

Huge Local Support Humbling *Home for Hospice campaign reaches its goal*

Last October, the goal of raising \$500,000 to purchase our Havelock Street property seemed very daunting. However, in a few short months, the fundraising team has raised the full amount required to secure the purchase.



The property is proving to be a perfect base for our services and therapies, and ownership will considerably minimise the Trust's costs going forward, as well as giving us the opportunity to expand the services we provide. This is a wonderful community-owned asset and we look forward to welcoming the community in to officially open the facility in the near future.

We are very grateful for the generous grants received from the Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury, the Lion Foundation, the Trevor Wilson Charitable Trust, and Advance Ashburton. In addition to these grants, a Hospice Mid Canterbury Foundation Group of 20 members who contributed \$5,000 or more has been established. This group got the fundraising effort off to a great start, bringing in \$156,000 of the total raised. There have also been numerous donations from the

Ashburton community, both individuals and groups including the districts' Lions Clubs.

A large legacy tree mural, generously created by Jeff at Harvey Signs, is now a permanent feature at the Hospice and will acknowledge donors who have supported the purchase of the property. This will be a permanent acknowledgement of the generosity of our community. Donors of \$200 or above will have a named leaf on the tree and all donors, for any amount, will be recorded in a ledger which will be kept in the house. While the purchase price was our primary goal, the legacy tree campaign will continue in order to raise funds which will go directly to Hospice services, supporting those with a life-limiting illness.

If you would like to donate \$200 or more to have a named leaf on the tree, please see page 4. Leaves can also be donated in memory of a loved one.

Tribute to Rodger Bradford

It was with great sadness that we acknowledged the passing of Rodger Bradford on 22 November 2020.

Rodger became a trustee with Hospice Mid Canterbury in 2015, bringing extensive skills and networks to the table through his vast business experience and standing in the community.

He was an active member of the Funding & Events committee, and he played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Hospice shop on Tancred Street in 2017, continuing to serve on the shop committee since its inception.

Rodger played a huge role in the development of Hospice Mid Canterbury with his drive and enthusiasm always at the fore to keep things moving. He was deeply respected by everyone in the hospice team, and his wisdom, sense of humour and unwavering support is deeply missed.



Rodger Bradford (right) with Tony Todd helping with the Hospice shift.

Principal Sponsor:



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Home for Hospice- Foundation Group

Pictured, right, are the majority of the members of the Hospice Mid Canterbury Foundation Group.

This group of generous locals made significant donations to the Home for Hospice campaign, donating a total of \$156,000 between them.

This funding provided a significant boost to the campaign and put the purchase of the property within reach.



Behind the scenes – Fundraising

Fundraising for Hospice Mid Canterbury is a constant challenge but our innovative fundraising committee always has something on the go...



Hard at work applying for grants for Hospice Mid Canterbury are Debbie Mackle, General Manager, and Jane Wright, Board Member.



Tracey Fuller, our Hospice Shop manager, behind the scenes, sorting donated goods.



Pam, Debbie Mackle and Christine selling raffle tickets in the Arcade.



Busy planning for our May fundraiser "Bubbles and Bling" are (left to right) Angela Farr, Linnie Scammell, Christine Todd, Pam McCormick, Barbara Redmond, Anne Marie Leech and Kate Murney.

Hospice Mid Canterbury in association with Midlands presents

Bubbles & Bling

FRAGRANCE AND MÉTHODE TRADITIONELLE MASTER CLASS

1.30pm - 4.00pm

Saturday 29th May 2021 Trott's Gardens

Cost \$95

Glass of bubbles on arrival and sumptuous afternoon tea

Our two special guests will be showcasing their fragrance and wine ranges



BENNY CASTLES

- ◆ Partner, designer and director of WORLD, one of NZ's most iconic and avant-garde fashion house
- ◆ Entertaining masterclass on the history, culture and the cult of fragrance



VIRGINIE LE BRUN

- ◆ Marketing manager of No.1 Family Estate, industry leader in making Méthode Traditionelle
- ◆ Presentation of wine range
- ◆ Well known actress on Shortland Street

Tickets now available from Hospice Mid Canterbury
Contact belinda@hospicemc.nz
or 3078387



All money raised from the events will go to our local Hospice to support ongoing services.



Principal event sponsor

April Activity Programme for clients and their families

7th April Exercise Class

8th April Chair Yoga

9th April Exercise Class

12th April Pamper yourself—
Nails

14th April Exercise class

16th April Exercise Class

20th April Armchair Travel

21st April Exercise class

23rd April Exercise Class

26th April Catch up Cuppa
*Stay connected with our
catch-up cuppa*

28th April Exercise class

30th April Exercise Class

Future Activities

- Housie
- Crafts
- Painting

If you are interested in coming along to these activities at 70 Havelock Street, please phone Belinda: 307 8387 or 027 227 8387 or email belinda@hospicemc.nz



Meet our New Activities Co-ordinator - Sharron Wilson

Sharron Wilson has recently joined the Hospice team as the Activities Co-ordinator. Offering an extended range of activities has been part of the long-term plan for Hospice Mid Canterbury and Sharron's appointment is a significant step in achieving this.

Sharron works at IDEA Services and brings a wealth of experience from her role there. Both Hospice and IDEA Services focus on providing activities which enhance client health and well-being.

Sharron is excited about her new role: "It will be a privilege to work with Hospice clients and families to plan activities for

them to enjoy." She strongly believes that programmes need to cater for everyone's needs to enhance well-being at a challenging time in their lives.

She is already buzzing with ideas for activities, from seasonal offerings to various themes, and welcomes any suggestions from the community. See the April programme above for a taste of what is to come. Volunteers will be an integral part of the programmes and Sharron is looking forward to meeting clients and caregivers.

Donors & Supporters

Thanks to everyone who has given us their support both through cash donations and by providing their services, including those who have contributed to our Home for Hospice appeal. Thanks especially to our business supporters (see right) and the following:

- Red Cross (AED Unit)
- Brophy Knight
- DPI Design and Print
- Ashburton District Council
- Harvey's Bakehouse
- RMF Silva
- Lion Zone Committee
- Cowdy and Co. Ltd
- Ankur Arora
- EA Networks Centre Gym
- Ross Shaw & Maria Theilen-Shaw
- Farmers Ltd
- Jane Joho
- Ruth Ivison

Business supporters

Principal Sponsors:

- **Bradford Group**
- **Kate Murney**

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- **EA Networks**

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- **Alan Pye**
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- **Ashburton Club and MSA**
- **McLeod Real Estate**
- **Mathieson Accountants**
- **Midlands Seed**
- **Neumanns**
- **Rosco Auto Dismantlers**
- **South Island Seeds**

Hospice Mid Canterbury Research Project Results

In 2020 researchers from the University of Canterbury evaluated the support and services that Hospice Mid Canterbury provided to clients and their families (2017-2019).

Here is a summary of the findings:

- Clients and carers are generally satisfied with HMC's care and support.
- Volunteers felt fulfilled in their work and felt supported by HMC.
- HMC's strengths were its passionate team, quality client-focused services, and welcoming empathetic culture.

Recommendations included more sustainable funding, more services catering for people with non-cancer illnesses, diversified programmes, and increased accessibility and promotions of HMC's services in the Ashburton community.

Business Supporter Profile

EA Networks is one of our valued business supporters.

EA Networks explain why they chose to become a Silver Sponsor of Hospice Mid Canterbury, making an annual donation of \$2,500:



EA Networks is Mid Canterbury's locally owned co-operative network company, which operates the region's electricity and fibre optic communications networks. We have proudly sponsored Hospice Mid Canterbury since 2018.

Being locally owned and operated, EA Networks has strong ties to the community. The business is passionate about not only providing safe and reliable service to our community, but also in supporting organisations which provide valuable support to local residents.

EA is proud to contribute to Hospice Mid Canterbury and the vital service they provide to local families and individuals during very difficult times.

**Check out our website
www.hospicemc.nz
or our Facebook page**

If you would prefer Hospice Mid Canterbury newsletters to be emailed to you, please email belinda@hospicemc.nz and we'll put you on our data base.

Donations to Hospice Mid Canterbury

If you wish to donate to Hospice Mid Canterbury, you may do so in a number of ways.

- Internet banking 06-0837-0319291-00
- Cash to Hospice Mid Canterbury c/- Brophy Knight Ltd, PO Box 314 Ashburton 7740
- Drop off at the Hospice Base, 70 Havelock Street, Ashburton.

All donations over \$5 are tax-deductible.

The Privacy Act of 1993 requires us to advise you that we keep contact information of supporters on file to help us with fund-raising. If you do not wish us to keep your information, please advise us.