The JAFA Who Came South

Eugenie Sage’s description of herself as a JAFA is really a misnomer. Certainly she was born and grew up in Auckland but she is hardly characteristic of the latte-sipping socialites that we southerners tend to visualise citizens of New Zealand’s metropolis to be. In fact she acknowledges that she would probably have been more comfortable sitting on a branch in a willow tree than in an Auckland cafe.

My parents’ house has a wild garden. As a child puddling around in the creek and climbing a big willow tree to get some peace from my three younger brothers were favourite activities. During family holidays at Lake Tarawera we’d spend hours out in the dinghy or roaming the hills around the lake, coming home when we got hungry. My passion for nature comes from that childhood freedom.

After completing a Bachelor of Laws and a BA at Auckland University and later a Diploma in journalism at Canterbury, she moved to Hokitika to work as an information officer for environmental forestry before working in Wellington as firstly a parliamentary researcher and then as ministerial press secretary for Helen Clark in the late 1980s.

As for being Just Another F....... Auckland, with all its connotations, that too is a long way from the truth. Since returning to the South Island in 1990 Eugenie has been fully immersed in environmental and community issues, spending 13 years working for the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society helping to protect West Coast forests from logging and mining and create new high country parks.

Her election as an Environment Canterbury (ECAN) councillor for Selwyn in 2007 prompted her move to Diamond Harbour, which is of course part of the Selwyn constituency. When the elected representatives were replaced by government appointees last year, Eugenie looked for ways to continue to work to ensure sustainable environmental management.

A healthy environment is at the heart of a successful economy, she explains. We need to make the 100% Pure NZ brand real. By looking after our land and our water we look after our future. This is particularly important in the Selwyn electorate which is bounded by the Rakaia and Waimakariri rivers and is susceptible to the on-going effects of intensive irrigation and dairy farming.

Spurred on by supporters, Eugenie has decided to apply her expertise and experience to try to influence government policies from the inside, by standing as the Green Party representative for Selwyn in the upcoming election. In addition, she has been ranked sixth on the party’s thirty-member list for the Party Vote, so Selwyn may well have an added presence in the next parliament.

We look forward to following her progress. Elaine

Keep up with the latest local info
After the last big one we brought you all the important news and updates from Diamond Harbour Civil Defence.
We kept you informed of what was open and closed — plus event cancellations, postponements and venue changes.

For the website with the latest local info remember to put the .info on the end.
**Remembering Tony Morrison, The Gaffer**

Tony

a man of letters

wordsmith

with significant talent

and incredible memory

for verse, mimicry and story

a man whose humour

could bounce balls

in your mind

with his quick wit

and incisive words

a man enjoyed

a man admired

a man appreciated

a man loved

for his kindness

his willingness to share his talents

for his kindness

his family

his neighbours

and his community

Thank You Tony

Brenda Walker, June 2011

Tony was a stalwart of the Diamond Harbour Writer's group and its finest talent; and was also involved in many other creative endeavours in the local community.

He was a leading light in the Peninsula Merry Makers, both as a writer and a performer, and a regular contributor to the *Herald* with his humorous Gaffers Gossip column and, on occasion, his wonderful poetry.

Tony will be greatly missed by all who knew him - for his wonderful wit and sense of humour, his impeccable delivery, his prodigious creative talents, but most of all, as a warm, gentle and loving man.

We are fortunate that he left his poetry behind for our continued enjoyment. You can read some by going to the Diamond Harbour website [www.diamondharbour.info](http://www.diamondharbour.info) and clicking the link at the very bottom of the page to the Diamond Harbour Writers Group.

Ron

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**Reflections On Yorrick**

This man I loved, who wears the mask of death,

Which fixed and final image all must share,

Has come to this conclusion well aware

That there is grave dominion in the end.

Such knowledge he employed with gentle care

To foster the enjoyment of his wit

And ever guide our humour so to see

The vain pretensions of humanity

From lewd buffoonery to delicate satire

From haunting ballad to a ribald chant

All functions he performed with various art

That touched the heart with sadness or with mirth.

So heedlessly we shared the image of his part

And looked no further to explore

What more lay in the confines of his soul

I swear death has no power upon this man

His laughter lives beyond the tolling bell

And echoes well into our children’s ear

For, mark you, children will discern true merriment

Until we teach them otherwise to fear

The dark agenda of our hidden frailty.

So let that be his epitaph of laughter not lament

To hear the lilting laughter of a clown

Tony Morrison (reprinted from the Nov 2010 Herald)
Rock Around The Clock —— Bill Hayley and the Comets, 1955

The persistence, unnerving frequency and intensity of aftershocks lately has prompted one teenager of the fifties to adopt this as her earthquake response. Whenever her young grand children are around — and quite possibly even when they are not — each aftershock sees Nana breaking into song and dance... *One o'clock, two o'clock, three o'clock rock. We're gonna rock around the clock tonight!* — with the result that all members of this family are now handling both the 'quakes and rock'n'roll with a lot more confidence lately.

All Shook Up —— Elvis Presley, 1957

And aren't we all? But spare a thought for the many working mums who have to head over the hill every day. One of them, a teacher, vented her frustration in the early hours of the morning...

It's been another exciting night in Christchurch. A 5.3 just over the hill at Little River to scare the living daylights out of us at 10.30pm — one of twelve we had to contend with during the night. It definitely helps with us camping all together in the same room. In the middle of the night we can check everyone is ok and guess the magnitude, send a few texts to friends, then back to sleep because we are all exhausted and know that we will be woken abruptly again.

Oh, oh, another just now, and the radio tells me another fault has apparently ruptured on Banks Peninsula.

Where I am working we are not allowed on site so have been taking classes out of people's lounges, a bowling club and the Church Hall. To get there we drive past massive rock slides with rocks being held off the road by double high containers in two different spots. It's one-way of course, as the road is obstructed and everywhere houses are teetering on the edge of cliffs. You can see parts of one house strewn down the rocks very near the road.

The kids are not in a very good learning space either and my main job this week has been to try to calm them, to coax out a small smile and get them thinking about something other than earthquakes — which I am finding near impossible myself.

Today one of my own kids is running in the inter zone Cross Country competition at Halswell — if it is still on. I'll take my other boy out of school here to come with me. Whenever I leave the area I am petrified that there might be another quake and I won't be able get to him quick enough, even though I know that last time the community here was amazing at looking after them both until we could get back to them...

But the shortest day has been so we are heading back into summer — Yay!

Pearly Shells —— Burl Ives 1964

On the Central coast of New South Wales, about an hour's drive north of Sydney is the small seaside community of Patonga. With a beautiful beach, working wharf, a general store, fish-and-chip shop, post office and hotel, it is very similar to Diamond Harbour. Among the Patonga residents is Warren Pickering, an ex-Cantabrian, who, after our February earthquake, initiated a collection among patrons at the Patonga Beach Hotel to assist his old home town.

After discussion with his sister and Diamond Harbour Civil Defence, Warren decided the money raised should go towards the purchase of a generator for community use in times of need.

In the photo below, Linda Pickering-Hughey, on behalf of Warren, presents a cheque of $645 to the Diamond Harbour Civil Defence leaders, Wendy Coles and John Barry, who expressed the gratitude of our community to the people of Patonga — which name, by the way, means Little Oyster.

A Poem by Orton Bradley

*A Poem by Orton Bradley* ——

*The Birth of a Thought*

Let fellow-men praise or deride me, Today as it pleases them best; Who lives on the morrow to chide me May find me forever at rest.

Their cloak on my bravest endeavour, My worth, in their estimate, nought, As yet, while I live, they can never Deny me the birth of a thought.

And if through this life I would cherish The thought that is silently born, The thought that refuses to perish, Though spoken 'midst jeering and scorn.

Let critics take grim consolation When slowly is born to each mind That thoughts give, or take, elevation To, or from, us poor weary mankind.
After the Earthquakes — Session Two: The Earth Beneath Us

The audience of more than 70 were captivated by the presentation of Dr Mark Yetton of Geotech NZ. While we all wish the Canterbury earthquakes had never happened and that the on-going tremors would just go away, these events are, of course, of great interest to seismologists, a number of whom are working hard around Canterbury with various scientific equipment and multiple techniques to capture new knowledge and understanding of these phenomena.

Describing his presentation as an interim view based on current information, Mark began by explaining how the Southern Alps were created from what was originally a much flatter landscape by pressure from the opposing movements of the Pacific and Australian Plates. To our north, the Pacific Plate is gradually pushing beneath the Australian Plate, but to the south the reverse is occurring, the Pacific Plate, being upthrust, with the change-over zone being approximately under the Southern Alps. The movement of the plates is not smooth, but rather a stick-and-slip action, the slip being what we feel as earthquakes. Records exist of major ‘quakes along the Alpine Fault in the 13th, 15th, 17th and 18th centuries, but our quakes are not specifically part of that system, but of new faults being created more or less randomly as a result of the ongoing process.

It is logical that earthquakes are felt only in the solid section of our planet, ie the earth’s crust, and not in the more liquid deep interior. Also logically, the greatest effect is felt where the crust is thinnest, and around our Shaky Isles the crust is only about 12km thick – less than half the depth of most other places in the world. The term epicentre refers to the point of greatest pressure where the rupture begins, and the release of pressure is always towards the surface.

In the September event, the Greendale Fault, as it is now known, broke through the surface, creating the large cracks and depressions. On February 22, despite that aftershock being 32 time less in force than the September ‘quake and the Port Hills Fault not reaching the surface, it did cause the Estuary base and the Port Hills to rise slightly and the compaction has made some parts of the eastern suburbs sink by up to one and a half metres. Overall, of course, the February ‘quake also caused much more destruction, not only because of its proximity to the city, but also because of the surrounding terrain. As we learned at school, the existence of the Canterbury Plains is due to the sinking down from the edge of the continent over the last 100 million years. While this time span may sound impressive, it can take up to ten times longer for liquefaction-prone river deposits to solidify – thus we experienced liquefaction, which is essentially the result of the vibration of the sandy base. Mark pointed out that you can replicate liquefaction by making a footprint on damp sand at the beach. The firm stable pressure has no added damping effect so, if you jiggled your foot around and then lift it, water appears.

On the hills, the violent earthquake movement dislodged many formerly stable rocks. The audience were shown graphic photographs of the local destruction caused by the phenomenon known as rock roll. Groups of lesser rocks gathered momentum to become rock falls while massive individual rock chunks, rolling on the mountainous rivers of rock, bounced, at times rising to over 5 metres and travelling over 30 metres in a single bounce, causing devastation to trees, roads and homes; and sadly resulting in some deaths. The threat from loosened rocks continues as winter arrives, and the potential for further slips is heightened by the prospect of heavy rain.

The cost of dealing with rock roll also presents a financial dilemma. After the September ‘quake, a large rock high above Rapaki was found to be dangerously loose. Blasting was not considered an option as it often increases surrounding instability. Equipment and materials had to be flown in to secure this one rock at a cost of $40,000. While that stabilisation was totally efficient during the February ‘quake, numerous other rocks are in the same area, and destroyed a house in the village far below. With similar problems still existing around the Redcliffs area, and displaced residents clamouring to be allowed to return to their homes, it is difficult to balance the cost of stabilisation to be a few when so much is needed for the many in other areas.

Meantime, in the city centre, questions are being asked about buildings collapsing. One of Mark’s graphs compared the old and newer earthquake-resistance building requirements - the former being about half the latter - and the force of the February event, which was some five times greater that the newer requirement. On this basis Mark suggests that the question should not be Why did so many buildings collapse? but rather Why did so many not collapse?

And what of the future? Despite the best efforts of seismologists worldwide, it is still impossible to accurately predict earthquakes. It is likely that the nature of the earth beneath us at present renders Canterbury more prone to tremors and ‘quakes for at least the next 50 years. Recent research suggests that another large aftershock is probable within the next year. On the brighter side, perhaps, seismic activity to our east appears to be lessening, thus reducing the possibility of a tsunami.

In conclusion, Jane Soons, on behalf of a very appreciative audience, thanked Dr Yetton for his informative presentation.

Elaine

Of Earthquakes and Volcanoes

With the Chilean volcano now sharing the news with our earthquakes, some people may be concerned that the one we live on might become active.

The fact that Banks Peninsula is a volcanic complex is well-known among Canterbury residents. It doesn’t have the classic shape of volcanoes such as Mt Egmont/Taranaki and Mt Fuji in Japan, but nevertheless, as they rise from the plains, it is possible to imagine the continuation of the slopes of the Port Hills to a summit crater. This difference in form from the dormant North Island volcanoes is significant. Volcanoes such as Mt Egmont/Taranaki are located on major dislocations of the earth’s crust, while Banks Peninsula is characterised by earth’s surface move against each other. Our Alpine Fault, some 400km long, and clearly identifiable on maps and air photos as a continuous line running from the Wairau Valley to Fiordland, marks the junction of the Pacific and Australian plates. The New Zealand volcanoes, however, are all in the North Island, where the Pacific Plate is dragged under the Australian Plate, to depths at which the rocks melt and, from time to time, force their way to the surface in an eruption. Somewhere in the vicinity of Cook Strait, the relationship of the two plates changes, so that they drag alongside each other in opposite directions. Northwest Nelson and Central Otago were once next door to each other, and on the South Island, the western part of the former Pacific Plate now rides up onto the continental plate along the Alpine Fault. This produces major earthquakes from time to time, but no volcanoes. So what of Banks Peninsula?

The two volcanoes that make up the Peninsula are intraplate volcanoes, but over the time the continuing movement of the plate takes the volcano away from the original hotspot, and it becomes extinct. The best example of this is the Hawaiian Island chain, which stretches from the extinct Kauai to Hawaii itself, with its currently active volcanoes.

The first of the Banks Peninsula volcanoes, the Lyttelton volcano, emerged about 11million years ago, and was active for one to two million years. It was superseded by the Akaroa volcano, which was also active for about two million years. A group of lava flows known as the Mt Herbert flows were also produced, roughly filling in the space between the Lyttelton and Akaroa volcanoes. Activity continued on a reduced scale for another couple of million years, with numerous smaller vents appearing and then ceasing. The latest in the series was the vent which opened in 1855 on the flank of Mt Herbert, forming the long relatively gentle slopes on which Lyttelton is perched. This eruption was the source of the devastating January 1855 earthquake. They are dated at about 5 million years. Since then the action has all been erosion of the volcanic deposits. We have long since drifted away from the original hotspot, and there is no danger of any renewed activity!

Jane Soons
Nancy Vance, lecturer at Lincoln University, spoke on Urban Design, the process of making places for people. It is the design of space, considering environmental issues, social equality, economic viability and long-term sustainability.

The presentation provided a brief history of the profession, its pioneers and their contributions to the design of public spaces worldwide. These included: Jane Jacobs, journalist and advocate for the health of the urban neighbourhood in her book *The Death and Life of Great American Cities*. Kevin Lynch, being the first to interpret the spatial language innate in all humans. He defined *Walkability* as how people understand the layout of a place, and said that if a city is legible then it is a memorable experience. Gordon Cullen identified how this spatial language affects human behaviour; cities are a series of related spaces and we react differently in different spaces. Ian McHarg spelled out the need for urban designers to consider an environmentally conscious approach to land use. Jan Gehl studies public spaces and applies his findings in his work, advocating for pedestrian and cycle-friendly cities.

These pioneers have provided a vocabulary of terms and concepts that describe the innate language of spatial understanding in all of us. The following 7 design principles where identified as being pertinent to the rebuild of Christchurch and described in order to help us better define or express ideas in the CCC *Share an Idea* process.

1. **Scale** is a fundamental part of our hard wiring. Our sense of scale is human-centric, human height is the driver of every space. When a space is out of scale we notice it and makes us feel something different or act differently. For example, a narrow lane between tall buildings makes us walk faster. Scale or spatial relationships can be manipulated with buildings, trees, level changes, etc to determine behaviour.

2. **Legibility** is fundamental in how we navigate in a space. Hard navigation leads to frustration, easy navigation leads to happy memories. Physical spaces are a language that help us find our way. Elements such as: landmarks, edges, paths, nodes, and districts help us to read and understand the city. The spatial language of the Christchurch CBD has been rearranged, many of the clues that we used to orient ourselves are gone and we will have to re-establish these elements of navigation, both physically and in our mind, over time.

3. **Open space** is the civic and public gathering places in a city, including parks, plazas, streets and lanes. A contrast in the mass of a city is its voids or open spaces. This contrast is necessary but can’t be everywhere, too much open spaces will destroy any design. Open space doesn’t have to be a park, can be more subtle or intimate, ie a 3m width corridor could provide the same psychological benefits of a park if designed well.

4. **Transport** needs to be easy (for all abilities, from all parts of the city), affordable (key in future) and efficient (on time). Car culture in NZ will change with increasing fuel prices. We need to future-proof the city so that regardless of the price of fuel, the city will still survive.

5. **Walkability** is the measure of pedestrian friendliness of a city. Allow the ability to walk, not only as a conduit, but allow people to arrive at a destination then engage with it. Engaging façades and active street-fronts are important.

6. **Mixed use** is used to describe developments where there is a mix of residential, commercial, retail, office, or other land uses within one building or block. When jobs, housing and commercial activities are located closer together a community’s transportation options increase. Mixing uses allows flexibility and provides a richer environment to experience.

7. **Sense of place** is the way we embrace or express identity, distinguishing this place from other places on the basis of natural or cultural history - realising the value that everywhere is different. Like people, places have unique characteristics. In Christchurch these may include: the gothic architecture, the grid street network, the river, the vegetation, the Port Hills, the garden city qualities, etc.

CERA and the city are not starting from a clean slate. CCC and other professionals are contributing to the CERA Act. The NZ Urban Design Protocol outlines good urban design principles in a NZ context. A study commissioned by the CCC in 2009 saw Jan Gehl prepare *Public Spaces Public Life*, a study of Christchurch public spaces, and in 2010 *A City for People* was prepared providing the Action Plan for the implementation of Gehl’s study, linking it into the city’s Long Term Plan.

The presentation concluded with the positive fact that much planning and design for the central city has been thought about in the past and that there are great ideas and incentives out there. Hopefully this presentation provided a vocabulary for, and some concepts to think about and apply to, our input into the CCC *Share an Idea* program. With considered thought, Christchurch has the potential to create one of the best cities in the world.

Questions and discussion followed around these topics:
- Removing the buildings on ground shown in early survey maps to be tributaries of the Avon, and creating a green corridor extending to the coast.
- Light rail through the city and to Lyttelton.
- Reassessment of the one-way system and the siting of the transport hub.
- Slightly raised cycle-ways for added protection from traffic.
- Free inner city transport – buses, bicycles, golf carts, caterpillar shuttles etc.
- Commercial and light industry properties set back with parking in front, access for deliveries, enhanced visual appeal of these areas.
- Role of malls, clustering of similar business, 24 hour usage etc.
- Communal gardens in residential areas, roof top gardens, apple groves etc.
- Provision of market areas, and better use of inner areas like Cranmer and Latimer Squares; more and better public toilets, pedestrian areas and increased safety.

**After the Earthquakes — Session Four**

This session, the last of the series organised by Ann Thornton and hosted by the Diamond Harbour Community Association, was scheduled for June 13, but was postponed—you guessed it—after the earthquakes. It was re-scheduled for July 27th. (Report next month.)
**The LPC Puts its Case**

Following concerns raised in the June Herald about the reclamation project at the Port, the LPC requested the opportunity of addressing those concerns. The article below is from their Communications Consultant, Bronwen Jones.

The Lyttelton Port of Christchurch reclamation project, at Te Awaparahi Bay to the east of the container operations, is a win-win for the city and port. Clean, 100% recycled hard fill is being diverted from landfill. At the same time, the port will get the space it needs to ensure it can continue to contribute to the economic well-being of the region as a major cargo hub.

Space has become particularly critical since the earthquakes. In the February earthquakes, port wharves, breakwaters, quays and reclaimed land moved significantly – in some instances over half a metre laterally and nearly a metre horizontally. There has been further movement and damage from the June 13 earthquakes.

Engineering reports reveal the need for major rebuilds and, on top of that, due to on-going seismic risk, we will need to resurface the container terminal at least twice over the next three to five years.

Currently, we are operating with up to a third less land as the repair works are rolled out. Meanwhile, operations continue, often under trying circumstances. This situation is exacerbated by growing trade volumes.

Our 10ha reclamation will provide critical port infrastructure which is urgently required to support our rebuild programme. We expect this project will take about two years to complete.

Hydrodynamic modelling of the potential effect of the 10ha reclamation have concluded that the effects on the harbour will be insignificant beyond the immediate vicinity of the reclamation. No coal will be handled or stored on the reclamation under the current consents.

The Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE) and the resulting consents capture concerns expressed in a series of meetings with residents associations, the Lyttelton-Mt Herbert Community Board, Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, Department of Conservation, the Historic Places Trust, Herbert Community Board, Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, and others.

**Environmental Safeguards –** Rigorous best-practice measures have been put in place, including:

**Quality of rubble**

Stringent monitoring controls have been established to ensure that only clean fill that meets strict criteria is placed into the reclamation area. Acceptable materials include stone, bricks, tiles, aggregates, concrete and glass.

The rubble is sorted and inspected by demolition experts at the demolition site before it is consigned to the port. As part of our consents, LPC has detailed Acceptance Criteria for the material going into the reclamation. The criteria have been issued to all demolition companies and CERA.

On arrival, all trucks are inspected and photographed. Should any loads not meet the Acceptance Criteria they are refused and details provided to Ecan. In accordance with our consents, we keep comprehensive records of all loads received, and the origin of the material and composition, and this information is recorded for each load using new hand-held devices.

**Containment of debris**

The construction methodology ensures minimal disruption of the seabed and thus reduces the possibility of any significant mud waves and associated sediment plumes. We are installing a $220,000 purpose-built containment boom and silt curtain designed in accordance with international best practice. The total cost includes additional boom length.

**Monitoring of beaches**

We are regularly monitoring harbour beaches to detect any possible demolition litter that may have escaped our safeguards. Anyone with concerns can contact our Environmental Manager on 027 298 1347.

**Environmental Management Plans**

Detailed Construction and Environmental Management Plans and a Noise Management Plan have been developed in consultation with Consent Authorities. The plans are available to view or download at our website www.lpc.co.nz and we welcome feedback.

Bronwen Jones, Communications, LPC

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**...But Concerns Remain**

In addition to providing their article, the LPC answered questions and provided copies of many documents, including the various consents they have received – all of which are available on their website www.lpc.co.nz.

However, neither their article, nor their answers to questions, nor any of the documents, address two of the key concerns raised in last month’s Herald.

The first is how will it be technically possible to ensure that demolition material contains no prohibited materials (such as asbestos and organic or inorganic toxins) without comprehensive offsite processing and chemical analysis. Unless all the rubble destined for the port comes from buildings that are safe enough to inspect and strip of hazardous materials, before they are demolished, how can all those hazardous materials be visually identified and removed afterwards from a pile or rubble – and how is it possible for anyone to guarantee that such rubble is clean?

While it is principally CERA’s responsibility to provide the clean rubble, it is the LPC who have already begun (as of June 3) dumping it into our harbour. Despite their best efforts, visual monitoring cannot detect all potentially dangerous materials.

The second concern raised is that the monitoring of the rubble will not be carried out by an independent organisation or authority, but by CERA, the LPC, and the contractors who transport it to Lyttelton – all of whom stand to be negatively impacted if the process is halted, suspended or impeded due to concerns regarding contamination of the rubble with prohibited materials.

The figure given for what this win-win deal will save CERA and the LPC has been estimated at 100-200 million dollars. The potential for a conflict of interest and the need for independent monitoring is obvious.

Ron
Fit 'n' Well

Decision Making

Sometimes in life we are faced with choices that we find difficult to make. Small choices as well as big life-changing ones. In this year alone, many people in this area will have faced large decisions as lives and homes are re-built. In this article I would like to have a look at a few different ways to make these decisions.

When faced with decisions most of us sit down and logically weigh up all the options. However, have you ever made a decision, which makes rational sense, then lived to regret your decision? This is not uncommon and may mean your subconscious is trying to tell you something. Sometimes it’s better to tap into your intuition rather than just your logic when making decisions. Here are a few simple ways this can be done:

**Make a decision for 7 days**: simply put live the choice you have made for seven days; make it as real as possible and see how it feels. If you feel energised, light and connected with your life then that’s a great sign it’s the right choice. If you don’t then perhaps that’s an indication of how the choice should go. This is a particularly good technique if you are wanting to make lifestyle changes such as enjoying more exercise or including new things into your diet. Make the change for a week and see how it feels.

**Flip a coin**: This is great for making smaller choices. Grab a coin and allocate a side to each choice. Flip. How do you feel with the outcome? If you’re disappointed then you clearly do know what you want deep down.

**Tell someone**: Sit down with friend and spend some time explaining how you are going to do something and see how it feels. Go into detail about how your life would be and if it again feels right then perhaps this is indeed the right thing to do.

These are 3 simple techniques, which can help you feel rather then think your way to making decisions.

Mike

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**Keys to Success**

**2 Days of Personal Development**

The course builds on the content presented at the Parent Teacher evening at the school on 15 February by Mike Catton. It will be great for parents, business people etc. Hand-outs will be provided so that parents can share the learning’s with their children. During the practical 2 days we will look at many things including:

- Accelerated Learning
- Rapport and relationships that work
- Goal setting and achievement
- Excellence with communication

**Date**: 27-28 August

**Time**: 9am till 5pm

**Venue**: Diamond Harbour School

For further details and bookings:

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**Investment**: $300 for the 2 days (if booked by 1st August). 25% will be donated to the school.
FESTIVAL OF SONG

The TWO CHOIRS CONCERT
is back!

7:45pm Saturday July 2
St Andrews Church Hall
(note change of time and venue)
$10 entry - mulled wine winter warmer - children free

Enjoy an evening of harmonious music from around the world with Christchurch choir ACAPELLAGO
and local choir THE DIAMOND HARBOUR SINGERS

Annie’s Au Revoir

Annie Baxter has been a wonderfully positive (and productive) member of the local community for ten years now, organising the Purau Valley Produce Market, dances in the Hall, and Annie's Victorian Teas at Stoddarts Cottage. She has also made many great birthday cakes, catered for local functions, and been generous with her time and her resources to build community and spread good cheer.

So many of us naturally do not want her to leave, and had mixed feelings about attending her farewell party on June 4 – even though we knew that the party itself would be a lot of fun. It certainly was, and the star was Annie, with her many costume changes (from Victorian ball gown to Sixties siren frock) and her wonderful displays of dancing, from waltz to salsa. Live music from Annie’s friends in the band Barock was perfect for everyone else who wanted to dance. A unique highlight of the evening (only in Diamond Harbour!) was Annie's Victorian underwear strip tease. We also enjoyed the reading of Bryan Fowler's poem Our Annie, and of course those trade mark cupcakes to finish an excellent potluck dinner.

Annie has a wonderful new venture in Oamaru – Annie’s Tea Shop. It's at 1 Tee St – you can't miss it. Be sure to stop there if in the area. Plus tell all your Otago friends to go there often so that the shop is a raging success and Annie can safely leave it to come back to us and start another heritage food venture in these parts. That's her dream – and mine too. Au revoir, Annie – we hope to see you back soon.

Christine Dann

Our Annie

The word goes out from Purau
That our Annies on her way,
The locals look up to the sky
And shout in their dismay.
And who will bake the cakes for us?
And who will man the stalls?
And who will run our dances?
These thoughts beset us all.
Think of the Stoddart Cottage,
On a fine fine summers day,
And Annie’s team in their finery
The “no teabag” all Victorian way.
She is a source of colour,
Of strength and courage too
She doesn’t have a slow mode,
There’s always things to do.
As Margaret of the Cottage,
She travels back in time,
And beguiles the groups of tourists,
With stories song and mime.
She is our Victorian lady,
Her cakes are things of dreams,
So soft and fine and succulent,
We’re bursting at the seams.
And now our Annie’s on her way,
And soon she will be there,
But a ray of light lifts our spirits up,
In our hearts she’s always HERE.

Bryan Fowler
World Veterinary Year
You probably won’t know it, but 2011 is World Veterinary Year, and celebrates 250 years since the founding of the first veterinary school in Lyon, France in 1761 by Claude Bourgelat.

Although my own career only covers a fraction of that time this is an appropriate occasion to reflect on the learned and honourable profession to which I belong. Besides being animal doctors and animal welfare advocates, vets have played a vital role in reducing global hunger, promoting public health - especially through reducing zoonoses (animal transmitted diseases in humans), ensuring food quality and safety, biomedical research, as well as protecting the environment and its biodiversity. Thus the slogan for 2011, Vets for health, vets for food, vets for the planet.

Bourgelat was an equerry of France, trained in horsemanship. While working with surgeons in Lyon, he developed an interest in comparative anatomy (comparing horses with humans in his case and studying the link between animal and human pathology, a field that is still studied today). After publishing a series of scientific articles, he became the first Grand Equerry of Europe and was tasked by King Louis XV to form a veterinary school which admitted its first students in February 1762. First sited near St Martin’s Basilica, only the original doorway remains at 17 Rue Bourgelat, now the home of the Merieux foundation, out of which has grown Merial - still one of the largest veterinary pharmaceutical companies in the world today. The school is still operating, although at a different location.

After seeing the success of his students in reducing the spread of (especially) cattle diseases, and training farmers in animal husbandry, Bourgelat started a second vet school in Paris in 1766, which is also still in business today on its original site in Alford. The founders of the first veterinary schools elsewhere in Europe were all trained at one of these schools. He also taught his students a code of ethics, again something we still need today. My favourite quote of his is riches lie less in the goods one possesses than in the good one can do.

What does the future hold for the veterinary profession? We’ve already negotiated one major shift from being horse doctors to embracing the care of many different species after the advent of the motor car and tractor. Like everyone else, we’ll have to try to anticipate change, or at least adapt to it as best we can. In New Zealand with our dependence on primary industry I think vets will always be in demand, and I’m proud to play my small part here.

Paul
**Eat the Exotics**

A useful weed for coughs and catarrh

It is the season of colds, flu and their associated unpleasantness – lots of snot – properly known as catarrh. I have been suffering from this lately, and I turned to a common exotic weed for help. White horehound (**Marrubium vulgare**) is a weed of dry pastures, and also of my vegie garden, where I let a self-sown plant or two grow big and strong in case they are needed.

Horehound is traditionally made into a cough lolly, but I decided to take the easy route and make a tea by infusing the horehound leaves with some aniseed (to improve the taste, and because it is also an expectorant) with the recipe below. It is bitter even with honey, but bearable, and it does seem to help shift that snot.

If you want to try this tea for yourself, please check that you do not have any contraindications (eg pregnancy, high blood pressure, other medications) and use it in moderation. There is more information on horehound and its proper uses on my blog – ecogardenernz.blogspot.com.

**Horehound and Aniseed Tea**

**Ingredients**

- 30g fresh or dried horehound leaves
- 1 teaspoon aniseed
- 600ml boiling water

**Method**

Put the horehound leaves and aniseed in a large teapot, add boiling water, and leave to infuse for 15-20 minutes. Strain the liquid off the leaves.

Store in a glass jar or bottle.

**Dosage**

- 150-200ml lukewarm tea 3-4 times per day.
- Sweeten each dose with honey; dilute with extra warm water if desired.

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**Switched On**

Empowering Our Regional Future

As we reach mid-winter we face a number of cold months ahead where we need to focus on staying warm and healthy. Certainly, recovery from the ravages of earthquakes is high on all our minds, as we seek to deal with the emotional and physical fallout of these harrowing events. Over the past eight years the cost of electricity has increased almost 80%, well ahead of inflation. While there are many reasons for this rapid price increase, as consumers many of us have been remiss because we are not checking the cheapest options for our electricity supply.

As a new resident to the Diamond Harbour area I am keen to raise local awareness about our options to reduce electricity costs, and to provide some practical assistance. With over 14 years’ experience in the energy sector, I have a strong interest in ensuring that all consumers benefit fully from the competitive electricity market.

Many people are unaware if their current supplier offers the lowest electricity price. It’s a relatively straightforward process to switch electricity supplier. However, it is not so easy to make a comparison about the best supplier. The suppliers make it challenging to choose: do you decide on cost, service levels, additional benefits (eg Fly Buys points), green credentials? Just looking at the cost side, anecdotally there are over 10,000 different residential electricity tariffs on offer in New Zealand, and that certainly makes choosing the right supplier challenging.

The Government is keen to ensure consumers know about their options, and are running a media campaign to direct consumers to their PowerSwitch website. While this publically-funded service is useful for those who are knowledgeable and confident about switching, for most, the process is too challenging to consider, so we stick with our current supplier until we move or someone comes knocking at the door with a better offer.

There are approximately 1,650 residential and small business electricity connections in the wider Diamond Harbour area (Charteris Bay to Port Levy). Around 56% of these are supplied by Meridian Energy (see chart below).

Analysis of Diamond Harbour area electricity supply data indicates that we spend around $3.5 million per annum. However, because some suppliers charge much more than others, it is clear we are overspending on electricity. Our combined regional overspend is around $300,000 per annum, an average of $190 per household.

I wish to offer assistance to local consumers to achieve savings on their electricity supply. In some instances these savings could reach $750 per annum. I could assist our region to take back some control from the electricity suppliers by advising consumers on the lowest cost tariff for their circumstances and assist with the switching process. The choice could depend on household consumption patterns, and the type of electricity meter you have installed.

If enough consumers wish to participate, I could approach suppliers to tender for electricity supply for our region, potentially attracting an offer that undercuts all currently available tariffs.

Over the next few months I will be distributing flyers and information about the options, and would be happy to receive feedback and questions at pete.simpson@onebill.co.nz or on 329 3295 (after 7.30pm or weekends).

In next month’s Herald I will provide more details on the pros and cons of switching supplier, and if interest warrants it, organise a public meeting.

Christine Dann

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**Wine speak**

More quakes and shakes, tornadoes up North, and if it’s not bucketing down then it’s cold!
If you too need to take your mind off things then find some solace, comfort and warmth in these gems.

Unashamedly Alsace in style is the 2010 Man O’War Ponui Island Pinot Gris for under $25. You get a subtle waft of mango and pear on the nose before an explosion of fruit and spice in the mouth, but the texture length and sweetness/acid balance are perfect. Also impressive is the 2009 Te Mata Estate Elston Chardonnay. More elegant in style this is nutty, peach and nougat flavours alone, or mealy vanilla with food. Top drawer stuff and worth the splurge at around $30.

It’s time for some winter warmer reds, so tuck into these for around $20 or under on special! The 2009 Mission Estate Reserve Cabernet Merlot is meaty with ripe plum and cassis to the fore, oak and tannin providing support for the ride out. Ripe plum also features in the 2009 Coopers Creek Chalk Ridge Syrah. There’s a splash of Viognier in there to add a floral note and complexity with savoury oak and white pepper on the finish. From the Eden Valley in Oz is the 2008 Yalumba Shiraz Viognier awarded five stars and a 3rd in Cuisine recently. Nice florals again with black pepper and liquorice flavours, plush in the mouth and plenty of tannin to welcome accompaniment with food or a stint in the cellar. Enjoy!

*The Godfather*

**Recipe**

**Winter Warmers**

Mulled Wine is a perfect companion to the spices of cinnamon, cloves and more. I love these cinnamon snails, best served warm, both wine and bread.

**Mulled Wine**

1 bottle of red wine (Merlot and Shiraz work well with the sweetness of the sugar)

Lemon or orange: rind of 2 fruit, and fruit slices

150g of raw sugar

Several coils of cinnamon

2-4 cloves

1 star anis (optional)

Slowly bring all ingredients to a light boil (if you want it alcohol free, just boil it for a few minutes) otherwise keep it warm. Pour into cups through a sieve.

**Cinnamon Snails**

Make a basic white bread dough:

(5 cups flour, 1cup milk, 1 cup water, some soft butter, 3 tbsp sugar, 2 packets of yeast)

Let dough rise once. Punch down. Knead a minute or two on a lightly floured board.

Divide in half. Roll into 15x7 inch rectangles.

Spread each with 1 Tbsp soft butter.

Combine 8tbsp sugar with 2tbsp cinnamon and spread half on each rectangle.

Roll tightly, beginning with narrow side.

Cut into 1-2 inch slices, place on baking tray, and let them rise in warm place.

Bake at 180degrees for 40-45 minutes.

While warm you can brush with a light lemon-icing sugar mixture. Yum.

Keep warm, cosy and safe.

*Franziska*
Diamond Harbour Camera Club

A group of photography enthusiasts got together back in 1999 to form a camera club in Diamond Harbour. This is a group of those who want to capture our wonderful vistas of land, sea and sky on film or digital media.

All aspects of photography ranging from the types of cameras, film and digital, composition and taking photographs, presenting the finished product and anything else associated with photography are of interest to the club members.

The club caters for all photographers regardless of ability and particularly those with a general interest in photography and wanting to find out how to take better pictures.

An expensive SLR camera is not necessary and many of our members use a simple point and shoot compact camera to capture wonderful images.

We have a wide and varied programme ranging from guest speakers and workshops to members showing their travel photos and field trips close to home and further afield. The current programme includes Vida Watson showing her travels in China, a session on classic cars, answering the question Is photography art?, a workshop on travel photography, and many other interesting photography topics.

We do not hold formal competitions but encourage club members to show their best pictures at the annual Diamond Harbour Arts and Crafts Fair.

Taking photos, showing them to each other, and talking about them are the things that help people take better photos. That’s what the Diamond Harbour Camera Club is all about.

The Club meets on the third Tuesday of the month in the Diamond Harbour Stage Room of the Community Centre at 7.30pm and visitors are most welcome for a small meeting fee of $3. Annual membership is $20 (couples $30, students $10).

For further details contact Dale McMillan (Chairperson) 388 0542 or Rouke Bakker (Secretary) 329 4945.

Graeme K

New Diamond Harbour Youth Group

A New Diamond Harbour Youth Group has started and we would love to see you (or your children) there.

We meet at the Church Hall every Friday during term times from 7pm until 10pm.

Ages 11 to 18.

Costs $2 every week and bring extra for the tuck shop.

The youth group offers a place for the young people of Diamond Harbour, Charteris Bay, Purau, etc to chill out, play games, make new friends and have lots of fun!

Note to parents/guardians

Parents/guardians are responsible for getting their children to and from the church hall and are responsible for their whereabouts before 7pm and after 10pm.

Want to find out more?

For further information email dhyouthgroup@gmail.com or phone 329 3170, or text me on 021 1122 464.

Emma Kinnings

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Diamond Harbour Croquet Club

Our club has had an enjoyable fun season – the closing day on Saturday April 30, was a typical sunny day on the greens in the sheltered spot on Stoddarts Point.

This year we have had visits from Akaroa Croquet Club, Men’s and Women’s Probus, family teams, and other special groups. Chocolate fish were the principal prize for special achievements. We have appreciated Brian Collins, an ex-resident who visits to give us advise and coaching.

We were fortunate to receive a Pub Charity Grant to assist in maintaining our greens, which will help to keep the club functional.

We are a small club, always willing to welcome new members from the community. Our next season will commence in September 2011.

Ruth Willis - President

Lyttelton Harbour Festival of Lights

Postponed until Friday July 29

Lyttelton needs no excuse for a Party – but due to the 5.7magnitude and 6.3 magnitude earthquakes on Monday 13th June, the township and port has suffered more damage. To ensure a safe, enjoyable and memorable street party, the decision has been made to postpone this event until Friday July 29.

Come and join the fun at 6-10pm, where we will have the usual masked parade, a wide variety of stalls, food and drink, local businesses and community groups involved, performers and musicians, a main stage with a strong focus on Lyttelton’s own home-grown musicians and performers, a fantastic fireworks display, and a great time to be had by all.

For further details contact Andrew Turner 021 159 3100 andrew.turner@clear.net.nz or visit the Project Lyttelton website www.lyttelton.net.nz/festivals/festival-of-lights

Ruth Willis - President

You Can Come Too — Local Events and Community Activities

Our Library

Did you know that the Diamond Harbour Library has all sorts of recent magazines? We have quite a few new titles that you might be interested in. They are free to borrow for 2 weeks, all you need is your library card. New titles include:

Fish and Game NZ
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he Shed
Practical Boat Owner

Did you know that you can reserve items from home? All you need is a pin number for your library card and then just log in to christchurchcitylibraries.com. Remember it doesn’t cost anything to join the library.

Storytime at the Library

Come along with your pre-schoolers to the Library at 2pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month and join Christine for stories, rhymes and songs. The next Storytime is at 2pm on Tuesday July 19. All welcome.

Christine

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**Community Notices**

**Water Supply Now Safe**
The city water supply to the Lyttelton Basin, as well as to most of the city, has now been fully restored and water is safe to use without being boiled.

**Clarifying Health Support and Health Centre**
21 years ago, the Diamond Harbour Health Support Group Inc (DHHSG) was formed to fund and build a Health Centre that could be rented to health professionals working in the community. This was achieved, the building was (almost) completed in one day by a large team of volunteers aged over 60 and working under the supervision of five retired builders. Since then, it was been leased to three successive medical practices.

All will agree that the doctors and nurses of the current lessees, Diamond Harbour Medical Ltd, provide our community with a service that is the envy of less fortunate communities and for which we are all extremely grateful.

### DH Community Association

**Meeting held June 20, 2011. Next meeting July 18, 2011**

**Public Forum**
Peter Simpson presented his ideas about a service to residents to find the cheapest power company and the possibility of gaining a residents agreement for bulk provision. He intends to offer the service free until proven and then on a commission basis. It was suggested that he circulate his ideas through the *Herald*. See page 10.

**Website**
Felicia offered statistics on www.diamondharbour.info activity. People are getting more used to going to the site for up-to-date information and spikes of use occurred with the earthquakes. The data showed 32% more returning visitors in May than in the previous month.

**Notice Board**
Dave Turner brought along the sandwich board notice board he constructed to be placed in the village centre to advertise community events and meetings.

**Earthquake Seminar Series**
Ann and Joy were thanked for organising these. The final seminar is on Monday June 27.

**Correspondence**
A letter was received from the CCC notifying that Godley House must be demolished and that the community will be consulted on further development. A reply will be sent noting that we look forward to new structures to meet the needs and wishes of the community and asking that in the interim the area be made accessible as a green space.

**Hall Report**
Further damage occurred soon after the repair of the previous damage. The Community Centre was closed pending checks and repairs and is now open again.

**LPC Reclamation**
The consents have been issued. We await the setting up of the working party group on port issues. Ngai Tahu succeeded in getting conditions included.

**General Business**
It was noted that there is a scarcity of lighting at the top of Waipapa Ave, near the track from Purau Ave to the Community Centre, by the library, and on the path from the jetty road to the village centre. Paula Smith will be consulted on how best to get this remedied. Concern about the path to the Medical Centre was also raised and will be discussed with staff at the Centre.

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**Volunteers for Update of the Service Directory & Phone Book**
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If you would like to help please contact Colin 329 4119

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(contact the Somervilles 329 4713).

Group 2: in the home of John and Margaret Somerville
Group 1: in the Church (contact Ross Fountain 329 4202).

Two home groups meet on alternate Mondays at 7:30pm.

Term Time Only. Contact Emma Kinnings 329 3170.

Friday 7-10 pm in the Diamond Harbour Church Hall.

July 6 & 20, Aug 3 & 17.

Hall, fortnightly on Wednesdays, on the following dates:

Lunches during winter in the Diamond Harbour Church Hall. Contact Anne Boyd 329 4444.

Wednesday afternoon fortnightly at the Diamond Harbour Church.

Catholic Mass every Saturday at 6:30pm.

A baby group meets regularly at Diamond Harbour Methodist Church for parents with a child aged between 0 and 16 months.

The groups are fortnightly on Tuesdays from 10am-noon. Inquiries can be made to the Parish office on 329 4790.

Baby Group

A baby group meets regularly at Diamond Harbour Church for parents’ mutual support and encouragement. The groups are fortnightly on Tuesdays from 10am-noon for parents with a child aged between 0 and 16 months. Please ring Wendy Coles 329 4483 for dates and other information. Meetings July 12 & 26, Aug 9 & 23.

Youth Group

Friday 7-10 pm in the Diamond Harbour Church Hall. Term Time Only. Contact Emma Kinnings 329 3170.

Community Winter Soup Lunches

You will all be welcome to attend Community Soup Lunches during winter in the Diamond Harbour Church Hall, fortnightly on Wednesdays, on the following dates: July 6 & 20, Aug 3 & 17.

For latest details of all church news, visit www.diamondharbour.info/church-notices.aspx

Regular Services

Anglican - Methodist - Presbyterian:
Sunday 8am Communion, 1st and 3rd Sundays only.
Sunday 10:30am Communion.

Catholic Mass every Saturday at 6:30pm.

Home Groups

Two home groups meet on alternate Mondays 7:30pm.
Group 1: in the Church (contact Ross Fountain 329 4202).
Group 2: in the home of John and Margaret Somerville (contact the Somervilles 329 4713).

Bible Discussion Group

Wednesday afternoon fortnightly at the Diamond Harbour Church Hall. Contact Anne Boyd 329 4444.

Rainbow Music

Weekly sessions at 9:30am each Friday during term time. All preschoolers are welcome. $3 for one child or $4 per family. Rainbow Music is led by parents/caregivers on a roster basis. There is a single session commencing at 9:30am with morning tea at 10:15am. Inquiries can be made to the Parish office on 329 4790.

City Shopping Van

The fortnightly shopping van to South City mall runs on: July 13 & 27 and Aug 10 & 24.

The van does pick-ups from home around 9am and drops people back home around 1:30pm. A contribution towards fuel of $10 per shopping day is expected. To book an occasional or regular ride to South City, please ring Nicky Palmer 329 4341 or Wendy Coles 329 4483.

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 Magazine

Please email contributions for the next issue to mt.herbertparish@xtra.co.nz. You can read the current issue of the magazine and back copies at: www.diamondharbour.info/church-notices.aspx

The overhaul of Diamond Harbour Neighbourhood Support is progressing rapidly. We have one hundred groups set up giving all owners and occupiers of properties between Manson’s Point (near Allandale) and Port Levy the opportunity to be included. Gebbies Pass Rd and Camp and Pile Bays are also part of our area.

Right now group leaders are contacting all members to check on and update the information we have for each property, and to offer support to anyone who has unresolved earthquake issues — in which we are assisting CERA and related organisations to address urgent needs of anyone in our community.

If you have not heard from a Neighbourhood Support group leader in the last couple of weeks, and wish to be involved, please contact us, as this may mean we have not yet included your property in a group.

The next stage of our reorganisation is to set up an effective emergency contact system, to relay, usually by phone, important messages from emergency services (CD, Fire, Police etc) to up to 2000 people who may be in the area at any given time. We will do this in up to five levels – ie one person phones 5-7 others, each of whom phones 5-7 others and so on. To reach the 100 group leaders in this way requires 20 relayers. At present, most of those filling these 20 positions are also group leaders, and this doubling up of roles could seriously reduce efficiency in an emergency situation.

We urgently need more volunteers to ensure that each person needs to ring only a small number of others. Ideally, the system would have yet a further 120 people to act as back-ups/deputies in case an assigned person is out of the area or injured etc. We have the 100 leaders already, and I am confident that there are at least 20 to 140 others in our community who are prepared to accept the small, but potentially vital responsibility, of making a few phone calls in times of need. If you would like to be involved, please advise your group leader or contact me directly to discuss what is required and how you might help. Thank you to those who have already come forward. Special thanks to the group leaders for their on-going work.

Elaine Bryson 329 4512 or email dhnshq@gmail.com

Neighbourhood Support

Diamond Harbour

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Classifieds

Have you Lost a Cat? Stray black cat, with white on paws and under chin. Short fur and well built. Ph 329 4723.

Biking/Walking Buddy: Are you interested in bike riding and/or walking in the harbour basin area on Mondays? Anything from 1 hour to a half day. Ph Mark 329 3178.

Dale Chihuly DVD: Did I lend a DVD of this US glass blower to anyone in the district? I would like it back. Please ph 329 4788.

Power Tools for Sale: Air compressor $350 ono; band saw $447 ono; 2 belts sanders $65 ono each; electric water pump $300 ono. Ph 329 4502.

Card Table wanted: Any condition. Ph Jill 329 4576.

Yoga Classes: Mondays 7pm Stage Room. Ph Adrian 329 3395 or email diamondyoga@slingshot.co.nz.

Hairdressing: Experienced hairdresser and Reiki practitioner working from home. If you have mobility problems, I can come to you. Ph 329 4224 or 021 152 3937; or email indigo-barb@hotmail.com.

To Let: Beachview Accommodation. Modern self-contained 1-2 bedroom unit in Church Bay. Fully furnished, private access. Available now for long or short term rental. Ph John Allen 329 4112 or 027 453 3307.

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Baches to Let: Hanmer and Diamond Harbour holiday homes. Sleep 6-8. All mod cons. $80 per night. Ph Euan Godfrey 0800 212 272, ah 328 7556, fax 328 7569 or email casapropertymanagement@xtra.co.nz.

Found: Bike lock, cable style in Waipapa Ave. Ph 329 4512

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Herald Calendar

Art Group: Weds, 9.30am-12noon, Church Hall
Bridge Club: Weds, 7pm, DH Bowling Clubrooms
Camera Club: Tue July 19, 7.30, Stage Room. See p13
Church Activities: See p14
Community Assn: Mon July 18, 7.30pm, Comm Room
Diamond Harbour Singers: Weds, 7.45pm, Stage Room
Film Society: Thus, 7.45pm, Stage Room
Historical Assn: Tue July 12, 7.30pm, Stage Room. p13
Insight Meditation: Tues, 6.30pm, 7A Where Ave
Ladies Probus: Mon July 11, 10am, Church Hall
Library Story Time: Tues July 19, 2pm. See p12
Lyttelton Festival of Lights: Sat Jul 29, 6-10pm. p12
Mens Probus: Thu July 7, 10am, CB Yacht Club
Port Levy Mid-Winter Dinner: Sat Aug 6. See p13
Quilting Group: Fris, 1pm Community Hall
Rugby Club: Clubroom Bar open Fri & Sat from 5pm
Shoppers Van: Weds, July 13, 27; Aug 10, 24. See p14
String Players: Weds, 8pm. Ph 329 4536.
Tai Chi: Thurs 10.30, 11.15, 12.30, Community Hall.
Toy Library: Sats 10am-11am, Community Hall
Ukulele Band: July 14 and 28, 7.30pm. See p13
Winter Soup Luncheons: Weds, July 6, 20; Aug 3, 17. p14
Woolfun Day at Bergli: Sat July 9, 10am, Bergli.
Writers Group: Wed afternoon, Aug 17, Ph 329 4646
Youth Group: Fris 7-10pm, Church Hall. See p12

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