



Mt Victoria Newsletter

TE KARERE O MATAIRANGI

APRIL / PAENGA-WHĀWHĀ 2019



KIA ORA

MT VICTORIA SUNDAY 7 APRIL From 2-4.30pm

Register For FREE & Start 2-3pm
at Mt Vic Hub, 24e Elizabeth St.



Finish at Innermost Gardens from 4PM
(off top Majoribanks St)

with BBQ, ACTIVITIES, SPOT PRIZES & MUSIC

Treasure Hunt 2019

The Annual Mt Victoria Treasure Hunt is coming this weekend and we welcome you to join us to celebrate Mt Victoria. This, our 5th Treasure Hunt, is a part of Neighbours Day Aotearoa - we're celebrating it a little later as there have been so many other local events on in the recent weeks. Plus we want to wind down summer with a happy occasion. The date is Sunday 7th April, from 2pm (registering at the Hub 24 Elizabeth Street), finishing with a sausage sizzle, music and spot prizes at Innermost Gardens from 4pm. Our theme for this year's event is "Kia Ora Neighbour" - encouraging people to say Kia Ora to each other every day, to be inclusive, welcoming and inviting.

For those of you who have never participated before here is a quick rundown of what to expect:

- A location is marked on a map with an accompanying clue - this is handed out when registering at the start of the Treasure Hunt (at The Hub from 2pm.)
- Individuals or groups make their way around each (or some depending on ability and accessibility) of the locations.
- At each station, you partake in a little activity.
- You then receive a stamp or sticker on their map to say you have visited that location.
- The final Station is at Innermost Gardens where we will finish the day with a sausage sizzle and music from the Mighty Ukes ukulele band.

We have many great local venues and groups joining us on the day, Innermost Gardens, Quakers, Mt Victoria Historical Society, Mt Victoria Residents Association, Mt Victoria Bush Regeneration Group, Predator Free, St Josephs Church and ReBicycle Ekerua with their Bicycle Rodeo. Lots of fun things for friends, family and neighbours to do together.

Mt Vic Hub
 hello@mtvichub.org.nz
 mtvichub.org.nz

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Pet of the Month



We are Sylvie and Neo. Neo is a Burmese cat, and I am a Jack Russel cross. We are best friends and love nothing more than tearing round the house chasing each other. Sylvie and Neo have both just turned one. Sylvie and will eat almost anything but her and bro's favourite food would have to be cheese. Sylvie and Neo love to chase each other around the house and normally it's Sylvie running and Neo bounding after her. Neo likes to follow us on our walks with Sylvie and once he went all the way up to pirie street park before we had to bring him back

If you would like your pet to star in the Mt Vic newsletter send in their photo & details to caroline@justpaterson.co.nz

 Follow us on [petsofmtvic](https://www.instagram.com/petsofmtvic)

Shakespeare Globe Centre NZ



University of Otago

SHEILAH WINN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 2019



Come and enjoy the enterprise and excitement in your own 'backyard' at Wellington East Girls' College as young people from around the district perform 'new takes' on the works of Shakespeare. In their 5- and 15- minute scenes at Shakespeare Globe Centre New Zealand's Wellington Regional University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival (SGCNZ Wellington Regional UOSWSF), they re-envisage the aggressors, the megalomaniacs, the despots, the abusers, the meek and many more identifiable personalities. School groups and home-schooled students from throughout the Wellington region will perform at Wellington East Girls' College Hall on 9, 10 and 11 April from 7pm. Two (or three, depending on the number of participants) of the most outstanding performances will have an encore at the Michael Fowler Centre over Queen's Birthday weekend.

Mt Victoria Residents Association

It seems fitting to keep the focus on community preparedness. We've had a strong response to our call for people keen to learn first aid, and we're firming up details of how the course will be delivered, and when. The work with WREMO continues also. The takeaway message from the shootings in Christchurch is that the community itself is the key. Looking out for each other, staying in touch, engaging with the people you see every day in your street, or at the park, or the dairy. So much time and energy are still being spent with all of us aghast at how anyone could be so disconnected from community that they'd commit such an act. In a city, we can't do all this alone. We need infrastructure that supports us to stay connected with each other - transport, housing - so we need to keep pushing for good quality, supportive solutions in these areas. We need to be aware of the options out there, and the decisions being made at local and central government level.

As always, we'd love to hear from you about this and anything else on your mind about Mt Victoria: Email us at mtvicra@gmail.com Or call me on 021 188 7432 Have a look at our website <http://www.mvra.org.nz> Cheers, Angela

Hellenic N.Z. Congress AGM Reminder

Hellenic New Zealand Congress welcome all current, prospective and old members to their Annual General Meeting (AGM) at Greek Orthodox Community Centre, top floor, 3 Hania Street from 7.30pm to 8.30pm on Thursday 11 April. See their Facebook page or contact John Davidson (john.davidson@vuw.ac.nz) for more information.



Victoria Bowling Club News



In January Victoria Bowling Club's Ray Martin hit the big time playing in the World Indoor Singles Championships in England, but came up against a rampant six-time world indoor champion Alex Marshall in the first set of their first-round clash at the Potter's Leisure Resort in Norfolk, England with the Scot cleaning out Ray 11-2. However, the kiwi showed his potential climbing back into the match in the second set. A two on the fifth end gave him a 5-3 advantage, and another two on the eighth end looked to have assured a tiebreak at 8-4 going into the last end. A loose end from Ray gave Marshall a chance of a four but he was uncharacteristically heavy with his last to throw the game to a deciding best-of-three end conclusion. Ray was again loose with his opening bowls but was close to snatching both the first two ends losing an umpire's measure then slicing the jack to a Marshall bowl with his last.

At the beginning of March, bowlers from around the country converged on 7 clubs within the Wellington region (with a further four wet weather alternatives at the ready) for the National Fours Championships. Victoria's Leigh Griffin featured in the winning women's fours team which defended its title from last year skipped by NZ international Mandy Boyd. Leigh's title was Victoria's 6th in 6 years starting with Helen King's singles title in Dunedin, Leigh defending that singles for the club in North Harbour, Leigh winning the fours three of the last four years, and Neville Rodda taking out the men's pairs in Taranaki.

To our Mt Victoria Neighbours who used their homes, spaces and words to show how we all feel



Kia ora koutou Mount Victoria residents and friends. We have put together this issue of the Newsletter with heavy hearts, reflecting on the tragedy of the Christchurch mosque shootings just a few days ago. Part of our reflection has been on what we can do, in our roles in our neighbourhood, to move forwards from this time and try and create light from the darkness. Our Coordinator and Trustees are committed to our kaupapa - to creating a space for community engagement and involvement for all people living in our neighbourhood. Sometimes when tragedy occurs, it's hard to know where to start. It's helpful to remember that just because you can't do everything, doesn't mean you should do nothing. With this in mind, (and with Neighbours day on the way) we encourage you to consider how and where you can support those around you, get engaged and learn more about your neighbours. If you are worried or scared about reaching out to new people, or about communities you don't understand - just ask! You can ask them, or you can pop in and talk to us. Show your support for all our Mt Vic people - even a small gesture can go a long way to making someone feel less isolated, less scared and more part of the community. We hope that you will join us on April 7th for our annual Treasure Hunt, make some new friends and learn more about our neighbourhood. We look forward to seeing you soon. As salaam alaikum - peace be upon you.

A Word From Iona Pannett

I was proud to support some of Wellington's children and young people as they went on strike for the climate last month. It is now abundantly clear that action must be taken. It will be necessary for that action to be taken internationally, nationally and locally.



The city's response is outlined in Te tuatahi ki te kore/ First to Zero, the Council's most ambitious plan yet to protect our city from climate change whilst giving us the opportunity to green Wellington. It contains commitments to investigate/do the following:

- frontloading significant emission cuts in the critical next 10 years (on the advice of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change);
- looking at targets to increase walking, cycling and public transport rates and shuttles to take us where buses won't;
- growing green roofs and walls to improve food security and absorb stormwater;
- incorporating the idea of the circular economy (i.e. instead of dumping resources into landfills, using those resources again and again) into everything the council does;
- developing a climate fund to pay for critical infrastructure and initiatives to reduce climate change.

You will be able to have your say about whether we have got it right from the 15th April. If you would like to discuss the plan in person or to have a presentation to any group that you are involved in, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me on 021-227-8509 or at iona.pannett@wcc.govt.nz.



****Sanitary Products Needed****

We are putting a call out for sanitary products for those who are most in need (homeless, some students and others) and in many cases unable to afford them. If you have any spare or can buy some extra please drop at the hub or text beforehand - 021765525 or email hello@mtvichub.org.nz. Thank you

Classes & Groups

Wellington Central Grey Power.
www.greypowerwellington.org.nz
You can sign up by email
greypowerwellington@gmail.com

Over the Rainbow Dance Classes
Plimmer House Innermost Gardens
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classes. Affordable & quality classes.
www.overtherainbow.dance

Tai Chi - Friday Mornings at the Irish
Society, 10 Fifeshire Avenue. 10-
11.30am

**Awareness through Movement
classes (Feldenkrais Method)** -
Monday (School term) Clyde Quay
School at 6pm.
Call Sue 0274667123

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 at 61
Majoribanks St is a parent-run early
learning centre for children aged 1 to
5. It is open Monday to Friday with
sessions running from 8:30am until
1:15 or 2:30pm, and offers 20 hours of
state-funded ECE for over 3s.
Contact us at 04 3848201 or email
julie@crosswayscreche.org.nz

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

Steady As You Go (SAYGo)
\$2 per class. Quaker Meeting Rooms,
7 Moncrieff Street, Mt Victoria
Monday at 11.00am - Drop In or
Call Age Concern Wellington
04 4996646 or email
communitysup@acwellington.org.nz

Innermost Gardens - Gardening
Sundays - 11am-2pm 3 &
17 March. Everyone is welcome and
Tuesday morning gardening every
week from 10am - 12pm during
school term

Eckankar - Spiritual Wisdom on
Karma and Reincarnation: Discussion
Class -
Sunday 28 April, 2 - 3.30pm.
Mt Vic Hub, 24E Elizabeth Street, Mt
Victoria.
RSVP Elaine - 021 379319. Donation
\$5

**Qigong - Chun Yuen Quan and Dayan
Qigong.** Tuesday 6.00-7.30pm
Contact Cynthia Shaw 021 613081 or
info@newzealandqigong.com

One Mindful Breath Wellington's
secular Buddhist community - every
Weds 7:15-9:15, Friends' Centre, 7
Moncrieff St. Contact Noah 021 885
180 or
onemindfulbreathnz@gmail.com.

Beginners Ukulele Class - email or
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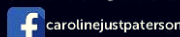
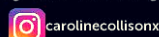
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Thanks to the lovely locals who popped in to see me at the Hub on Wednesday's. I hope I was helpful with your real estate questions. Selling your home is one of the most important transactions you'll ever undertake. It involves time, money and let's face it - a lot of effort. So expert advice makes all the difference, it is the main reason you engage a specialist to sell your property. But be aware, advice can come with a hefty price tag if you choose the wrong type of advice without credentials and a proven strategy that will lead you down the garden path. The best advice usually costs very little more. As your local agent living in Mt Victoria, please get in touch if you would like a no obligation market appraisal - I am always happy to help.



Living and Selling in Your Neighbourhood



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Brougham Street \$835,000
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School Holidays Play

Tim Bray's adaptation of a well-loved children's story, by New Zealand's most celebrated children's author Margaret Mahy. This be a story about fun, silliness, freedom, Mum's, wheelbarrows and sons.

So set sail down to the Tararua Tramping Club at 4 Moncrieff Street and dance a shanty with The Man Whose Mother was a Pirate.

When: 13th - 26th April 2019.
Monday - Friday 10 & 11:30am
No show on 19th April (Easter Friday) or Sundays
10am only Saturdays

\$7 Special Opening Preview, April 13th 2019!

Tickets are \$10.50 per person.
Under 2's are free.

For tickets email:

kidzstuffnz@gmail.com