# Sunshine in October 2024

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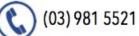
As the days are getting longer and the weather is getting warmer there are more outdoor activities to enjoy in and around Shirley. Check over the page for some great holiday activities also.





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### Fun for everyone in the School Holidays





#### **Shirley Trust holiday changes**

The Barista Training doesn't run in the holidays, so the Community Hub will be closed on Mondays. However, the Hub is still open on Wednesdays 10am-2pm for Fruit & Vege, Employment Support or to just pop in for a chat.

Friday Night Fun, Knit & Knatter and the Community Garden Group also run during the holidays.

Other groups and MacFarlanes on the Park Café are taking a break for the holidays, but we are looking forward to seeing you back in Term 4, which starts on 14 October.

### Have a great holiday!

Remember to get out and enjoy some fresh air and sunshine in our community spaces – MacFarlane Park and the pergola at the Community Garden.



Thanks to all those who contribute to this newsletter – through articles or photos plus all those who deliver the copies each month.



### Shirley Village Project

"Shirley residents and organisations working together for a 'caring, colourful, and connected' Shirley Community."





Grass and weeds popping up?
Spring cleaning? Shirley Tool
Shed has the gear for your job
- mowers, weedeaters, all kinds
of tools and equipment. Not
to mention camping gear,
kitchen appliances and more!

\$20 for 12 months membership gives you access to items for no to low cost weekly hire. Next year new memberships will go up to \$30 so join now!

For more information visit

https://shirleytoolshed.myturn.com/library/
or email shirleytoolshed@gmail.com

## **Employment Support**

Thinking about working but not sure where to start?

Teresa from Shirley Village Project provides employment support to the community.





Drop in for a chat

Wednesdays 10.30am-12pm

Neighbourhood Centre 17 Acheson Ave

Appointments also available

For more info or to book, contact Teresa 027 581 2555



# WISE UP

### WEDNESDAY



Wednesday 23 October
MacFarlane Park Centre





All Welcome!

Morning tea provided Let's Talk
Employment
with Charlotte
from Catapult

who help both Jobseekers and Employers



For more information, contact Teresa on 027 581 2555





A monthly space for residents to support each other to keep their homes warm and energy bills down. Information resources and home measurement kit available. Drop in to the Neighbourhood Centre on Thursday 10 October between 10am and 12pm. (Usually first Thursday of the month).

For more information contact Bec on 021 125 7846 or bec@shirleyvillage.org.

For more information about Shirley Village Project and the programmes we run please visit www.shirleyvillage.org or Shirley Village on Facebook or Instagram



### A Slice of History – Shirley Street Names

While walking around the streets of Shirley, I have often wondered where the various street names originated. I have particularly wanted to know who Mr or Mrs Riselaw and Mr or Mrs Jebson were.

In looking up the street names on the Christchurch City Libraries website, I came to a blank on those streets, but I did find other interesting facts. Many of the streets in our area are seen as part of the farm owned by Mr Arthur Emmett, sold to the Government after his death and became known as the 'Emmett Block'.

#### I discovered:

\* Shirley was named after Mrs Susannah Buxton, nee Shirley (1806-1867). Her son owned a large area of land near Quinns Road and on her deathbed, Mrs Buxton asked him to gift land to the Methodists to build a church. Her wish was carried out, and the first service at the "Wesleyan Church at Shirley" was held on 27 December 1868.



- \* Mr Arthur Emmett (1860-1948) was a dairy farmer whose herd of cows on his 100 acre farm in Quinns Road supplied milk to Shirley, Richmond, St Albans and Fendalton. Emmett's farm was sold after his death and part of the land was bought by the government for a state housing area "laid out on modern town-planning lines".
- $\star$  Mr John Briggs (1844-1904) and Mr John Quinn (1840-1883) were also farmers in the area.
- \* Mr Archibald Acheson (1891-1952) was vicar at St Stephens Anglican Church, Shirley, 1926-1928
- \* Mr Robert Hammersley (1870-1933) was an engineer. He had a sawmilling and flourmilling engineering firm R.A. Hammersley situated at the corner of Hills and Shirley Roads, where the Shirley Shopping Centre is today.
- \* Mr Johan Voss (1867-1951) was a primary school teacher, lay preacher in the Methodist Church and active in the North Canterbury Potato Growers' Association.
- \* Mr Hewlings, Mr Boys and Mr McIntyre were surveyors.
- \* Mr Amos was a company director and City Councillor.
- \* Orion, Orcades and Orontes were P&O cruise liners.

If you have further knowledge about the names of our streets it would be great to hear it.

#### Carol Renouf - Community Nurse

Information was sourced from my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/Christchurch-place-names/

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