

Broad Bay Community Centre **NEWS**letter



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Bastille Day Auction

On Saturday 14th July 2007 the vicinity of Broad Bay Community Centre was a hive of activity as willing workers converted the Hall into a French Cafe for the Bastille Day fund-raising auction. Tables and comfortable chairs were moved in, crisp white cloths, red and blue serviettes, balloons, streamers, sound systems, food, drink, French posters, and a huge French flag. It was *fantastique* to see everyone working together to bring this transformation about.

Despite competition from the weather, the rugby, the netball AND the ball up the hill, the event was attended by about 90 people. Everyone was in a merry mood - aided no doubt by the free glasses of wine and beer given to ticket holders, and the delicious continuous supper - nibbles, French bread (of course), cheeses, dips, savouries, cream cakes, chocolate and coffee.

People were extremely generous with donations of goods and services for the auction. Over 70 individuals and businesses contributed, and that is not counting the kind people who donated their time and energy to help with the organisation of the event and on the night.

Goods auctioned ranged from the smelly (bags of horse poo for the garden) to the sublime (for example, a beautifully illustrated, two-volume copy of the award-winning Audrey Eagle's "Trees and Shrubs of New Zealand"). Services included relaxing massages and possum trapping! A list of the auction items and illustrations of the goods and wonderful artworks can still be seen on the Broad Bay website (www.broadbay.co.nz). During the evening, several spot prizes were awarded, and raffles were held for items such as a trailer of firewood, a food hamper, and a beautiful hand-made child's quilt.

Bidding was fast and furious, and our wonderful auctioneer, Ross Wellgreen, did a magnificent job keeping the bids coming, aided by his beautiful beret-clad assistant, Shrpesa (who, as well as displaying the goods, also put her hand up a few times!) During a break from the fierce bidding, musical entertainment was provided by Neville Peat and Adrian Higgins, giving the audience a chance to unwind - and to top up their glasses!

The event was very successful, raising well over \$6,000 for our Community Hall, which will keep us up and running for some time to come.

The Broad Bay Community Centre owes a huge vote of thanks to everyone who donated goods and services, to the people who helped to organise and run the event and last, but by no means least, to those who supported us by attending, enjoying (and bidding at!) the Bastille Day auction.

MERCI BEAUCOUP!

Tessa Mills

Next Event: Spring Carnival

Last year we had a community meal - Mid-Winter Christmas, complete with multi-courses and 90-odd family and friends. This year we are a little later, with a Spring Carnival. Put another mark on your calendar: **Saturday September 22nd**, starting 6.30. Open to all, of all ages.

We will have two courses with starters, the Mains and the Puddings. Again, we will have as many breadmakers there as we can raise from our meal-goers. If you want to get in early, ring Brian Nicholls 4780 488. Think about what you would like to do for yourselves and the community. We may think of a theme to the meal - get your brains scratched and let us know what you think of this. And we will have raffles for you to have a wee thrill on.

The week after, we will hold the BBCC AGM, **Thursday September 27th**. More on that in the next newsletter

MoU

The Community Centre Committee has finalised its copy of the memorandum for the joint venture with the BBBC. The next step will be for the two sub-committees to meet again and decide on the final form of this MoU which is satisfactory to both parties. Once it is signed off by the two parties, elections can be held amongst the two parties for a joint body which can then fund a viability study - ie, is the building envisaged down beside the harbour, on the site of the BBBC's boatshed a viable proposition. If you want to vote in these elections, or nominate likely members for the joint body, you need to be a member of either the Community Centre or the BBBC.

Resignation

Last week Lala Frazer, a member of the BBCC for longer than anyone but she can remember, decided to resign. Now that she has retired from paid employment, she has finally seen just how busy she actually was. The Community Centre is the poorer for Lala's decision, but it does mean she has more time to give to other community organizations.



Broad Bay School

July school holidays are behind us now and we have a busy term ahead, as usual.

Our Principal Release Teacher is taking maternity leave from the end of August, so we are at present advertising for someone to take her place until the end of the school year.

Thanks to those people in the community who purchased a wood raffle ticket - the prize went to Mr and Mrs Knox from Musselburgh.

We will be selling **Plant Fair Raffles** at the Warehouse on Saturday August 18, Sunday 14 October, and Thursday 18 October from 9am-6pm. We require 2 people for each hour, so if you can help, please let the school know.

Still on Plant Fair - if there is anyone who has **lavender** plants that can be potted up, we would love to hear from you. Give the school a ring on 4780-706.

The Maori Enrichment Group visited the Settlers Museum recently to visit the Kai Tahu Exhibition.

We have some children who have their art entered in the Bayfield Art Exhibition. The theme this year is Cloaks and Daggers.

Clubs: We plan to have clubs in the first half of this term on a Friday from 1.30-3pm. If you would like to take a small group of children for a club, please give us a ring. So far we have kites, card-making, cooking. The list of possibilities could be yoga, sewing, jewellery making, dance, drama, board games, cards etc.

Winter/Spring Talk Series:

Last year we ran a very successful talk series. We would like to continue with this, although a little later starting. If you have a place you have visited or have done something that you would like to share with others - and have plenty of pictures - then we would like to hear from you. We have a data projector and screen available and a computer if needed for the talk. Ring us at school on 4780-706 if you would like to give a talk or tell us of someone who would be good to approach. We would like to have the first of these talks in September and would need to advertise them in the September Community Newsletter.

John Goulstone
Principal

CommBoard on Line

The OPCB urges all residents to attend the film evening at Portobello for the launch of the Peninsula's very own film, which encompasses social and natural history on our Peninsula. All proceeds from sales come directly back to the Otago Peninsula Community,

Be there!

Thanks, John Bellamy OPCB

If you would like to contact the OPCB, here are their details: Irene Scurr (Chair): 4546198 / scurbiko@xtra.co.nz

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You are cordially invited to the launch of a DVD produced by the Otago Peninsula Community Board

DVD includes two short films.

1. A Social History of Peninsula People.
Peninsula People - offers an insight into a few of the many and varied people who have chosen the Otago Peninsula as their home. 20 minutes.
2. Natural History of the Otago Peninsula
Out of the Blue - The Unique natural history of the Otago Peninsula. 24 minutes.

SPECIAL LAUNCH NIGHT PRICE \$20
Wholesale prices available for 10 or more.
Normal retail - \$25

All proceeds from sales will be used for projects on the Otago Peninsula

At Portobello Hall on Thursday 9th August at 7.00pm

The Westpac Aquarium

- Guided tour daily
- Help feed our hungry fish, every Wednesday & Saturday from 2-3pm
- Children's activities every weekend
- Special family rates

NEW ZEALAND MARINE STUDIES CENTRE
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Open Daily 12 - 4.30pm
Guided Tours at 10.30am

Phone 03 479 5825 Hatchery Rd, Portobello

STOP NEWS: Urgent Help Required

STOP Inc Soc needs your assistance. We need to get an indication of public support by registering more members. Are you concerned about the increasing suburbanisation of rural landscapes on the Peninsula? STOP is taking an Appeal against the DCC to the Environment Court about a subdivision, recently granted on the Highcliff Road, which we and the DCC's own Planning

Department believe to be in contravention of the District Plan with no mitigating circumstances that would justify making it an exception.

Keep an eye on your mailbox for more details and a membership form, or email stopincsoc@gmail.com

Working Bees:

Last Sunday of each month from 10am – 12 noon

Aug 26: Raupo Swamp Sep 30: 92 Allans Beach Rd

Oct 28: Portobello Peninsula Nov 25: To be notified

New midweek weedbusters' working bees 10am – 12 noon starting Thursday 9 August

Keep NZ Beautiful Week: Portobello Peninsula Beach Cleanup on Sunday 16 September

For more information and to be put on the list for reminders please contact:

Lala ph 478 0339 Email lala.frazer@gmail.com, or Moira ph 478 0214 Email moira.parker@clear.net.nz



HAVE YOU SEEN MOLLY?

Molly has been missing since the 8th of May after she was attacked by two dogs on Tomahawk Beach. This week there have been sightings of her in Broad Bay. She is very hard to approach, so it is suggested that she be fed rather than there be an attempt to catch her. If you do see her, please ring John and Liz McMeeking at: **4545997** or **021851937**

Remember: this is also your newsletter. If you have any news, or wanteds/for sales etc, please let Brian Nicholls know. We can take Letters to the Editor, or comments on activities in the Bay. If you would like to be a reporter, contact us today! Training on the job is given.

To place items on the Community Notice Board please contact Sue or Herman 687 Portobello Rd

Broad Bay Community Centre Inc. Committee Members

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Please contact us with concerns, suggestions or offers of assistance, etc.

For hire of the Broad Bay Community Hall and equipment – please contact Carol Tharme

Hire Fees

Main Hall:

2 hours or less:	\$11 per hour (Bond \$11)
Morning/afternoon (usage is 2hrs+):	\$30 (Bond \$30)
Evening:	\$60 (Bond \$60) <u>Private Parties –\$200 (Bond \$200)</u>
Whole Day:	\$85 (Returnable Bond \$85)

Hire of the Hall includes use of all the miscellaneous items as listed.

Etheridge Rooms (when available):

2 Hours or less:	\$11 per hour (Returnable Bond \$11)
Morning/afternoon (usage is 2hrs+):	\$28 (Returnable Bond \$28)
Whole Day:	\$50 (Returnable Bond \$50)

Miscellaneous Items:

Chair Hire:	\$2 each per day (Bulk \$40 for 20 items +)
Table Hire:	\$5 each per day (Bulk \$40 for 8 items +)
Crockery Hire:	50 cents per item per day (Bulk \$20 for 40 items+)
Cutlery Hire:	50 cents per set per day (Bulk \$20 for 40 sets +)

- Special conditions are displayed on the information sheet beside the stage.

Please contact Brian Nichols:

- For copies of the Broad Bay History Pamphlet @ \$3.00
- For copies of the postcards of the Southern fur seals at Pilots Beach @ 40c to members, 50c to others
- To place an advertisement in the next newsletter Business (\$10) For Sale or Wanted (\$5)
- To make a suggestion for use of the Hall.

Broad Bay Community Centre Inc. Membership Subscriptions

For new and renewals of membership please complete this form and return to the Treasurer

Subscriptions Costs Individual (\$7.50) ☐ Household (\$15) ☐ Please tick relevant box

Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please Return to: 9 Virginia Ave, Broad Bay



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