

Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!

Pay your subs for the coming year and you are helping lots of improvements in our village ... and you go into the big prize draw at the upcoming **AGM on Monday 30 May**.

And what are these prizes I hear you ask? They include original art works, Yoga sessions at Pure Balance Yoga, a fabulous package from Black Rose Florist and our new Plimmerton Deli, a treat from Topor restaurant, Lighthouse Cinema tickets, a gorgeous something darling from Beau Cadeaux, Plimmerton Boating Club sunset dinner voucher, Big Salami the ever popular ten trip coffee card, and more! We will keep you posted, this is a moveable feast.

Don't miss out. Pay tonight! PRA Westpac 03-1533-0019155-00, just \$15 per household! Plus any top up you can manage and tax deductible donations. Let us know your current email too.

FREE fitness programme for locals!

Two community planting days in June

1. Saturday 5 June ... Goat Point Lizard garden

You are welcome to join Richard Witheford Smith and his team planting lizard friendly vegetation in this coastal area (near MacDonald's). Turn up at 10.30am with sturdy shoes and your favourite gardening kit, equipment and plants will be supplied. Richard Witheford Smith from Graffiti Reduction and the team from Te Rito will be there with plants and compost.

This is our only chance to get into the rail corridor each year so Richard plans to have paint and rollers on hand so some of you can tidy up areas of tagging that we usually cannot reach. Kids from junior rugby with their parents will be there ... all families are welcome.

2. Saturday 25 June ... Taupo Stream bank

Planting at the entrance to Plimmerton on the Taupo Stream bank. This may turn into a bigger exercise as there are plans to clear vegetation from the surrounding area. No expertise required! Boots and beanies at 10.30am.

Pest-free Plimmerton and *Bring back the birds*

Great meeting organised by the Pied Piper team of Plimmerton rat catchers at the kindergarten last Saturday. More than 100 people heard how the programme and tunnel traps work and enthusiastically snapped up the traps. You can order your rat trap from pestfreelim@gmail.com for just \$20. We encourage everyone interested to help rid this area of pests.

This initiative complements the *Bring back the birds* project mentioned in our plan for 2016. PRA is supporting the pest eradication initiative and funding heavy duty traps in the Reserve Road and Karehana Park areas with a dedicated person to manage the traps and data.

Big thanks to Search and Rescue teams

Police and LandSAR teams turned out in vast numbers to search for a missing resident over the weekend. Many were volunteers from other areas. On behalf of the community we thank them for their professionalism and determination. Great effort and great result.

Waders wanted

The Taupo Stream weed removal team urgently needs to borrow waders for this coming weekend. Please contact David dva@xtra.co.nz



Exciting art project for Plimmerton kids

Artist Rachel Bedingfield has been working with a dozen children and their families to complete this stunning mural in Taupo Crescent's newly gorgeous community space.

In the next school holidays she wants to work with children here to complete two murals for the rail underpass with the theme *Bring back the birds*. You can see from this example that our local birds and the bush they love will be beautifully represented.

We will ask you to register kids who are keen to take part in our next newsletter and on Facebook and let you know how you can do that.

Rachel will supply the paint and brushes and work with the children to complete the murals.

Does anyone in this area have a garage or large space that would be empty in the school holidays? Or would the school or kindy make a space available to Rachel and the artists?

Please contact us plimmertonra@gmail.com



Thanks to everyone who has paid their 2016 subs and made donations!

You can come along to the AGM on Monday 30 May to hear more about the projects you are helping with your contribution. You can see what's happening in the village plan available from the Big Salami and St Andrews as well as on our web site www.plimmerton.org.nz

If it has slipped your mind up to now, please pay your subs and any top-ups you can manage to PRA Westpac Account 03-1533-0019155-00. Just \$15 per household. And you will go into the prize draw at the upcoming AGM on Monday 30 May at the boating club, 7.30pm. Agenda and papers on our web site SOON.

Emergency management plan updated

WREMO and a team of locals have met to update Plimmerton's emergency preparedness plan. For at least 72 hours after an emergency event we will be on our own. You can be part of the team that helps this community to cope. Protect your family, friends and neighbours with a practical action plan. You can still be part of it, contact Alan Reader plimmertonra@gmail.com

Currently the team are carrying out due diligence on emergency radios and thank locals with expertise who are contributing to that process.

Plimmerton fire fighters raising money for blood cancer and leukaemia

Local fire fighter Leo Smith tells us that she and two of her colleagues are heading to Auckland in two weeks' time climb up the sky Towers' 1100 plus steps. They are aiming to raise \$4000 for leukaemia and blood cancer research and are working hard all over the area collecting money for this important cause. If you can support them search www.firefightersclimb.org.nz Good luck and go well!

Someone needs a good boot

Two in fact. Children's gumboots with blue Frozen Disney pattern size 9-10 lost outside Topor by the carpark. Please call Justine if you have found them 021 203 1260.

Beau Cadeaux winter hours

Gorgeous gifts for gorgeous people. Homewares and objets d'art. Winter hours Friday, Saturday and Sundays 11am to 5pm. Other times by arrangement with Robynne 027 246 1062.

***Always a pleasure* CD launch**

Klezmer Rebs are launching their new CD with a concert in Newtown Community and Cultural Centre on Sunday 5 June (Queen's Birthday Weekend) at 7.30pm. Tickets are \$30 (\$20 unwaged) and can be bought from david.weinstein@klezmer.co.nz

Door sales limited as this venue, corner Rintoul and Colombo Streets, is small.

Klezmer Rebs have a big following here in Plimmerton. Enjoy their videos klezmer.co.nz/our-music or like them at www.facebook.com/klezmer.rebs

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