

# Plimmerton Residents' Association Newsletter

## *What's new in Plimmerton?*

### October 2017

#### **Paradise lost?**

Attention all Paradise and Clear email subscribers! Your ISP may be leaving you but we'd like to stay in touch. Do let us know your new email address so you can continue receiving What's New in Plimmerton in your inbox. Drop us a line at [plimmertonra@gmail.com](mailto:plimmertonra@gmail.com) so we can update our records.

#### **Are you ready?**

Neighbourhood Support NZ is encouraging us to get together with neighbours and support Get Ready Week starting on 9 October. This annual event is run by the Ministry of Civil Defence & Emergency Management. The aim is to educate and encourage us all to be better prepared for emergencies such as floods, storms and earthquakes. Bunnings stores are supporting this initiative by providing information and DIY advice on emergency preparedness.

#### **More bad news for furry rodents . . .**

Hey rats and mice - there's not much point skipping across SH1 to escape the clutches of Plimmerton's determined trappers. Pest Free Mana/Camborne have passed the 100 rat mark with 130 rats trapped so far this year and 366 mice. Awesome effort! Ange of Pest Free Mana/Camborne says if you're feeling disillusioned about not having any luck catching rats, she'd be delighted to pop round and sniff out some ratty spots for your trap. Contact her on [pestfreemana@gmail.com](mailto:pestfreemana@gmail.com) for traps and advice. And those living west of SH1 can contact [pestfreeplim@gmail.com](mailto:pestfreeplim@gmail.com) Happy trapping!

#### **Support for Hugo**

The family of local Plimmerton boy Hugo is fundraising to be able to send him to America for an important operation.

Hugo, 3, has a type of Cerebral Palsy called Spastic Quadriplegia. You can find out more about Hugo, and how you can support him, on Givealittle:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/helpforhugo>

#### **Plimmerton and Passchendaele at Pātaka**

Learn more about Plimmerton's WW1 connections at a new Pātaka exhibition "The Fronts from Porirua to Passchendaele". Local historian Allan Dodson has contributed to three stories concerning Plimmerton residents Metty Vella, Hugh Shannon, and Frank and Leslie Thompson.

Bottle Creek Gallery, Pātaka, from 29 September to 29 October.



## **Bargains and elephants galore**

At St Barnabas Garage Sale. Crafts, Books, Toys, Clothes, Plants, Food, Baking, Bric-a-Brac, White Elephant stall and more.

Saturday 14 October 9am - noon. St Barnabas Church Complex, 106A Mana Esplanade.

## **Unravelling the mystery of the adolescent brain**

Do you struggle to understand your child sometimes and how they think? Do you wonder why they do and say the things they do? These and many more questions will be answered at a seminar in the Plimmerton School hall, Wednesday 1 November at 7pm. Cost is \$20 per person. Tea, coffee and snacks available.

Phone Heidi on 021 790 225 or email [schoolseminar2017@gmail.com](mailto:schoolseminar2017@gmail.com) by 27 October to register.

## **From paddock to plate in Cobham Court**

Get your taste buds ready for a fresh new market coming to Porirua. Cobham Court Farmers Market will be launched on Saturday 14 October. It will run from 6.30am to 2.30pm each Saturday offering top quality artisan food and crafts from the people who make, bake or grow it, as well as great coffee and good entertainment. There will also be opportunities for community groups and local education providers to showcase their work or run a stall.

To find out more contact the organisers Derek and Rick at [cobhamcourtmarket@gmail.com](mailto:cobhamcourtmarket@gmail.com)

## **How fast are we really going?**

PCC have installed two temporary speed recorders in Plimmerton to gather accurate data on vehicle speeds at the entrances to the village centre slow zone. The recorders will remain for four weeks. PCC will then analyse the data and this will be used to review the effectiveness of the existing slow zone layout. PCC have also asked for PRA's help in finding out what our community thinks are the key issues for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers. This will take place later this year or early in the New Year.

## **Ready, steady . . . oops**

Porirua is taking on cities from around the world in a global challenge to have the most people balance on a slackline for 10 seconds. The challenge will take place in Cobham Court in the Porirua city centre on Thursday 19 October between 4pm and 8.30pm and is open to all ages. Porirua is the only city in the southern hemisphere invited to participate. Our goal is to get 1000 well-balanced and sure-footed folk to each balance for 10 seconds. You can get ready (and steady) at the slack line park at Ngatitua Domain. More information at

[www.facebook.com/slackcityporirua](https://www.facebook.com/slackcityporirua)



## Open mic night at Plimmerton Boating Club

Always the second Thursday in the month, starting at 7pm. Great local talent, good food, inexpensive drinks, friendly staff. Free entry. Ring Roy for further info **021 433 878**.

## Spring into spring

Pacific Yogaflow Spring Special, \$49.95 for one month of unlimited yoga classes, go to [www.pacificyogaflow.com](http://www.pacificyogaflow.com) for more information or to book in for classes with Deidre-Lee.

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