There will be only a few people in Diamond Harbour who do not know Colin McLeod. For some, the association will be linked to our local secondary school, Cashmere High, where he taught Technical Drawing and Mathematics to a couple of generations of students from the late 1960s to the millennium, but undoubtedly most people will know him for his work in at least one of the many community groups and projects he has been involved in here over the last 15 years.

This year Colin’s contribution to our community was recognised in the triennial Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Service Awards. At a ceremony held recently at Rapaki Marae, Colin was one of ten recipients, five from each of the Akaroa/Wairewa and Lyttelton/Mt Herbert wards, who received certificates from their respective Community Board chairpersons.

In 2000 Colin and Joy McLeod moved into their newly completed house on the section they had bought here a few years earlier. Colin had just retired from Cashmere High School to focus on applying his considerable computing and technical drawing skills to assist his well-known brother-in-law, Neil Dawson, in the design stages of his works, and although Colin is still very much involved here, that is another story.

The lower part of their section had earlier been planted in natives and the couple were horrified to find that the adjoining council—owned area of the valley was now infested with noxious weeds. Colin contacted the then Banks Peninsula District Council which rather reluctantly provided him a few natives in response to his offer to undertake their planting.

Aware that the Council’s reticence was due to previous experience of supplied plants not surviving due lack of continuing care, Colin laboriously surrounded each plant with multiple layers of newspaper which he anchored to the ground with long wire staples. He did the same with more plants supplied at his own expense and almost all flourished to maturity with the newspaper keeping in the moisture to supply the plants and also deterring invasive weeds. And so began Colin’s volunteer work in the local community.

He and Joy soon joined the committee of the Diamond Harbour Community Association and have both held various positions there ever since. For Colin, one of his first areas of involvement was with the layout of the Herald, where his computer skills greatly reduced the workload of editors Claudia Reid and Fran Macfarlane who had previously duplicated, cut and pasted the articles and advertisements in preparation for the final printing of each issue. Colin also managed the finances for the Herald and computerised the Community Association accounts for then treasurer, David Dearsley, eventually taking over that duty when the Dearsleys moved to the city. Similarly he was treasurer of the Gardening Club for several years.

Handing the bookings for the Community Hall is rated by Colin as probably the most demanding of the volunteer duties he and Joy have taken on, mainly because the role includes being on call to sort out any problems or difficulties the hirers may encounter.

Colin has been a volunteer librarian at the Diamond Harbour Library for the last fourteen years and it was there that he met local historian and writer, Mary Stapylton-Smith, who enlisted Colin to play a major voluntary role in the publishing and sales of her several books on the history of the south side of Lyttelton Harbour.

By 2005 Colin was officially a super-annuant in which, he jokes, entitled him to accept an invitation to become part of the Orton Bradley Park volunteer worker’s group which is surely the forerunner and epitome of the now burgeoning Men’s Sheds. The band of eight or nine members, including a couple from the city, meets each Monday, and occasionally at other times as needed, to work on projects and maintenance at the park. They come from diverse backgrounds and between them have a plethora of skills – I’ve learnt so much there! says Colin. Work is carried out between cups of tea, lots of camaraderie and discussions on all manner of topics, but the on-going value of their contribution to Orton Bradley is quite outstanding.

With typical modesty, Colin is quick to point out that he is but one of the many volunteers who give time and effort in so many ways to make our community the great place it is. He also acknowledges the part played by his wife, Joy, who not only supports and encourages his involvement, but who is also herself a volunteer in several areas of the community. A great team!
Welcome back to term 3 at Playcentre. This term we have rearranged the areas inside to represent a house, with a kitchen area, a bedroom etc. to extend on our children’s family play. The family play area is a great place for children to make friends, practice what they see at home and learn about the world around us. This term we are focusing on colours in English and Māori and thinking of games to play to help us remember them. We will also continue with physical activities after our successful trip to Tumbletimes where the children were able to use different equipment, climb ladders and so on.

Our matariki night was a great success, pukeko class and some of our children who had recently left came down to see their friends, share some kai (food) and partake in our lantern parade. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a memorable night.

Today we started back on session and celebrated Sam C’s birthday. Sam’s mum Kathy brought in some cupcakes for all the children to share and Emily helped make a playdough cake for us to put candles in. We sang happy birthday in English and Māori and then Sam blew out his candles. We talked about who came to his birthday party and Reuben D told me what present he bought for Sam.

Here we are connecting links with family and playcentre, acknowledging that New Zealand is a bicultural country, we are sharing food with each other and this is a routine that the children feel comfortable with. Even if it is not the child’s birthday on session we still like to celebrate their milestones so a parent will also make a card from our playcentre to them.

Playcentre is having a working bee on Sunday 30th August 10am till 12pm and it would be marvellous if people from the community could come down and help us with a few jobs (and earn timebank credits too)!

As we are down to only 13 families now it is hard for us to do all the jobs that are needed. So if you are thinking of enrolling at our playcentre now is the time to enrol so that our numbers are maintained (we currently have only 6 children attending on Wednesday).

If you know of other families that would like to come to check us out please spread the word. We also value members of the community who wish to come and visit us to read stories, show the children how to knit, do baking etc. We have had Russell come down to read stories and to chat to the parents and tell us about the music sessions starting on a Tuesday down at the church at 10am, gold coin donation only.

Session times are Mondays and Wednesdays 9am - 12 pm, now accepting your 20 ECE hours. Phone 329 4515 or email diamondharbourpc@gmail.com or just pop into session to see what we are doing.

Aroha nui  Annya (Co-ordinator)
Digger is a lively and loveable Jack Russell Cross who loves doing all the things that most dogs enjoy – exploring new places, sniffing around bushes, chasing birds and cats and similar doggie adventures. However Digger’s adventure at Diamond Harbour was definitely a bit over the top.

It all started when he went with his mistress and her friend to Stoddart Point recently. Digger did a bit of exploring in the domain and it was great fun, but when they started out along the Cliff Track that was truly doggie heaven for Digger. As the two women strolled along chatting, Digger scampered to and fro, head down, relishing all the new smells along the way. Of course he could detect where other dogs had passed by, and he found the dry pine needles which littered the track and the occasional muddy patches had new and interesting odours. He could even smell the salt air wafting up from the waves breaking over the rocks far below.

A sudden movement attracted his attention. There, just ahead of him, was a cat! For an instant they just stared wide-eyed at each other then the cat took off down the edge of the track with Digger racing after it in delight. The cat did a sharp turn across the track and up the sloping bank. Digger tried to do likewise but there was no grip for his skidding hind legs on all those slippery pine needles; suddenly he was going sideways… backwards… and then he was hurtling down the cliff edge, all four legs clawing to find a grip, but there was nothing. He stopped with a thud and dared not move for a moment. He stood up cautiously, relieved that it was over, and looked around. The sea was still far below him and there were several metres of steep cliff above him. He could barely turn around on the narrow ledge on which he had landed. There was nowhere to go.

He waited. Then to his great relief he heard his mistress calling, Digger, Digger, come here! If only he could! Her head appeared high above him, her horrified expression did nothing to allay his anxiety.

How great are those cell phones! A call to 111 and almost before you could say Hot Dog! several burly firemen were there assessing the situation. We don’t have the equipment to rescue him, they decided. But our Diamond Harbour Firemen always know what to do. They called Dave Hammond, who came, complete with abseiling rope and prusiks. Dave took a scarf and the leash from Digger’s mistress and skilfully lowered himself down the cliff. Digger was pretty pleased to see him, and meekly allowed himself to be wrapped in the scarf and then the leash and secured to Dave’s harness. And up they went.

Once reunited on the track, Digger didn’t have much to say, but his mistress did: I am just so grateful to everyone involved. The firemen were so calm and efficient and to me, what Dave did was heroic. I feel embarrassed that I caused so much trouble especially as I realise that it just would not have happened if I had kept Digger on the leash. I should have appreciated that the narrow Cliff Track is too dangerous for dogs to run loose. I hope that other dog-owners will take note of my experience and keep their dogs on a leash on the track. It would also be good if there were signs at the starting points along the track advising of the potential danger. My mistake could so easily have cost Digger his life. Elaine

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Vetlife will be holding weekly clinics in the Community Center from 2pm on Wednesday afternoons.
We look forward to seeing you and your pet!
Large animal calls and house calls can also be arranged.

Please phone 3251006
to book an appointment.
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The opening of the road will enable the Te Kawakawa development to finally get underway over the coming summer. Ultimately it is envisaged that more than 20 low maintenance, energy-efficient and affordable 2 and 3 bedroom homes will be built here. Stage 1, consisting of 4 homes and probably including a show home, will, when completed, give people an real insight into what is being offer. The photo (right) is an artist’s impression of one of the five plans available—the 3 bedroom Otamahua. Each of the plans has potential modifications to suit individual needs, such as a larger garage on a smaller home.

DH RESERVE MANAGEMENT TEAM

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A prime focus would be to provide an environment where there are more native plant and tree species, potentially attracting a more diverse population of birds etc. The next stage of the process is where the community Board will call for a meeting to discuss matters related to the creation an RMC, including the election of officers, etc. This should happen within the next 3-4 weeks. If you are interested in joining in, contributing ideas or would like more information, please contact Thomas Kulpe or Jim Nieman.

Jim
**THE ECO GARDENER'S PATCH**

A sweet-scented winter witch

As July shades into August and winter into spring, some lovely delicate shrubs and small trees start blooming. Evergreen Daphne bholua, a 2 metre high bush, begins producing its fragrant white flowers in June, closely followed by pale yellow wintersweet on bare branches. More curious looking than either of these two, and with a variety of colours and different depths of fragrance (from slight to strong) is the witch hazel.

Witch hazels (Hamamelis spp) come from North America (which has three species) and Japan and China (one each). Most of the lovely garden varieties available today are derived from crosses of the Japanese and Chinese varieties and then crossing those crosses, to produce a range of colours from lemon yellow and gold through shades of orange and pink to deep red. Whatever colour they are, witch hazel flowers all look rather strange, with twisted thin petals that seem to writhe around their centre. More like a witch’s wig than a regular flower.

For me they are one of the more interesting signs that spring is on the way, and they certainly cheer up the late winter garden. As they don’t grow very big, and most also have golden autumn leaves, they are an excellent choice for small gardens. The American species, H. virginiana, is also the source of the witch hazel used for a variety of home remedies, and also in commercial medicinal creams and lotions which capitalise on its astringent properties of the bark of the tree, and soothe everything from inflamed pores to piles.

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**RECIPE**

**Tarte aux pruneaux**

*Courtesy of Thérèse Miller-Beudaert*

**Ingredients**

- 200g best soft prunes halved and soaked at least 2 hours in 3 tablespoons of cognac
- 100g unsalted melted butter
- 100g ground almonds (or 75g and 25g coconut)
- 50g plain flour
- 150g icing sugar
- 2 large egg whites (or 3 small ones)

**Method**

1. Preheat oven medium rack to 190°C.
2. Butter a 22 cm diameter pie dish.
3. Put melted butter in a bowl, add ground almonds, sifted flour and icing sugar.
4. Add 1 lbs prune juice (or if none 1 lbs cognac).
5. Whisk the egg whites stiff, fold in a little at first to lighten the mixture, then gently fold in the rest.
6. It does not look promising at this stage but don’t panic – it will shape up nicely in the oven.
7. Pour into prepared pie dish, smooth top. Top with the prunes in nice circles and press them down a little.
8. Bake for 15 minutes at 190°C then reduce to 180°C and cook a further 12-15 minutes until the filling has puffed up and is golden brown.
9. Remove and leave to cool at least 30 mins.
10. Serve as pudding with crème fraîche or frozen yoghurt or, serve as is, for afternoon tea.

Thérèse
Necessity and choice makes our family budget travellers. When we travel we stay with friends, we camp, we house-sit or, at the height of luxury as far as our boys are concerned, we stay in cabins.

For the July school holidays we were heading to Wellington as I had some contract work up there and thought it was time we all went back together to catch up with friends and family. Since leaving Wellington in 2010 I’d been up a few times by myself, as had Phil, but one of the reasons the four of us hadn’t been back together was the dilemma of where to stay if we wanted to be there for a decent amount of time. If we stayed with friends for more than a couple of nights I’m sure they would soon be quoting Jane Austen (you have delighted us with your company long enough). If we moved around every couple of days we’d end up needing another holiday when we got back.

I have a timebank philosophy – I’ll put something out on timebank and if it doesn’t work I pursue more traditional routes. Lyttelton Timebank is a member of the Wellington Timebank (and many other NZ timebanks) so I posted a request on it asking if anyone needed a housesitter over the school holidays or wanted to do a house swap. I was delighted to receive a response from a family who were heading away and needed someone to look after their dog, Chutney, and chickens.

Upon arrival at the house the house owner and I realized we had actually met in Wellington when our children were babies.

The house was conveniently located in the suburb where I was working and there was a woof woof run (dog exercise area) just up the road. Having our own space was invaluable as it meant we could invite friends over for dinner or chill out when we needed to.

So if you’re a timebank member and you want a holiday in Wellington, Dunedin or Wanaka get Wendy or I to post an ad on the relevant timebank on your behalf and you never know, someone might just respond with the perfect house for you to stay in.

Sarah

LIVING WELL

The Way Forward

Yesterday I was working with someone who has been stuck in unhelpful ways of thinking and behaving for some time. I was really interested in the thought patterns going on inside his mind. He told me he had a really good understanding of what was happening for him and how his mind worked, what had happened for him that had led to this point, why events in his past had affected him so badly, and why he was still struggling now.

It made me think of a story I’ve heard about someone who decided to research depression. He diligently began finding people who were depressed and interviewing them, reading about depression, and seeking out and digesting anything he could in order to fully understand depression. Then, several months into his research, he noticed that he himself was becoming depressed. He was spending so much time surrounding himself with certain kinds of thinking and behaving, that he started taking them on himself. Upon realising this, the researcher made a decision. He decided to give up his study of depression, and start studying happiness instead!

If we want to move forward, there are two main things we need to know – where we are now and where we want to go. Consider a GPS – those are the two key pieces of information we need. The GPS doesn’t care why we are where we are, and it doesn’t care where we were last week, it just wants to know where we are now and where we’re going next so it can figure out how to get us there. My client had fallen in to the trap of looking at where he’d been and where he was now to try and figure out how to move forward. But as I saw quoted a few days ago, you can’t start a new chapter of your life if you keep rereading the previous ones.

If you want to move forward, the first thing to figure out is where you want to go. Once this is clear, then you can start figuring out how to get there. If you want to find happiness, the way to do that is not through studying depression. If you want to gain wealth, it’s not helpful to talk to people who struggle to pay the bills each month. Instead find the people who are happy, find the people who are financially abundant, start doing what they do, and start thinking the way they think. Then you will start moving forward in the way you want to.
Malware a XP computers are 2 to 6 times more likely to succumb to smorgasbord for net villains. Recent statistics show that critical security updates to XP, rendering it a veritable It is well over a year since Microsoft stopped providing Windows XP. connecting to the internet with computers still running Amazingly, many people are e ff breached – by the net villains. Windows 10 will swiftly be targeted and its defences Regardless of how well it is received, one thing is certain – for a year) or buying a new Windows 10 laptop or PC. It is a fair bet that the initial version of 10 will be buggy – I had over $100,000 stolen from a bank account. Personal experience happened to an Apple owner who are also vulnerable. The worst computer fraud in my worry about Web Criminals – Is there a safer alternative to Windows?

Would you put a sign on your letterbox, House unlocked... no one home... no security cameras, no nasty dogs on premises?

Amazingly, many people are effectively doing just that by connecting to the internet with computers still running Windows XP. It is well over a year since Microsoft stopped providing critical security updates to XP, rendering it a veritable smorgasbord for net villains. Recent statistics show that XP computers are 2 to 6 times more likely to succumb to malware attacks that those running later versions of Windows.

In truth, no version of Windows is safe... and if you think that the premium price of an Apple Mac (typically twice that of a comparable Windows PC or laptop) will protect you, forget it... Macs are being increasingly targeted and are also vulnerable. The worst computer fraud in my personal experience happened to an Apple owner who had over $100,000 stolen from a bank account.

By the time this Herald reaches you, the Microsoft marketing machine will be ramping up the fanfare for their wondrous new Windows 10. While it has to be an improvement over the disastrous Window 8, it is still not as clear, consistent and easy to use as earlier versions of Windows (such as XP and 7).

In the rush to make it to market, bits have been left out (to be added over time with unending Windows updates). It is a fair bet that the initial version of 10 will be buggy – I would wait a while and check online to find out how others have fared before upgrading from 7 or 8 to 10 (free for a year) or buying a new Windows 10 laptop or PC.

Regardless of how well it is received, one thing is certain – Windows 10 will swiftly be targeted and its defences breached – by the net villains.

Linux

Many people are unaware that there is a safe alternative to Windows (and Apple) – Linux. It is rarely targeted by malware and is more robust than Windows. It free, and so too the multitude of software available for it.

I have run Linux on my main computer for over 5 years and worked with it’s precursor, Unix, commercially since the 1980’s. Linux runs on almost every supercomputer in the world, most web servers (the backbone of the internet), commercial data centres and of course the Cloud (Dropbox, Google Drive, Photos, Picasa, etc.).

Google’s Android which runs on 80% of smartphones is built on Linux, so it runs on more devices than Windows! Despite being more robust and safe than Windows (and Apple) Linux has not been nearly so successful on the desktop (laptops and PCs) where it has long been viewed as the preserve of computer geeks... too complex and unfriendly for the less technically savvy user.

Over the past few years that has changed. There are now a number of user-friendly, well supported versions of Linux which are as easy to use as Windows, once you are over the initial learning curve.

Linux does not require high-end hardware and will run quite nicely on an old Windows XP or Vista machine – and very fast on a Windows 7 or 8 machine.

Interested? Just Google for Linux. You will find all the info you need, plus instructions on how to download and install it. I would recommend starting with Linux Mint and am happy to offer free advice to get you going. I have a couple of old (Windows XP) laptops with Linux installed which anyone interested is welcome to borrow and take for a spin (email ron.dubin@gmail.com).

Ron

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Thanks to everyone who posted online or sent in comments on the Peninsula wild cat situation. We appreciate the support and will certainly continue to play our small part in reducing this population. One very good suggestion we received was to tattoo the ears of released desexed cats. Fortunately so far we’ve only had one cat we released as it was too aggressive to be rehomed, but we will do this in future – in South Africa we used to take a nick from one ear to identify them in case they were trapped again.

This month I’d like to remind you about senior wellness checks. Although we’re now only vaccinating adult animals every 3 years (unless they’re boarding or exposed to other high risk of infection situations), once they reach the age of 7 or 8 years they should be seen every year for a health check.

We also recommend taking a blood sample to screen for early organ failure and certain metabolic diseases. These are conditions like diabetes, hyperthyroidism and hyperadrenocorticism (Cushing’s disease). The symptoms can sometimes be quite subtle, and not always easy or indeed possible to diagnose from a single consultation. We have found the cattery to be very useful in picking up some of these conditions, since we get to know the cats during the time they are with us, and can also monitor their weights and food and water intake.

We’ve diagnosed several cases of hyperthyroidism while cats have been boarding here, and of course having a cattery attached to a vet clinic gives good opportunities for dental work, or blood testing to be done while the cat is staying with us. We can run many tests at the clinic, so depending on what we are testing for we may not even have to send any blood away. This has also proved very useful over the weekend, or where time is critical for a sick animal, since we can get results within minutes.

If you have an older pet, why not call us to arrange a check up? Signs that should concern you are changes in weight, lameness, smelly breath or salivation, and any lumps or bumps on your pet.

There are some great prescription diets available for things like kidney failure, and some very effective medicines so we can usually improve the quality and extend the length of your pet’s life.

Of course a balanced, age appropriate diet works wonders. Feel free to ask us for a specific recommendation for your pet. **You are what you eat** applies to both our animals and us!

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**WEATHER WATCH**

Blow, blow, thou winter’s wind

And blow it certainly has! We can and do expect there to be chilly, windy days in winter, but this year there seem to have been more than usual. There have also been much lower temperatures. These have given rise to regular radio warnings of icy roads, but, at least on this side of the harbour - I don’t know about the other - icy roads have not been too much of a problem. True, two of my neighbours on their way to work in town were clipped by a sliding vehicle on the early morning run. There may have been others that I haven’t heard about, but mostly the roads have been dry.

Rainfall for the month has been low. The airport has recorded only 39mm to date (July 23), and my readings have been lower still, just 22.5mm for the same period. We have had some days with strong winds, sometimes at what is officially gale force.

Temperatures over the month have dropped to unusually low levels. Diamond Harbour has certainly experienced frosts in past years, but these have always been less severe and persistent than is recorded in town.

For the whole month night time temperatures have been in single figures, on four occasions dropping to 1°C or less. I don’t recall this happening in all the time I’ve been writing on the subject for The Herald.

The really low temperatures have been associated with calm conditions, while the higher values - such as they are - have occurred on windy nights. Unfortunately that coincided with the strong winds, so that the wind chill factor has been serious.

On the day I started writing this, the calm morning conditions were replaced by yet another strong wind. It eventually modified a bit, but the day remained grey and chilly. Daytime temperatures have been higher, but not by all that much. For about a week at the beginning of the month they were pleasant for the time of year, ranging between 11°C and 15°C. Then there was an abrupt drop, and for some days temperatures remained below 10°C. They rose again to the low teens, with relatively mild and calm conditions as an anticyclone settled over the country. Unfortunately after that a front on its way from Australia was likely to bring more wind and chill conditions. By the time you read this you’ll know how it was.

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Character Crosswords www.charactercrosswords.co.nz
Trees For Canterbury is planting over 400 native plants at Orton Bradley Park on Sunday August 2 as part of their continuing community revegetation and biodiversity enhancement project.

Park by the historic school house, and you will be guided to the planting site. Just look for the signs. This key event is part of an ongoing partnership between the community, Trees for Canterbury and the Orton Bradley Park Board.

Come and make a day of it. There is plenty to see and do in the Park: excellent walks to various special features, wonderful collections of mature trees, picnic areas and a children’s playground. If a more sedate day is needed, there are the wonderfully restored buildings and displays of old machinery, a working water wheel installed in 1887 and used to generate electricity from 1901.

For further information contact Ian Luxford at Orton Bradley Park on 329 4730 or 027 242 9300 or ortonbradley@xtra.co.nz.

Woolfun Day
Saturday August 8 at 397 Marine Drive Charteris Bay
(town side of Charteris Bay Yacht Club).
Bring your wool or tapestry project and come and sit by the fireside. Please ph 027 224 2421 with any questions.

Playcentre Working Bee
Come along and help out at Diamond Harbour Playcentre’s Working Bee on Sunday August 30 from 10am to 12noon.
Lots of indoor and outdoor spring cleaning jobs to do. Cakes and refreshments available. Earn TimeBank credits too!
With heartfelt thanks from all the parents at Diamond Harbour Playcentre.

Cricket Umpires Wanted
The Diamond Harbour Cricket Club is looking for umpires for the 2015/16 senior for all senior home games.

The ideal person would have an average to good understanding of the laws of cricket and also understand how they should be applied.

There will be training courses for those that want it and I believe there will be payments to umpires that show more commitment and want to travel to away games as well.

This is a great opportunity for those that love the game and want to participate in other ways.

Please call Mark Pearson on 027 277 6516 or 03 337 8089.

Diamond Harbour Singers
Welcome new members. Practices with Rachel Bayliss Wednesdays at 7.30 in the Stage Room.
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Ph. Margie Dickinson 329 3331 or Joy McLeod 329 4119.

Rainbow Music Returns
A small group of local parents have joined ranks with some fabulous volunteers from the church to bring the much loved Rainbow Music session back to Diamond Harbour. The first session was held on Tuesday July 21 and the children ranging from 9 weeks to 3yrs had a blast singing some old favourites, learning some new songs, tapping their sticks and of course the much loved parachute with five sizzling sausages!

A huge thanks to Tracey Janes for helping us run our first session with her wealth of experience from years past.

Come and join us at the Church Hall fortnightly on Tuesdays at 10am. Just a gold coin donation.

Catch up and make new friends after with a cup of tea.
All children aged 0-5 years welcome.

Dates for this term: Aug 4 & 18 and Sep 1 & 15.

Toastmasters
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.

Bay Harbour Toastmasters
meet every 2nd and 4th Saturday at 7.30pm in St Andrews Church Hall. This month: August 12 & 26.
Come along and find out how you can improve your potential, grow your confidence and become a better communicator and leader, whilst making new friends.
For more info contact Jann Meehan on 329 4936, 021 2631040 or jann@jannmeehan.co.nz. Jann

Diamond Harbour Camera Club
Tuesday August 18
at 7.30pm in the Stage Room.
Mick Stevenson, visiting speaker on Black and White photography. A workshop so bring your cameras.
Everyone welcome. Visitors: $3 donation. Matt

Diamond Harbour Historical Assoc
Next meeting Tuesday August 11 at 7.30pm, Stage Room
Mike Crean’s talk is entitled The Happy Wanderer – travels and roaming thoughts on South Island history and the state of our newspapers.
All welcome. Jan Studholme

Tree Planting in Morgan’s Gully
Saturday August 22 starting at 9.30am
Meet by the tennis courts on Waipapa Ave
We have been given about 500 trees to plant in Morgan’s Gully as the first part of its restoration to native bush.
Please come along and help.
Ring 3294 270 or email Dumpy@xtra.co.nz for more info.
Diamond Harbour Toy Library
Every Saturday 10-11am at the Community Hall
New Members Most Welcome!
Come down and see our amazing range of good quality toys – why buy when you can hire!
Brand new toys added regularly.
Baby, Toddler, Preschool & School age toys.
Huge range of indoor/outdoor toys – slides, bikes/trikes, cars, puzzles, prams, water tables, playsets, construction, games, dress ups, sports, baby toys, musical instruments and more!
Drop in any Saturday morning for more information or to pick up an enrolment pack.
Email: dhtoylibrary@gmail.com

Cancer Support Group
It’s that time of year again. Daffodil Day is on Friday August 28. We will be out and about collecting for the Cancer Society. Please support such a worthy cause.
Our annual film show will be held on the following day, Saturday August 29 - see above.

Diamond Harbour School
is proud to present
a pantomime:
Cinderella Rockerfella
Friday, Saturday September 18 & 19
Tickets on sale from August 10 at the School Office

Yoga
Early Bird  Tues & Thurs 6 – 7am
General   Monday 6.30 – 7.45pm
Gentle    Friday 9 – 10.30am
Stage Room  Everyone welcome
            Jacinda Gilligan 329 4424

Road Cycling Group meets weekly in Diamond Harbour
Free Running Group Sundays at 8am.
Ph 329 4647 or mikecattton@mac.com

Diamond Harbour Toy Library
Especially created for families
Diamond Harbour Community Church
Marine Drive
Come & See
Church that is fun, meaningful and worthwhile
Each fourth Sunday – Everyone welcome
Mega themes church
Moses
10:30am Sunday
August 23

Diamond Harbour Community Church
Marine Drive
You can come too — Local Events and Community Activities

Our Library
Did you know that joining the Library is free? All you have to do is bring 2 forms of ID and proof of your address down to the Library and we can join you up.

You can use your Library Card at any Christchurch City Library. We have books, DVDs, magazines, CDs and Talking Books for all ages.

You may have noticed that Carlos is no longer in the Library. Carlos was a great user of the Library and the Library computers and always helped with putting the Library sign out and bringing it in again at the end of the day.

You are welcome to come anytime the library is open. Library Membership is free. All welcome.

Library Hours:
Tuesday: 2-7pm
Thursday: 10am-2pm
Saturday: 10am-12noon

Christine Turner, Librarian
Diamond Harbour Library. Ph 329 4152.

Wed–Thurs 9.30am-4.30pm
Friday 9.30am-late
Sat 9.30am-5pm
Sun 10-4.30pm

www.godleyhouse.co.nz
329 4880

THURSDAY Nights are ROAST NIGHT at 6.30pm
Ring 329 4880 by Tuesday the same week to book. Bookings Only as numbers are limited!

Remember our popular Tradies Breakfast – every day for just $12. We also now have some frozen individual cooked meal options – fancy a night off cooking? Come and pick one up for $10.

Pizza & Pint/Wine Friday nights 5-8pm
HAPPY HOUR Friday 5-7pm. DO YOU KNOW we have an off-license? So convenient when guests arrive, or you simply must have a bottle of wine for dinner!!! (or with dinner!!!)

We are looking for someone to cook in the kitchen on the weekends 9-4ish Sat/Sun (or just Sunday). The ability to multitask, “think on your feet”, cook to order – including breakfasts, and be an organised and efficient person would be a huge advantage!!

Speak with Michelle for more info.

Mid-Winter Dinner – Sat August 29 – We’re now taking bookings for a fun night of feasting at Godley Cafe. Great for friends, families, neighbours, work colleagues to come on down and enjoy a night of delicious food and winter celebrations. Call in to see the menu, or view on www.godleyhouse.co.nz.

Like us on Facebook to keep up with the latest info!

The Godley Cafe Team

Diamond Harbour - Purau Garden Club
Monday August 3 at 1:30pm, Stage Room
Guest speaker: Ian Luxton, Orton Bradley Park.
Visitors welcome Gold coin donation
In the garden this month: Prune roses, dig in cover crops.

Almora Unlimited – Dellaina and Ihaia Hascha
Guidance, healing and mentoring for your life’s journey.
Greetings to you - Haere Mai. We warmly welcome you to our sanctuary in Diamond Harbour.

• Business, life coaching
• Tutoring, Meditation, stress management
• Courses in self/spiritual development in Your power to create
• 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."

ph 329 3035 email: info@almora.co.nz web: www.almora.co.nz

Tin Palace Exhibition
War sTOrY: Tatyanna Meharry
August 6-23, 13A Oxford St

Presented by ceramicist Tatyanna Meharry. Since graduating with her MFA, Tatyanna has been exhibiting widely and with her sister and won the coveted 2013 Supreme Award in The World of Wearable Art. She is also granddaughter of famous NZ artist Doris Lusk whose hundredth anniversary is next year. Tatyanna transforms Tin Palace in to a store with ceramic toy soldiers, identity tag necklaces, poppy seed, nurse, mounted rifle, trooper and infantry packets, tins of troopers and a game of marbles for visitors to play.

War sTOrY explores methods that are imbued into our psyche to make the sacrifices of war possible. The men and women who become toys on a plastic field whilst others play a blind game of tactics, officials who treat numbers on a page as expendable goods, asking: when do the toys become real? War stories are told from person to person and to become fleeting changing memories and more are found in the archives and the documents left behind which can show us a new and larger story.

During World War 1, 304 members of the Lyttleton community were actively part of the war story – 40 did not come home. The Tin Palace presents not only the primary exhibition, but concurrently hosts talks by Dr Gwen Parsons, a specialist in the repatriation of WW1 soldiers in New Zealand. Her two part lecture series runs 11am–12pm. Saturday August 8: New Zealand’s participation in WW1; Saturday August 15: The impact of war/the home front. Donation entry. There is an opportunity to meet the artist on the final day of the exhibition, Sunday August 23 from 3-4pm. On Saturday August 22 you may participate in a workshop with Tatyanna creating some of the 500 soldier vessels for her Sculpture on the Peninsula piece Take Me Home.

Contact curator Holly Cunningham for details: 027 4466 816 or curator@tinpalace.co.nz.
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New to this Area ??

The community associations of Church Bay and Diamond Harbour provide—also free of charge—Welcome Bags which contain among other goodies, a wide range of helpful local information for new comers.

For Church Bay, contact Sarah on 329 3344 or sarahpritchett72@gmail.com.
For Diamond Harbour, contact Heather Watson on 329 4464.

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Neighbourhood Support

Diamond Harbour

To stay informed about Neighbourhood Security, Welfare and Emergency Information ensure your inclusion on our secure database.

**Membership is Free**
for all residents and property owners on the southern side of Lyttelton Harbour

To ADD, UPDATE or REMOVE your details, to request an new group list, join the community emailing system or for information or concerns CONTACT:  Elaine Bryson  (Area co-ordinator)
Email: dhnsfh@gmail.com         Phone: 329 4512
28 Koromiko Cres, Church Bay, RD1 Lyttelton 8971 or Ron Dubin, (Deputy Co-ordinator) Ph: 329 3032

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Dog Poo — A Letter to the Editor

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I have implored owners previously in the Herald to please PICK IT UP! PLEASE! PLEASE!

Graham Duncan

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Marine Drive – Retaining Wall Repair Work

On Monday August 3, 2 retaining walls will receive vital renewal work on Marine Drive, located opposite property number 346 and 306 Marine Drive, Charteris Bay. Work will take approximately two months to complete. Two-way traffic management will be in place by way of temporary traffic lights. A work notice will be delivered to residents surrounding these works.

For any questions/queries please contact Fletcher Infrastructure on 0800 444 919 or CIrinfo@fcc.co.nz.

Danielle Brunton, Fletcher Construction

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Clean up our beaches

As part of Keep New Zealand Beautiful clean up week there will be a local beach clean up event on **Saturday September 19 from 10am to 12 noon**. Clean ups will take place at Paradise Beach, Church Bay, Diamond Harbour and Purau and in harder to reach beaches by kayak. If you would like to be a coordinator for one of the beaches (ie hand out gloves and rubbish bags), help clean up at one of the beaches, nominate another local beach or kayak to more remote beaches please contact wastematters@lyttelton.net.nz.  

Sarah

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**Flu shots now available (free for 65 and overs)**

**New Patients Welcome**
CIVIL DEFENCE UPDATE

Caring for Pets and Livestock during an Emergency

If you have pets, domestic animals or livestock, include them in your emergency planning.
The following guidelines can be found in the Get Ready Get Through booklet available from your local Civil Defence unit.
1. Attach an identity disc to your pet’s collar. Microchip your pet.
2. Ensure you have a carry box, towel or blanket, emergency food and a lead or muzzle as part of your emergency getway kit.
3. In an emergency take your pets with you. Take their vaccination records and essential medications.
4. Welfare centres will not accept pets except for service animals (eg guide dogs) so pre-arrange alternative housing for them with friends or relatives.
5. Keep a list of pet-friendly hotels and motels in case you have to evacuate.
6. If you have domestic animals (such as horses, pigs or poultry) or livestock, know which paddocks are safe. Ensure you have a plan in place so that they will be secure and have food water and shelter.
Remember that the responsibility for animal welfare remains with the owner. Your local Civil Defence Team

DH VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

Brigade Briefing

Historically insurance companies maintained their own fire brigades and insured properties would display marks like this one. If the brigade turned up and their paymasters matched the mark, they would endeavour to extinguish the fire. The user-pays model is favoured by some, but a more collective approach ensures everyone has equal protection.

The funding of the New Zealand Fire Service (NZFS) is a blend of both. The majority of the funding comes from levies on insurance contracts taken out by individuals and businesses to protect themselves against the risk of fire. This is leading to a number of problems. The first issue comes about with the changing role of the NZFS. We now put out fewer fires, but attend more medical and extreme-climate events. Is it right that fire-based insurance policies should be paying for this? Recently the Insurance Brokers Association of New Zealand successfully challenged the NZFS in the courts over the way a specific few levies have been calculated for larger businesses. This has the potential to reduce NZFS income by a material amount. The Court recommended that Parliament reviews the legislation.

If a fire breaks out in an urban area, NZFS are responsible for putting it out. However, if a fire breaks out between urban areas (say by the road side on the Teddington straight) then this falls to the National Rural Fire Authority (NRFA). At Governors Bay, both teams operate straight) then this falls to the National Rural Fire Authority (NRFA). At Governors Bay, both teams operate.

DH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Treasurer’s Report

The latest power account for the Hall is $624. Colin will check and see how much the Hall was used last month. This has been paid from the Hall account.

$3,317 has been received from CCC’s Discretionary Fund for the dishwasher for the Hall kitchen. The ANZ term deposit of $13,009.23 has been renewed for another year.

Hall Report

Emails have been sent out to the 12 groups and clubs that use the Hall to advise that a Hall Sub-Committee has been set up and to ask for ideas for improvements, storage etc.

The Library roof is still leaking despite being patched up many times. CCC is looking to re-cover the roof when finance is approved.

SPRIG

Canterbury Community Trust has given $2,500 to SPRIG.

Community Board Report

The Coastal Hazards Report states that Purau Bay, Charteris Bay and Teddington will be affected by the rise of sea levels in the future. The removal of the big gum trees around the Medical Centre will be discussed following a letter from the Diamond Harbour and Districts Health Support Group. The open road speed limit sign at the intersection of Waipapa Avenue and Bay View Rd will also be discussed.

Submissions

The Port Recovery Plan Submissions are out. Issues with the oil tanks and the danger of explosions, a cap on dredging in the inner harbour and the location of the ferry terminal will need assessment.

Website

Pete Simpson has lodged an application for $6,500 with the CCC Strengthening Communities Fund to set up a new community website. It will cost $4,400 to set it up, with total lifetime cost up to $8,000. The website will primarily be a source of information for residents.

General Business

Pete Simpson is to ask the school about taking responsibility for the maintenance of the noticeboard down at the wharf. Lots of people have been helping with laying gravel along the school track.

More gravel will be delivered when the ground is hard enough.

The Morgan’s Gully agreement still hasn’t been signed off. Richard has signed, but CCC still need to accept it. Once this is done ECAN will release the money. We are waiting to proceed with fencing and planting.

Jim and Thomas will be attending the next Community Board meeting to talk about setting up a Reserve Management Committee which will maintain Stoddart’s Point and the local tracks.

Colin will print leaflets for new residents to fill out for the next phone directory update. These will be at the Library, local Real Estate Agents and in welcome packs. People are encouraged to include cell phone numbers.

The next meeting Mon. Aug. 10, 7.30pm in the Stage Room.
New Cultural and Natural Heritage Rules
Have your say on the third and final part of our district plan which is in the process of being overhauled by the government-appointed Independent Hearings Panel. This third stage includes all the most interesting bits such heritage sites, protected trees, outstanding landscapes and sites of ecological significance, among other matters. Copies of the draft book of rules and the big book of maps are available to look at in CCC libraries and service centres or online. If you find the planning-speak impenetrable, don’t worry, just write down what is important to you and why and send it in or you can make your submission online. Submissions close on Friday September 4.

Want to be a Lifeguard in Lyttelton?
CCC is looking for local people willing to undertake some training who could work part-time as paid pool attendants to help run Lyttelton’s Norman Kirk Pool next summer. If enough suitable people step up it may even be possible for the pool to stay open longer next year. Interested? Contact John Filsell at 941 7093

Port Recovery Plan update
The report on ECan’s preliminary draft Lyttelton Port Recovery Plan has been released. Submissions from the community were really impressive, thoughtful and persuasive. The review panel has made some suggestions for amendments, many of which we welcome. These include a limit on how much sediment from dredging can be dumped at the dumping grounds just inside Godley Head; that if LPC want to move the Diamond Harbour ferry berth from its current location the resource consent application should be publicly notified so everyone can contribute their opinions and ideas to the decision-making. They are against a cruise berth at Naval Point as it would get in the way of recreational boating – and also because of risks associated with the tank farm. The whole report is on the ECan website – click on Lyttelton Port Recovery Plan.

ECan are now amending their draft in the light of the Panel’s advice and on August 13 the ECan commissioners will approve their amended draft to go immediately to the Minister of Earthquake Recovery. Then there will be another opportunity to comment before he finalises it.

Deputations Galore!
At our July meeting we had seven (7) deputations! People from the Lyttelton Museum Society told us about their evolving plans for a new museum in Lyttelton. Representatives from Tug Lyttelton reassured us about the Tug’s future. Two people from Diamond Harbour asked us to set up a new reserve management committee (which we promptly did). A pair of young women thanked us for funding which helped them attend an international ice hockey tournament in Australia. Senior Sergeant Scott Richardson from Road Policing talked about how to best manage boy racers. Antarctic Society members shared their thoughts about the best location for their bronze sled dog statue. Theatre people from the Loons showed us a film about their exciting plans to perform and teach performance at Lyttelton’s new school. We live in an amazing community!

Next Meeting
Wednesday morning 19 August at Lyttelton Service Centre. If you have any matter of community interest or concern you would like us to know about please write to us, or if you prefer a face to face conversation, make an appointment for a deputation to speak for up to 10 minutes at the beginning of our public meeting. This is a really good way to raise the profile of an issue that interests you. To arrange a deputation please contact Community Board Adviser Liz Beaven at 941 5602 or liz.beaven@ccc.govt.nz.

Ka kite ano
Paula Smith, Chairperson
CLASSIFIEDS

Sauna for sale
2 person physiotherm infrared. Canadian cedar. As new $600. Contact Julie 027 774 1142 or ajulie.riley@gmail.com.

Plano, furniture & appliances for sale

Musicians for Jam
Are there any musicians who would like to meet up for jam sessions? If interested, phone (03) 550 4225.

Update from Video
Save your home video memories from video tape or Hi 8 tape to digital format such as DVD or flash drive. Contact Dale on 329 3078 or 021 0768 729.

Winter Garden Work
Weeding, pruning, planting out, any of those fiddly jobs. Contact Annabelle 329 3078 or 021 070 5413.

Storage Available
20ft (6m) Container in Diamond Harbour, Lock-up, waterproof. Contact Barry Bowater Ph. 329 4828.

House for rent
Large family home, warm and sunny, 600m from beach in Purau Valley. 4-5 bedrooms plus semi-detached multi-roomed studio. Generous living/dining areas. Harbour views. Available immediately for up to 18 months. $400/week. Ph Pete 021 0273 5365.

House for rent
Short-term: (August to mid-October) 2B Marama Tce, furnished, 3 bedrooms (4th used for owner’s storage), two bathrooms. $320 per week. Contact John on 027 890 0208 or johnmelister@yahoo.co.nz.

Cane Armchairs
Two large cane armchairs. Very comfortable. $100 for both. Phone Helen 329 3199.

Orton Bradley Firewood for sale
Dry, split and ready to burn. 3m3 delivered. Pine $195. Macrocarpa $245. All proceeds to Park maintenance. Ph 329 4730.

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.

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

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.

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.

Flatmate wanted
Beautiful and warm 2 storey log house with wonderful harbour views on a sunny Teddington farm has a two single en-suite rooms available at $200pw. Power, firewood, water and broadband $30p.w. Garden space and grazing. Long term preferred. Ph 329 9118. See www.bergli.co.nz.

Harbour Piano Tuner wanted
I have an old upright that has recently been moved and needs tuning. I live in Diamond Harbour. Please contact David Noakes on 027 886 0291.

Windows PC, Laptops, Linux PCs
PCs/laptops 2-5 years old running Windows 7 or Windows 10 from $190. PCs and laptops running Linux from $50. Ph 329 3032.

Barber/Hair Cutter
56 London St, Lyttelton. Tue - Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-3pm. No appointment necessary. Monday mobile service available, please contact Tracey 021 023 82 454. Check out my Facebook page: Hair Port Barber.

To view/place Community Notices go to www.diamondharbour.info
**CHURCH NOTICES**

**Catholic Masses**
*Every Sunday at 5.30 pm*
- First Sunday of month: Mass at DH Community Church
- Second, Fourth, and Fifth Sunday: SCAP* service (which fulfills Sunday Obligation)
- Third Sunday of month: Mass at Lyttelton (21 Exeter St)

*Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest*

**Anglican – Methodist – Presbyterian Services**
*St Andrews Diamond Harbour*
- Sundays at 10.30am and Wednesdays at 9am.

**Come & See**
Especially created for families. A Church that is fun, meaningful and worth while. Each fourth Sunday – August 23 this month: Mega themes church – Moses. Everyone welcome.

**Prayer for the Parish**
Weekdays at 8:15am in the Church Library. This is to specifically pray for God’s presence in all our lives and His Spirit to move in our Parish. All are welcome. If you are unable to join us, please pray wherever you are.

**Monday Night Study Group**
Meets Monday fortnightly in a warm and friendly Charteris Bay home. Please call Bruce Beckett for details on 329 4422.

**Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study Group**
Based on reading Word for Today, is held in the Church Library every second Wednesday at 3:30pm. Please contact Merylin Haxell on 329 3036.

**Gamma Home Group**
Meets Monday weekly in a warm and friendly Diamond Harbour home. For further details, please contact Ross Fountain on 329 4202.

**Baby & Toddlers Group**
FORTNIGHTLY on a Tuesday, a co-ordinating group for parents and caregivers of babies and infants aged 0-36 months in the Church Hall from 10-12 noon.
Please contact Wendy on 329 4483 or 021 154 1434 for further information. Upcoming dates are August 11 & 25 and September 8 & 22.

**Rainbow Music**
All children aged 0-5 years welcome. A chance to catch up and make new friends afterwards with a cup of tea. Come and join us at the Church Hall, fortnightly on Tuesdays at 10am. Dates for this term: Aug 4 & 18; Sep 1 & 15. Gold coin donation.

**City Shopping Van**
The van runs on alternate Wednesdays. Pick ups are around 9am and returning around 1:30pm. Bookings are essential so please call Nicky on 329 4341 or Wendy on 329 4483. A $10 contribution towards fuel costs is invited. Upcoming dates are August 12 & 26 and Sept. 9 & 23.

**Secondhand items donated to the Church**
Generally these are passed on to the Christchurch City Mission but we are also preparing for an Op shop in the Little River end of the parish. Thank you for donations - especially clean clothing. Please note that electrical items cannot be accepted. Non-perishable food items also gratefully accepted.

**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.

**Mount Herbert Parish Newsletter**
Please email contributions for the next issue to mt.herbertparish@xtra.co.nz.
You can read the current issue of the newsletter at: www.diamondharbour.info/church-notices.aspx

**Mount Herbert Parish Website**
For further parish news and information visit: www.mountherbertparish.wordpress.com

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**HERALD CALENDAR**

**Art Group**: Weds, 9.30am-12noon, Church Hall
**Baby & Toddlers**: Tue Aug 11 & 25; Sep 8 & 22. p17
**Badminton**: Weds, 7.30pm, Community Hall.
**Ballet - Harbour Basin Dance**: Sats, 9.15am, Hall
**Beach Cleanup**: Sat Sep 19, 10am, local beaches. p13
**Bridge Club**: Weds, 6.50pm, Bowling Club. Ph 329 4868
**Camera Club**: Tue Aug 18, 7.30pm, Stage Room. P10
**Cancer Soc Daffodil Day**: Fri Aug 28, p11
**Cancer Soc Film**: Sat Aug 29, 7.30pm, Church Hall p11
**Come & See**: Sun Aug 23, 10.30am, Church. p11
**DHCA**: Mon Aug 10, 7.30pm, Stage Room, p14
**Garden Club**: Aug 3, 1.30pm Stage Room. p12
**Harbour Singers**: Weds, 7.45pm, Stage Room, p10
**Historical Assoc**: Tue Aug 11, 7.30pm, Stage Room. p10
**Indoor Bowls**: Thus, 1.30pm, Community Hall.
**Jazz - Harbour Basin Dance**: Tues, 4pm, Hall
**Kids Soccer**: Fri, 3pm, Hall
**Ladies Probus**: Mon Aug 10, 10am, Church Hall
**Line Dancing**: Weds, 1.30pm, Hall. p13
**Mens Probus**: Thu Aug 6, Sep 3, 10am, DH Rugby Club
**Mindfulness Meditation**: Tues, 6.30pm, Ph 329 3032
**Morgan’s Gully Tree Planting**: Sat Aug 22, 9.30am. p10
**Orton Bradley Park Tree Planting**: Aug 2, 10am. p10
**Playcentre**: Mon & Wed, 9-12noon. p2
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