

# NEWSLETTER

Friends of Christchurch City Libraries

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CHRISTCHURCH  
CITY LIBRARIES  
Ngā Hoahoa o  
Ngā Kete Wānanga-o-Ōtautahi

## BOOK SALE 2017

23—25 March

Pioneer Stadium, Lyttelton Street

If you have spare time between March 23-25,  
please contact Barbara Clarke

The annual Libraries' Book Sale which we 'person' and assist to run is one of the most popular events of the Friends' year. This year the sale runs from 4.30pm Thursday 23 March to 4pm Saturday 25 March at the Pioneer Stadium, Lyttelton Street, Spreydon. The profits from the Libraries' Book Sale are returned to the Libraries, making it a very worthwhile project.

Although we have had an excellent response to our call for helpers to assist with the set-up of the sale, we could still use additional helpers on the Friday morning and evening, Saturday morning, afternoon and pack-down sessions of the sale. Helpers keep the sale tables tidy and well stocked, calculate the cost of selected items, enter cash sales and Eftpos payments and help with the after-sale breakdown and pack up.

Session times are

**Thursday: 10.00 – 1.00 pm; 1.00 – 4.30 pm; 4.30 – 7.15pm.**

**Friday: 8.30am – 12.30pm; 12.15 – 4.30pm; 4.15 - 7.15pm.**

**Saturday: 8.30am - 12.30pm; 12.15 - 4.15pm; 4.00 - 6.00pm**

The Friends of the Library committee would really appreciate your assistance with the Sale even if you're available for only one session. Please note there is some book lifting and standing involved but you do get to sample truly delicious home baking!

Your offer of help can be made to

**Barbara Clarke, 980-8596** or email [Friendsofchchlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:Friendsofchchlibrary@gmail.com) entering 'Library Sale help' in the subject field and including the times you can assist.

# BOOK TALKS

Philip Tew

Tuesday 14 March 12.30pm at Fendalton Library

Philip Tew works for Christchurch City Libraries. He is one of the five Selection & Access Librarians. Resource selection is divided into five areas and his area is Fiction (the largest part), Philosophy & Religion, Language, Literature. Philip also selects e-books in these same categories (from three different e-book companies).



His main focus is on the content of these resources and not the technical aspects of access.

Philip will talk about what is popular in fiction, changes in subject matter and themes “over the years” and what is possible in the future.

## Book Sale Subscription Reminder



Only 'Friends of Christchurch City Libraries' who've paid their \$10.00 2016/2017 subscriptions will be admitted to the special Book Sale Preview from 4.30pm to 7.00pm on Thursday 23 March. Names will be checked against the current membership list before entry. The Friends' financial year runs from April through to March but at the end of January more

than 40 'Friends' were yet to renew their membership.

**If you're not sure whether you've paid your current year's subscription** please give Norma, the Membership Secretary a call on 741-1654.

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Saturday 10 June  
2pm at Fendalton  
Library



Jane Robertson

Tuesday 16 April 12:30 pm at Fendalton Library

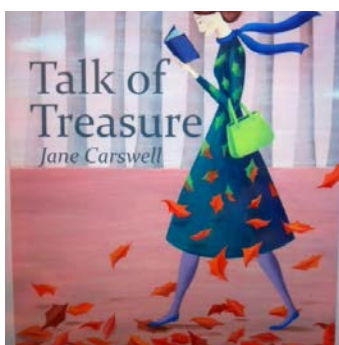


Jane is the author of the recently published *Head of the Harbour: A History of Governors Bay, Ōhinetahi, Allandale and Teddington*. She has a background in teaching and teacher education (College of Education and University of Canterbury) and research in the field of higher education. Setting up her own academic editing business offered greater flexibility and the opportunity to undertake a writing project which culminated in *Head of the Harbour*.

Jane will talk about the process of writing *Head of the Harbour* – its beginnings, the way it (sometimes unexpectedly) evolved, as well as the pleasures and pitfalls of publishing a local history. She will share some of her findings and (technology willing!) a selection of the many historical photos that appear in the book.

Jane Hole writing as Jane Carswell

Tuesday 9 May 12:30 pm at Fendalton Library



Jane is a member of the Friends of the Christchurch Libraries, and in June 2010 gave a book talk to the Friends about her recently published book 'Under the Huang Jiao Tree'. She returns to talk about her new book, ***Talk of Treasure***



Jane Carswell began working at Pegasus Press shortly after their publication of Janet Frame's seminal novel *Owls Do Cry*, and years later published her own book, an award-winning memoir *Under the Huang Jiao Tree*. This is Jane Carswell's second non-fiction book. She was born in England, studied Italian in Perugia and taught English in Chongqing, China, which led to her first book "*Under the Huang Jiao Tree*", winner of the Whitcoulls/Travcom Travel book of the year 2010. Jane writes and works as a piano teacher in Christchurch and is a Benedictine oblate. She has a 1912 straight-strung Bechstein piano, a split-cane fly rod and grandchildren who remind her what really matters.

# Library Notes

New Brighton temporary library closed and reopened in its original building by the pier on Monday 13 February.



Lyttelton's temporary library will close from Monday 27 February and they will re-open in their refurbished building in London Street on Monday 13 March.

The building of both the new Bishopdale and Sumner Libraries is on track for opening in June and August respectively.

Several large concrete slabs are now in place for the cores of the new Central Library building so the landscape on the corner of Colombo and Gloucester Street is changing.

2017 brings a new timetable for the Mobile Library. This includes an extra stop in Parklands. The full timetable is available at <http://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/mobile-library-timetable/>

Not sure what to read next? Check out the Top lists of 2016 at <http://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/most-popular-items-in-2016/>

And if you cannot get to the library, why not give an eBook, eAudiobook, or an eMagazine a go. Access to these is available 24/7, so long as you have a library card and PIN, and a mobile device. More information is available on the library's website at <http://my.christchurchcitylibraries.com/>



**Bishopdale Library taking shape.** Photo taken by Elaine Sides, Selection and Access Team Leader, Chch Libraries, on 19 January 2017.