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Friends of Christchurch City Libraries

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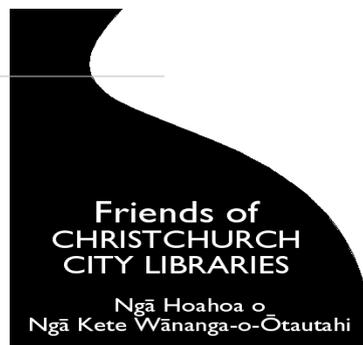
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BOOK SALE 2019

This is a request to all 'Friends of Christchurch City Libraries' members

One of the most popular events of the Friends' year is the annual Libraries' Book Sale which we 'person' and assist to run. This year's Book Sale runs from 4.30pm **Thursday 21 March to 4pm Saturday 23 March at the Pioneer Recreation and Sports Centre**, Lyttelton Street, Somerfield. The profits from the Libraries' Book Sale are returned to the Libraries, making this a very worthwhile project.

The committee needs lots of helpers to make the sale a success. We need assistance to set up the sale on the Thursday morning and early afternoon; people to keep the sale tables tidy and well stocked; people to count and calculate the cost of selected items; to enter cash sales and Eftpos payments and to help with the after-sale breakdown and pack up on last Saturday afternoon shift. There are nine sessions spread over the three days of the sale and tasks can be rotated. We need at least ten volunteers per public sale session, particularly for the early evening Friday slot and the two Saturday public sale sessions.

Session times are

Thursday 21 March: 10.00 – 1.00 pm; 1.00 – 4.30 pm; 4.15 – 7.15pm.

Friday 22 March : 8.30am – 12.30pm; 12.15 – 4.30pm; 4.15 - 7.15pm.

Saturday 23 March: 8.30am - 12.30pm; 12.15 - 4.15pm; 4.00 - 6.00pm

See next page for contact details...

Book Sale continued...

The Friends of the Library committee would greatly appreciate your assistance with the Sale even if you're available for only one session. Please note there is some book lifting and standing involved but you do get to sample truly delicious home baking!

Please contact Barbara Clarke, 980-8596

or email friendsofchchlibrary@gmail.com; insert 'Library Sale help' in the subject field and include the times you can assist.

I really look forward to hearing from you by Friday 22 February

Barbara Clarke (Chairperson)

A Gentle Reminder...

Admission to the Book Sale preview at 4.30pm on Thursday March is limited to Friends members who've paid their subscription for the 2018/19 year by 28 February, 2019. Quite a few Friends haven't yet renewed their membership for this year. The Friends' financial year is from 1 April to 31 March. If you're not sure whether your membership is current, please give our Treasurer a call. Her phone number is on the front page of this newsletter.

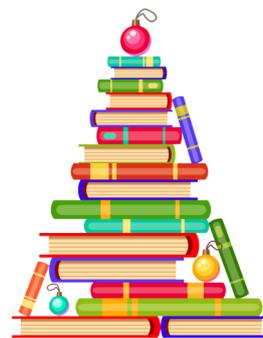
New members are always welcome. If you've a friend who'd like to become a 'Friend' give them the membership information on the last page of the newsletter.



2018 Christmas Party at Turanga

What a fantastic turnout for last year's Christmas afternoon tea and tour of Turanga on Saturday 1 December.

Over 70 Friends gathered in the Spark Place on Turanga's Ground Floor and after a short greeting and introductory welcome by Elaine Sides, our Friends' Library Liaison who's also Acting Content Manager for the Libraries and Information Unit, we split into three groups for our guided tour through this spectacular building.



The group I was in went straight to Level Four, the *Creativity* level. On this floor as well as fiction, large print, music and world language resources there're also a production studio, an audio/video studio, computer lab, study rooms, meeting rooms and roof gardens with superb views both north and south.

Down to the next floor known as the *Discovery* level, we were impressed with the non fiction resources, the 'quiet place', boardroom, meeting rooms and more study rooms.

Level Two or the *Identity* level has the Waruwarutu Nga Pounamu and Pasifika Collections, New Zealand Reference and Family History resources, Archives and the Southbase Gallery, a Teaching Room, Research Room and more meeting rooms.

The *Community* level or Level One is the Family Place with Imagination Station, Creative Space, Youth Space, an espresso bar, the TSB Space, an Activity Room and a Parenting Room.

Back to the Ground Floor or the *Connection* level we saw the café, the magazine and DVD collections, the returns area, New Arrivals displays and that amazing Discovery Wall before returning to Spark Place for afternoon tea. Some on the tours saw the automated returns system, a first for Christchurch City Libraries.

Each floor has its own signature colour and beside the passenger lifts there are colour panels which grade up to the colour used on the floor above and down to floor beneath. The abundance of light-coloured wood throughout gives a feeling of space and at one point the stairs seem to almost float.

Turanga is a central library building the City can be hugely proud of. Architectus and Schmidt Hammer Lassen from Denmark have given Christchurch a library which is a magnificent 21st century centre of knowledge and exploration.

And did you know, there's even a sewing machine on the Creativity level!

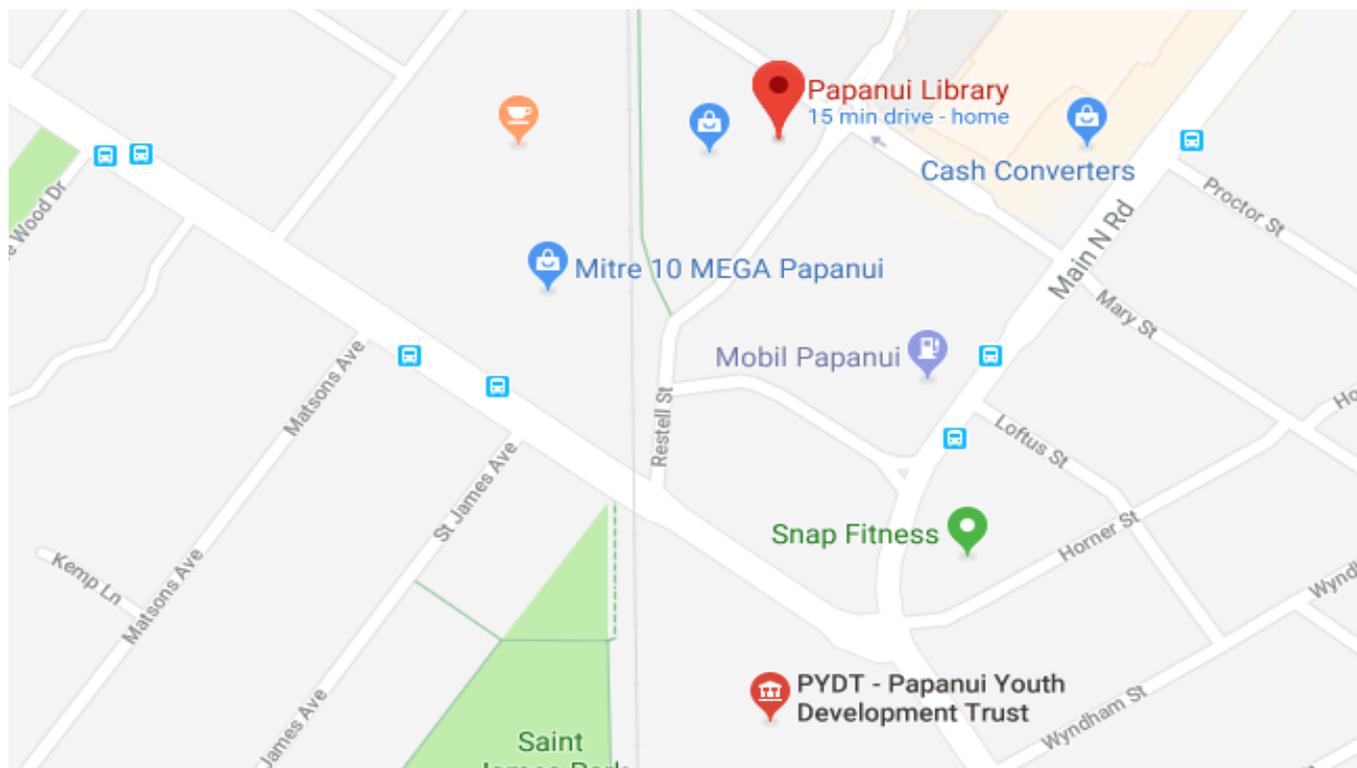
This year's Annual General Meeting at 2pm on Saturday 8 June will also be held in Turanga's Spark Place.

Venues for Book Talks and AGM in 2019



During 2019 the Fendalton Library will be closed for some months for repairs .

The Book Talks from March to August will be held in the Papanui Service Centre boardroom at 35 Langdons Road. Information on the March to May Book Talks is included in this newsletter.



**LET'S TALK
ABOUT IT!**

This year's AGM will be held on

Saturday 8th June at 2 pm .

It will be held at Turanga, the new central library in Cathedral Square, in the room known as Spark Place, the same room where last years very successful Xmas party was held. The committee look forward to seeing you there.

New Chairperson needed this year

Under the rules of the Friend's constitution, a new chairperson is needed for the Friends' committee this year. Please give this some thought. The committee meets monthly from January to October and organises events, regular book talks, staffing for the annual book sale and a quarterly newsletter.

A reminder of the June Annual General Meeting will be included in the next newsletter

BOOK TALKS

Suzanne Clark

12 March 12:30 pm

at Papanui Library



Suzanne Clark lives in Golden Bay. She taught school, went skydiving, scuba diving, farmed deer, prospected for gold and pioneered a business growing oysters in deep water cages. Upon retirement Suzanne began writing historical New Zealand novels.

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Mrs Lacy

His Father's Will

Keep your head up, my girl

She will present her four published books, discuss her writing journey and the stories she is currently writing.

Jo Bailey

9 April 12:30 pm

At Papanui Library

Jo Bailey is a Christchurch writer and author, who recently released her fourth book, called *Never Forget*, a collection of six compelling and true World War II stories. The book features two New Zealand servicemen, and four children of war from Poland, the UK, the Netherlands, and the Dutch East Indies, who eventually made New Zealand their home as migrants or evacuees.



BOOK TALKS

Emma Stevens

14 May 12:30 pm

at Papanui Library



May's speaker is New Zealand author, Emma Stevens, who has written a trilogy of memoirs about her life in Alaska—Walking on Ice, Nesting on the Nushagak, and Dancing on the Tundra. Emma will have copies of her books for sale at the book talk.

You can visit her website at: <http://www.walkingonice.co.nz/>



Transport, traffic and parking

There will be plenty of parking at Pioneer Recreation and Sports Centre, 75 Lyttelton Street, Somerfield.

You can also get to the venue by bus. It's on the Orbiter bus route.

Other bus routes that pass nearby:

Route 60: Hillmorton to Southshore

Route 120: Burnside to Spreydon

Need to renew your membership or know someone who'd like to join?

<https://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/friends/>

To renew your existing membership:

1. **Either** pay online to account 030855 0392046 00 quoting your name and membership type of waged, unwaged or family
2. **Or** post cheque or cash, noting your name to: The Treasurer
16 Venerable Terrace
Yaldhurst
Christchurch 8042

New membership:

1. **Either** pay online to account 030855 0392046 00 quoting your name and membership type of waged, unwaged or family and
Email to friendsofchchlibrary@gmail.com the following details:
Your name
Address
Phone number(s)
Email address
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Membership fees are \$10 Unwaged

\$15 Waged

\$20 Family, being 2 adults and any number of children under the age of 18 years living at the same address.

Donations are very much appreciated.

If a receipt is required please forward a stamped self-addressed envelope.

The financial year runs from 1st April to 31 March.

The Treasurer appreciates subscriptions being paid as early as possible. *Please note that all new and existing subscriptions must be paid by 28 February each year if you wish to attend the Libraries Book Sale Preview.*

Rewards of being a Friend of the Christchurch City Libraries

The good feeling that comes from knowing you are helping to spread the joy of reading and the love of learning

Monthly book talks by local authors on the **2nd Tuesday of the month** from March to October except for June when a speaker attends the AGM on the **2nd Saturday** (gold coin donation)

A regular newsletter with information of coming events, library services, book notes and other interesting material

An opportunity to buy at the library book sale preview

Friends of the Christchurch City Libraries value, support and promote the Libraries. Christchurch City Libraries enhance and strengthen the knowledge bases available for all Christchurch citizens.