

Broad Bay Community Centre



2a Clearwater Street
(also known as the Hall or BBCC)
www.broadbay.co.nz
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Local News – August 2025

Kia ora – There are many activities and notices in this newsletter – we hope there is something for everyone. Thai Boxing sessions are starting, plus an additional yoga class. And if you are new to Broad Bay, welcome! In between newsletters, we send updates via Lala (see the last page for how to get onto her email list) or via Facebook. It's the time of year for membership renewal too – we appreciate every subscription we receive. Thank you to all who have paid in the past, and don't forget you get some free hall-usage in return. Our AGM is coming up too ... read on for further details. But first up, a reminder TO VOTE:

Kia orana readers,

As it is the last newsletter before the local elections, I will remind you to please check that you are correctly enrolled to vote. If you aren't enrolled, need to change your details or are unsure, check out www.vote.nz.

Local elections typically have a lower voter turnout than the national elections, even though the decisions of the local council shape so many different things from our library services to the water in our taps. So please take a moment to look up potential candidates and then vote. You can also go to www.dunedin.govt.nz for more information.

This year, we will not see Edna Stevenson or Lox Kellas standing for re-election after many years serving the Otago Peninsula Community Board. They have both given generously of their time and expertise to the Board and the Peninsula community and I personally have learnt a lot from working alongside them. Their contributions and experience will be missed. Say hi if you see them.

Meitaki ra,

Stacey Kokaua-Balfour

Otago Peninsula Community Board Member

BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE AGM, 2A Clearwater Street, Thursday 9 October 2025, 7.30pm

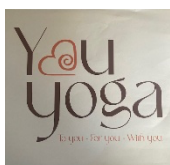
AGENDA: Minutes of last AGM; President's report; annual accounts; insurance; election of committee; general business. All welcome.

Would you like to join the committee, or help out with activities or with upkeep of the building and grounds? More help is always appreciated. Nominations for the committee should be in writing five days before the AGM, but it is also possible to be nominated during the meeting. See page 10 our Constitution for more details: <https://broadbay.co.nz/bbcc-constitution-2024/> or just come along to the meeting.

If you have any questions, email our Secretary, Tessa, at tessa.holiday@gmail.com or phone 027 644 7819.

MONDAY NIGHT THAI BOXING AT THE BBCC starting the first week of September, **6pm -7pm**, small class, and beginners welcome. Come and learn Thailand's national sport "the art of 8 limbs", whether you practice for exercise or art, train at your own pace in a challenging friendly environment. Classes are \$10 each and are run by Dan who has many years of experience in martial arts training. Initially no gloves needed as the only contact will be on the pads. Students must be 13 years and older. For all inquiries, please call Dan on 021 090 58178.

YOGA AT THE BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE Saturdays 9-10am - just before the ping pong sessions, PLUS AN ADDITIONAL MONDAY NIGHT SESSION STARTING SOON



Vinyasa style Yoga here in Broad Bay. Come along, Eleanor has a relaxed and friendly teaching style, giving you permission to explore asanas (poses), develop breath work, lengthen, strengthen, balance and release. Each class finishes with a short meditation(savasana).
\$10 per class. Cash or bank transfer. Bring your mat, wear layers, and don't forget your water.
Saturday morning 9-10am. **Monday eve 7.15-8.15pm beginning September 22nd.**

PING PONG at the BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE – SATURDAY MORNINGS 10.30am – 12.30pm



Join us for fun and frivolity - The Art of Ping Pong (slang for Table Tennis). All equipment supplied. Don't worry if you've never played - you're never too old, or too young - no age discrimination here. Have fun, learn, and compete, and improve your wellbeing at the same time. For the older folk, don't forget, research shows table tennis is excellent for ageing minds and bodies: 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 retention and mood; easy on the joints; improves reflexes and co-ordination; aerobic workout involving upper and lower body. And yes, good for everyone else too, it's just a lot of FUN Check the Peninsula Bulletin Board FB Group for updates and cancellations. Gold coin donation.

Enquiries to: matthew.hawke@gmail.com

LINE DANCING

All welcome!

Every Wednesday from 7.30 – 8.30pm

Broad Bay Hall

\$5 per session



CHOIR! CHOIR! Do you love to sing? Please feel welcome to join your local community choir! We'd love to see a few more men join and musicians are welcome too! We're a fun, creative community that sings and makes music together for the joy of it. We meet every Friday from 7 - 9pm at Broad Bay Community Centre. \$5 koha includes hot drinks and biscuits. We're conducted by the talented Natasha Manowitz and we're in the process of securing a new accompanist. If you can play the piano and or the guitar we may have a job for you! Singing together improves well-being and happiness levels and we promise you'll feel great after a session with us. For more info call Amber 022 5909 300.



STRUM ALONG WITH THE PENINSULA UKULELE GROUP The Peninsula Ukulele Group (The PUGs) members now gather every Thursday evening from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at the Broad Bay Community Hall (2a Clearwater Street).



After a popular run of beginner-friendly Ukulele Nights back in May, a larger group of players has emerged. If you missed the beginner sessions, you're still very welcome to join us any Thursday night. We welcome all levels of playing ability, and it's okay if you're still learning

some of the chords – you just play what you can while you come up to speed.

A gold coin donation (cash or online) helps us chip in for hall costs.

So grab your uke – and a friend if you like – and come along for a relaxed hour of music and good company. If you'd like to borrow a uke for your first visit, let us know in advance and we'll have one ready for you.

Contact us with any questions at thepugsnz@gmail.com or message us via our Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/ThePUGsNZ>



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.



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.

TAI CHI – BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE Broad Bay Tai Chi continues to go from strength to strength. We



consistently have a large group learning and practising together every Wednesday as we improve our balance, strength, breathing, posture, stamina and immunity. We continue to deepen our practise of the 41 forms of Tai Chi for Arthritis each week and have begun working on the Sun Style

73 forms as well. The class is currently full at the moment but if you are interested in learning more or you would like to go on our waiting list, feel free to contact Petra 021 064 7924 or Korena 027 612 6071.

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



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



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. **4780706; BROADBAY.SCHOOL.NZ; 4 ROEBUCK RISE**

THE CASELBERG TRUST is enjoying a year full of wonderful residencies and our current resident, in conjunction with the University of Otago Centre for Irish and Scottish Studies (CISS), is Irish writer Nicole Flattery who is enjoying the peace and quiet of Whaka Oho Rahi Broad Bay to work on completing her second novel. Her debut story collection, *Show Them a Good Time*, won multiple awards and was named one of the Irish Times' 100 Best Irish Books of the 21st Century. Her celebrated novel, *Nothing Special*, was published in 2023 and her work has been translated into eight languages.



Come to meet and hear Nicole “In conversation” with Professor Maebh Long, the new Chair of Irish Studies at the Centre for Irish and Scottish Studies - an intriguing conversation about writing, publishing, Ireland, and so much more! It's free and all welcome. Thursday 28 August, 5.30pm in the Dunningham Suite at Dunedin City Library.

Following Nicole in October we are excited to welcome Sihle Ntuli, a poet, editor and classicist from Durban, S Africa and the 2025 Caselberg Trust Margaret Egan Cities of Literature Resident who will also be featuring at the Dunedin Writers and Readers Festival (DWRF) from 17-18 October.

COMMUNITY GARDEN – 3 CLEARWATER STREET, BROAD BAY (on the same section as the co-op building)



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. Working bees are held on a Saturday afternoon in season (notified by email). 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

BROAD BAY FOOD CO-OP Situated in the little building in the community garden at 3 Clearwater Street, we buy 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 including organically grown veges & local free-range eggs. 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.



SAVE THE OTAGO PENINSULA (STOP) NEWS Working bees every Tuesday morning start at 9.30am at the end of Bacon St, off Portobello Road in Turnbulls Bay, but those on Sundays start at 10.30am to give volunteers time to catch the early buses. Planting is now complete but some cages from trees planted in previous years still need to be removed and control of pest plants is an ongoing task. New volunteers always needed and welcomed. All tools provided. If you would like to donate a tree or a group of trees, \$20 covers the cost of not only the tree but also the fertiliser tablet, the protective cage, and also the stake which bears your name or the person to whom you wish to dedicate or gift it. Gift certificates are available. Contact stopincsoc@gmail.com or Lala (text only) 027 8756 020 for more information about joining working bees, or how to donate trees.



BOWLS, DARTS, POOL, CARDS - Portobello Bowling Club has been a core meeting and greeting place for our community for 90 Years. We nearly all know someone who is or has played bowls, and we also know these days it is seen as an old peoples game, or Gods waiting room as some dare to put it. However, this is all a terrible misconception, and in fact the Bowling Club has a lot to offer both young and old. It certainly has a strong social aspect, with Darts, Snooker, Pool and Cards available to fill in early evenings on Thursdays during the Winter months, and Tuesdays during Summer. Most often there is food available at low cost, a variety of liquid refreshments, and of course good company. We also have pot luck dinners and you can bring family and/or friends to meet and greet, participate in general mayhem and perhaps buy a raffle or two.

Come along to try out Social Bowls on Thursdays at 5pm from September to March; Darts, Pool, etc on Tuesdays at 4pm onwards from September to March; and Thursdays, 4pm onwards from April to August. For further information contact Eddie Scott, President, 021 0840 7638 or Brian Cameron, Secretary, 021 217 0998.



Skin & Bone: The Wee Kirk on the Hill Concert



5 piece original western swing band

DATE: Saturday 18th October 2025
WHERE: Pukehiki Church
TIME: 8pm start, doors open 7.30pm
TICKETS: \$20 for Adults (Limited to 150)
Book online at Under the Radar also door sales if not sold out



For more info email: Church@pukehiki.nz



<https://www.undertheradar.co.nz/ticket/30429/Skin-And-Bone-Wee-Kirk-On-The-Hill-Concert.utr>

BADMINTON at Portobello Coronation Hall, Sundays, 7pm. This is a good 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 0275784758. *(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.)*



OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM NEWS We recently held our Annual General Meeting and farewelled Warren, who stood down after being our President for 35 years and on the committee before that. What a marvellous contribution he has made over this long period of time. Welcome to Lisa from Macandrew Bay who has joined the team. We look forward to working with you and sharing all the Museum has to offer.

We have completed our Constitution and this will be sent out to all members to look at before we submit it.

The team at the Tuesday working bees have been busy as usual with new displays being put up in the Barn area. Come along and check out what has been happening. Entry is just \$2 for an adult, children are free. Open Sundays 12.30 till 3.30pm. Our grounds are always open and there are outside displays to view. Our contact details are: theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com

AUGUSTINES OF PORTOBELLO FARMSTORE & KITCHEN



After a little winter break, we're so excited to let you know that the Augustines of Portobello Farmstore & Kitchen will be reopening on Friday, September 5. We're starting back with one of our favourite traditions – Locals Day on Friday. No bookings are needed, just come by, say hello, and enjoy something fresh from our kitchen. For the weekend, you're welcome to book a spot in advance to make sure you don't miss out, as our space is small and fills up quickly. Our family has been busy dreaming up new ideas while we've been away in Europe, and we can't wait to share them with you. On the counter you'll find fresh pastries, sandwiches, and cakes, alongside our small seasonal menu that changes with what's best from the farm and the region. Of course, there will also be plenty of Gus's preserves, jars, and special ingredients for you to take home.

We've missed seeing all of you and are really looking forward to welcoming both familiar faces and new ones back through the door. And if you're getting a takeaway coffee, don't forget your keep cup—or better yet, stay awhile and sip with the birds. Visit our website www.augustinesofportobello.com. See you soon at Augustines of Portobello.
– Gus, Jana & the team.

(Jane A., Ed: Gus spent younger days growing up in Broad Bay and went to Broad Bay School)



THE BOWLING CLUB EATERY – FOOD DELIVERY

Hearty, low cost meals are delivered to Macandrew Bay, Broad Bay, and Portobello every Tuesday and Thursday!

Meaty mains \$7, Vegetarian mains \$6, desserts \$3, fresh baked bread - kilo loaf \$6, Muesli \$6 for 1/2 kg. We cater to vegan, dairy free, gluten free.

The Bowling Club currently supplies 4,500 meals every week to Dunedin people! They give away about 1,200 meals every week to people in need. We can support their mission by ordering and having meals delivered.

Join the Facebook page for more info 'Bowling Club Kai Delivery - Peninsula' Check the website to view this week's menu and to place your order for delivery. www.thebowlingclub.co.nz



DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDs)

Reminder: please make sure you know where the AEDs are positioned on the Peninsula (a search of 'AED locations NZ' shows them, and add 'app' to the search for notification of the nearest one to you). AEDs differ slightly in their instructions, but they all have a recorded message once you open them, explaining slowly and clearly each step. See for example the Hato Hone St John video (scroll down the website a little) at <https://www.stjohn.org.nz/first-aid/about-aeds/>. That AED is slightly different from our local one at the Broad Bay Boating Club, but it gives you a general idea of what to expect when opening any of them.

As explained in that video, AEDs are used in conjunction with CPR. It is a while since we fund-raised for the local AED and had a CPR/AED training session at the hall. If there's enough demand, we can try to arrange one. If you are interested, contact Helen Frizzell (Frizzle) on 021 108 0413 or email helen.frizzell@gmail.com



An invasive pest plants update from your Peninsula volunteer weed team

Defiant Darwin's Barberry (DB) - "Pretty flowers, prickly problem – let's stop it spreading."

Darwin's Barberry (DB) was introduced from Chile in the 1930s as a garden and hedging plant. Without its natural insect and disease controls, it has run wild in New Zealand. DB spreads quickly, forming dense, thorny thickets that stock and rabbits avoid. Tough, long-lived, and shade-tolerant, it outcompetes native plants, threatening both farmland and ecosystems.

We're now in Year 2 of the Otago Peninsula Darwin's Barberry Containment Project. Thanks to funding from the Otago Regional Council's Site-led Programme and Eco Fund, our SWAT team and Habitat Restoration Aotearoa contractors are back in action at Pukehiki. Last year saw 438 volunteer hours and 340 contractor hours invested, with clear results. This year, contractors are tackling large DB trees in steep areas while our team mops up smaller bushes and seedlings.



Why act now? Because DB spreads - far. A drone survey of Sandymount revealed that Pukehiki was the seed source for 19 DB trees removed there this year. With bird numbers rising and carrying seeds further afield, control is vital to stop new infestations. If you see DB flowering on the Peninsula, or want help managing pest plants, please contact us at SWATweeds@gmail.com. Together, we can stop DB in its tracks.

(Jane A., Ed: the black and white printing doesn't show the photo of Darwin's Barberry as well as we would like, so please let your imagination run riot and imagine lots of bright yellow flowers!)

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. 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.

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 www.portobello.org.nz



BBCC BOOKING DETAILS – sorry, not enough room to detail them here this time, but see our website, or contact our booking person, Ceinwen, on 03 478 0856, email cwmsimkins@gmail.com

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

THE BROAD BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE Needs Your SUBSCRIPTION!

Did you know the BBCC is owned by you? Unlike many other local halls, our hall is not owned by the DCC. Membership subscriptions enable us to keep the cost of hire as low as possible and help cover rates, repairs, insurance, and all other costs. We need the support of the community in the form of subscriptions.

At \$10 for a single and \$20 for a family it's a bargain hard to resist! Especially when in return you get 1 or 2 hours (respectively) free hire for the current financial year and the feel-good factor for supporting the running of a fantastic community asset (combine them with other members' too if you like).

Subscriptions are now due for the 1/7/2025 – 30/6/2026 year. They can be paid by cash, but preferably by direct credit. Whichever way you pay though, we need you to complete and return the form below for our records (required by the Incorporated Societies Act).

Broad Bay Community Centre Subscription for the 1/7/2025 – 30/6/2026 year

Complete & return this form to: Kim & Matt, 691 Portobello Rd (please leave envelopes in the letterbox)

BBCC Bank Account: **03 0903 0380753 00** Please enter "Subs" and "Your Name(s)" in the bank fields.

Name: Telephone:

Address:

Email:

Sub paid: \$..... (\$10/person or \$20/household per year).

Donations also welcomed, tax deductible (receipt provided) \$.....

I have paid by: Direct Credit (give date): or Cash (enclosed) ☐

Any comments/suggestions most welcome: