



## A few things we have loved about Lockdown in Mt Victoria!

### Live Music from Stellarize!

Every Sunday at 3pm local band Stellarize would play live music from a range of places inside or outside their house or even a rooftop in Mt Victoria!! Now all we need to do is organise a proper live gig for the community - who would like to see that? I know I would. They were awesome and put a smile on many peoples faces. If anyone would like to support them check out on their Facebook page. (The Arts could do with a little helping hand).



## What is mine to do?

### Lockdown Reflection By Ginny Mc Carty

With time to meditate and reflect in the mornings of Alert Level 4, I often pondered on the question "What is mine to do?". As I went for my morning walk on the first Thursday of AL4 I found myself reduced to tears when wandering past the rubbish bags being put out for collection. With NO recycling available and the local compost bins closed, the mountain of rubbish produced on the mountain, and being sent to landfill broke my heart.

In realising ripping up cardboard & paper for my neighbours compost bought me joy, and how heartened I was by the generous response to the shoutout to my Port & Stafford Street email group for glass jars for the refillery and handcreams for nurses on the front line, I realised how generous and thoughtful people are given the opportunity. But still, "What is mine to do?"

I think what is mine to do, is to extend that shout out to all Mt Victorians and see if there are others who wish to do good in the 'hood and assist those already doing wonderful things to make our soil great again and reduce the mountain of waste we send to landfill.

Would you be interested in being either a saver or collector or deliverer of:

- Cardboard/paper to shred for compost.
- Clean milk bottle tops for kids creativity.
- Clean soft plastic for projects or recycling.
- Clean jars for refilling.
- Wine bottle tops for recycling.
- Food scraps for composting and making our soil great

### WHAT IS YOURS TO DO?

If any part of this chain interests you, ie: as a saver, collector or deliverer, please email me at:

ginnymccarty.02@gmail.com and we will see if there is a critical mass or sufficient uptake to make the cycle feasible for any or all of these items, and.....

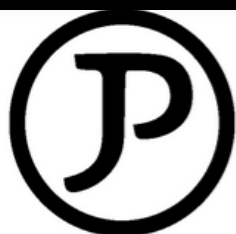
**MAY IT BE OURS TO DO!**

## MT VICTORIA

*Historical Society*



Every Monday the Mt Victoria Historical Society posted a "Monday Morning Memory" about Mt Victoria - check out their Facebook page to learn some interesting facts about our suburb! or find out more here: <http://mvhs.wellington.net.nz>



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**Our plants have arrived!**  
**We will be getting into planting them as soon as we can have volunteers back in our parks and reserves. Our next planting session will be on Sunday 14 June 10am. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information or email [windynell@gmail.com](mailto:windynell@gmail.com)**



**Forest at the Heart of Wellington, Week day and Weekend end dates: Conservation Volunteers**

Tree planting season is here! Grab a friend, a flatmate, your family or just bring yourself and come along to one of our planting days on Matairangi/Mount Victoria this winter.

For more details and to register email [wellington@cvnz.org.nz](mailto:wellington@cvnz.org.nz) or visit our website <https://bookings.conservationvolunteers.org/project/forest-at-the-heart-weekend-in-the-forest> Or Facebook - Conservations Volunteers Wellington  
**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.**

**Mt Victoria Residents Association**

How's Level 2 looking for you?? The big ones in our inbox are the resumption of building work, plans for housing development in the future and transport plans.

Check out our website - [www.mvra.org.nz](http://www.mvra.org.nz) - for details of upcoming submissions called for with regard to these threads. You can submit as an individual, or we'd love to hear your thoughts to contribute along with our submissions.

Whatever your feelings about lockdown through Covid, we've all seen some good things that we'd like to keep hold of, and we've all recognized some bad patterns and habits that we're not in a hurry to resume.

We're always interested in what you think, so ....

Email us at [mtvicra@gmail.com](mailto:mtvicra@gmail.com)  
[facebook.com/MtVictoriaResidents](https://www.facebook.com/MtVictoriaResidents);  
[twitter.com/MtVictoria2](https://twitter.com/MtVictoria2)

[Instagram/mtvicresidents](https://www.instagram.com/mtvicresidents)  
 Or call me on 021 188 7432  
 Cheers, Angela.

**Helping Wellington Womens House**

Wellington Women's House is in need of a few bits and pieces for their residents especially Winter essentials as our days get a bit chillier, for example hats, scarves, gloves or socks. Toiletries, sanitary products, some little gift items are also welcome. Please contact them at [house@wwbh.org.nz](mailto:house@wwbh.org.nz) for any enquiries, they would love to hear from you.

**A Word From Grant Robertson**

Ngā mihi ki a koutou,  
 As I write this, we are just over two weeks into Alert Level 2. We're adjusting to our new normal: good hand hygiene, physical distancing and rapid contact tracing. We're heading in the right direction and now we look to our economic rebuild. We're bringing the same focus and discipline of our health response to our economic response.  
 We've got a plan. Respond, recover, and rebuild. With the Budget, we're creating new jobs, training people to have the skills they need, and supporting people to keep their jobs or get into work.  
 We're helping local businesses in industries like hospitality, who have struggled and will continue to struggle for a while, by extending the wage subsidy. It is great seeing Wellingtonians out safely supporting our local retailers, cafes, restaurants and bars. As a Government we are ensuring that those hit hardest get the help they need. To learn more about how we're rebuilding together, visit [budget.govt.nz](http://budget.govt.nz).  
 As we ease back into normality, keep in mind that Zealandia, the Zoo and Te Papa are now open and free to visit.  
 I'm also looking forward to the reopening dates of our local markets, too. Let's keep playing it safe, supporting each other as a team of five million to get through this.  
 Grant



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**Not Valid During 'The Happy Hour'**



# Welcome to the Neighbourhood



We are delighted to welcome Nocar Cargo to Mt Victoria. Making deliveries by bike across the city, Nocar Cargo is a locally owned bike courier service that exists to deliver a breath of fresh air into our city streets, helping to move Wellington toward a friendlier and more sustainable future.

Nocar Cargo offers a sustainable but competitive courier service that doesn't add to city congestion.

Perfect for that short distance delivery.

Read more about them or book them for a delivery here [www.nocarcargo.co.nz/](http://www.nocarcargo.co.nz/) or call them on 0800 466 227.



## Age Concern Wellington

Age Concern Wellington have a temporary shopping service for seniors. We're also connecting isolated people through a phone friend and pen pal programme. We can put you in touch with someone who would love to contact you. It's always good to make a new friend! We have many volunteers offering to help with shopping so if you, or someone you know, needs help please call 04 499 6648 or email [info@ageconcernwellington.org.nz](mailto:info@ageconcernwellington.org.nz)

Under Level 2, we've been able to resume our Accredited Visitor Service, a service which provides companionship to people over 65 who are lonely and would like a regular visit from a friendly volunteer. We aim to match people with volunteers who live in the same area and have similar interests. If you're feeling lonely or if you know someone who would like a visitor then phone us on 04 499 6648 or email [info@ageconcernwellington.org.nz](mailto:info@ageconcernwellington.org.nz) and one of our AVS Coordinators will be in touch.

### SHORT STORY COMPETITION - EXTENDED

We've decided to extend the due date for our 'The Good Old Days' themed short story competition! New due date for entries is the 25 June 2020. You might be inspired by a tale an elderly relative told you when growing up or you might be reminiscing about life pre lock-down. You might write as a way to cope with worry. Or as a way to express wonder for the world. All interpretations and approaches are welcome. Prize is a \$50 Unity Book voucher and publication in July's edition of the newsletter. WORD COUNT: 500 words, give or take! Email Stella at [hello@mtvichub.org.nz](mailto:hello@mtvichub.org.nz) with your entry.

### KID'S SHORT STORY COMPETITION

What has lockdown been like for you? The team at The Hub want to know how you have found living in lockdown. Has it been scary? Was it hard because you missed your friends? Has it been nice hanging out with your pets more? How has mum and dad handled being a teacher to you? Write a short story of between 250 and 400 words about your life during lockdown and send it to Stella at [hello@mtvichub.org.nz](mailto:hello@mtvichub.org.nz). Separate competitions for Juniors and Seniors. Juniors: Ages 5-8 Seniors: 9-12: Due date: 25 June 2020 PRIZE: \$30 Unity books voucher for the winning entry in each age group and your story published in the July MVH newsletter.



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Has Covid knocked you sideways? Are you feeling 'out of tune'? Do you need your chakras rebalancing?

The full effects of Covid 19 won't become clear in the real estate market for quite some time, but as we start to look back at the last few months there are a number of things that we do know are true.

- The low OCR had been fuelling some strong competition between the banks and we are seeing interest rates at levels never seen before.
- The OCR has dropped even further and now sits at 1%, with average 1 year bank mortgage rates sitting at about 3% - record lows – Money is cheap.
- The LVR (Loan to Value Ratio), that was put in place to slow the property market, has now been completely lifted – those who can borrow, can now borrow even more money.
- Initial sales figures since we came out of Level 4, indicate that there is confidence in the market, with multiple offers still coming in on properties and people having the confidence to list their homes for sale.

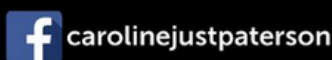
Please get in touch if you would like to know more about the market and would like an appraisal on your home.



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### RECENT MT VICTORIA SALES STATISTICS FROM REINZ

Brougham Street	\$1,650,000
Pirie Street	\$1,200,000
Moir Street	\$1,012,000

Recent Mt Vic Sales: <https://bit.ly/39v4SVt>



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## Classes/Classifieds

**Feldenkrais Method -Awareness through Movement classes.** Call Sue 0274667123 - Please note this has moved to the Quakers room on a Tuesday night from 6 - 7pm (**This class has restarted**)

**PikoPiko Clyde Quay Kindergarten**  
Mon-Fri 8.45-2.45pm, @ Elizabeth & Brougham. Offers 20 hours ECE. 04.385.0441 or [www.wmkindergartens.org.nz](http://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 and offers 20 hours of state-funded ECE for over 3s. Contact us at 04 3848201 or email [julie@crosswayscreche.org.nz](mailto:julie@crosswayscreche.org.nz)

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

**Writing Help** - Clarity, conciseness and appropriate tone are paramount. I can edit your writing and coach you in plain english principles along the way. Phone Margaret 04 8019777

## Mt Victoria Residents Association

Pencil in your diary **Thursday 3 September** for our popular AGM and candidates meeting. This will be at Tararua Tramping Club hall and online - so lots of options depending on how we are meeting in September.

**Innermost Gardens - Gardening Sundays 11am-1pm 7 & 21 June. Everyone is welcome and Tuesday morning gardening every week from 10am - 12pm during school term**  
**Check out our patron campaign on Facebook to help us raise funds for the gardens!**

### Contd:

**The Quakers** at the top of Moncrieff Street has meeting rooms for regularly scheduled or one- time meetings for nonprofit and governmental agencies. FOR INFORMATION: Email: [wgtnquakers@gmail.com](mailto:wgtnquakers@gmail.com) or Call: 04-385-4897

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