# Broad Bay Community Centre NEWS/etter



**April 2008** 

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#### **Broad Bay Shore Clean Up**

On Sunday, 9 March, despite the weather, more than twenty volunteers turned up for the Broad Bay Community Centre Shore Clean Up Project.

The areas swept by our eagle-eyed beachcombers covered from Pineapple Rock to Grassy Point, with car tyres, clothing, glass, cans and plastic being the main types of rubbish collected.



Linda, Lucinda and Roseamanda Van der Linde

Lucky ticket holders were awarded prizes donated by the Royal Albatross Colony and the NZ Marine Studies Centre & Aquarium. Penny Dixon won a special prize because she found a unique piece of rubbish planted by the Seaweek team as part of the shore clean up throughout the Dunedin region.

At the close of the enterprise, and just as the sun came out, our committee volunteers provided a welcome cuppa in the kitchen 'chat room'. Thank you to those members, to all who took part and helped to organise the Clean Up.

#### DANCE AT BROAD BAY HALL

Saturday 17th May
Live Band:
Bevan Gardiner and Close Encounta

Plans are underway for a rip-roaring night on the town, Broad Bay Community Style – the usual BYO of a supper plate and your choice of refreshment. Further news and details will be broadcast during April.

#### **Committee News**

At the March Community Centre meeting we were pleased to accept Jeremy Whittam as a new Committee member. In addition, Shirley Ramsay agreed to take on the role of Committee Secretary, and will be co-opted to the committee at the April meeting. **Welcome** - we look forward to your participation in organising community events and the skills you bring to the committee. We hope other community members will come and take part in supporting the community and helping with projects, etc.

#### **Subscriptions**

At the March meeting, the Committee agreed to a recommendation that in future members' subscriptions should be called for on an annual basis. Presently the renewal dates are based on when a member joined up and are scattered throughout the year. The Treasurer, Peggy Greenheld, is working on upgrading Broad Bay Community Centre's collection of subscriptions, and hopes to provide an easier method which has the same annual renewal for all members.

#### **Joint Venture Report**

The group commissioned jointly by the Broad Bay Community Centre and the Broad Bay Boating Club to investigate the feasibility of building a new combined community centre and boat club on the Broad Bay waterfront has had two meetings so far this year.

An application to register the group as an incorporated society is well advanced. Inc-soc status will make the joint venture a legal entity in the eyes of potential funders of the feasibility study, and hopefully improve the chances of the study getting fully funded.

Seed money of \$250 from each founding organization is being sought by the joint venture committee to cover expenses, such as the \$100 application fee required by the Registrar of Incorporated Societies plus the cost of producing a full set of drawings for the new building, documents for the feasibility-study tender process, photocopying and postage. The drawings are the same as those shown to the annual meetings of the two parent bodies. When the feasibility study is completed, it will be submitted to the two bodies for comment and a decision on whether to proceed.

Important next steps include the commissioning of the study and the funding of it. At the suggestion of independent chairman, Richard Good of Portobello, the group will work on a flow chart and timeline for the funding and feasibility-study processes.

#### **Broad Bay School**

We hope everyone is enjoying this lovely weather we are still having. The sandpit is very popular in this weather. We have been collecting games and Lego for wet weather inside activities in the lunch hour, so if anyone is willing to donate – or we are willing to pay – for any second-hand games etc, then please give the school a ring.



The senior children have really enjoyed their boating afternoons with our local boating guru Rob Tipa. They have also had a session yachting at Macandrew Bay. This was run by Yachting New Zealand.

The Rippa Rugby coach was down to give the children a few tips on the game. We have 2 teams playing in the competition each week.

The whole school joined up with Portobello and Macandrew Bay Schools for a fun sports day at Portobello recently.

We have farewelled the Hunt family, who have moved to the West Coast, and welcomed Robbie Bevin and Kapua Thornicroft as new entrants.

Our Social Studies topic for this term is Celebrations, both in New Zealand and globally.

Our Art topic is Construction.

The Plant Fair is going ahead again this year. If anyone in the community would like to help us with potting up plants, or have a garden where we can source some plants, then we would be most grateful, so please give the school a call.

We have a blue gum wood raffle on the go at the moment. This will be drawn on Friday 18 April. If you would like a ticket (\$1) then pop into the school and get one.

John Goulstone Principal

#### **NZ Marine Studies Centre & Aquarium**

19 April – 4 May 08



Just think - what would it would be like ....

- to have fins instead of legs and arms?
- to eat all your food through a straw?
- to be bright pink all the time?
- to have eight arms?
- to have a lamp on top of your head?

It would be **FREAKY!** 

**Freaky Fish Hunt** – Join the trail to find our strange and freaky sea creatures and find out about fantastic adaptations to cope with life in a watery world.

**Freaky Fun** – Make a balloon-propelled squid or see a colossal squid beak and examine ferocious squid rings under a microscope ... every day at 1pm join a different hands-on workshop to explore a freaky creature feature.

**Feed the Freaky Fish** – Every Wednesday and Saturday from 2-3pm.

**Deep Sea Game** – Deep Sea fish have some of the freakiest adaptations you will ever see. Play our Deep Sea Game and meet some of them.

**Films and Art Activities** – Every day of the holidays at the Aquarium.

NZ Marine Studies Centre & Aquarium, Portobello Open 12-4.30pm every day Adult \$9, Child \$4.50, Family \$18.00. Daily Guided Tour at 10.30am Adult \$18, Child \$9, Family \$42.

Ph 479 5826

#### KINDLING FOR SALE

Large bags for \$10 5 or more bags \$9 a bag Ring Broad Bay School on 4780 706

#### **Otago Peninsula Community Board**

Great to see four members of our Peninsula community present in the Public Forum section of the recent Otago Peninsula Community Board meeting. It is always heartening to see people concerned enough about an issue, or involved in a community project, taking the time to approach the Board to raise an issue or ask for assistance with a Peninsula Project.

#### **Board Support for local projects**

As a result of these presentations

- The Board is writing a letter of support in relation to an application to the DCC to establish a cricket pitch at the Portobello Domain
- The pontoon project at Macandrew Bay received \$2000 from the Project Fund
- The concern raised re the changes to the Portobello/ Portsmouth Drive intersection and the resulting confusion for visitors has been passed on to the appropriate department within Council with the suggested solutions to be considered.

#### **Toilets**

A Public Toilets service review is underway. Feedback was passed on to the team from the Community Board about local issues and there will be more opportunities for public comment and feedback further on in the process.

Have you noticed that the toilet at Broad Bay has recently been upgraded? Council staff have done a great job with this. There are still several items to complete - the floor, a hook added to the back of door and some planting which they have agreed to do on the left of the path leading up to the toilet.

#### **Freedom Camping**

This continues to be a concern for the Peninsula and we continue to work with Council to urgently find a workable solution.

#### Roading

We have made some progress with vegetation being cut back around Broad Bay. The flaxes have been cut on the harbourside between Grieg St and Sandpiper St and the bushes cut lining the path up Portobello Rd towards Fletcher House. There is more to be done.

One concern is, where there is no footpath, pedestrians have to use the shoulder of the road to walk on. In many places these are covered with vegetation growing from private properties. If you have a frontage on your property which is used in this way, and you could cut the vegetation back to ensure pedestrians - especially our children - have somewhere safer to walk than on the road, it would be greatly appreciated by the parents of our Broad Bay children.

At the same time, we are doing our best to ensure that the DCC processes can deal with these issues in their maintenance contract. Staff have been extremely helpful in working with us on this.

The corner of Matariki St and Portobello Rd has been identified by local residents as a danger. Here the toitoi plants restrict visibility for motorists and pedestrians, with several 'near misses' reported. Council is considering removing these toitoi plants as one option to make it safer.

#### - What do you think?

#### **Pontoon**

The people who constructed the pontoon at Macandrew Bay have kindly offered their guidance for one at Broad Bay if the community would like one. An engineer, a builder and a welder, all Broad Bay residents, have agreed to help with this project.

### - What do you think - does the Broad Bay Community want a pontoon?

#### **Community Plan**

We are currently discussing the Community Plan, a response to the roading capital expenditure and making submissions to the budget hearings.

**Next meeting** of the Otago Peninsula Community Board is on Thursday 24 April, 10am at the Portobello Aquarium.



#### STOP (Save The Otago Peninsula) AGM

STOP will hold its AGM at **7pm** on **29<sup>th</sup> April 2008 at the Broad Bay Hall.** The objects of the Incorporated Society need to be changed to better reflect our current work and aims - so it is important we have a quorum.

At 7.30 Bruce McKinlay of the Department of Conservation will give a talk reviewing **The current state of Mammals, Birds and Reptiles on the Otago Peninsula** and identifying any trends. He will also offer some perspectives on control techniques, and opportunities to enhance the biodiversity. All welcome.

Contact Lala Frazer, email lala.frazer@gmail.com or phone 4780 339 for information about STOP Inc Soc.

#### Matariki Street Barbeque:

Our street barbeque is still as popular as ever – even after 11 years. This year we were superbly hosted by Sally Carson, Denis Page, along with Anne-Sophie and Olivier. Thanks also to Richard, who toiled away at the barbeque. It was nice to meet up and to welcome the two new families who have moved into the street since our 2007 barbeque. Thanks also to Cormack McCarthy, one of the older citizens in the street, who never misses this event.

## **Broad Bay Community Centre Inc. Committee Members**

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Main Hall:		
2 hours or less:	\$11 per hour (Bond \$11)	
Morning/afternoon (usage is 2hrs+):	\$30 (Bond \$30)	
Evening:	\$60 (Bond \$60) Private Parties -\$200 (Bond \$200)	
Whole Day:	\$85 (Returnable Bond \$85)	
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2 Hours or less:	\$11 per hour (Returnable Bond \$11)	
Morning/afternoon (usage is 2hrs+):	\$28 (Returnable Bond \$28)	
Whole Day:	\$50 (Returnable Bond	<b>\$50</b> )
Miscellaneous Items:		
Chair Hire:	<b>\$2</b> each per day (Bulk <b>\$40</b> for <b>20</b> 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 +)	
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