

## The Lighthouse Church

Rita Bota

Hi folks! Yes, we're still in business: just changing our usual sign to fit the new, upgraded and very smart PPA Noticeboard. Church services are still at 10:30am Sundays. The Drop-In Centre is still open Wednesdays fortnightly 10am-2pm: the next is 18th April. Everyone's very welcome at both!

## Pinehaven Arts and Crafts Exhibition

Ellen and Tam, Co-Convenors

Opening night will be Friday 21st September, and the exhibition will run to Sunday 23rd September. Currently we're seeking sponsorship and donations e.g.: wood, paint, food/catering, wine and items to aid with set up and ongoing maintenance costs. Anything would be gratefully received and appreciated! If you can help, contact Tam or Ellen at [pinehavenartandcraft@gmail.com](mailto:pinehavenartandcraft@gmail.com)

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## PINEHAVEN T-SHIRTS

Mel Hart

'If you're famous, you live in Hollywood  
If you're rich, you live on Oriental Parade  
If you're lucky, you live in Pinehaven'

Enjoy this proud slogan on a T-shirt for \$25. The PPA's taking limited orders. Email [hello@ppa.org.nz](mailto:hello@ppa.org.nz) or phone David Brown on 04 973 9947 with your requirements: men or women's; black or khaki; sizes S, M, L, XXL or XXXL

Payment required at ordering, by cash or internet banking. All orders must be received by 12pm on Friday, 27 April 2018.

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# Pinehaven News



Pinehaven Progressive Association

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## 75 AND STILL GOING STRONG!

Mel Hart

Earlier this year, the Pinehaven Progressive Association (PPA), celebrated 75 years in the community with a sausage sizzle, photo exhibition and memorabilia display at the Pinehaven Hall.



We also held a trivia night with spot prizes, sponsored by local businesses. MC and popular Pinehaven personality, Jo Llewellyn provided the entertainment. Local cakemaker Heather Cooling of [www.wellingtoncakes.com](http://www.wellingtoncakes.com) created a chocolate masterpiece. Everyone who attended had such a great time we've been asked when the next trivia night will be.

Led by David Brown, the PPA is a small, volunteer-based organisation promoting and protecting Pinehaven interests. We also maintain the Pinehaven Hall on Forest Road. Following a lot of hard work by Committee members, the grand old lady received new signage, tidied gardens front and back, and fresh paint including a bright yellow front door: all to mark the occasion.

The PPA's planning more fundraising events and activities. If you have any suggestions, please email [hello@ppa.org.nz](mailto:hello@ppa.org.nz) or phone David on 04 973 9947.

The anniversary celebrations were the result of a great community team effort. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Thanks everyone for your support and here's to another great year ahead for Pinehaven!

Mark Your Calendar: Family Fun Day Gala: 10 November 2018 at Pinehaven School

## Pinehaven Community Orchard

Rachel Middleton

Apples, pears, plums, lemons.....

We plan to plant a community orchard in the space around the PPA hall. We've sourced bare rooted trees to order in May and plant in August: three apples, three pears, three plums and a three lemon trees, so we can have early, mid and late season fruitings. Once established, it'll be low maintenance and provide free fruit for all Pinehaven!

Each tree will cost about \$40 to get into the ground, including compost and stakes. The PPA will coordinate the purchasing. Online donations can be made to Pinehaven Progressive Association account 03-0774-0857067-00

If just 12 families helped us purchase one tree each, that'd pay for our orchard.

Once the trees arrive, we'll need help planting them. If you have a shovel and some time, please contact Rachel on [6middletons@gmail.com](mailto:6middletons@gmail.com)

## Weed of the Moment: Sycamore

Chris Cosslett

We've made great progress on getting Old Man's Beard under control in Pinehaven. Thanks to all who've helped. Old Man's Beard is in seed right now: look for fluffy cream-coloured seed heads. If you find it in your garden, contact Chris Cosslett on [cosslett.hunter@pinehaven.net.nz](mailto:cosslett.hunter@pinehaven.net.nz) for advice and assistance.

Sycamore's a medium-sized tree of the maple family, with smooth grey bark and bluish-green leaves shaped like the Canadian flag leaf. It produces yellow/reddish winged "helicopter" seed capsules containing two seeds. Mature examples are beside the library.

Sycamores produce many long-lived, well-dispersed seeds that can germinate and flourish under shade. It aggressively invades existing vegetation, including bush, by releasing toxins into the soil through its roots to stop other plants.

It makes superb firewood. If you have sycamore growing on your place -and chances are you do- consider felling them for your wood burner. Pull or dig out small ones. Dry them out before disposing of them. Don't put them in your compost. Large trees can be drilled and poisoned, or cut down, but if you cut them down you MUST poison the stump to prevent regrowth. For detailed instructions, see: [www.weedbusters.org.nz](http://www.weedbusters.org.nz) - go to Weed Information and look for Sycamore.



Join the PPA and other community members on [www.neighbourly.co.nz](http://www.neighbourly.co.nz)

## From the Library

Simon Hartman

Upper Hutt City is getting a pop-up Library.

From 26 April Pinehaven Library will return to normal hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12.30pm—4.30pm

Tuesday, Thursday: 9.30am—12pm

Saturday: 10.30am—12.30pm

Sunday: Closed

### TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Tuesday 17 April

Pinehaven Library 11.00 - 12.00

*Bring your favourite teddy and join us for story time on the grass.*

### BEAR GRYLLES SURVIVAL COURSE

Thursday 19 April

HAPAI 1.00 - 2.00

*Choose from a variety of activities and prove you can rough it in the woods!*

### DESIGN YOUR OWN STORY

TREEHOUSE

Friday 20 April

HAPAI 11.30 - 12.30

*Let your imagination run wild and design a model of your own Story Treehouse.*

### WOODLAND ANIMAL MASKS

Monday 23 April

HAPAI 10.30 - 11.30

*Decorate your own animal mask and let your wild side roar!*

## INTO THE WOODS

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

16 - 27 April

*This holiday programme is aimed at children aged 5 - 12*

*No events require registration*

### MAGICAL CREATURE COLLAGE

Tuesday 24 April

Pinehaven Library 2.00 - 3.00

*Dragons, unicorns, centaurs and more!*

### AMAZING ANIMALS OF THE FORESTS

Friday 27 April

Pinehaven Library 1.30 - 2.30

*Watch an exciting animal doco and choose an animal bookmark to colour in*

The PPA is a voluntary organisation promoting Pinehaven interests. Donations to aid our work can be made via cheque at the Pinehaven Library or online banking to account 03-0774-0857067-00. All contributions gratefully accepted.