



Grapevine



THE CARE CENTRE RECEPTION WILL BE CLOSED ON THESE DAYS:

29th March - Good Friday
1st April - Easter Monday

DIAL 111

FOR A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

ANY EMERGENCY Maintenance please contact your Works Committee

Joop Hageman 09 837 5176

Don Jenkins 09 836 8337

Roelof Siebring 09 838

Rein van Stalduinen 09 974 4713

Please use Skillet for any NON-EMERGENCY maintenance issues this Easter

skillet

Login

Available at the Pavilion Computer Hub

Book your non-emergency Maintenance or Gardening jobs online

From the Desk

of the Village General Manager

Hi all,

COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Update

Over the last few weeks the number of COVID 19 cases have gone up and down, with a small drop in cases the last 7 days (6,048 of which significantly 3,935 (64%) were reinfections, not new cases). While this has occurred it is also well below the peak of cases in June 2022 (nearly 30,000 in a week) as stated in my last report, it is still advisable to get the latest new Booster Vaccine when it is available in approximately April/May 2024. This Booster targets the latest COVID 19 Omicron variant XBB15. When we have the vaccine available the Clinical Manager will organize with our Pharmacy Walls and Roche to come into the Village and vaccinate residents.

2023 Residents Annual Satisfaction Survey

Many thanks to those residents who had completed the above the Annual Satisfaction Survey at the end of 2023, overall very positive. Another friendly reminder that if you wish to view a copy of the survey results they are available to view from the Care Centre Reception.

Continued over...

Welcome to Ons Dorp
Retirement & Lifestyle Village

Barbara Auvae
Villa 63A — February 23, 2024

Wishing you a very happy Retirement



Continued...

Sale of Villas.

Villa 63A settled on 23rd February 2024 with the new resident having moved in. We also have under contract Villas 1, 15, 44, and 56 (all due to settle at different dates in March, April, and May). This positive result still means that as of the writing of this report we have no Villas for sale in the Village. Many thanks to Joop Hagman for all his assistance in working with me to sell the Villas.

Cleaning and Painting of Soffits in Villas

I am pleased to report that Bryce Carter and his team have now finished re-staining the external Cedar Boards on all the Villas in the Village (this work is carried out approx. every 2 years). Bryce's team have also begun water blasting the Soffits (the skirting boards underneath the Villa roof) to enable them to be re-painted white. Fifteen of the 91 Villas in the Village have already been completed.

Gary Williams: General Manager

Happy Birthday
at the Care Centre

February

88	Beverly Blewett	2
92	Antonia Purcell	14
91	Betty Geraets	26
76	Ivan Ivanovic	26

FRIENDS WE HAVE LOST

Our condolences to family & friends

Care Centre: Charmaine Verdul t
- 14 February, 2024

Wishing anyone who is unwell or in hospital, all the best and wishing you a speedy recovery.

GRAPEVINE FUNNY



My doctor told me to get off the couch so now I watch TV in bed.

ONS DORP RESIDENT LIAISON ADVISORS

<p>Mieke Penning is available Mondays & Thursdays</p>  <p>PLEASE NOTE: Mieke will not be available to visit on a Public Holiday that fall on a Monday or Thursday.</p>	<p>Franciska is available on Wednesdays</p>  <p>PLEASE NOTE: Franciska will not be available to visit on Public Holidays that fall on a Wednesday.</p>
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If you require Mieke or Franciska to contact you Contact the Care Centre Reception on 838 6567, opt 0 for a visit or chat.

WAITAKERE LIBRARY

PICK-UP WILL BE:

ALL RETURNS can be dropped off to the Care Centre Reception. Please **DO NOT** return your books to the Ons Dorp Pavilion Library.

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MARCH

TRUST BOARD MEETING
28th March

KIWI STAMP PRICES

New Zealand \$2
Australia \$3.30
Netherlands \$4.00

DON'T FORGET: Have your letters at Reception before 4.30pm to have them dropped off to a post box.

Care Centre Visitors—Please sign in at Reception
Don't forget—we would prefer and encourage you to wear a mask.



- All visitors required to sign the visitors book this is a Health and Safety requirement at the Care Centre.
- Masks available at reception

A printed copy of our new notice for the Care Centre is available at reception or can be download from www.onsdorp.co.nz

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE FISH WHEN VISITING IN THE ATRIUM

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VILLA MEAL DELIVERIES The Care Centre can provide meals which are deliver for **\$10 each meal, 7 days a week**. If you wish to order a meal contact Reception. You can also request a weekly menu.

Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary

Celebrations were held at the Care Centre for Gary & Gerda van Doorn's 60th Wedding Anniversary ♥



Happy 95th Birthday



Anneke Sova

UNIT 63

6 March, 2024



Pavilion Printer

PLEASE NOTE:
LEAVE THE PRINTER ON

Need to do some printing? We have a colour printer in the Pavilion computer room — A4 paper has been provided. Not sure how to use it?

Russelle at Reception is happy to do some tuition with you. Call Reception to book to have a go — 1.00-1.30pm, Monday-Friday is a good time. Bring your copying or printing and we'll show you how — no more waiting for Reception to open especially when it is a public holiday or weekend!

WE NEED TO **LEAVE THE PRINTER ON** so the service team can go on the printer remotely to get updates and notices for toner supplies and any other issues from the printer — **they can't if it is turned off.**



A NOTE FROM KARIN VERBEEK

Breast Cancer treatment update: At the moment Thursdays are my treatment days, and I am positive I can beat this. Mondays and Tuesdays are the days I come into the office (if my body allows). Please call first to check I am in the office and also wear a mask if I am in the office due to being immunocompromised. While I work from home I can be contacted by phone and / or email. You can also leave a message with Russelle at Reception if you would prefer. Thank you for all your support, Karin



Need a Justice of the Peace?

WestCity Henderson has JP Services onsite and for 2024 they will be available

every Thursday from 6pm – 8pm
& every Saturday from 10am – 12pm

You can find them on Level 1, by Japan Mart.

Can't get to West City? You can call Reception who has contact details of JPs who can come to the Village.

Have you visited the Ons Dorp Care Centre and misplaced your glasses?

At Reception we have a number of glasses and sunglasses, even two pairs in lovely cases (pictured). If you know they are yours or someone that has visited, please come to Reception and claim them. Please note, if they are not claimed in the next couple of months they will be all donated to The Lions Club who collect glasses for their Recycle For Sight programme <https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/services/vision>



Fishy Friday at the Care Centre



Some of the Care Centre residents went out to Little Huia on Friday, 23 February. They weren't expecting to catch anything, however Jolien's husband had been out fishing and gave some of his "catch" to the residents, a lovely fresh snapper to bring home.

Scam savvy

Savvy meaning — to know or understand *Part One*



Available to read at
Ons Dorp Reception
or ask for your own copy.
Also available at the Pavilion Library

(from **The Little Black Book of Scams**
— by the Commission for Financial Capability (CFFC)

Fraud fighting 101

Become a real-life superhero by arming yourself with the information you need to fight fraud and keep yourself, your family and your money safe.

You work hard for your money. You want to spend it on things that matter to you – whether it's your children's education, an exciting trip or a new phone.

Fraudsters are real.

They are out there every day looking for victims. They will target you online, over the phone, by mail or in person.

You're a target.

Thousands of New Zealanders lose millions of dollars to fraudsters every year. The impact of fraud on families and businesses can be devastating.

Learn to fight fraud.

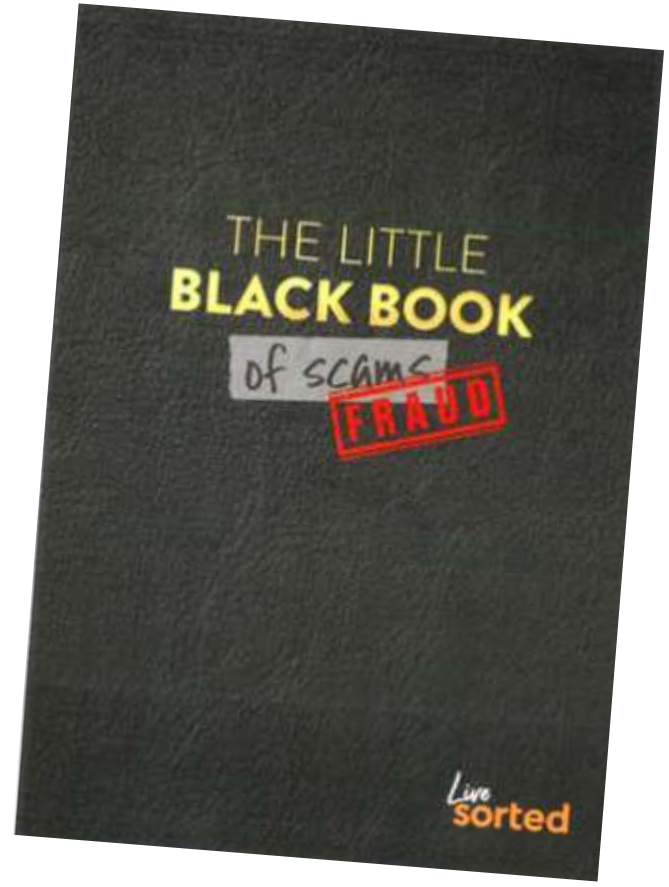
This booklet includes 11 of the most common scams currently targeting New Zealanders. It is filled with tips and tricks on how to protect yourself and what to do if you get scammed.

Report it.

Anyone can be targeted, from teenagers, to grandparents, to senior corporate officers. The best thing you can do is to report the fraud, whatever the amount, to the appropriate authorities. Don't be embarrassed as it will help others from falling for it.

Knowledge is power!

Protect yourself by seeking out more information. In addition to this booklet, you can also consult numerous trusted websites for more information. scamwatch.govt.nz



Scam savvy

Part One continued



Red flags Things to watch for...

(from *The Little Black Book of Scams* — by the Commission for Financial Capability (CFFC)
Ask Reception for a copy or read it at the Pavilion Library

Learn to recognise the signs that something is amiss.

Wire transfer

Many scams involve a request to wire money electronically using a money transfer service, like MoneyGram, Western Union, or using cryptocurrency, such as Bitcoin. Remember that sending a transfer through these services is like sending cash – once the amount is picked up, it's almost impossible to get your money back.

Overpayment

When you're selling something - especially online - be wary of how you get paid. A fraudster may send you a counterfeit cashier's, personal or corporate cheque in an amount in excess of what they owe. You'll be asked to deposit the cheque and wire the excess funds immediately back to them. Once your bank realises the cheque is a fake, you'll be on the hook for the money withdrawn.

Spelling mistakes

Be sceptical of emails, messages or websites that contain misspelled common words; grammar errors that make it difficult to read or expressions that are used incorrectly. Email and web addresses should also be examined closely to see if there are subtle mistakes or differences.

Personal information request

Fraudsters may ask potential victims to provide more personal or financial information than is required for the transaction or discussion. Be suspicious if someone asks for copies of your passport, driver's licence or birth date, especially if you don't know the person.

Unsolicited calls

You might get a call from someone claiming that you have a virus on your computer, you owe taxes or there has been fraudulent activity in your bank account. Hang up and call the organisation yourself using the number from a trustworthy source, such as the phone book, their website, or even invoices and account statements.

Unsolicited friend requests on social media

Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know until you review their profile or ask your real-life friends if they know them. Does their profile look fairly empty or have posts that are very generic? Do they seem to be promising more than friendship? These are some red flags that point to a scam. Delete that request and block future ones.

Astounding mail offers

You received a scratchie card in the mail. It guarantees you will or have already won. Prizes might range from money to cars and trips. If you have not entered a contest, throw that card away: it's probably a scam!

It's just too good to be true

Everybody loves a great deal. But shocking offers, unbelievable discounts and unreal rates may signal that the offer isn't quite what it seems. Cheap prices usually equal cheap products, or counterfeit goods. Free offers may require providing your credit card for shipping. Small tactics like these can lead to big profits for scammers.



Words of wisdom from NZ Police

Prevention is the only effective way to avoid losing money through scams. Do not send money to anyone you may have met on social media but not met in person, or to any person or organisation who emails you asking for money.

If you do send money and think you've been scammed, you must contact your bank immediately. Once this action has been taken, you can contact your local police, Netsafe or CERT to lodge your complaint.

The sooner your loss is reported to your bank, and then to law enforcement, the better.

All complaints to police are assessed in the same way and prioritised. But members of the public must be realistic – if you do not check things out carefully before sending money offshore, and then discover you've been a victim of fraud, there is little chance you will recover your money, and little chance that the offenders will be apprehended or that anyone will be held accountable. Often, all police can do is share intelligence with our partner agencies offshore.

Acceptance of this loss is key in moving on with your life, rather than trying to make someone accountable.

Remember, the best way to avoid being scammed is to stop before you start:

DO NOT send money to anyone you have not met in person, and trust.

