# Halswell newsletter



# NEWS FROM THE HALSWELL COMMUNITY PROJECT

As we write this newsletter, our community sends a heartfelt thanks to all those involved in the emergency response to the Port Hills fires in February. It was heartwrenching to see smoke rising from the hills again, but the emergency response was fast and effective and, although our thoughts are still with those affected, it was great to see the community come together offering food for the emergency teams and places for people and animals alike to stay until it was safe to return to their homes.

In better news, we are excited to see the work on the Community Hub finished and the building looking amazing in its newly painted walls. As a result, the book shacks have been reinstated and we have seen some really good books coming through in the last few weeks which is awesome. Thanks to everyone who helps to keep it tidy so that everyone can enjoy a good read. It really makes a difference when the community keep on top of keeping the sharing shacks tidy and rubbish-free. If you have excess fruit or veggies at this time of year, remember that you can drop them down to the food-sharing shack for others to enjoy rather than letting them go to waste - after all, there are only so many pears or apples one can eat! Please do remember that the sharing shack is only for food though - not general waste or your "recycling",

We have finished tidying up the front garden and the new picnic table is all ready for a peaceful coffee, lunch or a sit down under the trees. Thanks to the building contractors, we also managed to save the memorial seat dedicated to TWC Tothill that was outside the old Library. If you haven't seen the new seating areas - come down and have a look, admire the new look of the Hub or pop in for a chat and a coffee.

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Thank you to everyone who contributed to this months newsletter and to Harcourts Grenadier for printing our coloured copies. The Halswell Newsletter comes out at the beginning of each month and is compiled by the Halswell Community Project.



You can pick up a copy of the newsletter from Halswell Community Hub Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre Halswell New World Wigram New World Hell's Pizza Wigram

If you have a local business that would be happy to display our newsletter each month please get in touch.

Send your notices, events and articles for the April issue of the newsletter to halswell.newsletter@gmail.com by March 24th

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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE

In these tough economic times that we all find ourselves in, and being a registered charity, the Halswell Community Project (Halswell Community Hub) really appreciates the help we have recently received from several organisations and individuals. The Halswell Miniature Trains (C.S.M.E.E) kindly donated money for us to purchase 10 new card tables for the many groups that use the Hub and they are proving their worth already. Late last year the Halswell Lions made a donation which helped us tidy up the area around the food shack and purchase a new outside table, for the whole community to enjoy. And, only last week, we had a visit from Mitre 10 Hornby - thanks to local resident Merissa Snowdon who nominated us in a recent Mitre 10 competition.









Thanks to our funders, the work on repairing the exterior cladding to keep the building watertight is now completed and the Hub is looking lovely and fresh with its new coat of paint. Now that we own the building, <u>we</u>, not the council, are responsible for its maintenance and upkeep and our budget needs to be carefully managed. We don't have a lot of contingency for when the unexpected happens so, for example, when our dishwasher broke at the beginning of the year we made do and just hand washed everything. This is obviously not ideal for health and safety in a community building so we owe a huge thank you to a lovely local who kindly went out and bought us a new dishwasher! Whilst she wishes to remain anonymous we would like to acknowledge this generous act.

We are also aware of the impending need to repair and upgrade the car park, among other things, and we will be looking for the community's help to cover some of these costs. The Hub car park is used by over 1000 hub users each week as well as people using the sharing shacks, the shops across the road, and not to mention the cars and small trucks that use it as a turning bay! The wear and tear on the car park is taking its toll and we are constantly patching potholes to keep the public safe.

Although the groups using the Hub pay or make a donation and we have funding from a number of sources (CCC and DIA), the cost of running and maintaining the Hub is a huge drain on our resources and it is only going to get harder over the next few years as funding becomes harder to obtain. In order to retain the facility for the community we need your help and are seeking donations towards the maintenance and running costs of the Community Hub.

As a registered charity any donations made are tax deductible and hugely appreciated so if you can help us out please pop into the Hub and make a cash donation or you can make an online donation using the details below (we can provide a receipt at the end of the financial year so that you can claim your donations tax rebate)

Account Name: Halswell Community Project

Account Number: 38-9014-0357730-00 | Particulars: Donation Charity Number: CC59557

# OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE AT THE HALSWELL COMMUNITY HUB

Are you a community-minded business or organisation looking for office space? Look no further! The Halswell Community Hub is a friendly, thriving space that is well-loved and used by the community. We have an exciting opportunity to join us at the Hub with 2 spaces available to hire.

- Fully accessible
- Onsite car parking
- Unlimited internet access
- Communal kitchen

• Friendly atmosphere.

Call us today and secure the perfect office space. Email: halswellhub@gmail.com Phone: Kate - 0204 127 6084 | Keri - 027 370 0344 Office Hours: Monday - Friday | 9am - 4pm







## CHANGES TO YOUR KURBSIDE COLLECTIONS CCC.GOVT.NZ/SERVICES/RUBBISH-AND-RECYCLING/

From 1 February 2024, there were a few changes for Christchurch and Banks Peninsula residents to keep in mind when sorting their recycling, organics and rubbish.

New national standards for kerbside bin collections are in place, which means most Kiwis can now sort their recycling, organics and rubbish in the same way.

To help you prepare, we've updated our website with the <u>new guidelines</u>.

#### What items go in green bins:

We accept all food waste and most garden waste. All food waste

- fruit and vegetables
- meat, bones and fish
- bread and pastries
- dairy products
- coffee grinds and loose tea leaves
- shells and shellfish

Liquids can't go in any bin. Cooking oil can be dropped off at one of our EcoDrop Recycling Centres free of charge. Most garden waste

- cut flowers, pruned branches and leaves
- grass clippings, unless sprayed with a herbicide containing Clopyralid

We can't accept cuttings from flax, cabbage trees or soil. Put these in the red bin or dispose of them at an EcoDrop for a fee.

#### The only items that can go in the yellow bin are:

- Clean cardboard and paper, such as newspapers and flattened cardboard boxes such as empty pizza boxes (with food scraps removed).
- Clean plastic bottles, trays and containers that are larger than a yoghurt pottle and smaller than 4 litres. These are items:
  - numbered 1, such as soft drink bottles
  - numbered 2, such as milk bottles
  - numbered 5, such as family-sized yoghurt and ice cream containers
- Clean food and drink tins and cans. Make sure not to squash them.
- Clean glass bottles and jars.

It's important that all bottles and containers have the tops or lids removed and to put any lids in the red bin.

#### These items must go in the red bin:

- Tea bags.
- Aerosol cans.
- Food soiled paper and cardboard.
- Takeaway coffee and drink cups.
- Takeaway containers, such as burger boxes, fast food and takeaway boxes.
- Containers over 4 litres, such as large water and oil bottles and bulk cleaning containers.
- All lids including ice cream containers, butter and family-sized yoghurt lids.
- Fabric bags, textiles and clothing.
- Soft plastics such as shopping bags, plastic film, bread, pasta, and rice bags, frozen food bags and courier bags.
- Liquid cartons, such as juice cartons, almond and soy milk.
- Compostable and bio-degradable bags and packaging.
- Ash, timber and sawdust (let ash cool for at least five days before disposing of it in the red bin).







#### **HALSWELL HALL**

The Halswell Community Hall is owned by the people of Halswell and maintained and operated by a committee made up of residents and interested people. If you are interested in being a member of the committee or society please contact us on the email below.

The Halswell Community Hall has space for hire and is situated at 450 Halswell Rd and is available for hire to community groups, school groups and individuals for a variety of activities from meetings and displays, to children's birthday parties, adult birthday parties, celebrations and weddings. It has a large hall area with a sprung floor (including a stage), which the local drama group/dance groups use regularly for their shows. The Hall also has a smaller room behind the stage which is a great size to hold meetings and also a kitchen. This is all wheelchair accessible and the building capacity is for up to 250 people, and there is also some on site car parking. For details, please contact us on bookhalswellhall@gmail.com



## HALSWELL INFORMATION BOOK UPDATE - HALSWELL COMMUNITY PROJECT

Our first edition of the Halswell Information Book has literally flown off the shelves! It has proved to be a very useful tool in sharing everything about Halswell - particularly for people new to the community or those who don't have easy access to the internet. The updated edition will include a new centrefold map of Halswell - thanks to Elizabeth (a lovely UC Intern,) for all her hard work putting this together.



If you feel we have missed something out, please do get in touch as we are currently in the process of updating it. Email: halswellinfo@gmail.com

#### **CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU**

#### Dear Reader

Tēnā koutou katoa ,warm greetings to one and all. This letter will leave you smiling, gobsmacked, pretty bored. Happy CAB awareness week. If we had enough nerve, voice, wine in us, we'd sing our praises loud and long. But you'll just have to make do with this questionnaire survey, needy plea for volunteers.

Of course, you're not alone in thinking CAB (www.cab.org.nz) is a taxi service, a free and independent information service. Not to mention that CAB Christchurch has six locations across the city, staffed by 100+ tremendous people who gain as much as they contribute, are rewarded by the smile on client's faces, have fantastic... what's it called... listening skills. Volunteers who also happen to be tall and short, young and ageless, mono and multilingual.

Very relatable. What a dream - Yeah nah! To us, this week is very personal, annual, painful. Tell us, do you feel more

empathetic, patient, generous than you did before? Do you feel like grabbing a chocolate bar, a chance to make a difference to people's lives, answers to questions about rental housing, employment issues, consumer law, immigration, neighbourhood disputes, relationships, cost of living, as well as complex, obvious and dumb things. (Please note: no question is too obvious or dumb). Whatever you do, don't forget to hope. Last year, we hoped for an end to poverty, world peace, a new set of friends,that people do not suffer through ignorance of their rights or responsibilities.

Until next year at this time, Happy CAB awareness week!

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata

Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure

P.S. To find out more about volunteering email manager.cabchch@gmail.com.





#### HALSWELL COMMUNITY ENGLISH CLASSES

Every Wednesday from 9-11 a.m. during term time, we hold classes in the church hall at 6 Balcairn Street, Halswell. Three retired English teachers and a younger trained helper lead the classes. Each morning we start with a group activity which involves all levels of English speakers mixing in fun communication exercises. After a morning tea break, we have three

classes comprising advanced, intermediate and beginner levels of English. Currently, we have many different nationalities including Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Russian, Afghan, Mexican, Venezuelan and Argentinian in our first term classes of twenty students. Our topics cover practical English for living in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The cost, which covers materials and morning tea, is either \$5 per lesson, \$10 for 3 lessons or the best value option of \$25 per term. Anyone of any nationality who would like to have help in adjusting to life in NZ and improving their English is most welcome.



#### **HALSWELL LIONS UPDATE**

Halswell Lions Club are back each month at Halswell New World selling sausages. The money from these barbecues is donated back to the community. Last year some of the donations were to Halswell Scouts, Hillmorton High School for outdoor education, individuals who were representing New Zealand in their sport or Outward Bound. Our next meeting is on 6 th March at the Halswell bowling Club 6.30pm. If you would like to come and see what Lions is all about you would be very welcome.

If you would like to find out more about Lions, please feel free to join us at an event or come along to a meeting. Or contact Lynley at 027 690 0659 or lynleylock@outlook.com

#### **VANESSA WEENINK – MP FOR BANKS PENINSULA**

The past month has been a busy one for our community. The fires have been my main priority and will be over the next few months. I want to acknowledge the amazing community spirit, and the wonderful effort made by FENZ and the whole response crew throughout this tough time. They risked their safety to keep our community safe. We cannot afford for this to happen again, which could happen without careful attention. So please take some time to create a fire plan for your family.

On that note, next month I will be holding a community meeting focusing on how the community can become more resilient and how we can bridge the gap for those who have not been included in the new Chorus fibre broadband instalment plan in the Bays. The community meeting will be held at the Governors Bay Community Centre from 3 pm – 5 pm on Saturday, March 9, 2024.

In amongst the chaos, there has been some awesome highlights over February including spending Waitangi Day in Okains Bay and attending of Tāwhaki's grand opening. Okains Bay Maori and Colonial Museum, and Koukourarata whānau did an incredible job hosting myself, Miles Anderson MP for Waitaki, and thousands of people in the Bay. I also was honoured to be a part of Tāwhaki grand opening. It was fabulous to attend the event along with Chris Penk MP for Kaipara ki mahurangi, Hamish Campbell MP for Ilam, and Joseph Mooney MP for Southland at the opening of the runway out at Kaitorete spit.

In the meantime, feel free to get in touch through the office at 03 384 5717, or through email:

<u>Vanessa.Weenink@parliament.govt.nz</u> Or via social media: <u>https://www.facebook.com/VanessaWeeninkBanksPeninsula</u> @vanessaweeninkbankspeninsulamp



Vanessa Weenink

## **ANDREI MOORE – COUNCILLOR FOR HALSWELL**

2024 is the year of the Long Term Plan where Council puts its 2024-2034 budget together.

I have moved amendments to this plan regarding several Halswell issues I believe are of significance to the local community and you may wish to have your say on them. These include:

#### Budget for new footpaths

Believe it or not, the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan had a \$0 budget allocated for new footpaths which has made it quite difficult to get missing footpaths filled in.

A number of the missing footpath links around our community will be filled in as developments progress as developers are responsible for constructing footpaths in front of their developments (and only in front of their developments) however we will still be left with gaps in the network which Council will need to fill in.

This won't all need to be paid for from your quarterly rates bill. Each new home being built in Halswell pays \$34,047.41 in development contributions towards local infrastructure. Most of this is for water infrastructure but a chunk of it is for transport infrastructure including active travel. Once we have a budget for new footpaths in the Long Term Plan, development contributions can be extracted for this purpose.

I believe it's outrageous to expect new home owners to have to fork out \$34k to Council to build a house when we aren't even providing them basic pedestrian access to nearby amenities.

There are many examples and of particular concern to me is Cashmere Road between Sutherlands Road and Halswell Quarry Reserve. You may wish to identify your missing links of concern in your submission.

#### Safe access around our schools

As I see it the three roads needing prioritised pedestrian safety improvements are Halswell Junction Road, Dunbars Road and Sabys Road. These are extremely busy roads getting busier every day and are without sufficient pedestrian crossing points to safely get families to Knights Stream, Oaklands and Halswell schools. I also have Ensign Street and Kennedys Bush Road on my list among others. Please note that Halswell Road is a state highway and not a Council road otherwise it would be on this list.

The amendment wording I was able to get approved in the draft plan is somewhat vague in nature so your submissions are critical in guiding Councils prioritisation of safety improvements around our schools.

#### Fenced dog park

A fenced dog park in the south west is in the draft budget to be built between 2027 and 2029. If you support this or would like to see it happen sooner you may wish to write a submission with your thoughts. Once again, development contributions can be used to help pay for this.

I don't have all the specifics on the public consultation at the time of this newsletter being printed but submissions on the Long Term Plan open March 13th and can be found at ccc.govt.nz

I'm hosting two public meetings about this plan and managing growth in Halswell:

7pm April 2 nd @ Hao room, Te Hapua: Halswell Centre

7pm April 4 th @ Hao room, Te Hapua: Halswell Centre

I will also be speaking at Halswell Connections Meeting at the Halswell Community Hub on Tuesday 19th March 12.30-.130pm, 381 Halswell Road.

Do not hesitate to contact me with further questions or assistance with writing a submission. Andrei.Moore@ccc.govt.nz or 027 632 5823

#### HALSWELL COMMUNITY PATROL UPDATE - LYNLEY CAPON

Following on from a public meeting in November promoted by Councillor Andrei Moore, a committee of ten people who felt concern for our community's need for its own patrol, has been set up to implement procedures needed to establish one. Currently both the Hornby and South Christchurch Community Patrols cover areas of Halswell, but the area of Halswell is too big and still growing.

Currently, greater Halswell's population is 23,000 and is expected to grow even more in the near future. This growth will include a commercial development on Halswell Road by Halswell Timber's site. Obviously, business owners will be grateful to have patrols keeping an eye on the premises.

At this stage we are waiting for the Charities commission to approve our Constitution so we can become an Incorporated Society. On the 26th of February a now sold-out Quiz night, run by Andrei Moore will be held to raise funds towards necessary equipment for the car, still to be bought. Funding for the car is already available and the best options are being considered.

Already volunteers are undergoing training and we hope to be in action by June this year. If anyone is interested in being a patroller, and do the necessary training, please contact Jes Roberts-Bangera on halswell@cpnz.org.nz

#### **HALSWELL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

By the time you read this, the latest edition of a Port Hills fire is over, for the moment at least. This brings us to the need for our community to engage more broadly with "climate adaptation", which encompasses everything from retreat to protection. So, at the moment fires are front of mind but in times past enormous floods have been through Halswell. Our association's "Mataī Project" recorded a massive flood in the mid 1400s that buried the forest in Halswell under 2 m of silt, with other very large floods in around AD 860 and AD 1150. Christchurch is currently protected from such floods by stop banks on the Waimakariri, but will they be enough in a time of increasingly severe weather events? I listened in on a webinar on "Working with communities to adapt to a changing climate", where community folk from Maketu (Bay of Plenty) and Ōtepoti Dunedin went through the way their communities have come together to protect themselves from extreme events arising from climate change. Their approaches were quite different, but lots to think about. In case you're interested, the link to the webinar is: <u>https://helenclark.foundation/event/a-shared-future/</u> Just taking an idea from the Maketu community, Māori living in our area 600 years ago had to deal with both flood and fire; is there anything our community today could learn from their stories? And how could we honour those stories? Although next summer is perhaps a long way off, we will be planning for a repeat of the FENZ / NZ Police workshop on keeping our homes safe from wildfires. We are also expecting to have discussions with Civil Defence and Emergency Management, via the staff at our Community Board.

Our next meeting is at Halswell Hub on Monday 25 March at 7pm. As always, everyone is welcome.

#### FREE BIKE LESSONS FOR FORMER REFUGEE AND MIGRANT WOMEN

#### Addington School

5-7pm Wednesdays 24th Jan - 3rd April

- Taught by women, for women (female only environment).
- All abilities welcome from those who have never sat on a bike to those that want to build confidence on the road.
- Bikes and helmets provided.
- Come when you can between 5-7pm; no worries if you arrive late or need to leave early. No need to book.
- Please wear closed footwear.
- Check our Facebook page for updates (e.g. cancellation due to weather) search 'Bike Bridge Christchurch'. <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1636133339897263</u>
- More information on our website: <u>https://www.radbikes.co.nz/bikebridge</u>

## **BE SAFE WHEN PURCHASING ONLINE – NETSAFE ONLINE TOOL**

<u>Netsafe</u> has created a free tool which helps you to identify whether a link/website is legitimate or part of a scam. Find out more at <u>checknetsafe.nz</u>







## WAIPUNA HALSWELL-HORNBY-RICCARTON COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATE

Greetings! The Board had its first meeting of 2024 on February 15th and made the following decisions relating to Halswell Ward (please refer to the Agenda for further details):

- Requested Council staff to investigate and provide a report on the installation of two mid-block crossing points on Sabys Road using low-cost materials (Item 7 of Agenda);
- Approved the following new road names for 47 Redmund Spur Road (Item 9 of Agenda):
  - 🛛 Road 1 Aschwell Road
    - 🛛 Lane 1 Mokomoko Lane
- Supported Waka Kotahi's project for improvements to Halswell Road between Dunbars Road and Augustine Drive, i.e., footpath and cycleway along with any required lighting; granted to Waka Kotahi temporary occupation of Council land to allow the formation of a footpath; and recommended to Council the transfer to Crown "required land" along Halswell Road, with a total area of approximately 956m 2 (Item 10 of Agenda);

Staff also advised the Board of the following:

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- Ngā Puna Wai Access Review An 'access review' is currently being undertaken at Ngā Puna Wai to investigate parking challenges; and consider short-term and long-term solutions. A report on findings and recommendations will subsequently be presented to the Board.
- Vehicle speed on Murphys Road A variable 30kph speed limit has been approved for Murphys Road near Seven Oaks School. Traffic calming, intersection and variable speed limit works are being implemented.
- Ishwar Ganda Park Signs Signage at Ishwar Ganda Park in Longhurst subdivision has now been finalised and ready to be installed.
- Improvements to rubbish disposal facilities at Halswell Domain and Te Kahu Park On August 2023, the Board
  requested staff to advise on the installation of additional smart rubbish bins at Halswell Domain, and on the
  improvement to the rubbish bin located on Te Kahu Park, Wigram. Feedback from rangers, maintenance
  contractors, and park users suggests that the current number of litter bins at Halswell Domain is sufficient. The litter
  bin at Te Kahu Park is scheduled for replacement with a new fully enclosed Smart Bin.

The next Community Board meeting will be held on Thursday, 14 th March 2024. Please feel free to attend in person at Riccarton Centre, 199 Clarence Street, Riccarton. To watch the meeting live, or a recording after the meeting date, please go to: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQN\_yNuZzfRhDJ2scAEjCvA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQN\_yNuZzfRhDJ2scAEjCvA</a>

To view copies of Agendas and Minutes, go to: <u>https://www.ccc.govt.nz/the-council/meetings-agendas-and-minutes/</u>

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you would like to have a chat: Marie Pollisco

Deputy Chairperson, Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community Board

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#### HALSWELL-HORNBY-RICCARTON COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE TEAM

#### Te Hāpori Tautoko me te Rōpū Rangapū / Community Support & Partnerships Unit

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Sam Savage (Community Recreation Adviser)	941 6889	sam.savage@ccc.govt.nz
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Marie Byrne (Community Development Adviser)	941 6502	marie.byrne@ccc.govt.nz
Noela Letufuga (Support Officer)	941 5008	noela.letufuga@ccc.govt.nz
Rārākau: Riccarton Centre, 199 Clarence Street, Christchurch   PO Box 73022, Christchurch 8154		

# WHAT'S ON HALSWELL COMMUNITY HUB 381 HALSWELL ROAD, CARPARK ENTRANCE VIA SPARKS ROAD

#### Adoptee Support Group

A safe and confidential space for adoptees to give and get support. To meet people who understand and get it. When: Monday 18th March

Adoption can and does affect people in a wide range of ways across their lifetime.

Where: Halswell Community Hub

For further details please contact Keri - 027 370 0344 or Julia 027 352 8027 Email adoptionchch@gmail.com

#### Coffee Morning at the Hub

When: Tuesdays 10-12pm Phone: Keri 027 370 0344 or Kate 0204 127 6083 Email: halswellhub@gmail.com Pop in for a coffee and chat, often with home baking! New to the area? This is a great way to meet others and create new friendships. All welcome. Cost: \$2

#### Mahjong at the Hub

When: Wednesdays 12.30-2.30pm Phone: Noel 027 341 8962 or Keri 027 370 0344 Beginners welcome. Cost \$2

#### Thursday Games at the Hub

When: Thursdays 12.30-2.30pm Phone: Keri 027 370 0344 or Kate 0204 127 6083 Rummikub, cards, cribbage, mahjong, it's your choice! Casual, non-competitive fun, a great way to meet new people while playing a game of your choice. <u>Keep</u> <u>updated on Facebook.</u> Cost \$2

#### Halswell Community Craft Group

ALL WELCOME

When: Every Wednesday morning (during School terms) 9.15am to 12 noon.

Entry \$3.00 includes morning tea.

Come join us to learn new crafts or just have a social outing. Knitting, Crocheting, Embroidery, Cross Stitch, Card making, Painting, Patch work, or anything else you are doing or wish to share with others. For more information please contact Marion 03 322 8996 or Trudy 03 322 8178/027 416 5888

Kids Kickboxing - Tues & Thurs Contact Dougal - 027 241 0426 **Boxfit** - Tues & Thurs Contact Dougal - 027 241 0426

Muay Thai (Basics) - Tues & Thurs Contact: Dougal - 027 2410 426

#### Halswell Residents Association

The Halswell Residents' Association meets on the last Monday of each month at 7.00 pm in the Halswell hub. We advocate for local Halswell issues.

We are a public meeting so people are most welcome to come along and see what we do, feel free to come along to a meeting. Alternatively, please phone our chair person John Bennett 322 9755 and ask any questions or raise a concern you may have. Or email: secretary.hra@gmail.com When: Monday 25th March

Where: Halswell Community Hub, carpark entrance off Sparks Road.

#### Friday Afternoon Euchre

Progressive Euchre is running at the Halswell Community Hub on Friday afternoons. 381 Halswell Road. \$5.00 per person & runs from 1.15pm through to about 3.15pm every Friday. Please contact John on 027 899 4877 if you need further information.

# **Connections Meeting** - CCC Long Term Plan with Councillor Andrei Moore

When: Tuesday 19th March, 12.30-1.30pm Local Councillor Andrei Moore will be discussing Councils Long Term Plan, the effect on Halswell/Christchurch and how to make a submission. Coffee & Tea provided. All welcome.

Drop in JP Clinic

When: Monday 4th March 4-6pm Local JP's Marie Pollisco and Adele Geradts Held on the first Monday of the month (excluding public holidays)

# DROP IN JP CLINIC



## HALSWELL COMMUNITY HALL – Term 1 450 HALSWELL ROAD

**Zumba** - Rachel Li When: Monday 9.30-10.30am Email: gaomiao913@gmail.com

**Exercise Class** - Brooke Beaumont When: Monday 10.30-11.30am Email: brookembeaumont@outlook.com

**Monday Movers** - Karen Eade When: Monday 12-1pm Email: kareneade001@gmail.com | Phone: 021 269 2391

Line Dancing - Karen Eade When: Monday 1.30-2.30pm Email: kareneade001@gmail.com | Phone: 021 269 2391

**Canvas Bag Drama** - Felicity Williams When: Monday 4-6pm Email: info@canvasbag.nz

**Sri Lankan Kandyan Dance** - Ranmalee Egodagamage When: Monday/Tuesday/Friday 6-7pm Email: maleeranthilaka@gmail.com

**Zumba** - Michelle Pate Email: nzmichelle@hotmail.com | Phone: 021 108 6755

Inclusive Performance Academy - Fiona McKenzie When: Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30-12.30pm Email: fionahelenmckenzie@gmail.com

**Canterbury Skating Academy** - Alana Caunter When: Tuesday 3.30-5.30pm Email: canterburyskatingacademy@gmail.com

**Dance Fitness** - Jen Stryder When: Tuesday 6-7pm Email: jenatdotcom@hotmail.com | Phone:021 255 9761

Mature Groovers - Karen Eade When: Wednesday 9.30-10.30am

**Tai Chi** - Gai Tangney When: Wednesday 1-30-2.30pm Email: tangneyfamily@gmail.com |Phone: 027 827 2791 Box Fitness - Sarah Crabbe When: Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm Email: sarahcrabbe17@hotmail.com | Phone: 027 357 0410

**Pilates** - Karen Eade When: Wednesday 7-8pm Email: kareneade001@gmail.com | Phone: 021 269 2391

**JJ School of Dance** - Jackie Jones When: Thursday 3.30-7pm Email: kareneade001@gmail.com | Phone: 021 269 2391

**Pitter Patter** - Emily Taylor When: Saturday 1-4pm Email: emily@pitterpatterdance.co.nz | Phone: 027 845 5521

**Southern Felters** - Jane Dolan When: 1st Saturday of the month Email: janedolan45@gmail.com | Phone: 021 035 9782

**CNCI** - Rick Seo-As When: Sunday 10-1pm Email: nidamric@gmail.com | Phone: 022 189 7376

Halswell Drama Group

Halswell Drama Group annual production with auditions around February, rehearsals Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7.00pm and performances in July School holidays. <u>halswelldramagroup@outlook.com</u>





## TE HĀPUA: HALSWELL CENTRE - 341 Halswell Rd

**Te Hāpua Dungeon Delvers Introduction** - 10-14 years Be the hero in a tabletop roleplaying game where everything rests on your roll of the dice!

Create a character and join in a shared story, where you might find yourself adventuring across unexplored lands, slinging sorcerous spells, or fighting against the dangerous denizens of dank dungeons!

We're introducing the popular Dungeon Delvers program to Te Hāpua with 6 introductory drop-in sessions in March and April. If there is enough interest, we will run a full campaign in term 2.

Free, no bookings needed.

Please visit the website for details.

#### Mobile Discovery Wall

The <u>Discovery Wall</u> at Tūranga has a smaller, mobile 'sibling'.

Local heritage comes to life with this unique interactive touchscreen technology that lets you explore the history of Christchurch.

Try it out as it visits Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre from 26 February until 21 March.

Free, no bookings needed.

#### Create Your Own Pride Merch

Celebrate Christchurch Pride Week at Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre.

Come to one of our drop in sessions to make your own Pride merch. Choose a Pride design or create your own to be printed onto your T-shirt or made into a badge. BYO light coloured T-shirt or cloth tote bag and we will

print it for free in support of Pride Week!

This is a free event for those aged 12+. No bookings needed.

Saturday 16 March 1-3pm Wednesday 27 March 4-6pm

#### BAU:

#### **Reading To Dogs**

This wonderful programme is designed to provide a relaxed, non-threatening atmosphere which encourages children to practise their reading skills and develop a love of reading.

The programme uses dogs who are the beloved, trained pets of the Christchurch City Council Animal Management team.

Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm (during term time)

#### Auahatanga – Creative Time

Drop in and have a go with our creative technologies in the creative space at Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre. Wednesdays 10-11.30am (during term time)

JP Clinic at Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre Tuesdays 10-1pm https://jp.org.nz/



#### After School Activity Zone

Join us for a variety of STEAM activities including technology, crafts and games in a fun learning environment. All whānau welcome over 5 years of age.

Free, no bookings required. Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm (during term time)

#### Wā Pēpi: Babytimes

Programme includes music, movement, rhymes, stories, and is suitable for babies and under 2s. Wednesdays 11-11.30am (during term time)

#### Scrabble Group

Have a way with words? Come along when you can and join our friendly groups! Wednesdays 1.30-3.30pm

#### **Book Discussion Group**

For those who love reading and want to share in discussion with other friendly book lovers, we have some spaces available. First Wednesday of the month 6-7pm

#### Wā Kōrero: Storytimes

Programme includes stories, music, movement and rhymes for children aged 2 and over. Thursdays 11-11.30am (during term time)

#### Knit'n'Yarn

Bring along your knitting, crochet, stitching or any other handcraft and enjoy the company of others. Thursdays 1-3pm Saturdays 1-3pm

#### Thursday Takeover

Teens - take over the PC lab and makerspace with a different focus every week. VR, 3D printing, board games and heaps more for ages 12+. Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm (during term time)

#### **Beats Lab**

Interested in digital music and recording? This beginner friendly drop-in provides access to computers, music software and hands on digital instruments for ages 12+. See our website for equipment details. Fridays 3-4.30pm (during term time)

See our website for further information <u>my.christchurchcitylibraries.com</u>



#### Halswell Toy Library

The Halswell Toy Library Inc (HTL) is a non-profit community service run by a voluntary committee, providing good quality toys for hire (6 months - 5 years old). We aim to involve families in a welcoming and inclusive environment. Join the local toy library. Yearly membership available. Rent toys for as little as 50c. A huge variety of fun toys for different ages that make both the kids and the parents smile. It's a great way to try toys with little expense and being kind to the environment.

Phone: 027 453 0870 Email: <u>halswelltoys@gmail.com</u> 37 Cunningham PI Halswell 8025 ·

#### **Spreydon Indoor Bowls**

Spreydon Indoor Bowls meet weekly in Spencer Street Addington on Monday evenings at 7.30pm.

Annual subscription is \$40.00 & \$2.00 a night to play. If interested please call John on 027 899 4877

#### Probus Club of Christchurch South West

We meet on the SECOND Thursday of the month in the Mohoao Room, Te Hāpua, Halswell Centre, 341 Halswell Road at 10am.

Friendship, Fellowship and Fun for the Retired, are the foundations of Probus. We have interesting range of Guest Speakers, regular outings and bus trips, and a range of popular activity groups. (Coffee Morning, Walking, Knit & Craft) For further information can you please contact Secretary Don Hayes on 027 322 7803.

#### Free Men's Health Group

Improve your physical and mental health. Join an awesome friendly group of blokes, have some fun, learn something new. Become stronger physically and mentally.

We meet at the Halswell Quarry 6pm Monday nights. Meet at the carparK at the bottom of the hill next to the coffee cart. Like us on facebook at men's mental and physical health or text 021 195 8592 for more info.

#### Halswell Lions Club

Halswell and District Lions Club meetings are held at 7pm, on the first Wednesday of the month at the Halswell Bowling Club. All residents of Halswell and surrounding district are most welcome. Contact Peter for more details.

Email mechaelis@outlook.com or phone 027 449 0722.

#### Halswell Garden Club

Where: Te Hāpua Halswell Library Mohoao Room When: Every second Tuesday of the month at 12.30pm. Phone: 020 990 424 - Christine Lowdon

#### Halswell Community English Classes

Every Wednesday 9am - 11am, 6 Balcairn Street. A range of classes to suit your English level. All nationalities welcome to enjoy learning English and meeting new people. \$4 to cover morning tea and costs. Contact: Lynley 022 469 7385 or Helen 027 338 0025

#### SAYGO - Steady as you Go

SAYGO - STEADY AS YOU GO - Gentle exercises to keep us moving, improve our balance, and to help prevent a fall. 11.00am - 12.00pm, Te Hāpua- Halswell Library, every Wednesday. Cost \$2 each session, no booking required. Supported by Aged Concern and ACC.

#### Awatea Athletics

Te Kahu Park, 3 The Runway, Wigram Halswell/Wigram based community athletics club. Ages 5-14 (children athletics), teens and adult programs available.

Phone: 0221669005 Email: awateaathletics@gmail.com www.facebook/awateaathletics

Club nights: Mondays 5-6.30pm. Coaching nights: Wednesdays 5.30-7pm. Interclub competition: Saturdays 8.30-12.30pm.

#### Christchurch Rock'n'Roll Club

Beginner Lessons –2024. Cost is \$30 for 3 lessons. We are a friendly group and encourage family participation. Venue: Hornby Club, Carmen Road. Contact connie@vanslooten.co.nz to register

#### Halswell Wine Club

Halswell Wine Club meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at Te Hāpua to taste and learn about wines.

Membership required. For further information about membership contact Rory Creagh halswellwineclub1@gmail.com

#### Halswell Quarry Petanque Group

Tuesday & Saturday 1.30pm – 3.00pm Interested in playing petanque? Tuition and boules available. Come and join us for a fun afternoon at the quarry or contact 027 438 7179

#### Halswell Friendship Club

We meet on the first Thursday of the month in the Mohoao Room, Te Hāpua Halswell Centre, 341 Halswell Road at 1.30pm. We have speakers, coffee group and outings. Our next meeting (which is our AGM) is on Thursday 7th March when Gail Atkins will entertain us with her Poetry. Our outing in March is a luncheon at the Flaming Rabbit Restaurant in Lincoln.

For further information contact Robyn on 03 322 8288.

#### **Oaklands Toastmasters Club**

Where: Halswell Bowling Club, 301 Halswell Road Phone: 027 361 7592 Email: oaklands@toastmasters.org.nz Provides a supportive and fun learning experience to develop skills and self confidence in communication and leadership. Meets every Monday at 7.15pm

#### **Social Badminton**

Where: Cashmere Club (off Hunter Tce) When: Tuesday 10-12pm (Including school Holidays) Phone: Jill Peters 021 356 33 Cost \$2. Beginners welcome!

#### Tai Tapu Garden Club

Where: Tai Tapu Community Centre When: 3rd Monday of the month at 1pm Contact: Lynne Parker (Secretary) on 027 505 9573 or Iynne.parker@hotmail.com. New members welcome!

#### **Keep Active**

KEEP ACTIVE! Aims to be a fun, social setting for maintaining and improving fitness. We see many coming along who need to improve their strength and balance in order to avoid falls or who are recovering from issues such as knees, hips, shoulders or back. In Halswell, we hold sessions at 6 Balcairn street. Tuesday 9.30am and Friday 9.30am. We also hold sessions in Spreydon, 244 Lyttelton St. Monday 9.30am & 11am and Thursday 1pm. Classes are held during School term times only. Everyone is welcome. Contact Lidwina Iclarke@swbc.org.nz or 027 274 1686

#### Swish (South/West Sports Hub)

Place for clubs in this area to join to work together to build our community spaces. Email Board: hub@swish.org.nz

#### **U3A South West Christchurch**

U3A is a learning community organised by and for people who are in active retirement. Monthly meetings are held with a speaker. A range of special interest groups encourage opportunities for ongoing learning plus social activities.

2023 meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10am – 12 noon in the Mohoao Room at Te Hāpua:Halswell Centre. Further information and an application form can be found on our website <u>http://u3aswchch.org.nz</u> or email u3a.southwestchch@gmail.com New members welcome.

#### Get Creative Card Group

Where: South West Baptist Church in Balcairn Street. When: 9.30 - 11.30am every Thursday during school term Card making is taught but also feel free to bring any craft you are working on or simply come to fellowship with others. There is a charge of \$3.00 per card or \$2.50 if you provide your own adhesives. Morning tea is \$2.00. For further information contact Janet on 021 1477 656

#### Halswell Pottery Group

Halswell Pottery Group is a well established pottery group located on Candy's Road. We are a large group of active potters involved in creating functional as well as decorative pottery. We offer hand building and wheel class, both day and evening sessions as well as workshops and alternative firings for our members. We have a yearly exhibition and Christmas market both open to the public. New members welcome.

Our on-site gallery offers a wide selection of items for purchase, with monthly showcases featuring individual potters and seasonal items. We offer purchase by bank transfer or cash.

WHEN: Gallery hours- Saturday and Sunday 11-3. WHERE: 9 Candys Road, Halswell

Email us for more info at halswellpotters@gmail.com or find us on Facebook or Instagram for regular updates.







# Parish of Halswell Prebbleton Easter Services

#### Sunday 24 March, Palm Sunday

9.15am, All Saints Prebbleton 10.30am, St Marys Halswell

#### Thursday 28 March, Maundy Thursday

7.00pm, All Saints Prebbleton

Friday 29 March, Good Friday

10.00am, St Marys Halswell

Sunday 31 March, Easter Day

9.15am, All Saints Prebbleton 10.30am, St Marys Halswell



# Walk for Dementia

Join us to walk in memory or support of a loved one with dementia and help raise funds to support Dementia Canterbury's work in the community.

Sunday, 3 March, 2024 10.30am – 12 noon

Ngā Puna Wai Athletics Track, Wigram

 \$22 per person (pre-registered)
 \$11 for someone with dementia/ a disability/care-partner

- \$110 Pre-registered team of 6
  Under 10's Free
- \$30 General admission on the day



Prize for the best dressed team & spot prizes. Walk as little or as much as you want during the time.

Wheelchair, walking frames and stroller friendly (no scooters, bikes or dogs).

Ngā Puna Wai Athletics Track is located on Augustine Drive, off Halswell Road, with free parking.

> REGISTER NOW! Visit our website to register dementiacanterbury.org.nz or scan the QR code

For more information please call Dementia Canterbury on 03 379 2590 Ext 206 or email diane@dementiacanterbury.org.nz Mondays Weekly I 10am-12pm

Join us each week for free coffee/refreshment along with good company & chat.

An the vine, ye are the branches: He that abide to the the vine, ye are the branches: He that abide to the the and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Grace Vineyard West Campus At the West Hub (49 The Runway) E: info@grace.org.nz P: 03 379 8463 င်္ဘ grace

# BANBURY PARK



Friday 19th April 2024 | 10 am - 12 pm Banbury Park Village

Come down to Banbury Park for our fundraiser market! We will have a range of stalls from food, craft, clothing, and more - all welcome! If you would like to register your own stall, or know of someone who would please contact Emily. There is a \$25 stall fee which is donated directly to the Child Cancer Foundation, you keep your profits.

Most stalls will be cash only.

Emily.b@banburypark.co.nz

027 390 3366

#### Halswell Small Dogs Group

We are a friendly social small dog group with a schedule of weekly walks around Halswell. Throughout the year, outings to the beach, winter indoor playtime, and a yearly Christmas party. For further information please email: <u>terrymead1956@gmail.com</u> Monday 4pm Quarry dog exercise area Monday 6pm Kakaha Small dog park, Prebbleton Tuesday 6pm Warren Park (Meet near play area) Wednesday 4pm Nga Puna Wai (Meet carpark by toilets) Thursday 6pm Doman (Meet by softball pitch) Friday 4pm Westlake (Meet by carpark) Saturday 5pm Domain (Meet by softball pitch) Sunday 9am Quarry dog exercise area Sunday 10.30am Kakaha Small dog park, Prebbleton



#### HALSWELL COMMUNITY HUB - DROP OFF POINT

Please note we are **NO** longer able to accept <u>MILK</u> bottle tops for Over the top Recycling. Or bread tags! If you are unsure what we can collect please check with us prior to leaving any items.

The Halswell Community Hub is a drop off collection point for many worthwhile causes. Open Monday to Friday 9-4pm, please drop to 381 Halswell Road.

**Paper Bags** for Full Bellies Charitable Trust, providing lunches for kids that would otherwise go without. SMALL Countdown/New World bags so the kiddies can fit them in their school bags. Please note these are the bags used for deliveries. The correct measurements are listed below: \*Length = 30.5cm. \*Width = 18cm. \*Height = 23cm <a href="https://www.fullbellies.co.nz/">https://www.fullbellies.co.nz/</a>

**Blankets & Sleeping Bags** for The Blanket Bank - donations of blankets and bedding, sleeping bags. The blanket bank cannot accept electric blankets or hot water bottles. <u>https://www.mmsi.org.nz/Blanket-Bank/</u>

**Old & Foreign currency** for the Lions Clubs New Zealand Heads Up for Kids. The project provides a helping hand for young people to engage in an experience or activity that will enable them to live their dream, establish life goals and reach their full potential within their chosen field. <u>https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/foundations/lions-clubs-new-zealand-charitable-trust/heads-kids</u>

Bra's/swimwear for Project Uplift- recycling bras to women in need. <u>https://www.projectuplift.org.nz/</u>

**Sports Gear** for Give Gear Get Great - <u>https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-led-development/give-gear-get-great</u>

Wine Bottle tops & Can Tabs for the Halswell Lions on behalf of Kidney Kids - Please NO beer bottle tops!\_

https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/partnerships/our-partners/kidney-kids

Toiletries/Sanitary items for those in need

Wool for volunteer knitters - Knitting blankets, jerseys/cardigans/hats for those in need.



#### **KEEPING IN TOUCH**

Check out the Halswell Community Project website - <u>www.halswellcommunity.net.nz</u> or any of the local facebook pages. The H<u>alswell Community Group</u> on facebook is a discussion group for residents to share information activities or events which may be of interest to the local community.

<u>Halswell Business</u> page is where local businesses can advertise their services so if you are looking for something, check out this page.

Halswell Pay it Forward is for sharing resources locally.

Halswell Community Hub has its own facebook page, as does the Community Garden.

Many other local groups, organisations and neighbourhoods also have their own facebook pages.

# LOCAL BUSINESS



# Connecting the Bays to Fibre Broadband

with Vanessa Weenink, MP for Banks Peninsula

Saturday 9 March 3 pm - 5 pm Governors Bay Community Centre

vanessa.weenink@parliament.govt.nz





Thanks to Hell's Pizza Wigram for their generous donation of pizza vouchers to recognise volunteers in our community. If your organisation has volunteers that you would like to recognise please get in touch with us at the Halswell Community Hub. (limited number available) Email halswellhub@gmail.com



# **ADVERTISE WITH US**

We offer business advertising on our Website and in our monthly Newsletter Contact Kate on halswell.comm@gmail.com for more information or check out our <u>website</u> <u>www.halswellcommunity.net.nz/Advertise/</u>



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