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<b>Nabob Lane</b>		A nabob was a governor in India during the Mogul empire. Another meaning is a wealthy man, especially one who has made his fortune in the Orient. Sir John Cracroft-Wilson (1808-1881) was often called "Nabob" Wilson or "the Nabob".	Cracroft	Named to continue the tradition of using Indian placenames as street names in the locality.  The last 30 sections of the Cracroft family estate, at 60 Worsleys Road, were auctioned on 8 December 2007.  Named in 2004.	Bengal Drive, Chittagong Lane, Darjeeling Place, Delhi Place, Indira Lane, Jahan Lane, Lucknow Place, Nehru Place, Sasaram Lane and Shalamar Drive. Also Cashmere.	<a href="#">Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board agenda 7 September 2004</a>  <a href="#">Report of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board to the Council meeting of 23 September 2004</a>  <a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 241	View the biography of <a href="#">John Cracroft Wilson</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  "Indians of Cashmere", The Press, 18 July 2009, p D9  "Cracroft sections sell fast", The Press, 12 December 2007, p C22
<b>Nacelle Road</b>		Named after the nacelle, a cover housing which holds engines, equipment or fuel on an aircraft.	Wigram	In the Wigram Skies subdivision.  Named to continue the aviation theme of street names in the subdivision.  Named in 2013.	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 6 August 2013</a>  <a href="#">Minutes of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board 6 August 2013</a>	<a href="#">Wigram Skies</a>
<b>Nairn Street</b>	Edenbridge Street	Named after David Nairn (1833-1916).	Spreydon	Edenbridge Street is first mentioned in The Press in 1880 when a property for sale there is advertised. First appears in street		" <a href="#">Property sale</a> ", The Press, 21 June 1880, p 2  "Street names changed: City council approves	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N1  " <a href="#">Death</a> ", The Press,

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				<p>directories in 1902.</p> <p>Re-named Nairn Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.</p> <p>Nairn was a nurseryman who established businesses at Burke Street, Barrington Street and, later, 166 Lincoln Road. His last nursery was in Edenbridge Street. The business closed in the 1960s when its land was bought by the Ministry of Works for motorway development.</p>		<p>final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p>8 July 1916, p 1</p> <p><a href="#">"Old time memories"</a>, The Press, 7 November 1907, p 8</p> <p><a href="#">"Pioneer gardeners"</a>, The Star, 11 October 1919, p 8</p> <p><a href="#">Down the years in Christchurch : a century of progress</a>, p [30]</p> <p><a href="#">"New names for streets"</a>, The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p><a href="#">"New street names"</a>, The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">"Bill Buchan: tree-planting doyen"</a>, The Press, 17 December 1991, p 13</p>

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Nalder Place		Named after George William Nalder (1817-1884).	Linwood	Nalder was a barrister and solicitor. He bought half of Town Section 700 containing Press Lane for £425. He spent the last few years of his life in Akaroa.  In a group of three streets named after early Canterbury personalities.  First appears in street directories in 1957.	Jollie Street and Thomas Street.		<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N4  " <a href="#">Sudden death at Akaroa</a> ", Star, 1 May 1884, p 2  " <a href="#">Deaths</a> ", Star, 6 May 1884, p 2  " <a href="#">The late Mr Nalder</a> ", The Akaroa Mail, 6 May 1884, p 2

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<b>Nancorne Lane</b>		Named after Nellie “Nan” Corne (1910-1985).	Halswell	<p>Nan Corne was a teacher at Halswell School and lived on Kennedys Bush Road. She was the driving force behind the establishment of the Halswell swimming pool in 1971 and left money in her will to the Paparua County Council to pay for its improvement and maintenance.</p> <p>The streets in the Longhurst subdivision are named after local identities and homesteads in the locality.</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Longhurst	<p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 3 April 2012</a></p> <p><a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 3 April 2012</a></p>	<p>“Swimming club stalwart leaves money to county”, Observer, 2 September 1985</p> <p><a href="#">Longhurst</a></p>

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<b>Nancy Avenue</b>	Mercia Street	Formerly Mercia Street. Named after Mercia Parkes Clarke, née Jackman, (1899-1970).  Re-named Nancy Street.	Mairehau	Mercia Clarke was one of three daughters of John Jackman (1868?-1942), an accountant and his wife Ann Ellen Jackman, née Newell, (1869?-1959). She was a descendant of early landowners, George Acheson Newell (1841-1918) and his wife, Martha Newell (1845?-1909).  The Jackman family owned a large property in Innes Road. Their land was later subdivided and three streets formed.  Mercia Street is mentioned in street directories of 1950 as running off 265 Innes Road.  Re-named Nancy Street in 1951.  [Mercia Street was too similar to nearby Mersey Street.]	Ethne Street and Norah Street.	<a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a> , p 164  Z Arch 387, <a href="#">When the street was a village</a> , p 36	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N66  "Death", The Press, 13 July 1909, p 1  "Obituary", The Press, 3 April 1918, p 8  "Obituary", The Press, 20 July 1942, p 6

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Napier Drive		Named after Roland Ernest Napier (1895-1958).	Wigram	<p>Napier was an engineer of 148 Olliviers Road, Linwood. He graduated from the Canterbury Flying School on 22 December 1917.</p> <p>In the Wigram Aerodrome subdivision by Ngāi Tahu Property Ltd where the street names are either of aircraft or taken from the list of the first 100 students at the Flight School established by Sir Henry Wigram in 1917.</p> <p>Named in 2010.</p>	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 1 June 2010</a>	<p>Great Britain, Royal Aero Club Aviators' Certificates, 1910-1950 as found on <a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury (NZ) Aviation Co. Ltd: the first one hundred pilots</a></p> <p><a href="#">Wigram Skies</a></p>

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<b>Napoleon Close</b>		Named after Napoléon Bonaparte (1769-1821).	Harewood	<p>Bonaparte was a French military and political leader.</p> <p>Frenchman Alfred Victor Le Roi (1906-1997) was once the owner of the land where this street was formed.</p> <p>Developed at 519 Harewood Road.</p> <p>Named in 1999.</p>	Becmead Drive, Le Roi Way and Rawei Close.	<a href="#">Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board agenda 2 February 1999</a>	

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Naseby Street		Named after Naseby Church of England School, Northamptonshire.	Merivale	<p>One of a number of streets in the area named after English public schools.</p> <p>“Cheap” building sections in “Naseby Street in the Merivale Estate” are advertised for sale in the Star in 1905.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1906.</p> <p>[37 Naseby Street was the home of William Sefton Moorhouse (1825?-1881), a lawyer and politician, who became the provincial superintendent.]</p>	Cheltenham Street, Repton Street, Rossall Street, Rugby Street, Sherborne Street, Shrewsbury Street, Stoneyhurst Street, Tonbridge Street and Winchester Street.	<p>“<a href="#">Advertisements</a>”, Star, 15 July 1905, p 8</p> <p>“Would road by any other name stay as street”, Pegasus Post, 12 July 1978, p 16</p>	



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<b>Nash Road</b>	Magdala Road	Formerly Magdala Road. Named after the Mount Magdala Convent.  Re-named Nash Street. Named after Walter Nash (1882-1968).	Halswell	Magdala Road first appears in street directories in 1964. Mount Magdala Convent and St. Joseph's Boys' Home are listed there.  Re-named Nash Road in 1972.  Re-named because the boys at the school found difficulty with the word Magdala, plus Nash is an easy name both to spell and pronounce and fits easily on street maps.  Nash was a clerk, commercial traveller, shopkeeper, politician and prime minister.		Information supplied in 2008 by Bede Cosgriff (d. 2011) in an interview with Margaret Harper.	<a href="#">Mount Magdala : 80 years of care...with a short history of the institution</a>  View the biography of <a href="#">Walter Nash</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .

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<b>Nautilus Place</b>		Named after the marine coiled shell.	Brooklands	<p>It was also the name of the launch that was shipped to Gallipoli to assist with the evacuation of soldiers in 1914.</p> <p>In a subdivision at 346A Lower Styx Road by Smith Developments Ltd adjoining the southern portion of Seafeld Park. The names chosen all have a connection with the sea.</p> <p>Named in 2001.</p>	Calypso Place, Hemingway Place and Seabrooke Drive.	<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 21 November 2001</a>	

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Nayland Street		Named after Stoke-by-Nayland, in south Suffolk, England.	Sumner	<p>Nayland Street was the original road to Lyttelton.</p> <p>One of the Sumner street names connected with the Wakefield family. One of Edward Gibbon Wakefield's sisters was married to the Rev. C. M. Torlesse, vicar of Stoke-by-Nayland.</p> <p>Nayland Street is first mentioned in The Press in 1877 when a property for sale there is advertised. Land in Nayland Street in "the Township of Wakefield, Sumner Bay" is advertised for sale in the Star in 1880.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1910.</p>		<p><a href="#">Early Christchurch and Canterbury : newspaper clippings ca 1923-1950</a>, Vol 2, p 168</p> <p><a href="#">Sumner</a>, p 16</p> <p><a href="#">Sumner to Ferrymead: a Christchurch history</a>, p 208</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 20 October 1877, p 5</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", Star, 18 September 1880, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">Untitled</a>", The Press, 23 January 1924, p 11</p>	

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<b>Nazareth Avenue</b>		Named because the street was developed on the site of the St. Joseph's Boys' Home, an orphanage and a brother home to Nazareth House.	Middleton	Formed post-1997.	Magdala Place and Marylands Reserve.		<a href="#">“St Joseph’s Boys’ Home”</a> , The Press, 11 April 1921, p 8
<b>Neathwest Avenue</b>			Broomfield	First appears in street directories in 1993.			
<b>Neave Place</b>		Named after Francis Digby Spencer Neave (1842-1913).	Hillmorton	Neave owned the Mount Algidus run for 27 years. He was also a fellow of Christ’s College and he lived at Okeover in Ilam.  One of the streets in the area formed on land belonging to <a href="#">Christ’s College</a> .  First appears in street directories in 1972.	Bean Street, Bidwell Place, Charles Upham Avenue, Grigg Place, Harling Avenue, West-Watson Avenue and Warren Crescent.	“West-Watson Park”, The Press, 14 September 1957, p 4	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N28  “ <a href="#">Obituary</a> ”, Ashburton Guardian, 8 October 1913, p 5

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<b>Nehru Place</b>		Named after Jawaharlal Nehru (1889-1964).	Cashmere	<p>Nehru was the first Prime Minister of India at independence in 1947, holding the office until his death.</p> <p>One of the streets in Cashmere given the name of a place in India.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1987.</p>	Bengal Drive, Chittagong Lane, Darjeeling Place, Delhi Place, Indira Lane, Jahan Lane, Lucknow Place, Nabob Lane, Nehru Place, Sasaram Lane and Shalamar Drive. Also Cashmere.	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 241	"Indians of Cashmere", The Press, 18 July 2009, p D9
<b>Neill Street</b>		Named after the Neill family.	Hornby	<p>The Neill family were early settlers in the area. George Neill was a farmer of Halswell. His son, Robert Neill (1847?-1917), married Netty Harris at St Mary's Church, Halswell in 1889.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1960.</p>		" <a href="#">Marriages</a> ", The Press, 21 June 1889, p 4	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 9 June 1917, p 13

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<b>Nelson Street</b>		Named after the city and province of Nelson.	Riccarton	<p>One of a group of streets named after places in central New Zealand.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Press in 1901 in a report of a meeting of the Riccarton Road Board. The surveyor reported on the roads in Hall's township, and it was decided the board would take over Nelson Street, Elizabeth Street, Marlborough Street and Picton avenue, from Riccarton road to south side of Dilworth Street and from south side of Alma Street to the southern end of Picton avenue.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1908.</p>	Blenheim Road, Levin Street, Lyndon Street (formerly Marlborough Street) and Picton Avenue.	“ <a href="#">Road Boards</a> ”, The Press, 13 September 1901, p 6	
<b>Nepal Place</b>			Burnside	First appears in street directories in 1987.			
<b>Neptune Place</b>		Named after King Neptune, god of the sea.	Waimairi Beach	First appears in street directories in 1995.			

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<b>Netherby Lane</b>			Shirley	First appears in street directories in 1995.			
<b>Netley Place</b>		Named after Netley Marsh in Hampshire, England.	Aranui	In an area where all the streets are named after places in the county of Hampshire. There is a Christchurch city and a River Avon in Hampshire. Named on 15 March 1961. First appears in street directories in 1968.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.	
<b>Neville Street</b>			Spreydon	First appears in street directories in 1903.			

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<b>New Brighton Road</b>	The old Brighton Road and River Road.		Burwood, New Brighton, Shirley	<p>The old Brighton Road was the original road from the centre of the city to New Brighton. It was formed in the 1860s by the Avon Road Board and created because it ran to the north of the river Avon and followed a route which avoided the rivers.</p> <p>From Racecourse Road (later Bower Avenue) to the Seaview Road Bridge was formerly River Road and re-named New Brighton Road on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.</p>		<p>Information about the old Brighton Road supplied by the late Richard Innes, chief surveyor of Christchurch 1968-1978, in an interview with Richard Greenaway.</p> <p>"New Brighton signposts to the past", <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a>, 19 February 1975, p 2</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p>"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>"New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>
<b>New Regent Street</b>		Named after Regent Street in London.	Central city	<p>The area was originally known as "The Circus paddock" as it was where circuses set themselves up in the 1880s. It was also the site of the massive Colosseum which had been used as a skating rink, theatre, boot factory and a garage.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">Proposed new street</a>", The Press, 5 December 1929, p 4</p> <p>"<a href="#">Spanish street</a>", The Press, 13 December 1929, p 14</p> <p>"<a href="#">New city street</a>", The Press, 14 December 1929, p 16</p>	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">George Gould</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a></p> <p>"Mr H. F. Willis, noted architect, dies", The Press, 18 May 1972, p 17</p>



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				<p>The street is rated a heritage site because of the Spanish mission style of its continuous facades chosen by architect Harry Francis Willis (1893?-1972).</p> <p>The street was first proposed by George Gould (1865-1941) in 1929. Arthur Francis Stacey (1888?-1952), a valuer and estate agent, was responsible for its construction. It was opened by the mayor, D. G Sullivan, in 1932.</p>		<p>"<a href="#">The new street</a>", The Press, 7 February 1930, p 12</p> <p>"<a href="#">New Regent Street: modern business thoroughfare: many difficulties overcome</a>", The Press, 1 April 1932, p 4</p> <p>"Opening of Regent Street", The Star, 2 April 1932, p 11</p> <p>"Obituary", The Press, 2 July 1952, p 11</p> <p>"New Regent Street was our first mall", The Press, 17 April 1985, p 12</p> <p>"Preserving street style", The Press, 10 April 2004, p D4</p>	<p><a href="#">Gwenda Turner's Christchurch: an enchanted journey through the Garden City</a></p>

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<b>Newall Avenue</b>		Named after Cyril Louis Norton Newall, the 1st Baron Newall (1886-1963).	Bryndwr	Newall was Marshal of the Royal Air Force, commanded the RAF in the Middle East and was Chief of Air Staff 1937-1940. He was the Governor-General of New Zealand 1941-1946.  First appears in street directories in 1948.			<a href="#">Governor-General of Aotearoa, New Zealand</a>
<b>Newbery Street</b>	Newbury Street	Probably named after Newbury in Berkshire, England.	Opawa	Newbury Street first appears in street directories in 1916.  Re-named Newbery Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.		"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3	"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3  "New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2
<b>Newbridge Place</b>		Probably named after one of the many towns in England named Newbridge.	Ilam	First appears in street directories in 1966.			

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Newcastle Street		Named after Newcastle, a city in north-east England.	Phillipstown	Named by John Alexander Redpath (1846?-1942) in 1909 when he subdivided his land there and laid out the new streets. His land in "Tuam Street, Linwood" is referred to in the Star in 1887. He founded the firm of J A Redpath & Sons Ltd., coal merchants.  First appears in street directories in 1913.	Glasgow Street	" <a href="#">Drainage Board</a> ", Star, 26 October 1887, p 4 " <a href="#">City Council</a> ", The Press, 2 November 1909, p 8 " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 2 September 1930, p 12 [This article lists Harrow Street as named by Redpath. This is incorrect as Harrow Street was named much earlier and is not mentioned in the 1909 article].	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 12 December 1942, p 6 <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : R84
Newland Street			Hoon Hay	First appears in street directories in 1957.			
Newmark Street			Bishopdale	First appears in street directories in 1966.			

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<b>Newnham Terrace</b>	Part of Allan Street.	Formerly Allan Street. Named after Allan Scott.  Re-named Newnham Terrace. Named after Thomas Olivant Newnham (1865?-1942).	Upper Riccarton	Allan (spelt Alan) Street is mentioned in an advertisement in the Press in 1910. The article in The Press, 29 September 1932, says Allan Scott was "a very old resident".  First appears in street directories in 1914.  It was in a dog-leg shape and included what is now Hanrahan Street.  Re-named Fuller Avenue in 1932 by the Waimairi County Council but residents objected to this name. Councillor Walter said that Councillor Newnham "had been connected with the district for a long period, and it would be fitting if it were called Newnham Avenue".	Hanrahan Street	" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 26 February 1910, p 16  " <a href="#">Re-naming of streets</a> ", The Press, 6 September 1932, p 7  " <a href="#">County Councils</a> ", The Press, 29 September 1932, p 8  " <a href="#">County Councils</a> ", The Press, 27 October 1932, p 13	

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				Newnham Terrace was formally named in 1934. Newnham was the chairman of the Waimairi County Council 1927-1928. He is listed living at 5 Newnham Terrace in 1934.			
<b>Newport Place</b>			Avondale	In a subdivision by Paramount Homes. Named on 15 June 1960.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 20 June 1960.	
<b>Ngahere Street</b>		Ngahere means: bush or forest.	Riccarton	Named to continue to commemorate the Deans' efforts to conserve the native forest trees in Riccarton. The naming was also designed to showcase the Maori names of trees.  First appears in street directories in 1950.			View the biography of <a href="#">John Deans</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a> .  "Obituary", The Press, 20 June 1902, p 2
<b>Ngaio Street</b>			St Martins	First mentioned in The Press in 1917.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 25 August 1917, p 16	

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<b>Nga Mahi Road</b>		Nga Mahi means: the works and was used because this property belonged to the Ministry of Works for many years. Its broader meaning is that this is a place where work is undertaken by the businesses that have established themselves in the subdivision.	Sockburn	A through road for a business zone subdivision off Blenheim Road developed in 2002.		<a href="#">Report of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board to the Council Meeting of 26 September 2002</a>	
<b>Ngarimu Street</b>	Palmers Lane, Withers Street and Withers Road	Palmers Lane was an informal name. Named after the Palmer family, early settlers who lived there.  Re-named Withers Street and Withers Road. Named after Frederick Bigg Wither (later Bigg-Wither) (1852?-1934).	Avonside	Palmers Lane never appears in street directories.  Withers Street appears in The Press in 1887 when ratepayers wrote to the Heathcote Road Board asking that the street be formed and metalled. This request was refused as the street was privately owned.  Withers Road first appears in street directories in		<a href="#">Early Dallington</a> , p 10 “ <a href="#">Heathcote</a> ”, The Press, 6 August 1887, p 6 “ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, Star, 13 August 1889, p 2 <a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a> , p 4 <a href="#">Early Dallington</a> , p 10 “ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The	“ <a href="#">The late Captain Westenra</a> ”, The Press, 5 February 1880, p 2 <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : W345 “ <a href="#">Deaths</a> ”, The Press, 20 January 1902, p 1 View the biography of <a href="#">Te Moananui-a-</a>

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		<p>Re-named Westenra Street. Named after Captain Richard Westenra (1794-1880) and his son Parker Westenra (1836?-1902).</p> <p>Re-named Ngarimu Street. Named after Te Moananui-a-Kiwa Ngarimu (1919-1943).</p>		<p>1906. Becomes Withers Street in 1909. Bigg-Wither, a civil engineer, lived at Westerfield, Gloucester Street, Linwood, in the 1880s and 1890s. His wife was Eleanor Sophia Bigg-Wither, née Holden, (1863?-1947). In 1889 she advertises in the Star for a “good general servant”.</p> <p>Re-named Westenra Street in 1911. Westenra was of Her Majesty’s 7th Regiment of Fusiliers. He bought Rural Section 161, 100 acres on the “River Avon South, Slaughterhouse Road”. He arrived in Canterbury in 1851 and built a large house in Hereford Street. He was a member of the Provincial Council and also a Justice of the Peace. Subdivision of his 100 acres in Avonside, by now belonging to his son,</p>		<p>Press, 23 May 1896, p 12</p> <p>“<a href="#">Heathcote</a>”, The Press, 12 September 1911, p 4</p> <p>Avonside Parish leaflet, July 1930, pp 3-4, held at <a href="#">Anglican Archives</a></p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p><a href="#">Kiwa Ngarimu</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p>“New names for streets”, The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>“New street names”, The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>

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				Parker, began in 1896. Re-named Ngarimu Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named. Ngarimu was of Ngati Porou. He won the Victoria Cross posthumously.			
<b>Ngata Place</b>			Hei Hei	First appears in street directories in 1960. Ngata Place was at first considered to be in Hornby. Hornby streets are not listed separately until 1960. It was later listed in Hei Hei.			
<b>Niagara Street</b>		Named after the waterfall on the American and Canadian border.	Wainoni	One of a number of streets in a subdivision between Ottawa Road, Pages Road and Cuffs Road given Canadian place names. Named because Canadian engineers and workers lived in the area while working for Henry J. Kaiser Co of USA and building the Lyttelton road	Baffin Street, Huron Street, Ontario Place, Quebec Place, Vancouver Crescent and Winnipeg Place. See also Ottawa Road.	“Chester Street West or Cranmer Terrace?”, The Press, 28 April 1959, p 7 Information supplied in 2005 by Tim Baker in an interview with Margaret Harper.	<a href="#">“Tunnel’s first blast celebrated”</a> , The Press, 22 July 2011, p A7



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				<p>tunnel. Houses were built for them by Fletcher Construction. After the tunnel was opened in 1964, the Canadians went home and their houses were sold to locals.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Another suggestion is that the streets were named because they were near Ottawa Road.</p> <p>Named in 1959 and first appears in street directories in 1964.</p>			

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Nicholas Drive		Named after Sergeant Henry James Nicholas (1891-1918).	Linwood	<p>Nicholas was awarded the Victoria Cross following his bravery in action at Polderhoek in Belgium on 3 December 1917. Members of his family are buried at Bromley Cemetery.</p> <p>Developed in Sandilands. Houses were built there by the Christchurch City Council for returned soldiers after World War One (1914-1918). It was known as a cottage homes settlement.</p> <p>The street name was suggested at a meeting of the executive of the Christchurch Returned Soldiers' Association on 29 October 1934.</p> <p>Named officially in 1935.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1939.</p>	Sandilands	<p>Information supplied in 2011 by Richard Greenaway.</p> <p>"<a href="#">General news</a>", The Press, 30 October 1934, p 10</p> <p>"<a href="#">Cottage homes at Sandilands</a>", The Press, 28 November 1934, p 20</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 29 January 1935, p 11</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Cottage homes</a>", Evening Post, 10 December 1935, p 11</p> <p>"<a href="#">Disabled soldiers</a>", Evening Post, 2 November 1937, p 11</p> <p><a href="#">Sergeant Henry James Nicholas V.C. memorial unveiled</a></p>

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Nicholls Road		Named after James Nicholl (1838-1917).	Halswell	Nicholls was a gardener at Riccarton. He owned a store with a delivery round.  He later moved to Halswell where he owned a block of land at the western end of what became Nicholls Road.  First appears in street directories in 1912.		“Re Nicholls Road”, <a href="#">Halswell Courier</a> , Vol. 4, No 7, August 1958, pp 8-9	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N96  <a href="#">A short history of Halswell</a> , p 95
Nicholls Street			Richmond	Formed in 1921 in the last large subdivision of Anglican church land in this area. It was part of Rural Section 325, 200 acres, “East Christchurch Road, near Cemetery”, land owned by the Ecclesiastical and Educational trustees of the Anglican church.  First mentioned in The Press in 1921.  First appears in street directories in 1923.		<a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a> , p 8  <a href="#">The Canterbury church property : articles</a> , p 34  "A new departure", The Press, 16 February 1921, p 8  "Story of 700 acres of church property", The Press, 25 February 1947, p 6	

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<b>Nightingale Place</b>		Named after Florence Nightingale (1820-1910).	Papanui	<p>Florence Nightingale was a pioneer of modern nursing.</p> <p>Formed on a subdivision of the former Bethany Maternity Hospital, later Bethany Village, at 34 Paparoa Street. The Salvation Army operated Bethany Maternity Hospital Papanui from 1950 to 1982. Bethany provided services for un-married teenage mothers.</p> <p>Developed by Rookwood Holdings.</p> <p>Named in 2007.</p>		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 16 May 2007</a>	
<b>Nikau Place</b>	Matai Terrace		Riccarton	<p>Matai Terrace first appears in street directories in 1939.</p> <p>Re-named Nikau Place because of confusion for the postal authorities with Matai Street. Residents had been asked by the Riccarton Borough Council to suggest a name. One of them, Betty Crawford (later</p>		Information supplied in 2005 by John and Marjorie Smart, residents of Nikau Place, in an interview with Margaret Harper.	

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				<p>Hutchins), an employee of the Dept of Lands &amp; Survey, and her husband, Bryan, had recently returned from holiday in Nelson. They had admired the stands of nikau palms near the beginning of the Heaphy Track. Betty Crawford also suggested the name because of the street's proximity to Riccarton Bush and also because many local streets are named after native birds and trees. She was delighted when the council agreed with her suggestion.</p> <p>Nikau Place first appears in street directories in 1968.</p>			
<b>Nile Place</b>		Named after the Battle of the Nile in 1798.	North New Brighton	<p>Named to continue the naval theme of streets in the North New Brighton area.</p> <p>Named in 1967.</p>		"Naval names for streets", The Press, 28 April 1967, p 12	

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<b>Nina Lane</b>		Named after the Nina, one of the sailing ships in Christopher Columbus' voyage to America in 1492.	Somerfield	Developed at 86 Conway Street. Named in 1999.		<a href="#">Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board agenda 1 June 1999</a>	
<b>Niven Street</b>			Avondale	First appears in street directories in 1966.			
<b>Noble Place</b>		Named after William Edward Noble (1882-1964).	Halswell	Noble was a farmer of Halswell. First appears in street directories in 1983.			<a href="#">A short history of Halswell</a> , p 117
<b>Noodlum Avenue</b>		Named after Noodlum, a champion pacer.	Halswell	In Stage 6 of the Longhurst subdivision. Named in 2014.	Longhurst	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 15 April 2014</a> <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board 6 May 2014 agenda</a>	<a href="#">Longhurst</a>
<b>Noosa Place</b>		Named after Noosa in Queensland.	North New Brighton	In a group of streets with Australian east coast names. Formed post-1997.	Manly Place, Sea Eagles Place, Surfers Place and Tully Lane.		

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<b>Norah Street</b>		Named after Eileen Norah Jackman (1902-1989).	Mairehau	<p>Eileen Jackman, a teacher, was one of the three daughters of John Jackman (1868?-1942), an accountant, and his wife Ann Ellen Jackman, née Newell, (1869?-1959). She was a descendant of early landowners, George Acheson Newell (1841-1918) and his wife, Martha Newell (1845?-1909).</p> <p>The Jackman family owned a large property in Innes Road. Their land was later subdivided and three streets formed.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1955.</p>	Ethne Street and Nancy Avenue.	<p><a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a>, p 164</p> <p>Z Arch 387, <a href="#">When the street was a village</a>, p 36</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: N66</p> <p>"<a href="#">Death</a>", The Press, 13 July 1909, p 1</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 3 April 1918, p 8</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 20 July 1942, p 6</p>
<b>Norcross Street</b>		Named after Edmund Norcross Corser (1840-1901).	Burwood	<p>Corser farmed on the land where this street was formed.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1993.</p>		<p>Information supplied in 2007 by Marie Corser, a descendant of Edmund Corser, in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: C609</p> <p>"<a href="#">Deaths</a>", Star, 29 March 1901, p 3</p>
<b>Norfolk</b>	Fisher Street	Formerly Fisher	St Albans	Tomes was a son of	Bennett Street,	" <a href="#">Borough Council</a> ",	<a href="#">G R Macdonald</a>

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Street		Street. Named after Robert Fisher Tomes (1856-1923). Re-named Norfolk Street.		Thomas Bennett Tomes (1821?-1875). Fisher Street is first mentioned in the Star in 1879 in a report of a meeting of the Sydenham Borough Council. First appears in street directories in 1894. Re-named Norfolk Street in 1905 when a "Mr T. M. Abbott" wrote to the Avon Road Board asking for the name change. A Papanui war memorial street. [When the kerb and channel was renewed in 2008 efforts were made to retain the appeal of the oak trees so they could remain a WW2 memorial for the community.]	Scotston Avenue and Tomes Road. Also Tillman Avenue.	Star, 24 June 1879, p 3 "Avon", The Press, 21 June 1905, p 9	<a href="#">dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : T298  Chairman's report to the water supply and works committee, Christchurch City Council, 14 November 1945, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  "Tree-mendous historic living streets renewed", <a href="#">Nor'west News</a> , 5 December 2007, p 4



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<b>Normans Road</b>		Named after William George Norman (1816-1891).	Strowan	<p>Norman arrived in Canterbury on the Sir George Seymour in 1850. He began working as a carrier and soon earned enough money to import two draught horses. One of these won first prize in the first agricultural show in Christchurch which was held in Market (later Victoria) Square on 6 October 1853. In 1865 he bought a house on Papanui Road near the present Normans Road, calling it Dorset Villa. He developed a beautiful garden there. The property is described in detail in The Press in 1912 when it was advertised for sale.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1887.</p>		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 12 July 1912, p 11	<p><a href="#">Passenger list for the Sir George Seymour</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: N139</p> <p>"<a href="#">Marriage</a>", Star, 12 September 1881, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", Star, 15 June 1891, p 3</p> <p>"Norman's conquest", The Press, 12 July 2003, p D20</p>

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<b>Norrie Street</b>		Named after Sir Charles Willoughby Moke Norrie, later Baron Norrie of Wellington, New Zealand (1893-1977).	Redwood	Norrie was Governor-General of New Zealand 1952-1957.  First appears in street directories in 1964.	Norrie Park		<a href="#">Governor-General of Aotearoa, New Zealand</a>

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<b>North Avon Road</b>	Sheen Street was incorporated into North Avon Road.	Named North Avon Road because it runs to the north of the Avon River.	Richmond	<p>Formed on part of Rural Section 325 which was land bought by the Ecclesiastical and Educational trustees of the Anglican church.</p> <p>First mentioned in the Star in 1868 in a report of a meeting of the Avon Road Board.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1887.</p> <p>Sheen Street is first mentioned in The Press in 1909 when Rural Section 325 is subdivided. It is described as a “new chain road”.</p> <p>Sheen Street first appears in street directories in 1914 running off Hills Road. Incorporated into North Avon Road on 24 May 1926 when 21 streets were re-named.</p>		<p><a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a>, p 8</p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury church property : articles</a></p> <p>"Story of 700 acres of church property", The Press, 25 February 1947, p 6</p> <p>"<a href="#">Local and General</a>", Star, 1 September 1868, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 26 January 1909, p 12</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 28 May 1926, p 17</p>	<p><a href="#">Richmond community news</a>, Vol 3 No 6 Issue 27</p> <p>"<a href="#">Street names</a>", The Press, 22 February 1926, p 10</p> <p>"<a href="#">Street names</a>", The Press, 26 May 1926, p 11</p>

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<b>Northaw Street</b>		Probably named after Northaw, a village in the Welwyn Hatfield district of Hertfordshire, England.	Hoon Hay	First appears in street directories in 1964.		"New street names", The Press, 2 April 1956, p 7	
<b>Northcote Road</b>	Newton's Road was incorporated into Northcote Road.	Named after Henry Northcote Stafford, 1st Earl of Iddesleigh (1818-1887).  Also Newton's Road. Named after Charles Newton (1832?-1885).	Northcote	Sir Stafford Northcote was a British Conservative politician.  "The Northcote Road" is first mentioned in the Star in a report of a meeting of the Avon Road Board in 1872. Charles Newton, of Northcote Road, is mentioned in the Star in 1874. He died at Northcote, Papanui, in 1885.  Newton's Road first appears in street directories in 1890. Henry Newton is a resident.  Incorporated into Northcote Road in 1900.	Northcote	" <a href="#">Avon Road Board</a> ", Star, 30 May 1872, p 2  " <a href="#">Avon Road Board</a> ", Star, 16 March 1874, p 3	" <a href="#">Deaths</a> ", Star. 4 May 1885, p 2

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<b>Northcroft Street</b>		Named after Erima Harvey Northcroft (1884-1953).	Hoon Hay	<p>Northcroft was a lawyer, military leader and judge. He was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Christchurch in 1935.</p> <p>In a 145-acre housing subdivision planned by the housing division of the Ministry of Works. The land was purchased from the Church Property Trustees and the Loughnan estate.</p> <p>In 1968 the street names sub-committee of the council felt that as Halswell was named after a prominent English Queen's Counsel it would be appropriate to record the names of judges in street names there. Many of them had been QCs or KCs before appointment to the Bench.</p>	Alpers Place, Barrowclough Road, Callan Place, Dalglish Place, Fair Place, Haslam Crescent, Herdman Road, Leicester Crescent, McCarthy Street, Myers Place, O'Leary Street, Ostler Place, Salmond Road and Stanton Crescent.	"Judges' names", The Press, 17 September 1968, p 1	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">Erima Harvey Northcroft</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p>"New Halswell subdivision", The Press, 8 December 1960, p 19</p> <p>"Hoon Hay subdivision provides 570 sections", The Press, 30 September 1964, p 1</p>

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Northfield Road			Casebrook	In a subdivision by Suburban Estates. Names suggested included Northlands Drive and Skyline Place after the previous land-owning company. There is no particular significance in the name.  Named in 1971.		"New road of interest to through traffic", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 30 March 1971, p 7  "Name of through road could be pertinent", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 13 July 1971, p 3  "New names chosen", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 20 July 1971, p 3  "New name required", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 24 August 1971, p 3	

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<b>North Parade</b>	Part of Marshland Road.  The southern section was formerly part of North Avon Road.		Richmond	North Parade is first mentioned in The Press in 1909 when sections for sale there are advertised.  The section of North Avon Road running north to Dudley Creek was re-named North Parade in 1915.  [In 1931, 44 Pyrus Pinnatifida (Whitebeam) trees were planted on the "new side-walk along North Parade.]		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 2 April 1909, p 10  " <a href="#">Civic affairs</a> ", Sun, 13 April 1915, p 2  " <a href="#">City Reserves</a> ", The Press, 25 August 1931, p 11	
<b>Northwood Boulevard</b>			Northwood	The first major road in the Northwood subdivision.  Named on 2 February 2000.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 2 February 2000</a>  <a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 29 March 2000</a>	
<b>Norton Close</b>		Named after James Talbot Norton (1862-1947).	Lyttelton	Norton was a grocer who owned a bakery on Oxford Street.  Formed post-1997.			<a href="#">Lyttelton: port and town : an illustrated history</a> , p 109

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<b>Nortons Road</b>	Norton Street. Cavenham Street was incorporated into Nortons Road.		Avonhead	<p>First mentioned in The Press in 1928.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1928 as Norton Street. Becomes Nortons Road in 1930.</p> <p>Cavenham Street first appears in street directories in 1962. It was incorporated into Nortons Road in 1972.</p>		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 24 February 1928, p 16	
<b>Norwich Quay</b>		Named after the bishopric of Norwich.	Lyttelton	<p>First mentioned in The Lyttelton Times in 1851, appears on a map published in 1867, is mentioned in street directories in 1872 and appears as a listing in 1892, the first year Lyttelton streets are listed.</p>		<p><a href="#">Lyttelton: port and town : an illustrated history</a>, p 28</p> <p>"<a href="#">No.1 – the Bridle Path to the Ferry</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 18 January 1851, p 6</p> <p><a href="#">Map of the town of Lyttelton, 1867</a></p>	



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<b>Norwich Street</b>		Named after the bishopric of Norwich.	Linwood	First mentioned in street directories in 1872. First mentioned in the Star in 1902 when land there is advertised for sale. First appears as a listing in street directories in 1906.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", Star, 15 March 1902, p 8	
<b>Norwood Street</b>	Norwood Avenue and Norwood Road.	Named after Norwood near Beckenham in England.	Beckenham, Sydenham	Formed through the Riverview Estate. Norwood Street first appears in street directories in 1902. Becomes Norwood Road in 1903. Norwood Avenue was dedicated as a public street in 1907. Officially re-named Norwood Street in 1909.	Beckenham	<a href="#">Beckenham: a suburb of Christchurch, New Zealand</a> , p 15 "City Council", Star, 10 September 1907, p 1 <a href="#">Riverview Estate</a> "Street naming", The Press, 3 November 1909, p 3	"Street names", The Press, 6 October 1909, p 6

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<b>Nottingham Avenue</b>		Named after Nottingham, a city in the English Midlands.	Halswell	In the Oaklands subdivision which was developed and named in 1957 by Karl Scott (1910-1997), a journalist and developer. His father's family had emigrated from Nottingham in the early 20 <sup>th</sup> century.  First appears in street directories in 1957.	Oaklands	Information supplied in 2008 by Bede Cosgriff (d. 2011) in an interview with Margaret Harper.  <a href="#">A short history of Halswell</a> , p 107	
<b>Nova Place</b>	York Street		Central city	A report in the Star in 1880 of a meeting of the City Council says York Street has been "channelled, formed and shingled".  First appears in street directories in 1883.  Re-named Nova Place in 1918.		" <a href="#">City Council</a> ", Star, 15 June 1880, p 3	" <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 13 September 1924, p 13
<b>Nugent Street</b>			Aranui	Named on 15 March 1961.  First appears in street directories in 1968.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.	

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<b>Nunweek Boulevard</b>		Named because of its proximity to Nunweek Park which, in turn, is named after Henry Nunweek (1826-1914).	Harewood	The property where the street was formed had been known as the Nunweek Block for many years.  Named in 1999.	Nunweek Park	<a href="#">Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board agenda 2 February 1999</a>  <a href="#">Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board agenda 4 May 1999</a>	<a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a> , p 651  <a href="#">Early fruitgrowing in Canterbury New Zealand</a> , pp 31-34  <a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : N162  " <a href="#">Pioneer settlers</a> ", The Press, 22 September 1902, p 5  " <a href="#">Personal</a> ", Auckland Star, 26 September 1914, p 4

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<b>Nursery Road</b>	Duncan's Road was incorporated into Nursery Road.	Named after the nursery on 5½ acres of land off Ferry Road owned by Andrew Duncan (1831-1880).	Phillipstown, Waltham.	<p>Andrew Duncan, son of George Duncan (1791-1866), was the third mayor of Christchurch in 1869.</p> <p>Duncan's Road does not appear in street directories but is shown on an 1879 map running between Ferry Road and Tuam Street only.</p> <p>Land for sale in Nursery Road "Cashel Street east" is advertised for sale in The Press in 1873. So it appears that Duncan's Road was incorporated into Nursery Road.</p> <p>Nursery Road first appears in street directories in 1885.</p>	Mary Duncan Park	<p><a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and suburbs, 1879</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 30 December 1873, p 4 col 4</p>	<p><a href="#">Studies on pioneer Canterbury nurserymen</a>, p 27</p> <p>"<a href="#">Deaths</a>", Star, 10 December 1880, p 2</p> <p>"<a href="#">The late Mr Andrew Duncan</a>", Star, 10 December 1880, p 3</p>
<b>Nyoli Street</b>			Northcote	First appears in street directories in 1952.			
<b>Nyton Place</b>			Bryndwr	First appears in street directories in 1962.			

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<b>O'Connor Place</b>		Named after Reginald Vincent O'Connor (1927-).	Burnside	O'Connor, of O'Connor Enterprises Ltd., bought 2.46 hectares of land from Lion Breweries, owner of neighbouring Russley Hotel. He divided the land into 29 residential sections and formed the street.  First appears in street directories in 1995.		Information supplied in 2008 by Reg O'Connor in an interview with Colin Amodeo who passed the information on to Margaret Harper.	
<b>O'Dea Place</b>			Burnside	The name has no particular significance to the location of the subdivision, being a name approved for the Northwood subdivision but not used.  Named in 2005.		<a href="#">Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board agenda 29 November 2005</a>	
<b>Oak Street</b>	River Street		Woolston	River Street first appears in street directories in 1896.  Re-named Oak Street on 24 May 1926 when 21 streets were re-named.		“ <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ”, The Press, 28 May 1926, p 17	“ <a href="#">Street names</a> ”, The Press, 22 February 1926, p 10  “ <a href="#">Street names</a> ”, The Press, 26 May 1926, p 11

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<b>Oakdene Place</b>		Named after Oakdene Forest Park, in Christchurch, Dorset, Engand.	Halswell	In the Knights Stream Park subdivision where streets have been named with a common theme of World Heritage sites and national and major parks around the world.  Named in 2012.	Knights Stream Park	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 3 April 2012</a>  <a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 3 April 2012</a>	<a href="#">Knights Stream Park</a>

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<b>Oakford Close</b>		Named after Oakford, a large house originally on eight acres of land laid out in garden on the corner of Riccarton Road and Mandeville Road.	Riccarton	The house was built in 1857, on a 20 hectare block on the southern side of Lower Riccarton Road, by Henry Joseph Hall (1837-1897). Later owners were: Nelson King Cherrill (1845-1916), a photographer, and George Low Beath (1827-1914), a draper and outfitter. The last owner was John Heaton Rhodes (1888-1960), a lawyer and the chairman of the Christchurch Press Company Ltd. for 24 years.  The house was demolished in 1965 to make way for a motel development.  Named in 1997.	Hall's Township and Mandeville Reserve.	<a href="#">Riccarton, the founding borough: a short history, Canterbury's founding settlement</a> , p 5  Riccarton/Wigram Community Board minutes 6 August 1997	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : H38  "Obituary: Henry Joseph Hall", Star, 11 May 1897, p 2  "Obituary", The Press, 6 August 1914, p 10  "Obituary", The Press, 4 August 1960, p 12
<b>Oakhampton Street</b>		Named after Oakhampton, the home there of Edmund Amyes (1811-1900).	Hornby	Amyes' wife Elizabeth died at Oakhampton in 1892.	Amyes Road	"Deaths", The Press, 21 March 1892, p 3	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : A153  <a href="#">Paparua County Council history</a> , p 53

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<b>Oakland Street</b>			Northcote	Developed for state housing. First appears in street directories in 1955.		Papanui Heritage Group	
<b>Oakley Crescent</b>			Hornby	First appears in street directories in 1977.			
<b>Oakridge Street</b>		Named after Oak Ridge, Tennessee.	Halswell	Oak Ridge was established in the early 1940s as a base for the Manhattan Project, the U.S. government operation that developed the atomic bomb.  The subdivision was developed and Oakridge Street named by Andrew James Cunningham (1906-1985), a farmer of 250 Halswell Road. The street was formed in 1960.  First appears in street directories in 1962.		Information supplied in 2008 by Bede Cosgriff (d. 2011) in an interview with Margaret Harper.	



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Oasis Grove			Parklands	The developers wanted to market The Limes subdivision as a haven to come home to after a day at work.  Developed by Brian Gillman Ltd.  Named in 2002.	Hideaway Gate, Limes Avenue, Milkers Gate and Seclusion Lane.	<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board agenda 15 July 2002</a>	
Oban Place			Woolston	Named on 15 December 1969.  First appears in street directories in 1972.		Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 24 March 1970.	
Oberg Lane		Named after Hector Percival "Percy" Oberg and his wife, Barbara Helen Oberg.	Westmorland	The Obergs bought their land on 26 March 1981 and the subdivision plan which created Oberg Lane was deposited on 14 February 1994.	Westmorland	Information supplied in 2012 by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.	

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Ocean View Terrace			Sumner	Named in 1927 at the request of the former land owner and subdivider, George Humphreys (1848-1934).  First appears in street directories in 1957.		" <a href="#">Borough Councils</a> ", The Press, 11 January 1927, p 4	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 8 March 1934, p 7
Octavius Lane		Named after Archdeacon Octavius Mathias (1805-1864).	Sockburn	Mathias bought Rural Section 160, 200 acres in Riccarton. He was the vicar of Christchurch and the commissary of Bishop Selwyn. He also donated land for a church and school at Upper Riccarton. He died at Willow Lodge in Riccarton.  Formed post-1997.		<a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a> , p 4	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : M240  <a href="#">The Blain Biographical Directory of Anglican Clergy in the Pacific</a>  <a href="#">Light and life: the memorial stained glass and some notable graves of St Peter's, Upper Riccarton, Christchurch</a> , p 13

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<b>Odie Place</b>		Named after Odie Reay Cumming Kerr (1901-1980).	Wainoni	Odie Kerr was a daughter of William Kerr, owner of the horse Wildwood. Named in 1959.	Wildwood Avenue	“Chester Street West or Cranmer Terrace?”, The Press, 28 April 1959, p 7	
<b>Office Road</b>		Named after the St Albans Borough Council Office.	Merivale	The office was on Papanui Road. It later became the St Albans Post & Telegraph Office.  First appears in The Press in 1874 in a report of a meeting of the Avon Road Board where the surveyor reports that "the Office Road is being made narrower than what it ought to be".  First appears in street directories in 1887.		<a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a> , p 48  "Road Boards", The Press, 31 October 1874, p 6	<a href="#">The evolution of a city. Christchurch</a> , p 70
<b>OGB Lane</b>		Named because it runs behind the Old Government Building in Worcester Street.	Central city	Named in 2006.		<a href="#">Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board agenda 20 December 2006</a>	

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Ogilvie Place		Named after Gavin Ogilvie (1930?-1982).	Avondale	<p>Ogilvie was a senior engineer with the Christchurch Drainage Board before forming Davis Ogilvie &amp; Partners in 1960.</p> <p>The Christchurch Drainage Board owned an area of low-lying land in Avondale which they filled up with dredgings from the river so the land could be subdivided and built on.</p> <p>The Board named the streets formed there and former board and staff members of the Drainage Board were among those honoured in the naming. At the time of naming of the streets it was intended to have 11 streets and cul-de-sacs in the new subdivision.</p> <p>Named on 21 November 1984.</p>	De Courcy Place, Gertrude Place, Hunt Lane, Mervyn Drive, Scoular Place and Waddell Lane.	<p>Information supplied in 2007 by Paul Baldwin, Christchurch City Council, in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p> <p>"Board may restrict sewage flows", The Press, 29 November 1984</p>	<p><a href="#">Davis Ogilvie</a></p> <p><a href="#">Christchurch, swamp to city: a short history of the Christchurch Drainage Board 1875-1989</a>, pp 92-93</p> <p>"Subdivision auctioned", The Press, 20 February 1984</p> <p>"Property market", The Press, 2 June 1984</p>

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				First appears in street directories in 1987.			
<b>O'Halloran Drive</b>			Halswell	First appears in street directories in 1977.			
<b>Ohau Drive</b>		Named after Lake Ohau, on the boundary between Canterbury and Otago.	Islington	The water level in Lake Ohau is not controlled, but the Ohau River contributes water to the Waitaki River on which is the 105-megawatt Lake Waitaki hydro-electric station.  Formed near the Islington substation.  First appears in street directories in 1983.		Information supplied by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.	

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<b>Okeover Street</b>		Named after Okeover in Staffordshire, England.	Woolston	Alfred Richard Creyke (1831-1893) was the son of the vicar of Okeover in England. He named his home in Ilam, Okeover, after his father's parish. Creyke owned Rural Sections 1144-1151, 509 acres in the area where this street was formed.  First mentioned in The Press in 1895 when land for sale there is advertised.  First appears in street directories in 1912.	Creyke Road. Also Ilam.	<a href="#">Province of Canterbury, New Zealand : list of sections purchased to April 30 1863</a> , p 25  "Advertisements", The Press, 16 November 1895, p 12	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : C793  "Will of an old Canterbury settler", The Timaru Herald, 3 March 1893, p 3
<b>Okuku Place</b>		Named after the Okuku Reservoir on the West Coast of the South Island.	Hei Hei	In a subdivision where the streets are named after West Coast lakes and reservoirs.  Formed post-1997.	Kaniere Avenue, Kumara Place, Marymere Place and Moeraki Place.		

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<b>Oldham Crescent</b>		Named after Charles Collingwood Oldham (1872-1954).	Halswell	The Reverend Oldham was the vicar of St Mary's Anglican Church, Halswell, 1916-1926.  First appears in street directories in 1976.		Information researched by Richard Greenaway in 2015.	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : F282a  "Obituary", The Press, 6 July 1954, p 12
<b>Old Mill Lane</b>		Named because the name is "in keeping with the location".	Parklands	Developed by Smith Developments.  Named in 2004.		<a href="#">Burwood/Pegasus Community Board Agenda 26 April 2004</a>	
<b>Old Red Barn Road</b>		Named after a very old two-storey red barn that was once a landmark in the area.	Halswell	In the Te Repo Oaks subdivision.  Named in 2010.		<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 23 November 2010</a>	

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<b>Olds Place</b>		Named after William Ernest Olds (1894-1968).	Woolston	Formed as a new private street at the site of the then new fire station in Charlesworth Street. The Metropolitan Fire Board asked for the name to recognise the long association of Councillor Olds with fire protection.  Olds was a city councillor 1956-1968.  Named in 1960.		“Names for new streets”, The Press, 22 September 1960, p 14	“Obituary”, The Press, 16 September 1968, p 50
<b>Old West Coast Road</b>	Harewood Road. Also named The Coal-track or the West Coast Road.		Yaldhurst, Paparua	Named The Coal-track because at one time all the coal was brought on drays and waggons from Sheffield to Christchurch on this road.		“ <a href="#">The Riccarton coach goes by</a> ”, The Press, 4 December 1937, p 21	



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<b>Old Windsor Lane</b>		Named because the subdivision borders the Windsor Golf Course.	Bottle Lake	The former owners believed the name would add character to the area.  Most of the land being subdivided was created on Deposit Plan 2769 in June 1909.  Named in 2004.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 1 September 2004</a>	
<b>Old Works Road</b>		Named because the road leads into former site of the Islington Freezing Works.		In the Waterloo Business Park subdivision.  Named in 2015.	Waterloo Business Park	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 17 November 2015</a>  "Waterloo Business Park names approved", Western News, 23 November 2015, p 5	<a href="#">Waterloo Business Park</a>

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<b>O'Leary Street</b>		Named after Humphrey Francis O'Leary (1886-1953).	Hoon Hay	<p>O'Leary was a lawyer and judge.</p> <p>In a 145-acre housing subdivision planned by the housing division of the Ministry of Works. The land was purchased from the Church Property Trustees and the Loughnan estate.</p> <p>In 1968 the street names sub-committee of the council felt that as Halswell was named after a prominent English Queen's Counsel, it would be appropriate to record the names of judges in street names there. Many of them had been QCs or KCs before appointment to the Bench.</p>	Alpers Place, Barrowclough Road, Callan Place, Dalglish Place, Fair Place, Haslam Crescent, Herdman Road, Leicester Crescent, McCarthy Street, Myers Place, Northcroft Road, Ostler Place, Salmond Road and Stanton Crescent.	"Judges' names", The Press, 17 September 1968, p 1	<p>"New Halswell subdivision", The Press, 8 December 1960, p 19</p> <p>"Hoon Hay subdivision provides 570 sections", The Press, 30 September 1964, p 1</p>
<b>Olivine Street</b>			Shirley	First appears in street directories in 1957.			

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<b>Olliviers Road</b>	Park Road was incorporated into Olliviers Road.	Named after John Ollivier (1812-1893).	Linwood, Phillipstown	<p>Ollivier was a city councillor 1863-1865 and also the chairman of the Christchurch City Council 1863-1864. (The position of mayor was not instituted until 1868). He lived at Bolton House in Ferry Road.</p> <p>Ollivier's Road is first mentioned in the Star in 1869. Tenders were opened in June 1870 for forming it – this being won by W. Parish.</p> <p>Olliviers Road first appears in street directories in 1898, running off Ferry Road to Tuam Street.</p> <p>Park Road first appears in street directories in 1892 running off Canal Reserve (later Linwood Avenue) to Buccleugh Street. It became part of Olliviers Road on 7 March 1904.</p>	John Olliver Reserve	<p>“<a href="#">Local and General</a>”, Star, 18 May 1869, p 2</p> <p>“<a href="#">Local and General</a>”, Star, 21 June 1870, p 2</p> <p>Christchurch City Council minute book, June 1903-October 1904, held at Christchurch City Council archives.</p> <p>“<a href="#">Re-naming streets</a>”, The Press, 8 March 1904, p 5</p> <p>"Olliviers Rd named after early identity of city", <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a>, 2 April 1975, p 8</p>	<p><a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a>, Vol 3, p 93</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: 069</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, The Star, 1 August 1893, p 1</p> <p>“Obituary”, <a href="#">The Lyttelton Times</a>, 1 August 1893, p 5</p> <p>“<a href="#">Makers of Canterbury</a>”, The Press, 17 May 1930, p 13</p> <p>“Early Opawa home put on record”, The Press, 8 April 1972, p 12</p> <p>“<a href="#">The thing with Olliviers Rd</a>”, The Press, 5 September 2009, pp C4-C5</p>

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<b>Olson Way</b>		Named after Edward "Ted" George Olson (1906-1945).	Wigram	Air Commodore Olson was Wigram base commander January 1938-April 1938.  Named to continue the theme in the Wigram Skies subdivision of naming streets after people involved in the air force in New Zealand. There are a number of streets named after former RNZAF Wigram Base commanders.  Named in 2013.	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 6 August 2013</a>  <a href="#">Minutes of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board 6 August 2013</a>	<a href="#">"Noted airman dead"</a> , Evening Post, 15 May 1945, p 6  <a href="#">Wigram: the birthplace of military aviation in New Zealand</a>  <a href="#">Wigram Skies</a>
<b>Olympic Lane</b>		Name suggested because the developer wrongly assumed the name of Champion Street had its origins in athletics or sports.	Edgware	Developed off Champion Street. Name suggested kept, as it was for a minor right-of-way and the name Olympic did not conflict with any other existing name.  Named in 2002.	Champion Street	<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 30 January 2002</a>	
<b>Ombersley Terrace</b>		Probably named after Ombersley, a village in the Wychavon District of Worcestershire.	Opawa	First appears in street directories in 1909.			

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Omega Place			Casebrook	There is no particular significance in the name. Named in 1971.		"New name required", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 9 November 1971, p 7	
Omeo Crescent		Named after the sailing ship Omeo.	Redcliffs	Jerry Blakely's great-grandfather, John Blakely (1825?-1889), emigrated to NZ in 1870 on the Omeo.  Named in 1997 when its name was approved for the Kildare Estate subdivision off Glenstrae Road. The council wrote to the developers, Jerry and Sue Blakely of the Coley Park Trust, "congratulating them on excellent choices of names adequately reflecting the history of the area".	Harry Fergus Lane, John Monck Lane, Melleray Place, Ophir Lane and Serenata Lane. Also Kildare Estate.	<a href="#">Kildare Estate Meeting of the Hagley-Ferrymead Community Board, 2 July 1997</a> [The name of the street is mis-spelt there.]	

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<b>Onawe Place</b>		Named after Onawe, a peninsula jutting out into Akaroa Harbour.	Mairehau	O-nawe means: place to be set on fire  In 1830 Te Rauparaha massacred many Maori on the peninsula and set the village on fire.  Named because it runs off Akaroa Street.  Named in 1955.		“Names chosen for streets”, The Press, 20 September 1955, p 15	
<b>O’Neill Avenue</b>			Northwood	Developed by Belfast Developments Ltd and Styx Developments Ltd. The developers “chose names suitable for the length of the road rather than trying to establish a common theme throughout the subdivision”.  Named in 2000.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 29 March 2000</a>  <a href="#">Report of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to the Council 19 April 2000</a>	

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<b>Onslow Street</b>	Barker Street	Formerly Barker Street. Named after Dr Alfred Charles Barker (1819-1873).  Re-named Onslow Street. Named after Lord William Hillier Onslow (1853-1911).	St Albans	Dr Barker owned a farm there which he called Aston.  Barker Street is first mentioned in the Star in 1881. First appears in street directories in 1887.  Re-named Onslow Street in 1889. Re-named thus because it was an "aristocratic name".  Onslow was the Governor of New Zealand 1889-1892.	Derby Street	<a href="#">St Albans: from swamp to suburbs: an informal history</a> , p 40  "Local and General", Star, 23 March 1881, p 2  Report of the street naming committee, St Albans Borough Council minutes book 1882-1893, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  "St Albans Borough Council", Star, 15 January 1889, p 4  "St Albans Borough Council", Star, 12 February 1889, p 4	<a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a> : B124  "Advertisements", Star, 22 March 1873, p 1  "The late Dr. Barker", Star, 21 March 1873, p 3  <a href="#">Governor-General of Aotearoa, New Zealand</a>

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Ontario Place		Named after Ontario in Canada.	Wainoni	<p>One of a number of streets in a subdivision between Ottawa Road, Pages Road and Cuffs Road given Canadian place names.</p> <p>Named because Canadian engineers and workers lived in the area while working for Henry J. Kaiser Co of USA and building the Lyttelton road tunnel. Houses were built for them by Fletcher Construction. After the tunnel was opened in 1964, the Canadians went home and their houses were sold to locals.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Another suggestion is that the streets were named because they were near Ottawa Road.</p> <p>Named in 1959.</p>	Baffin Street, Huron Street, Niagara Street, Quebec Place, Vancouver Crescent and Winnipeg Place. Also Ottawa Road.	<p>“Chester Street West or Cranmer Terrace?”, The Press, 28 April 1959, p 7</p> <p>“Names for new streets”, The Press, 17 March 1960, p 15</p> <p>Information supplied in 2005 by Tim Baker in an interview with Margaret Harper.</p>	“Tunnel’s first blast celebrated”, The Press, 22 July 2011, p A7



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Opal Street			Casebrook	Named in 1966. It was originally to have been called Kinzett Place.		"New street named", <a href="#">The Papanui Herald</a> , 1 June 1966, p 2	
Opawa Road		Named because it runs through the suburb of Opawa which, in turn, is named after Opawaho, the Māori name for the Heathcote River.	Hillsborough, Opawa, Waltham	First mentioned in the Star in 1877 in a report of a meeting of the Heathcote Road Board. Appears on an 1879 map.	Opawa	<a href="#">The evolution of a city</a> , p 33 "The Heathcote Road Board", Star, 28 April 1877, p 2 <a href="#">Plan of Christchurch and suburbs, 1879</a>	

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Ophir Lane		Named after Ophir, a town in central Otago.	Redcliffs	<p>John Blakely (1825?-1889), Jerry Blakely's great-grandfather, established the district's first butcher's shop in Ophir.</p> <p>Named in 1997 when its name was approved for the Kildare Estate subdivision off Glenstrae Road. The council wrote to the developers, Jerry and Sue Blakely of the Coley Park Trust, "congratulating them on excellent choices of names adequately reflecting the history of the area".</p>	Avery Place, Harry Fergus Lane, John Monck Lane, Melleray Place, Omeo Crescent and Serenata Lane.	<p><a href="#">Meeting of the Hagley-Ferrymead Community Board, 2 July 1997</a></p> <p><a href="#">Kildare Estate</a></p>	

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Opihi Street		Named after the Opihi River.	Cracroft	In a subdivision where the streets are named after rivers and sheep stations in North Canterbury.  [This name was a mistake by the Christchurch City Council as the Opihi River is in South Canterbury. Local residents say the street was intended to be named Omihi Street.]  First appears in street directories in 1964.	Hurunui Street, Pahau Street, Waiiau Street and Waipara Street.	“Country’s influence”, The Press, 11 November 1964, p 30  "More themes in street names", <a href="#">The Christchurch Mail</a> , 23 February 1999, p 6	<a href="#">The Port Hills of Christchurch</a> , p 242

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<b>Oram Avenue</b>	George Street	Named after George Oram (1826-1876).	New Brighton	Oram bought the New Brighton Hotel in 1875. George Street first appears in street directories in 1911. Re-named Oram Avenue on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.		<p>"Early New Brighton", The Star, 20 May 1922, p 8</p> <p><a href="#">New Brighton: a regional history, 1852-1970</a>, p 14</p> <p><a href="#">Burwood All Saints' Church 1877-1977</a>, p 11</p> <p>"Naming of streets linked with early efforts to popularise seaside resort", <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a>, 5 March 1975, p 1</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: O95</p> <p>"Old resident recalls day of horse-drawn steam fire engines", <a href="#">Christchurch Star-Sun</a>, 30 April 1956, p 11</p> <p>"Plan shewing area affected by proposed New Brighton Loan", <a href="#">Z Arch 201</a></p> <p>"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>"New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>
<b>Orari Street</b>	Regent Street and Raleigh Street.		Bexley	Regent Street first appears in street directories in 1928 with the alternate name of Raleigh Street. Re-named Orari Street in 1951.			

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Oratia Grove		Named after Oratia Beauty, a variety of apple.	Northwood	<p>Bayliss Nurseries had existed on the site for many years and its land was subdivided to form the street.</p> <p>Developed by the Freeman Partnership. The streets in the subdivision are named after varieties of fruit and personalities associated with the orchard.</p> <p>Named on 6 September 2000.</p>	Bayliss Close, Fantasia Gardens, Panache Place and Richard Seddon Drive.	<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 6 September 2000</a>	<p>"Firmly rooted in history", The Press, 30 October 1999, Weekend, p 21</p> <p>"100 plants for 100 years - wholesaler's offer", Christchurch Star, 17 December 1999, p C2</p>

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Orbell Street	Harper Street	<p>Formerly Harper Street. Probably named after Dr Henry John Chitty Harper (1804-1893).</p> <p>Re-named Orbell Street. Named after the Rev. Waldron Hasting Orbell (1870-1958).</p>	Sydenham	<p>Harper was the first Bishop of Christchurch and the second Primate of New Zealand.</p> <p>Harper Street, Newtown, is mentioned in The Press in a death notice in 1875. [Newtown was the southern part around Durham Street which later became part of Sydenham.]</p> <p>Harper Street first appears in street directories as a listing in 1887.</p> <p>Re-named Orbell Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named.</p> <p>Orbell was the vicar at various times of several Anglican parishes in Christchurch.</p> <p>In an area where a number of streets have associations with the Church of England.</p>	Battersea Street and Cotterill Street.	<p>“Deaths”, The Press, 27 March 1875, p 2</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p> <p>“‘Lost’ addresses”, <a href="#">The Christchurch Mail</a>, 27 April 1999, p 8</p>	<p><a href="#">The Blain Biographical Directory of Anglican Clergy in the Pacific</a></p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Henry John Chitty Harper</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: H187</p> <p>“New names for streets”, The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>“New street names”, The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>

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				[This was a residential zone (railwaymen's cottages etc.) until the 1970s when it became a light to heavy industrial area.]			
<b>Orcades Street</b>		Named after the Orcades, a P. & O. liner.	Shirley	Developed on farmland previously owned by Arthur William Emmett (d. 1948) and sold after his death. Part of the land was bought by the government for a state housing area "laid out on modern town-planning lines". It was referred to as Emmetts Block.  Named on 24 June 1948.  First appears in street directories in 1950.	Emmetts block	Waimairi County Council minute book, January 1947-February 1949, p 512, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  "Major housing development in the Shirley district", The Press, 31 March 1953, p 3  "Naming of streets in new subdivisions", The Press, 1 November 1958, p 10	

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<b>Orchard Road</b>	Orchard's Road	Named after Charles Samuel Orchard (1827-1890).	Christchurch Airport	<p>Orchard, a sawyer, emigrated to Canterbury with his wife, Jane, and their son, on the Cashmere in 1855. They settled in Harewood, where he worked at felling trees. They later moved to the Main North Road, then Kaiapoi and, finally, Ohoka.</p> <p>Orchard's Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1874.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1936.</p>		<p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: O101</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Press, 7 January 1874, p 3</p>	" <a href="#">Shipping news</a> ", Lyttelton Times, 27 October 1855, p 6
<b>Oregon Place</b>		Named after Oregon, a state of the United States of America.	Burwood	<p>In a subdivision where all the streets were given American placenames.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1991.</p>	Idaho Place, Michigan Place, Seneca Place, Tucson Place, Utah Place, Wichita Place and Yellowstone Crescent.		



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<b>Orion Street</b>		Named after the Orion, a P. & O. liner.	Shirley	Developed on farmland previously owned by Arthur William Emmett (d. 1948) and sold after his death. Part of the land was bought by the government for a state housing area "laid out on modern town-planning lines". It was referred to as Emmetts Block.  Named on 24 June 1948.  First appears in street directories in 1950.	Emmetts block	Waimairi County Council minute book, January 1947-February 1949, p 512, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  "Major housing development in the Shirley district", The Press, 31 March 1953, p 3  "Naming of streets in new subdivisions", The Press, 1 November 1958, p 10	
<b>Orkney Street</b>			Strowan	First appears in street directories in 1950.			
<b>Orlando Crescent</b>			Waimairi Beach	First appears in street directories in 1995.			

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<b>Ormandy Place</b>		Possibly named after William James Ormandy (1874-1963).	Bromley	<p>Ormandy was a postman who lived at 41 Cornwall Street.</p> <p>Descendants of Ormandy believe that the street was named after him. There was a double wedding in 1907 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament of two sisters, Norah and Margaret Hickey, to Ormandy and Daniel David Buckley (1877-1978). The Buckley family were market gardeners and owned land between Linwood Avenue and Pages Road. The two men were best friends.</p> <p>Named on 15 March 1961.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1964.</p>		<p>Information supplied in 2014 by Paul Anthony Mulvaney, a grandson of Ormandy.</p> <p>Information on date of naming in a letter sent to the City Librarian from the Town Clerk dated 17 March 1961.</p>	<p>“<a href="#">Wedding bells</a>”, New Zealand Tablet, 16 May 1907, p 24</p>

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<b>Orontes Street</b>		Named after the Orontes, a P. & O. liner.	Shirley	Developed on farmland previously owned by Arthur William Emmett (d. 1948) and sold after his death. Part of the land was bought by the government for a state housing area "laid out on modern town-planning lines". It was referred to as Emmetts Block.  Named on 24 June 1948.  First appears in street directories in 1950.	Emmetts block	Waimairi County Council minute book, January 1947-February 1949, p 512, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  "Major housing development in the Shirley district", The Press, 31 March 1953, p 3  "Naming of streets in new subdivisions", The Press, 1 November 1958, p 10	
<b>O'Rourke Road</b>		Named after John Fairmaid O'Rourke (1928-2003) and his wife, Gwendoline Hazel O'Rourke.		John O'Rourke bought five acres (just over two hectares) in November 1960. The land was sold by Mrs O'Rourke in 2004. The street was later developed on the site.  Named in 2015.		<a href="#">Shirley/Papanui Community Board agenda 2 December 2015</a>	Extra information supplied by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council in 2015.

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<b>Orr Street</b>		Named after Eric James Orr (1897-1961).	Wigram	<p>Orr was a farmer of Hawkston in Hawkes Bay. He graduated from the Canterbury Flying School on August 24 1917.</p> <p>In the Wigram Aerodrome subdivision by Ngāi Tahu Property Ltd where the street names are either of aircraft or taken from the list of the first 100 students at the Flight School established by Sir Henry Wigram in 1917.</p> <p>Named in 2012.</p>	Wigram Skies	<a href="#">Riccarton/Wigram Community Board agenda 4 September 2012</a>	<p>Great Britain, Royal Aero Club Aviators' Certificates, 1910-1950 as found on <a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a></p> <p><a href="#">The Canterbury (NZ) Aviation Co. Ltd: the first one hundred pilots</a></p> <p>“<a href="#">Canterbury aviators</a>”, The Press, 25 August 1917, p 8</p> <p><a href="#">Wigram Skies</a></p>
<b>Orrick Crescent</b>		Named after James Orrick Thompson (1904-1976).	Avondale	<p>Thompson was a seaman, turned builder, of 270 Wainoni Road. He served on the Heathcote County Council 1947-1953.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1952.</p> <p>The street was extended through to Hulverstone Drive in the early 1970s.</p>		Information supplied in 2008 by Gwendoline Hilda Agassiz in an interview with Richard Greenaway.	<a href="#">Along the hills: a history of the Heathcote Road Board and the Heathcote County Council 1864-1989</a> , pp 201 & 262

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<b>Osborne Street</b>	Victoria Street	Formerly Victoria Street. Named after HM Queen Victoria (1819-1901).  Re-named Osborne Street. Named after Osborne House, a royal residence on the Isle of Wight.	Waltham	Victoria Street first appears in street directories in 1892.  Re-named Osborne Street on 7 March 1904.  Among a number of streets re-named in 1904 and given the names of place-names in the United Kingdom.		Christchurch City Council minute book, June 1903-October 1904, held at Christchurch City Council archives.  “ <a href="#">Re-naming streets</a> ”, The Press, 8 March 1904, p 5	
<b>O'Shannessey Place</b>		Named after John "Jack" O'Shannessey (1900-1989).	Addington	O'Shannessey was employed by NZ Rail. He was recalled from retirement to act as clerk of works when the Christchurch Railway Station was built in Moorhouse Avenue.  The subdivision off 471 Whiteleigh Avenue is alongside the main south railway line so a name associated with railways was chosen.  Named in 1999.		<a href="#">Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board agenda 3 August 1999</a>	

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<b>Osmond Lane</b>		Named after Cyril Osmond Spiller (1910-1992).	Mount Pleasant	Spiller was the secretary of Cannon Estate Ltd., developers of this subdivision.  First appears in street directories in 1987.	Brigid Place, Challis Place, Clementine Lane, Freeman Street, Hatherly Lane, Hilltop Lane, Janice Place, Michael Avenue and Roland Lane.	“Cannon Estate thirty years in development”, The Press, 23 August 1989, p 49	

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<b>Ostler Place</b>		Named after Henry Hubert Ostler (1876-1944).	Hoon Hay	<p>Ostler was a farmer, lawyer and judge.</p> <p>In a 145-acre housing subdivision planned by the housing division of the Ministry of Works. The land was purchased from the Church Property Trustees and the Loughnan estate.</p> <p>In 1968 the street names sub-committee of the council felt that as Halswell was named after a prominent English Queen's Counsel it would be appropriate to record the names of judges in street names there. Many of them had been QCs or KCs before appointment to the Bench.</p>	Alpers Place, Barrowclough Road, Callan Place, Dalglish Place, Fair Place, Haslam Crescent, Herdman Road, Leicester Crescent, McCarthy Street, Myers Place, Northcroft Road, O'Leary Street, Salmond Road and Stanton Crescent.	“Judges’ names”, The Press, 17 September 1968, p 1	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">Henry Hubert Ostler</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p>"New Halswell subdivision", The Press, 8 December 1960, p 19</p> <p>"Hoon Hay subdivision provides 570 sections", The Press, 30 September 1964, p 1</p>
<b>Otaki Place</b>		Named after the ship, Otaki.	North New Brighton	<p>Continues the naval theme of street names in the North New Brighton area.</p> <p>Named in 1967.</p>		“Naval names for streets”, The Press, 28 April 1967, p 12	

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Otara Street		Named after the Otarakaro Government Village Settlement once on this site. This in turn was named after the Maori name for the Avon River.	Ilam	<p>The land had been formerly owned by William Boag (1828-1904).</p> <p>In a NZ Gazette of 1898, land was available there for selection on “lease in perpetuity” under the provisions of the Land Act 1892 and the Land for Settlements Act 1894.</p> <p>In street directories of 1900, the Otarakaro Government Village Settlement is listed as being on the site where Otara Street was later developed.</p> <p>Described as a new street in The Press in 1929 when land there is advertised for sale.</p> <p>Otara Street first appears in street directories in 1933.</p>	Braco Settlement and Otarakaro Government Village Settlement.	" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 22 June 1929, p 24	



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<b>Otley Street</b>	New Street, North Street and Clyde Street.	Named after Henry John Otley (1863-1939).	Central city	<p>North Street was re-named Clyde Street in 1883. Residents requested the change because there was another North Street. The street was also taken over by the city council in 1883.</p> <p>Re-named Otley Street on 1 September 1948 when 120 streets were re-named. The change had been suggested in 1932.</p> <p>Otley was a builder. He was a partner in Winny and Otley, Winny being Charles Winny (1850-1924), who was Mayor of New Brighton. Otley was also a freemason and also a Linwood borough councillor and Christchurch city councillor 1903-1917.</p>		<p>“<a href="#">City Council</a>”, Star, 17 April 1883, p 4</p> <p>“<a href="#">City Council</a>”, Star, 12 June 1883, p 4</p> <p>“<a href="#">Street names</a>”, The Press, 2 September 1930, p 12</p> <p>“<a href="#">Re-naming of streets</a>”, The Press, 6 September 1932, p 7</p> <p>“<a href="#">Duplication of names</a>”, The Press, 8 February 1936, p 13</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p><a href="#">The Cyclopedia of New Zealand</a>, Vol 3, p 383</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, The Press, 9 September 1939, p 11</p> <p>“New names for streets”, The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>“New street names”, The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p> <p>“Large city block could be offices”, The Press, 12 September 2006, p C5</p>

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Ottawa Road	Onslow Road	A theory is that Onslow Road was re-named Ottawa Road to commemorate the British Empire Conference of British colonies and the autonomous dominions held in Ottawa, 21 July-20 August 1932.	Wainoni	Onslow Road is first mentioned in The Press in 1889 when land "on the direct New Brighton Road, the Tram Line and Onslow Road" is advertised for sale.  First appears in street directories in 1922.  Re-named Ottawa Road by the Public Utilities Committee of the Heathcote County Council in 1933.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 27 February 1889, p 8  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 15 October 1932, p 14  " <a href="#">Street names</a> ", The Press, 31 January 1933, p 3	

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Overdale Drive		Named after Overdale in Yorkshire.	Cashmere	<p>The name was suggested by Bruce Carey, a long-serving committee member and also chairman of the Rhodes Home board. The Rhodes family had emigrated from southern Yorkshire.</p> <p>Formed on a subdivision of the horse-paddock slope in front of the Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home in 1991.</p> <p>First appears in street directories in 1993.</p>		<a href="#">Rhodes on Cashmere: a history of the Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home, 1886-2001</a> , pp 157, 169, 171-174	

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<b>Owens Terrace</b>	Curletts Terrace	Formerly Curletts Terrace. Named because it runs off Curletts Road.  Re-named Owens Terrace. Named after John Owens (1833?-1930).	Upper Riccarton	Curletts Terrace first appears in street directories in 1936.  Re-named Owens Terrace on 8 June 1948. Owens settled in Upper Riccarton about 1872. His wife recalled in his obituary that at that time there were only two houses between their own and Cathedral Square. They lived in Curletts Road. Owens worked for the Paparua Council until 1928.	Curletts Road	Date of re-naming supplied in 2007 by Bob Pritchard, subdivisions officer, Christchurch City Council.	" <a href="#">Obituary</a> ", The Press, 25 June 1930, p 14

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<b>Owles Terrace</b>	Part of Richmond Terrace, the section from Seaview Road to Union Street.	Named after Captain Alfred William Owles (1848-1940).	New Brighton	<p>Part of Richmond Terrace was re-named Owles Terrace on 1 September 1948.</p> <p>Owles was the mayor of New Brighton 1927-1929. He was a member of the first New Brighton Council in 1897 and also a member of the last council at the time of his death.</p> <p>The naming of a street to pay tribute to the services rendered by Owles to the borough had been discussed by the New Brighton Borough Council as early as 1933.</p>	Kibblewhite Street and Union Street.	<p>"<a href="#">New Brighton Borough Council</a>", The Press, 5 December 1933, p 13</p> <p>"New Brighton's early mayors closely involved with area", <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a>, 19 March 1975, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">New Brighton: a regional history, 1852-1970</a>, pp 64 &amp; 65</p> <p>"Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3</p>	<p><a href="#">New Brighton: a regional history, 1852-1970</a>, pp 70-71</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 23 September 1940, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: O151 &amp; R21</p> <p><a href="#">The Estuary of Christchurch: a history of the Avon-Heathcote estuary, its communities, clubs, controversies and contributions</a>, p 166</p> <p>"New names for streets", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3</p> <p>"New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2</p>

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<b>Oxford Street</b>		Named after the bishopric of Oxford.	Lyttelton	<p>Named by <a href="#">Captain Joseph Thomas</a> (b. 1803?) and <a href="#">Edward Jollie</a> (1825-1894). One of the original streets of Lyttelton named in 1850. The names were taken from bishoprics listed in <a href="#">Burke's Peerage</a>.</p> <p>First mentioned in The Lyttelton Times in 1852 when 1/4 acre sections are advertised for sale there.</p>		<p><a href="#">Reminiscences of a surveyor, runholder and politician in Canterbury and Otago, 1841-1865</a>, pp 28-29</p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 7 August 1852, p 2</p>	<p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The Press, 9 August 1894, p 5e</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", Star, 9 August 1894, p 1</p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: J169 &amp; T144</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Joseph Thomas</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p>
<b>Oxford Terrace</b>	Brightlings Lane was incorporated into Oxford Terrace.	<p>Named after Christ Church, Oxford University.</p> <p>Brightlings Lane was named after John Brightling (1842-1928).</p>	Central city	<p>One of the original Christchurch streets named in 1850 by surveyors <a href="#">Captain Joseph Thomas</a> (b. 1803?) and <a href="#">Edward Jollie</a> (1825-1894) in March 1850.</p> <p>John Robert Godley (1814-1861) studied at Christ Church.</p> <p>First mentioned in The</p>		<p><a href="#">Reproduction of Edward Jollie's 1850 map of the proposed city. Department of Lands and Survey, Christchurch. Historical Maps</a></p> <p>"<a href="#">Advertisements</a>", The Lyttelton Times, 7 August 1852, p 2</p> <p><a href="#">Reminiscences of a</a></p>	<p>View the biography of <a href="#">John Robert Godley</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a></p> <p><a href="#">G R Macdonald dictionary of Canterbury biographies</a>: B723, J169, &amp;T144</p> <p>"<a href="#">Obituary</a>", The</p>

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				<p>Lyttelton Times in 1852 when 1/4 acre sections are advertised for sale there.</p> <p>Brightling established a carrying firm. In the 1890s he built, and then bought, the City and Suburban Tramway Company to New Brighton via North New Brighton.</p> <p>Brightlings Lane first appears in street directories in 1894 but was in existence as early as 1881. The address of a Jonathan Bruce is given in the electoral roll of that year as Brightlings Right-of-way.</p> <p>Brightlings Lane intersected with Oxford Terrace and lay between Willow and Hurley Streets.</p> <p>Disappears from street directories in 1953 when it is "included in Oxford Terrace".</p>		<p><a href="#">surveyor, runholder and politician in Canterbury and Otago, 1841-1865</a>, pp 28-29</p> <p><a href="#">Early days of Canterbury</a>, p 27</p> <p><a href="#">The evolution of a city</a>, p 13</p> <p><a href="#">Old Christchurch in picture and story</a>, pp 50-51</p> <p>“New Brighton signposts to the past”, <a href="#">Pegasus Post</a>, 19 February 1975, p 2</p>	<p>Press, 9 August 1894, p 5e</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, Star, 9 August 1894, p 1</p> <p>View the biography of <a href="#">Joseph Thomas</a> in the <a href="#">Dictionary of New Zealand Biography</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">North New Brighton, 1953</a>, p 32</p> <p>“<a href="#">Obituary</a>”, The Press, 24 July 1928, p 12</p>

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<b>Oxley Avenue</b>	Oxley Street	Probably named after Oxley, a suburb in Wolverhampton, West Midlands in England.	St Albans	Oxley Street is mentioned in The Press in 1884. First appears in street directories in 1901. Becomes Oxley Avenue on 1 September 1948.		" <a href="#">Advertisements</a> ", The Press, 31 January 1884, p 8 "Street names changed: City council approves final list", The Press, 24 August 1948, p 3	"New names for street", The Press, 2 June 1948, p 3 "New street names", The Press, 24 July 1948, p 2