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EXCAVATION**

Straw-bale building course a hit



Participants in the straw-bale building course, from left, Sven Johnston (tutor), Melanie Lecompte, Michael Donovan, Shannon Henderson, Seth Schanzer, Hana Small, Kate Rowland, Sophie Jackson, Cameron Ginnane and Anthony Duncan. Photo: Drew Brown.

“Straw-bale building is the way of the future,” was the enthusiastic rejoinder from all nine participants in Sol Design’s seven-day intensive straw-bale building course.

Hana from Wellington says they were, “especially stimulated by the opportunity to have hands-on practical experience reinforced with technical lectures and discussion feedback sessions”.

Michael, from Gisborne, says, “It was great to have such a collaborative experience, learning about established regulations but at the same time how new ideas can flourish and be practical.”

Sarah and Sven Johnston own Sol Design and they teach and facilitate the course. Their underlying commitment is to sustainable living and they want to be part of the change they want to see in the world. As a licensed architectural designer, consultant and tutor, Sarah designs straw-bale houses as well as conventional builds. Sven is also a tutor and consultant, specialising in on-site practical and theoretical leadership, allowing participants to explore new ideas and processes in the arena of building codes and regulations.

The use of straw bales underscores their ethic of sustainability by using a renewable resource that is also a waste material in order to create a warm, strong and healthy living space. Sarah says, “One of our many goals is to demonstrate that straw-bale homes have real benefits, not only for the homeowner but also for the community as we enter the age of climate and resource uncertainty.”

Straw-bale construction has a very high resistance to heat flow (R5), making the finished build warm in winter, but also cool in summer. The finished wall system also includes the application of natural plasters (combinations of fibre, sand, clay and/or lime) and their use has added health benefits: water vapour can migrate through the materials (without heat loss), preventing dampness and its associated problems.

Sven says, “There are other crucial benefits: solid evidence from thousands of builds internationally shows that, if built correctly, the build has very strong earthquake resilience and that the sealed walls will not succumb to fire or insect infestation.”

Melanie from Christchurch says, “I feel

that it is really important to use renewable resources in a building project. I also think that this process is financially feasible for a homeowner builder.”

Sarah added, “Apart from the pleasure of working with enthusiastic and like-minded people, the courses have another benefit. Because all the participants from our previous 22 courses are in the same communication network, they have formed a small community where they can support one another during their builds. For example, when a couple from a course were building their straw-bale home, they had over 30 people turn up to lend their help.”

Anthony from Hanmer Springs says, “I really like this holistic approach of bringing so many valuable and interesting factors into a single building project. Also, having a group of people from different areas of expertise on one course allowed a great deal of sharing of knowledge.”

Sol Design also offers weekend/three-day courses in lime plaster finishing, and in earthen-floor construction and earth-plaster finishing.

Drew Brown (new reporter)

Speedgolf coming to Geraldine District Golf Club

Speedgolf is “a new take on traditional golf, with a focus on fitness”, and it’s coming to Geraldine, says organiser Fiona Blake. The December event will enable locals to try the new format, with the help of 2016 New Zealand speedgolf champion, Richard Olsen.

“Richard is going to give a nine-hole speedgolf demo and help everyone,” says Fiona. “After that there’s also going to be an Ambrose event [allowing golfers of all abilities to play together] and a putting competition and a barbecue.”

How do you play speedgolf? “You hit the

ball from the teeing ground, as many times as it takes; then you get to the green and hit the ball in the hole,” says Fiona. “You’re allowed up to seven clubs and you have to run and carry them – you’re not allowed a cart.”

“The plan is to hit the ball as hard as you can in as straight a line as possible. And the fitter you are the easier it’ll be.”

American professional golfer Christopher Smith holds the present 18-hole speedgolf world record with a score of 109.06, composed of 65 strokes and a time of 44.06 minutes.

Fiona says, “If we can get enough people interested, we could establish a regular competition here.”

The speedgolf session is at 10am on Sunday 10 December at Geraldine District Golf Club. It is free and clubs are available if needed. The Ambrose event begins at noon (adults \$10, children free). Also at midday is the putting competition (adults \$1, children 50 cents). Soft-soled shoes required.

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Hydro Grand remembered in local painter's work



Artist Graham Rawstorn with his pen and watercolour painting of Timaru's Hydro Grand Hotel. Photo: Jan Finlayson.

Geraldine artist Graham Rawstorn grew up in Timaru where the imposing Edwardian Hydro Grand Hotel was a landmark from 1912.

Last year, Graham created a pen and watercolour image of the building, whose category two Heritage New Zealand rating conferred regional significance. Deteriorated beyond practical repair, however, the old establishment was demolished two weeks ago and now his artwork has a new significance.

"The hotel was part of the bay," Graham says. "When I was growing up, I spent a lot of time down at Caroline Bay, especially at New Year. I'd go every year to the bonfire, which was really big, with logs, tyres and brush. And the Hydro Grand was part of everything – part of Caroline Bay.

"I went in there once as a child, to see a family friend, and it was grand: heavy carpet, with big patterns, and dark-stained furniture. You'd sit there and you'd have little tiny cups of real coffee – egg-cup-sized."

An apartment, hotel and office complex will be constructed on the site. "I was sorry to see the Hydro Grand go, but it's

interesting to learn of the development. I hope the new building enhances the area."

Graham is known for his pen and watercolour images of Geraldine district halls and South Canterbury's churches. He has also completed portraits, and paintings of plants and notable regional buildings, from the former Godley Peaks homestead to "Mrs Blackwood's old house at the end of Cox Street."

"I love drawing and painting. At school, I was top of the class for art and bottom for arithmetic. I was scared off architecture, but I would have loved to have done it."

He went into grocery instead, setting art aside for a time. "I took it up again when I came to Geraldine in 1980 to run the grocery department at Morrisons [the former Morrison Brothers' store].

Now living at Waihi Lodge, Graham continues in art and says his Hydro Grand painting and other original works and prints are for sale; "I support the Bible Society with the profits." To contact him, call 027 564 4442.

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Community Christmas tree spreads festive cheer

Geraldine's annual community Christmas tree: "a community-wide secret Santa for people in need of all ages", has been set up at the Geraldine Community Resource Centre.

"It's for people who are doing it tough," says centre manager Kerry Stevens. "It can be a much-needed morale boost – not necessarily just for those struggling financially – it's to lift the spirits generally."

"We use our contacts with different social organisations and we get addresses, some details about the inhabitants, but no names," he says. "Then we call for donations of gifts that are labelled with gender, age and possibly interests."

In collaboration with Geraldine Lionesses, the centre matches gifts to people, and the Lionesses deliver the presents a few days before Christmas.

"Normally, gifts go to 50 or 60 families, with the extremely generous support from our local community and the Lionesses."

Ensuring the festive season is happy for as many as possible is the most obvious goal of the tree project, but other opportunities spring from it.

"Some people give gifts as a means of teaching their children that Christmas is not



Geraldine Community Resource Centre manager Kerry Stevens with the first gifts placed under the centre's Christmas tree. Photo: Jan Finlayson.

just about them," says Kerry, "and that giving is as important as receiving at Christmas. I see some lovely moments here."

Wrapped, labelled gifts can be delivered to Geraldine Community Resource Centre

at 5 Peel Street until the end of Monday 11 December. Hours are 9am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday. For more information, call 693 7001.

Jan Finlayson

The Geraldine News Christmas/New Year

PUBLICATION DATE

FINAL PAPER FOR 2017:

Thursday 14 December (deadline: 12pm, Mon 11 Dec)

SUMMER BREAK - NO PAPERS:

Thursday 21 December 2017

to Thursday 11 January 2018

FIRST PAPER FOR 2018:

Thursday 18 January 2018 (deadline: 12pm, Mon 15 Jan)



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Maurice and Rosemary's wedding



The bride and groom Maurice O'Neil and Rosemary Halloumis with, from left, Maurice's granddaughter Grace Fahey and Rosemary's grandchildren Elianna and Amos Beale. On the right are Maurice's son Brendan O'Neil (partially obscured) and Reverend Alan Cummins. Photo: Hugh McCafferty.

Local identity Maurice O'Neil and ex-Christchurch resident, Rosemary Halloumis were married at the Village Inn last Saturday.

The service was held in the restaurant and was conducted by Reverend Alan Cummins. About 25 family and friends attended the ceremony. Grandchildren acted as flower girls and ring bearer and Rosemary was given away by her son. Maurice's son Brendan was the best man. Festivities continued in the sports bar where about 50 family and friends joined the wedding party.

The couple are both in their 70s and are residents of Geraldine Retirement Village, which is where they met.

"I broke my back in the February quake and have to use a wheelchair," says Rosemary. "I moved here because there was really no alternative. Maurice and I have been together for three years. It really is a miracle story."

Her daughter Sophia Beale says, "I am so happy to see the sparkle in Mum's eye. It reminds me of how she was when we were children."

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Students accept planting challenge

Right: Geraldine High School students Brooke Dwyer and Tessa Orange planting native shrubs in Post Office Alley.

"Mrs Lindroos organised this as part of our year-10 challenge," says Tessa.

Brooke says they were also planting edible natives as part of the Incredible Edibles project elsewhere in town. "It'll be good to come back and see the plants when they've grown."

Suzanne Churchward, of adjacent shop Louk Clothing, was supervising between serving customers.

"Post Office Alley has been too shady for vegetable growing," says Suzanne, "so the Incredible Edibles team decided to plant shade-loving native species, which were used traditionally for food and as medicine. Eventually we would like to erect some signage to explain what the different plants were used for. We'd love to hear from anyone who would be interested in doing some wooden signs for us."

Hugh McCafferty



From left, Brooke Dwyer, Tessa Orange and Suzanne Churchward. Photo: Hugh McCafferty.



NEWS IN BRIEF

Young guns play the academy

A young guns – youth bands – collective will play at Geraldine Academy of Performance and Arts' last 2017 fundraiser gig, says academy co-ordinator Jill Roberts.

"It's to unwind at the end of the year," says Jill. "Many of the young talented performers are off to university, so it'll be the last chance to catch some of them. The atmosphere at these dances is great; everyone gets into it." Acts include Soma, Pseudo Sane and Zhar, and soloist Henry Loop.

The young-guns gig is on at Geraldine Academy of Performance and Arts at 7.30pm on Saturday 2 December. Entry is \$5. Soft drinks will be for sale and tea and coffee are free. For more information, call Jill on 027 452 4791. The academy is a charitable organisation.

Jan Finlayson

Letters

Easter Sunday trading

Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean's claim in last week's *Geraldine News* (Letter 23/11/17) that the Timaru District Council (TDC) undertook consultation to ensure a community-driven approach to the issue, is misleading. The consultation evidence supported the status quo, not the new bylaw allowing Easter Sunday trading.

Thirty-four written submissions were received: 27 of them opposed Easter Sunday trading and 16 of the opposition submissions came from the Geraldine District. All four of the oral submissions opposed the bylaw. Three of the four oral submitters were from Geraldine.

The opposing submissions from the Anglican Church and the Christian Ministers' Association of South Canterbury represented far more people than the Chamber of Commerce submission supporting the bylaw.

Geraldine councillor Kerry Stevens was correct when he said to the 14 November 2017 TDC meeting, "I believe the correct thing to do is actually not adopt the bylaw."

By their behaviour, the majority of councillors showed they were demonstrating personal views rather than a desire to represent the community when they voted for the bylaw.

Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch and Ashburton councils have opposed Easter Sunday trading. They account for the majority of New Zealand's population.

Jacqui Dean and TDC's promotion of Easter Sunday trading shows a shameful disregard for New Zealand's Christian heritage and the culture of New Zealand. All New Zealanders benefit from the Christian values put in place by the pioneers of our community culture. Just compare our lifestyle with the problems in non-Christian cultures.

Roger Payne

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Thursday 23 November. Christmas Handicap Pairs 3. North/South: S Rinaldi & H Rinaldi 59.59%, A Bragg & V Hill 55.90%, M Thatcher & J O'Brien 55.12%, East/West: A Blakemore & C Marshall 55.69%, G Ellis & J Bruce 54.78%, T Andrew & P Rafferty 52.70%.

GOLF

Grande Vue Golf Club. Sunday 26 November. Stableford: T Kerr 48 "30 shots better than last week", J Rate 43, D Stenhouse, M Lang 40, A Muff, S Gately 39, C Seaton 38, M Denton 37, J Muff, B Mclsaac, G A Patrick 36. Twos: A Muff. Nearest the Pin: J Muff.

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If you are interested in applying for this role please ring Howard Chellew, HR Administrator at Barker Fruit Processors Ltd, 03 693 8969 x852.

UPCOMING EVENTS / *Mea pakiri haere*

PEEL FOREST HALL COMMITTEE AGM, Thursday 7 December, 7.30pm at the hall. All welcome.

GERALDINE NEWS deadline, noon on Mondays at Geraldine Resource Centre or email: admin@geraldinenews.co.nz.



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GERALDINE COMMUNITY DIARY - DECEMBER 2017 & JANUARY 2018

DECEMBER & JANUARY ONE-OFF EVENTS

- **Go Geraldine Xmas Parade**, Fri 1st Dec, Xmas Parade begins 6.30pm, followed at 7.30pm in Geraldine Domain with entertainment by local band, lolly scramble, Santa Sack & prize giving, ph Janene 027 555 6524
- **Youth Concert**, 7.30pm Sat 2nd Dec at The Academy, featuring Zhar, PseudoSane, Soma, Zoe Scott and more...
- **Hilton Hall Xmas Party**, 4pm Sun 3rd Dec, BYO BBQ and kids games. All welcome. Ph Michelle 027 324 7174
- **Geraldine High School**, last day Fri 8th Dec, restarts for Yrs 7&13 students Thur 1st Feb and all students Fri 2nd Feb
- **SpeedGolf & Social Golf**, Sun 10th Dec, at Denfield Golf Course. SpeedGolf 10am, Social Ambrose 12pm. Free BBQ. All welcome. Ph Fiona 027 453 5037 for more info
- **Himalayan Lilies at Orari Estate**, Sun 10th Dec, 10am-4pm. Geraldine Museum fundraiser, ph 693 7028 for info
- **Community Xmas Tree Donations**, donate Xmas gifts for local families in need at Geraldine Resource Centre. Deadline for donations is **Mon 11th Dec**. Ph 693 7001 for info
- **Geraldine Primary School**, last day Thurs 14th Dec with Xmas Carols 11.15am at Village Green, restarts Wed 31st Jan
- **Woodbury School**, last day Fri 15th Dec restarts Tue 30th Jan
- **Mt Peel Lily Day**, Sun 17th Dec, 10am-4pm at Mt Peel Station. Proceeds to Anglican Parish of Geraldine.
- **Geraldine Farmers Pre-Xmas Market**, Fri 22nd Dec, 5pm at St Mary's carpark. Ph Sally 021 175 6097
- **Christmas Church Services:**
 - **St Andrew's**, Xmas Eve service 8pm carols & readings, Christmas Day service 9am.
 - **St Mary's** Xmas Eve: 10.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's, 5pm Crib Service at St Mary's, 7pm Carols at St Anne's, 11.15pm Carols & Holy Communion at St Mary's. Christmas Day services: 9am at St Stephen's, 10.30a.m at St Thomas', 10.30am at St Mary's
- **Xmas Dinner at The Corral** for those alone, 12noon, 25th Dec at 28 Peel St. Ph Cyril 693 8630 to confirm by 18th Dec

REGULAR WEEKLY & MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

- **Arthritis Exercise Class**, Thurs 10.30am St Andrew's Church last day Thurs 7th Dec, restarts Thurs 1st Feb. Ph Irene 693 9505
- **Blackboard Concert**, Fri 26th Jan, 7.30-10pm at Academy. Ph Adele 021 0236 9674
- **Books on the Brain Club**, Mon 29th Jan, 2.30pm at Geraldine Library. Ph Liz 693 9336
- **Catholic Mass**, Sun 9am, at Church of Immaculate Conception
- **Children's Choir** Thurs 4.30-5.30pm, last day Thurs 7th Dec, restarts Thurs 8th Feb. Ph Adele 693 9041
- **Creative Fibre Group** (spinners & weavers), Mon 10am-3pm, Vintage Car & Machinery Museum, last day Mon 18th Dec, restarts Mon 5th Feb. Ph Rosie 693 8319
- **Funergy Fitness Classes** Tues & Thurs 6.30pm at Geraldine Primary School Hall, last day Thurs 14th Dec, restarts Tues 9th Jan. Ph Lynda 021 264 4400
- **Gentle Exercise Class** for elderly, Tues 10am at SeniorCare Function Centre, last day Tues 5th Dec, restarts Tues 6th Feb. Ph Jenny 693 7076

- **Geraldine Archery Club**, Sun 1pm at Orari Racecourse, last day Sun 4th Dec, restarts Sun 14th Jan. Ph Stewart 693 9952
- **Geraldine Bridge Club**, Wed 7pm at Resource Centre and Thurs 7.15pm at Bowling Club. Last days Wed 29th Nov & Thurs 7th Dec, restarts Thurs 18th Jan & Wed 7th Feb. Phone Helen 693 7566
- **Geraldine Café Knitters** Tue 5th Dec 7-9pm at Country Café
- **Geraldine Community Garden**, open Tues 4.00-5.30pm and Thurs 10am-12pm. All welcome. Ph Tim 021 204 4951
- **Geraldine Community Resource Centre**, open Mon-Fri 9am - 4.30pm. Last day Fri 22nd Dec, reopens Mon 15th Jan.
- **Geraldine Community Vehicle**, every Tues travelling to Timaru. Leaves Geraldine 9.30am, leaves Timaru 2.00pm. For reservations ph 693 1007, return fare only \$15.
- **Geraldine Craft Market**, Sat & Sun 9am-3pm, Cox St.
- **Geraldine Croquet Club**, Wed 10am & 1pm, and Thurs 6pm at Croquet grounds. Last day Thurs 21st Dec, restarts Wed 10th Jan. Ph Suzanne 027 630 3990
- **Geraldine District Golf Club**, Men Sat & Wed 12.30pm, Women Tues 9.30am & Sat 12.30pm.
- **Geraldine Farmers Market**, Sat 9am-1pm at St Mary's carpark, but not on Sat 23rd Dec. Fresh produce, plants and crafts. Ph 021 175 6097
- **Geraldine Floral Art Group**, Mon 11th Dec 4.30pm, designing in a member's garden. Ph Ruth 693 7033 for info.
- **Geraldine Four Peaks Seido Karate**, general classes Tues & Fri 6-8.00pm, beginners Thurs 5-6pm. Last class Fri 15th Dec restarts Tues 16th Jan. Ph John 027 204 5057
- **Geraldine Kindergarten Playgroup**, last day Wed 13th Dec, restarts Wed 24th Jan. Phone Tracey 693 8888 for info.
- **Geraldine Ladies Friendship Club**, Mon 15th Jan, 10am at Denfield Golf Club. Ph Alison 693 9583
- **Geraldine Men's Fellowship**, Tues 23rd Jan, 10am at RSA. Ph John 693 9833
- **Geraldine Patchwork Groups**, last day Thur 7th Dec restarts Thurs 11th Jan, ph Maureen 693 8328 or Lynne 693 7625
- **Geraldine Photography Club**, restarts Wed 14th Feb. Phone Donna 693 7299 for info.
- **Geraldine Rock'N'Roll Club** Thurs 7.30pm at RSA, last day Thurs 7th Dec restarts Thurs 8th Feb. Ph Lynda 693 8652
- **Geraldine Scouts & Cubs** last day Tues 28th Nov, Keas last day Thurs 14th Dec. Ph Simon 027 836 6463 for info.
- **Geraldine SeniorCare** coffee morning Fri 10-11.30am. Last day Fri 15th Dec restarts Fri 9th Feb. Ph Lesley 693 8057
- **Geraldine St John Youth**, restarts Tues 13th Feb. For info phone Rick 027 405 9407
- **Geraldine Swimming Pool**, opening hours Mon-Fri 6am-6pm, Sat-Sun & Public Hols 10am-6pm extended to 8pm mid Dec to mid Feb, water temp = 28°C. Ph 693 9466
- **Geraldine U3A**, Wed 13th Dec 10am, SeniorCare Function Centre. Speaker: Mark Inglis. Phone Liz 697 4868
- **Geraldine Ukulele Jam**, Tues 7.30pm, RSA rooms. Last day Tues 12th Dec restarts Tues 23rd Jan. Ph Maggie 027 272 0181
- **Grande Vue Golf Club**, mixed golf Sun 12.30pm, women's golf Wed 9.30am.
- **Hilton Geraldine Social Tennis**, Tues 6.30pm at Geraldine Domain courts, last day Tues 19th Dec, restarts Tues 9th Jan. All welcome. Phone Anita 693 9844 for info.

- **Housie**, Wed 7.30pm at RSA Rooms. Ph 693 8270
- **Keep Active**, exercises and DVD, 10am Mon at SeniorCare Function Centre. Last day Mon 11th Dec, restarts Mon 8th Jan. All welcome, ph Cheryl 021 0262 8622
- **Keep Active** exercises, 9.30am last day Wed 6th Dec, restarts 17th, 24th & 31st Jan at SeniorCare Function Centre. Phone Pamela 693 8991
- **Knitting & Crocheting Group**, Fri 9.30am at Geraldine Library. Beginners welcome. Ph 693 9336
- **Living Waters Christian Fellowship**, Sun 10am at Orari Hall.
- **Luvaduck Lunch**, Fri 12noon at St Mary's Church, last day Fri 15th Dec, restarts Fri 2nd Feb.
- **Mainly Music**, Tues 9.30am at St Mary's Church, last day Tues 12th Dec, restarts Tues 13th Feb.
- **Milford Clandeboye Young Farmers**, Mon 4th Dec, 7pm, Heritage Hotel, Geraldine. All welcome. Ph Bruce 027 722 7681
- **Morris Dancing**, Tues 5pm at Academy. Ph Rhys 021 462 260
- **Parliamentary Service**, Jacqui Dean's rep available at Geraldine Resource Centre by appt. Ph 0800 679 248 254
- **Petanque**, Tues 10.30am-12pm at Geraldine Bowling Club
- **Pilates**, no meetings Dec/Jan, restarts Feb. Ph Liz 693 8880
- **Pleasant Valley Playgroup**, last day Mon 4th Dec 9am, restarts Mon 12th Feb. Ph Rachel 027 271 4185
- **Plunket Nurse in Geraldine**, last day Wed 20th Dec; restarts Wed 10th Jan, ph Paula 693 8177
- **Preschool Storytime & Craft**, Wed 10.30am at Geraldine Library. Ph 693 9336 for info.
- **Red Cross Shop**, Tues & Thurs 10am-3.30pm, Sat 10am-12.30pm. Only open on Thursdays from Thurs 21st Dec to Thurs 11th Jan.
- **Rosie's Recycled Clothing Shop**, Tues to Fri 10.30am-3.00pm, last day Fri 15th Dec, reopens Tues 16th Jan.
- **Shine On Community Choir** Thurs 7.15-9pm. Last day Thurs 14th Dec, restarts Thurs 11th Jan, ph Ph Elaine 693 9793
- **Singing For Health**, Wed 6th Dec, 11am at SeniorCare Function Centre. All welcome. For info ph Hugh/Fi 027 920 8751
- **Social Support**, 1st and 3rd Tues 10.30am at Mundells, last day Tues 5th Dec, restarts Tues 16th Jan . Ph Barbara 03 687 7583
- **St Andrew's Church**, Sunday, for times ph 693 9503
- **St Mary's Church, St Anne's Church, St Stephen's Church, St Thomas' Church**, ph 693 8380 for Sunday service times
- **Tai Chi Chuan**, Chen Style Sat 9am and **Qigong** Sat 11am, at Geraldine Bowling Club. Last day Sat 16th Dec, restarts Sat 6th Jan. Ph Tim 021 141 9142
- **The Corral Workshop** Thurs 9am-4pm , last day Thurs 21st Dec; restarts Thurs 1st Feb. Ph Cyril 693 8630
- **Walk in Wardrobe**, Sat 10am-12pm at Lodge Theatre, last day Sat 16th Dec, restarts Sat 10th Feb, ph Andrea 693 8133
- **Yoga**, Thurs 9.30am at Academy, last day Thurs 14th Dec, restarts Thurs 8th Feb, ph Paula 693 8109
- **Yoga for Every Body**, Mon & Wed 7.30pm, last day Wed 20th Dec, restarts Mon 22nd Jan. Ph Leigh 021 105 0750
- **Zumba®** Tues 10am, St Andrews Hall. Last day 19th Dec, restarts 9th Jan. Ph Gisell 021 0228 7049

FEBRUARY COMMUNITY DIARY LISTINGS

To list an Event or Activity in the February Community Diary please phone the Resource Centre on 693 7001 with the details by **Fri 19th Jan**.

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