MT. VIC NEWSLETTER

MAY 2018

#### Mt Victoria Residents Association Presents

# OUR FRONT YARD!

Preparing for the future of Mt Victoria.

# THURSDAY 17 MAY TARARUA TRAMPING CLUB 6:30—9:00PM EVERYONE WELCOME

Mt Victoria sits on the transition from residential zoning to central zoning. The Kent - Cambridge Terrace area, our front yard, is earmarked for more intense development and sits in the central zone of the District Plan.

What is different between these two zones and what does this mean for Mt Victoria? How do we want the future development to look and how might this impact where you live?

Come and find out at this meeting open to all Mt Victorians and interested others.

The fate of our front yard is in our hands. From the Basin to the harbour's edge is in the field of play.

# **Iona Pannett**

I hope that you have all been enjoying the first few months of 2018. Housing continues to dominate the news and rightly so. The Council has made the provision of more



affordable and safe housing a priority and there is clearly a need for it. The question is, 'Where will it go?' Inner city suburbs like Mt Victoria have some planning controls and one of the issues that we will need to grapple with is, 'Are they appropriate?' The city has experimented with high density housing here and in other heritage areas (with some local opposition) and allowed for medium density. The question is, 'What development is appropriate and where?' On the local front, there are a number of issues to resolve. Firstly there are plans to demolish the JR Reid and CR Dempsey Gates at the Basin Reserve. I, alongside some of my colleagues, have concerns about that so discussions are ongoing. Flooding issues continue to be an issue around the Basin Reserve and CBD so a CBD stormwater management plan is being developed which will go some way to responding to this issue. Traffic safety continues to be an issue for me, especially for the many kids who go to school in our suburb.

Speed management money is being debated through this year's Long Term Budget. Slowing the traffic is a must for me if kids are to be really safe. A safe way to cross Marjoribanks Street would also be good.

Iona Pannett 021-227-8509 or iona.pannett@wcc.govt.nz.



#### Sponsor of the Mt Victoria Newsletter

Nominate folks doing good in your neighbourhood and we will get them some free Pizza! Email nominations to hello@mtvichub.org.nz and see special offer for Mt Victorians on back page. Free Pizza this month is going to: Parent Teacher Committee at Clyde Quay School

Committee at Crossways Community Creche

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#### **Mt Victoria Residents Association**

A few weeks ago, I attended a session of Mayor in the Chair, here in Mt Victoria. It's a great idea to wheel the mayor and councillors out in front of folk around the city, and the event was well-attended and boisterous.

Communication is such a huge part of community living. The session highlighted that there are still a lot of gaps in the communication of the council's programs, plans and policies, especially where they directly affect our community. With that in mind, we're holding a public meeting on May 17th - you'll have seen the details on the front page. This is the first of a series that we're planning, to see if we can't fill in the gaps that we saw at the Mayor in the Chair, and that we hear about every week from our residents.

Another new item you will see in the newsletter is a list of notified Resource Consents. It's another gap between the council and residents that we see needs bridging.

As always, we love to hear from you:

Email: mtvicra@gmail.com

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/MtVictoriaResidents/ Website: https://mvra.org.nz or call me on 021 188 7432 And do come to the meeting on May 17th!! Cheers, Angela

Notified Resource consents - needed to undertake some activities specified in the District Plan and obtained from Wellington City Council (note this is not the building consent)

- Mt Victoria 43 Pirie Street 3/04/2018 407169 Land Use: Additions and alterations to existing dwelling
- Mt Victoria 62 Hawker Street 19/02/2018 404182 Land Use: Additions and alterations to existing multi-unit dwelling
- Mt Victoria 102 Pirie Street 20/02/2018 404392 Land Use: Construction of new dwelling prior to subdivision
- Mt Victoria 10 Queen Street 22/02/2018 404566 Land Use: Amalgamate two separate single storey houses

# **A Word From Grant Robertson**

Ngā mihi ki a koutou. New Zealand has featured on the world stage this month with the Government's important announcement on oil exploration, our participation in the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast and our PM in Europe.

We announced this month an important decision for Aotearoa's clean energy future. The Government has decided that no new permits will be granted for offshore oil exploration. Existing permits will be honoured so current work and jobs in the industry will not be affected. We need a just transition to a low carbon economy and this decision gives industries and communities time to plan and adjust. Climate change is the defining issue of our time and we are addressing it.

The 2018 Commonwealth Games were a huge success for Aotearoa. Over the Games we won 46 medals: a fantastic achievement. I was particularly proud of our para-athletes who did us proud on the world stage. Thank you to every athlete who represented Aotearoa.

Wishing you all the best for the month ahead. If you'd like to keep in touch digitally, sign up to my monthly mailing list here: https://bit.ly/2JhGGcz

#### Turn on, Tune Up!Bicycle Workshop

A one-day, all comers workshop on bicycle maintenance and repair. Presented by WACC (Workshops for Accessible Cycle Care) Experienced mechanics and teachers will guide you through keeping your bike

in good condition, fixing problems, and understanding bike lingo. Friendly, safe and supportive environment guaranteed!

Date: Saturday May 19th

Venue: Clyde Quay School, 27 Elizabeth St., Mt Victoria.

Time: Beginners session: 10:00am - 12:30pm, Intermediate: 1:30pm - 4:00pm Sign up for one of these sessions, or the full day

Cost: Adult full day \$120

Adult half day \$70Concession and under 18 rates available. Visit the website for more information.

More information and registration here: http://www.wacc.co.nz/register

#### **CAP Lifeskills Course**

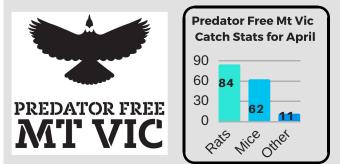
CAP Life Skills is a friendly group that gives people the confidence and decision making skills they need to survive life on a budget. Over 6 weeks we come together to learn practical techniques, such as cooking on a budget, living healthily on less, and making your money go further. If this sounds like something you'd like to be part of please email rahel.williams@capnz.org to ask any questions you might have or to register for the course starting on the 11 May. Lunch will be provided each week. Venue: The Street Church, 9 Hania St, Mt Victoria Date: 11 May 2018 Time: 12-1:30pm

To register call CAP on 0508 227 888 or email: rahel.williams@capnz.org



WELLINGTON REGION EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DFFICE

'The Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) has a new quarterly newsletter. If you want to keep up to date with current news, hot preparedness tips and upcoming events then sign up for their newsletter online here: https://getprepared.nz/keep-up-todate/newsletter/



Given the predicted explosion in the number of rats, mice and other pests in our backyards over the coming winter months after our recent fabulous summer, there really is no better time than the present to get in touch with Predator Free Mt Vic, which is a community-led initiative working alongside other predator free groups around the city. Their main aim is to help bring back the dawn chorus to Wellington by saving our native and other birds from these predators - plus who relly wants rats and mice running around the place! The Mt Victoria Town Belt Trappers have also caught an impressive 63 rats, 131 mice, 4 hedgehogs so far this month, and the first weasel of the year (bringing total weasels caught to 10). But they still need your help! For just \$25, they will provide a humane, child and pet-safe trapping box, plus lots of tips and support. This money will go towards building more traps. Contact Ian Robertson at

predatorfreemtvic@gmail.com or at (027) 449 1489.



# Victoria Bowling Club News

The Victoria Bowling Club men have picked up a late surge of titles and look likely to win the Wellington Men's Club of the Year trophy. The run started with Richard Corry, Bradley Down and Ray Martin winning the Wellington Open Triples title for which play on the last day had to be shifted indoors into the new Naenae complex which hosted the Bowls Premier League on Sky Sport this week. This was the first Wellington title decided on the new 40 metre carpet green, warm and dry from the driving rain outside. This win secured selection for all three in the Wellington Intercentre team of seven that won the National Intercentre competition in Christchurch two weeks later. Having won the Open Triples the team were then eligible to represent the club and Wellington in the NZ Club Triples regional playoffs in Whanganui. Interestingly, the playoffs were at the Victoria Club in Whanganui which apparently had to ask our club for permission to use the Victoria name when it was formed in 1905! Unfortunately Ray was not available due to work commitments so was replaced by former team member Tim Toomey who had pulled out of the Wellington event for medical reasons. Rich, Tim and Brad won the regional playoff and this week travelled to the Browns Bay club in North Harbour and, in a tense finish with the title coming down to a measure for shot decided by half an inch!, won the NZ Club triples finals, earning Victoria its first NZ Club Champs title. And earning more points for the club was Mark Burgess who won the Wellington Champion of Champion Junior Singles. Mark had to come back from behind to win the club Junior Singles final 21-20 but was far more secure in the Wellington final. Juniors are bowlers who are playing in their first five years of bowls so can be of any age. And congratulations for Mark Noble's second Commonwealth Games silver medal, narrowly going down to

Australia in the final of the Para Triples event at the Broadbeach Club on the Gold Coast! Although living in the Manawatu, Mark ioined Victoria this season to get more competitive match play during the season in buildup to the Games and having enjoyed the club's social atmosphere will be back for another season in 2018-19.



#### Sounds for the Soul

In a time when work, life, balance seem to be ever elusive, it is good to have a bit of me time. So I booked myself in for my first Sound Therapy session recently with Sharon at Good Vibrations. It was a wonderful experience, a deeply relaxing session that helps you get back to yourself. "It is deep meditation that allows your body to heal itself at a cellular level" and it is also known for its powerful healing for mind and body. I came away incredibly relaxed and looking forward to my next session. Sharon is a Mt Victoria local and very passionate and knowledgeable about this method of healing and therapy. I would definitely highly reccomend taking the time to try it out - you wont regret it

Contact Sharon on sharongreally@gmail.com or phone +64212648544./ www.goodvibrationsoundtherapy.co.nz

### What's on at BATS?

Femme Natale, at BATS from 23-26 May, is a new play directed by Fingal Pollock about the hardest job in the world: motherhood.

Come and share a night of skits, comedy and general revelry with Wellington mums (and one dad!), inspired by the extraordinary, yet very ordinary experiences of motherhood.

Grab your girlfriends, grab a drink and come and celebrate that you're surviving and thriving in the hardest job you'll ever do.

Wednesday, 23 May to Saturday, 26 May at 8 PM. There is also a 2pm matinee on the 26th, which is a relaxed performance; children under 2 free. Tickets available at bats.co.nz



**"LIKE ALL PARENTS, MY HUSBAND** AND I JUST DO THE BEST WE CAN, AND HOLD OUR BREATH, AND HOPE WE'VE SET ASIDE ENOUGH MONEY FOR OUR KIDS' THERAPY"

# **Coming this month:**

INNERMOST GARDENS & MT VIC HUB INVITE YOU TO OUR ARVEST DINN

COME FOR A SEASONAL DINNER HARVESTED FROM INNERMOST GARDENS - MEAT AND VEGETARIAN OPTIONS & DESSERT!

SATURDAY 26TH MAY FROM 6PM AT INNERMOST GARDENS OFF TOP MAJORIBANKS ST., MOUNT VICTORIA

EMAIL US TO BOOK YOUR SEAT HELLO@MTVICHUB.ORG.NZ OR CALL/TEXT 021 765 525

KOHA DONATION FOR DINNER . BYO WINE, BEER OR OTHER PLEASE BRING CASH - NO EFTPOS AVAILABLE



#### Movie fundraiser

Come along and support the Clyde Quay School Movie fundraiser on Tuesday 8 May from 7.45pm at the Embassy Theatre - "The Breaker Uppers" Tickets \$25 - include a drink and sweet treat Bring your friends and whanau for a good laugh. To Book tickets https://www.trybooking.co.nz/DC or email: clydequaypta@gmail.com There will be raffles, auctions and legal advice on breaking up before the movie!



# **JUST PATERSON - Caroline's Corner** lope is not a Strategy ad an email the other day from a couple wanting to

to know more about our sales strategy and what our approach is when dealing with their most valuable asset. It was great to talk it through with them and explain that at JP we don't leave anything to chance, every home deserves commitment to marketing strategy, pricing methodology, very clear communication and negotiation strategy. We do not have a one size fits all approach when it comes to selling your home, unlike some others, we tailor to each client. I really hope my advice helped them, there is so much more to selling and buying than meets the eye. I love it and could talk about it till the

cows come home, so do please do get in touch if you would like to have a chat.



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FROM REINZ	
Shannon Street	\$1,350,000
Pirie Street	\$1,760,000
Austin Street	\$1,825,000
Stafford Street	\$1,360,000
Roxburgh Street	\$1,215,000
<b>Brougham Street</b>	\$2,100,000

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#### **Golf Clothing Sale** Ex-professional golf caddy Chris Gillespie

is selling a range of high quality men's and women's golf apparel at heavily reduced prices. All stock is new with the tags still on. There is a large range of items, from mens and womens golf shoes to polo's, wet weather gear, jerseys, shorts and skirts, and base layer clothing. Brands include Puma, Oakley, FootJoy, Cross, Pin High and more. Sizes do vary, but there is stock from XXS right through to XXXL. Rekit your wardrobe with some of the best brands and styles from the last few seasons, all at low costs.

When: 9am - 12.00pm Saturday 12 May Where: 25 Moir Street. Downstairs back garden if fine, top flat if weather conditions are bad.



What I always say is, "Look good, feel good, play good.'

— Jan Poulter —

#### **Wellington City 10 Year Plan**

What kind of city do you want Wellington to be?

The future of our city depends on the decisions we make today. This plan sets out the council budget priorities for the next 10 years. The time to have your say is now and help council make the right choices. You can visit: 10yearplan.wellington.govt.nz or view the consultation document at your local library or at the Service Centre at 101 Wakefield St **Consultation closes:** Tuesday 15 May

#### **Classes & Groups**

Wellington Central Grey Power. www.greypowerwellington.org.nz You can sign up by email greypowerwellington@gmail.com OR phone 471 114 Caroline Hubbard

**Over the Rainbow Dance Classes** Plimmer House Innermost Gardens Creative Ballet, Jazz & Preschool classes. Affordable & quality classes. www.overtherainbow.dance

Feldenkrais - Monday (School term) Clyde Quay School at 6pm. Call Sue 027 466 712

Transition Towns Mt Victoria The May meeting for 2018 will be on Tuesday 8 May beginning 7:30pm, at 24e Elizabeth St. Showing will be Sustainable, a American film on the future of agriculture. All Welcome. or further information contact Frank Cook on 027 6496508

Peak Players Table Tennis - Mon 9.30-12pm; Wed 1.30-4pm. Constable St. end of Alexandra Rd. \$4 Diana Winn winnich@xtra.co.nz or 801-9556. Seniors especially welcome.

#### PikoPiko Clyde Quay Kindergarten

Mon-Fri 8.45-2.45pm, @ Elizabeth & Brougham. Offers 20 hours ECE. 04.385.0441 or www.wmkindergartens.org.nz

Crossways Community Crèche Mon-Fri 8:30-1:15pm, 61 Majoribanks St. Parent-run early learning centre. Contact 04.384.8201 or email enrolments@crosswayscreche.org.nz

ai Chi - Friday Mornings at the Irish Society, 10 Fifeshire Avenue. 10am

Ukes & Roses Uke Cafe, Empathy Cafe, Death Cafe, Meditation Cafe, Soul Cafe are coming to the Mt Vic Hub. Please check the Mt Vic Hub website under 'Find A Group' for listings and details. Enquiries to Sophia Ph/Text 027 345 2010 Email: sophiatara8@gmail.com www.sophiatara.com

Shut Up and Dance! Want to learn how to dance to Beyoncé's "Single Ladies" or Michael Jackson's 'Beat It"?

Wellington Irish Society, 10 Fifeshire Avenue Thursday - 7.30pm

www.shutupanddance.co or check Facebook

Mt Victoria Toastmasters at Tararua Tramping Club, Moncrieff St. See website for class times and dates https://mtvictoastmasters.org.nz

Innermost Gardens - Gardening Sundays - 6th May & 20th May. 11am-2pm. Everyone is welcome and volunteering your time for even 1 hour is much appreciated.

Eckankar - Spiritual Wisdom on Relationships What is the secret of all relationships? Sunday 27 May, 2-3.30pm. Mt Vic Hub, 24E Elizabeth St., Mt Victoria. RSVP Viva - (021) 338482. Donation \$5

Qigong - Chun Yuen Quan and Dayan Qigong. uesday 6.30-8pm Contact Cynthia Shaw (04) 384 3199 or info@newzealandqigong.com

Hula Hoop Classes. Tuesdays 5.30-6.30pm Contact Evelyn - 022 0783889 or email coulson.ev@gmail.com

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