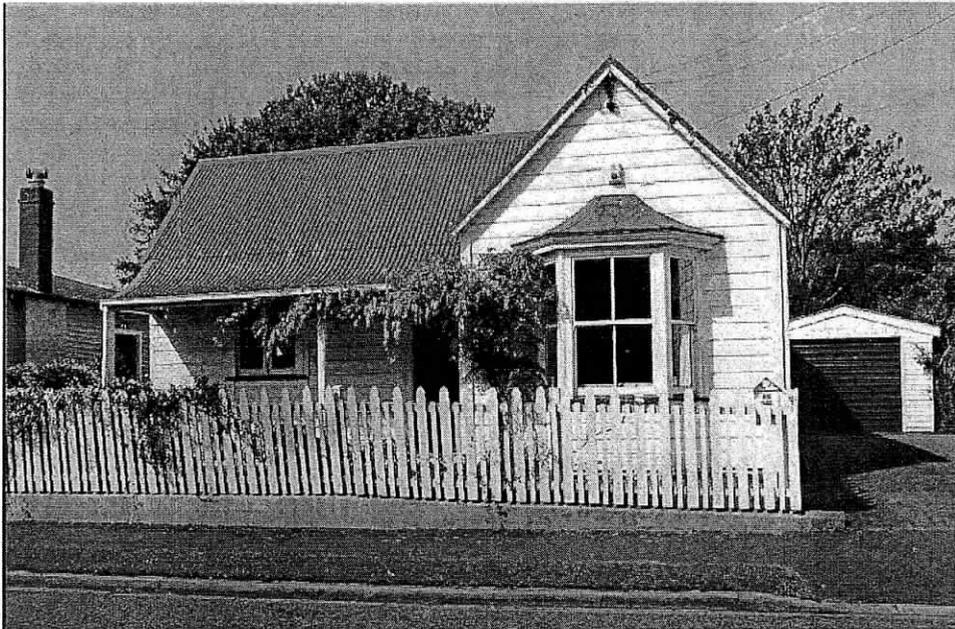


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## Twentyfourth in the Historical Homes of Richmond Series



### 66 Vogel Street

This property has been owned by a trust for the last 13 years. The house is more a small villa than a cottage with its distinctive bay window, verandah and double pitched roof, three bedrooms, a lounge and a kitchen opening off the central hallway which has wood panelling and the traditional plaster arch and there are still ceiling roses in three of the rooms. It was built of heart timber (totara?) and some of the piles are large boulders instead of concrete. Originally the kitchen/scullery would have been in the back lean-to part of the building and no doubt had a coal range, etc. At some point a modernisation took place so that the old kitchen became a bathroom and the kitchen was moved to the front of the house. Signs of the original tongue and groove wall and ceiling linings came to light in a recent bathroom renovation. Various repairs have been made to the exterior over the years using a mix of claddings, but no restoration in keeping with the original has been under-taken. There are still two brick chimneys, although they were becoming unstable and needed to be shortened and modified some years ago. In the lounge there is an original cast iron fireplace with tile surround and ornate wooden mantel-piece. The house was built with fireplaces in all the bedrooms also, but these no longer have hearths or have been dismantled. The interior has enough of the old features for a sense of character and it is a very sunny pleasant little house.

The original property would have had more land in the front before Vogel Street was widened. Apparently, there was a lovely old fruit tree in the front garden (apricot?). These days the small front area is paved, but there is quite a large garden out the back that slopes down to the fence boundry of Avebury Park. The garden that the current occupant has developed is enhanced by the back-drop of the large trees of the park and the bush area in the back of a River Rd property. On occasion wood pigeons have been known to fly through and there are always fantails. Centre-piece of the garden is a fine old walnut tree, the only remaining vestige of previous gardens. The nuts are thin shelled and of good quality and are harvested each Autumn. Maybe this house also had a name plate on the wall by the front door at some stage of its long history, because there are the screw holes and markings to be seen. There are some animal rumours connected to this address. Apparently an elderly lady who was resident at some period fed the area's numerous stray cats and the verandah was over-run with cats at feeding time. Certainly when the present occupant moved in there were more 'moggies' hanging round the property than one would expect, so maybe the strays kept the memory going of their benefactor for some time. It seems too that fairly recent owners at one point kept afghan hounds at the property and there were extra sheds and kennels out the back that have since been dismantled.

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Melanie Cavayé loves vintage, she also loves being part of a community, so she is delighted to be opening her new shop in the Richmond Village area. "Local people have been dropping in to say 'hello' and welcome me" she says "it's been wonderful".

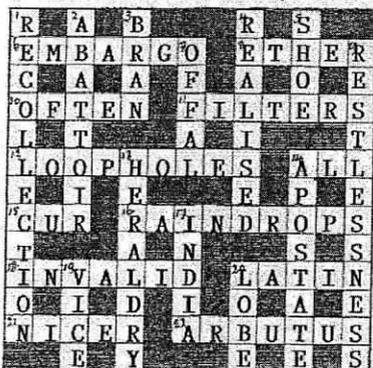
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Visit Madam Butterfly's today and buy yourself something beautiful and unique.

## Last month's solution

RCN CROSSWORD No. 1334 by GWP



The solution to this month's crossword will appear in next month's newsletter

## Crossword CLUES

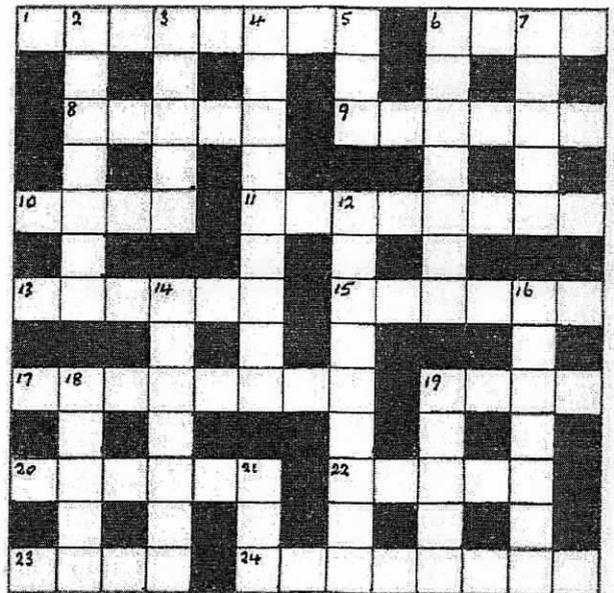
### ACROSS

1. Postpones (8)
6. Chances (4)
8. Composition (5)
9. Overturn (6)
10. German river (4)
11. Shrink (8)
13. Diminish
15. Pact (6)
17. Eavesdrop  
unintentionally (8)
19. Attractive (4)
20. Representatives (6)
22. Language (5)
23. Lake (4)
24. Mediums (8)

### DOWN

2. Artificial teeth (7)
3. Proprietor (5)
4. Reserve (9)
5. Travel on snow (3)
6. "Head" side of coin (7)
7. Architectural style (5)
12. Normally (9)
14. Irregular (7)
16. Enormous (7)
18. Obscure (5)
19. Nab (5)
21. Small drink (3)

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# What's on in November

Avebury House, situated at 9 Eveleyn Couzins Ave. Richmond, is a community-run, low cost facility which has rooms available for hire.

Situated in the midst of Avebury Park, the house, which has been refurbished, has run several open days and social events.

In addition to the amenities for hire, the following classes and activities are available:

**Gentle Exercise Class** - Mondays 1- 2p.m  
(wear comfortable clothing) Cost \$2.50

This Sit and Be Fit class is a fun and healthy way to retain mobility, independence and meet new people. Designed especially for those with limited mobility, older adults and those with health or weight problems. Enjoy these simple and gentle classes at your pace, and enjoy a cup of tea with us afterwards.

**Richmond History Group**

Held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month. No cost. Next meeting Wednesday 8th November 4 - 5pm History Group meets to share resources and research items of Richmond's heritage. The Richmond Room, a resource room with displays, magazines and items of interest has been set up at Avebury. These resources are available to the public at no charge.

**Embroidery Group**

Thursdays 10am - 12 noon  
Beginners to advanced. Tuition available from a patient, experienced tutor.

Please ring Allison on 388-9377 for more information

**Shirley Brownie group**

Meets at 6pm every Tuesday at Avebury House excluding school holidays. Restart October 9th  
Contact Kim on 366-5434 for details

**Music & Movement for Pre-schoolers**

This popular group meets on Fridays 11am - 12 noon excluding school holidays Cost \$3 first child \$1.50 for each subsequent child.

For enrollment/enquiries ring Ursula on 332-0633

**Flax Weaving Courses with Ali Brown**

11th November, Feb 17th, Mar 31st 10am - 4p m  
Ph Ali Brown 329-7051 for registrations

**Hugs All Round Quilt Project**

Wednesdays 11am - 4pm enquiries to 381 6615

**Yoga with Doreen Lehmann**

November 7th, 21st, 28th 7pm - 8.30pm

**Babies love music**

With Katharina 10 - 10.30am Monday mornings  
November 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th

**Seeding your Future**

A Spring workshop with Nickei Falconer  
Saturday 11th November 9.30am - 4.00pm

**For further information about facilities and classes etc. please contact:**

**Lesley McMillan**

**Community Development Worker**

**Ph 381-6615**

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**The Richmond Community News requires stories  
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## Bus Priority Hills Road Bus Borders Trial

During November a new form of "Bus Priority" measure will be built on the west side of Hills Road between Dudley Street and Shirley Road, to enhance efficiency of the northbound No. 70 Queenspark buses. These Bus Borders are formed by extending the footpath across the parking area so that the bus will stop in the traffic lane, instead of having to pull in and then wait for a space to pull out into the traffic. Vehicles following the bus should STOP and wait for it to move on.

Over the next 3 months trial period, journey times and driver behaviour will be monitored. At the end of the trial, the City Council and Environment Canterbury traffic specialists and engineering consultants on the Bus Priority teams will decide whether the results support keeping the two Hills Road Bus Borders in place and possibly using this Bus Priority measure in other parts of the city.

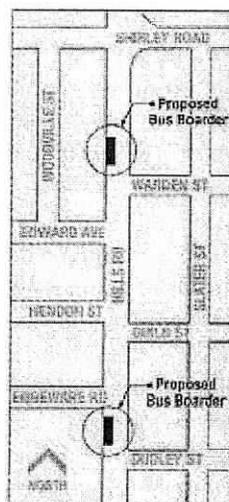
Bus Borders are used successfully in Auckland, Wellington and the UK (Greater Manchester, Plymouth, Peterborough are examples). In Christchurch there are several on Fendalton Road, although these are on a four lane road, whereas on Hills Road there are two lanes.

With the Bus Border, the bus journey should be more efficient, causing little delay for the vehicles behind. Our research shows that the bus stops for 10 to 15 seconds (on average) each time it stops and rarely stops at both bus stops. The trial will measure the impact of these two Bus Borders on bus journey times and gather information about how they affect other vehicles.

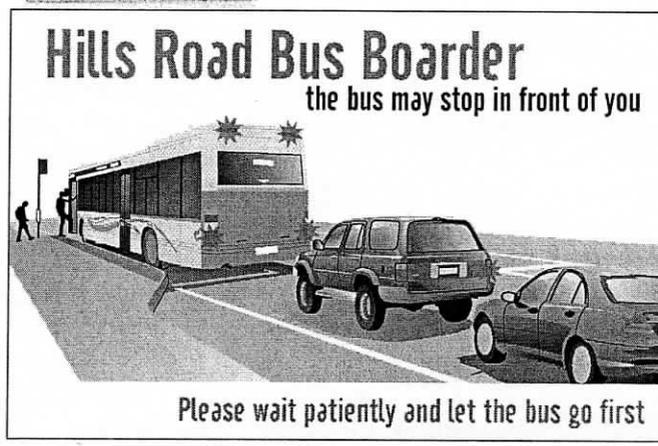
**These two Bus Borders are expected to:**  
 reduce the time taken for passenger to board and alight  
 reduce delay for buses re-entering the traffic stream  
 make a gap ahead of the bus so it can move on easily after leaving the stop  
 Other benefits of a Bus Boarder include:  
 a larger waiting area for passengers  
 passengers are more visible to the bus driver  
 easier access for passengers to get on and off the bus  
 no illegal car parking on the bus stop

**When the Bus Borders have been in place for a few weeks, we would like your feedback through <http://www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay/> or on the form to be published later.**

For more information, please contact Christine Toner, Consultation Leader, City Environment Group, Christchurch City Council, Phone 03 941 8355 email [christine.toner@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:christine.toner@ccc.govt.nz)



The Bus Borders are part of the "Bus Priority" project. Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council aim to make public transport more attractive so that more people will catch the bus. This will reduce congestion on the roads and in turn make the bus a more efficient and attractive choice. Read more about Bus Priority at [www.ccc.govt.nz/environment/transport/buspriority](http://www.ccc.govt.nz/environment/transport/buspriority)



## Vogel Street

The corner of Stanmore Rd and Vogel St. was known as Barnes Corner. It was the terminus and starting place for coaches and trams. Coaches could be hired from here for 3d for picnics to Stewarts Gully and North Beach. Vogel St. was named after Julius Vogel, premier of N. Z. in 1873 - 75. Vogel was also a noted journalist and writer. Known as a stout portly man with black hair parted in the middle and a full mutton chop moustache, Vogel won the seat of Christchurch North in the 1884 general election which put him in government as the Colonial Treasurer with Robert Stout as Premier. Julius enjoyed a loving and close relationship with his wife. They both enjoyed entertaining on a lavish scale with good food and wine, perhaps the reason for his portly presentation.

## North Parade

The triangle here at Medway Street was once owned by the Church, who charged £1 per annum to allow a tramway to cut across this corner. In 1882 a man named Jones purchased some land nearby here to build a hotel. He built a two storey house which has now gone, with the intention of opening a hotel here. The house was complete with cellars. It is unknown as to why he never obtained a license.

## Corrections to the Heritage Walk information in the October issue

### 9) Left down North Avon past Baptist Church

This was the site of the Richmond Mission which ran from 1911 until 1984. It was renowned for its evangelising, Sunday School, Bible Classes and prison visiting. It had its own orchestra which was used for Sunday Worship.

### 10) Turn left into Stanmore then into Siddal Place (once an orchard) to old Smith Mission House

The home of the Smith family who founded the Richmond Mission this large family home was always open to people in need. Remembered for their powerful preaching the Smiths were a major force in the spiritual life of the Richmond community.

### 11) Cross to the Methodist Church Hall

Dances were also held at the hall of the Methodist Church in the 1960's. Over 35% of young people were in those days used to meet their future partners at the local dance.

### 12) Additional walk (approx 1 hour return)

Down Stanmore to Rendezvous Ballroom, which is now the Salsa Fusion Latin Dance Studio. Continue down Stanmore Road to the old Library, which is now Linwood Community Arts Centre (cnr Worcester Street and Stanmore Road).

## FREE COMMUNITY CONCERT AT AVEBURY PARK



9Eveleyn Couzins Avenue, Richmond  
(off North Avon Road)

2pm – 4pm Saturday 2 December 2006

Bring along your afternoon tea and picnic in beautiful

Avebury Park and enjoy a free concert from the GardenCity Symphony Orchestra

The programme will consist of light classical pieces, well known show tunes and Christmas Carols,  
Seating will be provided.

A free Hellers Sausage Sizzle will be available from 12pm

Come early, have lunch then stay for the concert.  
For further details ring Avebury House on 381-6615

## The Bricks Wharf (Sth side east of Barbadoes St bridge)

This spot is one of the most historical landmarks of Christchurch. It was used as a loading area for all cargo, timber and bricks brought by settlers to establish Christchurch City. Cargo began its journey from Lyttelton in small sailing vessels, which sailed through the Lyttelton heads, over the Sumner bar and then up the Avon river to be landed at this spot. For thirty shillings a ton, cargo would be freighted here.

In 1843 the Deans brothers of Riccarton had a large number of bricks arrive here on a whaling boat. This was the furthest point that the boat could go, so the bricks were landed, the rest of the cargo was taken further up the river in a Maori canoe, propelled and pulled through heavy flax growth as Washbournes creek lay just beyond the hospital. The bricks, you may have guessed, ended up staying at the wharf for some time. Hence the name the Bricks wharf. The memorial you see here was erected in 1926 by the Early Settlers Society of Christchurch. The bricks encased in the memorial are the very same ones that the Deans brothers left here in 1843 and which gave the place its name. The inscription on the memorial reads

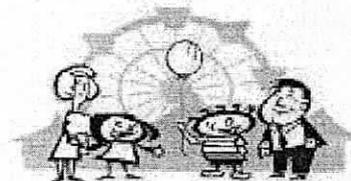
“This cairn marks the site of the bricks wharf where early settlers landed in 1843”.

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 5/12/06 7pm - 8.30pm  
 19/12/06 7pm - 8.30pm  
**Cost:** \$60.00 **Booking:** 389-3077 / Doreen



Pictured above are Lesley McMillan (Community Development Worker) and Beth Rouse (Chair Avebury House Community Trust) accepting a Civic Trust award on behalf of the Avebury House Community Board of Trustees on October 10th. The Board of Trustees would like to thank The Civic Trust for their recognition of the boards efforts.

## Fruit in Schools Programme

Fruit in Schools was launched in 2005. The participating schools receive free fruit as an incentive for schools to promote healthy eating and activity. This year the programme has doubled to extend to more schools (up to 114), and a third phase over the next four years will include another 33273 children from 153 schools.

Improving childhood nutrition is one of the most important things we can do to improve the overall health of our families, according to Minister of Health Pete Hodgson; "participating schools are telling us that concentration levels and behaviour have improved rapidly since the introduction of the free fruit and healthy eating programmes". One school has even reported fewer suspensions due to improved behaviour.

Currently, fresh apples and export quality fruit are delivered twice weekly to 10 Christchurch primary schools. They meet regularly to exchange ideas and projects. As well as food and nutrition these schools focus on smokefree environments, physical activity and being sun smart.

An increasing number of our local schools have made a commitment to focus on healthy eating with suggestions for high nutritional lunch choices, as well as providing alternative tuck shop menus.

Both parents and children are enthusiastic about these initiatives. Do you know what the healthy eating policy is for your children's school?

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## Researching A House's History

If your house is old enough to have a history, that may be something that you are keen to explore. There is more than one way to do this:

### ASK THE HOUSE

The Architectural style of the house is your best clue to age. Libraries are a great resource about New Zealand Architecture. The materials and methods of construction used will often give clues - areas under the roof and inside the walls give the best indication, as they are often unaltered.

### PAPERWORK

A property's certificate of title records a property's ownership and lists the names of former owners of the property and the dates of their ownership. Copies can be obtained from Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), either through an office or their website [www.linz.govt.nz](http://www.linz.govt.nz). Titles can also be traced back to the beginning at a LINZ office.

Archives New Zealand (which describes itself as the memory of the Government) holds records of early Mortgages, Crown Land sales and some valuation records. Their records can be searched at four reading rooms around the country, including one in Peterborough Street. Their website is: [www.archives.govt.nz](http://www.archives.govt.nz).

### OTHER RESOURCES

The Canterbury Museum has a large collection of photographs, maps and plans which members of the public can view. There is a Documentary Resource Centre at Canterbury Museum. The city Libraries are also a good resource in the New Zealand section which has old and new directories, habitation indexes and copies of Wises Guides. they also have copies of the Christchurch City Plan.

### HERITAGE BUILDINGS

If your home has a Heritage Listing, the Historic Places Trust will have information on it. There is an office in Christchurch or their Website - [www.historic.org.nz](http://www.historic.org.nz) Also ask your neighbour or old identities of the area. Compare houses in the area - if of a similar age that will give a clue as to when the area was settled.

### MILITARY RECORDS

[www.FreeRecordsRegistry.com](http://www.FreeRecordsRegistry.com) Check **Military Records** Look up SSN number right now.

### WW1 ARMY CASUALTIES

[www.military-genealogy.com](http://www.military-genealogy.com) Find out where and how your relatives died in the Great War.



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## KIA ORA COMMUNITY

Christmas is fast approaching, my most vivid pre-Christmas memory is of Dad and my uncles in the backyard wringing the chooks necks and the piping hot water steaming from the concrete washtub for plucking feathers. Christmas Eve Mum and the aunties would be bustling around in the kitchen, laughing and gossiping as they baked what seemed to us kids like mountains of food while the men rushed down to the local and stayed until six o'clock closing. Christmas day, Dad telling off my six siblings and I for not eating the chicken as we sat there bawling. Everyday, after school it was the kid's job to weed the large vegetable garden, collect the washing, etc. It depended on our age to what job we got but the one job we all vied for was to feed the dozen chooks we raised. Secretly we had given each one a name. So it was pretty shattering to see Huey, Louie, Duey and the others all trussed up on the table. We still remind Dad about this! Our gifts were dolls made from wooden pegs, a second hand bike (Dad had sanded and painted orange) the seven of us shared. There was no such thing as dubbing (doubling up) on the bike it was more like subbing! There may not have been a lot of money but there was a lot of love.

Christmas 'tis the season to be jolly' but for many families it can be the season of financial hassle and stress. The first step to a debt free happy Christmas is to take a closer look at our budget. If you don't have one now is a good time to start. What if your expenses meet or exceed your income? Go back through your expenses and cut out whatever you can free up. Pay cash whenever possible. It is much harder to overspend; when you run out of bills, it is time to go home. Plan what you will purchase before you go shopping. Look through ads and compare prices; often the same 'hot' item is much cheaper elsewhere. Give each child a budget for Christmas shopping and holiday events. Encourage children to make their own gifts to stretch their gift giving dollars. Cards, baking, craft items, vouchers for baby-sitting; doing extra chores, hugs, and cups of tea ... let them use their imagination. Shop second-hand and thrift stores, garage sales, school fairs, clearance tables, racks and sections for unique gifts. Sometimes the thought of being practical about money goes against our wishes to be generous. Yet wouldn't our family and friends be happier if we lived within our means? Remember that it truly is the thought that counts not the high price tag.

## SUMMARY OF LIFE

### *Great truths from our tamariki*

1. No matter how hard you try, you can't baptise cats.
2. When your Mum is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair.
3. If your sister hits you don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.
4. Never ask your 3-year-old brother to hold a tomato.
5. You can't trust a dog to watch your food.
6. Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.
7. Never hold a dust buster and a cat at the same time.
8. You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk

### *Great truths from adults.*

1. Raising teenagers is like nailing jelly to a tree.
2. Wrinkles don't hurt.
3. Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
4. Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
5. Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
6. Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fibre, not the toy.

### *Great truths about growing old.*

1. Growing old is mandatory: growing up is optional.
2. Forget the health food, I need all the preservatives I can get.
3. When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.
4. You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.
5. It's frustrating when you have all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.
6. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
7. Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone.

## DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OUR SCHOOL FAIR

- \* Non-perishables for a raffle
- \* Baking ingredients
- \* Mystery bottle
- \* White Elephant goods

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Kind regards Christine Weepu ACTING PRINCIPAL

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