SUMMERTIMES
YOUR SUMMER EVENTS GUIDE
WELCOME TO SUMMERTIMES

I went into town recently and watched people just enjoying themselves. They were attracted by all the activities on offer.

I know people love to get together and SummerTimes provides the ideal opportunity to do just that, whether you’re from here or afar, everyone is welcome.

We’re showcasing the best of our city’s performers and partnering up with venues like our world-renowned Botanic Gardens, local production companies and organisations from our wider community to bring you all your favourites and some new events.

From New Year’s Eve parties to the end-of-season Godwits send-off, SummerTimes is packed full of opportunities to relax outdoors with family and friends. I know lots of people are looking forward to hearing the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra performing movie themes at Sparks, and the colourful spectacle of Streets Kite Day.

The Council has taken a fresh approach to the SummerTimes brochure this year with the environment and cost saving in mind.

Therefore it’s a good chance to think about different ways of getting to events – you could walk, take the bus, or share a ride. This also helps to promote community spirit.

Summer is a wonderful time to enjoy all Christchurch has to offer. Whether you’re having a picnic in the park, fun at the beach or a walk on the Port Hills, join with people special to you and make the most of it. I certainly intend to do so.

Lianne Dalziel
Christchurch Mayor

FOR A FULL LIST OF ALL OUR BELOVED EVENTS, MAKE SURE YOU VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE SUMMERTIMES.CO.NZ

For cancellations and postponements, listen to The Breeze, call the Council Call Centre on 941 8999 or visit summertimes.co.nz.

Information in this booklet is accurate at the time of print, but changes may occur due to circumstances beyond the control of the Christchurch City Council.

Christchurch City Council encourages Smokefree events. Events delivered by the Christchurch City Council will have disability friendly areas and recycling facilities.
The New Year’s Eve party at Hagley Park is the perfect way to greet 2015.

For children, the party starts at 6.30pm with an outdoor cinema screening of the movie *Cats and Dogs* (PG, low level violence). *The Johnny Possum Band* will provide entertainment in the lead up to the Kids Early Midnight Countdown at 8.30pm. Bouncy castles, bubbles, lights and confetti cannons will add to the excitement.

Bring along a picnic or get some food from one of the stalls and remember this party is alcohol free.

At 9pm, country music band *Remedy* performs old classic and contemporary sounds. Their rocking, boot-scooting style is sure to get you dancing.

*D’sendantz* make a return to the New Year’s Eve stage this year with a blend of Kiwi soul, reggae, rock and funk offering something to suit all tastes.

As the minutes tick closer to midnight, *The Black Velvet Band* will inject even more energy with traditional and contemporary Celtic songs. Get ready for some foot stomping rock ‘n’ reel.

Count down to midnight and sing along with *The Black Velvet Band* playing *Auld Lang Syne* with fantastic fireworks filling the night sky and The Arch Wizard of Canterbury casting a spell for the New Year.

The music continues until 12.30am. Take care driving home and may the New Year bring you happiness.

*Parking is available for $3 at Carlton Mill corner, entry off Harper Ave.*
4 JANUARY
THE HARD CORE TROUBADOURS
The Hard Core Troubadours features the songs of Rob Joass along with Hamish ‘Hank’ Graham, joined by Wellington duo Kim Bonnington and Cameron ‘Dusty’ Burrell with a mixture of upbeat songs from their collective repertoire, including fine originals and fabulous covers.

11 JANUARY
MIKE FIELD QUINTET
Canadian Jazz trumpeter Mike Field is known for his bright, upbeat and energetic music. Mike is accompanied by his quintet band and a surprise Christchurch guest artist.

18 JANUARY
THE SWAN SISTERS
The Swan Sisters, Amiria Grenell and Amy Grace, encapsulate their friendship and love of storytelling in a delicate blend of alternative folk with beautiful harmonies, a touch of country, dreamy pop and a dash of swinging blues.

25 JANUARY
GRAHAM WARDROP
MOLLY’S REMEDY
NZ’s internationally acclaimed finger-style guitarist and singer-songwriter Graham Wardrop brings his rich sound and unique style.

Molly’s Remedy use unaccompanied voices, or violin, guitar, and occasionally tambourine and ukulele in their folk, country and Irish traditional music.

Catch a bus to avoid the parking hassles; visit metroinfo.co.nz to plan your trip.
1 FEBRUARY
THE EASY HEARTS
KATIE THOMPSON
Christchurch rock n rollers, The Easy Hearts, present an unplugged set of new original material as well as a few of their favourite covers. Special guest Katie Thompson joins them.

8 FEBRUARY
FLIP GRATER
Paris-based New Zealand singer-songwriter Flip Grater, accompanied by her trio, shares highly personal, nostalgic and at times melancholic indie-folk songs.

15 FEBRUARY
SHAYNA KING
SONIC DELUSION
Shayna King and her band bring to the stage her take on pop music with a twist of country. Her voice has been described as a 'stunning mix between soft and powerful'.

From delicate heartfelt textures and tones to wide open foot-stomping atmospheric joy, Sonic Delusion is an upbeat concoction of folk, pop, funk and Latin.

22 FEBRUARY
FRENCH FOR RABBITS, 2PM – 3PM
JENNINE BAILEY, 3.15PM – 4.30PM
An extended Ingham Lazy Sundays starts at 2pm with French for Rabbits, who occupy the space where gently sighing lullabies and otherworldly post-rock overlap.

Our finale sees Jennine Bailey and her band present a selection of beautiful jazz and blues songs.

*Rain dates: 1 and 8 March
Movie themes from Harry Potter to the Godfather will reverberate around North Hagley Park at this year’s Sparks.

Pre-show entertainment starts at 5.30pm with the Justice Brass Band, Christchurch Youth Orchestra comprising some of our best musicians between the ages of 16 and 25, and Japanese drumming group Takumi who will reveal the Japanese culture through heart-pounding beats and stunning visual performances.

Then Christchurch Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of conductor Kenneth Young, begins an exciting programme of music from the movies at 7.30pm.

You may know Wagner’s Ride of the Valkyries which first took shape in the 1850s, but it gained world wide recognition when used in the movie Apocalypse Now.

You will also hear Rossini’s popular William Tell Overture that has accompanied The Lone Ranger, Toy Story and Clockwork Orange, John Barry’s James Bond themes, Rogers and Hammerstein’s suite from the Sound Of Music and many more.

There will be special guest appearances throughout the evening including renowned guitarist Graham Wardrop, Epic Entertainment and cellist Matthias Balzat.

Bring a picnic, family and friends. Sing along, dance, or just let the music wash over you.

The spectacular closing fireworks display will be accompanied by the Superman theme.

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5 DEC – 28 MAR
SUMMER OF FUN
Over 40 local community events
Check summertimes.co.nz for list

SAT 6 DEC
PREBBLETON SKATE JAM
12 noon – 3pm
Prebbleton Community Park, Stationmasters Way

6 DEC – 18 JAN
THE GREAT MUSEUM SANTA SEARCH
9am – 5pm daily
Canterbury Museum

SUN 7 DEC
SANTA PARADE
2pm
Riccarton Road

CELEBRATE BISHOPDALE
11am – 2pm
Bishopdale Park

8 DEC – 23 JAN
SUMMERTIME READING CLUB
Christchurch City Libraries

11 – 17 JAN
HARLEQUIN PLAYERS PRESENTS:
ALICE AND THE WHITE RABBIT
IN WONDERLAND
Weekends 11am and 2pm
Weekdays 6.30pm
Avebury House, Eveleen
Couzins Avenue, Richmond

SAT 10 JAN
DUVAUCHELLE A&P SHOW
8.30am first competitions
Duvauchelle A&P Showgrounds

11 – 14 DEC
PLUNKET SHIELD:
CANTERBURY V CENTRAL STAGS
Hagley Oval

SAT 13 DEC
JELLIE PARK POOL’S
50TH BIRTHDAY BASH
12 noon – 3pm
Jellie Park
Summer Pool

SUN 14 DEC
RASDEX CLASSIC RIVER RACE
9am, Waimakariri River,
between Mount White Bridge
and Waimakariri Gorge Bridge

19 DEC – 19 APRIL
SELLING THE DREAM
9am – 5pm daily
Canterbury Museum

WED 24 DEC
YMCA CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
9pm
Latimer Square

WED 31 DEC
NEW YEAR’S EVE
6.30pm – 12.30am
North Hagley Park,
beside Lake Victoria

SUN 11 JAN
INGHAM LAZY SUNDAYS
Mike Field Quintet
3pm – 4.30pm
St Albans Park, corner Barbadoes
Street and Edward Avenue

12 – 23 JAN
JANUARY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
Christchurch City Libraries
Learning Centres

15 – 24 JAN
ELMWOOD PLAYERS CHILDRENS
THEATRE PRESENTS:
THE OWL AND THE PUSSYCAT
Thursday to Sunday only
Thursday and Friday 6.30pm
Weekends 11am and 2pm
Elmwood Auditorium

15 – 25 JAN
SCIRIT WORLD BUSKERS FESTIVAL
Hagley Park

SUN 18 JAN
WELCOME BACK WALTHAM
12 noon – 2pm
Waltham Summer Pool

INGHAM LAZY SUNDAYS
3pm – 4.30pm
Archery Lawn, Botanic Gardens

SAT 24 JAN
LITTLE RIVER A&P SHOW
8am – 4pm
Awa-iti Domain, Little River

ST ALBANS SKATE JAM
12 noon – 3pm
St Albans Park, Madras Street

STREETS KITE DAY
1pm – 4pm
New Brighton Beach
South of the Pier

SUN 25 JAN
PULSE TAEKWON-DO DEMO
AND HAVE A GO SESSION
10am – 12 noon
Casebrook Intermediate School
Hall, 100 Veitches Road

INGHAM LAZY SUNDAYS
Graham Wardrop
Molly’s Remedy
3pm – 4.30pm
Archery Lawn,
Botanic Gardens

26 – 30 JAN
ASB HOLIDAY FOOTBALL
9am – 3pm
ASB Football Park

SAT 31 JAN
SPARKS
7.30pm – 10pm
Preshow entertainment
from 5.30pm
North Hagley Park

JELLIE SKATE JAM
12 noon – 3pm
Jellie Park, Greers Road
## FEBRUARY

### SUN 1 FEB
**SUNDAY BANDSTAND** [FREE]
- New Brighton Silver
  - 12.30pm – 2pm
  - Central Lawn, Botanic Gardens
- Stedfast Brass Band
  - 12.30pm – 2pm
  - Cave Rock, Sumner
- All Pipe Bands
  - 9.30am – 4pm
  - Riccarton Bush

### FRI 6 FEB
**I LOVE NEW BRIGHTON** [FREE]
- 11am – 3pm
  - Thomson Park

**ELECTRIC AVENUE MUSIC FESTIVAL**
- 11am – 11pm
  - Hagley Park

### SAT 7 FEB
**THE FOURTH NEW ZEALAND SANDCASTLE COMPETITION** [FREE]
- 10am
  - Marine Parade, New Brighton

### SUN 8 FEB
**AVICE HILL ARTS & CRAFT FESTIVAL** [FREE]
- 11am – 3pm
  - Avice Hill Reserve, 395 Memorial Avenue

### 2 FEB – 31 MAR
**SUMMER FOOTBALL**
- Monday, Tuesday and Friday
  - ASB Football Park

### 4 – 22 FEB
**ANTHONY HARPER SUMMER THEATRE PRESENTS PETER PAN** [FREE]
- Wednesday to Friday 7pm
  - Weekends and Waitangi Day 2pm and 7pm.
  - No performances Monday and Tuesday.
  - Riccarton Bush

### 5 – 8 FEB
**’MCMILLAN EQUINE FEEDS’ NZ NATIONAL SHOW JUMPING & SHOW HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS** [FREE]
- Thursday 1pm – 5pm
  - Friday to Sunday 8am – 5pm
  - South Island
  - National Equestrian Centre, McLeans Island

### INGHAM LAZY SUNNYS [FREE]
- The Easy Hearts
  - 3pm – 4.30pm
  - Archery Lawn, Botanic Gardens

### SUN 15 FEB
**STATE OCEAN SWIM SERIES LA GRANDE SWIM**
- 11am first race
  - Akaroa Recreation Grounds

**SUNDAY BANDSTAND** [FREE]
- 12.30pm – 2pm
  - Canterbury Brass
  - Central Lawn, Botanic Gardens
  - Addington Brass
  - Cave Rock, Sumner

### INGHAM LAZY SUNNYS [FREE]
- Shayna King
  - Sonic Delusion
  - 3pm – 4.30pm
  - Archery Lawn, Botanic Gardens

### WED 18 FEB
**MUMS AND BUBS AT WALTHAM**
- 10am – 12 noon
  - Waltham
  - Summer Pool

### THUR 19 FEB
**FAREWELL TO THE GODWITS** [FREE]
- 5pm – 6.30pm
  - Southshore Spit Reserve, end of Rocking Horse Road, South New Brighton

### FRI 20 FEB
**PHILLIPSTOWN FESTIVAL** [FREE]
- 4pm – 7pm
  - Phillipstown School, Nursery Road
FEBRUARY

21 – 22 FEB
GLOBAL FOOTBALL FESTIVAL  FREE
9am – 5pm
Avonhead Park

SAT 21 FEB
ICC CRICKET WORLD CUP 2015
PAKISTAN v WEST INDIES
Hagley Oval, Hagley Park

SUN 22 FEB
Mitre 10 Mega:
A Run to Remember
9am
Victoria Park

GARDEN PARTY AT EDMONDS  FREE
12 noon – 4pm
Edmonds Factory Garden, 359 Ferry Road

SUNDAY BANDSTAND  FREE
Woolston Brass Band
12 noon – 2pm
Archery Lawn, Botanic Gardens

INGHAM LAZY SUNDAYS  FREE
Archery Lawn, Botanic Gardens
French for Rabbits
2pm – 3pm
Jennine Bailey
3.15pm – 4.30pm

MON 23 FEB
ICC CRICKET WORLD CUP 2015
ENGLAND v SCOTLAND
Hagley Oval, Hagley Park

WED 25 FEB
DARFIELD SKATE JAM  FREE
4pm – 6pm
Darfield Community Park, West Coast Road

27 FEB – 1 MAR
GOODNIGHT FILM FESTIVAL
Outside the Botanic Gardens
Visitors Centre

SAT 28 FEB
BROMLEY COMMUNITY FAIR  FREE
11am – 2pm
Bromley Community Centre, corner of Bromley and Maces Roads

WALTHAM SKATE JAM  FREE
12 noon – 3pm
Waltham School, Hastings Street East

28 FEB – 1 MAR
THE DRUM FESTIVAL
Saturday 2pm – 9pm
Sunday 10am – 3pm
Manaia Native Habitat, Little River Campground

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Excitement is in the air!

Escape from the traffic hassles, money worries and holiday season stresses and fly away with us this summer to Neverland. The Forge at The Court in collaboration with The Court Youth Company presents a new adaption of Peter Pan for the whole family.

Our story begins when Peter Pan comes to Wendy’s window and together they stumble across Neverland, where they join the Lost Boys and of course Tinkerbell to do battle with the wicked Captain Hook and his pirate crew. Action, sword fights, comedy and tragedy… this show will have it all this summer.

Set up a chair or rug on the lawn at Riccarton House and settle in with the boy who would not grow up, for a chaotic, cheeky and charming version of this favourite story.

Full of the joys and wonderment of childhood, sprinkled with the dark fears and bittersweet moments that inhabit our youth, Peter Pan will delight the immortal child in all of us.

Street parking is available or limited car parking at the Riccarton Bush car park.

Please be aware of the Saturday markets and allow yourself time so you can truly enjoy the peace and tranquillity of this location.
Conditions apply: see www.paddlepop.co.nz. Entry: Open to NZ residents only. Entrants must purchase the promotional product and enter the 7 digit alpha-numeric code found on the Paddle Pop stick via www.paddlepop.co.nz or the Paddle Pop Magilika App. Duration: 9am AEST 31/07/14 to 5pm AEST 30/04/15. Retain each Streets Paddle Pop product stick in order to claim any prize or enter any draw. Instant Prizes: Paddle Pops, Magilika Lick-A-Prize augmented reality game codes, Magilika Lick-A-Prize episode codes. Weekly Draw Prizes: Magic Books with UV penlight, Body Boards, Razor Scooters, Apple iPad mini. Major Draw Prize: USA Movie Magic Holiday for 4 people. Weekly Draws: 39 in total, every Tuesday at 10 am AEST, from 12/08/14 to 05/05/15 (Minor Prizes) at Suite 1a, Level 2, 25 Cooper St, Surry Hills NSW 2010, Australia. Major Prize Draws: 10am AEST 05/05/15 at Suite 1a, Level 2, 25 Cooper Street, Surry Hills, Sydney NSW 2010, Australia. Promoter: Unilever New Zealand Limited, Level 4, 103 Carlton Gore Road, Newmarket, Auckland.
KITE DAY

SATURDAY 24 JANUARY, 1PM – 4PM
NEW BRIGHTON BEACH, SOUTH OF THE PIER

Spectacular kites of all varieties, from beautiful hand-painted tapa cloth to monstrous flying beasts and every shape and size in between, will again flutter and soar over New Brighton Beach on Streets Kite Day, delighting children and adults alike.

Why not try making and decorating your own kite and test it out on the sea breeze or buy one from The Kite Shop on the day. Spot prizes will be given to some kite-flying kids.

Even if you don’t have a kite to launch, you can watch while enjoying an ice cream or fish and chips on the beach. New Brighton Silver Band will perform beside the promenade and buskers will entertain in the amphitheatre.

Don’t forget a hat and sunscreen. Catch a bus to avoid parking hassels.

CHILDREN’S DAY

SUNDAY 1 MARCH, 10AM – 3PM
WIGRAM AIR FORCE MUSEUM PARK

Face painting, crafts, bouncy castle, and pony rides are all part of the fun of Te Ra O Te Tamariki – Children’s Day.

This international event is an opportunity to talk and listen to children and give them time, praise and encouragement, love and affection, and new experiences.

This year, Christchurch’s celebration of children will happen at Wigram Air Force Museum Park. It is a free community event including performing arts, adventure activities, sport and games.

A range of stalls will promote various groups focused on children, with information and educational activities available.

Why not start a new tradition with your children or continue an old one? This special day is the perfect occasion to make children the centre of attention.
City2Surf

SUNDAY 22 MARCH

www.city2surf.co.nz

14km - Centennial Park, Pioneer Stadium. 9am start
6km - Hansens Park, Opawa. 10am start
SPORTING EVENTS

Hear the whirr of bike peddles, feel the breeze as the cyclists whiz past and watch the competitive action of the Calder Stewart Elite Road National Championships on 9 to 11 January or the Coffee Culture Le Race between Christchurch and Akaroa on 21 March. Dress up to create a party-type atmosphere while supporting the athletes.

The Speight’s Coast to Coast, a world famous heritage event, gets underway from Kumara beach on the West Coast on 13 February. The south side of New Brighton Pier is an exciting place to be to cheer the athletes as they reach the finish line on 14 February.

Slip, slop, slap and wrap, and settle in for ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 events at Hagley Oval, South Hagley Park. See some of the best teams compete with Sri Lanka versus New Zealand on 14 February, Pakistan versus West Indies on 21 February and England versus Scotland on 23 February.

Receive a free beach towel and swim cap by entering State La Grande Swim which happens on 15 February in Akaroa. To get some practise in or to just enjoy the summer weather, visit one of the Summer Pool Parties at your local outdoor pool.

Champion golfers, up and coming stars, the popular market overlooking the number 18 green and interactive activities offer something for everyone at the ISPS Handa NZ Women’s Open from 27 February.

SUMMER IN THE SUBURBS

Celebrate diversity at the Inner City East Multicultural Festival on 14 February or the Global Football Festival on 21 to 22 February. Experience ethnic cuisine, art and craft, sports, performances and demonstrations. There’s plenty of fun for all ages. Don’t forget the biennial Te Matatini National Kapa Haka Festival is on this year from 4 to 8 March in Christchurch.

Music, food stalls, bouncy castles, games, fun activities, information about community groups, and even a talent quest are just a taste of what is on offer at the many galas and fairs around Christchurch this summer.

Harlequin Players is proud to present Alice and the White Rabbit in Wonderland on from 11 to 17 January. Dress up as your favourite character and join in the madcap shenanigans and antics following Alice’s journey down the rabbit hole, meeting some strange and wonderful characters along the way.

FOR A LARGE RANGE OF SPORTING AND COMMUNITY EVENTS, CHECK OUT THE BROCHURE CALENDAR OR VISIT SUMMERTIMESTONES.CO.NZ

CULTURE GALORE

SATURDAY 7 MARCH
12 NOON – 4PM
RAY BLANK PARK, MAIDSTONE ROAD

Experience the world and celebrate cultural diversity. Be entertained by over 50 cultural performances and demonstrations, sample some of the appetising ethnic cuisines or get involved in some arts and crafts.

There are plenty of fun activities for all ages including bouncy castles, rock climbing, face painting, stone and soap carving. Why not try activities such as Tai Chi, folk dancing, hula dance and much more.

BYO rug or chairs and make a day of it. Limited parking is available.
Take it easy with James and Hilary
Weekdays 6am to 10am