

Edition One : December 2017

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Welcome to the very first Winton Community Newsletter!

I hope you enjoy a small snapshot of what's happening in our amazing community. I welcome any feedback and suggestions as I would like to tailor this newsletter to what you, the community want... But for now, sit back, relax and enjoy the read!

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Winton's Great ADVENTure Calendar

Christmas 2017 is almost here and to celebrate the Winton Salvation Army is holding it's soon to be annual Christmas countdown. Just like last year WINTONS GREAT ADVENTURE CALENDAR will start on the 1st of December and finish on Christmas Eve with a carol service held at The Salvation Army.

Every morning a giant number will appear somewhere in Winton to locate the number people will follow a clue that can be found on facebook (Winton NZ noticeboard) or in the family store window.



Once people have located the number they will need to take a photo of themselves with the number and upload to facebook under that days clue or bring the photo to The Salvation Army.



Photos can be taken and uploaded on any given day. Every time you find a number and upload a photo you go in the draw to win! Draw will be drawn on Christmas Eve.

If you'd like to know more please ring 236 0928.



New Website Now Live!

If you haven't already checked out our brand new community website then pop online and see it now.

This website has information for residents and visitors with business information, community groups, events and news.

So have a browse around and if you have any queries, please use the contact section of the website to send a message.

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Huge thanks to Winton Lion's Club for the refresh of facilities at the Ivy Russell Reserve.

Winton's Open Day

Another successful open day with loads of people enjoying the sunshine and what Winton has to offer.









Check out the photo gallery on the website for more snapshots of the day.



3rd December : Hillside Primary School Fete. Browns 10am - 2pm
3rd December : Colin Hendry Friends in Concert. 2.30pm. Salvation Army Winton
16th December : Winton Community Christmas Market. 9.30am Presbyterian church.
16th & 17th December: Community Christmas Tree Display. Presbyterian Church

Save the dates: 3rd February 2018, Farm Jam. 10th February, Brown's Sports day

A word from our Winton Volunteer Fire Brigade



Winton Volunteer Fire Brigade have had good numbers of new recruits rolling in the door so they can roll out the door. Four new members have approached the brigade in the last couple of months because they want to give back to their community. They all are around the town at some point and time during the working week which is when the brigade struggles to fill

the trucks enough to be able to respond to emergencies. This takes our total of members up to 30 which is what the Southern Area agree should be the right amount to run sufficiently.

Steve Turton, Mike Deuchrass, Kimberley Iddles and Chloe Milne have recently passed the first hurdle of becoming a Fire Fighter and are currently working through training requirements before they go away on their course. The whole process takes around 12 months from start to finish so we all wish them luck. Once they have a foot in the door they can transfer easily to other brigades if they relocate. Or they can work at other training available over time and work their way up to the top of the ladder or they may well be happy staying as a fire fighter. There are other roles inside the brigade as well like Emergency Response Drivers which drive the appliances to the calls being attended.



With Kimberley and Chloe joining that takes our total of females in the brigade

up to four as they join Charlette van Hout and Samantha Lindley. A once male dominated industry is far from the case these days with 14% of Volunteer Fire Fighters in New Zealand being woman. We welcome them anytime as they are just as capable of their male counterparts.

Winton are also due to get a replacement fire engine to replace their 1987 Mitsubishi Rescue Tender. This has been on station for around 12 years after coming to us from Queenstown. The replacement fire engine is second hand and is coming down from Seddon at the top or the South Island and will complement our other brand new lveco that we received around five years ago.



The new fire engine coming down from Seddon will be a Heavy Rescue Tender which will be used on bigger machinery such as trucks and tractors and will also back up Invercargill area So we have two fire engines with one being a pump and the other being a rescue tender. This gives the brigade the ability respond to Winton and surrounding districts to help with fires, chemical spills, medical calls and MVC's (Motor Vehicle Crash's).

Unfortunately along with the excitement and enjoyment of helping your community there is the awful part of the job where we have to deal with fatalities, nasty crashes and the loss of property and belongings. The support is always and readily available and we keep an eye on one another to make sure everyone is coping.

We have a very good crew all round and have managed to handle everything put in their path to date.

Regards Steve Milne Chief Fire Officer Winton Fire Brigade





St John Ambulance Winton

Are you ready to make a difference in your Community? Are you looking for a rewarding volunteer role?

Volunteering as an Ambulance volunteer is a big commitment that is extremely rewarding. By working on an ambulance your role is quite varied but the focus is always on providing quality care to patients. You will have a desire to help people in a

compassionate and professional way, embracing the diversity our communities offer, be committed to continuous learning and training, and display St John's core values.

St John Winton is looking for more volunteers to be part of our excellent and vibrant team of ambulance officers. Contact: Juon Schoen, Station Manager on 032361027 or mobile 027 5909480, Or come in and have a chat at the station on Brandon Street, Winton.



In an emergency dial 111

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members"

Winton Business Association Bowls

A great turnout on Thursday 29th November with 14 teams taking part in our first business challenge to win the Winton A.A.C. House Relay Trophy. This trophy was first won in 1939 by Grimwood's Grocery Shop! Then again in 1990 by Winton New World and 1998 by Winton Mitre 10. The trophy had been hidden away for many years and was found by the Molloy's when they left Winton New World last year.

Thanks to Lisa Hay for picking up the challenge of organising this event for the Business Association to come together on a social occasion. After all

the games, the final was played between Malloch McClean and PR Law, with PR Law overall winners and receiving the trophy. Many thanks to Bill Ward and the Winton RSA Bowling Club for the wonderful guidance and advice.



Personal care items, toiletries, items teens need

Collection Point at Winton Library

Spare a thought for those who may find themselves stranded this holiday season. A nice shampoo, a bar of soap, some basic toiletries. All will be gratefully received



Sending Love - Christmas Cards

Sending Love Christmas Cards for those Alone this Christmas is a nationwide volunteer organisation started up North that helps rally communities to write Christmas cards for rest home residents who don't get visitors or cards at Christmas. (Sadly, this can often be up to 50 percent of residents in any given rest home)

There is a drop box at Country Jewel, Great North Road, Winton where cards can be dropped off to. Thanks to Kerry and the team for hosting the box! Cards can be dropped off before December 11



and then they will be delivered to local rest homes.

For further information please see the website www.sendinglove.co.nz



DO YOU KNOW ... We have a fabulous Rotary club in Winton . We meet Monday nights 5.45 pm upstairs at the Middle pub . If you would like to join us or find out more please phone Jeannie 0272568226 .

Winton Community Support Worker

The Winton Community Support Committee offers a free and confidential service available to anyone in the community that has a need. Services include referrals to services and agencies, assistance and support to community groups and individuals, family support, training and courses and food bank.

Contact Louise on 236 9934 , wcsw@xtra.co.nz or pop into the office at Gow Street, Winton (Rear of maternity home)

Next full edition of the Winton Newsletter will be 1st January 2018. Closing deadline for articles is 5pm Friday 29th December 2017. Information can be emailed to winton.nz@outlook.com



There will be a special edition on 22nd December 2017 with the trading hours for Winton Business & groups for the holiday period.