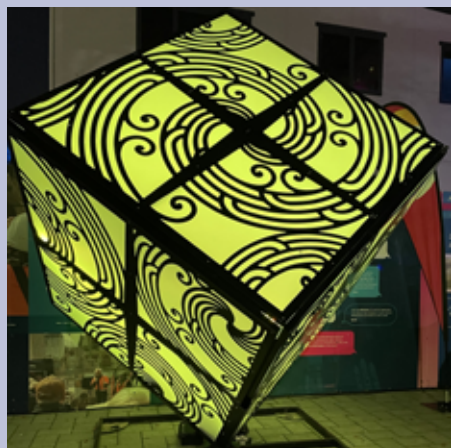


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Mānawatia a Matariki

Matariki (June 29) marks the beginning of the Māori New Year when the star cluster of that name returns above the north east horizon. It is a time for planting for spring and for families to congregate. St Albans School is holding a whanau evening on Wednesday June 26 and Rehua Marae usually organises an event but information was not available at the time we went to print. City libraries have a number of activities starting on June 24. The key feature at the Arts Centre is the Tirama Mai light show starting on June running till the end of the month. More detailed information about Arts Centre events can be found here: <https://www.artscentre.org.nz/whats-on/matariki-2024/> Friday, June 28 is a public holiday. ☿

Edgware businesses want alcohol banned

Local businesses want Christchurch City Council to ban alcohol in Edgware Village to put an end to anti-social behaviour they say is putting people off shopping in the area.

With backing from other local retailers, Carolyn Moffat from Super Liquor made a presentation at the Waipapa/Papanui-Innes-Central Community Board meeting on March 9.

She told the meeting that local businesses had been dealing with an increase in people loitering in the village, drinking alcohol, urinating in public, demanding money from people in car parks, abusing shop staff and stealing supplies. When asked to move on they often become aggressive and violent.

Some of the trouble-makers sleep rough in the area, particularly on bench seating between Super Liquor and the pharmacy as Carolyn found out early one morning when an alarm went off.

Local businesses have the power to refuse service but often the loiterers bring in bottles obtained from elsewhere. A ban would give businesses more authority to move people

on and to get police involved.

An alcohol ban has a good chance of success if Woolston Village is a guide. It has been operating with a permanent 24 hour, 7 day a week alcohol ban for more than six months, following on from a temporary ban, and has seen a big drop off in disorder and littering.

If a ban is brought in, consuming alcohol, or even having an open alcohol container, in a public place would be prohibited and could be prosecuted.

The matter has been referred to the city council to investigate and determine the extent of the area the ban will apply to. However, it will not happen next month as it needs to be publicly consulted on before being enacted. In the meantime, local businesses would also like to see more police patrols in St Albans.

It seems this drinking, begging and sleeping rough issue is not confined to St Albans. Richmond is also dealing with similar problems. ☿

Plans to make roads safer for school children

St Albans School would like more of its students biking, walking or taking a scooter to school. It believes an active transport programme prioritising these options will make children feel safe and reduce the number of cars dropping off children at the school gates. This would mitigate the congestion problem shortly before 9am and after 3pm in Sheppard Place and other streets.

Following Tumuaki (principal) Andrea Harnett's presentation to the Waipapa/Papanui-Innes-Central community board meeting on May 9, staff have visited the school to collect data on nearby streets, particularly about accidents and near misses. A plan to make the streets around the school safer will be

consulted on later this year.

At the same meeting, St Albans Catholic School principal Abraham Atherton expressed concern about the lack of a clear timeframe to install an approved 30km zone sign to reduce the speed limit on Somme St, where more parents are dropping off children. The first request was made in 2021. Emma Norrish said it was likely to be later in 2024 before the signs were installed.

Principal Atherton also raised safety issues involving the Papanui Parallel cycleway in Rutland St, with passenger side doors opening onto the cycleway and fast-moving e-bikes merging onto the footpath. Council staff would like more students to bike, walk or take a scooter to school. ☿



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Activities at the community centre

Weekly groups that meet at the community centre.

Monday	10am	Saygo - Rowena
	10am	SeniorNet
	11am	Happy Feet
Tuesday	5pm	Universal Martial Arts
	9.30am	Zumba with JB
	10.45am	Yoga with Tracy Kells
	10am	NeighbourNet
	5.30	Pippins
Wednesday	7pm	Avon Toastmasters
	7pm	Ungu Capoeira
	9am	Wednesday Wheelies
	9.30am	Zumba with JB
	10am	SeniorNet
And 2nd Saturday of the month at 4pm	10.30am	The Corner, coffee and chat
	7.00pm	Capoeira Angola
Thursday	9.30am	Saygo - Daph
	10.45am	Yoga with Tracy Kells
	10am	NeighbourNet
	5.00pm	Universal Martial Arts
	7.15pm	Women in Harmony
Friday	10am	SeniorNet
	6pm	Impact Youth

The programme lists activities run at the centre on a weekly basis. One off or less frequent activities can be notified for free through community notices or the events column or through paid advertising. Please contact advertising@stalbands.gen.nz for further information.



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St Albans History Group

Next meeting: June 10, 2 pm at the St Albans Community Centre.
Email: briangspear@hotmail.com

Wednesday Wheelies

Wednesday Wheelies meet at 9am, St Albans Community Centre carpark on Caledonian Road.

St Albans Strategy

Residents needed to join local community projects. Learn about the St Albans Strategy adopted 10 years ago and the 20 projects the community came up with: https://stalbands.gen.nz/?page_id=5836. Contact SARA@stalbands.gen.nz for more information.

Stallholders wanted for winter market

Stalls can still be booked (at no charge) at the indoor St Albans Winter Christmas market in the St Albans Community Centre on June 22.

Activator Emma Twaddell says the market offers hobbyists a place to sell their wares. Christchurch charities also use the day to help boost their funds. Past stalls have included things like jewellery, homemade preserves, second hand clothing, new children's clothes and potted plants.

Stallholders should contact the community centre to book space. Tables and chairs are available for use or they can bring their own tables and display cases.

Doors open to the public at 11am (no entry charge) with car parking available in Caledonian Rd and bike stands at both ends of the centre. Food can be purchased from indoor food stalls and outdoor food trucks.

Let's talk about mental health and wellbeing

Join local counsellor Dr Murray Cameron to upskill your personal tools and approaches to caring for your wellbeing.

 St Albans Community Centre,
Thursday 13 June
7.30-8.30pm
Discussion welcome

 After Hours Counseling Services

SARA and Centre news

Mental health specialist shares skills for a better life

by Belinda Carter

Mental health specialist Murray Cameron runs courses to help people develop skills to deal with their own anxieties and worries.

The former medical researcher spoke to a small, keenly interested audience at the May monthly café chat, drawing from his own dark experience that required time in a mental health facility. He finds it is better to help people gain the skills they need earlier rather than when they are “floundering downstream”.

Murray has been running a free, monthly course (on a Thursday) at the community centre to help people with their wellbeing. He talks about things like having goals/direction, keeping on learning, connecting, giving, being active (exercise helps



Murray Cameron shares some handy hints individuals can use for to improve their mental health.

mood), contributing to the community, acceptance of who you are, a positive approach, keeping a gratitude journal, being part of something bigger and so on. To find out more about the course see Murray's advertisement on page 2.

If you can't make Murray's sessions the Mental Health Foundation has some handy resources: <https://mentalhealth.org.nz/our-work/resource-and-information-service>

With King's Birthday on the first Monday in the month it means the next Café Chat will be held on June 10. The high tea begins at 10.30 am, with a speaker from Nurse Maude Health and Mobility Shop organised to start around 11am.

Working bee winter hours

Volunteers are needed to help prepare Kohinga Mara, the community centre garden for spring growth. The garden is now following winter hours, so just turn up at the centre at 1pm on Tuesdays and lend a hand for a couple of hours.

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The deadline for the July issue of St Albans News is June 17

Please send your articles, letters and notices to:
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Portrait of an unpretentious artist: Eldred Wisdom

Artist Eldred Wisdom who has lived in St Albans at different times of his life and creates mostly abstract, mixed media artworks from leaves, seeds and twigs. Brian Spear found him living in a modest apartment in Papanui.

William Eldred Wisdom, known mostly by his middle name, was born on 5 September 1941 at Rakaia Cottage Hospital to Rev Walter Charles Wisdom and Winifred Irene Wisdom (nee Reddy) who were from Dublin. Eldred had three other siblings: Walter Theodore (1944 – 2021), Ruth a nurse who married Wade Briscoe and lives in Wanaka and Lois who married Rod Vaughan and they now live in Christchurch.

The four Wisdom children grew up in Canterbury vicarages. Rev Wisdom was the vicar at Rakaia from 1939 until 1942 when the family moved to Temuka. They stayed there until 1946 when they moved to Sumner. From 1951 until 1962 Rev Wisdom was the vicar in Glenmark.

Eldred attended Christs College from 1955 until 1958 where his passion was drama rather than painting. He was a schoolfriend of Simon Acland and spent many hours in the company of Simon's grandfather surgeon Hugh Acland (he died in 1956) and grandmother Evelyn who lived in Chippenham Lodge in Browns Rd with housekeeper Janet



McDonald. Another frequent visitor to the house was crime writer Ngaio Marsh who knew the Acland family well.

After leaving school Eldred worked briefly at Lane Walker Rudkin as a trainee fashion designer before heading to London on the NZSS Rangitane with his father. On the strength of his sketches, he was offered a job with the Queen's costumier Sir Norman Hartnell but was unable to take this position up after his mother Winifred became very ill from cancer and he returned to New Zealand.

Winifred died in 1960 and a year or so later Eldred headed back to England on the NZSS Rangitoto with Simon Acland,

keen to resume his career as a fashion designer. However the position with Hartnell was no longer open. He eventually found work at the Jean Allen Fashion House.

In the mid 60s he returned to live with his ailing father at 86 Bishop St, working as a proofreader for the Press. After his father died in the early 70s he enrolled as a mature student at the Ilam School of Fine Arts at the University of Canterbury, where he was taught by modern expressionist Rudi Gopas and landscape painter/portraitist Bill Sutton. He received a Diploma in Fine Arts and Painting with Honours in 1974.

Following graduation, he bought a house in Remuera

in Auckland, exhibited in one man shows and was twice a finalist in the prestigious Benson and Hedges art awards. He took off for Australia in the late 70s, living in Sydney painting prolifically and exhibiting. One of his works was purchased by the National Gallery in Canberra but this success failed to launch his career in Australia. When his brother Theo arrived in Australia he moved to Brisbane and packed away the paints.

Eldred returned to New Zealand in 2015 and moved to Katikati to be near sister Lois and brother Theo who were living in the Bay of Plenty. He picked up the brushes and started painting again. Theo died in 2021 and shortly after that Eldred returned to Christchurch and moved into a modest apartment at Ngaio Marsh Retirement Village in Papanui, where he now lives.

Complex vision

In Vaughan's biographical piece about his brother-in-law which quoted Australian art writer, Matthew Green, Green described Eldred as a visionary artist; there is a spirituality at the heart of it. "He had a complex vision which he painted in its totality allowing the viewer to appreciate the complex vision of his mind."

Green said that Eldred consciously avoided rigorous analysis of his work as it could "easily lose its spontaneity and become intentional, 'designed' work, the very antithesis



of the artist's motivation.

"The technical execution of his work was painstaking, requiring many hours of skilful brush work.

"He has not exhibited widely for the simple reason that at heart he is not self-promoting and finds the whole nature of marketing beyond his scope."

On his return to New Zealand in 2015 Eldred's work has featured three dimensional, mixed media

pieces using leaves, seeds and twigs that protrude from the canvas. He has also created sculptures and sketches. To see Eldred's work in its full three dimensional glory watch this video filmed at a one-man exhibition in a Bay of Plenty art gallery in 2018. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9eqHSOKmf4>.

A Katikati Advertiser journalist described his work as "unpretentiously original".

Perhaps, because of a distaste for self-promotion and his desire not to over analyse his artistic process, his works sell for modest prices through dealers and art auctions and Eldred's unique and inimitable art has yet to receive the recognition it probably deserves.

(This article is a group effort, largely based on a document prepared for the St Albans History Group by Brian Spear, augmented with details sourced from a biographical piece written by Rod Vaughan and stitched together by Belinda Carter)

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Christchurch Senior Citizens: Cards: Mon 12.30 - 3 pm. Indoor bowls: Tuesdays 12.45 - 3 pm. Activity group outings. Further information - call Veronica 383 4682 or 021 1187 360 or Beth 389 2375. Scottish Soc Hall cnr Edgeware/ Caledonian Rds.

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Coffee and conversation: Every Wednesday 10.30am - 12.30pm at Kōhinga St Albans Community Centre. Join us for coffee and conversation. All Welcome. Koha for coffee appreciated.

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Cranford Pippins for 5 and 6 year olds meets Tuesdays during school terms, 5:30 6:30pm. Contact: info@girlguidingnz.org.nz

Edgeware Croquet Club: Forfar Street in St Albans Park. Assoc Croquet Thur and Sat 9.30-12 and Golf Croquet 12.45 -3pm. We welcome visitors and new members. Contact Jan 021 30 3843

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Shirley Ladies Friendship Club meets

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St Albans Leisure Group is an older adults' recreation group that provides social contact and activities for its members. Contact Wendy at SARA@stalbens.gen.nz

St Albans Community Pre school: 20 free hours, 2 5 yr olds, casual bookings taken. 3 Thames St. Contact Odette on (03) 355 9396 or look us up on Facebook.

St Albans History Group wants old photos or articles about St Albans. Contact: Brian: briangspear@hotmail.com

St Albans Shirley Football Club. For players 4-40+ Phone 021 0204 2300 for team details.

St Albans Laughter Club: Laughter yoga teaches you to breathe to release tension and stress. Sundays 11am-12pm. Scottish Society Hall, cnr Caledonian and Edgeware Rds. \$3. email: hannah@lotustrust.org.nz, FB: Christchurchlaughteryoga

St Albans Uniting Church, 36 Nancy Ave. Services Sundays at 10am.

U3A St Albans: meet at St Albans Uniting Church. Monthly 4th Thursday 9.45am, morning tea followed by speaker. Many more activities. Visitors warmly welcomed. Call Noni, 03 354 5643, for further details.

Weekend Group: Second Saturday of the month 4.00 pm - 5.30 pm at Kōhinga St Albans Community Centre. Meet for friendship and company with lively chat. Refreshments provided. Koha appreciated - (recommended \$5.00 per person).

Women in Harmony community choir: Meets Thursdays in school terms from 7.30-9.30pm at Kōhinga St Albans Community Centre. Sing world and popular music in 3 part harmony. No auditions. Please Email: women.in.harmony.nz@gmail.com; facebook.com/womeninharmonychristchurch

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Writers wanted:

St Albans News could do with a few more writers to write pieces about St Albans and its personalities. Email news@stalbens.gen.nz for further information.

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Edgeware Tennis Club drains to be fixed

The Edgeware Tennis Club at the Mairehau end of Innes Rd has been granted \$10,000 from the Waipapa/Papanui-Innes-Central Community Board's discretionary fund towards drainage work on its tennis courts. The south east corner of the property can be badly affected during heavy winter downpours and this drains off into neighbouring properties.

The funding will enable work to go ahead to allow all the courts to be used, to protect neighbours from flooding and subsequently to clear the way for the lease to be renewed. The club, which is not part of the St Albans Tennis Club in Dover St, transferred the Edgeware name from St Albans Park when it left there in 1966 (because of drainage issues at the time).



Blanket bank to keep children warm

St Albans Community Centre is a collection point for people to donate clean blankets, duvets and other bedding to ensure every child in Christchurch is warm this winter.

Every Child Warm This Winter is a project being run by the Christchurch Methodist Mission to help reduce the high incidence of respiratory disease among whānau living in high-deprivation neighbourhoods.

The Blanket Bank will distribute this bedding for free to individuals and whānau living in poorly insulated homes and finding the costs of heating and bedding hard to cope with.

To find out more information about collection sites or make a financial gift visit:

www.blanketbank.nz



Cranford St bus lane trial extended til March 2025

Christchurch city councillors voted on May 15 to extend the bus lane trial on a small section of Cranford St till March 2025 but public consultation on a permanent solution could happen later this year.

The aim is to reduce traffic congestion along Cranford St between Innes Rd and Berwick St at peak hours and to stop drivers using nearby streets to rat race into the city in the morning (7-9am) or home at night (3-6pm).

But there's good news on bus passenger numbers on the express 91 and 92 buses servicing Kaiapoi and Rangiora having increased substantially. Council staff told the board

there is an increase from on 32,000 to 54,000 on the express route to/from Rangiora (the 91 bus) and an increase from 7000 to 35,000 over two years on the 92 bus linking the Kaiapoi route and Christchurch. However, the board did not discuss the impact on car traffic; an increase in residential building is likely to have also increased car traffic.

Council will receive a detailed report on four options for a permanent solution in early July prior to starting a (final) public consultation that will help decide whether vehicle traffic or public safety gets top priority.



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