

The Bishopdale Bulletin

a community newsletter

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ALL ABOUT ŌRAUWHATA

We caught up with Bronwyn Smith, the Associate Team Leader at the library, to see how things have gone in the new facility since it opened on 22 July last year.



Bronwyn amidst the numerous titles in the Bishopdale Library!

When did you start at the library? I started working in Bishopdale in January last year, back when the library was located in the shop space in the mall. My role of associate team leader is a little like a floor manager and a lot of my time was initially spent organising the move from the mall space to the new building.

What was the move like? It was really exciting but it wasn't as straightforward as moving house! When you move house you are usually the only one who decides what and when things happen. The library move involved a large team of people from council and external organisations which meant that there was a lot of input to be considered before decisions were made. All the people involved were passionate about the project and really cared about the outcome, and lots of people worked very hard to get things done too. It was a real team effort!

How are the staff finding the new building? They love it! The extra space means that we've been able to increase the number of items from 17,000 to 25,000 and so can offer a better selection of material to users. Having space also means that we are able to run our community programs again which everyone is really enjoying. When we were in the mall we were only able to run storytime once a week and our book club was run over at Sundbye Community House. Now we are running storytime, babytime, scrabble club, two book clubs, knit 'n' yarn, technology drop-in sessions and a Justice of the Peace clinic, as well as school holiday programmes and special events. All these programs are well attended and there is room for others. We are happy to make space available to other groups who

want to run their activities here and also welcome suggestions from local groups who want to use the space. It's like another living room!

How are the users finding the new building?

Mostly very positive. Many people have said what a nice feeling the library space has, whether it's due to the way things are laid out, the incoming light, the colours of the interior, the black shelving, or the way the doors open out onto the decks. Staff visiting from other library branches comment on this too.

What have visitor numbers been like? Visitor numbers are twice the level they were when we were in the mall and we are nearly at the level we had in the old library building. We still get a few people coming in who say they didn't know we had moved! New road signage has just been put up around Bishopdale so we're hoping this will alert everyone that we are now definitely up and running.

What's been the best thing about the new building? Being able to welcome customers back into a space that they've been waiting for for a really long time.

Is there anything you'd like to change about the new building? That's an interesting question! The local community had a big say in the early days of the design process. And of course the architect and design team worked really hard to build the best possible space. We love the library, and we have dozens of very happy community groups and customers using the hall and meeting rooms too, so I think we are pretty happy with how it all works and looks!

Do you have any highlights from the last few months? We've been able to stage some really lovely events here: Scotty and Stacey Morrison from Te Reo Wainene o Tua came and told stories to children from local kohanga reo; the brass section of the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra played to a group of 120 preschoolers and their families, as part of the ongoing Music Trails collaboration with the CSO and libraries; and 30 prints from the Christchurch Documentary Project, which captured life in Bishopdale, were displayed around the library at the end of last year.

If you'd like to know more about the library, the team would love to have you come visit.

There are also well over 300 images from the Bishopdale Documentary Project on the library website: <https://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/the-christchurch-documentary-project/>



Bishopdale Directory

An online guide to everything in Bishopdale

Check out the Bishopdale Directory for information on businesses, cafes, restaurants, pubs, takeaways, children and young people, churches, community groups and activities, events, health and medical, schools and education, services and information, shops and banks, sports and fitness!

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UPCOMING COURSES AND CLASSES:

Pure Meditation Course: February 25-March 3 & April 22-28. Many people are ready to learn in-depth meditation and Pure Meditation is perfect for the needs of life today. Pure Meditation is practical yet spiritual and for people of all beliefs. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 100 Highsted Road, Bishopdale. www.selfrealizationcentres.org.nz Phone 359 8507.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Earth Hour Meditation Event, March 24 @ 8:00 pm The Centre is hosting an international Earth Hour lights-off event. Join millions around the world in celebration of the earth for a special Meditation Evening by candlelight. A prayer for the planet and for world peace will be sent at 9 pm. Free Event ~ All are welcome. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 100 Highsted Road, www.selfrealizationcentres.org.nz, Ph. 359 8507.

Easter Retreat March 30 – April 2. Spend time with yourself in the peaceful environment of the Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre and leave feeling deeply fed on every level. www.selfrealizationcentres.org.nz Phone 359 8507.



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COMPUTING FOR FREE: Ara Bishopdale, in the Bishopdale Mall, runs 'Computing for Free', a self-paced learning programme for anyone who wants to gain formal computer skills for employment, or learn the basics of computing and Microsoft software. Timetables are very flexible and you can choose which sessions you attend.

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CRAFTS & WOODWORK

Kiwi coffin club is open every Friday from 1pm - 4.30 pm at the Menzshed 55A Kendal Ave. Come along and chat over a coffee.

Craft, Crochet & Knitters group, bring your own craftwork and have some good laughs. A friendly, informal group with a helpful tutor. Gold coin donation. Wednesdays 1-3pm at BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741.

Bishopdale MenzShed group meets Tuesdays and Thursdays 1.30pm at the old Kendal Ave Scout Den. The MenzShed brings men together in a space to share skills, have a laugh and work on practical tasks: either individually on personal projects or as a group for the Shed or wider community. Ph: Richard Rendle 359 7275, rendle@xtra.co.nz or BCT 359 1741 for any enquiries.

Card Making Club: a weekly club for keen greeting card makers wanting to meet others with similar interests to share ideas and techniques. Basic equipment required. New members always welcome. Cost \$4 per week. Mondays 1-2.30pm during school term. At BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741 to book.

Bishopdale Spinning Group: Learn the art of spinning and knitting. 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. 10am – 1pm at Meeting Room 1, Bishopdale Community Centre. \$4 per visit. Contact Jess for more information on 027 202 2038.

Knit 'n' Yarn: Tuesdays 1.00pm-3.00pm. Bring along your current craft project and enjoy a social crafting time with others. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

FITNESS, DANCE & MOVEMENT

Easy Chair Yoga: Take an easy yoga class with our wonderful teacher Mahadevi. No previous experience with yoga is necessary. The exercises taught are gentle and suitable for all ability levels. 2:00pm - 3:00pm every Friday starting 23 February. Gold coin donation. 100 Farrington Avenue. Ring 03 359 1741 for more information.

Zumba with Missy: Join our most friendly, the most fun exercise ZUMBA fitness! Mon 9:30am Ōrauwhata Bishopdale Library Community Hall, Tue 6:30pm and Wed 9:20am Bishopdale Seventh Day Adventist Church, Sat 10am Waimairi School. Fee: \$7 per visit/concession card available. <http://misato123zumba.com>. For further information call Missy on 021 194 6413.

Delta Rhythmic Gymnastic Club: if you daughter is interested in dance and gymnastics, this could be the sport for her. We have beginners recreational classes most days for girls 5 to 10 years. To learn more about our club see our facebook page - Delta Rhythmic Gymnastic Club Inc. or phone 354 5552.

Bishopdale Tennis Club: 35 Leacroft Street. Senior Club Captain - Andrew Stanton 359 1605 and Junior Administrator - Andrea Stanton 359 1605. All are welcome, very reasonable subs, large Junior section, and a friendly Club. New members come along and try out our great facilities. Resident Coach – Gareth Robb.

Wednesday Wanderers meet at 10:30am Wednesday at BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Very friendly group, all abilities welcome. Walks on average 30 minutes around Bishopdale. Ph: 359 1741.

Women's Social Walking Group meet in front of the old Bishopdale Library at 10:00am on Tuesdays. After the walk, the group heads back for a coffee or tea at BCT. Please wear appropriate clothing for the weather. Ph 359 1741.

Bishopdale Table Tennis Club, social table tennis for adults every Wednesday and Friday 10:00am till noon. Bishopdale YMCA. \$5 per session, no joining fee, no subs. Phone Jean on 022 160 4421. Look forward to seeing you there!

Transformation Hatha Yoga Classes Transformation Hatha Yoga Classes. Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Get fit while bringing peace, balance and upliftment to your whole being. Beginner's welcome. Self Realization Meditation Healing Centre, 100 Highsted Road. www.selfrealizationcentres.org.nz Ph. 359 8507.

Scottish Country Dancing - Burnside Scottish Country Dance club commences the year on March 1st 2018, Beginning another year of fun, friendship and fitness. Held in the Isleworth School Hall, Farrington Street, Bishopdale 8pm till 10pm, and is held weekly on a Thursday. Experience is not needed, wear some soft soled shoes and come and join us. Please Contact President.. 327 0193 for further information. A special Scottish Shindig is being held at the Heaton Intermediate school hall at 7.30pm 10th February. Come along and see what Scottish country dancing is all about, and Have A Go.

Tai Chi classes are run on Wednesdays at 12pm at St John's Church, Chedworth Avenue. Come along!

Nia Dance & Fitness: Join Stephanie at the St Alban's Uniting Church (36 Nancy Ave, Mairehau) for fun and fitness for the body, mind, and spirit. Danced barefoot, Nia combines dance and martial arts moves that provide joyful pleasurable sensory-based conditioning, restoring health and balance to the whole you. Monday 10:00am, Tuesday 6:30pm, Thursday 6:30pm. Phone/text 027 416 8283 or email steph@stephaniedemay.com

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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Babytimes / Wā pēpi: Rhymes, movement and music. Kōrero pukapuka, pūoru, korikori. Fridays 10.30am -11.00am during term time for under 2 year olds. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

Storytimes / Wā korero: Stories, movement and music. Kōrero pukapuka, pūoru, korikori. Wednesdays 10.30am -11.00am during term time for over 2 year olds and over. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

St. Margarets Mainly Music group has moved to Isleworth School Hall, Farrington Avenue, Bishopdale. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:45am and 10:45am with a combined morning tea starting at 10:15am. From newborn babies through to 4 year olds, and their parents/caregivers enjoy a time of music, movement and friendship. There are places available in both sessions. For further information please contact the church office Ph: 359 0149 or Maree on 027 359 3559.

St John's Anglican Church Mainly Music: (cnr Cotswold Avenue and Kingrove Street) has a thriving Mainly Music session. We meet on Tuesdays at 10am in our Hall, for our music for pre-school (0-5) aged children and finish with morning tea. All welcome

to attend. Phone Lynne 359 9692 if anyone would like to know more.

Bishopdale Cranmer St John Youth Division, Cotswold School Hall, Cotswold Ave meet on Wednesday evenings. Penguins 6-8 yrs 5.30pm-6.30pm; Green Cadets 8-10 yrs 6.30pm-8pm; Blue Cadets 11-12 yrs 6.30pm-8pm; Gold Cadets 13-18 yrs 6.30pm-8:45pm. We have a variety of activities from first aid, interest badges, camps, fun nights and leadership training to name a few. Ph: 027 332 3660 for enquiries.

Girls Brigade meets Tuesdays 5.30-7pm for girls aged 5-16 years at St Margaret's Hub, 94 Farrington Ave. Ph: Fiona on 359 0149.

4th Christchurch Boys Brigade Company meets Thursday nights, 6-18 years from 5pm-9pm. Phone Phil Mardon at St Margaret's Church office if you have any queries and for our location on 359 0149.

Jumpstart: A fun programme offered to children ages 6 to 11. Held twice a month on Fridays during school terms, from 6pm to 7.30pm in the Youth Hall at 392 Wairakei Road. Includes games, lessons, crafts, snacks and more games. Jumpstart is free.

Playgroup: A chance for Mums to chat while children experience a safe and fun environment with age appropriate activities. Morning tea provided. Gold coin donation per family for each session. Friday during school terms in Youth Hall, 392 Wairakei Rd.

GAMES (SEATED)

Scrabble Club: A friendly game of scrabble in the library. Wednesdays 1.00pm-3.00pm. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library.

Scrabble Group: Come along and play scrabble with a friendly group. Exercise your brain and have fun. 9:45am Tuesday mornings. Gold coin donation. 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741.

BCT Book and Jigsaw Library, 100 Farrington Avenue. Open Monday to Thursday, 10am - 3pm.

Bishopdale Bridge Club, Wednesday Bridge 11am-2.30pm at Ōrauwhata Bishopdale Library and Community Centre. Table Fees \$5.00. Enquiries Janet Stokes 352-1440

500 Card Playing Group: Wednesday's 1-3pm. Beginners welcome. \$2 per session. At BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741.

Social Housie at BCT on the first Thursday of the month from 1pm. \$2 per session. All welcome, 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741.

SPEAKERS, BOOKS & INFORMATION

Technology help drop-in sessions: Thursday mornings 10.00-10.30, term-times. Free casual drop-in sessions for help with your computer or device. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

Bishopdale Book Club (BBC): Join our friendly group of readers to discuss your favourite books and current reads. There's no set book to read, just come along and join our relaxed and friendly social book chat. Second Monday of the month at 10am-11am or last Thursday of the month 1pm-2pm. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

NZ Stamp Collectors Club for enthusiasts or beginners. Meet on 1st Wednesday of each month 1-3pm at Christchurch North Methodist Church (cnr Harewood Road and Chapel Street). Visitors and new members welcome to buy, sell, swap or just chat. Ph: Ross Stanton 359 9815 or Shirley Bone 359 9025.

Jigsaw Puzzle Library. Saturdays 10:30am-12:00pm. Reese Room, Papanui Methodist Church, Chapel St. New members welcome.

Rotary Club of Bishopdale Burnside meets on Monday nights 6-7:30pm, for networking, guest speakers and for planning future community projects. Contact David Conroy on 358 5555 or check bishopdale-burnside-rotary.com for more information. Don't wait to be asked, we'd love you to be involved.

WEA, Northwest Branch: meets Fridays at Christchurch North Methodist Church, (cnr Harewood Road and Chapel Street) 10-11:30am. Cost \$4. For more information please contact: Jan Tedesco 351 9796 or Peter Cooper 355 8983 or go to cwea.org.nz

Bishopdale Ladies Club (formerly Probus) meets at the Bishopdale Reformed Church, 90 Highsted Road second Monday of the month February to December at 10:00am. Contact Lyn 359 6387 or Eileen 550 3032.

Papanui Combined Probus Club for interesting speakers, great outings and to make new friends join us at Papanui Combined Probus Club. Monthly meetings 1st Tuesday 9.45am in the warm ground floor at the RSA 1 Harewood Rd, good parking. Call Marie 351 7708 or Sian 359 0057 for further information.

The Bishopdale Branch of the NZ Society of Genealogists meets on the 4th Thursday, January to November in the Hub, 94 Farrington Ave, Bishopdale. Visitors welcome, \$3 door charge. Contacts Lis 354 3933 Fran 352 5605. Our first meeting for 2018 saw members reviewing their genealogical activity over the last year and current plans. For February we hope to have a speaker, in March info on researching Irish, European and Australian sources and April will have members presenting a talk on 'A Soldier in Your Family'.

Christchurch Widow and Widowers Social Group welcomes new members aged late 50s and up for outings, friendship, movies, walks, dinners, etc. We meet once a month. Please phone Claire 354 3976 or Carol 981 4125 for more information.

JP Clinic: Wednesday 11:00am – 1:00pm. A Justice of the Peace will be available to members of the community, to witness signatures and documents, certify document copies, hear oaths, declarations, affidavits or affirmations as well as sign citizenship, sponsorship or rates rebates applications. There is no charge for this service. Ōrauwhata: Bishopdale Library and Community Centre.

FOOD & GATHERINGS

Coffee & Friendship Group at BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Come along and enjoy morning tea with others. We'd love to see you! Mondays 10:30-11:30am. Gold coin donation.

Community Lunch at BCT. Delicious sandwiches and good company! All welcome, Thursdays from 11:30am. Gold coin donation. At BCT, 100 Farrington Ave. Ph: 359 1741.

SOME PHOTOS FROM THE BISHOPDALE SKATE JAM

Bishopdale Skate Jam is aimed at 8 to 15 year olds but is also suitable for younger or older audiences. A great event for the whole family to attend and suitable for all levels. Good opportunities for youth who have not skated before or have just started.



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| 23 Feb | Jeremy Smith:
The Bad Lands: Afganistan and Somalia |
| 2 March | Pip Judge: The Art of Printmaking |
| 9 March | Jeanne Cooper: Precious avant garde artworks
banned by Soviet Russia: the Art Museum at Nukus |
| 16 March | Julie King:
The 'Canterbury School' notable artists Part 1 |
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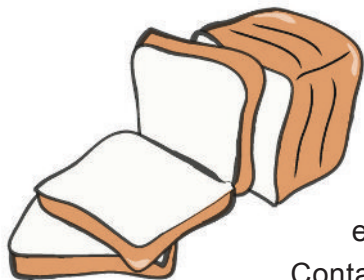
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Pick up and delivery requires two to work together so retired couples or flat-mates would be ideal. The time commitment is approximately two hours, once every six weeks.

Contact Bishopdale Community Trust on 03 359 1741 or bctoffice@xtra.co.nz or call in at 100 Farrington Ave, Monday to Thursday 10am-3pm.

Children's Day: 4 March 2018, 11am to 3pm Cnr New Brighton Road and Locksley Avenue, Burwood

Share the love! Bring your children along to a day of free games and activities to celebrate Te Ra O Te Tamariki—Children's Day.

In New Zealand Children's Day is always on the first Sunday of March each year. On this day, New Zealand comes alive with activities and events designed to bring families together and show how important children are in our community.

Come down with your picnic lunch and enjoy all the free children's activities. A popular annual event for all children and families that celebrates the message that children should be treasured. This year the event includes the performing arts, crafts, demonstrations, sports, activities and games.



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