

# portobello news

OUR HOME BY THE OTAGO HARBOUR

APRIL-MAY 2025



Thanks to artist Tony and his crew, we've got two new mural artworks at the Pump Track.

The designs were based on the local landscape, environment and the cultural narrative behind the name Te Wana - which we look forward to installing a sign for soon, too.

Paints were also donated by local dad and painting contractor Urs Morand.



Portobello spotted on the cover of this month's AirNZ in-flight magazine!



## ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION

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# Portobello Community Inc. Update

## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou,

It feels like a lot is going on in Portobello at the moment! Between the Wild Dunedin festival, new owners at both the dairy and the medical clinic, the last fish'n'chips at Ric's Galley, and a well-deserved medal in the NZ Outstanding Food Producer Awards for Augustine's, there are plenty of fond farewells and new beginnings.

Our thanks to everyone who came out for the autumn Market Day, despite less-than-stellar weather (for the second time in a row). Hopefully we'll catch a break for our midwinter edition... keep an eye on this newsletter or join our mailing list for the announcement of the date. These markets are a great opportunity to come out to support local creators and socialise with your neighbours, and definitely help our little group raise some much-needed funds.

Speaking of community events, please come join us for the annual Anzac Day commemoration at the Peninsula Museum, 9:30am of 25 April.

Finally, I would also like to take the opportunity to thank our treasurer Amy McFadzien, who will be stepping down from this role. Amy has been a patient and helpful force behind the scenes, and was instrumental in helping us level up our fundraising game to get the Pump Track at Portobello Domain built. Thanks, Amy, for all your time, support, and good cheer.

Our little group can't do its thing without help from people like Amy—and you! Come to one of our meetings or events and see what we're up to.

Kā mihi nui,

*Michael Lascarides*  
President, Portobello Community Inc.

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# Updates from the Otago Peninsula Community Board

As I write this, I'm mentally preparing myself for ritually putting the clock back after daylight saving. To say I'm a little sad that another mixed summer is over, and we barrel towards the darkness of winter would be an understatement. Frankly, I'm a fair-weather person at the best of times and adding darkness to the cold fills me with a seasonal dread akin to having relatives come to stay who you don't particularly like.

## Dunedin City Council Long Term Plan 2025-2034

The Dunedin City Council Long Term Plan is a vital one for the Otago Peninsula to have the roading widening project completed for the benefit of our community. The Portobello School Section, Ōtākou Fisheries and inland route from Harwood are essential for the safety and sustainability of the Peninsula. It's essential that the community get behind these projects by submitting to the Long-Term Plan. Submissions close at 12 noon on 30 April 2025. Submissions can be made by visiting: [www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/currently-consulting-on](http://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/currently-consulting-on) and clicking on "Draft 9 Year Plan". Alternatively, you can write to, Dunedin City Council, PO Box 5054, Dunedin 9054. Please have your say!

## Water Done Well Submissions

Local Water Done Well (LWDW) is the Coalition Government's plan to address Aotearoa New Zealand's long-standing water infrastructure challenges. The Dunedin City Council is required to prepare and submit a Water Services Delivery Plan by 3 September 2025.

The Council must identify its arrangements for delivering water services to the community. Two options are being considered;

1. Water services remain in-house (preferred option),

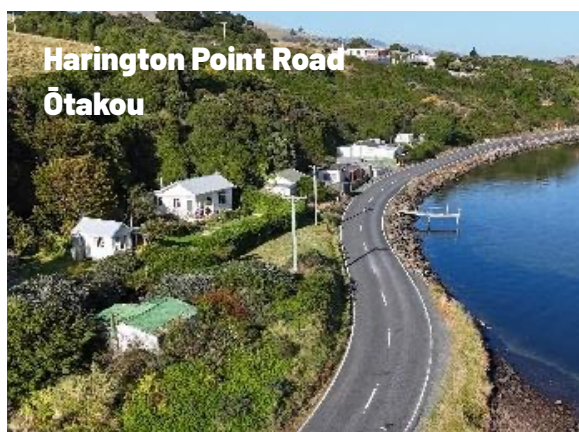
2. Water services are managed by a new Council-Controlled Organisation (CCO).

Submissions close on the 30th of April and I encourage all residents to submit their opinions on this important issue.

Submissions can be made online at [www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/council-projects/local-water-done-well-reform](http://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/council-projects/local-water-done-well-reform) or by writing to the Dunedin City Council, PO Box 5054, Dunedin 9054



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## Otago Regional Council Public Transport Plan

Recently, many children and parents in our community face the daily challenge of securing a place on the public transport service from the city to the Otago Peninsula. The bus, especially during school hours, is often full, leaving many young people stranded at stops and unable to reach their destinations. The Board presented a petition of 600 signatures to the ORC asking for increased afternoon services to solve the problem.

Public consultation for the Draft ORC Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035 commenced on 24 March with the submission period closing on 2 May 2025. In-person consultation sessions will be held from 25 March to 16 April. Feedback is able to be provided through the ORC website at: <https://www.orc.govt.nz/your-council/plans-and-strategies/transport-plans-and-policies/regional-public-transport-plans-rptp/regional-public-transport-plan-2025-2035/>

If you have kids going to school in town or in the future please submit on this and let's get the service we actually need.

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/>

—Paul Pope, Otago Peninsula Community Board Chairman  
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# Farewell to Ric's Galley!

Our best wishes to longtime Portobello Community Inc. stalwart volunteers Wayne and Brenda Cameron, who brought Ric's Galley Fish & Chips to a close on 30 March. The lines were out the door on the last weekend as Peninsula families dropped by for one last takeaway meal and to say their thanks. Shannon Dickson-Callaghan from Harwood (*right*) was the final Ric's Galley customer. All the best to Wayne and Brenda on their retirement.,

The Portobello Store next door has also re-opened under new management. Our best wishes to the new owners!



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## Portobello Fire Brigade

It's that time of year to check your smoke alarm batteries as winter is near. Please check your electric blankets and multi-boxes. So many of those are overloaded and this makes them dangerous.

We would like to thank three of our members Bronwyn Anderson, Billy Dickson, Dean Meikle for a great achievement as they have done 25 years service to the Portobello community as Volunteer firefighters and First responders. They will receive their 25



year Gold Star at a function for them. This is such a great milestone for these members.

We are nearly 1/3 of the way to our First responder vehicle. Thanks to all the great donations and support we have received from so many of you this has overwhelmed the brigade members.

Ngā mihi,

— *Jamie Ramsay, Chief Fire Officer, Portobello Volunteer Fire Brigade.*

## Medical Clinic News

Dr Peter Cooke is pleased to announce that the Otago Peninsula Medical Centre has changed ownership this month. Drs Steven Bannister and Tania Phillips are delighted to take over the job of providing medical care for the community in the area.

Dr Tania Phillips who many of you may know has been working at the clinic since February 2020 when she replaced Dr Janet Downs. Dr Steven Bannister previously worked in Methven for many years and has extensive experience in primary health care in NZ and overseas.

Over the next few months I will be assisting at the clinic to ensure a smooth transition. Thank you for all the good wishes and messages I have received as I step down from the many good years I have had in the job of being the local Doctor. I know that your health care needs will be looked after well by Steven and Tania. It has been an honour to be part of the community.

I wish you and your family the best of health in the future.

Regards to all,

*Dr Peter Cooke.*

## Hoopers Inlet Hall deck project completed

A huge thank you to our volunteers Keith MacMillan, Bevon Potter, Steven Owens, Fred Neill, Sam Neill, Tom Churchill, Paul Kemp, Brenda and Wayne Cameron, Sandra and Alan Clearwater.

Special extra thank you to Alan Clearwater for the new door (on the other side of the hall) and window and Warren Morris for the other window. Great to see the history of the hall still repeating by using items donated/repurposed from other buildings around the community. Thanks also to Keith MacMillan for planning and project managing the build. The extension looks like it has always been there, and the feedback has

already been super-positive.

Many thanks to the Masonic Lodge and the Peninsula Kilwinning Lodge for the grants towards this project.

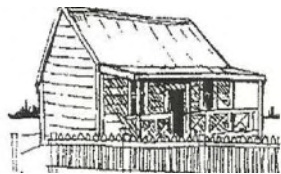
—*Jackie Clearwater*





# Otago Peninsula Museum

As we head into the Autumn and Winter months we are grateful that we now have two heat pumps that have been installed at the Museum. Each year we are able to apply to Te Papa for a grant for equipment or projects so this grant has helped immensely over the years.



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Our working bee volunteers on a Tuesday have been busy as usual rearranging stuff to make way for more stuff!! Painting, fixing stuff etc etc. Plus the usual popular morning tea.

Our popular books Portobello – A Brief History and Otago Peninsula Then and Now are available from the Museum, Doctors Rooms in Portobello and thanks to the 1908 they are also available there now. \$30 each.



We have two gazebo at the Museum that are available for community or private use. Please get in touch if you are keen to borrow them. Free for community groups and a donation for private use.

Our email address is:  
theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com

Our visitor numbers have improved lately which we are very happy about as it makes our volunteer involvement all the more satisfying to share with folk.

We are open Sundays 12.30-3.30pm and can open as requested for groups etc or for anyone passing through from out of town who would like to check out their family history. Adults \$2 children free. The grounds are always open for people to come and browse at the outside exhibits or have a picnic.

We have had a pamphlet about the Museum published to have at the Visitors Centre, local accommodation places etc. if you would like some at your accommodation then please get in touch.

## McTainsh Family of Sandymount

The photo is of Alison and Peter McTainsh in July 1850 on their wedding day in Lasswade, Midlothian, Scotland. With

two older step children and their own three young children they set sail for Port Chalmers as Assisted Immigrants on the ship Gloucester, arriving on 26 December 1858. The

family's first home was the Immigration Barracks in Dunedin (temporary accommodation for new arrivals) where their daughter Maggi was born in

March 1859. Later that year,

for the sum of five pounds, Peter purchased a ten acre Crown Grant section near Tomahawk lagoon. In 1865 he purchased 80 acres of land at Sandymount, naming it Stony Hill. Peter died at Sandymount in 1876 aged 57 and was laid to rest at the Andersons Bay Cemetery. His son John took over the running of the farm. Daughter Maggie (Mrs Scott) lived in Broad Bay and is buried in the Broad Bay Cemetery.



# Portobello Library

Our Annual General Meeting was held in early March. Thanks to those few who came along to support us. Our President is still Edna Stevenson and Librarian is still Dot Steentjes. We have a good lot of members who borrow books regularly.

The Library is in the Coronation Hall in Portobello and is open Thursdays and Sundays 11am-1pm. Come along and join up – just \$5 a family and 20 cents to take out a book. Dot is there on a Thursday and Sundays it is open by volunteers – thanks ladies.

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# Wild Dunedin Festival–Ōtepoti Dunedin Rocks!

Wild Dunedin Festival has started and runs until 22nd April (over the school holidays). It's the Festival's tenth year proudly showcasing all that makes Ōtepoti Dunedin the 'Wildlife Capital of New Zealand'.

This year's theme focuses on Dunedin's unique geological history and the vital contribution it makes to our environment. It's not just about rocks though, wildlife lovers have a host of events to choose from including guided walks, family-friendly workshops, photography tours and interactive talks, many of them free or offering special festival discount.

## A few special Peninsula events

Wednesday 16th is Otago Peninsula day in the programme featuring many family activities:

- Garden Gnome Hunt 9.30am-4pm – Glenfalloch Garden
- Marine Science Rocks! 10am-1pm – NZ Marine Studies Centre
- Wild Dunedin Cruise (Monarch) 10am-10.45am & 11.15am-12pm (designed for tamariki) – Wellers Rock
- Helping Hoiho @ The OPERA 10am-10.45am & 11am-11.45am – Harington Point
- Nature Photo Scavenger Hunt @ The OPERA 12pm-1pm – Harington Point

- Pyramids, Plants and Penguins 2pm - Okia Reserve  
Pyramids (no booking required)

## Big Discounts on wildlife attractions over the Festival

Every day the Monarch and The OPERA are offering 50% discount on their usual tours. Port to Port departs daily from Portobello at 1.15pm for Island Treasure Hunt at Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua. The daily 30-minute Express Albatross Tours will allow you to see albatross for \$5/child and \$20/adult. Blue Penguins Pukekura have 60 deals available that are 50% off normal tour prices. Larnach Castle has kids go for free. Check out the Daily events at the end of the programme or along the banner at the top of the online programme.

## Photography Events

Based on the popularity of photography events last year both The OPERA & Monarch have offered more photography sessions including a combined Land and Sea Photo Tour and the popular Sunset Wildlife & Landscape Photo Cruise on the Monarch.

Visit [www.wilddunedin.nz](http://www.wilddunedin.nz) for full programme details

Printed programmes are available at the Information board, Augustines, Portobello Hotel & The Cove.





# The Sustainable Otago Peninsula

A big thank you to everyone who completed the Sustainable Peninsula survey and attended the community meetings. Your feedback is incredibly valuable—it helps guide the planning of future projects and strengthens our applications for funding.

The survey is still open and will close on the 30th April—click the link below or scan the QR code at right. Currently we have received 290 responses and had a similar number of attendees at the community meetings held across the peninsula.

## Sustainable Otago Peninsula Survey

### Next steps

Key stakeholders involved in the Sustainable Peninsula initiative will meet early next month to further review the survey results, develop a framework, and prioritise upcoming projects.

We'll also be drawing the winner of the Otago Peninsula Getaway Package and will contact those who indicated they'd like to stay informed.

Although we're still in the early stages of implementation, as I begin connecting with other environmental groups

across the Peninsula and exploring project areas, it's striking how many places are already making strong progress with sustainability in mind. We have a solid foundation to build on, and it's a great starting point for the work ahead.



### Backyard Trapping

Now is a great time of year to set your traps and refill rodent bait boxes for rats and mice.

As colder weather approaches, rodents will seek warmth and shelter—often in your home, sheds, compost bins, or hen houses.

For best results, place traps and bait stations along the exterior walls of your home, in sheds, near compost bins and hen houses, under the house, or in the ceiling cavity. (Note: placing traps in the ceiling cavity can reduce interference but carries the risk of unpleasant

odours if a rodent dies there.)

If you'd like support in becoming an efficient and effective backyard trapper—or if you'd like help recording your data on Trap.NZ—please contact: [operations@opbg.nz](mailto:operations@opbg.nz)

— Paula Cross



## DRAFT 9 year plan Have your say






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**Feedback closes at noon on Wednesday, 30 April 2025.**

# Come to The PUGs' Open Night!

Whether you've never touched a uke or have been playing for years, The Peninsula Ukulele Group (The PUGs) welcomes you to our Open Night!



We'll kick things off with a fun, beginner-friendly introduction to playing the ukulele. You'll learn a few easy chords and try a simple song. Don't worry if you don't have a uke – we've got some spares for you to use.

Already play the ukulele? Bring yours along and join in. We welcome all skill levels.

After the introduction, we'll have a relaxed group play-along and time to ask questions – about ukuleles, chords, strumming and more. Then, stick around for a chat and some snacks.

Come see what we're about. It'll be a no-pressure intro – just good vibes and music! Contact us with any questions at [thepugsnz@gmail.com](mailto:thepugsnz@gmail.com) or <https://www.facebook.com/ThePUGsNZ>

What: The PUGs' Open Night – all levels welcome from beginners to experts

When: 6pm–7.30pm, Thursday, May 1

Where: Broad Bay Community Hall, 2a Clearwater Street, Broad Bay.

## SWAT goes offshore!

SWAT had perfect weather in late March for our annual visit to Goat Island/Rakiriri, the steep sided, bush clad island located between Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua and Port Chalmers. This 4.5ha rocky island is a Scenic Reserve, administered by DoC and much of it is covered in thick low forest with a dense ground cover of ferns. However there is a surprising diversity of plant species including tōtara, miro, fierce lancewood and unusual ferns. As this island is an important stepping stone for birds traversing the harbor, it is important to keep the native trees there from being strangled by invasive vines.

Our main targets for the day were the two troublesome pest vines Banana passion fruit and Bomarea, but hawthorn, spindleberry, rangiora, cotoneaster and boxthorn were also on the hit list.

After the essential health and safety talk, we headed up the narrow main track, with small groups heading off in different directions so as to cover as much of the island as possible. As a result of many years controlling the passion fruit here, much of the understory was clear of seedlings. But, this is a tricky place to navigate with steep cliffs on both sides so a small area can easily be missed. One such area was hiding a sizable banana passion fruit vine. We reckon the sack of fruits in the photo collected from this one vine weighed around 12kg!

It was great to have a team of four from Aukaha who got the toughest job, cutting and poisoning some massive boxthorn

shrubs on the northern slopes of the island. Seabirds can get caught in the spines on boxthorn so it was satisfying to deal to this nasty shrub that flourishes on coastal cliffs.



One of the rewards of spending hours killing pest plants is finding something quite unexpected. This was the case when we stumbled across a 4m tall matai, a species previously not seen on the island. SWAT makes sure that these observations are recorded so photos are taken and uploaded onto iNaturalist. This is the link to the matai <https://inaturalist.nz/observations/266192019>

This was SWAT's 4th visit to the island and we have seen noticeable changes. The

predominant vines are now native clematis and parsonsia happily co-existing with the forest, instead of the rampant invaders. There are also fewer hawthorns and spindleberry but on the other hand both rangiora and Cotoneaster appear to be spreading. So we have a good excuse to return next year. This small island with no possums, sheep or rabbits has a wonderful array of plant species and deserves to be looked after. Thanks to John McLaughlan of the Vivienne J for transporting our group.

Have you any invasive weed questions for us? Seen something suss and weedy on your block? Get in touch!

— Cheers from SWAT



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# Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua Community Inc.

Kia ora koutou,

Over the past few months, Island Keeper, Jon Clark, has been kept busy hosting many groups choosing to stay a night or two in St Martin Lodge. A number of groups of families and friends enjoyed some 'Island time', and two weddings were held in February, both hiring out the Married Quarters building and the Lodge.

The Untouched World Foundation, who have run education for sustainability programmes for over 22 years, partnered with the School of Fashion at Otago Polytechnic Design School and chose the Island to bring students over in February for a 4-day full-immersive fashion-focussed sustainability programme entitled Fashion Reimagined. A group from Dunedin Homeschoolers stayed in March and members of the Otago Entomology Society stayed overnight whilst undertaking a bioblitz invertebrate survey. Autumn Equinox 5-day mindfulness retreaters released seedlings, grubbed thistles, weeded the steps, and bush track maintenance during their stay, and the W.E.E. Treat (Women's Empowerment Experience) returned in early April.

Students from Bayfield High School held a week-long Camp in February, and Roxburgh, Lawrence, Maniototo, East Otago High and Twizel Area Schools held a joint Camp in March, and Broad Bay School held an overcamp in early April and helped to release seedlings during their stay. Waitaki Girls High School and St Kevin's College, Ōamaru, also stayed whilst attending the NZ Marine Studies Centre education programme. Day visitors included students from Otago Girls High School, Trinity College, and Anderson's Bay School.

Our regular weekend mahi volunteer days and monthly Welcome Days have been enjoyed by new visitors and regular volunteers/Community members. Bush track and path maintenance has continued to be a focus for Community members and volunteers, alongside caring for native seedlings, weed control, maintaining and monitoring predator traps and tracking tunnels, and the autumn bird counts have begun. Other mahi included Lodge cleaning, building maintenance and the completing the cemetery fence.

Thanks to all our volunteers and Community members for their efforts on and off the island over the last few months.

Special thanks to Ross Lewis, for his extensive mahi in the Reserve paths and bush loop track and for supporting Jon with the Andy Bay School day trips. Thanks also to Port-To-Port Cruises and Wildlife Tours, East Coast Charters and Otago Water Taxis & Tours for boat transfers.

For more details about who QI/KT Community are, how you can support our mahi by becoming a Member, and/or a regular volunteer, arrange a visit or stay on the island, as a family group, or group of friends, or a retreat, wedding or workshop venue, see our website [quarantineisland.org.nz](http://quarantineisland.org.nz) for details or contact the island Keeper (Resident Manager) Jon on 021 082 58619 or email [quarantineisland@gmail.com](mailto:quarantineisland@gmail.com).

If you haven't visited before, we host a Community Welcome Day on the last weekend of each month. Just a short boat ride from Back Beach, Port Chalmers, or Portobello pontoon by arrangement. We organise boat transport. Details and registration forms for events are on our website or posted on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

## Mahi days - dates vary

See our website 'Events' page or social media pages for details or join our Volunteer Database.

10 - 22 April- Tēnā koe te Whenua, Dear Earth- Letters to the Land: Write a letter to

the land while you are visiting the Island. Transport to Island by Port to Port. For more information and full programme online, website [www.wilddunedin.nz](http://www.wilddunedin.nz)

Saturday 26 April & 31 May - Welcome Days. Volunteer, relax or explore, or all three! Come for the day or stay overnight!



## Community Food Pantry

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## Another Day In Paradise—from Olly's Pen

Kia ora anō! Here I am again pounding away on the computer keyboard. My guitar's been sitting in the corner of the TV room upstairs and I realised, gee I hadn't played it for a while. So I took it out and strummed a few notes and had a wee jam session all by myself. I sang one of the songs I wrote about three of the Māori symbols – the koru which is the spiral of life, the poutama – the stairways of life and learning and my favourite one; the pātiki – the love energy of life. I'm happy with the lyrics and the structure of the rhythms but there's something not quite right about the chords yet. But I'm working on it. And that's made my fingers hurt. They've gotten soft again because I haven't played for so long. I also realised how much joy singing and playing the guitar gave me. I missed it – like a long lost friend. So I spent a good hour just messing around enjoying my guitar and singing my heart out. Something I'm going to do on a regular basis from now on. My Mum and Dad loved dancing and Mum enjoyed singing while Dad played the piano and button accordion. Our family was quite large and we all learnt to play musical instruments. I'm the 19th child, the pōtiki. I really loved playing the saxophone but I cashed it in when I bought my

first house. I also played clarinet, guitar and piano. As a kid growing up in the Urewera, miles from anywhere, we made our own entertainment. Whenever there was a wedding or special occasion, people brought their instruments and everyone would have a ball. Of course lots of them sang lead accompanied by backup singers in four part harmony. I miss that. I don't hear that often any more – people automatically harmonizing. The wonderful thing back then was everyone appreciated jamming, dancing, laughing and sharing that time with one another. One of my uncles always acted as the MC at large events in our village. He was recognised as the best singer in our area. His name was Sunshine and he was a great entertainer who literally spread sunshine wherever he went. My family said that he always had a great big smile on his face and that it made his face shine like the sun – that's how he got his name. I never got to know him by any other name. Music makes the heart sing and so does a big smile I was told by one of my teachers. I believe that too now – like who wouldn't - in our slice of paradise!

— Olly Ohlson

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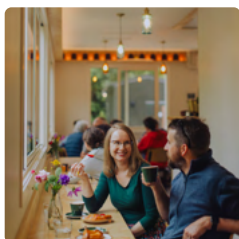
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Dave Rogers – 027 696 9657
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Jackie Clearwater – 4780 508  
[Hoopersinlethall@gmail.com](mailto:Hoopersinlethall@gmail.com)
- **Broad Bay Community Centre**  
See [www.broadbay.co.nz](http://www.broadbay.co.nz) for info

## PORTOBELLO LIBRARY

The Library is open on Thursdays and Sundays, 11am–1pm. You can find the library in the Coronation Hall, Portobello. If you are wanting to join, it costs \$5.00 per family, and nothing thereafter except for 20 cents per book to take home.

## BOOK BUS

The Dunedin Public Library Book Bus visits the Peninsula every Wednesday. At Portobello School 9:45-10:15, in front of the pub 10:15-11, and at Broad Bay School at 11:15-11:45.

## PENINSULA TOY LIBRARY

Our Toy Library is open every Sunday morning from 10:30–12:30. We have a wide variety of toys, puzzles, games, dress-ups, and ride-on toys. At the Portobello Domain Pavilion, 11 Allans Beach Road.

## BADMINTON CLUB

Badminton Club plays Sundays at 7:00pm, Coronation Hall. new members very welcome—come along and give it a try! We have club rackets for new players to use. Any enquiries phone Geoff on 0275 784 758.

## PENINSULA MEDICAL CENTRE

12 Allans Beach Road, Portobello  
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## LOCAL PHONE BOOK

478 Local Phone Books are available for purchase at the Portobello Store for \$10.

## PORTOBELLO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

All are welcome to our friendly little church on the Peninsula. 22 Harington Point Road, Portobello. Services every other Sunday at 10:00am.

## DEFIBRILLATOR

There are Automated External Defibrillators located outside Portobello Store (1 Harington Point Road), the Broad Bay Boating Club (683 Portobello Road), and Scott Hall, (54 Harwood Street, Harwood).



## HOT WATER URN RENTALS

We have two 20 litre Water Urns available for community use. If you wish to use these for an event, email [pbocomm.inc@gmail.com](mailto:pbocomm.inc@gmail.com). All we ask for is a donation.



## POOL

The Portobello School community pool is now closed for the year. Please return all keys to the Portobello School office.

# community calendar

Through 21 April  
**Almost an Island Arts Exhibition**

*Macandrew Bay Community Centre*

Through 22 April  
**Wild Dunedin Festival**  
*Various locations*

Wednesday 16 April  
**Portobello Community Inc. Monthly Meeting**  
*Biodiversity Hub, 7:30pm*

Friday 25 April  
**Anzac Day Commemoration**  
*Peninsula Museum, 9:30am*

Wednesday 30 April  
**Dunedin City Council Long-Term Plan submissions close**  
*See p.3 for details*

Thursday 1 May  
**Peninsula Ukulele Group (PUGs) open meeting**  
*Broad Bay Community Hall, 6pm*

Wednesday 21 May  
**Portobello Community Inc. Monthly Meeting**  
*Biodiversity Hub, 7:30pm*

Sundays 12:30-3:30pm  
**Peninsula Museum open**

Thursdays and Sundays 11am-1pm  
**Portobello Library open**