

BAY VIEWS

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June 2024

The ANZAC day service held in Macandrew Bay Hall was a memorable occasion and very well attended. Reverend Alofa Lale took the service and Pat Graham accompanied the National Anthem and hymn. Craig More was the speaker and included in his interesting speech actual excerpts from a diary kept by his Great Grandfather in World War One.

The reading of two poems by Macandrew Bay school pupils was a great addition to the programme. Felix Dadley read "In Flanders Field" and Laurie Armstrong read a beautiful poem that she had written. Benny Bond, Freya Lester and Fletcher More presented wreaths on behalf of the school. Poppies and wreaths were placed outside the Memorial. It is good to see the young people involved.

The sum of \$438.00 was collected for the RSA Welfare Trust.

A stirring rendition of the Last Post was played by Soloman Badcock.



**Pukehiki Church Trust
Community Service / AGM /
Afternoon tea
Sunday 23rd June at 3pm**

This will be a special event as the newly restored reed organ will be played by renowned organist Ron Newton, who also undertook the organ's restoration. After the service Ron will give a short talk about the introduction of instrumental music into Presbyterian churches. This will be followed by a (very) short AGM and longer afternoon tea. The service will be taken by the Rev David Crooke.

Come and support the Otago Peninsula's wonderfully restored 155 year old Pukehiki Community Church.

ALL WELCOME

OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 29 July 7pm at the Museum

with

supper to follow

**Come along and hear what we have been up to
over the past year**

Mark it on your calendar





Macandrew Bay Library

The library's project to get an electronic system of borrowing up and running is slowly moving forward, with the completion of Phase 2 earlier in the year.

This phase involved getting all the barcode numbers added to our cataloguing records (Phase 1 was the cataloguing of our collection online, using the LibraryThing website).

Many thanks to Atom, Anne, Annie and Gilly for helping with Phase 2.

Phase 3 will involve setting up a TinyCat circulation system (also powered by LibraryThing) where every borrower/family will have a unique number that books can be issued to. This will allow us to manage the collection (a community asset of 4,955 books!) so much better than our current manual system.

Check out some recent additions to the collection at: <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/MacandrewBayLibrary> then click on to the link to browse the catalogue.

Our opening hours are:

Wednesdays 5.30 to 7.30pm
Fridays 2.30 to 4.30pm
and the last Sunday of the month
4.00 to 5.00pm

Do call in to the library sometime soon for a warm, winter welcome.



An Invasive Pest Plants Update

Let's talk rubbish!

If you're a regular reader of our articles and have ever wondered what you could do to help us without having to clamber up and down densely vegetated hills cutting vines and performing other heroic acts on Friday mornings, then this is the article for you. Because today, we want to talk to you about rubbish.

There's two types: the green waste that piles up under trees on fence lines all by itself (hehheh) and the rubbish that wanders. No one likes rubbish, particularly green waste rubbish. Sure, it's convenient to trim your trees and shove the debris somewhere dark by a fence and forget about it cos no one wants to do the tip run and pay the fee. But SWAT pays when you pile it up in your garden, on your bush block, or over the fence onto road reserve. And you'll pay too. Because piles of green waste and tree trash make excellent rats nests - and that trash really hinders SWAT getting access to the roots of pest vines. Birds just love to sit in the trees above your hidden trash pile and excrete seeds into the waste - and bingo five years later you have a forest of weeds no one can access without battling their way through the trash first. So you know it makes sense.

From 1st July the new DCC green waste bin will make it easier to get rid of garden waste. Perhaps consider sharing empty volume in your green waste bin with your neighbour if you can't fill your bin yourself in a week. Take excess green waste to the Portobello Domain DCC Skip Day on 22 June 10 – 4 pm. Or mulch it and compost it. Let's get our bush blocks and gardens free of green trash and keep rats and pest weeds at bay.

Oh and the rubbish that wanders. That's the stuff that jumps into car boots at night and gets driven to a seemingly remote location and tipped out onto the verge or under the hedge by stealth. Yep, very efficient transfer of the pain. To someone else. Because someone owns that verge or ditch or tree. It's another way pest plants spread to new locations. You know it makes sense - to not dump. Thanks for taking up the message folks and for supporting us here at SWAT.

If you would like advice or some help controlling pest plants on your property or you find a plant that could be a problem weed, we would love to hear from you. Contact us at SWATweeds@gmail.com

The Macandrew Bay Orphans & Entertainers Club meet at the Community Hall, 1 Greenacres Street, Macandrew Bay on the 1st Friday of each month at 7.30pm.



We are a friendly club that meet for enjoyment, entertainment and fellowship. So if you can sing, play an instrument, recite or hum, or just to enjoy a social night out, please come along.

For more information please phone

Daphne Lamb 476 1585.

NEW KERBSIDE BINS

From 1 July 2024, we're improving your kerbside recycling and rubbish service.

BETWEEN MID-MARCH AND MID-JUNE YOU'LL RECEIVE:

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- a 140L red-lidded rubbish bin.

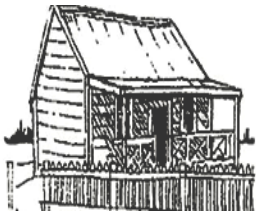
Look inside your new bins for an information booklet and a benchtop food scraps bin.

Remember - only put your new bins out for collection from 1 July 2024.

Keep using your existing recycling bins as usual.

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OTAGO PENINSULA MUSEUM
& HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

17 Harington Point Road, Portobello, Dunedin 9014

ANZAC Day at the Museum was once again very well attended by our community. The weather was perfect along with the songs, stories and morning tea.

We have been donated a 1938 Vauxhall car. She is our pride and joy of the Museum and the men are enjoying working on her. Pop along and have a look at her down in the Barn.

Along with working on the car our Tuesday working bees are still as busy as ever. Our smoko room is bursting at the seams some mornings as we try and fix the world problems and enjoy the morning tea food sent along by our volunteers' partners. Thanks.

We have five new people on our Sunday Roster and most have had their first session and enjoyed the experience. We have a set of old wooden building blocks and Sophie's daughter had a great time with them while her Mum was on duty.

From our Visitors Book: We have visitors from all over the world visit our small Museum—Australia, Canada, Germany, UK, France to name a few.

Latest comments from the book are:

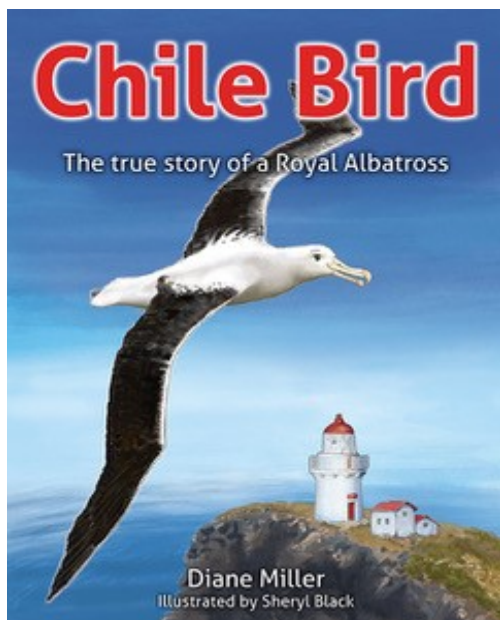
- A fascinating collection (From Nelson)
- A reminder of our hard working and sacrificial ancestors who helped lay the foundation for what we have today (From Hamilton)
- A lot of amazing history (From Aromoana)
- Awesome displays (From Taranaki)

The Museum is open Sundays 12.30 till 3.30pm. Adults just \$2 and children free. If you want to contact us then our email address is: theotagopeninsulamuseum@gmail.com

A reminder that our two very popular books are available from the Museum, Medical Centre, Macandrew Bay Library and the shop in Portobello. *Portobello a Brief History* and *Otago Peninsula Then and Now*. \$30 each.

Chile Bird – the true story of a Royal Albatross by Diane Miller, pub. Lifelogs – \$21.99

Available locally from the Royal Albatross Centre, Artifolk and Larnach Castle or from Diane and Brian Miller 4761 453.



Chile Bird – a story with a lot of “local” involvement!

Every resident who has chosen to live on the Otago Peninsula enjoys the beauty of nature – harbour views, sunshine... (well, quite often!)

Our visitors normally continue on, to drive up Highcliff to Larnach Castle – while the more intrepid adventurers explore the beaches and cliffs to admire our feathered residents, the penguins and a very special bird, the Northern Royal Albatross.

A Macandrew Bay author, Diane Miller, and her husband, Brian, have celebrated one of these big birds by publishing its story, *Chile Bird*.

This true story was prompted by another local resident, Robert Brown. Over many years Robert had captured video footage of albatrosses in flight and he thought that a DVD could be included in a children's picture book about these amazing birds. The DVD technology has now been by-passed, but Chile Bird is still a part of the Royal Albatross Colony's history.

Many ODT readers will remember how the bird's arrival back at the colony would be joyfully announced. Her story is still unique as, unlike the other birds, she spent some time on a land that was not her home (most of their lives are spent feeding at sea). Chile Bird had been injured and picked up at sea by fishermen and taken to their village near Chile. The school children there nursed her back to health and released her to the wild again – hence her name.

Diane and Brian have also recognised the role of another important person in the world of conservation, by dedicating the book to Lance Richdale. The observatory at the colony bears his name. Over 80 years ago he discovered this “big bird” and was inspired to protect its chick, resulting ultimately in the establishment of the colony at Taiaroa. Some of our oldest residents may recognise his name – or at least his nickname, the “Nature Study Man”. He was a science teacher who visited schools around Otago and kids everywhere loved his visits, as they knew they would be taken outside to “explore nature”. Some Peninsula schoolchildren surely deserve some thanks too, as they encouraged Lance to go and see this unusual bird. He had never heard of albatrosses and thought penguins lived in Antarctica. However, he soon became a devoted and world-renowned bird researcher and protector of seabirds.

Chile Bird is a picture book, suitable for children 4-8 years, but the back pages are full of useful facts that give older children a peek into the world of seabird conservation. The artist, Sheryl Black, formerly of Dunedin, also illustrated *Josephine off the Rails*.

People in the Bay

Just prior to publishing this newsletter, there was an amazing Art auction on line. The Framing Factory, supported by Trade Me, gifted a collection of New Zealand art, including leading artists Dick Frizzell, Sam Foley, Graham Sydney and Ewan McDougall, to be auctioned off in support of the Otago Youth Wellness Trust {OYWT}. This Trust provides support for young people who have multiple needs impacting on their wellbeing.

Claire Ramsay, who lives in Macandrew Bay, is the current CEO of the Trust. It was founded in 1996 by Dame Patricia Harrison, Principal of Queens High School, supported by her husband Keith Harrison, former Principal of Broad Bay School. They recognised the need for a local social service that would ensure youth with complex needs could readily access quality services to help them to live and participate fully in their community, with a key focus on education. This work requires a range of people with professional backgrounds including social work, occupational therapy, teaching, nursing, youth work and psychology. Interagency co-operation is essential.

Claire needs to continuously network, fundraise, apply for grants to support their work and the twenty-four mainly front line staff members to ensure that individual needs are met and the youth involved have a voice in planning their futures. The service is free and has an open referral system. The government does supply about 75% of funding, but as you can imagine, there is always a lot more needed, which is why fundraising and community financial support is so important. There is a lot of information worth looking at online at oywt.org.nz, or on Facebook.

Claire Ramsay is the ideal person to run this important organisation. She has had lots of experience in business and dealing with a variety of people and situations. Claire was raised on a farm in South Otago. After leaving school, she became a journalist for the Clutha Leader, a local Balclutha community paper, which is still operating. Her BA degree was obtained through Waikato University. For three years she was editor of the Taieri Herald, then a journalist for the Otago Daily Times while studying for an honours degree in Politics at the University of Otago. She abandoned study to move to Wellington to work in the Parliamentary Press Gallery. This was followed by time as a Parliamentary Press Secretary and a consultant lobbyist. These were all interesting positions and Claire learned a lot about politics and people. The late Robin Charteris, former editor of the ODT, lured her back to the newspaper in 1998 where she spent the next three years as a leader writer, including being the first female to write the Prester John column. Time with the Regional Council as the Public Affairs Manager was next. Claire then spent thirteen years at the University of Otago as Head of Marketing and then as Director Administration in the Otago Business School, supporting academics and students, before taking on the CEO role at Otago Youth Wellness Trust.

Claire loves living in Macandrew Bay with her lovely supportive quantity surveyor husband, Barry. Apart from her interesting and varied professional career, she enjoys writing, reading, gardening, knitting and, surprisingly, being a funeral celebrant. This is a part of Claire's busy life that she absolutely loves doing. She sees it as a privilege to walk alongside families at such a sad time, supporting them to share memories and celebrate the life of their loved one. It is always a difficult time for family and friends, but so important that the person conducting the service is compassionate, understanding and able to relate the stories shared. If you attended the wonderful memorial service in the Macandrew Bay Hall for Mike Hazel last year, you will recall how, as the celebrant, Claire made it such a joyous celebration of a life well lived. It is wonderful to know that we have Claire right here in Macandrew Bay.

Lynne Aldridge

GLENFALLOCH

WINTER IS UPON US ALREADY!

The days now start to feel shorter, and the weather is a lot cooler. Please note our Winter opening hours:



Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday	9:30am - 3pm
Thursday	9:30am - 3pm
Friday	9:30am - Late
Saturday	9:30am - 4pm
Sunday	9:30am - 4pm

FRIDAY EVENING DINING

We continue to offer Friday night live music, happy hour specials, small plates, platters, and à la carte dining! Enjoy the cozy ambiance with a lit fire and take a break from cooking for the night.

Happy hour: 4pm-6pm | Live music 6pm-9pm

SPECIAL CLOSURES AT GLENFALLOCH

Keep an eye out, here, to check our closures:
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hello@glenfalloch.org.nz | www.glenfalloch.co.nz

Macandrew Bay School

Simply the Best for our Children

We have had a great Term 2 so far! Thank you to everyone that supported our School Fair that was held in March. This was an amazing community event! We managed to raise \$25,000 that will go towards our Bike/Skills and Pump Track which is set to be built later this year.

Our Winter sports season is underway and we also had our whole school walk up Greenacres Street on May 28th. Hopefully the excitement and chitter chatter of the children did not disturb the peace during our hikoi up Greenacres Street!

Leadership is something we really value at Macandrew Bay School and giving our tamariki the opportunity to grow in this area, through our Senior School enrichment programme, Whakarangatira, is a great way to promote and enhance leadership. The tamariki are given opportunities to lead and run workshops that relate to their interests and passions. This goes for our teachers too! We are so lucky to be in a kura where we have passionate teachers who are keen to share their expertise and knowledge of different subjects and topics with our tamariki.

This term we are exploring the driving question: How can we as ākonga of Macandrew Bay kura share our understanding of how the brain works/body systems with our school community through the medium of The Arts in our school production? Our School Production will be held on November 7th at the King's High School auditorium.

Our wonderful Enviroschools team—Team Kaitiaki have been helping us to think about how we can reduce rubbish. Thanks to Team Kaitiaki we are going to try to manage with one Green skip instead of two! This will save us a significant amount of money that we can put into learning resources or sports equipment.

Nic Brown
Tumuaki/Principal
Macandrew Bay School

Portobello community pop-up transfer station day

When: Jun 22, 2024 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: Portobello Domain off Allens Beach Road

Load	Cost
Non-DCC rubbish bags (max 80L)	\$5.00
Car load	\$24.00
Station wagon	\$44.00
Van, utes and trailers	\$58.00



The first half of this year has proven to be quite busy for the Board. We have submitted on a number of DCC Plans on behalf of our Peninsula community including the Otago Harbour Reserves Management Plan and Annual Plan. Both of these were based on accessibility, and without doubt the Annual Plan submissions from the Board and community were outstanding. The main theme was to have funding budgeted to complete the Road Safety Connection Project from Portobello to Harington Point. The high calibre of submitters who spoke at the hearings could not be ignored by Council.

Anzac Day was again a very well attended service. Lox Kellas presented the wreath this year on behalf of the Board and Council. It is always heartening to see so many young folk turn out and show respect for our fallen soldiers.

The mural on Portobello Road at the south end of Marion Street is needing attention to bring it back to life. We would like to hear from the community what you would prefer to have done. The options are: a) a repaint of the current mural; or b) a new design. Can you please txt a) or b) to me 0274780543, so we have some indication of preference for our next Board meeting on 20th June.

If you have an issue you would like to discuss in the Public Forum, please contact our Governance Support Officer to ensure you are included on the agenda. lauren.riddle@dcc.govt.nz

For any operational issues e.g. potholes, vegetation etc, please call DCC Customer Services, 03 4774000 or if not urgent use the 'Fixit' form <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/do-it-online/report/fix-it-form>

We look forward to working for you and with you.

Edna Stevenson
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027 478 0543

We send our heartfelt condolences to the families of Peter Cogger and Alan Thomson who have died recently.

Also to Bob and the family of Pam Wells. The death notice in the ODT stated: *Unexpectedly, after planting her lily bulbs, on 25th May, surrounded by family.* Isn't that lovely?



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Recently Port To Port Cruises and Wildlife Tours ferry passengers have been lucky enough to spot the rare and endangered Hector's Dolphins on many ferry crossings between Port Chalmers and Portobello over the last 6 months! "Usually Hector's Dolphins sightings would be near or at the harbour entrance", skipper Rachel McGregor says. "But a mother and calf seem to have made themselves at home, in the usually sheltered Otago Harbour." Passengers have been treated to regular views near Quarantine Island, Portobello and Careys Bay, Port Chalmers.

It's unclear why they have stayed for such a long period of time inside the harbour, but Rachel points out that there must be enough food to support the pair, and as they have been seen regularly enough, Rachel thinks they are semi-resident, right now.

(View Port To Port Cruises and Wildlife Tours facebook page for updates)



Hello all, from Macandrew Bay Boating Club

We have come to the end of another great actioned packed sailing season for Macandrew Bay boating club.

Thank you for everyone who has been involved and supporting the Club during the year and continuing help make the Club a great place to have fun, be social and learn in a great setting.

Of note for the year:

We had another successful Sunday Kids Learn to Sail programme, where we had approximately 30 kids attending over the season, of various ages and skill levels. We continued from previous years with great University of Otago student coaches on board, as well as a growing number of parents helping and supporting. It has been awesome to see the continued growth of the Kids Learn to Sail, and Kids from previous years moving through to more experienced boats, requiring much higher skill levels.

We ran two Adult Learn to Sail courses from January to March, which were enjoyed by all attendees. This is a great way to have more adult community members experience sailing, the Club, and the excellent Macandrew Bay sailing area. We plan to continue to provide courses and pathways for Adults to learn sailing and participate in the Club.

We had three youth crews attend/race in the Inspire Youth Regatta associated with the SailGP in our Club RS Feva yachts, as well as members assisting with the Sail GP racing in Christchurch. This was fantastic way for young club members to be exposed to racing in bigger fleets, and to see the Sail GP catamaran and crews in action.

We are planning to hold our prize giving on 6th of July, and our AGM on the 26th of July, and then we look forward to another season ahead!

If interested in an ideal space for events, meetings, gatherings, and birthday parties etc, our recently refurbished upstairs club rooms, with kitchen and great views, are available to hire throughout the year.

For any information or enquiries on Memberships, Learn to Sail's please email Mbayboatingclub@gmail.com or for Club Room Hire please email venue@macandrewbay.org or visit our www.sporty.co.nz/mbbc

We also have a 'Macandrew Bay Boating Club' facebook page.

Casual Position

Are you looking for work locally on the Peninsula? Are you a good conversationalist and an emphatic, well organised person with a mature outlook? Do you enjoy being part of a team?

- Varied duties
- Companion/carer/health related experience an asset but not essential
- Flexibility is key
- A casual position to cover leave

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The Duck continues to have a live music session every second Friday at 6 pm. There is a \$10 entry fee for these events.

June 21:
Skin and Bone

July 5:
Just Janie

Winter Opening Hours:

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri
7am—4pm
Sat 8am—4pm
Sun 8am—4pm



Otago Peninsula Anglican Parish



A dawn service to celebrate Matariki will be held on Sunday 30th June on the beach at Macandew Bay starting at 8.00am. This is a thanksgiving for all that is celestial and divine, the beauty of creation and the bounty of the earth. The service will be followed by BBQ fish fingers and a hot drink shared together.

Our regular services are held at St Michael and All Angels Church, 44 Elliot Street, Andersons Bay, and all are always welcome.

On Wednesdays at 10.00am we have a mid-week Eucharist, sometimes with a Bible study.

On Sundays at 8.30am we have a contemplative Peace Eucharist, followed at 9.00am by prayer for healing and anointing. You are welcome to come for either or both.

On Sundays at 10.00am we have a thanksgiving Eucharist with children's activities.

And on the last Sunday of each month, this is a "Grandparents bring grandchildren" service with a shared lunch afterwards.

Our Macandrew Bay House Group meets at 10.00am on Tuesday mornings (for details, contact Celia on 476 1517).

On Thursday mornings during school term-time our parish runs a very popular Music and Playgroup for toddlers and babies and their parents/carers at the St Philip's Church complex at 121 Belford Street, Waverley.

For pastoral needs or for more information about our parish, its services and activities, contact the Reverends Michael and Mary-Jo Holdaway (027 236 8714) or the Parish Office (454 4724).

Portobello Presbyterian Church

(Sundays 10am)

June 16	Informal Bible Study
July 7	Formal Service
July 21	Informal Bible Study
Aug 4	Formal Service
Aug 18	Informal Study Group

All services will be led by Jane Cox.

All are welcome at our small Church on the hill next to the Portobello Cemetery,
 Harrington Point Rd, Portobello



Save the Otago Peninsula

(STOP)
 NEWS

Working bees on Tuesdays and Sunday mornings generally start at 9.30am at the end of Bacon St, but lately some have been starting a bit later, so you need to make contact to get up to date information.

Volunteers are still releasing young seedlings from the exotic grass so they are not out-competed but there is also planting going on. Contact stopincsoc@gmail.com or Lala (text only) 027 87560 20 for more information about working bees. New volunteers are always needed and welcomed.

If you would like to commemorate a milestone in you 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 weed mats 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.

The new Tree Trail that allows you to identify different tree species is proving popular. At the moment it is just temporary, but it is planned to make the labels permanent.



Tena Koutou everyone

I've had a few enquiries recently around what the raised red crossings actually mean in our villages. Are they a pedestrian crossing or not? The short answer is that they are not. They are called "courtesy crossings". They are in place in the specific low speed built-up areas where pedestrians do need to cross the road safely. They are raised so the vehicle driver and pedestrian can get better eye contact and vehicle will be (should be) slowing for them. Pedestrians DO NOT have the right of way on these crossings. Drivers are NOT required to stop but hey, they are called a courtesy crossing for a reason. I always do if kiddies/cyclists, or anyone for that matter, are standing there waiting. It's not hard. I'm looking at speaking to the schools next week to make sure all of our little ones understand also.

In the past few months there have been several reports all over the Peninsula of parcels/letters going missing from mailboxes. This is actually happening all over the wider Dunedin area according to my sources. Unfortunately, there is no pattern to this offending. It's happening on different days and at different times. These rogues are opportunistic. There's not much I can do from a prevention-based approach but if you can put a lock on your letterbox then that is a good start. The postie crew are well aware of what's happening and are being as vigilant as they can. It's hard though because some parcels just can't be delivered to a door or placed out of sight. The way these people are going to be caught is if they are observed doing this and a car registration or person description is noted. That's where you guys come in. Please keep an eye out for this type of offending and call police immediately if you see it happening.

With the colder weather here and especially in the mornings I am starting to see folk driving down the road using their sleeves to wipe the condensation/fog off the inside of their windows. I'm not a big fan given it's a real distraction and distraction can end up in a sticky situation for the driver. Please take a few extra minutes in the morning to make sure all of your windows are clear of dampness and fog before you set off. It's important your driving vision is clear and unobstructed. Makes sense huh.

In recent days most of you will know that someone has taken it upon themselves to cover over the word 'Kura' on the school signs in Macandrew Bay. To be honest I'm not going to give this stupidity much airtime because the person or people who did this don't deserve it. I would just say that if I find out who did it, then don't expect the nice Aaron nor any leniency. It's unacceptable and a disgrace on all levels. If anyone has any ideas who the perpetrator(s) are then contact me please, anonymously if you wish.

Damage to the toilets occurred a few weeks back and the e-stop screen at the bus stop by the Hall has been damaged again. Aaaarrggghhh. Any info on this would again be appreciated.

It saddens me that there's nothing too positive in my blurb this round. It must be said that it's only a few that are making poor decisions. The rest of you are "O" for awesome (Those old enough will get this).

Well, it's getting colder so stay warm, keep safe and catch you next time. Aaron

Snr Constable Aaron Smith,
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Kia Ora,

We only have a handful of months left to close in on our ambitious goal of Peninsula-wide possum eradication. We're not far off, and we're enlisting the community's help this month with another **Spotlight on Possums** event, which will run from June 15—23.

The lonely males are roaming in search of a mate, so even if you haven't had possums in your backyard for ages, please rug up and step outside after dark with a torch in hand and see if any of the last wily possums happen to be near you. We're keen to get reports from anybody participating, even if you don't see a possum.

Lastly, to all of our lovely backyard trappers, please keep setting your traps so we can catch any possums on the move.

As always, it's been wonderful working with our community to achieve eradication and continue to benefit from increased native birdlife and healthy native vegetation.

Ngā mihi,

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What's on at the Castle

Winter is a wonderful time to pop up to the Castle! From an exciting lineup of events to our daily experiences and Ballroom Café delights, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Ghost Stories in the Castle

Friday 21 June | 6.45pm to 10pm | \$80 pp or \$64 for current Loyal Locals

Immerse yourself in a night of intrigue and ghost stories of times past. Crafted and performed by Roger Weston, join us around the Ballroom fire for tales that will make your hair stand on end. Then embark on a guided tour by torchlight, finishing off the night with a delicious supper.

Kids Go Free (during NZ School Holidays)

Saturday 6 to Sunday 21 July

Looking for something fun to do in the School Holidays? Pop up the Castle to explore our Castle and Gardens hidden treasures such as our Alice in Wonderland characters dotted around the Gardens. No bookings required.

Annual Winter Ball

Friday 19 July | 7.30pm to midnight | \$140 pp

An enchanting and fun evening celebrating Dunedin's Scottish heritage! Dress to impress in Victorian era them, join us for a Scottish Ceilidh and dance the night away. Enjoy a scrumptious supper, Haggis Ceremony and live music.

Snowdrop Day

Sunday 11 August | 11am to 3pm | Reduced garden entry for adults \$15 or use your Loyal Local pass and Kids Go Free

A celebration of our gardens springing to life with the breathtaking mass display of Snowdrops. This is the perfect way to bid farewell to winter and embrace the first whispers of spring, by enjoying our gardens which are blanketed with a mass planting of delightful snowdrops. Live music, mulled wine, and plant stall sales. Ballroom Café and Gift Shop also open to enjoy.

Victorian High Tea

Daily sittings | \$40 pp + Castle or Garden Entry

You're cordially invited to dine with us for our Victorian High Tea, served mid afternoon in our grand Ballroom. Enjoy a delicious selection of homemade sandwiches, slices, scones and creamcake, together with a gorgeous pot of tea or coffee.

Castle dinner experience

Daily | 6.30pm | \$95 per adult and \$35 per child

There's nothing more special than seeing the Castle light up in the evening. And our Castle dinner experience adds a touch of unique elegance filled with storytelling and a delectable 4-course 'Trust the Chef' menu.

Bookings essential on all experiences except for Kids Go Free in the School Holidays and Snowdrop Day.

For more information, visit larnachcastle.co.nz/whats-on



4 Conway Street, Macandrew Bay

Our sessions have been packed with excitement this term, with lots of playdough play, collecting the last of the raspberries from the canes, making potions, ramp play with the cars and rolling wheels, family play with the babies and our Monday Outdoors Sessions.

This term we started our Monday Outdoors Sessions to the Future Forest in Broad Bay. On our first trip we wandered up the hill while the weather was nice and looked around at the wilderness. We were visited by two beautiful piwakawaka while we stopped for a bite to eat and watched them catching bugs. When it became a bit more drizzly, we made the trip back down to the fruit trees and hid among the trees lining the stream. As we crossed the stream we watched some small fish swimming beneath us. Overall, it was a fantastic first trip for the term and we look forward to many more incredible adventures there before the end of the term.

Our Firewood fundraiser is underway! We are selling tickets for \$5 each or \$20 for 5. The prize is a 4 cubic metre trailer load of beautiful dry macrocarpa firewood. Delivery in the Dunedin area. Purchase tickets by emailing macandrewbay@playcentre.org.nz. The winner will be drawn on the 1st of July. If you would like to support us but don't have a need for wood you can choose to donate it to the Salvation Army who will distribute it to a family in need.

Funds raised will go towards new resources and contribute to operational costs. Thank-you for your support.

Playcentre is an asset in our community and your contribution makes it possible to continue running the quality sessions that we do.

If you want to find out more about us we welcome your visit.

Email macandrewbay@playcentre.org.nz to organise a time.

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Tel: Mike McCaw [027 958 2000](tel:0279582000)

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Tel: Helen Ashton [476 1519](tel:4761519)

Ready Reference Numbers

If it's an emergency, always phone 111

NZ Police, Fire or Ambulance - [111](tel:111)

Non-Emergency Police Reporting - [105](tel:105)

You can also report online: 105.police.govt.nz

Alcohol and Drug Helpline - [0800 787 797](tel:0800787797)

Covid—19 If you have symptoms - [0800 358 3453](tel:08003583453)

Crimestoppers - Report anonymously - [0800 555 111](tel:0800555111)

Civil Defence Emergency - [0800 474 082](tel:0800474082)

Citizens Advice Bureau - [0800 367 222](tel:0800367222)

Dunedin City Council - [03 477 4000](tel:034774000)

Family Violence Helpline - [0800 456 450](tel:0800456450)

Highway information - [03 951 3009](tel:039513009) or [0800 44 44 49](tel:0800444449)

Healthline - [0800 611 116](tel:0800611116) or health.govt.nz

Mental Health - Call or text [1737](tel:1737) free anytime

National Poisons Centre - [0800 764 766](tel:0800764766)

Neighbourhood Support - [03 456 0857](tel:034560857)

Otago Regional Council - [0800 474 082](tel:0800474082)

Rural Support Trust - [0800 787 254](tel:0800787254)

Seniorline - Advice for older people - [0800 725 463](tel:0800725463)

SPCA - [03 473 8252](tel:034738252)

Tenancy Services - [0800 836 262](tel:0800836262) or tenancy.govt.nz

Youthline - Free call [0800 376 6333](tel:08003766333) | Free text [234](tel:234)

Victim Support - [0800 842 846](tel:0800842846)

Women's Refuge - [0800 733 843](tel:0800733843)

Otepoti Collective Against Sexual Abuse - [0800 88 33 00](tel:0800883300)
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