

# Broad Bay Community Centre



2 Clearwater Street  
(also known as the Hall or BBCC)  
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Local News – April 2024

*Many activities/notices – we hope there is something for everyone. And if you are new to Broad Bay, Welcome! In between newsletters, we send updates via Lala (see further below for how to get onto her email list) or via Facebook.*

*Alas, coming up we have an unavoidable clash on Wednesday evenings between line dancing taster classes at our Hall and Taekwondo at Portobello Hall. We hope you can make it to at least one of them.*

**NOTE TWO URGENT DATES below - you need to book for the Boating Club's evening event by THIS COMING SATURDAY (13<sup>th</sup>) and the Caselberg studio open day is on THIS COMING SUNDAY (14<sup>th</sup>)!**

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## THE CASELBERG TRUST never sleeps

Since the last newsletter, Mark Graver, Master printmaker, from Kerikeri had a month's residency at the house closely followed by Den Weldon from New York, also a Master printmaker and who also had a month's residency. Both ran Open Studios in Broad Bay with Dan Weldon also running a 2-day workshop in Wellington. The Dunedin Art Gallery supported the Trust by showing a documentary about Dan, his work and his creative process. New Zealand public and printmakers have been well-served.

Currently Katie Breckon, recently returned from 10 years in the Kimberley where she worked in remote areas with the aboriginal Community, is now at the house for 3 months on our Creative Connections Residency. She is working on a concepts of loss and repair at the Taieri wetlands.

**An Open Studio to meet with Katie and see her work-in-progress is on this SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2.00-4.00PM at the Caselberg House. All welcome - a not to be missed opportunity - much exciting work to see.**

Applications have now closed for the new 6-week Margaret Egan/UNESCO Cities of Literature Writing Residency (open this year to NZ writers only.) Winners to be announced later.

... And the Trust has just announced the judge for the Caselberg International Poetry competition - Poet/writer/editor and former Broad Bay resident, Alan Roddick (see <https://www.caselbergtrust.org/prizes>). The poetry competition opens 1 June, closes 31st July.

**BROAD BAY BOATING CLUB CENTENARY CELEBRATION – Weekend April 20-21, 2024** The Broad Bay Boating Club is celebrating its centennial season with a Social Event at the Broad Bay Community Centre on **20 April**, all welcome.

Bookings are by internet banking and need to be made **by Sat 13 April**. For booking see:

<https://www.broadbayboatingclub.nz/centennial-celebrations> The following day, Sunday 21 April at 1 pm is the Club's Closing Day Race and it would be great to have lots of boats turn up, including classic boats (and not just sailing boats). More to come on this. If you wish to assist in the celebration or have any information/photos, please contact: Robert Buxton, 0278007452 or [robert@buxtonwalker.co.nz](mailto:robert@buxtonwalker.co.nz).



### ONE-OFF PILATES CLASS at BROAD BAY HALL, Sunday 28th April. 3.30-4.30pm.



Join Rosa from Barre Base for a Gentle Pilates class. This class will combine Pilates strengthening work with stretching, breathing and self-care. The class will focus on building core and glute strength, while finding ease in the body and mind. Please bring a yoga mat or towel & wear comfortable clothing. All levels, ages & stages are welcome. \$10 cash.



### OTAGO PENINSULA COMMUNITY TAEKWONDO – Portobello Hall

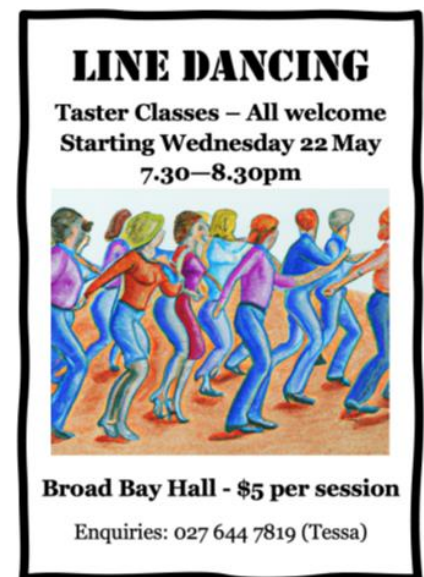
Taekwondo classes are about to start at the **Portobello Hall**. The very first class will be **Wednesday 1st May from 6 - 7pm**. Then every Wednesday after that. All levels of fitness are welcome. Bring your whanau and friends. Wear loose fitting pants and plain top — or a white dobok if you have one.

This is a community class so is tailored more broadly for all ages. Young children though need to be accompanied by a caregiver who would train with them.

We are lucky to have Master Paul Foley (4th dan) as our senior instructor! Classes are free or a gold coin if you are unwaged, or \$5 per person or \$10 for all the family. First Class is Free for everyone. Join the FB group ' Otago Peninsula Community Taekwondo' or text Amber for more info ph 022 5909 300.

### LINE DANCING – Broad Bay Hall – Starts Wednesday 22 May

No experience and no partner necessary. A variety of music to dance to. Come along and have some fun. Classes will be led by teacher Judy Collins. The first of 5 sessions is on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 7.30pm. More will follow later in the year if it takes off in Broad Bay ☺



**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS 'LIVING CLEAN MEETING'** Broad Bay Community Centre, Clearwater St.  
7pm Tuesdays. Ph 0800 628 632 or see <https://nzna.org>  
**DRUG PROBLEM? WE CAN HELP.**

### COMMUNITY CHOIR - Choir! Choir!

Your local community choir, Choir! Choir! invites you to join the fun at The Broad Bay Community Centre every Friday from 7 - 9pm.

Conducted by the talented Jennifer Cattermole of Otago University music dept. and accompaniment from musician Hohepa Setefano of Soul Deep fame.

\$5 - includes hot drinks and chocolate biscuits. No audition. All Welcome!

Singing in a group is scientifically proven to increase your health and happiness! Join the FB group ' Choir! Choir! ' or text Amber for more info 022 5909 300.

**TAI CHI – BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE**, 9.30 am Wednesdays, \$2 per week. Tai Chi improves balance, muscle strength, flexibility, stamina, breathing, posture, relaxation and immunity. It's great for back pain, arthritis and diabetes.



Margaret 03 479 3052; Korena 0276126071; [margaret@ageconcernotago.co.nz](mailto:margaret@ageconcernotago.co.nz)

(Note from Jane A., Ed: Although put on by Age Concern, I checked, and those younger than 65 are also welcome).

### TOMAHAWK LAGOON COMMUNITY DAY - Wednesday, 17 April at 1-6.30pm

Fun afternoon, featuring water quality and interactive stormwater displays! Domain Hall, Tomahawk Lagoon, 307 Tomahawk Road, Ocean Grove, Dunedin. See you there!

Along with learning about some cool water quality science, you can:

1. Enjoy complimentary ice cream, BBQ and coffee
2. Meet other community members and
3. Learn about how what you do at home impacts Tomahawk Lagoon and the environment around us.

**CHANGES TO OUR BBCC RULES** - Now that there is a new Incorporated Societies Act, we need to change our rules (now to be called a constitution), to fit in with the new requirements (as do all other Incorporated Societies). If any of you are interested in being part of this, please contact Jane Ashman 03 478 0440 or 021 027 10950, [jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz](mailto:jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz). We will be sending out our proposed new Constitution via Lala's emails (see below for how to get onto her list).and asking for comments before we put it to the AGM later in the year for approval.

## HEREWEKA HIKE - Sunday, April 28, 2024

Join the Hereweka Harbour Cone Trust for the first public walk along the new Portobello – Hereweka loop track. Thanks to the generosity of our neighbours, this new route will become a permanent addition to the Peninsula's track network, it allows walkers to walk from Portobello to Harbour Cone. Walkers should **register on the day from 10.00am** at Portobello Domain on Allan's Beach Road with a **10.30am start**.

The 5.5 kilometre walk is over the historic "Leith Walk" on Hereweka Street through the covenanted Rimu forest remnant on the Trust's boundary. It traverses the old Lesley Family sled track with the option of a walk to the summit of Harbour Cone.

Due to being on an operational farm there are no dogs allowed, please bring appropriate footwear, clothing and water. This walk is designed for moderately fit people and should take between 2-3.5 hours.

**Hosted by Hereweka Harbour Cone Trust:** The Trust was established to manage the property and its values for the benefit of the community. The Trust's vision is to maintain the working landscape and enhance landscape, ecological, recreation, cultural and heritage values of the Hereweka/Harbour Cone property.

## TABLE TENNIS FOR OLDER FOLK – COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Tuesdays 2-3pm, coming up, starting in the winter** (*note that new time*)

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, research shows table tennis is excellent for ageing minds/ bodies: it opens up neurological pathways; lowers risk of dementia; increases the thickness of the brain associated with complex thinking (which shrinks most as we age); good for memory attention, mood; easy on the joints; improves reflexes & co-ordination; aerobic workout involving upper and lower body. Best that you smile and laugh lots while you play too - even anticipating laughter triggers stress reduction and immunity boosting. (*From: The Age Well Project by Annabel Streets and Susan Saunders, from the Book Bus*).



Brian Nicholls (phone 03 478 0488) has kindly agreed to be there to help out. Starting date to be confirmed closer to winter. Watch out for a notice via either another newsletter or Lala's email notices (see how to sign up below, if you aren't on her list already).

Please do pop along if you are in the least bit tempted, no previous experience necessary, all equipment supplied. Gold coin koha towards hall upkeep appreciated.

**OTHER TABLE TENNIS TIMES/DAYS?** If anyone else would like to trial a different day/time (for the same age group, another age group, or for all) contact our booking person (details at end of newsletter).

**HOME-MADE BAKING DONATIONS WELCOMED** by the Broad Bay School Playgroup (to freeze for our Friday playgroup). Please contact the school if you can help.

## BROAD BAY SCHOOL PLAYGROUP – Every Friday during term time, 10am to 12 noon, in Room 2

A welcoming, safe, warm environment for your child to play. Social time with other parents and caregivers. Hot and cold drinks & home-made baking.

**POTENTIAL DRAMA SESSIONS AT THE BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE** – We are looking into having these (probably for 7-10 year olds or thereabouts) in the July 2024 school holidays. We'll let you know more via Lala's emails (see how to sign up below, if you aren't on her list already). and BBCC facebook (or newsletter) as details come to hand. Otherwise contact Jane 4780440/02102710950, [jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz](mailto:jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz).

**LOVE THE UKULELE?** The Peninsula Ukulele Group (The PUGs) offers a warm welcome to ukulele enthusiasts every Monday at 6:30 pm in Broad Bay. We gather at our group leader Jen's house, for an hour of strumming, singing, and laughing in a relaxed atmosphere. If you're interested in joining or simply want more information, including the specific address in Broad Bay, feel free to send us a message. Contact us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/ThePUGsNZ/>) or email [thepugsnz@gmail.com](mailto:thepugsnz@gmail.com).



Come join us on Mondays and add a little music to your week!

**KNITTING and CROCHET Group** Learn to knit or crochet, or improve your skills. Meet at my home: Elsie Sanderling, 28 Frances St, **Wednesdays 7.30 - 8.30 p.m.** Ph 03 478 0509, text 027 338 2706. **No charge!**

**BROAD BAY COMMUNITY GARDEN** – Our Community Garden on Clearwater Street is slowing down with autumn. The garden is for all to enjoy and to tend. We hope that if you pick from it, you may wish to get involved in its care. The working bees are held on a Saturday afternoon (notified by email) but people are welcome to weed the beds any time. The blackboard outside on the Co-op wall is updated with what's ready to harvest. For more information and to join our email list please contact Francesca Bolgar <francescabolgar@gmail.com>.

### 2nd ANNUAL BROAD BAY GALA DAY

We're looking for all kinds of people in our community to get involved with Gala Day this year - handy people, artists, musicians, performers, stall holders etc. As well as volunteers with any time or skills to share. Please join us in what we hope will become an annual event for the Peninsula. We're also looking for sponsorship and prizes for the mega raffle - Local business and individuals do you have a cool prize of any description to donate? Please text Amber to register your interest 022 5909 300.

**MARINE ENCOUNTERS TOURS** Come on down to your local N.Z. Marine Studies Centre at Portobello (185 Hatchery Rd); connect with your coast, meet local marine species in our touch tanks, and discover what makes them special. Get an insight into research at the Portobello Marine Lab before taking a deep sea dive in our virtual submarine! Once a month on a Sunday. **10:00am - 11:30am and 12:00pm - 1:30pm** (next one is April 21st)

**Price:** \$15 per adult and \$10 per child (2-18 years old)

**Book:** Humanitix - search Marine Encounters

<https://events.humanitix.com/marine-encounters-at-the-nz-marine-studies-centre>

**Inquiries:** [marine-studies@otago.ac.nz](mailto:marine-studies@otago.ac.nz)

**POSSUM POO?** Please keep an eye out for possum poo on your walk. You're looking for poo the size and shape of a jellybean, and it can be clumped or single pellets. Please take a photo if you're not sure. Report it to [predatorfreepeninsula.nz](http://predatorfreepeninsula.nz). (From the Otago Peninsula Biodiversity Group)



**BROAD BAY FOOD CO-OP** (the little building in the community garden at 3 Clearwater Street) buys healthy, cheap produce weekly from the Farmer's Market. Members only buy what and how much they choose and have easy 24-hour access to the produce. We keep an ongoing stock of staples like potatoes & onions. Buying from the Co-op means fresher produce than you can obtain from the supermarket. Joining us could be your answer to the problem of rising food prices! Contact Lala Frazer 027 875 6020 (text only) or Francesca Bolgar 027 323 5581.

**BADMINTON, Portobello Coronation Hall, Sundays, 7pm.** A chance for friends and family to give badminton a go, all equipment provided. We do ask players be from High School age. Adults: \$2.00 per night, High School/ University students: \$1.00. After three nights playing you can join the club following an annual subscription. For questions, please contact Geoff Sheridan on 03 478 0688. (*Jane A., Ed: Research shows, badminton reduces risk of death at any given age by 50%, well ahead of football, running, dance, swimming – Age Well Project – Book Bus.*)

**PUBLIC TOILETS AT THE BROAD BAY BEACH** Request from the dedicated cleaner: Please let the DCC know whenever you notice the toilets are not functioning properly or have an 'out of order' sign on them. The more messages the DCC receives the better i.e. the more prompt their response is likely to be. Some of you may have noticed they were 'out of order' over Easter, and that was because the cleaner was unable to open the door.

**OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM** We have had a steady stream of visitors lately which is always great to see. Thanks to all our volunteers on our Sunday Roster and our Tuesday morning working bees. We recently were given a 1938 Vauxhall DX 1400cc car which the men are looking forward to doing some maintenance work on. The motor goes like a charm and it was able to be driven the short distance from its home to the Museum. Come along to the Museum on a Sunday between 12.30 and 3.30pm and take a look at all the wonderful exhibits we have on display. Support local. Adults only \$2 and children go free. We also have on sale our book Otago Peninsula Then and Now which is proving a hit with people. Only \$30 a copy. These are also available at the Portobello Store and Otago Peninsula Medical Centre in Allans



Beach Road, Portobello. If you want to get in contact with us then our email address is:

[theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com](mailto:theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com)

**SAVE THE OTAGO PENINSULA (STOP) NEWS** It has been a great growing season – for the grass that smothers the plants as well as for the seedlings and young trees. Working bees on Tuesdays and Sunday mornings start at 9.30am at the end of Bacon St. Until May when planting restarts the volunteers are releasing young seedlings from the exotic grass so they are not out competed. Contact [stopincsoc@gmail.com](mailto:stopincsoc@gmail.com) or Lala (text only) 027 87560 20 for more information about working bees. New volunteers always needed and welcomed.



Proving very popular is the new ‘Tree Trail’ at Smiths Creek at the end of Bacon St starting just through the first gate off the Bacon Track. Learn the names of the native trees planted in the “Future Forest” and that you see around you. It is a temporary trial at the moment, installed for

the Broad Bay School Field Day. Feedback welcomed.

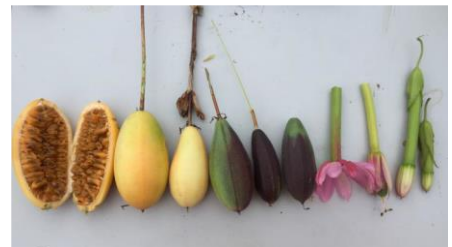
Unfortunately “Trees That Count” was oversubscribed and is not available again as a source for funding for this year’s trees. If you would like to commemorate a milestone in yours or your family’s life you may like to consider having a tree – or a grove of trees planted. Each tree plus the protective cage, the fertiliser tablet, the stake, the labels and the wire pegs to fasten down the weedmats and the cage cost STOP \$20. As a charitable donation you can also claim back a third on your tax. See the contact details above to ask how to donate.



What has SWAT been up to lately? After a summer of targeting Chilean Flame Creeper our attention now shifts back to trying to stop the spread of Banana Passionfruit (BPF). In order to prevent the spread of pest plants it is important to

stop the seeds getting from one place to another. A study undertaken by the School of Biological Sciences, University of Canterbury, indicated that one animal which is particularly good at transporting seeds of BPF is the possum, with the seeds found in possum poo having an excellent germination rate. For many years those pesky possums have been spreading BPF around the Peninsula. An introduced plant and an introduced animal have teamed up to their mutual advantage! Now, with far fewer possums, the spread of BPF should slow down. However, when a ripe fruit drops from the vine onto the ground those seeds will still germinate. So, if you have a BPF vine on your section that is difficult to kill, then removing the fruit and disposing of them with your rubbish (not your compost) is well worth doing.

Remember, if you would like advice or help controlling pest plants on your property, or find a plant that you think could be a problem weed we would be keen to hear from you. Contact the team at [SWATweeds@gmail.com](mailto:SWATweeds@gmail.com)



**DCC LIBRARY BOOK BUS in Broad Bay – usually 11:15-12pm every Wednesday** (Roebuck Rise outside Broad Bay School)

Or if they are in the new electric bus, they will park by the main bus stop on Portobello Road, below the school.

**NEXT DCC SKIP DAY AT PORTOBELLO DOMAIN** is currently set for June 22<sup>nd</sup> (per DCC email). For costs and what is accepted see <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/community-rural-skip-days>.

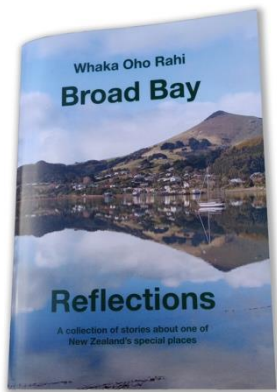
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(Jane A., Ed: Chloe grew up in Broad Bay, and is now developing her products on the Peninsula)

**KANUKA DOG SPA – DOG GROOMING ON THE PENINSULA** Small to medium dogs up to 15kgs. Experienced groomer. Please contact Megan Bardell, 022 659 5192, [kanukadogspa@gmail.com](mailto:kanukadogspa@gmail.com)

**READ THE MACANDREW BAY AND PORTOBELLO NEWSLETTERS ONLINE:**

Between them, you’ll often find details of local trades people, massage/physiotherapy, church services etc. We’ve got it all on the Peninsula [www.macandrewbaynews.org.nz](http://www.macandrewbaynews.org.nz) [www.portobello.org.nz](http://www.portobello.org.nz)

**GET LOCAL NEWS BY EMAIL (commonly referred to as Lala’s emails):** If you have local news to share, contact Lala at [lala.frazer@gmail.com](mailto:lala.frazer@gmail.com). People are listed by street so that some notices (eg. lost and found animals) are better targeted. If you’d like your name added to the list, please contact Lala. Your email address is not made public. You can ask to be removed.



## Whaka Oho Rahi BROAD BAY REFLECTIONS

A collection of stories about and by the people who live in Broad Bay or people who have found this a special place. Copies of the book cost \$10 and are available from the Portobello Store, Hereweka Gallery or directly from Tessa Mills (ph 027 644 7819).

Do YOU have a story to tell? We would love to include it in our collection. Another book may materialize in due course, but in the meantime, all the stories from Reflections – and more – are on the Broad Bay website ([broadbay.co.nz](http://broadbay.co.nz)) and your story could be included there. If you would like to write it down – great! But Tessa is also happy to listen and type up your recollections. Contact Tessa on the number above or email [tessa.holiday@gmail.com](mailto:tessa.holiday@gmail.com)

## THE BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE – Booking titbits

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS:** We invite anyone in the community who wants to host youth-centered functions to contact us (see current contact details on our website: [www.broadbay.co.nz](http://www.broadbay.co.nz)). Also, we would love to hear ideas and feedback from youth members of the community about how their social needs could be met within our lovely wee community.

**FREE TRIAL OF THE BBCC HALL OR ETHERIDGE ROOMS** (the cozy rooms behind the hall): Did you know that you can trial using the BBCC spaces to hold your classes, meetings, talks? To discover if our spaces work for your needs, or to explore viability and attendance rates, please talk to us about a free trial! We're also happy to discuss options for free public events.

Don't forget, the Hall now has an **A/V system**, including a video projector, screen, speakers, cordless microphone, and a disco ball. It's easy to connect your phone (by Bluetooth or cable) for music, and community meetings / presentations are clearer with a big screen plus microphone. When you make a booking, please ask us to connect you with Matt so he can show you how it all works.

And don't forget the Hall has studio mirrors, and table tennis equipment.

**HALL BOOKINGS:** For booking enquiries and more information see current contact details on our website: [www.broadbay.co.nz](http://www.broadbay.co.nz)

- Hourly rate - \$15 for members, \$20 non-members
- Children's Party - \$35 for members, \$50 non-members
- Private Function - \$85 for members, \$120 non-members
- Funerals or Memorials - by donation

The Etheridge Rooms (behind the Hall, with grass area & superb view) are also available for short or long term hire. Equipment (tables, chairs, crockery, cutlery) available too for members to borrow: a donation will be negotiated. **BONUS!** Community Centre members don't pay a bond.

### *Overnight camps*

Thinking of an overnight camp at the BBCC in future? Regulations have changed, and while we're very happy to host groups we do need as much advance notice as possible – so we can “bundle” our newly required site inspections together, thereby reducing overall costs for both hirers and the hall. Please reach out to us for more information.

**REMINDER:** The BBCC is owned by you – unlike many other local halls it is not owned by the DCC. It is run by volunteers, and we love you to use it as much as you can. Suggestions and help are WELCOME.

**DO YOU HAVE A NOTICE FOR FUTURE NEWSLETTERS?** Please contact Jane Ashman: 03 478 0440 or 021 027 10950, [jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz](mailto:jane.ashman@otago.ac.nz). Thank you to the Otago Peninsula Community Board for funding towards the newsletter, and to the wonderful volunteer deliverers.