

# Richmond Community News

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## Volunteers needed

We require volunteers for a variety of duties at Avebury House, including guided tours. If you enjoy meeting people and would like to be involved with the day to day running of the house, we would like to hear from you.

### Parents Support Group

If you are interested in an informal meeting with other parents over a friendly cup of tea or coffee, come and join us on Monday 24 March between 10 – 11am.

All enquiries about the facilities or programmes at Avebury House please contact :

Lesley McMillan

Community Worker

Phone 9425615

Or email: [avebury@paradise.net.nz](mailto:avebury@paradise.net.nz)



Congratulations to Jo-Anne and Nick Highton (above) who are our very first couple to be married at Avebury House since its re-opening. They celebrated their day with family and friends in beautiful sunshine on 18 January, 2003. Our warmest wishes for a long and happy life together.



## DELTA COMMUNITY SUPPORT TRUST

A trained team of workers operates from the Delta House, 101 North Avon Road.

Community workers are available Monday to Friday 10am – 2pm

We offer caring support through:

- "Live to the Max" course
- Advocacy
- Assessment of your needs
- Budgeting Advice
- Casework
- Counselling
- Delta Friendship Link
- Foodbank
- Help with funerals, weddings, etc
- Spiritual Guidance – a minister is available

**ALL ENQUIRIES TELEPHONE 389 0212**

## Reminiscences of Richmond Resident

In the 1920's, on the corner of Vogel Street and Stanmore Road was Needham's Bakery. Left over dough made into stacks of bread, baked in old style solid fuel ovens and eaten with butter and a bit of salt!

Opposite Needham's, on the south west corner of Alexander Street, was a blacksmith shop where you sat on an apple box and received a haircut costing 6d. On the same side of the street, further south was the village Police Station. We kept a watch out for our policeman and would call out 'sneaky, sneaky your boots are so squeaky'. We could hear him coming a fair way down the street!

On the other side

of Alexander Street (now occupied by the 'Dollarless Drycleaners') lived well known identity, Chris McGrath who kept a horse and cart in his backyard. Further down Stanmore Road was the old Richmond School with a shoe scraper outside the door to clean your shoes. The teacher, Mrs Livingstone, used to chew licorice while she was teaching. Opposite London Street, where the New World Supermarket is now, was the old Hadfield home which was taken over by the State as a home for boys. We knew it as the 'Bisset's Naughty Boys Home'.

More next month...

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## RICHMOND COMMUNITY CRECHE

Cnr London/Pavitt Street  
Richmond, Christchurch

Phone: 381 1764

Session times:

Mon-Wed-Fri

9.00am – 12.00pm

Friday

12.15pm – 3.15pm

IMMEDIATE

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• Excellent teacher/child  
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## STARTING OVER EASY

Want to regain your  
confidence to learn new  
skills?

Or

Want to learn so that you  
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with their homework?

Or

Always had trouble  
with Reading? Writing?  
Mathematics?

Come and join the  
friendly relaxed ADULT  
learning environment  
at

Phillipstown Community  
Centre, Nursery  
Road FREE learning  
programme  
Monday and Wednesday  
mornings

9.30am–12.30pm

Starting 10 February  
2003

To enrol, contact  
Nan Caldwell  
982 0100 ext 811

or

Helen Robinson ext 862  
ca@linwoodcollege.school.nz

## crossword

### ACROSS

1. Ocean current
5. Leading actress
9. Legendary bird
12. Paradise resident
13. Read studiously
14. \_\_\_\_\_ Parseghian
15. Explosive device
16. Minute quantity
17. Short snooze
18. Slumber
20. Unmarried
22. Abundantly filled
25. Summit
28. Bond
29. Stinging insect
33. Collection of anecdotes
34. Intelligence
37. Author of "The Raven"
38. Bill of fare
40. Unit of weight
41. Pull hard
42. Rotate
46. Boat harbour
49. Pleasure boat
53. Playing card
54. Medicinal plant
57. Fly upward
58. Wrath
59. Ringlet
60. Buffalo's country
61. \_\_\_\_\_ Zeppelin
62. Golf mounds
63. Withered

### DOWN

1. Small flaps
2. False god
3. Wife of a lord
4. Glowing coal
5. Health resort
6. Small child
7. Got up
8. Send money
9. Sounded like a bell
10. Spoken
11. Promontory
19. Strokes gently
21. Recent
23. Pastry item
24. Slowly (mus.)
25. Scottish cap
26. Dollar bill
27. Cooking utensil
30. Likely
31. French coin
32. Wooden pin
35. Sun
36. Desire another's  
possessions
39. Swiss canton
43. Make into a law
44. Worth
45. Alleviates
46. Postal matter
47. Land measure
48. Tall grass stalk
50. Central part
51. Head covering
52. Poplar, e.g.
55. Native metal
56. Elevated railroads

Solution next month

## RICHMOND WORKING MEN'S CLUB & M.S.A.

P.O. Box  
26-036  
Christchurch



Phone  
389-5778

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TO SUPPORT OUR  
COMMUNITY**

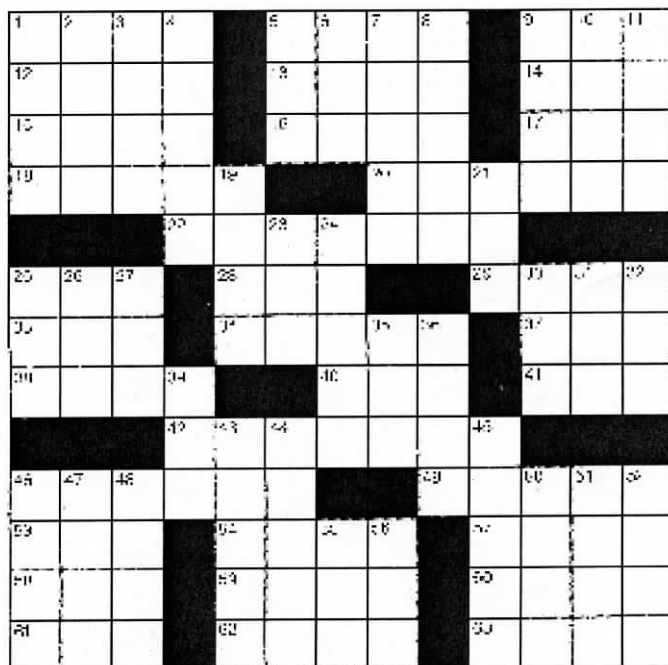
last issue's solution

### ACROSS

1. Elas
5. Take
9. Iwo
12. Lili
13. Oven
14. Cow
15. Sean
16. Pantheon
18. Enigma
20. Tea
21. Laze
23. Ruddy
27. Satyr
30. Xi
32. Lore
33. Era
34. Tutti
37. Gin
38. Ante
40. Po
41. Steps
43. Rests
45. Leer
47. One
49. Meager
53. Amenable
57. Dole
58. Law
59. Iron
60. Eria
61. Eye
62. Load
63. Deem

### DOWN

1. Else
2. Lien
3. Alai
4. Singly
5. Topaz
6. Ava
7. Kent
8. Enter
9. Ice
10. Woo
11. Own
17. Haul
19. Mart
22. Extol
24. Doge
25. Drip
26. Yens
27. Sear
28. Arne
29. Tats
31. It
35. Up
36. I see
39. Eton
42. Traded
44. Snail
46. Emend
48. Ebro
50. Gore
51. Elie
52. Ream
53. Ale
54. May
55. Ewe
56. Loa



# Police catch burglars

I am always amused to hear talk-back radio hosts, columnists and even politicians, who should know better, complaining about police failing to catch burglars.

What exactly do people mean when they ask the police to catch burglars? I suspect the average man or woman on the street has an expectation that when police do catch a burglar that is the end of that. Not so fast. Burglars have rights.

On being caught inside your home stealing your hard earned and precious personal belongings a burglar has the right to be bailed. That means that police can only hold him for a few hours before sending him on his way with an appointment to attend court within the week. Many times I have had the dubious pleasure of catching the same burglar twice in one day!

What do we mean when we talk about catching burglars? Doesn't the very word 'catch' conjure up an expectation that the burglar will be held and prevented from further offending? What you may ask is the point of capturing these offenders only to release them again? It's a bit like fly fishing isn't it?

At present in Canterbury we have a clearance rate of

17% for burglary. Doesn't sound that good does it? Less than two out of every ten burglaries are solved. But statistics can be very misleading unless put into a rational context. For argument's sake let's say we're having ten burglaries a day and each day we're solving one or maybe two of those. Then imagine that we actually took those offenders out of circulation. The effect would be that every day one or two burglars would drop out of the pool of offenders. It's a known fact that there is only a small group of career burglars and some are committing several breaks each day.

Burglary carries a maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment. We have legislation that will allow these offenders to be taken out of circulation. I've listened to an awful lot of unsubstantiated opinion that prison does not deter offenders from committing crime. My argument is that is true but only because they are receiving an insufficient dosage. Why not give prison a chance?

In the mean time, lock up your doors and keep an eye out for your neighbours.

STEF HARRIS  
Community Constable  
Linwood

## MEDITATION AT AVEBURY HOUSE



Members of the Christchurch Buddhist Community invite you to celebrate the Tibetan New Year (Tib: Losar) at Avebury House on Sunday, March 2nd 12-4pm. Activities on the day include: film screenings, Tibetan music, traditional Tibetan food, Tibetan costume, goods for sale, a sausage sizzle and kids' entertainment.

Tickets are available by phoning 384-4626 or 359-4910. They are \$10 which includes *five free Momo's (traditional Tibetan dumplings)* and *free entry to film screenings*. Children under 12 years are free. *Excludes Momo's*. All proceeds go towards establishing a permanent home here in Christchurch for Karma Thigsum Choeling Tibetan Buddhist Centre (KTC).

## WHY NOT TRY EMBROIDERY THIS YEAR?

In calm surroundings with a patient experienced tutor, classes begin on Thursday February 13, 10am - 12 noon.

Ring Alison on 388-9377 for more information.

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# Richmond Methodist Church

## Stanmore Road

A friendly, caring congregation invites you to join them at all or any of the activities listed below.

### **CHURCH SERVICE** **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

9.30am every Sunday followed by morning tea

The first Tuesday of each month at 2pm.

New people welcome

### **FRIENDSHIP GROUP** **INDOOR BOWLS** **HANDBELL RINGING**

meets on the first Thursday of each month from 10am – noon

meets on Wednesdays from 2–3 pm, weekly

practises each week on Thursdays

1-2.30pm (when in session)

### **BADMINTON**

in the hall at 7.45pm on Tuesdays

Contacts: Clive Cotton 03-313 8410  
Esme Barker 03-385 1649

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## Richmond Walking Group

Have you ever been walking with a friendly group along the banks of the meandering river, through Richmond and Avonside? If not – come and join our group – which meets each Wednesday morning in the car park of Richmond Working Men's Club. 9.30am summertime and 10am in winter.

January 15, our first for 2003, was the above-

mentioned walk. 12 of our 15 members turned up. After years of walking together, real friendships developed. Some walk others stroll, but all enjoy discussing the latest news, views and sharing different opinions. Where did we end up an hour later? Why – Avebury House. Everyone in Richmond has read or heard about it. Arrangements were made the previous week for our group to partake of a wonderful morning tea in this beautifully refurbished old Homestead. There awaited us a variety of sandwiches, asparagus rolls and delicious scones, oozing jam and whipped cream: - tea and coffee-whatever your choice, all for a very reasonable charge. Other clubs – try this!

We travel to other

destinations across Christchurch and sometimes into the country areas. If you don't drive or do not have a car, do not let this put you off coming to join our group. Drivers take you to meeting and return points (only \$2 towards petrol). Our walk of the day – we could traverse riverbanks – parks-domains and country areas, even visiting older houses, churches etc. You see, the walking group is great for us all, but we also gain a lot of knowledge about

times gone by.

If you are interested in joining our friendly, happy group, please contact Joan on 383-0920. We would love to see our group grow larger. Remember, the most important and exciting time after approximately 1½ hours walking is to decide which café to go and enjoy a natter over a coffee and muffin.

Hope to see some new faces soon.

*Lorraine McKinney*

News and views and items of interest are needed from you, the people of Richmond Community for inclusion in the monthly newspaper. We need your input to offer a balanced content. All contributions are treated equally and with respect. Any opinion is that of the writer only. Submissions to be sent to [avebury@paradise.net.nz](mailto:avebury@paradise.net.nz) or to *Richmond Community News*, PO Box 26-097, North Avon.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir

I was thrilled to see Richmond finally get a newspaper of its own. Lots of local news, advertising and a crossword. I look forward to seeing the next issue.

Yours faithfully

PMH