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Summer Scorcher Market in Carterton



Deb Rolston and Hayden McGrail discuss modern art at the Summer Scorcher Market.

Last month's Summer Scorcher lived up to its promoted theme with a great number of stall holders, a steady stream of customers, very good sales and that wonderful Wairarapa sun! There was a lot on in the region that day and our highway-side venue was an ideal location to attract the passing motorists. It's also great that our stallholders unload and park far away during the market ensuring plenty of spaces available for our customers.

With the Senior Citizens Hall well filled with about a dozen stalls, including Rachel Fuge utilizing the servery, we were once again glad to be able to spread next door along the footpath and on to member Marjorie Healey's front lawn where a further dozen or so stall holders shared the three gazebos.

The gazebos not only helped attract the public but also provided great shade as the day grew hotter toward lunch time. The lawn was a little more cramped this time with two trailers and two vehicles but the flexible nature of

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Next Market Day



Zero Hero



Sheryl Anderson

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St Patrick's Day Twilight Market

Tuesday 17th March is our twilight market coinciding with all things green on St Patrick's Day and 'yes', dressing-up (in green) is encouraged. This is a great time for many of our flat out WAIS folk who usually have work or sports runs on Saturday mornings and often miss out on the markets as an opportunity to spend their green dollars, pick up some great shopping and catch up with other members. Invite your friends, family, workmates to come along and convert some NZ\$ into Green

Dollars. Usually our stallholders take cash from the public, with green dollars or wais vouchers from members. But this is a special find-raising market in which stall-holders will only accept G\$ or WAIS vouchers, so encourage those non-WAIS you invite to convert cash into Green with our WAIS banker. Spending \$30 and over will give them a bonus percent more in green vouchers so more spending power for their shopping. Come

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Sue Fletcher and a couple of likely customers at the Summer Scorcher Market

our stallholders ensured a friendly atmosphere. Our new market board painted by new member, Betty Hanlon, looked really great and proved very stable (it is quite heavy) in the odd gust of wind.

A special thanks goes to Sue and Paul who assisted members and management throughout the day with many tasks and duties that need to be done to ensure our markets run smoothly. Sue learned that the second-hand

dealer across the road was interested in buying old vinyl records, so she assisted Chris Trotman over the road after the market to see if he was keen to buy Chris's record stock. He bought the lot! Chris was chuffed as his book and LP sales hadn't come to much during the market. There was another bonus for Chris as the dealer even went to his house a few days later and bought another stack of records. So often the benefits of attending a market come later on.

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Andy Dench Masterton, 370 9479 and 027 266 6655
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Offers: (1) painting & decorating (2) making things from wood (3) labour, my teenage sons and I can do jobs around your place.. (4) silverbeet & spinach. (5) driving people to appointments wants: wood for making things.

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Katherine Tham & Kane Harris Carterton. 021 142 2745 and 021 171 3147
katherine.tham@gmail.com
Offers: (1) Labour-we are young, fit and happy to assist with gardening, cleaning and any other physical tasks. (2) Art Drawing-can paint, draw and have an eye for design. Worked at Tauranga Library as promotions assistant with tasks including displays, window dressing posters etc.

Green Light for Green Dollars

Late last year Green Dollars received a request for information from the Department of Internal Affairs in relation to an \$18,000 grant allocated earlier in the same year.

The money provided assists in the provision of many of the services we provide. It helps to pay for office rental as well as phone and internet facilities, it goes towards paying for publicity to increase community awareness and it makes a major contribution towards wages and travel costs. It turned out that Green Dollars had been selected for an audit of this grant

“as a result of a complaint received by the department”.

Naturally we were most concerned that some member or members of the public might think that there had been anything improper in the way that this public money had been spent and so considerable time and effort was put in to supplying the information that the Department requested.

Part way through February we received a final letter from the Department stating that “all applicable terms and conditions” of the grant had been met, a statement that reassured us of the responsible and proper way we were spending the grant.

Department of Internal Affairs support for Green Dollars in the form of Lotteries and COGS grants is significant to our successful running so we were delighted to take part in this audit process and to receive the strongest green light that the Department could bestow.



Complaints about Green\$ were unjustified

Markets & Contact Info

Next market is Tues 17 March:
YMCA Queen St. Masterton

Markets run 9.30am–12.30pm. Stallholders set up one hour before opening. Stallholder enquiries to the WAIS office. Contact us in the way that best suits you with enquiries, offers and wants: 06 377 0717 – messages checked daily, Mon–Fri.

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Zero Hero

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Our March Zero Hero is Sheryl Anderson of Carterton who has been an active member for some 15 years now. In the last 12 months she has gone through zero, an impressive and healthy eight times! Punctual, reliable and with many happy clients, Sheryl offers haircuts at your place, which can include your workplace if need be. She also has fruit in season, including pears, plums and grapefruit. She has made use of services needed and picked up many bargains over the years both at the markets and from the online directory. Even with often working on Saturday mornings when the markets are on, Sheryl has brought her clients down with her for some WAIS shopping.



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hungry, as tasty hot food, drinks and baking will be sure to tempt your taste buds. It runs from 4pm-8pm at the YMCA opposite The Warehouse and next door to St Patrick's Church. In the unlikely chance any members of the public still have WAIS vouchers left over after shopping, they can be used at following markets.

The WAIS Goods Project

The committee recently gave the green light to our latest fund-raising project. The WAIS Goods Project (WGP) is designed to make use of some of our NZ\$ income to generate G\$ income by buying, repackaging then reselling everyday food items. We started some time ago with onions and recently added; dates, chickpeas, sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, sultanas, mixed herbs and mixed spice. Money from WAIS voucher sales and NZ\$ payments received when members close their accounts is used to purchase bulk goods which are sold on to members for W\$. This is a "win win" with members able to purchase everyday items for their green dollars and our Exchange earning G\$ funds from the profit. The WGP now has it's own account – WAIS0003. Look out for these goods at our markets and between markets there should be some goods available at our office.

Please support this project.

Tin Hut Summer Music Festival

Many thanks from the GRAMFIA Organisers to all of the Green Dollars members who helped to make the event a success. The weather was perfect, the music was laid back so far you could fall over and everyone had a great time. The Festival will be back in 2016, provisionally on Feb 13. Watch this space for more info!



Manager Courtney and Catie-Lou with U.K. band Forleigh



Sarah Oldershaw and some of her artworks

Market dates for 2015

1. **Tues 17 March, YMCA Masterton [4:00pm-8:00pm] (St Patrick's Day Twilight Market & G\$ fundraiser)**
2. Sat 18 April, Senior Citizen's Hall Carterton
3. Sat 30 May, St James Church, Masterton (May Music n Market)
4. **Fri 12 June, AGM/Pot Luck/Basket market [5:00-9:00]**
Community Centre Masterton
5. Sat 25 July, St John's Hall Greytown
6. Sat 29 August, St John's Hall Greytown
7. Sat 26 September, – Carterton Events Centre (Spring)
8. Sat 31 Oct, YMCA Masterton Masterton
9. Sat 28 November, – St James Church Masterton (Zero Hero)
10. Sat 12 December, Carterton Events Centre



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