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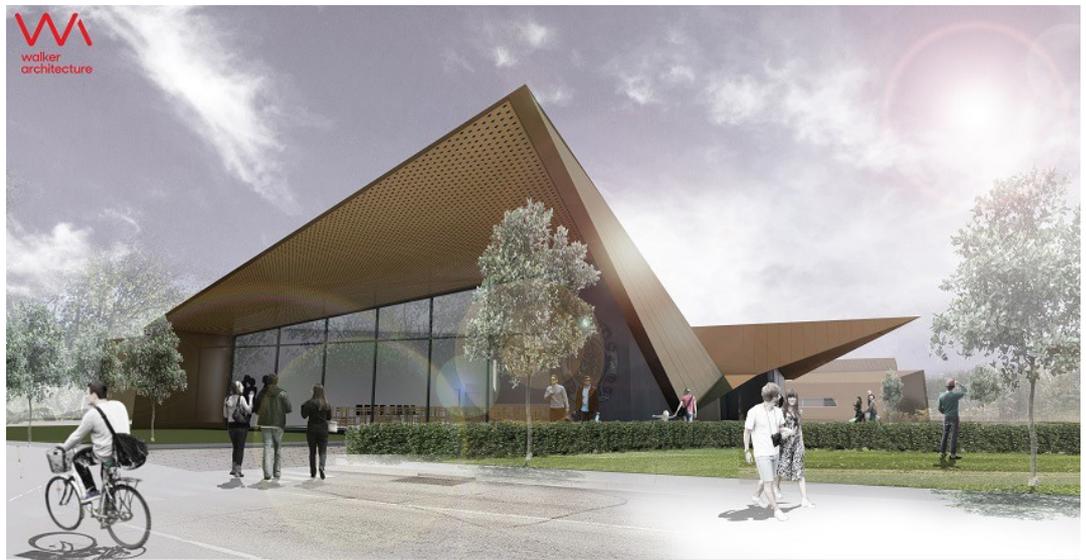
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## Welcome to the Club!

By Tanya Didham

In the late 1880s, Richmond's population was expanding rapidly and while the community had already built a church, a school and a police station, a lack of recreational facilities was becoming apparent. Enter the Richmond Working Men's Club & Mutual School of Arts! Initiated by a group of 28 local businessmen (it was men only in those days), they submitted their charter in September of 1888, and the club opened



Coming soon...

its doors the following February. The Lyttelton Times reported: "Efforts of a number of working men resident in and near Richmond to form a workingmen's club have been constant and arduous but at last they have been crowned with success."

A new rule limiting patrons to two bottles of beer was not long in coming, as a few chaps got a bit carried away, still much of the recorded discussion from the first few decades seems to have been centred around what beers would (or would not) be served!

Many current residents will recall the large stone building on the corner of Stanmore and London St that was fatally damaged in the earthquakes. Built in the early 1880s to house a Benevolent Society, it was in use as a public library when the Club officially took charge in December 1888.

Some 130 years after their charter was approved, almost to the day, Jimmy Summerfield took over management of the rebuilt club rooms at the end of 2018. With its more inclusive name, The Richmond Club is now a state of the art facility with a fabulous in-house bistro, a welcoming bar and 16 'sporting sections'. The sections vary from table tennis, snooker and darts, to food & wine, pigeons,

fishing and golf! Each section is run independently with the support of the Club, and joining a 'section' usually has a nominal yearly fee of between \$5 and \$20.

The Richmond Club is thriving under Jimmy's guiding hand, with his hospitality background the bar and bistro are humming while the rest of the development continues around them. Still to come is a \$13 million development which includes a 300-seat function hall, 3 squash courts, a snooker hall, another restaurant and much more. It's an exciting future space for Richmond and when I ask Jimmy if he likes his job, he simply says "I love it!" It's a privilege to be over-seeing the fruition of such a community asset, and he is hoping to be opening the doors of the new facilities in July 2020.

Meanwhile, the Club is well and truly open for business. With a member subscription of just \$30/year (and only \$15 if you are over 60!), if you haven't already – what are you waiting for - join the Club!

For more information call The Richmond Club on **389 5578** or visit their website **www.rwmc.co.nz**

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### Delta Community Trust End of Year Dates

**Mon, 2 Dec.** - Craft Group & Monday Footprints Café

**Wed, 4 Dec.** - Wednesday Footprints Café

**Fri, 6 Dec.** - Delta Christmas Inn, come in Christmas Themed Dress-up!

**Wed, 11 Dec.** - Fruit & Veg orders

**Fri, 20 Dec.** - Last day for 2019, only open for Food Bank and bread collection, Young Impact groups.

#### Opening dates for January

**6, 8, 10 January:** Only open for Free Bread and Food Bank.

**From Monday, Jan 13**, we are open everyday for free bread daily and Food Bank (Mon, Wed, and Fri).

**Wed, Jan 15:** Fruit and veggie Co-op delivery day starts

**Fri, January 17:** Young impact Group starts

**Mon, 3 Feb:** Footprint café (Mon and Wed), craft group and Friday Inn start.



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Delta Community Baptist Church (previously North Avon Baptist) is delighted to welcome you to our new building at 101 North Avon Rd. (Petrie St Corner N Avon)

We are a small but vibrant, God-seeking community. Our church is open on **Sunday** for our Church service at 10.00am, and on weekdays on:

**Monday:** 10.30-11.00am — Prayer Time

11.00-1.00pm — Open Chapel: Quiet time with God, alone or in a small group

**Wednesday:** 2.00-2.20pm — Relaxation Meditation

**Friday:** 10.30-11.00 Psalms Corner — Bible Study

11.00-11.30am — Christian Meditation

**Sunday:** 10.00 am Worship

Everyone is welcome!

God Bless - Atua e manaaki

*Pastor Mary*

### Post Script: A suburb of two halves.

Following on from last month's report on the local body election, I had neglected to include the information for **Innes Ward**, which of course includes Richmond north of North Avon Road. My apologies for that.

Pauline Cotter ([pauline.cotter@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:pauline.cotter@ccc.govt.nz)) retained her seat as councillor; and elected to the Papanui-Innes/Waipapa Community Board were Ali Jones ([ali.jones@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:ali.jones@ccc.govt.nz)) & Emma Twaddell ([emma.twaddell@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:emma.twaddell@ccc.govt.nz)).



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# Merry Christmas from the Ed.

By Tanya Didham

What a brilliant year it has been for Avebury House.

As a community house, Avebury has gone from strength to strength as we continue to broaden our reach and activities. In 2019 we added the kids' art class, Maree's regular floristry workshops, baking with Steph, and most recently we pumped up the number of yoga classes and added Pilates twice a week. People have hired the house for weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, meetings and workshops; along with our regular groups such as the quilters, embroiderers and poets, we've had a multi-cultural festival, a film shoot, and a coven of Pagans. Start-ups have used our kitchen to make everything from pickles and elderflower cordial to tarts and chilli sauce. We welcomed Loopy Tunes into the fold for our little ones, and we hosted our first Festival of Adult Learning to encourage our older learners too. I hope 2019 has been just as successful for you.

In 2020 Avebury is looking forward to being involved in the upcoming river corridor development, expanding our adult learning

portfolio and continuing to refine our large scale events. The Teddy Bears' Picnic has just been and the Christmas Market is imminent (see page 5); the Gala comes with next Autumn. Matariki in the Zone was a huge hit this year – a great collaboration with the Avon Ōtākaro Network and Richmond Community Garden – can't wait for next winter!

Whatever you get up to this holiday season the team at Avebury would like to wish you good health and happiness for 2020. We'll see you there!



## Meet the New Guy

By Jake McLellan

Kia ora Richmond. As Central's new City Councillor I've been kindly asked by the Richmond Community News to write a piece for the newsletter about the term so far. Over the next three years Christchurch has got a lot of exciting milestones to look forward to - the opening of our new convention centre, the continued development of our CBD and hopefully an end to water chlorination. Locally we will start to see the implementation of the Avon Ōtākaro River Corridor plan and this is what I'm most looking forward to. It was a privilege to vote for the first piece of work in this space to begin. At a ward level, I'm focussed on improving the Linwood Village. As next door neighbours in Richmond you'll be well familiar with the issues. In Richmond itself the lack of bins in the village green has been raised with me. It's a small thing but I've asked staff to look at this as soon as possible.

The traffic issues on Perth Street also continue to concern people and I look forward to working with locals towards a good outcome here. In terms of things to look forward to here in Richmond alongside the Avon- Ōtākaro River projects is of course the opening of



Jake at Avebury House

the Richmond Club extension. I look forward to being invited down for a beer there soon! For those of you haven't heard I'm pleased to also let you know that Sally Buck and Michelle Lomax are your Community Board Members for the 2019-2022 term. Sally brings much experience to the board table through her many years as a local government elected member. Michelle is a new member who will bring fresh energy to the board along with her experience as an elected DHB member and lawyer.

Please note Jake's name was misspelled in the previous edition. Should you need to contact him his email address is [jake.mclellan@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:jake.mclellan@ccc.govt.nz)

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# Alan Williamson 1938–2019

By David Hollander

It was no surprise that the recent funeral for Alan Williamson saw the John Rhind chapel full to overflowing. Alan seemed to know everyone and in a long life he made many friends amongst the different areas of his work and many interests. These included real estate, collecting - anything old had an interest for Alan - and an interest in history. Alan liked people. He was a good talker and also a good listener; he understood that conversation is a two-way process.

Alan once described himself to me as “an old Richmondite”.

He grew up in the family home in McLeod St. His parents, Bert and Dorothy, were well known in the area. Bert was an electrician at the Railways Workshops at Addington and Dorothy was the homemaker.

One of Alan’s earliest memories was walking down Stanmore Road with his mother and being told “All the men are away at the war.”

Alan went to school at Shirley and Richmond Schools, then to Shirley Intermediate and later Christchurch Technical High School. But school was not his thing: “There was nothing there that I really enjoyed.”

He left school at age 15 to take up a panel-beating apprenticeship.

Alan had to give up panel-beating after injuring his back while gold-mining near Kumara. He went over to the Coast to help his uncle who had bought a claim there, but they found there was no gold left at Kumara!

After his injury, Alan moved into sales; first insulation, then insurance and then real estate. “I just sort of...felt as though, it was me. Because, real estate agents, all you have to do is have the confidence to get out there and knock on doors. Most agents won’t knock on doors, but I could. I could wander down a street — go round a block with a notebook and talk to everybody in the block. And that was me — get a clue. I often thought it was a little bit like being a detective.”



Alan in his happy place.

And he was good at it. After starting with a small firm, he later joined Harcourts. Alan had married at age 27, when the marriage ended in divorce, he bought the old Presbyterian manse in Petrie St. He liked the house at once: “Oh, this is it. I feel comfortable here — and I always have.” The house and property were large enough for Alan and his two children who came to live with him. “...they’ve always been good years here. Wonderful years.”

Alan was a keen collector. He loved his old Austin 7, which had been restored by his father. He also had a wonderful collection of old bottles and jars and a deep knowledge of the local factories that made or used them to hold their wares; alcoholic drinks, soft drinks, and a variety of foods. This

dovetailed well with his interest in

local history. Before the earthquakes Alan had been an active member of the Richmond History Group, based at Avebury House, and did a lot of local history research. In these years Alan wrote many articles for the Richmond Community News, while also delivering 300 copies a month.\*

The end came quickly for Alan. He was usually fit and full of energy. But after returning from a trip to Blenheim recently, he felt unwell and was admitted to hospital with bronchitis. Tests found he had aggressive leukaemia and he died soon after.

Alan’s passing will leave a huge gap, not only for his family but also for his many friends and the communities in which he was so active. It is no surprise that the many people attending the funeral came from a wide variety of backgrounds and interests. They came to pay their respects to a good man who lived a long and generous life; a good life, lived well.

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Our live entertainment includes Nich the violinist and The Garden City Orchestra (they're performing at 6:30pm so stick around!).

Just for coming along, we'll put you in the free draw to win a \$50 New World voucher!\* Many of our favourite stalls are returning including the fabulously quirky Fortune & Hindsight; Earthlove eco-products; jewellery from Tuigirl and Marianne Morgan; handmade personal care from Nannie's Naturals and Tori's Naturals; as well as many other local artisans with handmade bags, toys, woodwork, knitting, crochet, preserves, chocolates and more. Richmond Kidsfirst, Banks Avenue School, and Delta Friendship Link all have fund-raising stalls, along with our awesome neighbours Richmond Community Garden and Richmond Men's Shed. Delicious food includes waffles from Pip In Pyjamas, Tre Fratelli Fried Pizza, and new to Avebury, the all-vegan Kind Eats and Pom's Thai Food Cart. Local bakers La French Tarte and Pan de Maria will also be selling irresistible treats along with Lil Orbits Mini Donuts and the excellent Coffee Skills Mobile team. We'd love to see you there.

*\*Register for the free raffle when you arrive - one entry per person, and kids can enter too.*

## Thank You Paddy!



*By Hayley Guglietta*

The wonderful Paddy Snowdon owns City Salvage Contractors and The Pump House. He has been a huge supporter of the Richmond Community Garden and the Avebury Men's Shed both in his time and materials. Recently Paddy's donated materials have gone towards the cool furniture and planter boxes in and around the Riverlution community space. Come down to the Community Garden and check out how it's coming along! City Salvage Contractors includes The Pump House on Tuam St, Call them for all your demolition and building salvage needs.

*Contact City Salvage on 389 6638.*

*The Pump House at 544 Tuam St.*

# Mind Yer Language: Christmas is a beach



By Tanya Didham

We inherited ‘Christmas’ (a religious mass for Christ), from our Northern Hemisphere kaupapa. There the Christian festival to commemorate the birth of Jesus overlaid the ancient festivals that marked the winter solstice – a symbolic death and rebirth of the sun. Winter iconography became entrenched in the celebrations.

But here on the other side of the world from icicles and reindeer, Christmas means summer. And what could be more Christmassy than a beer and a barbie at the beach?

‘Beach’ seems to have entered the lexicon some time around the early 1500s. Originating in the south of England, from a Kentish dialect, it referred to small water-washed stones or pebbles; ‘beach’ was what they called the pebbles themselves. The modern French for beach, *grève*, comes from the same root as our ‘gravel’, and again describes, not the general foreshore as such, but what it’s made of: gravel. Small stones. Beach.

‘Barbecue’ has Haitian roots where a *barbakoa* was a multi-use wooden framework used for sleeping on, as well as for curing/smoking meat. The French called them *boucans* and the people using them *boucaniers*. Thus the term buccaneer found its way into our language - describing wayward, meat-grilling, pirates of the Caribbean.

Beer has been around for a long time, the oldest evidence of fermented grains dates back 18,000 years. But the mechanism of brewing was somewhat of a mystery until Pasteur’s 1850s’ research. The word ‘ale’ is thought to derive from an ancestor meaning ‘magical, intoxicating’. The foam that signalled fermentation in action was known to medieval Vikings as ‘godisgoode’. The Old English *beor* were the dregs kept to make the next ‘brew’. Both words possible progenitors of the pint.

But wherever it comes from, enjoy a cold one this Christmas! As the saying goes ‘eat, drink and be merry...’ for tomorrow we wear elasticated pants.

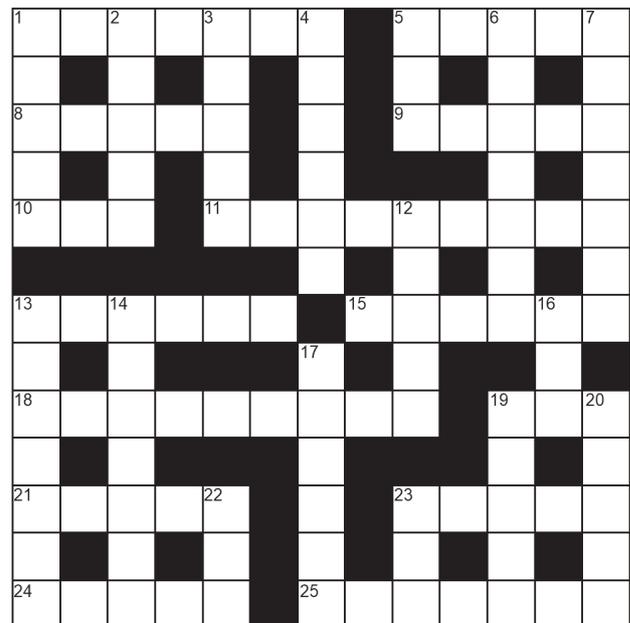
## Puzzle Crossword

### Across

1. Indistinct (7)
5. Malicious fire setting (5)
8. Ration (5)
9. Guitar sound (5)
10. Bond, obligation (3)
11. Brass instruments (9)
13. Meal (6)
15. Accent (6)
18. Arrangement (9)
19. Unit of electrical current (abbrev.) (3)
21. Soak in liquid (5)
23. All (Italian) (5)
24. Workshop machine (5)
25. Mathematical proposition (7)

### Down

1. Overturn (5)
2. Pursue (5)
3. Choose (5)
4. Motive (6)
5. Donkey (3)
6. Unusual (7)
7. Retribution (7)
12. Wand (5)
13. Non-acceptance (7)
14. Ideal (7)
16. Total (3)
17. Cut in two (6)
19. Change (5)
20. King of Troy (5)
22. Pastry dish (3)
23. Golfer’s peg (3)



### Solution to November’s cryptic crossword

**Across:** 1.Spectacular 8.Sparkle 9.Niche 10.Even 11.Unusual 12.Web 13.Meme 15.Grew 17.Cue 19.Scatter 20.Calf 23.Erica 24.Threats 25.Endorsement

**Down:** 1.Sister 2.Erase 3.Take 4.Cherub 5.Language 6.Recluse 7.Wheels 12.Westward 14. Examine 16.Esteem 17.Crater 18.Offset 21.Amaze 22.True

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# Toastmaster: Mission is Calling

By Mei Staples

New Zealand is a country world-renowned for its multilingualism and multiculturalism. These features are unique national treasures of this country, for they make people's life colourful and vibrant. Though New Zealand only has a population of less than 5 million, it has attracted more than 120 ethnic groups, making itself a dream-like homeland for most people who live here together.

However, the devastating earthquake and the heartbreaking March 15 shooting in Christchurch saddened the whole country. Many people still feel traumatized, as our garden-like home and peaceful lives were shattered. So a mission is born, to rebuild our homeland, not only physically but also spiritually. Up to now, the physical reconstruction is proceeding quite well, but the spiritual reconstruction seems to be falling behind. Therefore, a call to speed up the spiritual reconstruction is increasingly urgent.

In response, a new Toastmasters club is coming into being in Christchurch. The most important feature of this club is a commitment to the reconstruction of a harmonious, multi-cultural society. The club will devote itself to the promotion of mutual appreciation and understanding among different ethnic groups. Meanwhile, by improving communication skills, it aims to help people build a high quality lifestyle, and provide people with a platform to search for a better self and a higher life goal.

One of the main goals of Toastmasters is to break through communication barriers, and this is also my original intention. My name is Mei Staples, and I am founding this new club and calling on the people of Christchurch to break down the ethnic barriers that separate us and learn to live harmoniously in this beautiful country.

I came to Christchurch from China in 2011 during the time of the earthquakes, and saw the dilapidated aftermath. But what touched me was how people of different cultural backgrounds supported each other. No matter which ethnic group they belonged to, people came together to share feelings and encourage each other. This warmed my heart and helped me understand the unique culture of New Zealand. A country I now call home. My Christchurch-based international family now reflects that multi-cultural ideal, where different ethnicities sit down together and enjoy each others' company. I believe that my bigger New Zealand family, with its established advantage in multiculturalism, can feel the same charm and happiness - if people know how to communicate with each other well. We invite all people to come and share opinions on at our Cultural Exchange & Toastmasters Club.

**Our Mission:** Cultural understanding promotes social well-being.

**Time:** School terms Wednesdays: **12:30--13:30pm**. The first Club meeting will be on 12 Feb 2020, Wednesday: **12:00--14:00 pm**

**Venue:** Avebury House, Richmond

If you have any ideas or queries please contact me on **022 1543259**, email: **meistaples@hotmail.com**



Mei (centre) and a couple of locals

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**Office closes for holidays on 18th of December. We reopen 13th of January.**

### Monday

**Chit chat Club:** 10–10:30 a.m. The Chit Chat Club is for the older adults (55+) in our community to get together and have tea and a catch up.

**Gentle Exercise:** 10:30–11:30 a.m. Gentle exercise class with a tutor who guides you through an exercise routine designed to keep those muscles moving! \$5/session

**Loopy Tunes:** 11:30a.m. A pre-school music and movement group. Only during term time.

**Richmond Community Garden:** From 9:30 a.m. onwards. We welcome volunteers, be they seasoned gardeners or newbies, to help create a beautiful veggie garden for our community to enjoy! Also meets Wednesdays and Saturdays.

**Yoga:** 6–7 p.m. Join us for a good stretch! Beginners welcome. \$6/session.

### Tuesday

**Yoga:** 9:00–10:00 a.m. Join us for a good stretch! Beginners welcome. \$6/session.

**Men's Shed:** 12 noon–4:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

**Hugs All Round Quilting Group:** 1–3 p.m. We make quilts for children who need an extra hug. Join us to learn more about quilting; this includes machine and hand-sewing.

**Shake and Relax:** 6:30 p.m. Practice calming your body and mind in a supportive group. Check Facebook for details & dates.

**Pilates:** 6:45p.m., \$6. A basic pilates course run by Dee Owers.

### Thursday

**Pilates:** 1p.m., \$6. A basic pilates course run by Dee Owers.

**Yoga:** 6-7 p.m. \$6. Evening yoga. Join us for a good stretch!

### Friday

**Men's Shed:** 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

### Saturday

**Yoga:** 10:00–11:00 a.m. Join us for a good stretch! Beginners welcome. \$6/session.

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**Parish Eucharist** - 9.30 a.m.

Each Sunday - A contemporary sung Service from A New Zealand Prayer Book featuring a wide range of hymns.

**Holy Communion** - 10 a.m.

Each Thursday

**Morning Praise** - 11 a.m.

3rd Sunday of each month  
A time of prayer interlaced with songs of praise.

**Activities Group** is held every Thursday at 1 p.m.. Come along and knit, cross-stitch, do some form of craft, play a board game or just chat. Everyone is welcome.

**Association of Anglican Women (AAW)** meets every fourth

Saturday of the month at 10.30 a.m. We start with a hot drink before listening to an interesting speaker or undertaking some activity together.

**Exercise Class** is held every Thursday at 11am. All abilities are catered for, sitting and standing. The class focusses on flexibility and fun. It takes 1 hour, cost is \$5.

**Foot Clinic** every six weeks. You start with a foot spa and cup of tea/coffee. Our registered nurse will clip nails and give any advice on the care of your feet. Then you have a foot massage. \$10.

**Wednesday Cafe** meets every second Wednesday of the month from 11.30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy friendly company, listen to a speaker or take part in a fun activity and join us for lunch. There is a small cost for lunch and raffle tickets are available.

Everyone is welcome to any or all of the sessions!! For any further information phone the office on **389 6948** or email **office@holyltrinityavonside.nz**

## DELTA COMMUNITY TRUST,

101 North Avon Road (Entrance off Petrie St)

Ph: (03) 389-0212

Free bread, Monday–Friday: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., as available.

**Please see page 2 for Delta's end of year dates.**

### Monday

**Advocacy:** 9:30 a.m.–12 noon.

**Food Bank:** 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Free, some criteria apply.

**Footprints Café:** Coffee, rolls & toasted sandwiches, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. Items as priced.

**Addington Net:** Computer & tech help for all. 10 a.m.–12 noon.

### Tuesday

**Budget Advice:** 9 a.m.–3 p.m. by appointment.

**'New Beginnings' Course:** 1p.m. to 3p.m. The course will focus on healthy living.

### Wednesday

**English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL):** During term time. Wednesdays, 10 a.m.–12 noon. \$2 at C3 Church, 269 Hills Rd. Pre-schoolers welcome.

**Food Bank:** 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Free, some criteria apply.

**Footprints Café:** Coffee, rolls & toasted sandwiches,

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Items as priced.

**Fruit & Vegie Co-op:** \$12/\$6 a bag. Pay weekly in advance

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### Friday

**Delta Inn:** 2-course community meal. Every Friday 12 noon, \$3.

**Food Bank:** 10 a.m.–12 noon, & 1–2 p.m. Free, some criteria apply.

**Shirley International Playgroup:**

During term time, 9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. at the Shirley Hub, 69B Briggs Road. For mums & under 5's from refugee & migrant backgrounds – playgroup & English class. \$2/session or \$10/term.

**Gardening:** 10:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Mary welcomes interested volunteers to help her in the Delta vegetable garden.

**Impact Young Adults**

**Programme:**

Ages 18–36 with disabilities.

6pm – 10pm. Contact Natalie:

**Natalie@deltatruster.org.nz**

## NORTH AVON BAPTIST CHURCH

Delta House, North Avon  
Community Centre, 101 North Avon Road

**Sunday Services:** Every Sunday at 9.30 a.m.

More services listed on page 2.

**All are welcome.**

## SHIRLEY RECREATIONAL

### WALKERS

**Mondays & Thursdays:**

Meet at Shirley Community Centre site, cnr Shirley Rd & Chancellor St, 9:30 a.m. Walks around Christchurch. All ages welcome. For more information and a copy of the programme, contact Sue **(03) 981-7071** or **027 775-4635.**

**SHIRLEY LIBRARY,** 36 Marshland Road (by the Palms Mall).  
Phone (03) 941-7923

### Monday

**Table Top Games:** 11:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Play tabletop board games. A different game each week. Free.

**Activity Zone:** 3:45–4:45 p.m. For 6–10-year olds. No charge.

### Tuesday

**J.P. Clinic:** 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Weekly. No charge.

**Reading to Dogs:** 3:30–4:30 p.m.

For age five plus. No charge, but book in advance.

### Wednesday

**Scrabble Club:** 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. No obligation, just come

along and join our friendly group. All materials are supplied. Free.

**Babytimes/Wā Pepi:** 2:00–2:30 p.m. For under two-year olds.

### Holiday Fun!

**8 Dec, 1:30pm** - Upcycled Magazine Art Workshop. For 10-15 yos. Bookings essential.

**20 Dec, 3:45pm** - O Christmas Tree - Whip up a paper Christmas tree using recycled magazines. A perfect addition to your festive table.

### Thursday

**Babytimes/Wā Pepi:** for under two-year olds. 10:30–11 a.m. Weekly during term time.

### Friday

**Cards Club:** Just come along and join the fun. Free, no bookings required.

### Saturday

**Super Saturday Storytimes:** 2–7-year olds. 11–11:45 a.m. No charge.