

# Summary submission form

## Instructions

You may send us your submission...

### Please read before completing your submission

It will help us process your submission if you clearly state the issue you want the Council to consider, what specific action you think the Council should take, and why that should be done.

If you wish, you can present your submission at a hearing. (If that is the case, please tick the box). The hearings will be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006. Generally, 10 minutes are allocated for hearing each submission, including time for questions.

It will help us if your submission also refers to the page of either the full version or the summary version.

Please note: we are legally required to make all written or electronic submissions available to Councillors and to the public. This includes the name and address of the submitter. All submissions will be published on the Council's website from 10 May 2006.

No anonymous submissions will be accepted.

### By mail

Please mail your submission (no stamp is required) to:

Freepost 178  
Our Community Plan  
Christchurch City Council  
PO Box 237  
Christchurch 8003

### By email

Please email your submission to:  
ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz  
Please make sure that your full name and address is included with your submission.

### On the internet

You may enter your submission using the form provided on the Council's web site at:  
<http://www.ccc.govt.nz>  
Please follow all the instructions on the web site.

Please remember to indicate if you wish to present your submission in person at one of the hearings.

Please ensure your submission arrives no later than Friday 5 May 2006.

## Your submission

You may use this form for your submission on the draft Our Community Plan if you wish. Whether you use this form or not, please include your name, address and contact telephone number with your submission.

Tick one  I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered OR  I wish to talk to the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006

Are you completing this submission:  For yourself  On behalf of a group or organisation

If you are representing a group or organisation, how many people do you represent? 300 plus.

My submission refers to:  Full version <sup>86</sup> <sub>103/105</sub> Page No.  Summary version  Page No.

Do you also want to respond to:  Development Contributions  Aquatic Facilities  Other

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CHRISTCHURCH 8001  
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Email (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Daphne Crampton. Date 5.05.2006

# Summary submission form

Please be as specific as possible to help us understand your views

See list of major projects in the summary document

## Questions We OPPOSE CLOSING LIBRARIES

1 Do you have any comments on the major projects in our draft Our Community Plan? page number 86

It is impossible to close libraries eg. Redwood, Bishopdale Spreydon & exit the mobile library without imposing greater hardship on the communities they serve than the speculative savings. Books, access to books, of a wide variety of topics plus the guidance of specialists/librarians are essential to the health & well-being physically, mentally & socially of families and the wider community. The Bookbindery should remain in CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL/CITY LIBRARIES OWNERSHIP & CONTROL.

2 Do you have any comments on groups of activities (the activities and services that Council provides)? page number 103

Libraries have become de facto socialising places in the community. Libraries are resources which balance the over emphasis on sport and vigorous activities as they lead to the more creative aspects of life/living. They are KNOWLEDGE CENTRES where people of all ages have access to the stimulation necessary to maintain awareness - to stimulate the young and to prevent isolation in the older/disabled/disadvantaged. Access to libraries and books is pivotal to maintaining harmony in households. Access means being in reach of young children/parents as well as adults. Libraries hold our history. They must be accessible.

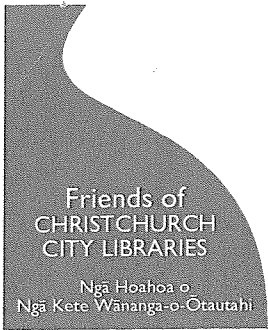
P1051 As up to 90% usage is expected in year 06/07 the value of all our libraries as crucial to Christchurch cannot be gainsaid. The

3 Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make? page number libraries must stay.

The development of library services through Christchurch City Libraries management under Joe Sutherland and continued under Carolyn Robertson is an achievement which elected Mayor and Councillors have every reason to be proud of. It would be of immense dismay, indeed it would be an outrageous disgrace if these outstanding facilities were to be diminished in ANY WAY.

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Date required:	<input type="text"/>
Heard:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

You may add more pages if you wish. Thank you for your submission.



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CHAIR: Colin Warren 386 0025  
SECRETARY: Daphne Crampton 366 3393  
TREASURER: Anne Whitfield 358 9360

5 May 2006

Submission to the Draft of our Community  
Plan 2006-16.

The Friends of Christchurch City Libraries Inc  
strongly oppose the closing of any libraries  
as proposed in the above Plan

We urge that they be strengthened  
and their essential role in developing a  
literate community be re-inforced

Attached: Copy of Strategic Review  
adopted by Committee 25 October 2005.

Attached: Newsletter to members May 2006

Daphne Crampton.  
Secretary.

The Friends of the Christchurch City Libraries  
Inc.

1/56 Salisbury St.  
Christchurch 800.

## Friends of the Library - Strategic directions

### **Purpose:**

#### *Why are we here?*

- Supporting the work of libraries
- Advocating the value of libraries
- Encouraging the use of libraries
- Promoting the visibility of libraries as a community asset and part of our cultural heritage
- Providing social connections for book and library lovers

### **Values:**

#### *What is really important to us?*

- Being a non-profit organisation
- Having excellent library services for Christchurch
- Having libraries available for people of all ages to access
- Having a free public library service
- Being involved in library activities
- Being part of a literate community

### **Strategic goals:**

#### *What can we do to make a difference?*

##### **Making a voluntary contribution through:**

- being involved in the annual booksale and any smaller sales held in community libraries
- delivering 'Books for babies' packs on a weekly basis to new mothers in hospital
- being prepared to write an article for the newsletter when requested
- promoting activities of the Friends to other members of the community informally
- participating in any new library initiatives that will benefit from an involvement of the Friends
- taking an active role on the committee

##### **Highlighting literacy and reading through:**

- presenting lunch time book talk sessions to showcase local authors. These sessions to be held on the first Tuesday of every month from March to November at the South Library.
- providing members with a two page newsletter every second month. Content to focus on activities for the Friends, and any developments in the library and literary world. Suggestions to be put forward at committee level. Members to be asked for contributions. Sending newsletters out via email to be explored.
- promoting Friends' activities through brochures and fliers in libraries and via the library website

**Enhancing the library experience through:**

- supplying libraries with extra equipment or resource to make it easier for customers to access or use facilities eg. wheelchairs, trolley baskets, SMART reader, soft chairs. Criteria based on resource that is not provided via library budget. Friends will tell the library when they have money to distribute – usually once a year. Applications are prioritised and submitted via the Libraries Manager. Committee makes decision. Library purchases. Friends are acknowledged on the piece of equipment.
- donating a lump sum payment for any new library opened
- keeping a database of gifts made
- providing a social connection for people to interact and discuss the value of reading, books and libraries at meetings and other activities

**Contributing to the financial well-being of the Friends through:**

- fundraising for specific projects or services eg. Books for babies, ESOL material. This can include making applications to trusts and other community-based funding
- developing a list of potential sponsors from the local businesses community who could benefit from being associated with the Friends
- exploring opportunities for sponsorship eg newsletter, specific events
- retaining a structured membership fee due each year at the end of March

**Promoting and extending our membership through:**

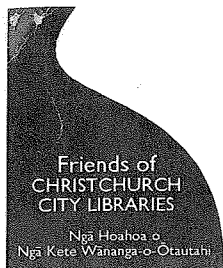
- looking at how current information on the Friends is displayed and promoted at each library and on the library's website
- sharing information and strengthening relationships with other similar groups in the community eg. Friends of the Museum, Friends of the Art Gallery, Poets Society, Friends of the Hurunui Libraries
- examining the feasibility of a corporate membership
- negotiating with the library to continue having a Friends preview of the annual book sale
- providing name badges for Friends to wear when involved in any specific events
- exploring possibility of a 'Friends' bookmark, information on date due receipts

**Advocating the value of libraries and exerting political influence through:**

- Making submissions to the CCC Annual plan, and any other local government documentation requiring feedback

**Planning for future growth and development through:**

- reviewing goals regularly
- encouraging the involvement of members in the various activities. This includes being on the committee
- having an interesting speaker at the AGM
- gaining feedback from members and library staff on a regular basis



# Friends of Christchurch City Libraries Newsletter

May 2006

Chair: Colin Warren 386 0025  
Secretary: Daphne Crampton 366 3393  
Treasurer: Anne Whitfield 358 9360

## STOP PRESS

### Annual General Meeting

**27 May, 2006**  
4.00 – 6.00pm

See inside for further details

#### Welcome to New Members

Aytonshaw Family  
Greta Bowron  
Vivienne Burrows  
Raewyn Clegg  
Sally and Alan Cox & Family  
Betty Erickson  
Malcolm Flain  
Lynne Florance  
Margaret Harrison  
Margrit Keller  
Jenny Lee & Family  
Ann Mintram  
Margaret Pollard  
Dr & Mrs Richardson  
Noeline Scott  
Mr & Mrs J Spain & Family  
Margaret Suddens

**We have been reminded that for fire safety, 45 is the maximum Number permitted at Booktalks**

## Booktalks



**12.10pm – South Library**  
(Cnr Colombo Street/Hunter Terrace)

**Tuesday, 2 May**

**Ray Shearman**

**The History of the Corsair Club 1925 – 1994**  
(796.7506 SHE)

It was the largest motorcycle club in New Zealand with 350 members. The Christchurch Corsair Club was born in 1925 as a social group which got together for picnics, train trips and sports. The name came from Corsair Bay where the group met. The Railway Hall, in Carlisle Street, was Club HQ. The motorcycle club was formed in 1929. Ray Shearman's 40 years with the club contain memories of many bikes – a 1925 P-model Triumph 500cc to the vintage Power-Plus Indian he still rides occasionally. The book is nine years of collaboration with Maurie Wear, who died last year, and Jack Brewer.

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**Tuesday, 6 June**  
**Leslie Kenton**

**Authentic Woman: a guide to beauty, body and bliss (613.0424)**

Leslie Kenton was born in the United States, spent much of her adult life in Britain and Europe, and is now resident in Governors Bay. She has written more than 30 books on diet, health, beauty, healing and well being. *Authentic Woman* is her fifth collaboration with her daughter Susannah.



## The Annual General Meeting

**Saturday, 27 May 2006-04-24 4.00 – 6.00pm**  
**Sydenham Community Centre**  
**22 Hutcheson Street**

Generous refreshments will be provided. Nominations for all positions are invited. Election of Chairperson, Secretary, Committee.

Chair, Colin Warren, has indicated he is available for re-election.

We have co-opted Kay Collier as Treasurer. – to be confirmed at the AGM.

Some committee members have indicated they are available for re-election.

Nominations for the position of Secretary are welcomed.

Current financial members are eligible to vote at the AGM. Newly paid membership cards for year 2006 are attached. As previously noted, membership receipts and cards are posted with the next newsletter after payment.

**Booksale this year – December 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.**  
**More details nearer the time.**

**The March committee meeting** was held at the Upper Riccarton Community and School Library when the formal presentation of the wheelchair donation was made. This wheelchair is being well used by the residents of the Upper Riccarton and it is pleasing to know that Friends have been able to supply such a useful item – as, also to Parklands and South Libraries and the arthritis chair to Bishopdale.

Upper Riccarton Library also has a Community Room available for hire, free to non-profit organisations. For bookings enquiries phone 941-7923. Tea and coffee making facilities are available at \$2.00 per head.

### Related Booktalks

Monday, 8 May – 7.30pm – Great Hall at the Arts Centre. Frances Mayes author of *Under the Tuscan Sun* will be speaking about her new book *A Year in the World*. A wander in out of the way places in Europe. Tickets \$12.00 – Phone Ruth Todd 3844-721.

For fans of American novelist, Audrey Nissenger, author of *The Time Travelers Wife*. Fresh from the Sydney Festival she will be at Christchurch Girls' HS auditorium Wednesday 31 May – 7.30pm. Tickets \$12.00 – Phone Ruth Todd 3844-721 or at UBS Bookshops.

## Congratulations Margaret Mahy

Pride, Joy, Delight, Applause on the winning of The Hans Christian Andersen Award. The Award which honours the author who has made a lasting contribution to children's literature globally. Tessa Duder, Mahy biographer and member of the literature foundation which nominated her for the award said "This is for a lifetime of achievement and a lasting contribution to world literature, with winners chosen from 60 countries. One mark of her success is that more than 10 of her books have been translated into at least 25 different languages." (*The Press*)

Margaret's first story was published in 1961 in The School Journal. But we know, now, that her first book was written when she was a seven year old. Her two novels, *The Haunting* and *The Changeover* won the prestigious British Carnegie Medal in 1982 and 1984. The range of her writing seems to be unlimited. Now, *Maddigan's Quest*, a family fantasy drama, which was screened recently on TV, has been sold to broadcasters in North America, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Additionally it will be included in programmes in Israel, Lithuania and Bulgaria.

Press TV reviewer, Trevor Agnew, described the matching of *Maddigan's Quest*, by Margaret Mahy, with a BBC quartet of plays inspired by Shakespeare as a 'magical pairing'. Does she have magic in her veins? Her appeal is wide, as the many translations of her work attest. Now the little Nobel as the Hans Christina Andersen Award is known, honours her too. By the former City Library, corner Hereford Street/Cambridge Terrace, where she was a librarian, The Society of Authors has acknowledged her work with a plaque in The Writers' Walkway. It's a nice contrast that the big Nobel prize medal, awarded to Lord Rutherford, is a short distance away in the next block at the Arts Centre, in Rutherford's den.

The prize for winning this most outstanding award is a gold medal, a diploma and a trip to Beijing to accept the award. It would be wonderful if Margaret's return from Beijing could be marked here in Christchurch with something special. It is so easy to accept our living treasure with the ease of familiarity but Friends of the Libraries are so proud to show their affection and respect to the gentle wonder woman who continues to weave worlds of fantasy and fun.

Happy 70<sup>th</sup> birthday Margaret. May we share many more years with you and your stories.

We look forward to hearing from Bill Nagelkerke who was one of the jurors who chose Margaret for this special award.

Peter Clements, one of our Friends, has just had a book published *The Fifth Agenda*. The Libraries have copies ordered.

**The Christchurch City Council's Draft Long Term Community Plan 2006-16** included the possibility of the libraries at Bishopdale, Redwood and Spreydon being closed and the loss of the Mobile library. This has been of major dismay and concern to your Friends Committee and the wider community.

At the March meeting, Mr Bruce Tulloch addressed the committee. He was asking for support for a campaign he had initiated for **Save Our Libraries**. A committee had been formed and a petition had already realised more than 6000 signatures. Demonstrations at Redwood and Bishopdale had been well publicised in the press. Friends were asked to combine with 'Save Our Libraries' at a public protest planned for the following Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> April in Cathedral Square at 10.30am. Your committee agreed to assist. Two hundred dollars were allocated for a media campaign on Community Access Radio Plains FM 96.9 with a further \$100 to assist with postage. Barbara and Daphne joined the protest in the square.

Plains FM 96.9 helped by obtaining sound equipment and their Community Programme Development Manager, Nicki Reece, gave very generous voluntary technical assistance.

Three city councillors, Sally Buck, Graham Condon and Norm Withers and Mike Wall, Chairman of Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board were present at the protest which was reported on National Radio and TV1.

One resident, on holiday in Tauranga, was so incensed when she heard news of the protest and its cause, she flew back to Christchurch to be part of it. Outrage at the possibility of library closures has gathered more than 9000 signatures on the petition. More people have indicated their intention to forward submissions – which must be received at Christchurch City Council by Friday 5 May.

A summary of the Draft Plan with a submission form on the back is available at public libraries.

A submission on behalf of the more than 300 Friends of the Libraries has been prepared and a request made to speak to it. Individual submissions on this – as well as other matters – are encouraged.

As Dr Ruth Zanker from the Broadcasting School at CPIT said where else but in a library can young minds be exposed to such a wonderful array of treasures leading to ever more. And more. Will our libraries encourage more generations of children to tell their own stories?

We are grateful to all the people who so willingly contributed their views on the value of libraries with Ron Kestrupp on Plains FM96.9.

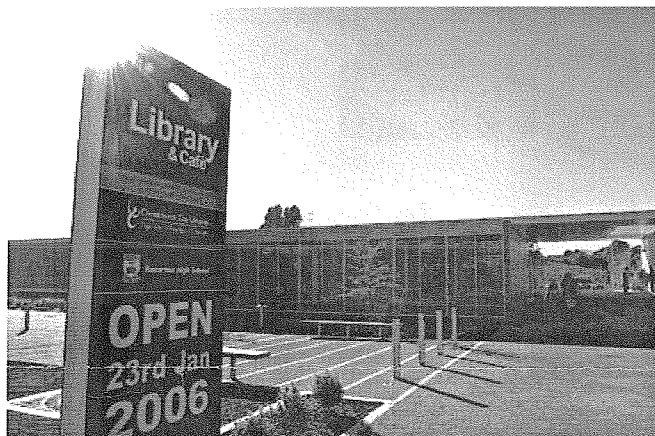
*PS: My role as secretary ends here with one final task to speak to the submission at the Christchurch City Council hearings for the Draft Community Plan.*

## Upper Riccarton Community and School Library

Te Kete Wānanga o Pūtarangamotu  
71 Main South Road

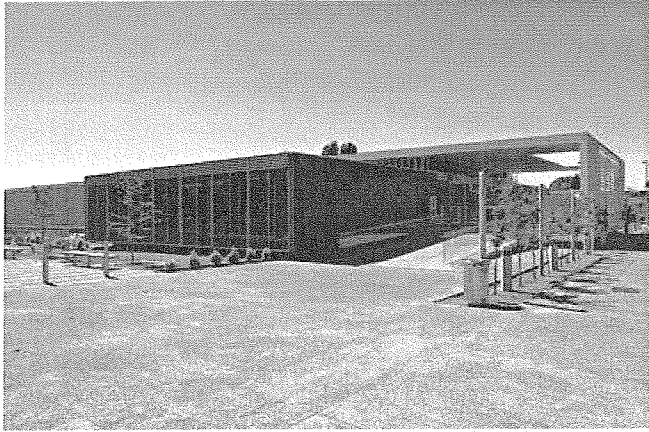
In January the Christchurch City Council opened a joint use library in partnership with Riccarton High School. The library is the Upper Riccarton Community and School Library. Riccarton High School has use of the two class rooms, a computer suite and the entire library from 8.30 am - 4 pm Monday – Friday during school terms. The school's library collection was combined and is now available on the Libraries' catalogue for all. The community has full use of the library 9am – 8pm Monday – Friday and 10am – 4pm Saturday and Sunday. The library has a café which is currently open 9.00am–5.00pm Monday – Friday and a community meeting room which is available to hire.

We have had a really great response from the community and school students with over 100 thousand people through the doors already - it's a busy place to be. The most common comment from customers so far has been how light the new building is. We have also had really positive feedback from the students and staff of the school about their new library and our staff have found it wonderful to have so many teenagers in the library enjoying the space.



The building, by Warren and Mahoney, has been designed to ensure energy efficiency. Large windows let in as much light as possible, which combined with low energy lighting systems on daylight sensors reduces energy demand. Automatic openers open windows to allow air flow naturally for most days of the year and automatic louvres on the front of the building track the sun, reducing overheating in summer while capturing useful heat in the winter. Rain water is collected on the roof and used for toilet flushing which helps to conserve water.





**Members are encouraged to show their membership card at the booktalks for free admission. They are essential for the Booksale preview admission. Lost cards regrettably, will required \$5.00 for replacement.**

It was my pleasure recently to conduct a tour for some members of the Friends of the Library and to point out some of the outstanding features of the new library. I also took receipt of a new wheelchair kindly donated by the Friends for the use of Upper Riccarton Library customers. The wheelchair is being used on a regular basis and is much appreciated.

If you are over our way please call in and experience the new space for yourself

*Irene Prue*

*Associate Community Librarian*

*Upper Riccarton Community and School Library*

**This is the last newsletter for unpaid subscriptions. Names of unpaid subs will now be deleted from the computer list**

## Diary



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| Tuesday, 2 May    | Ray Shearman – 12.10pm – History of the Corsair Club 1925 – 1994 |
| Friday, 5 May     | Submissions close Council Draft Long Term Community Plan 2006-16 |
| Saturday, 27 May  | Annual General Meeting. 4.00 – 6.00pm. Sydenham Community Centre |
| Tuesday, 6 June   | Leslie Kenton – Authentic Woman. South Library. 12.10pm          |
| Tuesday, 4 July   | Hugh Adams – Ernest Adams Bakery. 12.10pm                        |
| Tuesday, 1 August | Marlene Bennetts – NZOM. 12.10pm                                 |