HAVE YOU BEEN DOWN THIS PATH LATELY?

Do you know that our library is part of the Christchurch City Library Network and so has access to the million plus resources across the city and beyond. That means right here in Diamond Harbour you can not only borrow books on almost any topic from the wide range available at our library, but you can also go online to locate and order any special books you might require from any of the city libraries, and for a small fee they will be delivered for pick up at our library.

As well, you can personally borrow books from another library and return them at your convenience to Diamond Harbour — or visa versa.

These crates (left) regularly travel, full of books, to and from the city so you don't have to!

But that's by no means all that Diamond Harbour Library has to offer — turn to page 2.

THE DIAMOND HARBOUR LIBRARY

HAVE YOU EXPLORED THE TREASURES BEYOND THIS DOOR?
EXPLORING DIAMOND HARBOUR LIBRARY

Libraries are traditionally about books and reading but technology has bought a lot of changes and our library is right up there. Of course there is a great selection of magazines available, but you can also borrow DVDs, Music CDs and even Talking Books while e-books e-magazines and e-music (Freegal) are available online to library members.

If you are looking a quiet spot to do a bit of research, our library with all its resources is ideal. From a phone number in another city to environmental information and Council services and facilities, you’ll find it at the library.

There’s a hi-tech photocopier/printer on hand if needed; and if by chance your research becomes a bit more complicated than you expected there’s a whole world of information on the public computers in the back corner of the library.

If you prefer, you can bring your own laptop or tablet and take advantage of the free Wifi — and maybe some of the other tempting freebies.

Still got questions? Christine (right) is our professional librarian and a mine of information on everything to do with the library, its services and systems. At Diamond Harbour Library she is assisted by a dedicated team of volunteer librarians who are always ready to help.

But wait! Libraries are not just for adults! Take a look on the next page at what Our Library has to offer its younger clients.

Elaine
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Our librarians are also a big part of what makes our library special. Having them there and ready to help is a great way to find something you will really enjoy. They quickly learn what each child likes to read and will often point them towards similar authors and titles.

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Zara

DIAMOND HARBOUR LIBRARY’S CHILDRENS SECTION

The corner dedicated to children is not only the place to find a huge variety of colourful books, games and even a few toys, but it is also the place to sit and relax while Mum and Dad do their library stuff elsewhere.

During term time, once a month on a Thursday, the children's section is the venue for a special event when talented librarian Christine becomes an equally talented story-teller, much to the delight of the many littlies who attend. Sometimes Christine even brings a guest story-teller.

Of course there is plenty to interest older children as well and, as one would expect, the opportunity to share computer adventures with friends is also a big attraction for that group.

A YOUNGER PERSON’S PERSPECTIVE

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SOMETHING FOR ALL THE FAMILY

From toddlers to great-grandparents our Diamond Harbour Library is a wonderful place to visit, explore, learn, relax, read or even just spend a quiet time with friends.

Elaine

YOU deserve to be part of it!

See you at the Library
AROUND AND ABOUT - HAPPENINGS IN THE COMMUNITY

Diamond Harbour Plenty to Share

The *Plenty to Share* table is set up under the big tree near the cafés for sharing excess plants and produce. If you have an abundance of the fruits of your labour in your garden, please feel free to donate any excess to the table. Volunteers make sure plants stay watered until a new owner is found. The volunteers also remove anything that isn’t re-homed before it has lost its goodness.

Thanks to everyone who has given or taken from the *Plenty to Share* table.

Please note: The table is not for swapping household goods!

If you have useful excess household goods, we recommend getting them to the Lyttelton Garage Sale where there are volunteers skilled at dealing with them, selling them back to the local community, and giving the money raised back to community groups.

Household goods left at the Diamond Harbour *Plenty to Share* table have become a burden for its volunteers, who have had to dump anything unsaleable, and transport the saleable stuff to the Lyttelton Garage Sale.

Mark Watson

Potholes in the Park

Access to the upper car above the ferry wharf is in a shocking condition in more ways than one in the area near the public toilets (left) where the entire width of the road has disintegrated.

New Notice Board

The sparkling new notice-board in the jetty shelter (right) first appeared in December and is the work of Nancy Vance assisted by various others. It will be updated regularly and makes for a good read as you wait for the ferry.

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Nuts and Bolts Problem Solved

In response to the December Herald drawing attention to the potentially dangerous bolts on the newly constructed retaining wall at Charteris Bay, an innovative resident placed bright yellow rubber tubes on some of the bolts (left). City Care workers were surprised but impressed by this action when they eventually came to complete their job by putting the protective rail (below). Elaine

An Official Work Site . . .

Construction of a private home is now underway at 2f and 2g Waipapa Avenue—between the Post Office and the former Godley House site. Accordingly there is no longer access to the playing fields via this property.

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Playcentre News
Kia ora Tatou, Hello Everyone
All the Playcentre families would like to wish Diamond Harbour Residents a Happy New Year.
And so far the weather has been fantastic, making living in the Harbour extra special. Playcentre will open its doors again next week (Feb 9) starting sessions 3 times a week from Monday the 9th of February. We also wish to welcome and greet the brand new Kindergarten up at the school. It’s great that now Diamond Harbour families can keep their children in the area while working and requiring long periods of childcare. This is a complement to what playcentre offers as we run high adult to child ratio sessions aimed at parents involvement and participation with children to greatly enhance their learning.
This term we have planned to do the jump rope for Heart; a trip to Orton Bradley Park; Science Alive Under Five Fest; Easter activities and much more.
We have a few four year olds on Mondays who are all about to take off to school, so they are getting themselves ready, and we hope to have a school visit each term. This really helps the older children approach school with confidence as it is not their official school visit, more a chance to get an idea of the place.
Thank you to Doran Irion from Southern Pine Products on the Halswell Junction Road for donating untreated off-cuts of wood for our carpentry table.
Last year ended on an excellent note as always with a trip to the Motukarara Pony Parties. They give a great morning out with pony rides, lambs and calves to feed, chickens to look after and check for eggs, baby rabbits to hold, guinea pigs and much more. It is a highlight of our year.
During the term we had visits from baby chicks, and pet rabbits to our centre; a nice chance to have a cuddle and pat up close.
Story times at the library continued even with the library closed due to repairs as Christine kindly brought story times to us and so the children were able to still enjoy their monthly stories.

Then on one of the last days we received a very special visitor... Santa and he arrived on a Fire Truck and handed out presents to the children and we sang Jingle Bells as best we could.

We love it that Santa comes to our playcentre every year, because the children feel so much more confident around him. Santa had to go though, and greet other little boys and girls so we tucked into a lovely shared Kai... cake and goodies to satisfy even the hungriest of tummies.
Playcentre is a parent-run early childhood education centre with a paid supervisor. This means you need to stay with your child until they are 2 and a half years old, after that its fine to leave them. It also means you get to play a bigger part in your child’s development while they are little. We see children blossom as they go from hanging out with their caregiver to hanging out with other whanau and friends in a caring and supportive environment. We welcome grandparents and nannies to bring their little ones too. Pop in for a visit! Please note visits are free and then once enrolled it is only $35 per term per family for as many sessions as you like.
Session times are Mons, Weds and Thurs 9am-12noon. Phone 329 4515 or email diamondharbourpc@gmail.com.
Aroha Nui Annya and Annabelle

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Annabelle
Recently added with the assistance of some fantastic volunteers, is also a Pump Track for young keen bikers. This suits small and bigger kids as they can hone their skills on a specially packed surface to try jumps and bumps and fun. Situated in the adventure playground area it is nice and handy. Please note it can be closed if raining or still wet, so check the Park’s Facebook page for status. Pretty soon there will also be a longer mountain bike track that has been over a year in the making, thanks to The Monday Club volunteers and others. It is just in the finishing stages now, so keep an eye on our Facebook page for the opening.

Cheers from Orton Bradley Park.

Its a great thing to have such a beautiful Park on our doorstep. Orton Bradley Park opens its gates to self contained campers all year round, and in the summer extends this to people with tents as well. Tent Camping was added 3 years ago and is a huge success, this year particularly so with the hot summer days. Campers are provided with basic clean facilities and the opportunity to wake up to bird song from bellbirds. By staying the night you get an even stronger sense of peace and calm from the surroundings. Once the day trippers have gone a quiet descends and it feels like the place is all yours, even with neighbours in tents beside you.

Mary Stapylnot-Smith's latest book is now available at the Diamond Harbour Library and at the Church Bay Store for $40.

Published by the Friends of the Diamond Harbour Library with a little help from the Diamond Harbour Herald.

Open Day at Charteris Bay Golf Club
On Saturday February 14 the Charteris Bay Golf Club on Orton Bradley Park are inviting all those interested in golf, whether having played and wishing to take up the game up again or starting up as a beginner, to join them on a normal Saturday afternoon club day. Players start at 12 noon and Beginners please arrive at 3pm, no gear required. This is an opportunity to view our scenic course right on Lyttelton Harbour and get information on all the club has to offer. The day will finish of in the historic (if a little earthquake scarred) clubhouse for the traditional after match Happy Hour. Come and enjoy the relaxed, country styled hospitality the club is well known for.

The 2015 season officially starts Wednesday February 11 at 9.30am for midweek 18 and 9 Hole lady members and on February 28 for all Saturday players. There is also a midweek men’s 18 hole game on a Tuesday afternoons and a9 holmen’s club day on Friday mornings.

We extend a warm welcome to anyone interested in becoming a new member of Charteris Bay Golf Club, or those just wanting to find out more about us. Our fees are very competitive for a country club. If interested please check our website: www.charterisbay.co.nz.

Sally Jacobs
Live at the Point
Sunday Sessions

Sunday afternoons in Diamond Harbour don’t get much better than this year - fabulous sunshine, warm weather, 2 local cafés and great music down at the Godley House site. If you haven’t experienced a relaxed afternoon down here then come on down! The last day is Sunday 22 February with The Ranchsliders.

Check www.diamondharbour.info/sprig for more info.

We’ve been having between 2-300 people picnicking under the shade of the trees or hiring DH’s youngest entrepreneur – Jack’s umbrellas and chairs! Both our cafés offer great refreshments too and for those wanting to tempt their friends across the harbour, the ferry is doing a sterling job of making sure everyone gets delivered.

Thanks to Al Park, we’ve seen a wide range of fantastic musicians, including a number of up and coming artists to keep an eye on. Our local fire brigade is on site every time to ensure we stay safe and we have had a few stalls selling great local produce, so don’t miss out on the last few events – we hope to see you there.

Sculpture on the Point
Have you seen the sculptures gracing our shores? They too are only here for another few weeks, unless anyone wants to buy one! All are for sale and anyone interested in knowing more can contact Gill Hay (gillhay@sculpturenz.co.nz). Get a brochure from one of our cafés if you didn’t receive one in your mailbox.

We are indeed very fortunate to have such well known artists exhibiting over here - like us, they recognise Diamond Harbour as a very special place and love the opportunity of being able to place their sculptures in this stunning landscape.

Many thanks must go to our sponsors and many supporters who have enabled these events to take place – in particular our Platinum sponsors: LPC, Creative Communities, CCC and Canterbury Community Trust... and to this community – thank you for spreading the word and supporting us too!

SPRIG (Brian, Janet, Wayne and Tracey)

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The new Service Directory and Phone Book is now available for $10 at the Church Bay Store, Chalfont, the Diamond Harbour Library and the Godley Cafe.

(This is the major fundraiser for the Diamond Harbour Community Association)
We are pleased to advise that marketing is underway for the exciting new Te Kawakawa housing development in Church Bay. After many years of local concern at the lack of smaller manageable sections and homes, we are pleased to offer a selection of 26 house and land packages, priced from $399,000.

The development offers a range of professionally designed 2 and 3 bedroom homes that meet the highest possible construction standards, all within an inviting village-like environment that fosters community and relaxation. Most sections are between 420m² and 550m² on gently sloping land, with five home plans available ranging from 90m² (2 bedroom, single garage) to 150m² (3 bedroom, double garage) total floor area. Each home comes with a garage, decking off the living area, a photovoltaic solar system to reduce energy costs, and a long list of features and fixtures. Buyer input is possible on many aspects of design and finish.

All plans aim to achieve Homestar 6 or 7 certification, New Zealand’s environmental and energy efficiency rating for both new and existing homes. Two plans will have Lifemark certification with a minimum of three stars that ensure the homes have been designed to be accessible and safe to live in now, and in the future. This is an important feature for people with reduced mobility.

The development will be staged with Stage 1 (Lots 1 – 6) completion in early 2016, Stage 2 (Lots 7 – 15) in late 2016, and Stage 3 (Lots 16 – 26) in late 2017. This development recognises the increasing demand for down-sized properties in the region, and will meet the needs of the growing 50+ demographic wishing to remain on or move to our side of the harbour.

AT LAST - SMALL EASY CARE HOMES AND SECTIONS IN DIAMOND HARBOUR

It could also meet the needs of young families looking for a start on the housing ladder at an affordable cost. So far the local response has been enthusiastic and Min Sarginson Real Estate will shortly be contacting all prospective buyers to discuss their interest. We will also extend the marketing effort more widely across Canterbury and major cities. Look out for the Development website www.tekawakawa.co.nz in a few weeks time!

Please contact the helpful team at Min Sarginson for further information or to book an appointment to discuss this opportunity to secure your new home in a great community. Contact Wayne Schist (027) 329 4334 Tim Dunningham (027) 651 5474 or the office 329 4161.

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TOASTMASTERS IS COMING TO DIAMOND HARBOUR

Second only to death, the number one fear for people is public speaking. Yes, most people would prefer to be the one in the box at the funeral than be the one up there doing the eulogy! Public speaking can be absolutely nerve wracking and most people cope by just avoiding it. What happens when we do that though is that we are not letting ourselves reach our potential and we miss out on many opportunities.

I was one of those people who went through life always letting others step up and speak, while I hid in the background. It’s not a great way to be. You end up losing confidence and can find it difficult to express your views regardless of the size of the audience. Eventually, even one-on-one communication can become an issue. Luckily, there is an answer... Toastmasters can help you and it is coming to the Bays.

I have been a Toastmaster for nearly 12 years and have achieved the Distinguished Toastmaster award. I started as a nervous wreck and through following the very comprehensive Speech Manuals and Programmes and the supportive and encouraging atmosphere of a Toastmasters club, I was able to become a competent and confident speaker. I have improved my listening skills, my impromptu speaking skills and my leadership skills. I am absolutely sold on Toastmasters, it can change your life and open up lots of opportunities that you never even thought were possible. When people join Toastmasters, they often get promotions and find themselves advancing in their careers and businesses.

When I moved to Charteris Bay last year, I was missing Toastmasters and thought a club here in the Bay would be a huge advantage for us. A few Toastmasters have rallied around to help and we are having an open meeting on Saturday February 28 in the Stage Room of the DH Community Centre. The meeting starts at 1.30pm and goes through until 3.30pm. We will be having 2 guest speakers, one who is a new Toastmaster who will do his Icebreaker, the first speech in Toastmasters, where you tell us about yourself. The other speaker is Dave Young, who will be doing a humorous speech. Dave won the National award for that at the Toastmasters convention in 2013.

When it's time to speak up, do you clam up?

Then you need Toastmasters. Joining Toastmasters can be your first step towards being able to speak confidently in public.

Come to the Diamond Harbour Toastmasters open meeting and find out how you can improve your potential, grow your confidence and become a better communicator and leader.

When: Saturday 28th February
Where: Stage Room in the DH Community Centre
Time: 1.30pm – 3.30pm
Ring Jann Meehan to find out more:
329 4936 or 021 2631040

We are also very fortunate here in the Bays, to have another Distinguished Toastmaster, David Templeman who lives in Teddington. David has previously won the top award in Toastmasters, the NZ International Speech Contest which earned him a trip to the U.S. to compete in the World Championship of Public Speaking. David is currently one of the top three leaders in the Toastmasters NZ senior leadership team. He has a wealth of experience as has his wife, Celina. We are very lucky to have them both involved in getting Diamond Harbour Toastmasters up and running.

Please come along to the open meeting. The open meeting will tell you all about Toastmasters and how it can help you grow in confidence, improve your communication and leadership skills whilst having a lot of fun. Even if you just want to have a laugh and be entertained, you will be made very welcome. Contact me if you want to know more on 329 4936 or 021 263 1040.

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Sarah is now at the cafe on Friday mornings for the Timebank people — ask her about the Timebank breakfast special at Godley Cafe.

Remember to check us out on Facebook to keep up with all the latest info.

The Godley Cafe Team
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LIVING WELL

Looking After Yourself

I choose to work with people who want to make changes in their lives. Sometimes that’s about improving their current position from strong to stronger, and sometimes that’s about taking an area of life that they’re unhappy with and helping them improve it. I’m very aware that if I want to be resourceful for my clients, some of whom are very unhappy when they first walk through my door, as well as being there for my family and friends, I need to be in a good place myself.

A lot of people feel like it’s wrong to put themselves first or that it’s selfish to look out for number one. I think these things are not wrong, nor bad, but completely necessary, as looking after yourself enables you to look after others so much more effectively.

Looking after ourselves doesn’t mean doing things to the exclusion of others, or not taking others into account. In contrast, to me, looking after yourself simply means taking a number of small actions that enable us to be our best. This could include things like eating well, taking walks on the beach, spending time with people we enjoy, reading or watching movies. All of these things add to our sense of wellbeing which increases our resourcefulness and ability to cope with things in our lives as well support others. Where we don’t do these things, we can become depleted, and our ability to be good for the people in our lives and in the tasks we do can becomes compromised.

Whenever we fly, we are told that if the oxygen masks drop down in front of us, we should put on our own masks first before helping those around us. To me, this sentence needs a slight adjustment: we should put on our own masks first so we can help those around us. The people in our lives are so incredibly important, and the more we take care of ourselves, the more we can have a positive influence on those around us.

It’s now 2015; a new year, a new opportunity to change our lives for the better. In what ways do you want to be happy, strong and resourceful in your own life and for the people around you this year? In order to do that, what actions would you love to take to look after yourself so you can fulfil those actions to the best of your ability?

Robyn

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Drought-Proofing Gardens the Ecological Way

With New Zealand's average annual temperature now around 1 degree warmer than it was a century ago (and rising) and with the number of days the country is in drought rising accordingly, home gardeners as well as farmers need to look seriously at how they can drought-proof their land — and why it's better to do it the ecological way, rather than the expensive and ultimately futile big pipe to dwindling resource way.

The best place to store water for growing plants is not in a reservoir a long way from the farm or garden, but in the soil where you need it. How? Soil rich in humus is soil that holds water. If you need proof of this, fill a flower pot with sand and a flower pot with good compost, give them the same amount of water each, and watch it flow through the humus-light sand and be held by the humus-rich compost.

Compost is a good source of humus, as are natural mulches like straw that rot down and are transformed by worms into humus-rich soil. Natural mulches also conserve water in the soil by blocking evaporation — but it is essential to lay them only on well-watered soil in the first instance, and make sure when watering that the water goes under the mulch and is not just sprinkled on top.

Shade for the soil can also be achieved by close planting of leafy green vegetables, evenly spaced in squares rather than strung out in rows, so that when the plants are mature their edges almost touch. Overhead shade in the heat of summer from deciduous trees or shade cloth is also good for growing tender greens like lettuce.

Watering should always be done in the cool of the morning or evening, and it is better to give a good deep watering every 3-4 days than a sprinkle every day — this encourages plants to grow long roots to reach the water beneath them. Finally, choose varieties of plants that can cope with dry conditions (easy with flower selection — think bush daisies not begonias) and delay new plantings or sowings of vegetables until things cool down a bit/there has been a day of rain.

You can turn a sand pit into a productive garden in a year just by adding humus. The Eco-Gardener's away patch (below) in Lyall Bay, Wellington grew only buffalo grass 2 years ago, and now produces good crops of veges.

Christine Dann

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A: appliance repairs * aromatherapy massage * art * art therapy * astrology reading

B: babysitting * band for hire * beekeeping * bicycle repairs * bike riding * bokashi mix boxes * blog development * breast cancer support * budgeting advice * business coaching * business management & strategy advice

C: calligraphy * car share * celebrant * celestial and coastal navigation workshop * cheese making courses * children's party planner * catering * coaching * coffee bean roasting * colored fleece * companionship * computer desk * computer help/repair * computer screens * computer training * contra dancing * couches & carpet * creative writing * crochet instruction * CV writing *

D: darning * decluttering and organising your space * dietary advice * DIY * dog walking * doula service * dressmaking fabrics

E: eco-cleaning workshops * ecological restoration * edible wild plants tour * editing * electric hedge trimmers * ESOL * facilitating meetings * farm visit * felting * financial investing advice * fitness and eight loss support * foraging tips * fridge * fruit * furniture

G: gardening * gardening advice * general maintenance * graphic design * grocery shopping * guided walk * guided meditation

H: haircuts * hens * holistic bodywork therapy * homebaking: cakes or bread * housekeeping chores * housesitter * horse manure * HP printer

I: Indian head massage* ironing

J: Japanese lessons

K: kid's clothes * kitchen appliances * knitting lessons

L: landscape design * language tutoring (various) * legal education * lemon balm * letter writing * literacy help

M: marketing advice * massage * media communication * meditation * meditation counseling * meeting room * milk kefir grains * manual labour * mentoring * menu planning * mosaic tutoring * mozzarella cheese making * mowing lawns

N: natural cosmetic making * nurse aiding

O: odd jobs

P: patching and repairs * permaculture introduction short courses * pet-sitting * photography * piano * piano-player * piano-tuning * painting * pine chip mulch * potted plants * pressure point massage * preserves * proofreading * puppet shows and workshops * pruning roses

R: reading-aloud research * resource management advice

S: sewing * sewing lessons * shopping * small business accounts * soap making workshops * soil * sound bathing * speech making assistance * spinning lessons * storytelling * sustainable energy chat * swimming lessons

T: tax and accounts advice * tenancy advice * theological research * therapy sessions * tools * trailers * translation * transportation travel advice * tutoring vegetables

V: vegetable seeds

W: website building * welding * wellness information wood * wood chips * woolcrafts * worm farm * wrapping paper

Y: yoga

Z: zucchini recipes

These are offers that have been made on the Lyttelton Harbour Timebank since 2007. For more information or to join up come and see me at my new drop-in time of Friday mornings 9-11am at the Godley Café. Or sign up on www.lyttelton.net.nz/timebank.

Sarah
Recipe

Carrot Honey Muffin with Nuts

Harvest this January was a special treat: my husband has a bumper year with his honey production. We have been lucky with strong and healthy colonies and super yummy honey to harvest early. I feel especially privileged to be able to cook and bake with this honey and have improvised recipes where it replaces sugar or adds a zest to savoury... try rubbing the roast chicken with honey, 10 mins before it finishes roasting in oven!

For the start of the new school year here is a recipe for quick yummy muffins for school lunch boxes.

**Ingredients**
- ¾ cup flour
- ½ cup ground almond (or try coconut flour)
- ½ tsp baking soda
- 1 tbsp baking powder
- 2 tsp cinnamon
- ¾ cup liquid honey
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- ½ cup liquid butter
- 1 cup chopped nuts (walnuts, almonds or other)
- 2 eggs
- 200g carrots grated

**Method**

Sieve dry ingredients into a large bowl and add brown sugar and nuts, mixing evenly to break up lumps.

In another bowl mix eggs, liquid butter, liquid honey and carrot. Tip this mixture into the dry mixture.

Take care not to over-mix – fold everything together until there are no remaining lumps of flour.

Fill 12 muffin pans (either use paper cups or butter pans thoroughly).

Bake at 190°C for 20-25mins and check – when centre of muffins spring back when pressed they are ready.

Enjoy!

Franziska

Life Depends on the Liver

by Nan O’Dowd – a liver for 85 years

We are a very small part of a Very Big Thing
That completely envelopes us all, and
During the time, from when we are born
To the time we are old and worn,
We can learn quite a lot – or not!

This Very Big Thing adheres to a scheme of
Being unfair many times, but
If we can dare to bear and not fall, and
Manage to not lose the plot – guess what?

We’ve stepped on the road that relieves the load of
Wondering why and what if, because
Now is important and maybe we oughtn’t, but
Joy is allowed to creep in. We owe it to our Kith and Kin.

Learn by osmosis – it’s better than neurosis –
That Life is an Eternal Thing.
It’s a Marvellous Mystery of all of our history
Holding us in continuous thrall. That’s all.

It’s only a minute compared to the Infinite
That we occupy our place on this Earth.
Be loving and kind, not petty and half blind,
Use your MIND to actually SEE –

Happiness is OURS to make
For God’s Sake!
It is well to remember that when you connect to the internet you are effectively connecting to every other computer (and mobile device) in the world that is also connected... and just like the physical world it contains some very dangerous people and places, including neighbourhoods through which you would not choose to venture. Unlike the physical world where one can recognise and avoid the disreputable bits, the cyber world is all smoke and mirrors – you cannot judge a website by its appearance.

Some tips to help you stay safer on the Internet.

1. If you are still running Windows XP you are just asking for trouble – disconnect from the internet or upgrade ASAP! It is almost a year since Microsoft stopped providing security patches for XP, making it low-hanging fruit for cyber criminals. It is no coincidence that around half the computers hijacked into botnets worldwide are running Windows XP. These computers have been infected with trojans that allow them to be controlled (without the owner’s knowledge or consent) by computer networks of criminals. Botnets are responsible for much of the endless spam that arrives in our email inboxes.

2. Install real-time anti-malware software (which loads when your computer starts and checks everything you access from your hard disk or the Internet). Some of the free versions are just as effective as the paid ones. The free version of Avast is a good choice.

3. Scan your hard drive regularly (weekly) - immediately if you suspect you have clicked on something dodgy. Although most real-time anti-malware software can also be used to scan, do not use it to scan as it is unlikely to pick up malware that it missed when it was downloaded. No anti-malware software (free or paid) is 100% effective, so it is best to use a different one for manual on demand scanning – such as the free version of Malwarebytes (when installing it be careful to un-tick the box to begin a free trial of the premium version).

4. Always run software updates – especially those from Microsoft, Apple, Adobe, Oracle (Java) and your anti-malware provider. The purpose of most updates is to fix security vulnerabilities which cyber criminals may be actively exploiting.

5. Do not use Internet Explorer (IE) as your internet browser. It is more vulnerable to, and more often targeted by, malware. Instead use Chrome or Firefox which allow you to install extensions/addons that make your browser safer (eg WOT – Web of Trust), faster and less annoying (Adblock or Adblock Plus).

6. Uninstall/Disable Java. Many computers come with Java pre-installed, although most users do not need it. I suggest uninstalling it (as it has been frequently exploited in the past by malware) and only reinstall it if the need arises (if a program needs it, it will tell you). If you do need Java it will most likely be for a desktop app – so you can disable it in your web browser (where it is the greatest risk). To do this in Chrome, type chrome://plugins in the address bar and hit enter. Locate all instances of Java on the plugin page and click on disable to turn the plug-in off.

In Firefox, type about:addons in the address bar and hit enter. Switch to the Plugins listing on the left and locate Java entries and disable them.

Ron
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higher than their body temperature, then this method
doesn't work. Dogs with thick double coats like

Newfoundlands and other mountain breeds are more at

risk than dogs with a shorter coat, as are brachycephalic

breeds like bulldogs and pugs due to their narrow

airways. If you can clip your dogs coat short in the

hotter months, they will also feel a lot more

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Rather leave your dog at home, but if you have to leave

it in the vehicle make sure you're parked in the shade,

with the windows partly open, and don't leave them

longer than 10-15 minutes. Symptoms of heat

exhaustion are heavy panting, drooling, weakness,
collapse and sadly it may even be fatal.

Remember strenuous exercise on a hot day can also

lead to heat exhaustion; owners of working dogs

especially need to bear this in mind. If you think your
dog is showing symptoms of heat stroke, cool them

rapidly by moving them to a cool environment, wet

them with a garden hose, or even immerse them in
cool (not ice!) water and allow the wet dog to dry in

the breeze or in front of a fan - evaporation cools. Cold

packs applied to the head and groin can also help.

Encourage drinking to prevent dehydration – in the

surgery we may need to give them intravenous fluids.

Each year the SPCA deals with dozens of unattended

animals in hot cars. This is unacceptable, so support

their No hot dogs in hot cars message while you enjoy

your summer.

Paul

Seasonal Goddess – Woman’s well being days

Relax, nurture, rejuvenate - with Eva and Dellaina

What would you like to create and experience in 2015?

The Goddess seasonal wellness days, have come about to allow a time and space, for the things you love to do as a woman.

The day will include:

• Creative exercises to focus yourself for the year ahead

• Materials to create a vision board

• Delicious nourishing healthy light food

Location: The house of sound and healing, 851 Governors Bay Road, Christchurch.

Date/Time: 22 February 9.30am-5pm.

Investment: $150 fully inclusive of workshop fee, all materials, a delicious vegetarian meal, morning and afternoon tea.

About The Facilitators

Dellaina: Teacher, Channel, Visionary therapist, and Contributing author in the best selling "Adventures in Manifesting series."

Eva: Is highly trained in many techniques for natural healing. They include Holistic Pulsing, Energy Healing, Environmental clearing and Sound Healing.

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• Couples relationships counseling/mentoring

• Men's empowerment groups

IHAIA: Ihaia comes from Banks Peninsula Christchurch, and is trained in Tikanga (cultural/spiritual) counselling, Facilitator/trainer, groups and men's support group. I am passionate about people's well being, and spiritual growth.

DELLAINA: Teacher and trainer of varies courses in Metaphysics, meditation, Channel for spirit, Visionary therapist, well being counsellor, past life therapist and Contributing author in the best selling "Adventures In Manifesting series."

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YOU CAN COME TOO — LOCAL EVENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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Ruth Willis

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Our Library
You are welcome to come down anytime the library is open. Library Hours:
Tuesday: 2-7pm
Thursday: 10am-2pm
Friday: 2-4pm
Saturday: 10am-12noon
Next Storytime is on Thursday February 19 at 10am
All welcome
Christine

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Contact Tui Scott: 0276574483
DH School Twilight Fair
Friday March 13 – 4.30pm until late

Roll up! Roll up! We are looking for local groups/families/businesses that would like to have a stall at our fair. Food, non-alcoholic drinks, handicrafts, toys, carnival games... let your imagination run wild!

Pitch prices are as follows:
$30 for charities,
$50 for businesses,
$10 extra for electricity,
$25 for car boots.

To be part of this fun community oriented event, please contact Louise Dennis: louise.dennis@diamondharbour.school.nz or the school office on 329 4842.

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Tai Chi in Diamond Harbour

Tai Chi sessions for 2015 have started on Thursday mornings at 11am in the Hall, for a 1 hour practice session. Entrance is beside the library door!

Everyone is welcome to participate, even if you have never done Tai Chi before. If you like it you can become a member of our group to get the benefits of a regular mind and body exercise.

Fees: Casual visitors: $5
8 week member course: $30

We are also considering starting a weekly evening class on Tuesdays at 7-8pm if there is sufficient interest.

Please contact Peter for more information on 329 4835 or daruma@clear.net.nz.
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Lost trailer tailgate
Last seen at the triangle (corner Marine Dr and Waipapa Ave) where it was placed by the person who found it. Could anyone knowing its present whereabouts please phone the trailer owner on 027 861 9698.

Mattress to give away
King size mattress, Sleepyhead torquazone, good condition. Ph Barry or Pauline on 329 4414.

Large plastic water tanks wanted
2,000 to 30,000 litres. I can disconnect and remove. Phone Tom 027 240 4179.

House to let
Three bedroom, 10 yr old house to rent from 12 February to end of April 2015. Single storey, flat section, clean, tidy, lovely garden and views. Fully furnished. $400 per week negotiable. 329 3107 or 021 060 8361.

House for short term rental
Gorgeous ocean view retreat for rent 21 June - 31 August (or later). 4 Bedrooms furnished - new kitchen and bathrooms, heat pump, fire, hydro-therapy bath. Rent $450/week neg. Contact Paru on 329 4773 or journeyessence@hotmail.com.

Flatmate wanted
Beautiful and warm 2 storey log house with wonderful harbour views on a sunny Teddington farm has one ensuite room with veranda available at $200 pw. Power, firewood, water and internet $25 pw. Garden space and grazing available. Long term, working tenant preferred. Ph 329 9118 or 027 482 9410. See www.bergli.co.nz.

Dowser/Water Diviner
Needed by the Diamond Harbour Croquet Club to locate some of the buried irrigation control valves on the greens. Please ph Ruth Willis 329 4243 or Rose Morrison 329 4646.

Furniture for sale
Excellent condition and open to offers. 2 small sized double beds with matching wooden headboards and memory type mattresses with original covers. 2 single beds with upholstered matching headboards and interior mattresses. (All beds available separately.) French double wardrobe with under drawers. Single wardrobe with deep drawer under and inside mirror. Pair of pink wardrobes with under drawers. Single wardrobe with double beds with matching wooden headboards and interior mattresses. (All beds available separately.) French double wardrobe with under drawers. Single wardrobe with deep drawer under and inside mirror. Pair of pink wardrobes with under drawers. Single wardrobe with double beds with upholstered matching headboards and interior mattresses. Ph Barry or Pauline on 329 4414.

Small Freezer for sale
3 drawer under bench Haier freezer. 4 years old. Excellent condition. $125. Ph 329 3331 or 021 0251 8317.

Baby/Child items for sale

Kiwi Home Maintenance
All house dwelling, maintenance and land care etc. Discounts for over 65. We are locals who are honest, reliable who give personal service with integrity. Contact Richard and Yvonne on 027 659 9419

Dog Walking
I am available for walking dogs, looking after cats, and caring for certain animals for a reasonable fee. Ph Sharlene on (03) 550 4225 or 022 027 4911.

Desk for sale
1500 x 760 rimu and rimu veneer with three drawers. Good condition. $75. Phone 021 222 3696 or 329 4898.

Porta Cot for sale
In good order $30. Phone 329 4699.

Pet Carrier for sale
Pet Voyager 300 Cat/Dog Carrier suitable for a cat or small dog. 600mm x 400mm x 350mm. $30 Ph 329 4267.

Free Gas Heater
Gazal brand portable gas heater in really good condition that to give away. Ph 329 4267.

Psychedelic Rock Band Project
Interested in helping me with this project? Would involve artistic input, helping set up laser-lights, sound checks, and transporting band gear around (as I don't have a car). Interested in anyone who is (preferably) a rock music enthusiast interested in trying new concepts. Contact Neville 022 027 4911 or neozelandes@yahoo.co.nz.

Trees Taken
Would the person or persons who stole two pine trees from my land at 156 Main Road Governors Bay kindly contact me to apologise and help replant them. Dave Catton 022 152 1985.

Container for sale
10 foot container, weather proof, in excellent condition. 2 door, lockable and fully painted. Removable mezzanine floor for extra storage. Ph Barry or Pauline on 329 4414.

Dinghy wanted to buy
For family to potter around in. Not fussy about what it's made of or if it needs minor repairs. Please ring Debbie on 329 4795 or 027 473 7467.

Sliding door wood and glass for sale
Door is 1900mm wide and 2030mm tall, 3 glass panels. All fittings. $50 ono. Ph 329 4748 or 027 534 3536.

Fridge for sale
Fisher & Paykel Active Smart Fridge/Freezer. Freezer on top. 630x650x1400. 7 yrs old, goes well. $70. Ph 329 3032.

Small Car for sale
1996 Nissan March. 3 door automatic, 1000cc. 160,000 kms, WOF, very tidy condition. $2200 neg. Ph 329 3032.

Windows Laptops and PCs

Apple iMac for sale

Smart Phone for sale
Huawei Ascend G300. 4 inch screen, factory reset to Android ICS (4.03). Works on all networks. Good condition. $40. Ph 329 3032.

Furniture and Rugs for sale
All in good condition at bargain prices. Art deco chrome lamp table $50. Large solid oval dining table, dark stain $40. 2 attractive thick wool tufted rugs: 160x230 maroon design $75. 110x160 red/white design $45. Ph 329 3032.

Lawn Mowers for sale
Ozito electric mower with catcher, good condition $80. Ozito push mower, little used $40.

Walnuts from Orton Bradley Park
Ozito electric mower with catcher, good condition $80. Ozito push mower, little used $40.

Dressmaker
Specializing in dance costumes, wedding gowns and formal/prom dresses. Happy to work on any sewing project large or small! 329 3166 or livingdolls@thedollfactory.co.nz.

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Orton Bradley Firewood for sale
3m3 pine delivered $195. Ready to burn next winter. All proceeds to Park maintenance. Ph 329 4730.

Wooden Chair for sale
Solid walnut, attractive design. $80. Phone 329 4699.

Services offered
Handyman home services are offered on the sunny side of the harbour. Home maintenance, building repairs, painting, fencing and some plumbing as well as section tidying. Affordable rates. Ph Jim 328 8274 or 027 226 4548.

Outdoor Fitness
Outdoor Boot Camp Fitness with Mike at 6:30am Mon, Wed and Fri, all year round. Ph 329 4647 or mikecotton@mac.com.

Boxing Circuit Classes
Monday 6.30pm and Wed 7pm. Commercial gym open 7 days. 329 9525 or 027 773 0036 or baysidefit@gmail.com.

Doggie Bootcamps
We pick up your pet from home in the morning, take them out for the day and drop them back in the afternoon. We spend time walking on the lead individually and as part of a pack and have free time at a safe place such as a dog park, beach or forest. Ph 027 773 0036.

Small Dinghy for sale
Wooden 7ft 6ins (2m30cm) long. Sound but needs painting. $150. Ph 329 4512.

My Car and the Cow; Can You Help Me?
On Friday 19th December 2014 at approximately 07.45am my bright red car (HKD934) pictured below was involved in an accident at the intersection of Gebbies Pass Road and Christchurch Akaroa Road beside the Blue Duck Café.

At the time there was stock (cows) heading up Christchurch Akaroa Road and onto Gebbies Pass Road. I was the second of three cars stationary at the intersection waiting to turn right when a cow lost balance and fell on the rear left of my car leaving a reasonable-sized dent and the car shaking.

I am writing this letter to make contact with the drivers in front and behind me so I can ask them a couple of questions. If you were the driver of one of these cars or if you saw the incident, please give me a call on the details below. I would be most grateful and appreciate your honesty and assistance.

Will Maynard
027 421 2871 or 329 3067

Swimming Companions Sought
Do you, like me, enjoy a dip in the sea but prefer to do so in the presence of others for safety reasons?
Are you interested in forming a group of like minded people for the summer?
If so, please contact me on 329 4361.

DH School Raffle Results
The Diamond Harbour school raffles were drawn at the school prize-giving on Monday December 15. The earlier draw date of November 21 was put back as the Hall closure meant the community quiz had to be postponed. Thank you for your patience and understanding about the delay.
The winners are:
Grocery Raffle—Charlie Bridger.
Peak Accommodation Raffle—Juliet Bridger.
Thanks to everyone who bought tickets and to Church Bay Store and Godley Café for selling tickets on our behalf.
The Community Quiz school fundraisier will now be held on June 26.

Sarah Pritchett

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Diamond Harbour Medical Centre
2c Waipapa Ave Phone 329 4402 Fax 329 3302
Email nurse@diamondmed.co.nz for repeat prescriptions (48hrs notice needed)
Email reception@diamondmed.co.nz for all other enquiries and Internet banking details
Doctors: Peter Davies Bronwyn Graham
Nurses: Nicky Anna Petria
Reception/Admin: Jan Hogbin

Updated Hours
Monday 9am to 12noon Dr Bronwyn Graham
3pm to 6.45pm Dr Bronwyn Graham
Tuesday 1am to 7pm Dr Peter Davies
Wednesday 8.15am to 12noon Dr Peter Davies
Thursday 9am to 12noon Dr Bronwyn Graham
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Civil Defence Trainer and Motivator Retires

In mid-January we held a BBQ to mark the retirement of John Barry from active duty. John joined the Diamond Harbour Civil Defence unit in 2003 and his contribution to the community was officially recognised last year at a civic ceremony when he was awarded a Civil Defence Long Service medal. John has been a fantastic asset and, although our team will miss him, we do wish him all the best in his pursuit of his many other interests. John had a lovely approach to training, injecting gentle humour to balance his intellectual focus and depth of knowledge. His dedication and clear thinking were much appreciated during the aftermath of the February 2011 earthquake. In an open letter to all of the team John emphasized the need to continue with our membership drive. Our distressed planet seems to show it’s displeasure with increasing - not decreasing - natural disasters. So, you are all going to be needed even more than before.

John is the 4th member over the space of a year to retired or move away, so please think carefully when you are tapped on the shoulder and asked if you would like to be part of the team. For those of you interested in finding out more about how you could contribute to your local Civil Defence unit please contact Wendy Coles on 329 4438.

DH Volunteer Fire Brigade

Brigade Briefing

At the end of last year we said goodbye to the Fire Medical Vehicle and hello to our new fire engine. The FMV has now gone to Little River for them to trial for a few months before it heads north for its third and final trial period with a volunteer brigade. Our new appliance is built on an Iveco Eurocargo chassis and has many of the features enjoyed by today’s truck drivers. The power steering and automatic gearbox are a welcome change from our old Mitsubishi. The engine is smooth and the pump is much quieter to be around when operating it. The powerful engine will mean that we can arrive at the far reaches of our patch in much less time. The Mitsubishi used to struggle going up the hill to Port Levy.

There is one area of concern though. The vehicle is wider – especially when its mirrors are in their normal position. If you live on a road with restricted access through either street parking or over-grown hedges, it would be helpful to think about what you could do today that will help the next time we need to get to your area.

Fire Fighter David Rice
**Boat-shed wanted**

Any condition considered
any area in the harbour
for young boating family

**Contact Chris 021 274 6041**

**HERALD CALENDAR**

**Art Group:** Weds, 9.30am-12noon, Church Hall

**Baby & Toddlers:** Tue Feb 10 & 24; Mar 10 & 24. p21

**Ballet - Harbour Basin Dance:** Sats, 9.15am, Hall.

**Bridge Club:** Weds, 7pm, Bowling Club. Ph 329 4094.

**Camera Club:** Tue Feb 17, 7.30pm, Stage Room. p16

**Church Notices:** See page 21

**Croquet:** Weds, 1.30pm; Sats, 10am.

**Croquet Open Day:** Wed Feb 25, 1.30pm. p16

**DH School Twilight Fair:** Fri Mar 13, 4.30pm ,School. p17

**DHCA:** Mon Feb 9, 7.30pm, Stage Room

**Free Community Walk:** Thus, 10am, Godley Café. p16

**Golf Club Open Day:** Sat Feb 14 from 12 noon. See p7

**Harbour Singers:** Weds, 7.45pm, Stage Room

**Historical Assn:** Tue Feb 10, 6 pm, Orton Bradley Pk. p16

**Insight Meditation:** Tues, 6.30pm, 7A Whero Ave

**Jazz - Harbour Basin Dance:** Tues, 4pm, Hall.

**Ladies Probus:** Mon Feb 9, 10am, Church Hall

**Library Story Time:** Thu Feb 19, 10am. p16

**Live at the Point:** Suns thru Feb 22, 1pm. p8 & p16

**Lyttelton SummerFest:** Feb 6-15.

**City Mission Basket**
The church has a basket for non-perishable food and grocery items for the City Mission.
Many families are dependent on the support of agencies like the City Mission as jobs dwindle and money fails to stretch to meet basic outgoings. We also collect Small Change for the Small Room, with the coins being spent on toiletries and personal hygiene items which are distributed by the City Mission and St Vincent de Paul.

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