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NEWS FROM THE HALSWELL COMMUNITY PROJECT

ONGOING COMMUNICATION SURVEY

The Halswell Liaison group is keen to find out how community groups can get their information out and whether there are people in our community who find it hard to get local information. We are currently running a survey to find out how people find out about. By completing the survey you can go into the draw for a Westfield shopping voucher.

If you have internet access go to the link below. If not, paper based surveys are available in the library near the newspapers and in the Halswell Hub.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YXVHC6X>.
The survey will close on Feb 16th.

TUESDAY COFFEE DROP INS

Come on down every Tuesday during term time between 10 and 12 to catch up on what is going on and meet some new people. We've also been very grateful for the help that people at the coffee morning have provided – for example by folding newsletters or giving us ideas or bringing up issues.

WELCOME TO HALSWELL PACKS

If you are a local group, club, business or organisation, get your name out there through the new batch of bags. We will be putting together 100 bags so need 100 copies of your publicity. Ideally - make your activity really stand out with a sample, a small gift or a really good deal.

Businesses are welcome to advertise in the bags but MUST include a gift / voucher to do so. Deadline for dropping into the Hub is 12th Feb. Contact Kate on halswell.comm@gmail.com or phone 020 4127 6083 to arrange delivery or find out more.

HALSWELL MARKET DATES 2018

Sun 28 Jan	Sun 22 Jul
Sun 25 Feb	Sun 26 Aug
Sun 25 March	Sun 23 Sept
Sun 22 Apr	Sun 28 Oct
Sun 27 May	Sun 25 Nov
Sun 24 Jun	Sun 16 Dec

Get a stall – find out more at www.halswellcommunity.net.nz
027 370 0344
Communitymarket.halswell@gmail.com

HALSWELL LIAISON GROUP

Liaison group will be starting up again on February 20th. We meet around the middle of the day and in the evening if there is interest.

Liaison group focuses on local issues, fostering local clubs and groups and helping groups/ businesses and organisations to learn from each other and work together where it makes sense. Anyone is welcome to come along and contribute. To get on the email list for information about what is happening at each meeting, email Kate on Halswell.comm@gmail.com or phone 020 4127 6083

HALSWELL WEBSITE

The Halswell website has a great range of business pages listing a wide range of local or locally owned businesses. Next time you are looking for a business, check out www.halswellcommunity.net.nz first.

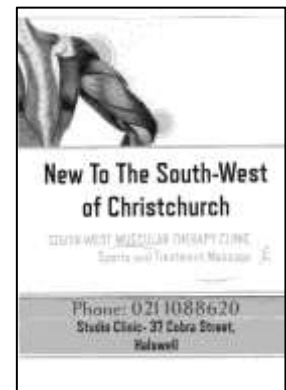
Local businesses can get a 1-2 line entry on the website FREE by sending details to Halswell.newsletter@gmail.com. Larger entries with pictures cost \$35 per 6 months



Next Halswell Market
Sunday 25th Feb
12-3pm
Nash Rd. Aidanfield



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NEWS

KENNEDYS BUSH TRACK

Kennedys Bush Track between the Quarry and the Summit Road is currently closed and has been for almost a year. A road closure has been put in place by the CCC because of the potential danger of trees burned in last year's Port Hills Fires falling over.

It has been difficult to get information about what is happening to prevent the trees being cleared and this tends to frustrate people particularly as closure has been extended from 31st December to 31st March, and it seems possible this could be extended further. There is also concern that users are not part of the conversation going on round the opening (or not) of this track.

The lack of information, and the fact that the longer the track stays closed, the harder it might be to get it reopened is cause for some concern.

Because of this we have set up a user network – Kennedys Bush Track Network mainly on Facebook but also on email for those who prefer. We expect that this will make it easier to get information out as it comes to hand and provide a point of conversation for people interested in the future of the track.

All interests are welcome to comment and to bring their perspectives to the conversation. We'd love to hear from the landowners about the issues for them and we expect that they will be aware of this development.

We hope forming this network will also make it clear to the City Council that the access up Kennedys Bush Track, like all of our Port Hills tracks, is highly valued and that we don't want to see it lost.



HISTORY OF HALSWELL

There are some historians in Halswell who have spent large amounts of their time collecting and writing

about the history of Halswell. For the next few months we are going to run some articles from John Moore who has a wealth of knowledge about the area and has agreed to supply us.



THE ADVANTAGES OF GROUP EXERCISE

A lot of people have health & fitness goals which can be very hard to keep motivated with! That's why more & more people are joining group fitness classes.

Exercising in a group/team situation is fun, it improves motivation, offers accountability, you get more bang for your buck, and as a beginner if you find a REPS registered trainer you'll be in a safe environment where you can learn correct technique & form which will ultimately get you the results you want!

Here in Halswell we are spoilt for choice we have Keep Active for active seniors, there's Boxing Fitness, Tai Chi, Yoga, Walking groups, Zumba, bootcamps & so much more!!

Check out what's available:

<http://www.halswellcommunity.net.nz/index.php/active/sports-physical-activities>

Contact me on 0274697075 for a no obligations consult to talk about options best suited for your goals & needs :)

Bex Ridgen PT

WHAT IS ON

HALSWELL FRIENDSHIP CLUB (formerly PROBUS).

A Club for Active Retirees.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 9.45 am in the Mohoao Room, Te Hapua Halswell Centre, 341 Halswell Road. We have mini-speakers, main speakers, coffee mornings and outings.

Our next meeting is Thursday 1st February 2018.

Phone Robyn 3228288 for further information.

HALSWELL GARDEN CLUB

The Halswell Garden Club meeting is held on the second Tuesday of the month in the Hao room at the Te Hapua/Halswell Centre in Halswell Rd, beginning at 1.00pm. Our first meeting for 2018 will be on February 13th. Our speakers this month will be John & Jenny Hoskin who will be talking to us about the T J Edmonds Factory Garden. Phone Elizabeth Ph 322-7214 for further information.

U3A SOUTH WEST CHRISTCHURCH

New to Halswell and wanting some social and educational interaction in retirement?

The U3A South West Christchurch club is based in Te Hapua:Halswell Centre. Meetings are monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 10:00am in the Mohoao room.

The first meeting for 2018 will be on 14th February 2018.

Further information and an application form can be downloaded from our website at u3aswchch.org.nz. e-mail: u3a.southwestchch@gmail.com for further information.

SOUTHERN FELTERS

A Canterbury-based group who get together monthly, 9am - 3pm in Halswell Hall to spend the day felting, \$10 door charge. Felting is a wool craft and we make a wide variety of things from garments to vessels and artwork. We welcome new members and while we don't run formal classes we can help you learn. Have a look at <http://southernfelters.blogspot.co.nz/>, our facebook page or contact southernfelters@gmail.com for

more information. Next two dates are Sat 3rd Feb and Sat 3rd March



DRURY THEATRE ORGAN CHARITABLE

TRUST

Drury Theatre Organ Charitable Trust Concert 2:00-4:00pm @ 164 Whincops Rd Halswell on SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2018

with ROB RICHARDS from USA playing theatre organ. ROB is House Organist at Disney's El Capitan Theatre in

Hollywood & is well known for introducing children to the Theatre Organ. As well as his passion for Disney music, he is equally at home playing Phantom of the Opera & similar great musicals. His concerts demonstrate many styles & genres which guarantees something for everyone. ROB has played

for us on two other occasions & we welcome him back to Christchurch for a trip down 'Rob's Musical Memory Lane.'

BYO family & friends. We provide hot water + tea coffee, please bring own cups. Entry is by suggested donation of \$20 per person, children free

Proceeds after expenses to the CANCER SOCIETY enquiries to nancydrury@xtra.co.nz

GET CREATIVE CRAFT GROUP

This group resumes for 2018 on Thursday 1st February. We meet every Thursday during school term time from 9.30am to 11.30am at the South West Baptist Church Halswell site in Balcairn Street.

Bring along your own craft or join in a craft someone else is doing or simply come for a chat and cuppa

Gold coin donation for morning tea

Contact Janet Holder for further information

Phone 0211477656

CANTERBURY EAST FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Canterbury East Federation of WI. Flower and Handcraft Show is on Wednesday 7th February at The Prebbleton Hall at 12 noon to 2.30 pm, admission is \$2.00. There will be Grocery raffles at \$1.00 per ticket. Do come and see the floral exhibits and lovely handcraft these ladies do.

HALSWELL POTTERY GROUP

We start the New Year in our Gallery featuring work by our talented and innovative HPG potter, Averil Cave. Interesting forms and beautiful colours, well worth seeing.

The Gallery is open at the week-ends from 10 am - 4 pm. Contact us via email: halswellpotters@gmail.com

ADDINGTON TIMEBANK

Timebanking is a kind of pay it forward way of helping out the wider community around you.

Addington Timebank is building a steering group to work on increasing activity on the Timebank and to help people connect more. We have a growing number of members in Halswell so we'd love to see a Halswell Branch of this Timebank really get underway. If you think you can help, get in touch.



We will be having a Timebank Dinner at the Halswell Hub their requests on the Timebank at present are help with overlocking round dishcloths, engraving, help with Maori Language. Offers include art lessons, social media help, ear candles, electrical work and English language help.

Ph Chrys on 0272 86 86 53 or email addington.timebank@gmail.com

Find out more at www.manukacottageaddington.net/

HALSWELL LIBRARY LEARNING CENTRE AT TE HAPUA

Term time programmes

Beginning Computer Skills	Mondays 11.am – 12.30 pm 12 Feb – 19 Mar	Cost \$15
Introduction to iPads	Wednesdays 11 am – 12.30 pm 14 Feb – 21 Mar	Cost \$15
Technology Help Drop in Centre	Tuesdays 2 pm – 3 pm Not in school holidays	
Maker Space Workshop Club	Mondays 3.30 pm – 5 pm in term time Age 10 – 13 years	\$20 per term
Minecraft Club	Thursdays 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm in term time Age 8 – 13 years	\$20 per term

SEVEN OAKS GRAND OPENING

Please join us! Seven Oaks School will celebrate it's official Grand Opening on Sunday, February 18th at 1:30pm. We will have a simple ceremony at 1:30, preceded by a picnic lunch. We are very grateful to be settled in our new location and we love being part of the Halswell community. We invite any community members to come along and see our new school!

Please email principal@sevenoaks.school.nz with any questions.

WANTED: COMMUNITY SHED CO-ORDINATOR FOR ROWLEY RESOURCE CENTRE

2018

Part-time position 3 hrs (Currently Tuesday 9.30-12.30pm)

Rowley Resource Centre is looking for a person to step into role of the Community Shed Coordinator, the role is to lead a group session activity around workshop creations wooden or At the Rowley Resource Centre we have a few projects that need a skilled sheddie including:

- Completion of building the new workshop
- Building of Kai crates for fundraising
- Building of garden beds and seats for outdoor courtyard development. (displayed below)
- The coordinator must have some experience in working with tools and have working knowledge of the Health and Safety in Work Act 2015.
- We will pay \$30.00 per hour
- Being community-spirited is a must.

We are a small community centre with lots happening, come and be part of it. Suitable for someone wanting a small community role or possibly retiring from a teaching role in the trades.

Call the Manager on 03 960 1776 to find out more or to request the job description.



The South Island XC MTB Champs are being held at Halswell Quarry on Sunday 4th February. Elite Women race at 12 noon and Elite Men at 2 pm. This is a great opportunity to come and see part of the Commonwealth Games team in action.

TAI TAPU VILLAGE FAIR

SATURDAY 03 MARCH 2018 10am-2pm

Enjoy a family day out at Tai Tapu's annual Country Village Fair at Historic Library and St Paul's Church grounds, Old Tai Tapu Road.

Great stalls with quality local produce, hand-made crafts, speciality food, wine tasting and live music including bouncy castle and ponies to keep the kids entertained. This year don't miss out on the amazing raffle ticket prizes to win, drawn on the day - see you there.

Follow us on Tai Tapu Village Fair Facebook Page.

HALSWELL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Halswell Residents Association meets at 7pm on the last Monday of each month, at St Mary's Hall. Everyone is welcome to come along!

We have some long-term projects on the go, and we act as a link to central and local government to "try to get things done" to improve Halswell. Activities for the coming year will include a bus review planned by ECAN, progressing a memorial for the RNZAF crash at Wigram in 1951, and perennial questions of road user safety. We also organise the annual ANZAC commemoration.

If you want to talk with someone about a particular issue, or about our Association, please email secretary.HRA@gmail.com

- Applicable to self-defence situations
- Build confidence and self-control
- Develop fast reflexes
- Keep in shape while having fun

Practice nights at Halswell Community Hall
Thursday 7 – 8.30pm

For further information contact Denis Carroll

Web <http://christchurch-south-karate-club.co.nz/>

email: jkschristchurchsouth@gmail.com

Phone 027 64 165 64



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Junior Club 5-17 Wednesdays during School terms 6pm to 7pm
\$30 a term. \$20 for club Members.

Next Beginners Lessons Wednesday 7th February 2018 7pm till 8pm.

Cost: \$40 for the 4 week beginners set.

Hei Hei Community Centre, Wycola Ave, Hei Hei

Contact connie@vanslooten.co.nz to register.

Follow us on Facebook

Christchurch Rock n Roll Club

www.christchurchrocknroll.org.nz

CLASSES

MULTI STYLE MARTIAL ARTS

Multi Style Martial Arts has beginner classes every Monday during January and February.

Kickboxing at 6:00pm,

Karate at 6:45pm,

Mixed Martial Arts at 7:30pm.

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First class free.

www.martialarts4u.co.nz



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The Halswell mainly music group will start the new year on February 8th.

The sessions continue every Thursday during term time at 9:30am at 438 Halswell Rd (St. Luke's Church).

Pre-school children and caregivers are welcome. We share 30 minutes of music together then morning tea and play time for the children; morning tea and chat time for the adults. Membership enquiries to our Facebook page mainly music halswell or come along to sample our programme (no obligation) from 9:15am on a Thursday. Sessions cost \$3 per family.

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MONDAY MOVERS

A class for anybody (presently most participants are between 50 and 95, but all ages welcome).

WHO FOR: Everybody, ambulant or not (we value both seated and standing exercise), and whether reasonably active, wanting to start afresh with fitness-inducing movement and/or preferring to maintain physical resilience in a low key, friendly atmosphere.

WHERE: Te Hapua: Halswell Centre PIHARAU ROOM, 341 Halswell Road, Halswell, Christchurch.

WHEN: Mondays (School Terms) 1.15pm to 2.15pm

COST: \$5 - first class FREE!

Our first session for 2018 will be on MONDAY FEBRUARY 5TH.

CONTACT: Sarah 322 7244 OR Liz (027)8683438 with any queries.

HILLMORTON HIGH SCHOOL ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Classes for 2018

Life drawing, Yoga, Qigong, French, Spanish, Patchwork and Quilting, Fabric Art, Metalwork, Cheese making, My Make-up, My Style, Introduction to Adult Teaching.

Information on our courses, and how to enrol, can be found in brochures available from Public Libraries, or, on the school web-site www.hillmorton.school.nz

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Weight Watchers meetings help. [JOIN NOW](#)

NEW Weight Watchers meeting in Halswell.
Join us at the Halswell United Football Club, 347A Halswell Road, entrance off Halswell Road.
Every Thursday from 9/11/17 at 5.30pm
For more information and joining offers, visit:
www.weightwatchers.com/nz
OR
Facebook: www.facebook.com/WWNZSouthRegion

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES

Wigram

Harvard Community Lounge, Corsair Drive
Thursdays 9am – 11am
Contact: Maewyn 338-8078

Halswell

Te Hapua – Halswell Library (Hao Room)
341 Halswell Road
Wednesdays 9am – 11am
Contact: Helen 322-8843

RICECUBE

Ricecube is an international friendship group at South West Baptist Church, 6 Balcairn Street, Halswell. It meets every Friday night during school term time for food, fun, friendship and study (using Bible based English lessons).

The evening includes dinner, games and activities and programmes for children from preschool age and above and all aged adults with different English levels. Cost is by donation.

Fridays 6pm – 8.30pm
Contact: Claire ricecube@swbc.org.nz or 3384163 ext. 242

KIWICHURCH

Kiwi Church - a new way of thinking about church. We have various activities during the month in Halswell, check out www.kiwichurch.org.nz for more information.

NOTICES





Want to Help?

VOLUNTEER FOR CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

For many volunteers like Bruce volunteering has created a sense of purpose after having been forced to take early retirement due to health reasons. "I was looking for a way to be of help to other people. A lot of volunteer work is physical whereas Citizens Advice gave me a chance to work in an office environment and use my intellect".

On any given day, a volunteer working their shift might be approached about a whole range of questions, from tenancy rights, requests for directions, or needing documents signed by a Justice of the Peace, to helping someone deal with redundancy.

Citizens Advice Bureau volunteers support clients through interviewing them to find out what is at the heart of an issue provide, them with personalised information and discuss with them strategies for addressing a particular issue or a problem. The focus is on helping clients to make informed decisions about their lives and increasing the clients' connection to local community based resources.



"One of the things I have really enjoyed is you don't have to know everything. It's about listening to our clients stories, looking up information and finding options for them, so they are empowered to do something about their situation" Bruce.

Volunteers are fully supported with Induction training and ongoing development as they move from being observers through to probationary interviewers to, finally, accredited bureau workers.

Email: manager.cabchch@gmail.com to help someone in your community or phone 0800 367 222 to talk to one of our caring and supportive volunteers.

Mollie Howarth, Manager

Citizens Advice Bureau Christchurch Area

www.cab.org.nz

RUTH DYSON MP for PORT HILLS

Ruth Dyson, the MP for Port Hills, invites you to her regular drop in from 2-3pm on the 2nd Friday of each month at Te Hapua Café (every month but January)



KNITTERS, CROCHETERS AND DONATIONS OF WOOL (ANY AMOUNT)

We are a group of retirees knitting young children's clothing and crocheting blankets for Christchurch area. We would love to have more helpers to help build up our supplies for the winter and helpers to put peggy squares together. Ring 338 5030 if you can help - we can supply needles and wool oddments.

CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH FRUIT & VEGE CO-OP

This co-op is a consumer co-operative in which people work together to provide fruit and veges to people's homes for about half the prices of those in the supermarket.



For \$14 per week you can get two supermarket bags full of fruit and veges delivered to the Halswell Hub for you to pick up on a Wednesday from lunchtime onwards (and often earlier).

Payment and ordering is via internet banking. The pictures are of a recent pack. To find out more contact Kate on 020 4127 6083 or email Halswell.comm@gmail.com



CEA is a charitable trust and provides services to all households in our community (Canterbury and West Coast). Subsidies, grants, and free services are available for vulnerable groups. A fee may apply to other households.

We can help with:

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ABOUT THE HALSWELL NEWSLETTER

Over the next few months we will be delivering newsletters as a one off into letterboxes in the area. You can subscribe FREE to get it in your email box at www.halswellcommunity.net.nz or pick up copies at either Te Hapua in the library beside the newspapers or from the Halswell Community Hub on the corner of Sparks Rd and Halswell Rd.

The Halswell Newsletter is a great way to find out what is going on around Halswell and about the issues, people and the place. It comes out around the beginning of each month and is compiled by the Halswell Community Project from notices, and articles sent in by people around the community.

Anyone can send in information/ articles that would like included. Send them to Halswell.newsletter@gmail.com or get in touch with Chrys on 0272 86 86 53

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