

# NEWSLETTER

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Portobello Community Inc.



## Te Rauone Beach & Reserve Development

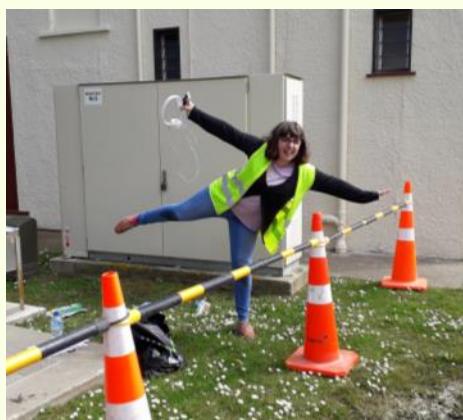
**Labour Day Meeting**  
**Monday 22nd October, 11.00am**  
**960 Harington Point Road**

**This is your opportunity to discuss the future development plans for the reserve and the beach with the Dunedin City Council, Port Otago Ltd, Otago Peninsula Community Board & the Te Rauone Beach Coast-care Group**

**A barbecue will follow the meeting**

**All Welcome**

Portobello Community Inc have commissioned Alice MacLaurin to paint a mural on the power-box beside the Coronation Hall. Keep an eye on Alice's progress and give her a toot if you see her at work when you drive past. You can check out Alices other artwork on her website:- <http://www.alicemaclaurinartist.wixsite.com/alicemakesarts>





### Chairman's Corner

Portobello Community Inc have purchased a defibrillator from St John and this will be kept at Portobello Store. Local staff will be trained in the use of this and anybody else can visit this video website and have a look at how

to use it . <https://www.stjohn.org.nz/First-Aid/AED/>

As we go to print the first cruise ship has arrived so a lot of patience will be required on the Bay Rd. With the arrival of Port to Port Cruises Portobello will become a lot busier over the summer period so please be careful passing through Portobello.

It is great to see the old Ticket Office at the jetty again being used as a Ferry ticket office. I was fortunate enough to go out with Port to Port Cruises last week and it is so good for our community to have this brilliant new venture on our doorstep.

You will also notice one of our local artists Alice MacLaurin working on a mural around at the hall. Give her a toot and check out the end result.



Wayne Cameron  
Chairman—Pbo Comm Inc



### News from the Otago Peninsula Community Board

The beginning of daylight saving is a sure sign that we are well into spring and that summer is at last on its way. We seem to have had some terrific weather lately, long may it continue.

**Peninsula Connection - Portobello Road** – Work has progressed significantly since the last newsletter and I'm pleased to say that people have been patient and understanding while the work is underway. Some of you may have read the recent article I did with local

policeman Aaron Smith. I was a little disappointed that the article was entitled "*Warning for Peninsula Drivers.*" That wasn't the point of the article at all; it was a reminder to all road users that as we approach summer and the tourist season to take care of one another.

**Te Rauone Development** – I'm very pleased to see the progress on this project between the community, DCC and Port Otago recently. The community have worked hard on this project and have in the face of considerable adversity prevailed. The "drop in" night at the Marae on September 26<sup>th</sup> was very well attended and the feedback very positive. There will be another opportunity to look over the plans and discuss the project further on Monday 22 October at 11am, 960 Harington Point Road, to discuss the plans for the Reserve and the Beach. There will be an opportunity to discuss the proposals and ask any questions. A BBQ will follow the meeting to which everyone is invited.

**Otago Regional Council Bus Changes** – Congratulations to the community who have challenged the Regional Council over the running of the morning services that affects school commuters. You won, after months of submissions, deliberations and wrangling. The change in route, added afternoon service and timetable changes have all been passed by Council.

**Tourism Operators Meeting** – The Board recently held a very successful meeting with local tourism operators from the Otago Peninsula. The meeting was an opportunity for operators to hear more about the Peninsula connection project and how its operations will affect visitors to the area. It was also an opportunity to meet new operators to the area as they establish on the Peninsula.



IMAGE SUPPLIED

## Short & Sweet

**Congratulations** to the Volunteer Fire Brigade for running another successful quiz night in the Coronation Hall. (My team was a valiant second!)

**Congratulations** to the Scott Hall in Harwood for their funding towards a new stove.

**Reminder** that the slip in Highcliff Road is to be repaired and that the road will be closed between Sandymount and Seaton Roads while drilling and excavation take place. The closure is likely to run for around a month from 8 October.

**Welcome** to Rachel McGregor and her new Port to Port venture.

**Keep an Eye Out for** Aurora will be replacing the pylons that run from Goat Island, Quarantine Island to Hatchery Road.

**Keep an Eye Out for** installation of new signage and information for drivers regarding pull over points on Highcliff Road

**Ka pai hoki koe Portobello School.** I watched your performances in the Otago Polyfest via Facebook and you were fantastic!

**Facebook** Please take the opportunity to use it if you can and share information with your friends, neighbours and whanau.

<https://www.facebook.com/pencomboard/>

If you have any issues that you would like to raise or discuss please don't hesitate to contact myself or your local Board member

**Paul Pope**

**Otago Peninsula Community Board Chairman**

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## OTAGO PENINSULA TRUST ENTERPRISES UPDATE

### Royal Albatross Centre.

How's the albatross viewing? We still have one chick left to fledge, and many adults returning to breed – this year we expect a bumper breeding season as last season's breeding just had 13 successful chicks and many unsuccessful parents will be returning to try again. However this month's viewing can be challenging on a still day – "The windier the weather, the better the viewing" – feel free to ring and ask us on the day about how the viewing is 478 0499. RBK, the mother of Tumanako the famous Royalcam chick has arrived back and we're anxiously awaiting dad BK.

### Blue Penguins Pukekura.

Fantastic viewing! We've lots of penguin chicks so the penguin numbers have been steadily growing with on average 70 penguins returning each evening.

Glenfalloch Restaurant. Don't forget our Local's Night. Every Thursday we have free BYO with dinner – come and try our Famous "Trust the Chef" menu . Glenfalloch is still Dunedin's #1 Restaurant on Tripadvisor!

Open: Weds-Sun 9.30am-3.30pm coffees/lunches. Thu-Sat from 5.30pm dinner/drinks. Ph 476 1006

Love watching cooking shows? Glenfalloch Chef Hannes Bareiter is competing in the Farm to Fork contest at Great Kiwi Home and Living Show in November. He's also shared some recipes in Delicious Dunedin Cookbook, now on sale, which features lots of local Dunedinites and their favourite recipes and tips.

### Glenfalloch Night Garden

Thanks to everyone who came along and enjoyed our magical night garden, we were quite overwhelmed with visitors. If you have any feedback about how we could host a better event next year we'd love to hear it! Email:-

[marketing@albatross.org.nz](mailto:marketing@albatross.org.nz) with any ideas

Labour Weekend – all our attractions will be open, including Fletcher House, which is open weekends and public holidays.

**Want a worthy cause?** We'd love you to join the [Otago Peninsula Trust](#) we're NZ's first private charitable conservation trust (1967) committed to 'Preserving and Enhancing Otago Peninsula'.  
Ph 476 1775



### Local Hall Hire Contacts

Coronation Hall, Portobello - Wayne Cameron - 4780 424  
Scott Hall, Harwood - Lucinda Redshaw - 4780 629  
Hoopers Inlet Hall - Jackie Clearwater - 4780 508

### Peninsula Medical Centre



12 Allans Beach Road

4780 880



## Welcome!



## Dream Job

I recently spent time at the NZ Marine Studies Centre in Portobello chatting with retiring Manager, Tessa Mills, and looking at the new building. Much has changed over at the “Aquarium” or “Fish Hatchery” as it used to be called. Tessa has worked there for thirteen years and shared some of her stories with me.

Tessa, her husband, Vic, and their three children came to Dunedin from the UK on a teacher exchange programme in 1991. They swapped houses with a Macandrew Bay family and Vic spent the year teaching at Bayfield High School. Their year made a big impression on them, and on their return to the UK they decided they would like to make NZ their home. They were granted permanent residency in 1997 (and there is a whole other story about why it took so long!) and moved into their current home in Broad Bay. Tessa found a job in at Otago University and Vic worked at the Albatross Centre as a guide and educator. It didn’t take Tessa long to become Manager of IT Computer Training, responsible for organizing courses for staff and students at the University.

Tessa would sometimes come down to the Portobello Marine Lab to train the staff working there. While standing behind the desk of the manager of the day and looking straight out across the water to Portobello, Tessa knew “this is where I want to be”. In 2005 the position of Manager of the NZ Marine Studies Centre came up for grabs and Tessa joined the queue with her application. She recalls at her interview she had to confess that she did not know much about “Fish” and wondered how this would impact on her chances of being offered the job. There was also the concern that it was only a two-year contract, so to leave her post in town was a bit of a risk. However, Tessa secured the position with her varied skills, and after the initial two-year contract her position was made permanent, much to her relief.

Highlights during her time at the helm have been many and varied. She says that working in a beautiful location and seeing marine life every day is just wonderful. She recalls arriving at the Centre one morning to see a large pod of dolphins passing by. She has enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about the local marine environment, and to go out on the research vessels – when Hatchery Road was closed she says it was fun going to work on a boat! “There is always something interesting happening here. Even pulling in the plankton net is an adventure – You never know what you will find, from tiny crab larvae, to shoals of krill, and even an occasional seahorse.”

Organising and marketing public events and holiday programmes has been a large part of her job and Tessa has found it rewarding to see what promotional tactics work the best. She explained “There are some key elements that help to grab the attention of journalists when you send out press releases – words like “first”, “biggest”, “rare” and “sex” for example … and “shark”, “whale” and “octopus” go down well too!” Tessa tried this out when they were about to release a large adult octopus back into the wild. “I thought it would be a great idea to set it free on Valentine’s Day and advertise the fact that we were releasing it so it could go off and find its true love.” She wasn’t quite prepared for what happened next as the story went viral and she received requests for photographs and interviews from all around the world for this romantic story.

Getting to know and be involved in the local tourist industry has been a highlight of her role. Tessa has served on the board of Dunedin Host, has been the regional coordinator for Seaweed, and has helped to organise the Wild Dunedin Festival and events for the Dunedin International Science Festival. She has loved working with this wide community.

Although it could not compete in size with the many large aquariums around the world, the Portobello Aquarium was popular and unique. “Visitors always commented on the knowledge and enthusiasm of our guides.” The Centre recruits mainly Marine Science students and Tessa says it has been a real pleasure to work with these talented young people over the years and watch their skills develop.

The closure of the Aquarium in 2012 due to earthquake risk on the old building has been a sad loss to Dunedin and the Otago Peninsula. A year before closing to the public the Centre recorded approximately 19,000 casual aquarium visitors, plus 3,500 coming for tours and public workshops and 6,800 school students and teachers to do school programmes. The building was eventually demolished in 2016 and a new teaching lab built in its place. One can only wonder why the Aquarium was not replaced.



*Tessa tussling with the life-sized Colossal Squid model delivered to the Aquarium in 2005.*



*Tessa at one of the many new touch pools in the Centre.*

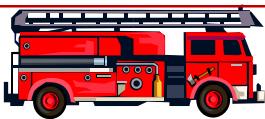
Tessa says the Centre is still busy though, as the school programmes continue, and are well-attended by local schools and schools as far afield as Invercargill, Queenstown and Christchurch. She has also continued to organise workshops and programmes that the public can book onto – such as the dissection of the 2.5 metre Sevengill Shark in September.

This year, with many changes happening at the University, was decision time in Tessa's career. She has decided it is time to get her life back and spend more time at home instead of in the office. Tessa and Vic offer tourist accommodation at their home in Broad Bay and have a large garden, so there is always plenty of work to be done. She is also looking forward to spending more time walking and cycling and just enjoying being on the Peninsula.

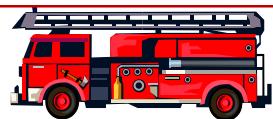
Tessa's dream is to one day see the return of the native bush on the Portobello Peninsula ... so we may see her out there doing a bit of planting.



*The bushes on the right now block out the once perfect view from Tessa's office window. Time to move on.*



## Portobello Volunteer Fire Brigade



### Daylight Saving

In 80% of the fires the Fire Service attend, Smoke alarms are either not installed or not working. The life of a Smoke alarm is Ten years so if your smoke alarm is older or near ten years old its time to replace it. Did you remember to change your smoke alarms batteries.

### Quiz Night

A huge thanks to all our sponsors who contributed to our prizes. And a special thanks to the sponsors who gave the Auction prizes these went for an extra \$1260.00. Your contributions were all very much appreciated. And to all of you who came along to our annual quiz night we appreciated your support. It was a great night with lots of prizes the brigade treasurer is still trying to do the pluses and minuses.

### Brigade

The brigade is having a big year with two members Grant Helm and Bruce Callister haven done 25 years service and Russel Partel done 50 years service this is a great achievement for those people and for the brigade. There will be a function in December for these members.

*Greg Dickson*

## Coastguard News:



Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on **Tuesday 9 October at 7.30pm in the Portobello Fire Brigade Rooms, Hereweka Street. All welcome.**

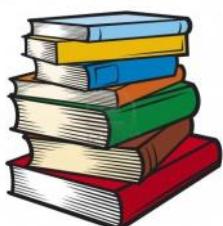
In support of the Fire Brigade we entered a team in their recent Quiz night.

The Coastguard vessel was at the Portobello Playground area for the opening of the new Port to Port ferry service. It was great to share what we do with the public. With Rachel also being a Coastguard member we wish her all the best from the Unit.

### Portobello Library News

The Portobello Library is open each Thursday morning 11am till 1pm in the Coronation Hall, Portobello.

We have lots of great books to take away and read. Book hire is 20 cents per book.



To join membership is initially \$5 and free from then on.

Thanks to Dot, our Librarian, and her helpers for opening up each week. Pop in and check us out.



The Museum has this delightful photo of an old man with his cat.

The photo is in the 'Keast' family file but has no name. Can you help them identify him?



## OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

17 Harington Point Road, Portobello, Dunedin 9014

### Museum News:

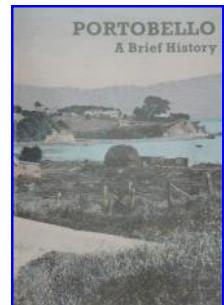
The year is moving along fast. We continue to be busy at the Museum on our usual Tuesday morning working bees. On tidying up the cottage recently we came across a beautiful wedding dress and lots of other treasures. We will try and put some clothes on display for a few months so people can see them. We have been sent a wonderful resource on family trees from an old fellow in Nelson (Gordon McIndoe). The families are: Bates, Bayne, Beattie, Clearwater, Edwards, Grainger, Gwyn, Hellyer, Leith and Walker (both from Otakou). These families are all related in some way. Also he sent a 1897 map of farm occupiers on the Peninsula, the smallest holding being 11 acrea of Robert Cowan's at Highcliff to 2023 acres for the Dickson Brothers of the Cape Saunders area. There are 207 run holders on the map. Most occupiers owned 30 to 80 acres. Please think about putting a copy of your Family Tree at the Museum for future generations to see.

If you want to be involved with the Museum our email is: [theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com](mailto:theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com) or give Warren our President a ring on 4780-255. Our book "Portobello - A Brief History" is available for \$25 from the shop or the Museum. The Museum is open on Sundays 12.30-3.30pm and any other time as requested. Thanks go out to all our volunteers who help on a Sunday. We really appreciate your support.

We opened on the Saturday of the Port to Port ferry opening. We hope this service will bring more visitors to the Museum. Even though we only open on Sundays we may consider opening on the occasional cruise ship visit days to see what the interest is. In the meantime the Museum grounds are still open for anyone to wander around and view the outside exhibits.

With the new road widening happening at present we thought it appropriate to write about the early happenings regarding the road.

The Portobello Road Board was formed in 1858. There was also an Otago Heads Road Board, a Peninsula Road Board, Andersons Bay Road Board and a Macandrew Bay Road Board. Tenders were called to clear a track from Andersons Bay to Portobello. All timber and bramble were to be felled to ground level and cleared to leave a clear track at least 20 ft wide. After the opening of the Andersons Bay causeway in 1872 a toll gate was installed. The toll gate closed in 1908.



From The Otago Witness 10 January 1874

#### Toll charges

3 pence - person	2 pence - ridden horse
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Hours: Summer 6am - 8pm Winter 7am - 7pm

Toll money is used for road improvements

Cyclists often carried their bikes around the beach to avoid paying the toll. There was a petition where cyclists wanted the cost reduced from six pence to three pence but this was not granted. Many Dunedin cyclists out for a Saturday or Sunday bike ride only went to the toll gate and turned around - hence it got the name Cape Turnaround. Most people living further down the Peninsula used the High Road so they didn't pay the toll. Remember there were no cars or buses at this time. There are heaps of articles on the Papers Past, Otago Witness, website to read about the comings and goings of the Portobello Road Board. There are interesting letters complaining about the taxes, flooding, culverts, boundaries, fences, state of the roads, stock on roads etc.

In spite of the many attractions that Dunedin has presented by the numerous amusements provided for holiday folks, Portobello has been visited by as great numbers as on any previous occasion. It has not been favoured by the public appearance in our midst of the eminent personages now visiting the Province. The railway has diverted hence, rather than directed the stream of pleasure seekers to this locality, and yet there was found no lack of them. It is pleasant, too, to record that through this season of hilarity and gaiety, the most excellent order has been preserved. The policeman has not been needed to curb the turbulent, or scare the vicious. There has been greater courtesy shown by the excursionists, and the settlers' fences were never less rudely assailed.

Tena Koutou everyone

Well daylight savings is finally here and the weather is trying it's best to do the right thing. By the time this goes to print the 1<sup>st</sup> of around 120 cruise ships will have docked at Port Chalmers bringing many more people down our way. Camper Vans and rental cars are definitely on the increase so keep a sharp look out especially around those corners.

The road works are moving along quite quickly and I have been told that there has been a couple of instances where drivers have overtaken other vehicles within the roadworks (30kmph) signs. I'm not really sure what to think of this, Why would you comes to mind, where's the fire. This type of incident exceeds Careless Driving and is bordering on Dangerous/Reckless Driving.

Significant behaviours contribute to harm on our roads and the main ones are Restraints (Buckle up people it takes all of 2 seconds), Impairment (Alcohol, Drugs and Fatigue), Distraction (Pay full attention and get off that cell phone), and Speed (Those round red and white signs with numbers in the middle them are there for a reason).

Just a reminder about the drink driving levels. None is your best option obviously but if you get stopped and blow over 250 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath but under 400 you will get a hefty fine and 50 demerit points on your licence. 100 points means you don't have a licence for 3 months. If you blow over 400 then it's a trip in to see the judge. Please be sensible and don't run the gauntlet because we all know the consequences of such behaviour.

I have got to know a fair few of you by now but as I remind myself I have been given the job of being your policeman and enforcing the law, there can be no blurred lines when it comes to doing my job.

There have been a couple of thefts from properties in the Harwood and Harington Point areas in the past few weeks. One from an open garage and the other from a house. A reminder to lock up when you are out and don't give these people the opportunity to steal your stuff. The property taken was a chainsaw and an old style radio.

If anyone has any information about these thefts please contact me.

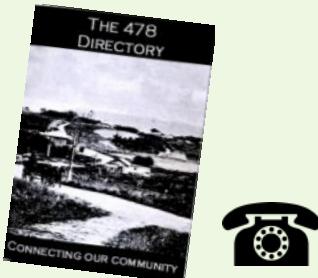
Finally with the school holidays upon us our little ones will hopefully be frolicking in the parks and playgrounds and not behind a device in their bedrooms. Watch out for them on their scooters and bikes please.

Until next time stay safe and look out for one another.

Nga Mihi  
Aaron



If you need a copy of the latest 478 Local Phone Book, they are available from Portobello Store for only \$10



The Portobello School children have done a wonderful job of collecting rubbish from our shoreline and roadsides recently. Check outside your place over the coming busy season and be a 'tidy kiwi' and 'pick it up'. If you're out and about put a bag in your pocket in case you find any litter whilst out on your walk.



## The Way to Paradise

An audio-visual collaboration between Harold Anderson and Ewan McDougall



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Local artist Ewan McDougall met Harold Anderson on fb. Harold, an American Bass player, composer and former Mozart Fellow and Otago Fellow at the Pah Homestead saw Ewan's paintings and loved them. In particular The Way to Paradise. He said that he saw it as a musical score and asked Ewan if he could write a composition to the painting. Now Harold is coming from America and his friend Mike Nock from Sydney where alongside seven members from the Dunedin Symphony Orchestra they will perform The Way to Paradise, a world premiere concert in the Donaghys Foyer, main entrance at 6pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. The painting will be on display beside the musicians. There are only 100 tickets and [there](#) will be only one show in Dunedin. Tickets from [www.ticketdirect.co.nz](http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz) 034778597 or <https://www.ticketdirect.co.nz/event/details/186749/the-way-to-paradise> More info on [https://www.facebook.com/The-Way-to-Paradise-1718867654867204/?view\\_public\\_for=1718867654867204](https://www.facebook.com/The-Way-to-Paradise-1718867654867204/?view_public_for=1718867654867204)

It is going to be a cracker of a concert

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**Company Bay 12 Castlewood Road**

**SOLD!**



**Portobello 298 Harington Pt Rd**

**SOLD!**

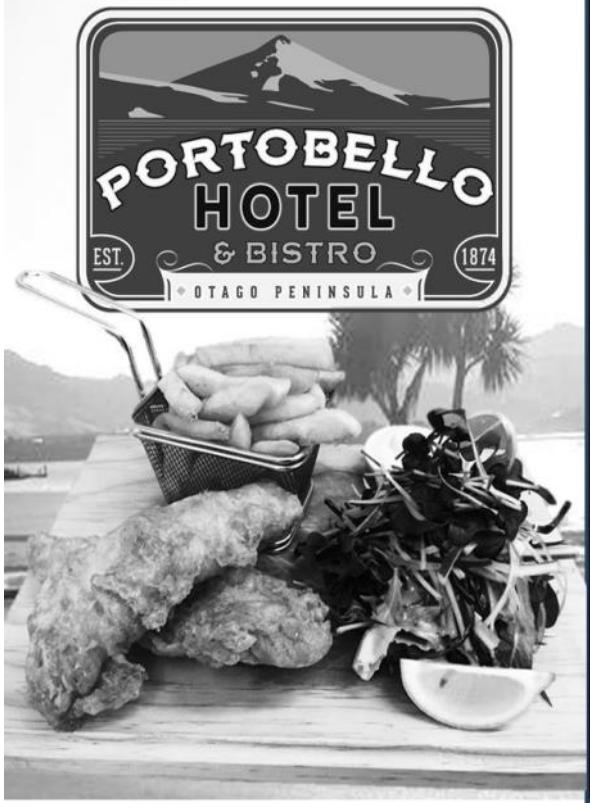


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**Early Childhood Education for children aged 0-6yrs and their whānau**

**30 Harrington Point Road  
Portobello**

**Email: [peninsula@playcentre.org.nz](mailto:peninsula@playcentre.org.nz)**

Peninsula Playcentre recently celebrated Matariki. As a special treat, we had local author Kitty Brown come and read her new books to us. She also talked to our tamariki about what Matariki signifies. Afterwards, everyone made a special star and wrote their wishes for the New Year on them. We wish to thank Kitty for coming and spending time with us and we hope your special Matariki wish comes true!

You might have seen re-useable bags for sale the Portobello Deli. This term our learning theme is Reduce, Re-use, Recycle. Recently parents got together and made recycled fabric bags to be sold at the Deli, to both support the Deli in being plastic-free and also as a fundraiser for the Playcentre. Money raised will go towards outdoor improvements required at the Playcentre, which we would love to achieve over summer. We are still operating on a 'provisional' Playcentre license, which we hope will be made 'full' at the end of this year if we keep working hard at meeting all the requirements. Next on our agenda is making several changes to our outside area, as requested by the national Playcentre Federation. Keep an eye out for our upcoming fundraising events or get in touch if you would like to offer any support.

We would like to thank the Otago Peninsula Community Board for making a special donation of \$250 towards the Playcentre. This was a huge help, as it softened the blow of unexpected arborist costs after a huge macrocarpa branch recently fell on our tree fort! We are delighted that our roll continues to grow, and we always enjoy welcoming new families to the Playcentre.

Please come and visit us on Monday and Wednesday mornings 9:30-12:30.



This week will see a new coffee machine installed well its not quite new but a lot younger than our current one. It's a "La San Marco" from Mazagran the supplier of our coffee beans. We shall be sad to see the old Wega go it makes lovely coffee in fact I don't think a day goes by without someone commenting on how great our coffee is (and probably our cakes too).

This summer season is shaping up to be a big one with lots more cruise ships, a new ferry service to and fro from Port to Portobello and a new footpath and cycleway from Broad Bay.

We say goodbye to Jonathon next week and welcome another Holly, in time for the busy season so do come by and say hello.

From all of us at Penguin Café, Peter, Ceinwen, Cherie, Ellie, Holly, Isla and Jeanie we look forward to seeing you.

I love reading the Portobello news and keeping up with events in the area. I have a little boatshed over in Portobello Bay - it's the bright green one. I spend so many happy hours there and recently my friend and I had a lovely kayak around the headland to Quarantine Island and back. We also enjoyed watching a seal feasting on a school of fish. There's always something of interest on the water.



## Otago Harbour Ferry

**Daily departure times:**

**Portobello Wharf (to Back Beach)**

12:45pm

3:15pm

**Back Beach (to Portobello Wharf)**

12:55pm

3:25pm

**Adults: \$10 Children: \$5**

*Ferry trip takes approx. 10 minutes*

**Please be waiting 5 minutes prior to ensure you don't miss the ferry**

**Bicycles welcome, but please advise prior.**

**For other times or locations, please contact us.**

Concessions available at Portobello Boatshed booking office.

**Bookings by website or phoning.**

**[www.porttoport.co.nz](http://www.porttoport.co.nz) 020 416 24250**

# Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua Community

## 60th anniversary celebration



### Labour Weekend: Saturday 20th October 2018

Join us for 'part one' of the 60th celebration for the Quarantine Island Kamau Taurua (previously St Martin Island) Community.

We'd love to hear memories/ see photos of your time on the Island!

**10am** - Boat pick up from Back Beach. Portobello pick up by prior arrangement. 10am - 12pm A leisurely walk around the island, and informal sharing of memories  
12-1pm potluck lunch  
1.15pm - Additional pick ups at Back Beach and Portobello, and returns on the back trip, if required.  
2-3pm Gather in the restored Married Quarters building for 5 talks from past & present Community members  
3-4pm Afternoon Tea  
4 - 5pm Return to the Married Quarters for more sharing of stories  
5.30pm Return to the mainland ... or stay for...  
6.30pm Potluck dinner  
9pm Return to the mainland or stay overnight, to relax and enjoy the Island and good company further.

### Sunday 21st and/or Monday 22nd October

Come for the afternoon, or stay overnight to relax, do a little biodiversity monitoring, weed control, releasing seedlings ...



**What to bring:** A few photos, a poem, a story, a song. Something simple and yummy for the potluck meals. \$15 for the boat. Additional gear if you are staying overnight.



[secretary.quarantineisland@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.quarantineisland@gmail.com)

[quarantineisland.org.nz](http://quarantineisland.org.nz)

It was great fun to participate in the new Port to Port open day recently. We hope this additional service will make the island even more accessible for locals.

We are excited about two upcoming events and hope you'll join us.

Firstly, on Sat. 20<sup>th</sup> October, we have 'part one' of the 60th anniversary celebration for the Quarantine Island Kamau Taurua (previously St Martin Island) Community. There will be time for informal sharing of stories and memories, and some short presentations from previous and current members of the Community, including former Keepers.

A leisurely walk around the island, a delicious potluck lunch and dinner...Come for the day, or stay overnight.

On Sun. 21st October and/or Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>, you can also come over for the afternoon, or stay overnight to relax, do a little biodiversity monitoring, weed control, releasing seedlings ... And hold the date of Saturday Nov. 17th for Part 2 of our 60th anniversary celebration – more sharing of stories, and a barndance! Details and booking information at:-

[quarantineisland.org.nz](http://quarantineisland.org.nz)



### Native plants for sale

Pohutakawa, Kowhai,

Kaka Beak, Pittosporum

\$3.00 each,

Gate sales 35 Seaton Road

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FALLING FOR  
THAT AGAIN



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to the wonderful VOLUNTEERS  
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Dead or alive, let us know. Email:

[brenda.wayne@xtra.co.nz](mailto:brenda.wayne@xtra.co.nz)



## STOP News

STOP volunteers have completed the planting for the year at Smiths Creek, the NGL and the Portobello Peninsula Millenium Reserve. Unfortunately Broad Bay School had to cancel due to bad weather so their plants have not yet gone in at Smiths Creek, so we cannot say planting is complete for the year yet.



### Darwins barberry

STOP undertook a project, directed by Moira Parker, to try and eliminate this plant from Pukehiki north, and local landowners have been very supportive. This attractive looking plant with its orange coloured flowers – and its prickly leaves - is REALLY OBVIOUS now. (Don't all weeds look pretty when they flower?) Unfortunately, it is lethal, both for pasture where it spreads rapidly and in bush remnants where it suppresses native seedlings. We would like you now to get rid of it from your garden, so that it does not spread back.

### Working bees

Regular working bees (weather permitting) will continue at Smiths Creek (meet at the end of Bacon St) every Tuesday at 9.30 -12.30 and Sundays 10am – 1pm, to get on with releasing, gorse cutting and pasting, track maintenance and increasing the natural revegetation areas. Also every Thursday at another site and lately the “War on Weeds” Group has also been organising combined working bees, both for Darwins barberry and gorse.

More volunteers always very welcome. Email STOP [stopincsoc@gmail.com](mailto:stopincsoc@gmail.com) or contact Lala Frazer (Ph 478 0339, Text 027 8756 020).

STOP's monthly **meeting** is in the Broad Bay Community Centre Meeting Room behind the Hall in Clearwater St on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm. All welcome.



OCTOBER 2018

## Peninsula Property **focus** **Harcourts**

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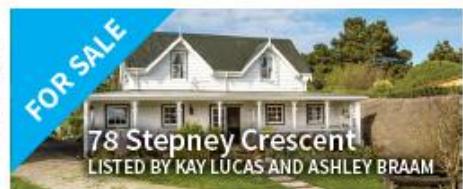


with Jason Whitehead of Harcourts Dunedin

### Dunedin Property Market

Spring has sprung and we are starting to see the usual increase in homes coming to the market. Last month the stats showed the median sale price for dwellings price reach \$411,000, with 25 median days on the market. So little has changed really, demand for homes still outstrips supply making it an excellent time to sell. We are short of homes on the Peninsula to suit our buyers so if you're contemplating selling I would love to hear from you. Being born and raised in Portobello, this part of Dunedin holds a special place in my heart and I would welcome talking to you about your real estate requirements.

### Recent sales on the Peninsula



### Spring Marketing

The buds are blooming, the sun is shining, and the market is hot! I'd like my home to shine above the competition with this Spring Marketing package.



Jason Whitehead **0275 715 196** [jason.whitehead@harcourts.co.nz](mailto:jason.whitehead@harcourts.co.nz)

**Harcourts**

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## **Pilates at Portobello**



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*Feel relaxed and well*

*Breathe correctly (very important for many reasons)*

*Take some out just for you!*

*Have fun and give your body some new challenges*

Come along and join our relaxed and fun movement class

Everyone is welcome, most conditions/pain/injuries can be worked with so please call/email me if you wish to consider joining.

**ENROLL NOW!!**

**Term 4 classes for us: Mon 22 Oct (Labour Day) until Mon 17 December 2018**

**\$100 for the term**

**Penny Ph. 027 464 9180 pennykershaw@gmail.com**

**The Portobello Blues Festival** was established in 2015 and has bought a lot of joy to the Dunedin community ever since. The running of the festival has just been handed over to TBSOM Entertainment (The Bedford School Of Music Ltd) and they have huge long term plans for this incredible festival. This year will see the festival made annual by popular demand. They plan to showcase NZ songwriters as much as possible while keeping the incredibly high standard that has been set by the festivals organizers. This years events will include a massive finale concert, a songwriters showcase, workshops in Songwriting & performance for all ages, talent quest, open mic/jam session, buskers, a showcase presentation from Oamaru's Harbour Street Jazz & Blues Festival, plus a free concert in the Octagon. The event organizers Miriam & Jae Bedford are no strangers to the blues stage or events co-ordination. They have run and been involved in The Future Is Now Festival & Tours, Fire & Steam, Harbour Street Jazz & Blues Festival, Christmas at Friendly Bay, New Years Party Oamaru & so much more. The Bedfords are currently seeking sponsorship to cover cost and pay the festival entertainers. Naming rights & event/artist sponsorship is also available. If you are interested in sponsorship or volunteering please message [tbsom@live.com](mailto:tbsom@live.com).

This years festival will be on **March 8th & 9th**. Look out for artist & event announcements on Facebook.

Warm regards Jae Bedford

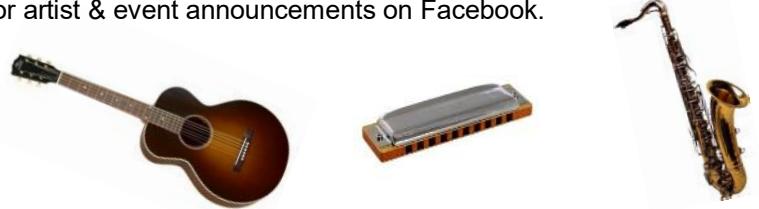
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New Zealand musicians networking

Portobello Blues Festival, Dunedin



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### **Interest free loans:**

The Moray Foundation Trust is an interest free loan charity that loans up to \$5,000.00 dollars to families and individuals for health, welfare, education and budget balancing through debt consolidation. The Foundation has been established since 1993; Each small re-payment from our clients' has gone into the pocket of another over the last 24 years. Creating the incredible circumstance that the foundation has loaned over 1 million in Otago; this amount is purely from the small initial seed funding that we still have invested.

To be eligible for a loan you must: work with a Budget Adviser for a referral, be committed to debt repayment, be able to make payments required and stay working with the Budget Advisory Service for the duration of loan repayment.

So if you feel that this is the solution for your circumstances, please make an appointment to register with a Budget Advisory Service today.

[www.morayfoundationtrust.org.nz](http://www.morayfoundationtrust.org.nz)

**Moray Foundation Loans**

**Moray Foundation Trust**

**From OpenArts Inc.**

**Yes! An early warning notice**

**For Our annual Art Fair**

**Saturday/Sunday November 24/25!**

**Macandrew Bay Hall**  
**10 – 5 daily.**

**Always a great place for wonderful**  
**Art and Craft**

**Christmas Gifts**

**Live Music**  
**and**  
**MORE!**

**Come along and enjoy an hour or two.**  
**Chat with the Artists about their work.**



## LARNACH CASTLE



### Events Calendar August - November 2018

#### Kids Go Free (School Holidays)

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October | Pay at gate on the day

Kids receive free entry into Larnach Castle during the NZ School Holidays. No limit on the number of children, however children must be accompanied by one paying adult. Full entry for one adult is \$31. Pre-booking not required, pay on the day.

#### Spring Fling

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October | 11am - 3pm | Pay at gate on the day

Garden Entry: Adults \$10, Children (5 - 14) \$2, Children (0 - 4) FREE

Reduced Garden Entry fees for the day. Celebrate Spring with the family at Larnach Castle. BBQ, carousel rides, face-painting and Ballroom Cafe will sell delicious Castle made food. Complimentary entertainment for children.

#### Christmas Dine & Dance

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November | 7pm | Tickets \$100 per person

Perfect end of year work or club function! Gather your friends or colleagues and celebrate the Christmas season. Includes return transport, a lavish Christmas buffet and live entertainment all in the Larnach Castle Ballroom.

**More information at [www.larnachcastle.co.nz/events](http://www.larnachcastle.co.nz/events)**

To enquire or book, phone (03) 476 1616 or  
[email reservations@larnachcastle.co.nz](mailto:reservations@larnachcastle.co.nz)



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Coronation Hall  
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Portobello  
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Tel: 03 466 7227

## Coronation Hall Opening Hours:

**Wednesdays 8am - 5pm**

**Jim Webb**  
Osteopath/Physiotherapist

By appointment only

[enquiries@integratedhealthotago.co.nz](mailto:enquiries@integratedhealthotago.co.nz)

Jim is available every Wednesday in our Portobello clinic to assess, treat and rehabilitate your injuries and assist you back to health.

At IHO we use structural and functional Osteopathy and Physiotherapy, as well as Cranial Osteopathy and Digestive Health care to maximise your positive outcomes. A full biomechanical assessment, personalised rehabilitation programme and where needed orthotic prescription are all available at both our clinics.

Xceed Fitness provides special rates for IHO clients and have kindly provided our Portobello clinic with a treadmill, static bike and free weights. Many clients have already experienced our new facilities and feel it is a great asset to the services we provide our local community.

If you're based in town during the week, you could always visit us at our Maori Hill clinic where our team of Osteopaths and Physiotherapists are more than happy to assist you with your treatment needs.

### *Need help to start an exercise programme?*

Xceed Fitness are pleased to announce they are now offering Exercise Consultation and Personal Training and Group fitness services to Peninsula residents from the Portobello branch of Integrated Health Otago at the Coronation Hall.

#### **GROUP FITNESS SPACES LIMITED SO GET IN QUICK!**

David & Nick have 20 years of combined industry experience coupled with recognised Personal Training qualifications. As dedicated Fitness Professionals they believe that good health is your most valuable asset and that it is never too late to make healthy lifestyle changes. They enjoy working with people from all walks of life and can tailor an exercise regime to suit individual needs whether it be for weight reduction, injury rehabilitation or exercising for health benefits. David and Nicks approach is friendly and personable with the needs of the client always paramount. They look forward to meeting local residents and establishing themselves as part of the Peninsula Health Care network.

For more information please phone

Nick Hoskin 027 8406954



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Click on the "Read our Newsletter"  
tab and catch up on all of your  
community news.



## Coming to Portobello Store

Each year more than **2,000** New Zealanders will suffer a cardiac arrest outside of hospital

For **64%** of cardiac arrests a bystander will perform CPR

People may show no warnings or prior symptoms and **15%** survive to hospital discharge following a cardiac arrest

Use of an AED within 3-5 min of collapse can increase the **chance of survival by up to 40%**

Resource - St John website:

## AED Automated External Defibrillators



**Age Concern Otago**  
**Falls Prevention Programme**  
*For men and women 65+*

## Portobello Bowling Club

Steady As You Go<sup>©</sup>

Strength & balance exercise class - Mondays 10 am  
Tai Chi Classes - Mondays & Thursdays 1.30 pm

Enquires: Margaret Dando 477-1040 Ext 702



## COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH  
@ PORTOBELLO BOWLING CLUB

10-12pm

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There were 508 shops involved and we were proud to finish in the top 15 and to be the only shop South of Nelson to make it into that top 15 so thank you.

### Current Opening Hours

**Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun 5pm—7:30**



Watch out for our brand new 2019 OPBG Calendar, which will hit the shelves at our usual Peninsula outlets within the next week.

If you cannot wait, please email: [secretary@opbg.nz](mailto:secretary@opbg.nz) and we can arrange to get one or more to you. As in previous years it is yours for only \$20 plus complimentary envelope As in previous years it is yours for only \$20 plus complimentary envelope



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## Portobello Bowling Club Inc

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Contact Secretary Brian Cameron 4780 816 for further information

Social Evenings on Thursday's & Sunday's - 4.30pm to 7pm - Social Membership \$20.00

Once again our Season is about to open - 06<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm - All players & intending players are welcome to come along -

Competition Bowls start after Labour Weekend

Our first Monthly Tournament is to be held on Sunday 28th October starting at 1.30pm

We are always looking for New Members for our Club - if you are interested in joining, Socially or as a Bowler, please feel free to give us a call - you would be most welcome

Some snippets from years gone by . . .

### Wanted.

**WANTED**, a qualified Teacher for the Portobello School; salary £100 per annum, with residence, and 10 acres of land. Apply to Mr Hislop, Education Office, Dunedin; or by letter to Mr H. Ridley, Portobello Bay, on or before the 25th December 1863.

### BRICKS.

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### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

**TENDER**s are requested to be lodged with Mr Lewis, Portobello, for Forming a Road in Portobello Bay, stating the price per chain for finishing the work.

The plans and specifications may be seen at his house, with whom tenders must be lodged not later than Monday next, the 29th instant, at 4 p.m.

Portobello, 23rd April, 1867.

J. A. LEWIS,  
Clerk to Portobello Road Board.



MAORI KAIK RACING CLUB.

### GENERAL BOARD OF ROAD TRUSTEES.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

**TENDERS** for the following Works will be received by the Undersigned, on or before SATURDAY, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, viz.:

#### 1. PORTOBELLO ROAD LINE.

To clear a road line through the bush from Anderson's Bay to Portobello Bay; the timber and brambles to be felled close by the ground, and cleared off so as to leave a road line of 20 feet wide; the branches, if any, of large trees overhanging the road line, to be lopped off—at per chain.



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If you would like to make a donation towards the ever increasing printing costs, please fill in this form and mail to: Portobello Community Inc, c/o C. Neill, 574 Allans Beach Road, RD2, Dunedin, 9077

OR Drop it in to the Portobello Store, 1 Harington Point Road, Portobello

OR Our a/c for Internet Banking is: 01 0906 0083500 00

Please use "Donation" as reference. Thank you

I wish to make a donation to Portobello Community Inc.

Name (optional).....

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# RURAL SKIP DAYS

**Portobello Domain** | Sunday, 14 October | 10am – 5pm

*(Waste must not be left at the site outside these times)*

**Vegetation ONLY** loads must **not** contain any flax, cabbage tree leaves or grass clippings, and no complete hedgerows or similar.

## GENERAL WASTE

**NO LARGE ITEMS:** i.e. engines, metals, tanks, metal drums, whiteware, demolition materials\*, or large items of vegetation

**NO UNACCEPTABLE WASTE:** i.e. hazardous waste, animal remedies, herbicides, medicines, medical waste, gas bottles, wire, asbestos or petrol tanks

**NO LIQUIDS:** including oil

\* *The maximum size of demolition material is one metre in any direction. Material is to be clean and contain no asbestos.*

03 477 4000

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### DIARY DATES TO NOTE

Pilates - Every Monday from 5:45pm - 6:45pm. Coronation Hall  
Steady As You Go - Every Monday 10am. - Portobello Bowling Club  
Tai Chi - Every Monday & Thursday 1:30pm Portobello Bowling Club  
Portobello Library, - Coronation Hall - Every Thursday 11am - 1pm  
Otago Peninsula Museum - open every Sunday 12:30pm - 3:30pm

### **Portobello Community Inc**

**President:** Wayne Cameron — **Treasurer:** Christine Neill — **Secretary:** Nicki Topliss

**Newsletter Editor:** Brenda Cameron — **Deputy Chair:** Geoff Sheridan

**Committee:** Ruth Seeney, Pete Dulgar, Davinia Thornley, Sandra Clearwater, Richard Steentjes, Racheal Bergersen, Michael Lascarides, Lyn Sheridan, Paul Pope

Meetings held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Coronation Hall Kitchen, 7.30pm  
All welcome