

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2018

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Portobello Community Inc.



PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY INCORPORATED AGM

TUESDAY 19th JUNE at 7:30pm

Portobello Coronation Hall Kitchen

Come along and get involved, we would love your input



HOOPERS INLET HALL AGM

Thursday 14th June at 7:30pm

At the Hall, Allans Beach Road

Come along and get involved, we would love your input

Everyone welcome

CORONATION HALL AGM

Tuesday 12th June 7:30pm

Coronation Hall kitchen

Come along and get involved, we would love your input

Everyone welcome



The Domain Hall is getting a much needed facelift.

This iconic building, one of the very early houses in Portobello was a beautiful family home for many of its 120+ years. Since the early 1960's it has served varying roles including Doctors Rooms, School Room, Playcentre, Girl Guides, A & P Show, Toy Library and Sports Pavillion. Long may it remain a focal part of our community.



Chairman's Corner

Another year has passed for Portobello Community Inc and we hope you can come along to our AGM on June 19th at Coronation Hall.

We would love you to join us and bring along your ideas and suggestions on how to improve our community and help make it the place we love to live in.

Many thanks need to go to your existing committee for the efforts they have

put in this year and I hope they are keen to return next term to continue their great work.

Remember we welcome your input into our local newsletter anytime and would love to hear of any local achievements, stories, news and ideas you may have. Pbocomm.inc@gmail.com

Thank you also to those who answered the call for volunteers to deliver our newsletter in Otakou. Your community spirit is much appreciated.

Its great to see the Domain building getting a face lift and remaining an important part of our local history. This building is used and appreciated by so many people so thanks to the DCC for their efforts in arranging this work to be carried out.

For all you "new locals" who haven't experienced a winter down this way. Beware of black ice after an overnight rainfall and freezing conditions in the morning. Your vehicle will react a little differently in these conditions so take care and stay alert.

Wayne Cameron

Chairman—Pbo Comm Inc

Construction underway on Peninsula Connection

After months of planning and consultation, construction of the next section of the Peninsula Connection, between Turnbells Bay and Portobello, is underway. The road will be widened and raised, a shared path built and the slip next to the Turnbells Bay seawall repaired.

Work to widen the road towards the harbour has begun near Bacon Street in Turnbells Bay and will progress towards Portobello over the next year. Just over 2km of new seawall will be built in this section of the project, requiring 50,000m³ of fill – more than 3000 truck and trailer loads.

The project will have a big impact on the Peninsula community – particularly for people using the back bay roads and Portobello Road between Turnbells Bay and Portobello. The DCC and contractors are working to minimise disruption as much as possible and keep the community informed about what is happening.

Updates, project newsletters and information can be found on the DCC website at www.dunedin.govt.nz/peninsulaconnection. You can get in touch with Fulton Hogan's stakeholder liaison, Lydia Perkins, on 03 478 8200. You can also contact the DCC by phoning 03 477 4000, emailing peninsula.connection@dcc.govt.nz or filling out the form on the website.



Stone wall construction in Turnbells Bay



Work is well underway in the Edwards Bay area

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Cost: Adults \$15 | Children \$10 | (Recommended for adults and children over 5 years)

Bookings essential: Book and pay online. See <http://www.otago.ac.nz/marine-studies/news/events>

Location: NZ Marine Studies Centre | 185 Hatchery Rd | Portobello | Dunedin | Ph: 03 479 5826

Join a marine scientist at the NZ Marine Studies Centre at Portobello to find out about the animals and plants that live in the intertidal zone and waters just off our coast. Learn about marine food webs and discover how local sea creatures are adapted to catch their food, avoid predators and stay alive.

You will see microscopic plankton, enjoy close up viewing of a variety of sea animals in our tanks and touch pools, and take a virtual dive in a yellow submarine to explore the strange marine life in the deep Otago canyons.

The Aquarium is no longer open to the general public, so this is a unique opportunity to see some of the marine creatures that are kept at the Centre for education programmes.

This event is part of the New Zealand International Science Festival

Building Change at Hereweka

The Hereweka Trust have recently deconstructed the small barn used as an early 20th century woolshed at the Larnach's farmstead on the Hereweka site. The work was undertaken by local contractor John Clearwater from Clearwater Civil and supervising archaeologist Peter Petchey. While it was sad to see the building go, the building had reached a state of such disrepair its retention and conservation were almost impossible. From the deconstruction the Trust were able to ascertain that the building was;

- probably not part of the original Larnach period and was constructed in the early 20th century.
- its construction was a mixture of timbers (including imported hardwoods, a small amount of pit-sawn natives, milled rimu and milled pine).
- some of the material had been "cobbled together" from other buildings.
- very little of the material was sound enough for reuse, though some may be used as seating in the future.



A full archaeological report will follow the work and this information helps the Trust develop further understanding of the use of the site both during and after the Larnach period. Some of that will help form part of the later interpretation for visitors to the site.



A VERY BIG THANK YOU to

the wonderful folk who volunteered to deliver our Newsletter in the
Otakou/Harington Point area. Your offers of help were very much appreciated.

Portobello Blues Festival

Dear Portobello friends,

After much thought and reflection, I have decided to step down as Festival Director of the Portobello Blues Festival. Increased international travel and family commitments are making it no longer reasonable for me to do a good job in managing a festival from across the waters. This festival grew from absolutely nothing and in a short amount of time has already won the hearts of many locals and many talented musicians. That is why I am extending an invitation for anyone (organisation or community group) who may wish to take over the organising of our great festival to reach out now in order to start preparing the 2019 edition. All of the marketing collateral (website, letter templates, brochure, tickets, posters, flyers, tickets etc) are all available to reuse/refresh. All it needs is someone with vision and energy to pick up from where we left off!

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank each and every one of you who has contributed over the years to making the festival a possibility and a great event that Portobello can be proud of! Special thanks go to Rachael Bergersen for her relentless hard work, the Otago Peninsula Community Board and the Dunedin City Council, Iain Sweetman for such great sound, Sarah and Tony at the Portobello Hotel & Bistro, Ian and the team at the Penguin Cafe, Pauline at the 1908 Café, Sophie Barker at Glenfalloch, Rick & Lee from the Strait Shooters who have now made Portobello their home, Dave Dickson, Wayne & Brenda, the late Mary Jennings, Peter and Anna at Hereweka Lodge, Kevin and Sherryl at the Portobello Village Tourist Park, Sam & Christine Neill, Otago Peninsula Motel, the Portobello Bowling Club, Portobello School, the Portobello Store, Perry at Nature's Wonders, Portobello Volunteer Fire Brigade, John Clearwater, Jo at Carey's Bay Hotel & Restaurant, Pauline at Bellamys' Gallery, the Bay Café, Clive Coopman Photography, the McLean family, my wonderful mum, Mark Patrick for quietly working behind the scenes, all of the wonderful volunteers, helpers and friends, and of course all of the great musos whom have helped to make this event special.

For interest and further information please contact me at:
isabelle@prosser-communication.com or on 021 0241 9336.

Isabelle Prosser

OTAGO PENINSULA TRUST

Royal Albatross Centre – we've got wonderful viewing with four chicks on view, including the famous Royalcum chick. It's heading into our quiet Winter season now, so we'd love your support – come to our café for a coffee or lunch or buy your gifts locally, we've a wonderful selection of all sorts of great gift ideas. During the Science Festival 7-15 July there are half price family specials for both the albatross and penguin tours.

Blue Penguins Pukekura – isn't it great that our penguins are doing so well! It's so very sad reading of penguin deaths north of us but our local penguins are doing very well. Just a note that it's heading to nesting season, so please make sure any dogs are kept well under control on beaches, there have been two dead Yellow-eyed penguins in the Catlins recently due to dog attacks. We've RFID chipped over 1000 penguins in the reserve – won't it be interesting to see what they are up to?

Glenfalloch Restaurant – is the Number One Restaurant in Dunedin on Tripadvisor! Open Weds-Sun 9.30-3.30 and dinner Thu/Fri/Sat from 5.30pm. Rush to try as the restaurant is closing for a holiday 10 June – 24 July.

Glenfalloch Night Garden Sculptures

Got a great sculpture you'd like exhibited in a beautiful garden?

We're offering places for people interested in having sculpture exhibited and also for sale at our Glenfalloch Night Garden. All the sculpture in the garden is lit up once darkness falls and the Garden is open day and night for the public to view the sculpture.

The 'Night Garden' event is held within Glenfalloch Garden, on the Otago Peninsula. (15 minute drive from Dunedin CBD) The Garden has lovely harbour and lawn vistas with ideal backdrops to suitably exhibit a variety of sculpture. The 2017 Golden Night Garden attracted huge numbers of people to this magical event - come and be part of the gorgeous experience. Held on -Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th and Friday 21st September 2018. Also the Otago Arts Festival begins on 21st September till 30th September so ideal for out of town artists.

The sculpture can stay in the Garden for a week or two after the event, or if it is SOLD and there are time delays in its pick-up. Commission on the sale of sculpture is 30%.

Contact: glenda@albatross.org.nz 03 4761775





News from the Otago Peninsula Community Board

Summer is fast becoming a fuzzy memory as we move rapidly into winter and nearly halfway through the year. It's time to start taking more notice of the road conditions in the morning and being extra careful getting to and from work.

Peninsula Connection - Portobello Road - The contractors are now fully into the widening of the road between Portobello and Broad Bay. If you're like me you'll be quite surprised at the pace of the work. Just a reminder that we have a long way to go with this project and the road disruptions will continue for quite a while. Everyone needs to be patient and careful as they make their way through the site.

Public Buses and the ORC

The petition with nearly 1000 signatures was presented by Broad Bay resident Jason Graham and myself in early May. The debate has been a long one, but the Board is united with the community that we require a better public bus service for our community and its commuters.

The Otago Regional Council is to report back to the community through its committee in early June on the outcome. I'd like to thank everyone for the time and effort they have put into this issue and the support they have given the Board. It's not over yet.



ORC Long Term Plan – The Board submitted on the Otago Regional Council Long Term Plan in late May. Critical issues included; ongoing support for Te Rauone Beach, joint management of the Otago Harbour, management of the eastern channel, support for rabbit and animal control and the improvements to the Peninsula bus service. Once again many thanks to the other members of the community who had their say.



Te Rauone Reserve – the announcement of the \$900k from the DCC for the upgrade of the reserve over the next three years in tandem with the Port Otago project is a great opportunity for the community. The first drop in session was held on Queens Birthday with over 40 people giving feedback. The next stage will be having a draft design ready for further discussion in August. This is very exciting for the area.

Overhanging Vegetation - There have been a few enquiries regarding vegetation over footpaths from peoples property. It's important to keep trees and other plants clear of roads and footpaths to keep things safe for pedestrians and make sure drivers can see what's ahead.

It's a good time of year to check the plants on your boundary and cut back anything that is obstructing footpaths or roads. The DCC maintains street trees it has planted and deals with noxious weeds or unsafe vegetation on the road. Property owners are responsible for all vegetation on their land.

The diagram shows the area around the road and footpath that needs to be kept clear of vegetation.

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/>

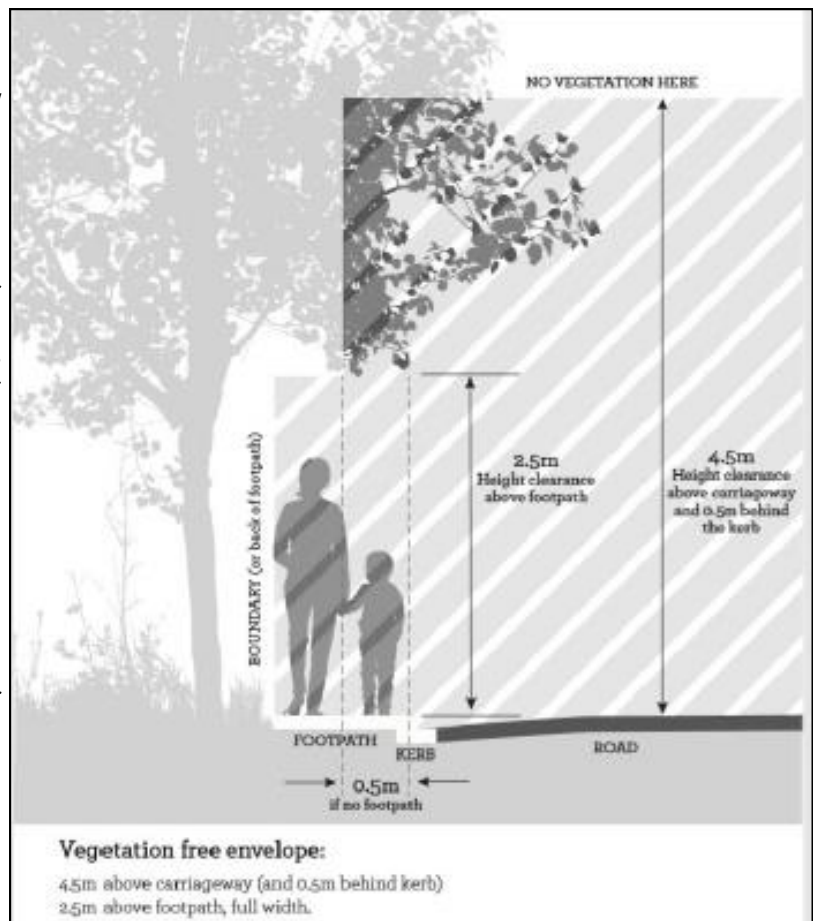
If you have any issues that you would like to raise or discuss please don't hesitate to contact me.

Paul Pope

Otago Peninsula Community Board Chairman

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Peninsula Garden Services

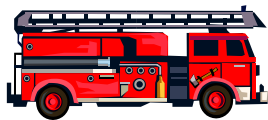


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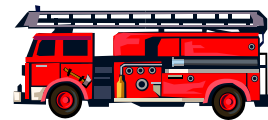
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Keep Safe this Winter

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2. Never cover heating appliances
3. Don't store objects on top of your heating appliance
4. Don't overload clothes dryers and clean the lint filter after each load

Please be aware our response can be compromised by our fire appliances not being able to gain access onto driveways due to overhanging branches or narrow gates. We need 4 metres width and 4 metres height. Please check your driveway is accessible for emergency vehicles.

*Chief Fire Officer
Greg Dickson*

The Portobello Police Officers position has still not been finalised.

In the meantime I am going to be back relieving in the position on the Peninsula until the decision has been made.

Aaron Smith



Coastguard News:

Welcome to Mac and Sam who have joined us as volunteers.

Training is going well and this happens every Tuesday night.

We had Cam Third from the Surf Life Saving Otago come to our last meeting to thank the Coastguard for helping out as a safety vessel with their training which involved using their IRB's on a run down the coast to Taieri Mouth. The Coastguard and Surf Life Saving hope to work closer together with their training.

If you are keen to join up then check out our Dunedin website or email dunedin.admin@coastguard.nz.

Still some nice weather coming up before Winter is upon us so stay safe out there and think about what you need to check up on before heading out on the water.



Broad Bay Ukelele Group

Would you like to join a fun light-hearted group of uke players and singers?

Come and learn or dust off your ukes and join in.
Great for raising the spirits!!

We meet on Mondays 1830 - 1930hrs.

Times can be adjusted if it suits more people.

Please phone/txt Ruth 4780261/ 0274780322



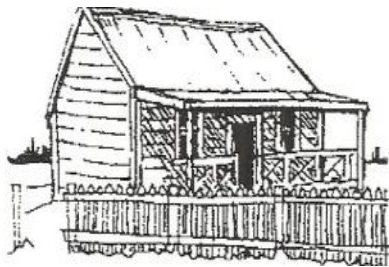
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OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

17 Harington Point Road, Portobello, Dunedin 9014

Museum News:

We had a great turnout for our Volunteers morning tea. It was nice for volunteers to meet each other and gave the committee a chance to also explain what we are up to. Many thanks to those who made it along. We really appreciate your support to the Museum. Welcome to Sonya who also joined us as a new volunteer. If anyone wants to be involved then please email us: theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com or give Warren a ring on 4780-255. A couple of members recently visited the Taieri Historical Museum at Outram. They have quite a few buildings to upkeep but each one is full of memorabilia. A trip out there is well worthwhile. They are open on Sundays.

We have a large collection of Family Trees in our files (102 in all). Do we have your Family Tree? If not then it would be great if you give us a copy. Your family could have been here for many years or just a few - it does not matter. It is just great that we have a copy for future generations to look up if they are passing this way and have a Peninsula connection.

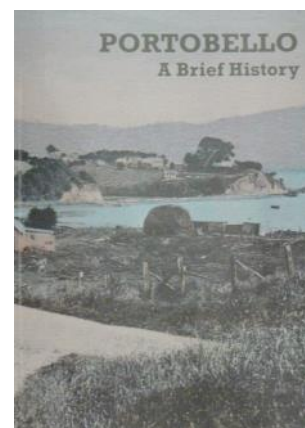
The Committee are working away each Tuesday morning, rearranging, carpentry, cataloguing, cleaning. There is always something to do.

At present some of our photos are going on a website called Scattered Seeds. If you Google Dunedin Public Libraries - Recollect you will see what photos have been added already. There are many more to go on so just keep looking. We would like to thank Emma Milburn from the Library and Scattered Seeds co-ordinator for being enthusiastic enough to encourage us to do this. Once in the site then click into Groups and you will see the Museum site.

Our book "Portobello - A Brief History" is still popular. These are available at the shop or Museum for \$25. Our thanks to the shop for allowing us to sell our book there since the Museum is only open Sunday afternoons.

The Museum Annual General Meeting
will be held on
Monday 23 July at 7pm
at the Museum.

Mark it on your calendar and come along to hear what we have been up
to over the past year.
Supper to follow



Portobello Library News

At our recent Annual General Meeting, Edna Stevenson, was voted in as our new President. Special thanks to Bruce Callister our outgoing President who did many years in the role. Bruce remains on the Committee and we will see him at the next meeting in February 2019!

A reminder that the Library is open each Thursday from 11am – 1pm.
Our Librarian is Dot and she will be very keen to show you around.

Local Hall Hire Contacts

Coronation Hall, Portobello - Wayne Cameron - 4780 424
Scott Hall, Harwood - Lucinda Redshaw - 4780 629
Hoopers Inlet Hall - Jackie Clearwater - 4780 508

Clearwater Family

Garret Hopper Clearwater was born on 25 May 1816 in New Jersey, USA. His occupations listed over the years, were whaler, cooper, carpenter, joiner, bushman, sawyer, gold miner and farmer.

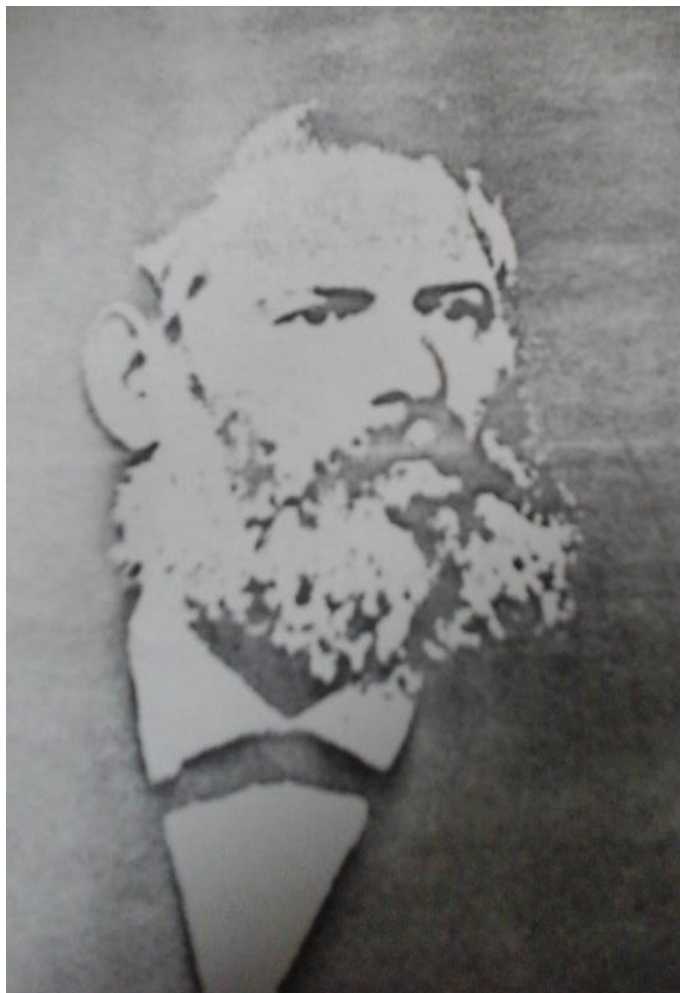
Often children's 2nd name were their mother's maiden name and this case Hopper was Garrett's mother's maiden name.

Garret arrived in Otago about 1838-1840. His wife to be, Ann Stevenson, was born 14 March 1817 in Scotland and arrived on the "Philip Laing" on 15 April 1848 - the 2nd immigrant ship to arrive in Port Chalmers. Garret and Ann married in Dunedin on 15 December 1848, being aged 31 and 32 respectively.

Children of Garret and Ann were twins Isabella and Garret Junior, John, William, Frederick, Robert and James. Several married into local families - John married Lucy Styles, William married Charlotte Geary and Robert married Alice Gwyn.

William and Charlotte lived in Wickliffe Bay they are both buried in the Portobello Cemetery, along with many of their descendants.

The late Bob Clearwater quoted "The love of the land is very strong in our family".



Quarantine Island Kamau Taurua Community news

May was a busy month with progress made on a couple of our ambitious projects. Volunteers made an impressive dent in controlling gorse, darwins barberry, ivy and broom, particularly where it has crept into the bush, and on the steep north face of the Island.

Thanks to the DCC for covering boat fares for two of the working parties and the DCC Biodiversity grant. The 'war' is not over of course, so let us know if you'd like to be involved! We have regular skirmishes!

Great progress has been made with the restoration of the interior of the Married Quarters building too, with the lining for the east wall now in place, and interior architraves and windows receiving their last coat of paint. Again, we have the DCC to thank for funds via the Dunedin Heritage Fund, and the Community Trust of Otago. We have a bit more to do, but funds are used up now, so we'll have to put this project on hold again.

Another very big project has cropped up- the jetty requires significant repairs, including replacing some piles. The jetty is owned by the QIKT Community, and is obviously critical in making the island accessible to the wider community. Port Otago are helping us to develop a plan; again, we anticipate needing to do a lot of fundraising. Sometimes, looking after the Island and its facilities feels very daunting for our small charity, but the Community has been doing this for 60 years now, originally as the St Martin Island Community. So, we just have to remember to breathe! Certainly, reading Lyndall Hancock's 'Quarantine Island/Kamau Taurua - A Short History' always puts things in perspective!

Some of the things that really encourage us are seeing the simple pleasure our visitors have exploring and staying on the island, and the many friends who help us out in so many different ways, from lending us a boat motor (and even a boat!) when the Keeper's dory's motor is held up in the repair shop, to lending a hand maintaining buildings, controlling weeds, and releasing seedlings.

If you'd like to reconnect or find out more, you are warmly invited to our **AGM on Sun. 17 June** or our next **open day on Sat. 30 June**.

The AGM will take place at the NEV Community Rooms, 262 North Rd at 2pm; join us for a potluck lunch beforehand at 1pm.

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Poor Old fool,” thought the well-dressed gentleman as he watched an old man fish in a puddle outside a pub. So he invited the old man inside for a drink. As they sipped their whiskeys, the gentleman thought he’d humor the old man and asked, “So how many have you caught today?”

The old man replied, “You’re the eighth.”



As the winter months become colder come down to the Café and keep warm with one of our winter warming drinks. Or enjoy Pea, Pie and Pud with our new pork, apple and sage pasty. Or hot homemade soup with a crusty roll ideal for a winter’s day.

There is one spice that sounds cold but is very hot. Last week I mistakenly put a tablespoon of Chilli powder in a tomato soup when I meant to put in smoky paprika. The packet looked the same colour I just needed to read the label more carefully. Still it made a great soup and finished off with a good blob of sour cream it was really tasty.

Did you know that Mexico the home of the chilli produces over 600,000 tons of Jalapeno chilli every year but China is now the biggest supplier? Chillies also pack a great number of health benefits from preventing alzheimer’s to helping weight loss. So perhaps it was it wasn’t a mistake after all.

From all of us at Penguin Café we look forward to seeing you and take care on those icy roads.

Peter, Ceinwen, Cherie, Jeannie, Holly, Alice, Ellie, Isla.

PORTOBELLO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Harington Point Road, Portobello



We are still open. Although the Andersons Bay Church closed we meet on the first three Sundays of each month at 10 am. An up-to-date notice is always displayed on the window. On the first Sunday of each month Jane Cox leads worship On the second Sunday we all take part. On the third Sunday a visiting minister leads us and on the last Sunday we visit other churches. When there is a fifth Sunday we go to Pukehiki Community Church

Come and join us.

Busy Winter Season Ahead for OPBG

The Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Group is gearing up for another busy winter season. Possums are very active at the moment moving from place to place and we need to be able to track them down. In order to do this we are putting out non-toxic, peanut butter or chocolate based chew cards to find out where the pesky possums are and thereafter, follow up with trapping.



Can you help?

We are calling for local residents to put out chew cards on their section or as close to home and report back to us if there are any possum bite marks. Not hearing a possum at night is no guarantee that there isn't a wandering possum at your place! Setting chew cards is quick and simple and a great winter activity for children too!



A freshly set chew card... waiting for a chew

Pick up some chew cards today!

Packs of 3 chew cards can be collected from the Portobello Store, if you are keen on lending a much-needed hand. The packs come complete with instructions and explain what to do if you discover possum chews.

cards?

Do you know which critters chewed these



It would be really helpful to know the location of chew cards with possum bites.

Please email: brenda.wayne@xtra.co.nz or text 0274 053 999

For more information about our activities and how you can get involved please email volunteers@opbg.nz

Save The Otago Peninsula Inc

(better known by its acronym, STOP) has a thousand trees to plant in the Smiths Creek Catchment on the Hereweka Harbour Cone Block this winter. Regular working bees are held on Tuesdays (9.30am – 12.30am) and Sundays (10am to 1pm). Meet at the end of Bacon St (at the beginning of the Bacon St Track up to Harbour Cone). More volunteers always welcome. Many of us are retirees, but all ages represented. I'd be particularly keen to hear from groups (workplace or other groups) who would like to offer a session, and can arrange other times. Also if you want to carbon offset by paying for trees and their maintenance, the contact person is Lala Frazer stopincsoc@gmail.com or text 027 8756 020.



The Portobello Indoor Recreation Club

at the Coronation Hall starting 7.00pm for Badminton games.

This is a good chance for friends and family to give badminton a go.

We do ask that players be from High School age.

We have a nightly fee to cover Hall hire and equipment.

Adults: \$2.00 per night, High School/ University students: \$1.00

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Selling in Winter?

You've probably heard this many times from real estate agents. "Winter can be an excellent time to sell."

But it is often true, and in particular we believe this winter is a brilliant time to consider selling your home on the Peninsula for two main reasons. Firstly, most of us are lucky enough to enjoy a north facing aspect if we live on the Peninsula, therefore our homes shine in the winter sun and really stand out above many homes that are shaded in the winter. Secondly, we still have an unprecedented amount of buyer demand in Dunedin, and in winter there are less competing properties for sale.

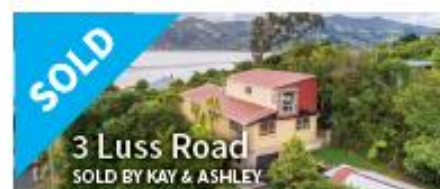
This all adds up to an excellent opportunity to maximise the value of your home if you are thinking of selling. The market continues to show strength with the median value rising to \$398,000, and median days on the market just 26 days.

Would you like to **boost** the value of your home?

At Harcourts we're always happy to provide a no-obligation market appraisal of your homes current value. This report will contain plenty of recent sales evidence, and information on properties currently for sale. But, we're also happy to make suggestions of improvements that could boost your home's value, and provide an estimate of market value with those

improvements made. Our rental department are also happy to provide a no-obligation rental appraisal in case you're thinking of renting your home out one day. It's all part of our service so just give me a call if you would like me to take a look at your home.

Recent sales on the Peninsula



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Xceed Fitness provides special rates for IHO clients and have kindly provided our Portobello clinic with a treadmill, static bike and free weights. Many clients have already experienced our new facilities and feel it is a great asset to the services we provide our local community.

If you're based in town during the week, you could always visit us at our Maori Hill clinic where our team of Osteopaths and Physiotherapists are more than happy to assist you with your treatment needs.

Need help to start an exercise programme?

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Building Community at Peninsula Playcentre

There has been a lot going on at Peninsula Playcentre lately.

Last term we focused on building links with our local community. This included meeting local artists, attending local events and making the most of local services. Several new families have joined us since the beginning of the year and we take this opportunity to welcome them to our Playcentre Whānau.

Very shortly Peninsula Playcentre membership will take over administration of the Portobello Toy Library. We will keep you posted on our progress. We want to acknowledge Michelle and Kelly's hard work towards keeping it open over the last few years.

This term we are focusing on kaitiakitanga and nurturing the natural environment. If you think you have an activity that would promote our environment with our tamariki, please get in touch either on Facebook or by email: peninsula@playcentre.org.nz.

At the end of last year we managed to meet the requirements to operate as a playcentre. Thank you to everyone who helped us reach this goal. Due to the generosity of the Portobello community and fundraising, we have been able to stay open without charging fees to our families. We would like to mention the Portobello Social Club who generously donated their remaining funds to us. There have also been other groups and individuals who have given donations and services that we are really grateful for. Thank you!

Because of the support of our community, we are also able to pay for services to keep our property up to MOE standards.

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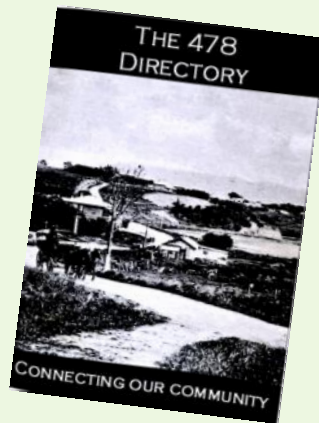
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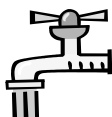
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Kia Ora,

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Stews, soups, roast. I will give you, this issue, one stew, 3 different meals.

Neck of Lamb (hogget or mutton are my favourite, full of flavour
(your butcher will cut it for you even at the super market)

TIME to COOK



Carrot, turnip lamb neck stew.

5 medium potatoes, 5 medium carrots, 1 onion, 2 branches thym, 3 glove garlic, one small bay leaf, salt and pepper, tsp sugar, tsp mustard (chilli optional) one neck, 50 gm butter and 1 tbl spoon olive oil.

In a pot melt butter and oil, when very hot, sear the meat till brown. Take it off the pot and reserve.
In the juice put all chopped vegetable as well as the sugar, sear it again till brown add the meat stir spice it with garlic salt pepper to taste, cover with water or stock or blonde beer it does not have to be Belgian, lol.
Once the stew start boiling reduce to very slow till the meat detaches itself from the bone. ready to serve.
Alternatively you can double up the amount of vegetable and condiments of your recipe.
When cooked take half, cool it and put in the freezer next time you want to use it.
You can make with the choice of meat you have a burger with tomato sauce. or with 500gm of mince. cook mince the way you like it and mix it with your stew add some fresh herbs the like of parsley or chives.

Poached Pear and vanilla custard

4 boss or bon cretian pears, 500ml vanilla custard cream, 50gm almond flour (ground), 50gm mix almond, hazelnut, 1 teasp raw sugar, one white of an egg, 1 liter of water 1/2 cup of sugar or golden syrup or maple.

Heat the water sugar pears(unpeeled) cook it till Al Dente. In the mean time rinse your nuts until the water is clear (by doing that you get rid of the rancid taste of oil that has been expose to air) Dry them in a pan or oven for 5 minutes. Chopped them mix butter, almond flour, white egg lightly beaten, raw sugar.
When pears are ready cut them in half scoop the middle by taking the seeds.
Pack the mix of almond butter in the hole, place pears in oven trays, stuffing up, under grill some 5 to 8 minutes
Serve with custard and cream.

Bon Appetit!

Dany

Time to cook

ANOTHER DAY IN PARADISE from Olly's pen

The sun is shining and trying its best to stave off the clouds. The forecast tells me that showers might develop later on this afternoon. In the meantime we're enjoying the cool light breeze as we do some tidying up around the house. There's always something to do – and that's what makes life so interesting in our part of the country aye?

In my last pen writing, I mentioned a presentation I was giving at the Otago University concerning an ancestral Maori philosophy my parents and elders from different Iwi taught me throughout my growing up years. I was unaware of its power until I came here to Otago. I taught at the Balclutha Primary and from time to time a group of us would go into Dunedin city to attend public lectures of interest to us. One of them happened to be at Knox where Professor Lloyd Geering was speaking. That led me to take a closer look at beliefs and religions of the world. It was my introduction to metaphysics which opened my eyes to the meanings and understandings of the philosophy I was taught using a system of story telling utilised by many other indigenous peoples around the world. It excited me then and it still excites me today. My talk at the University centred on Rongo, the Goddess of Peace, and judging from the feedback, it went well. The venue was packed and unfortunately some people had to sit on the floor – not that they seemed to mind. I'm hoping to do it again some time soon. The important overall message in the philosophy is the significance of 'thoughts and feelings'. Rongo is the gateway to accessing the endless universal data base where all thought forms reside i.e problems and solutions, new ideas, songs, poems, stories, inventions ad infinitum. Peace helps our minds to calm down and that automatically allows us access to the endless knowledge available to us. Large businesses know how powerful thoughts and feeling are and so they bombard us with their ideas to distract us from our own power to choose the thoughts we want. They try their best to take power over us and guide us to their way of thinking. Advertising is a powerful tool.

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Olly



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NO LARGE ITEMS: i.e. engines, metals, tanks, metal drums, whiteware, demolition materials*, or large items of vegetation

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NO LIQUIDS: including oil

* *The maximum size of demolition material is one metre in any direction. Material is to be clean and contain no asbestos.*

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DIARY DATES TO NOTE

Portobello Community Inc AGM - Tuesday 19th June 7.30 - at Coronation Hall

Coronation Hall AGM - Tuesday 12th June 7:30pm - at Coronation Hall. All welcome

Hoopers Inlet Hall AGM - Thursday 14th June 7:30pm - at the Hall, Allans Beach Road. All welcome

Pilates - Every Monday from 5:45pm - 6:45pm. Coronation Hall

Steady As You Go - Every Monday 10am. - Portobello Bowling Club

Tai Chi - Every Monday & Thursday 1:30pm Portobello Bowling Club

Portobello Library, - Coronation Hall - Every Thursday 11am - 1pm

Otago Peninsula Museum - open every Sunday 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Badminton every Sunday - evening 7pm at Coronation Hall

Portobello Community Inc

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Meetings held every 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Coronation Hall Kitchen, 7.30pm

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