potentially deaths little has been achieved. Her report follows.

Community support has been wonderful with many comments left on the facebook page and over 150 signatures on the petition collected by Manuka Cottage, Selwyn Street Medical Centre, Selwyn Street Kindergarten, Addington School and Natural Image Hair and Beauty.

An oral submission to the Spreydon-Heathcote Community Board was made on Friday 23 May by Amanda Wallis expressing the community's concerns and providing images of the real risks at the intersection due to everything from the poor maintenance of signage and lack of pedestrian crossing auditory warning, to the lack of security and difficulty using the intersection in its current state.

The Board decided that:

- A workshop be arranged as soon as possible with all relevant parties (including Council staff) to discuss making the Brougham/ Selwyn Streets intersection safe.
- After the safety audit has been completed, that the Board write to NZTA making the Board's serious concerns known, and asking for its response, as per the resolution at the meeting on 6 May 2014.
- The Board writes to local schools offering the Board's support in recruiting volunteers to supervise the intersection before and after school.

While the responsibility of the intersection is shared by both New Zealand Transport Agency and Christchurch City Council, neither has made simple physical changes to improve safety, such as adding line markings to indicate a safe distance for pedestrians to stand, or turning lane road marking to indicate to oncoming vehicles that they have their own lane to turn into at the same time as left turning vehicles, as seen at the Moorhouse Ave/Durham Street intersection.

Problems at the intersection are having a ripple effect on the community as the congestion on Selwyn Street is blocking vehicle access to Bishop Selwyn Lifecare which, in the past, made an application to Christchurch City Council for yellow markings on the road indicating a No Stopping area to ensure vehicle access particularly for emergency vehicles, but this was declined.

Amanda Wallis.

GARDEN CITY 2.0 A New Venture

Addington is now a distribution point for a flourishing new business driven by a wish for “social justice”.

Garden City 2.0 is a “to-order” fruit and vege supplier which has fourteen produce pick-up points in Christchurch including 18 Ruskin Street, Addington.

Bailey Peryman is a director of the business which is small, partly run by volunteers and doing well. He says, “We have been going for just over a year and we are struggling to meet demand.” Garden City 2.0 sells high quality, in-season, organic food that is supplied as per orders made using the internet. Bailey, his partner Michelle and the others involved run Garden City 2.0 as more than just a business. Bailey says it represents a philosophy where the food on offer is in-season, organic and accessible to everyone.

Ordering food through Garden City 2.0 does require using the internet or texting. As time goes by, though, citizens estranged from such technology have more ways to access it and an increasing portion of the population to help them use it. Bailey says, “If people prefer to use text that’s no problem, but it would pay to check out the website so they can see what’s available.” However, there are no cash sales so it is also necessary to use Internet Banking to pay, which doesn’t suit everybody.

What does appeal to buyers is the ability to choose the in-season contents and size of food bag they want. The number of pick-up points around the city has mushroomed to 14. Each point has a host. In the case of 18 Ruskin Street, the service is available on a Tuesday and Thursday between 5.30-6.30pm and Sharon is the host. Spreydon has a pick-up point at 32 Redruth Street on Tuesdays 4-6pm. The Addington depot has been operating for only a month.

“People order either a small, medium or large bag that’s made up of produce costing twenty, thirty or forty dollars,” says Bailey.

“Garden City 2.0 is a small enterprise, which receives generous support from volunteers and family. There is plenty of sorting and packing to be done. “Volunteers and the hosts get discounted or free produce in return for their help.”

Garden City 2.0 is already negotiating for more land, supporting the training of new growers and finding mentors for them. There is a lot to consider, not least seeds, machinery and the logistics of getting food to the central hub in Halswell.

When it comes to supplying food, Bailey doesn’t expect to get rich from the endeavour, he is happy to be thought of as a “social entrepreneur”. Bailey’s interest is anchored by a degree in Environmental Management from Canterbury’s Lincoln University. He says, “I never thought the first really serious thing I would be sinking my teeth in to would be entrepreneurial, but it has been the best way to get stuck into something I am passionate about. It’s not the road that the other 75 percent of graduates that have my degree take.”

“Organic food that you find in the supermarket is often marked quite high, which partly creates the perception that organic food is costly to produce. We let the growers set the price of their products, and maintain a rule about what percentage of our sales goes back to the grower. This just seems fair and we can remain cost competitive with supermarkets, except the food we deliver is fresher and we can tell you where it came from. You only need to check our website and follow us on facebook to connect with that story.”

Di Boyd.



ADDINGTON’S LITERARY STREETS: Kipling Street.

Many of Addington’s streets were named in the 1880s after writers and poets from Great Britain, former home of many of the first European settlers. However, it was not until early this century that the City Council set about beautifying the area and commemorating the writers with statues. Hawkesbury Street in Addington was renamed after Rudyard Kipling



Kipling (1865-1936) was once well known (and perhaps still is) for books including *The Jungle Book* (1894), *Captains Courageous* (1897), *Kim* (1901), and *Just So Stories* (1902). He was also famous for his poem “If” which includes these lines:

*If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you
You’ll be a man, my son.*

The son of an artist and a teacher, Rudyard Kipling was born in Bombay, but from the age of five he was sent to live with foster parents and attended school in England until 1882, when as a sixteen-year-old he returned to India. He worked on various newspapers, married and finally, in 1896, went back to England with his family.

Kipling and his wife, Carrie, had two daughters, Josephine and Elsie. Josephine died in 1899, and the Kipling’s only son, John, died in the First World War, aged 18, at the Battle of Loos.

The seated figure of Rudyard Kipling by sculptor, Chris Reddington, was unveiled on 5 February, 2005, at an early morning ceremony to the rousing accompaniment of the Addington Brass Band. A quotation from Kipling is carved into the attached wooden bench. It reads: “I always prefer to believe the best of everybody—it saves so much trouble.”

The above photo was taken in Kipling Street on a summer walk with the Addy-venturers walking group.

D.Darnell

ADDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

The Addington Neighbourhood Association's next meeting is on Wednesday 30 July, 7.30 pm at 383 Selwyn Street.

At our May meeting the main item on the agenda was the proposed plans of the Christchurch City Council (CCC) to change the way social housing is funded in Christchurch. We felt so strongly about this that we decided to have a meeting for all local social housing tenants so that they could hear from representatives from CCC about why the changes are necessary.

Councillor Phil Clearwater came to the meeting. He was very informative, and there were some very good questions asked. I hope people now have the information they can use to fill in the submission form about the proposed changes.

The next big issue is the traffic flow, or lack of, on Selwyn Street and Brougham Street at rush hour. Do we need a crossing light? A letter writing campaign might be in the offing.

Julie Derrick, Chair, ANA.



The Jailhouse gardens seen from Dickens Street