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School holiday time again!!! Seven of our munch bunch around our table and romping through the garden during this first week. Scruff is once again in his element, being taken for runs rather than walks.

Weeds are in full force now! I cannot believe how many have been pulled from our garden - mostly Bidibid, Chickweed and Convolvulus. Weeds need to be removed before they make seed, to stop future germination.

All seedlings potted up in the last couple of weeks are growing in front of my eyes. Now that days are warm, it is best to pot seedlings on into individual pots for roots to become established before planting out, because small seedlings have almost zero survival rate if planted out into a dry garden. Strong growing plants like Sunflowers and Delphinium seeds are best planted straight into peat pots and once the pot is filled with new roots, plant pot and all - the strong roots will grow out through the pot as it breaks down.

Hostas are pushing fresh new leaves out for waiting slugs! Put sharp gravel under Hostas and spray with fish emulsion to deter them. I have 6 little Pekin Bantams who take care of snails and slugs in my garden - they are very short in the leg, which only allows minimal scratching, compared to long legged hens.

Companion planting: With all the planting going on right now, companion planting could be the way to go. Gardeners from the past have documented successful companion planting knowledge down through the years for us to follow. Some plants give off an aroma that is disliked by unwanted insects and others are thought to enhance the growth of certain plants, if planted alongside them. Nasturtiums attract caterpillars, so planting alongside or around vegetables such as Lettuces, Broccoli and Cabbages, should mean the Nasturtium will get attacked rather than your edible crop. Foxgloves have stimulating effects on all plants in the garden - a welcome addition to the flower and veggie garden. Marigolds have a scent that repels aphids and attracts hover flies, which are predator insects. Mexican tagetes, (the lovely tiny Marigolds), and French Marigold, are invaluable to companion planting. Cabbage white butterfly are attracted to their host plant by smell. Planting rows of Mexican Tagete is effective in masking the smell and reducing Cabbage butterfly damage. Hyssop also repels white butterfly from Cauliflower, Cabbage and Broccoli and other Brassica crops. A secretion from the roots of the Mexican Tagetes deter Eel worms, so your Potatoes and Tomatoes are left alone. Tagetes and Calendula Marigolds planted near Tomatoes and Roses, will reduce aphid attack and attract hover-flies - voracious eaters of these pests. Basil and Tomatoes are a well-known combination - great companions in the kitchen as well as the garden. Garlic, Chives and Parsley can be beneficial planted with Roses as aphid deterrents.

Dill is popular with bees and planted with Corn will ensure a bumper crop. Sage is a great herb to plant around a Celery crop, as it helps to keep the aphids away. Carrots and Leeks work well planted together - they both have strong aromas, which repel other's pests.



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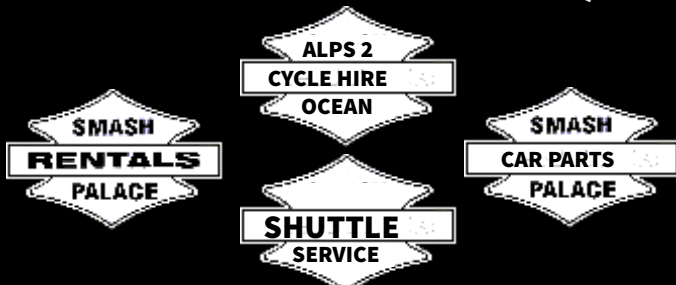
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Vegetables: Potatoes are up, so mounding begins to get more to the shaw. Corn sprouts in no time now - plant in groups so they support each other and pop some Dill in to attract bees. Plant Corn, Beans, Courgettes, Cucumbers, late Tomatoes, Lettuce and Basil (but protect Basil from cold nights)

The dreaded Carrot fly is about in October when Carrots are being thinned. Plant seed sparingly to avoid thinning and don't leave any thinnings about planted rows for the Carrot fly to smell - and if you have had problems in the past, cover rows with shade cloth to keep the flies out.

Fruit: Bees are busy working at pollinating Fruit bushes and trees. Keep the water up to them and mulch with unsprayed grass clippings right out to their drip line to keep moisture there, and organise netting for bird protection. Check all Apples trees for Woolly Aphid (white furry Aphids on branches). Spray tree with Garlic, Pyrethrum and Neem oil (mixed).

Our garden is looking very pretty right now and ready for viewing should people be interested in taking a drive out to Weston. Plenty of seating - so bring a picnic.

Cheers, Linda.

Rockvale Stone & Garden: 37 Airedale Road, Weston.

Former Oamaru GP Swaps Stethoscope for Bishop's Mitre

Although he hails from England, the new Anglican Bishop of Dunedin with his warm, friendly smile will already be familiar to many locals. Bishop Steven Benford, recently installed as the tenth Anglican Bishop of Dunedin, was a well-known Oamaru GP in the 1990s. He set up a free medical clinic for those in need as well as spending one day a week as an anaesthetist at Dunedin Hospital. Andrea McDougall, vicar of St Luke's, says, "Many who knew Steven from his time in Oamaru have spoken very warmly of him, and are delighted he's returning to this part of the world. They are really looking forward to re-connecting with him and his wife."

After returning to England with his wife Lorraine, formerly of Gore, and their children, Steven was ordained and worked in several parishes. He was elected this year to be the tenth Bishop of Dunedin – and, as the pointed bishop's hat is called a mitre, is now able to lay claim to the name "Mitre 10"!

Bishop Steven will be returning to Oamaru for the weekend of 14-15 October. On Saturday evening, 14 October, there will be an opportunity to learn about his journey from being an Oamaru GP to his return two decades later as bishop. To hear about Steven's experiences, join us at St Luke's Hall, 3 Wharfe St, Oamaru, at 7pm. Tea, coffee, and cake will be served, and everyone is welcome.

On Sunday 15 October, Bishop Steven will preach at the 10:30am service at St Luke's, Itchen Street, Oamaru, which will be followed by a pot-luck lunch. Again, all are welcome to come along.

Bishop Steven says that he's looking forward to revisiting Oamaru, meeting up with old friends, and getting to know others who have arrived in Oamaru since his time there. For further information, please contact Andrea on 434 8836.

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Recipe of the Week: Sand Cake

Beat 4oz butter,

3/4 cup sugar,

Add 2 eggs,

1 heaped cup flour, 1tsp B.Powder,

1/2 cup milk, salt.

Beat together and place in ring tin.

Bake 45mins at 350deg.

Ice with lemon icing.



Open Air Movie Night

Pack your chairs, cushions, sleeping bags and blankets, bring the family and head down to Milner Park, Waitaki Boys High School on the last Saturday of the school holidays for an

outdoor movie screening of *Mr Bean's Holiday*. There'll be raffles and a halftime lolly scramble a sausage sizzle and snacks available to buy, with all proceeds and donations going to Literacy North Otago. Admission is at 7pm on Saturday, October 14 with the movie starting at 7.30.



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Tuesday: 17th October

- 5.30 Item for Younger Ears:
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- 6.00 Classic Comedy: ISIRTA Comedy from the BBC
- 7.30 Concert Piece: Chopin, Benno Moiseiwitch (piano),
Ballades, Scherzos, Nocturnes
- 9.00 Reading: We Of The Never Never, by Mrs Aeneas
Gunn, read by June Slater part 8 of 8

Donate Plants to Make a Food Forest!

You may have noticed some changes on the hillside of Waitaki Community Gardens when you recently travelled down Chelmer Street-- a food forest has been born! Food forest gardening is a low-maintenance, sustainable plant-based food production and agroforestry system based on woodland ecosystems, incorporating fruit and nut trees, shrubs, herbs, vines and perennial vegetables which have yields directly useful and delicious for humans.

We are currently seeking donations of seeds and plants for the food forest site. We are seeking perennials like strawberries, Jerusalem artichokes, globe artichokes, hops, asparagus, kiwi fruit, passion fruit and yams. We would also love donations of herbs like sage, rosemary, lavender, camomile, lemon balm and lemon verbena. Also, any small fruit and nut trees would be great! Finally, any seeds or seedlings of nitrogen-fixers such as lupins, clover, and legumes would be beneficial. No rhubarb, spreading or prickly plants please.

To make a donation, please phone Ra at 0211 154 884. The food forest site is a community initiative and intended to benefit everyone, so please help us to create a legacy for future generations by donating seeds and plants today!



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Community Diary

Wednesday 11th

Afternoon Social Housie. 1:30pm St John using counters. Ph. Graeme 437 2220.

Excelsior Petanque Club Day, 1pm. Ph. 437 1590 or 437 0388.

N.O. Patchers & Quilters meeting - St. John's Hall, Exe St. at 7.30pm. New members welcome. Ph. Helen 434 5680.

Parents Centre Playgroup (0-6yr) 10am, Salvation Army Hall.

Waitaki Community Gardens Working Bee, Wednesdays 1-3pm. All welcome! Call Ra on 021 115 4884 for 2 hours of fun!

Thursday 12th

Diabetes Walking Group Chelmer St Gardens carpark 10.30am. Ph Jan 437 2348.

Kakanui Playgroup 9am-12pm, Kakanui School. 1st 3 visits free.

Grey Power North Otago. Office open 12.30-3.30pm, 2nd floor, Community House. Other times, Ph. Graeme 437 2220.

Mainly Music - pre-schoolers/parents.

10am Oamaru Baptist, 14 Sandringham St. \$3. Ph Angela 437 0911.

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N.O. Asthma Society Respiratory

Exercise Class, 10am, St John Hall Lounge, Exe St. Ph. 434 3202.

N.O. Rose Society - meet at the Vintage Car Club Rooms at 7.30, Ph Christine 434 2223

Friday 13th

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 12 noon. Ph.432 4191 or 437 2928.

Newcomers Coffee group 10.30am at the Opera House. Ph. Christine 027 242 8643

Waitaki Travel Club Monthly Meeting, Manor Estate, speaker Collette Dikane on teaching in Outback, Australia.

Saturday 14th

Market Day - Garrison Band Hall, Severn st, 9am - 12pm. Bags of Pine cones, Fresh Vege, Jewellery, Scented candles, Handmade Kids Clothing, Hand Knits, Handcrafts, Much More. Fundraisers & new stallholders welcome, Stalls \$5. Ph Wendy 027 265 4822.

Hear Steve Benford tell about his journey from being an Oamaru GP to becoming Bishop of Dunedin. From 7pm St Luke's Hall, 3 Wharfe St.

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Outdoor Movie Night at Waitaki Boys High School, Milner Park. "Mr Bean's Holiday". 7pm admission, 7.30 start. Sausage sizzle, lollies. Proceeds to Literacy N.O.

The Extravaganza Fair: Oamaru's Victorian Precinct- next to the harbour, Scotts Brewery & the new bike park. Free entry, family friendly fun!!! Funky stalls selling cool stuff, kids fun, rides & games, readers, barber, food, drinks, music, circus show and more!! Also featuring The Karl Austin Experience - comedian musician.

The Seaside Train Trip: Dunedin to Oamaru return. Departs Dunedin 9.30am, arrives Oamaru 12.30pm - departs Oamaru

1.30pm, arrives Dunedin 4.30pm. Contact Dunedin Railways to book or Oamaru i-SITE.

Sunday 15th

America's Cup Carnival: Hosted by The N.O. Yacht & Power Boat Club. Starts 1pm with a free train running all afternoon from Scott's Brewery (Waterfront Road will be closed to all traffic from 12pm-7.30pm). The Cup will be displayed in a tent outside the Yacht Club Rooms after a parade down Harbour Street where 4 members of Team NZ and 4 members from the Royal Yacht Squadron will be present. There will be food stalls, competitions and entertainment throughout the afternoon as well as Kids fishing competition. There will be a chance to meet and greet with some of the members from the team from 5-7pm.

Excelsior Petanque Club Day, 1pm. Ph. 437 1590 or 437 2557.

St Luke's Day celebrations 10:30am at St Luke's, Itchen St. Preacher Bishop Steven Benford, followed by a potluck lunch.

St Paul's Church, Coquet St, 10am.

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 6pm. Ph. 437 2928 or 437 2337.

Oamaru Farmers Market 9.30 - 1pm, cnr Wansbeck & Tyne St. Fresh food & produce.

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Zumba Classes Oamaru, first time FREE! 6:30-7:30pm, Scottish Hall, Tyne Street All Welcome.

Monday 16th

Kakanui Playgroup 9am-12pm, Kakanui school. 1st 3 visits free.

SeniorNet Oamaru 10am, 2 Trent St, Ph. Dorothy 434 7278.

Tokarahi Spinners & Weavers meet at the Tokarahi Hall at 10am. Ph Christine 434 2223

Woodturners, 1pm @ Clubrooms, Oamaru Racecourse. Ph. 439 5795.

Tuesday 17th

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 7.30pm. Ph. 432 4191 or 437 2337.

Age Concern Gentle Exercise Programme, over 60's Orwell St Chapel Hall, at 1:30pm. Ph. Heather 437 2404.

Arthritis Peer Support Group, Star & Garter, 10.30am.

Barnardos Kidstart Playgroup 9-12noon, preschool children & parents, St Mary's Anglican Church Hall, Bring morning tea.

Diabetes Walking Group, Chelmer St Gardens carpark 10.30 am. Ph Jan 437 2348.

Justice of the Peace, 11am-1pm, W.I.N.Z building, Coquet St.

Oamaru Garrison Band Practise Nights, Band Rooms, Cnr Severn & Isis St, 7.30pm.

St Paul's Indoor Bowls, 2pm Church Hall. Ph. Mike 434 6722.

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Up & coming

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St Joseph's International Food Fair, Sunday October 29th, gates open at 10.30am, food available from 11am. \$5 per plate.

AGM Notice

Excelsior Petanque Club AGM, Sunday 29th October, Excelsior Clubrooms, 4pm. All members & intending members to attend please. *A. Clarke - Secretary*

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Plant Donations for Community Garden's Food Forest - seeking seeds/plants incl. strawberries, artichokes, hops, yams, kiwi passion fruit, nitrogen-fixers (eg. lupins, clover, legumes), fruit & nut trees, herbs (eg. sage, rosemary, lavender, lemon verbena, chamomile etc). No rhubarb, spreading or prickly plants please. To donate contact Ra at 0211 154 884.

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TOP 10 REASONS TO HIRE A REAL ESTATE AGENT

1. EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

You don't need to know everything about buying and selling real estate if you have a real estate professional who does.

2. AGENTS ARE BUFFERS

Agents take the spam out of your property showings and visits. If you're a buyer of new homes, your agent will whip out their sword and keep the builder's agents at bay, preventing them from biting or nipping at your heels.

3. NEIGHBOURHOOD KNOWLEDGE

Agent either possess intimate knowledge or they know where to find the industry buzz about your neighbourhood.

4. PRICE GUIDANCE

Contrary to what some people believe, agents do not select prices for sellers or buyers. For example, you may know that the house down the street was on the market for \$250,000, but an agent will know that it had upgrades and sold at \$285,000 after 65 days on the market.

5. MARKET CONDITIONS INFORMATION

Real estate agents can disclose market conditions, which will govern your selling or buying process. Many factors determine how you will proceed, whether fixed price, sale by deadline, auction or tender.

6. PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING

Real estate agents network with other professionals, many of whom provide services that you will need when buying or selling.

7. NEGOTIATION SKILLS & CONFIDENTIALTY

Top producing agents negotiate well because, unlike most buyers and sellers, they can remove themselves from the emotional aspects of the transaction and because they are skilled, it's part of their job description.

8. HANDLING VOLUMES OF PAPERWORK

Back in the early 1970's, one page deposit receipts were prevalent. Today's purchase agreements can be 12 pages or more, and your agent is an expert at juggling all the paperwork.

9. ANSWERING QUESTIONS

Many questions can pop up that were overlooked in the excitement of putting the property under contract. Good agents stand by ready to assist and answer any questions you may have.

10. DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS

The basis for an agent's success and continued career in real estate is referrals and repeat business.

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