



## Newsletter from the Wairarapa Green Dollar Exchange Inc.

More than anything else it is our ability to empathise, to imagine ourselves in someone's else's position, which has enhanced our survivability as a species. - Lucy McAndrew, *Fleeing Vesuvius*

### Markets 2011

Please mark your calendars!

Sat 25 June - St James' Church Hall Mstn  
Sat 23 July - St John's Hall, Greytown  
Sat 27 Aug - Comm Centre, Fthrstn  
Sat 24 Sept - Senior Citizens' Hall, Crtn  
Sat 22 Oct - St James' Church Hall, Mstn  
Sat 26 Nov - Senior Citizens' Hall, Crtn  
Sat 17 Dec - To be determined

Markets usually run 9.30am - 12.30pm except Greytown which is one hour later. Stallholders set up a half hour before.

Stallholder enquires to Keith Sawyer 06 377 0717 or [letstrade@wise.net.nz](mailto:letstrade@wise.net.nz)

### WAIS at the Featherston Community Centre

As avid supporters of green dollars, the folks at the Featherston Community Centre will host August's WAIS market.

But that's not all. They have also begun hosting monthly produce swaps where all are welcome to come along and trade in whatever way suits - use green dollars or kiwi dollars; make direct swaps or just give your stuff away.

The event was conceived two months ago when Featherston residents posted on the Featherston Community Facebook page that they had excess garden produce, and were open to offers. The first swap was a success and another rapidly followed.

The Swap now runs on the second Sunday of every month., from 1pm-2pm and is open to anyone who would like to join in. Fruit, veges, baking, preserves, firewood, and crafts - feel free to bring it all along. No need to book. Just turn up.

Murray Clarkson, the Community Centre's Acting Manager says the benefits of the market are twofold: 'It's an opportunity for people to swap excesses, but also to come together as a community and meet each other.'

Next Featherston Produce Market and Swap: Sunday 10 July, 1pm-2pm. Featherston Community Centre, 14 Wakefield Street, Featherston. Gold coin donation.

## Happy 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, WAIS!

Keith Sawyer reports on the recent festivities.

It was a great day for Green Dollars to celebrate 20 years of successful trading in the Wairarapa.

Twenty six stall holders took advantage of wonderful weather and widespread publicity ahead of Saturday 30 April as they prepared to celebrate in style. And what style was achieved! On top of all the outstanding goods on offer there was a feast of free music to enjoy, a celebratory cake to cut, and some inspiring words from Bob Francis as he praised the Exchange for its 20 years of success.

Some 20 people took advantage of the free membership offer to sign up for the next year, and this plus all of Catie-Lou's recruitment efforts have seen membership rocket by some 44% in the last year. Congratulations to Shanan Aspinall on winning our on-the-day competition about membership growth.

There's never been a better time to be involved in Green Dollars with so many new members offering so many new goods and services. Make sure you check them all out. Happy Days!

## 2011 AGM (Lucky Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May)

The meeting was preceded by stall holder activity, a delicious shared meal, and some spirited bidding during the Mystery Auction which raised funds for the G\$ Administration account.

A crowded kitchen in the Wairarapa Community Centre spoke volumes for the terrific turn-out which then settled down for the business part of the evening: the election of a new committee, the Exchange's new office holders, and the opportunity for some lively debate - in particular surrounding the remits that featured in general business.

### Your 2011/12 Green Dollar Committee:

Hayden McGrail (President), Lyn Tankersley (Treasurer), Lyn Laver (Secretary), Sue Dyer, Gillian Lundie, Norma Jackson, Lesley Stott, Benedicte Tollu

**Guardians:** Helen Dew, Jenny Freemantle, Jan Machin

## 2011/12 ANNUAL WAIS SUBS DUE

A quick look at our CES database shows that nearly half of us have paid our annual subscriptions, which is great.

Your subscription due date should show '1 April 2012' on your account details page on CES. If it doesn't then we have no record of receiving your 2011/12 annual fee. Contact our office if you require clarification.

Just \$25 for the year and payable in NZ\$ (much preferred) or our own WAIS! . To pay online our bank account number is 030687 0321184 00 or else cash/cheque to our office or a committee member. If you can't pay just yet or wish to pay in WAIS please let us know. Admin will deduct W\$25 from the CES accounts of members who have not paid by 30 June 2011.

### Market Tip #2 (a regular series for stallholders)

Display your goods carefully. Too many items on display, requiring customers to dig and rummage, will soon discourage browsers who really just want to look and only touch when they spot something. A small notice saying you also have additional sizes or colours or you can make to order will allow you to display less and better.

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## Welcome to these new WAIS members ...

- 0052 Anne Howarth & Philip Lyth** (06) 372 7620 [anne\\_howarth@live.com](mailto:anne_howarth@live.com) [pjlyth@hotmail.com](mailto:pjlyth@hotmail.com) Offers: hand-painted wax cards, sewing from repairs to dressmaking, eggs. Wants: Egg cartons.
- 0053 Gordon Dell** 027 714 4022 Offers: antique furniture restoration, seasonal apples, quinces, walnuts. Wants: cleaner, electrician
- 0054 Karen & Brent McKay** (06) 378 0322 [bkhb@ihug.co.nz](mailto:bkhb@ihug.co.nz) Offers: wheatpacks, stall-minding. More offers coming as the family gets creative.
- 0055 Craig Bayliss** 027 773 6862 (doesn't do text) Offers: woodsplitting with an axe (wary of dogs, please secure inside or have tied), seasonal rhubarb, mint.
- 0056 Shanan Aspinall** (06) 377 0215 & 027 296 9660 [digigurl@hotmail.com](mailto:digigurl@hotmail.com) Offers: antiques-choose your own theme, mosaic pavers made to order, creative photography.
- 0057 Peter & Paula Warren** (06) 378 0537 [p-warren@xtra.co.nz](mailto:p-warren@xtra.co.nz) Offers: aboriculture services, child-care services, labour services from cutting firewood to gardening.
- 0058 Thomas Vallance** (06) 372 7021 Offers: butchery, all agriculture stuff shearing, fencing etc.
- 0059 Sharon Davison** 377 0215 [s.davison@xtra.co.nz](mailto:s.davison@xtra.co.nz) Offers: baking, knitting, produce-jams, chutneys, relishes etc.
- 0060 Quinton Aspinall** (06) 377 0215 Offers: general engineering, welding, labouring-anything from gardening to DIY
- 0061 Kim McGuckin** (06) 378 0400-please phone evenings. Offers: house-cleaning, preserves, weeding/gardening, cuttings, pot-up-seedlings, Giant Echium, Seasonal organic berries-raspberries, gooseberries, strawberries, boysenberries. Seasonal organic herbs/veg garlic, leeks, parsley etc. Seasonal organic fruit: persimmons, fejoas, peaches, pears, apples, plums
- 0062 Benedicte Tollu** (06) 378 6527 & 021 024 28287 [benedicte.tollusunier@gmail.com](mailto:benedicte.tollusunier@gmail.com) Offers: translations between French and English (french mother tongue)
- 0063 Bob McFarlane** (06) 377 1808 [bobmac@infogen.net.nz](mailto:bobmac@infogen.net.nz) Offers: in season carrots, rhubarb, fejoas, crab apple jelly, citrus. Free range eggs, horse manure, proof reading & editing, writing newspaper articles.
- 0064 Pene Jackson** (06) 377 5002 [pene.j@clear.net.nz](mailto:pene.j@clear.net.nz) Offers: primary school tuition, cooking classes (qualified chef)
- 0065 Libbi Dallas** (06) 212 6268 (Eketahuna) 027 383 5140 [gonenth@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:gonenth@yahoo.co.nz) Offers: Book-keeping-all aspects of it-no job too big or small. Animal Carer (qualified) look after your animals-your place or mine (size of animal no problem), truck-driving: licenses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, D F R T W with hiab endorsement.
- 0066 Iles Potes Morates** (06) 370 5113 [potesitos@yahoo.com](mailto:potesitos@yahoo.com) offers: Spanish classes, manicures
- 0067 Ian Keeling & Victoria Allen** 377 3764 & 027 787 7863 [i.keeling@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:i.keeling@yahoo.co.nz) Offers: weeding/clearing, firewood stacking, window cleaning, gutter clearing, gutter guarding
- 0068 Brian & Sophie Newman** (06) 377 7082 [bnewman@kol.co.nz](mailto:bnewman@kol.co.nz) Offers: photography, computer support
- 0069 Piers & Belinda Fuller** (06) 378 6786 Offers: ESL teacher, swimming lessons, PR marketing, photography-portraits

*We hope you all have active and enjoyable experiences as part of our trading exchange. Remember you can update your offers online, or add more wants, whenever you need to. If you're not on the internet, ring the office and leave a message for us to do it for you.*

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## Carterton Market, Saturday 28 May

It was another good day for traders to get outside stalls at our usual Carterton trading venue – the Senior Citizens Hall. Tony and Lesley brought along the barbeque and tempted many taste buds with hamburgers (with home-made venison patties) which sold out, as well as sausages, thick home-made beef and vegetable soup, and fairtrade filtered coffee. Nobody was left hungry!

There is always an assortment of available goods at market and you can often pick up a good tune while you're there too. It's easy to stock up on knitted woolens at this chillier time of year to add to your winter wardrobe. The quality and time taken to produce these goods are a real credit to the traders, who often charge less than what is deserved.

Mary had an assortment of soft toys and knick-knacks that made for an interesting display and kept her busy between customers. Ruth has regular customers re-stocking their pantry with her condiments, and when you see the variety of combinations she conjures up, you will understand why. Her latest venture is grape juice concentrate, which is pretty tasty served with hot or cold water or with lemonade.

Several traders provide tasty, home-made preserves in a variety of original and traditional flavours. (Grocery store offerings pale in comparison for both taste and texture.)

- *Catie-Lou Manson*



## AGM Night – ‘Green Friday’ 13<sup>th</sup> May



## Celebrating our local musicians in May – NZ Music Month



**Left to right:** Stefan Brown, Ljion, David Christopher on guitar & Christine Loveday on bass (the songwriters behind Nzumeus), Dave Dewsnap and Jacqui Knox (Redshift).

WAIS has many talented members. May is a special time to reflect upon the musical side of things and appreciate our original songwriters and performers, who have been kind enough to provide some great local music contributing to the social scene and atmosphere at some of our markets. Thank-you to you all for your input, entertainment and time, and we wish you all the best for future successes.

## Living Economies – a thriving network

*Helen Dew brings news from the recent Living Economies Annual Gathering.*

Living Economies, a national educational Trust, joined WAIS two years ago. We're dedicated to finding alternatives to the destructive economics we all seem tied in to. As well as facilitating research and discussion, we offer support and encouragement to communities seeking to empower themselves and build resilience through local trading systems.

Some exciting developments reported at our recent Annual Gathering include:

- LOAVES – a voucher based business and community trading system – is soon to launch in Ashhurst. ([www.loaves.org.nz](http://www.loaves.org.nz)).

- Several new Timebanks have started up around the country in the past year.

- A number of interest-free savings and loan collectives have been set up.

- We have launched our new website and on-line shop at [www.le.org.nz](http://www.le.org.nz).

Start-up money for LOAVES was provided by the Palmerston North City Council from their community initiatives fund. The launch will take place as soon as 50 main street businesses are signed on.

New Zealand's first Timebank began in Lyttelton and membership now exceeds 400. Members share skills and services on the basis of equality and reciprocity, where all 'earnings' are counted in hours. Everyone's hour is of equal value, regardless of what service has been traded. The Timebank contribution as part of the response team in the wake of the recent earthquakes has sparked many enquiries from other communities who recognise Timebanks' potential for building caring, cooperative, and resilient communities.

Savings and loans collectives have enabled participants to access interest-free funds for such purposes as retiring interest-bearing debt, paying for dental treatment, and building a home.

Our main project for 2011 is the production of a New Zealand edition of the book *Fleeing Vesuvius*, published in Ireland in November last year in response to that country's economic collapse and the unfolding of the world's environmental and resource crises. The promotion of the book should take our challenges to the monetary system out into the public arena for debate. Pre-launch orders are welcome!

Plans are underway for our 2012 Gathering, to be held in Turangi in April, in conjunction with Australasian Permaculture, Transition Towns and other grass-roots organisations. The event is likely to attract 700 – 1,000 people.

*For further information about these developments email [info@le.org.nz](mailto:info@le.org.nz), phone Helen Dew on 06 379 8034, or visit [www.le.org.nz](http://www.le.org.nz) where you can also see Living Economies extensive range of books, DVDs, and magazines – all available on WAIS.*

### GARAGE SALE SAT 18 JUNE

Member, Deb Rolston, is having a huge clearout and is having a green dollar garage sale 9am-12 Saturday 18th June at her place; 16 Nikau Heights, Te Ore Ore, Masterton. Members can buy in NZ\$ or WAIS.

### FAST FIX ON SELLERS CES TRANSACTION ERRORS

We all make mistakes (even Admin) but if you have charged the wrong person or charged the wrong amount, you can delete the transaction. The following needs to be done by the seller (who made the error) within 10 days.

**Log into CES, click on 'My Statement of Account' in the middle of your CES personal home page. This will display your most recent trades. Click on the Description of the trade that you would like to cancel. That will bring up the 'Edit/Delete Transaction' form. Click the [Delete] button to delete the transaction.**

## WAIS Classifieds

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