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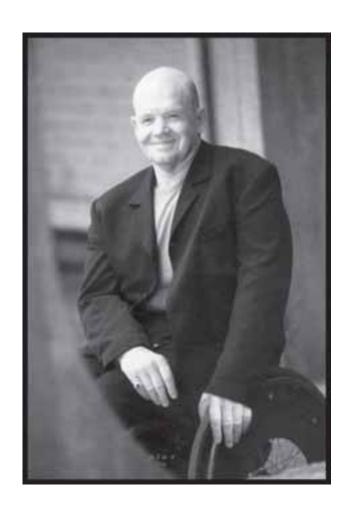
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# Remembering



Graham Thomas Condon 11 February 1949 - 8 September 2007



Tena koutou katoa Greetings everyone.

It is with considerable disbelief that I write this month's column, as the news of Graham Condon's tragic accident sinks in. The St Albans Community Centre set itself the goal of increasing participation in the democratic process in the forthcoming Local Body Elections and towards this end has actively worked to raise its profile.

One such activity was our well-attended forum for Mayoral. City Council and Community Board candidates to meet with the community. This took place just a few days ago, and Graham was there as he campaigned for re-election to the Council. As always, Graham was chatty and knowledgeable. His very confidant presence gave no room for anyone to see him as disabled. No doubt he had to exert extraordinarily courageous efforts to give such an impression and to achieve to the admirable level he did. Graham was a community advocate over many years and in various settings including sport, disabilities and general civic matters. I have to say I did not always see eye-to-eye with Graham on a couple of issues, but I greatly respected his efforts on behalf of others. I made the observation at the political forum that none of us has a democracy unless generous individuals put their time and money into standing for election. This usually thankless task enables us to have some input into how we are governed and how our country is run. Once again I encourage you to find out about your local candidates and VOTE.

Thanks Graham, on behalf of St Albans, for your regular involvement in our community and your availability to discuss concerns. We salute your community spirit.

Moe mai i te rangimarie o te Atua.



# **Events Calendar**

24 Sep –	5 Oct Youth Holiday Programme			
(379 6305) 27 Sep St Albans Residents Association AGM –				
27 Sep	Speaker Mark Prain (379 6305)			
2 Oct	Friends of Edgeware meeting (980 5584)			
3 Oct	Water Wisdom meeting			
9 Oct	Linux User Group – Blender 3D animation			
11 Oct	Breast Check Seminar (348 4627)			
16 Oct	St Albans InterAgency Meeting (374 2465)			
16 Oct	St Albans Residents Association meeting			
	(379 6305)			
21 Oct	Ratana Church Service,			
	Rehua Marae (355 5606)			
23 Oct	NZ-Japan Society (355 9903)			
28 Oct	Canterbury Community Dollar Market			
	(374 2465)			
10 Nov	St Albans School Monster Fair			

The St Albans Residents' Association wishes to acknowledge and thank the following funders for their support:

Shirley-Papanui Community Board \$1,605 towards Volunteer Support Costs

# Your vote counts USE IT!

before 13th October



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# What's happening at the St Albans Community Centre:

#### **Computer Course:**

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# Is your club or community group looking for an income opportunity?

The St Albans News is a community and neighbourhood paper, and we are looking for groups to do our distribution each month. As we do now, we will pay for the distribution, but prefer the money to stay in our neighbourhood. If you are interested, please either phone 374 2465 or email news@stalbans.gen.nz for more information.

#### Neighbourhood Week 2007 Fri 26 Oct – Sun 4 Nov

Neighbourhood Week is about meeting your neighbours and getting to know them.

It's about fostering a stronger and safer community.

Organise a BBQ or an event...

get together for a celebration.

The Community Board provides small grants for great ideas!

Contact Sharon on 941 5403 or visit www.ccc.govt.nz for more information.

After the success of last season,

#### the St.Albans-Merivale Bowling Club

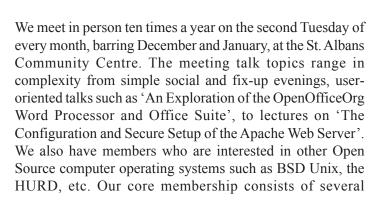
is again offering FREE membership to new members for this season. Coaching is also free, as is the loan of bowls while you "give-it-a-go".

We have two very good greens, modern facilities, friendly people, social activities, as well as competitive games with other clubs.

Join us any Wednesday or Saturday at 1.15 pm at 5 Donald Place, Merivale(off St.Albans Street) or phone Alison on 352 0681 for more information.

# **Canterbury Linux Users Group**

We are a completely informal group of individuals who are linked by our mutual interest in the computer operating system popularly known as Linux. We use an electronic mailing list as our primary method of keeping in touch. To join, just send an email to mailserv@it.canterbury.ac.nz with the words "subscribe linux-users" - but not with the quote characters - in the body of the message from the computer on which you are going to read the resulting mails. Normally, it's not a particularly busy list, so you won't be totally overwhelmed with emails.





experienced professional software engineers, tertiary students, ordinary people, a few dedicated geeks, and a growing number of school pupils, all of whom like to enjoy the freedom, the economy, and the secure and almost virus-free computing environment offered by installing a Linux distribution. We have an informative Website at http://www.clug.org.nz

. Our meetings are open to the general public and new members are always welcome.

For more information please email 'csawtell@gmail.com'

Christopher Sawtell



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# So...you think you know how to Recycle? So did I



I recently went on a trip with my daughters Year 8 class. We visited Terra Nova, the Eco Depot, the Super Shed and the Burwood Landfill. Having been on a similar trip (though on a smaller scale) when the same daughter was in Year 5, I was a bit cocky and figured I already knew what we were about to

learn. However, I am the first to admit that I was wrong ...

- Removing the lids from lemonade, milk bottles etc, is VERY important. I knew that you were meant to do it, but I did not realise exactly why. Now I do—the lids are made of a different type of plastic from the bottles, and if the lids are mixed up when the bottles are in the recycling process, the plastic is useless, thus creating a huge mound of plastic that ends up in our landfills.
- Aerosol cans can be recycled I learnt this on my first trip to the tip/recycling centre but I must admit I had forgotten. I also learnt that it is better if you can remove the lid (the part you push on) but it's OK if you can't, and that it is very important that the cans are COMPLETELY empty.
- Gas bottles, lawn mowers, anything metal may be recycled. All you need to do is drive to your local refuse centre and ask. You will be amazed at what can be re-used and recycled ... and the added benefit is the reduced cost of dumping your rubbish.
- Putting food down your Insinkerator™ is no better than putting food scraps into your black rubbish bags. Having now been on a visit to the water treatment plant ... I know of what I speak ... please compost!
- Rinsing cans, bottles etc I knew this was a good idea, but having visited the area where these are sorted, I now see why! Firstly, left over milk turns greasy, and can make the plastic un-usable. BUT can you imagine the stink of hundreds of beer cans, coke cans, milk bottles etc etc that haven't been rinsed and have sat in a recycling bin for days and are then added to many hundreds of others in the same state? I rest my case.
- Paper of course we all know this can be recycled, but I know now that if we put it in our rubbish, which then goes to the landfill, it rots just like food waste and produces poisonous gases, just like the food waste. Some of this gas is being used for good purposes (eg heating QEII) but unfortunately some is still released into our atmosphere. I'm sure we all agree

that the ozone layer doesn't need a bigger hole.

• Squashing cans – even when I have been really good about rinsing, I wasn't always good about squashing my cans. This is extremely important for at least two reasons It is a common occurrence for dogs and cats to find their way into recycling bins and try to get scraps out of tins. This can end up resulting in serious injury as they may get their heads stuck in tin cans or be seriously injured trying to escape. It is very easy to squash the lid of a tin eg banked beans – trust me we recycle at least five a week!

Squashing cans and tins also means that more fits in our kerbside bins, and it also means that the trucks fill up more slowly and make less trips to the recycling centre – thus saving on petrol and polluting emissions from the trucks.

- Please only put things into your green kerbside bin that can definitely be recycled. All plastic with a 1 or 2 on the bottom, tin cans, aluminium cans, egg cartons, glass (as in beer bottles, jam jars etc) paper, cardboard and supermarket bags placed in plastic bags tied (must be no bigger than the size of the green bins). If you are not sure, please ring the Council.
- "One man's trash is another man's treasure" garage sales are a great way of getting rid of your unwanted items and making a few dollars. Have you thought of a street garage sale or if you live in a big street, maybe just combining with your neighbours? If a garage sale seems too much like hard work, put unwanted clothes, knickknacks and household items into local collection bins so they can be sold at places like Save-mart or take larger items like furniture to your local eco-depot these things may very well be re-useable and can be sold at the Super Shed. Now, that is a place I could write a whole article about what a treasure trove! When my girls are old enough to go flatting, that is the first place I will send them?

I have recycled for many, many years and have always been very passionate about it. Over the years I have realised that I have more and more to learn, and that it is important to be aware of how things change and how incredibly important recycling is in saving the future of our planet. There are times when I find it a hassle to rinse and squash, to separate and read labels. Then I think about standing on a mountain that is made of rubbish, what I saw at the recycling centre, about the rising sea and widening hole in the ozone layer and the effect that this will have on my children, my grandchildren etc and I realise what a small thing it is to simply squash a can, and yet what an enormous difference this can make.

By Monica Guy

# **Pavilion and Pool Update**

St Albans Pavilion and Pool raised \$2700 in September, thanks to a lot of hard work from the community. On the 1st September, a garage sale held at St Mathew's Church raised \$903.00!! Thanks to all who offered their time and their donations! Last weekend, we once again had a stand at Dunkley's Great New Zealand Craft Show. Thank you so much to the Dunkley family for donating this stand, as it is fantastic to be able to publicise our cause to such a big audience!

We ran a raffle for hampers and sold bumper stickers and helium balloons and raised a total of \$1705.00!!





Two of our

younger supporters, Ella Soryl and Amber Guy, ran a cake stall at the St Albans Shirley Junior Football break up on Sunday at St Albans School. We raised \$104.30 and treated people to some great home baking to enjoy with their coffees! Thanks to all who contributed to these fundraisers!

Watch out for Peggy Kelly's fantastic plant sale coming up in November! All proceeds to the St Albans Pavilion and Pool Project. Check out the website for details! www.stalbans-pavilionandpool.org.nz

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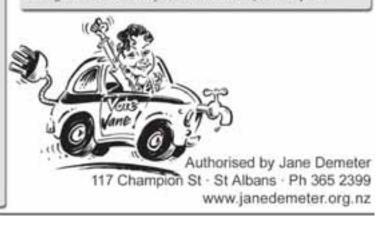
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# St Albans Community Centre Activities - Term 4

1047 Colombo Street. Phone: 379 6305 Fax: 374 2467 Email: office@stalbans.gen.nz

### **Weekly Activities/Courses**

Activity	Day	Time	Cost	Contact
Art Society	Monday	10am-midday		Ph: 385 3123 (Janet)
Dance Academy	Tuesday (5-7 yr olds)	3.30 - 4.30pm		Ph: 021 120 6540 (Pam)
Dance Academy	Thursday (3-4 yr olds)	9.30 -10am		Ph: 021 120 6540 (Pam)
Choir	Monday $(2^{nd}, 3^{rd}, 4^{th})$	7.30 - 9  pm		Ph: 379 9188 (Heather)
Dance Fitness	Monday	2 –3 pm	\$60 for 10 weeks	Ph: 365 6585 (Donette)
Dance Fitness	Thursday	5.30 - 7 pm	\$60 for 10 weeks	Ph: 365 6585 (Donette)
Email/Internet	Mon – Fri	11 - 3  pm	\$2 per hour	Ph: 379 6305 (Centre)
Email/Internet	Saturday	1 - 3  pm	\$2 per hour	Ph: 379 6305 (Centre)
Friday Night O/A	Friday	7.30 - 9  pm		Ph: 381 2974 (Damien)
Hatha Yoga	Tuesday	10 – 11.30 am	\$65 for 10 weeks	Ph: 980 8760 (Pauline)
Laughter Club	Sunday	11 – midday		Ph: 021 998 109 (Hannah)
Meditation Talks	Wednesday	7 - 8.30  pm		Ph: 027 545 4823 (John)
Pilates Levels 2 & 3	Friday	9.30 – 10.30am	1	\$60 for 10 weeks Ph:342 3172 (Coralea)
Tai Chi -Maintenance	Mon & Thur	12 - 1  pm		Presbyterian Support – Ph: 366 5472 (Pip)
Tai Chi -Beginners	Mon & Thur	3.30 - 4.30pm		Presbyterian Support – Ph: 366 5472 (Pip)
Wu Tao Dance	Tuesday	6 - 7.30 pm		Ph: 354 9328 (Karen)
Youth Café	Thursday	7.15 - 9 pm	Gold coin	Centre - Ph: 379 6305

## **Monthly Groups**

Friends of Edgeware	Tuesday (1st)	7.30 - 9 pm	Phone: 980 5584
Linux Users Group	Tuesday (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	7.30 - 10  pm	Phone: 981 5469
SANDS	Monday (1st)	7 – 9 pm	Phone: 323 9850
SARA	Tuesday (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	7 - 9 pm	Phone: 374 2465
NZ Japan Society	Tuesday (4 <sup>th</sup> )	7.30 - 9.30  pm	Phone: 355 9903

# Local Body Candidates Meetings at the Community Centre

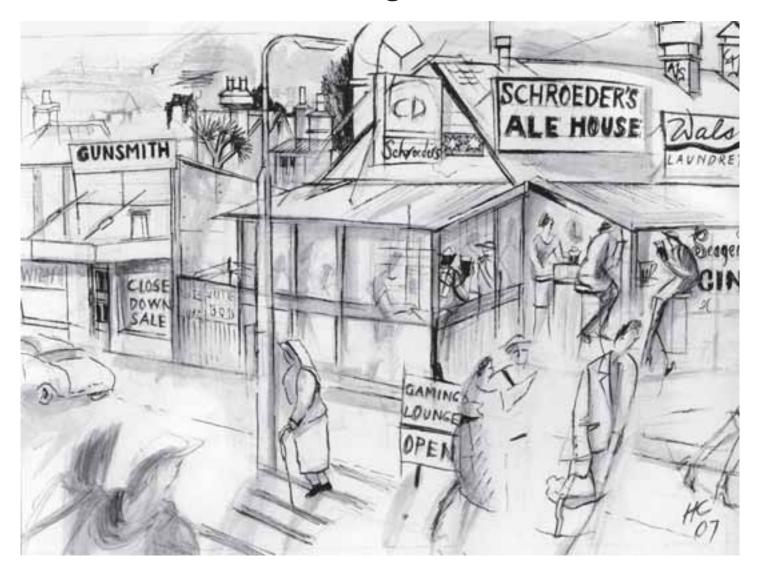


Two candidates meetings saw 43 candidates for the different local authority bodies visit the St Albans Community Centre and engage in lively question and answer sessions with the public.

Photo: Bill Demeter

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# **Barbadoes/Warrington Street corner**



Everything for the good life is here. Guns and money, fine beer, five star food. Splendid locals. Have a fling with Queen of the Nile or Pharaoh's Fancy and wash up after at Wal's. The greedy robber (who might be waiting in the parked car) wants the lot but hesitates before the blazing face of Norm Withers which practically screams tougher sentences at him from a poster on the wall.

Wizard Home Loans (ex-pharmacy) is almost out of the picture but like its twin, the gun shop, built of triple brick (discovered when they blocked the toilet off). Doing the magic here with your money are Linda Richardson and Kevin Burrowes, who will be very pleased to see you.

Paulus Manders could write a book. On red stag and chamois or protected birds (ask to see his early home movie of takahe). Get him to do his moose call. It is powerfully moving. I didn't ask, but I believe that he sees all his interests sitting comfortably together. Paulus has been gunsmithing and toolmaking in Christchurch for forty-five years (Kilmarnoch and Armagh St) but, at my urging, talked more about his honeymoon. Six weeks on a luxury liner from Holland in 1961. Unforgettable! Beautiful wife...beautiful weather...dancing every night...exotic islands on the horizon.

Stuff I only see at the movies. Now Paulus is shutting up shop (see the sign) and working from home, we wish him well

Schroeders is a civilized establishment. "None of the rough stuff you used to see," says owner Danny Schroeder. Unlike two or three Christchurch pubs he could name.

He might be the newest boy on the block but he's done a heap for the locals—ditto his wife Trish, who was born a month after Danny at Calvary Hospital.

Spit roasts and socials and football are the gum which holds Schroeders Ale House together. Sundays' soccer in St Albans Park pitched a scratch pub team against the Squires (named for the street they live in). No one, not even 'the man of the match' seems to know who won, and what's more important, no one seems to care. And if you want something done, someone in the after-function line-up at the bar can help—nearly every profession is represented.

This rather temporary looking complex (compare it with the triple brick) was built in 1978. Some of it became the Cat and Fiddle, followed by Schroeders on April Fool's Day 1997.

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A grain store and hardware and Geary's Dairy (1932-1965) selling Sunland Bread and Capstan, Hobday cycles—all have had their day. Remember Shirley Post Office? It's now full of videos. Wal's laundrette (see the picture) gives you all the info on the answer phone—5 minutes' washing time for two, two-dollar coins. No horse covers or pet blankets in the machines please.

The people in the street are happy proof of services provided. A woman dances with a man in tennis whites. Couples hold hands. Only the nun remains aloof. Her happiness depends upon another world.

Hilaire Campbell

#### The Result of Last Month's Competition

Thanks to Brumby's and to all contenders for THE BIG BRUMBY'S PRIZE (September issue). Congratulations to the winner, Anne Polaschek, who won a \$10 voucher from Brumby's. The house I sketched was at 52 Forfar Street. We are a little disappointed that only one out of three available prizes was claimed.



The Shop before Schroeder - before 1965

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# **Tried Croquet Yet?**

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As we did last year, we are offering Golf Croquet—a simpler and shorter form of the game which people of mature age find easy to pick up—on Thursday afternoons at 1pm. So come along and have a go and find out just how enjoyable it can be to be putting balls through hoops and gaining points for your side, while having mild exercise in sunshine on a smooth lawn. Try it!



The Packe Street Park before the immolation of the grand old tree.

# St. Alban's Best Kept Secret?



Sam Timbs, his wife and the staff at the shop in Oxford

I recently discovered something that is rather hard to believe. Peter Timbs Meats has been in the meat business since the 1850s, and has remained a family business for seven generations. There is a good chance this business could be the oldest business owned by the same family in New Zealand.

The business began on High Street, Oxford, England in the mid 1850s by Samuel Timbs. As the business grew there were two storefronts. One store specialised in pork and sausage products, and the other in beef and other meat products such as poultry. The business grew and prospered because of the careful attention to detail and quality. By the 1890s their reputation was known throughout the region.

Two of the grandsons of Samuel decided to emigrate to New Zealand immediately after World War II, and opened their first store in Heathcote. Once again the store prospered, and this necessitated a move to a new location at the foot of the Cashmere Hills and the end of Colombo Street. The building is still standing, but proved too small for their growing business, and another move landed them in the fast-growing area of St. Albans.

Most of us have seen the addition of a new building behind the existing store which is proof the business continues to grow and serve its customers well.

I visited their operation and talked to several of the employees as well as David Timbs. Two things became very apparent—everyone is busy and the facility is extremely clean and in good nick. David explained the business is both wholesale and retail, about 40% - 60% and they intend to remain in

only one location—St. Albans.

They contribute to the community well-being by sponsoring events and organisations such as: the St. Albans Bowling Club; St. Andrews College; Christchurch Rugby; and other groups in the area.

I asked David what was their secret of longevity. He answered quickly, "Take care of your customers and your employees and provide the highest quality products possible. It worked 150 years ago and it works just as well today." It sounds simple, but to practise that philosophy every day of the year for 150 years requires focus, attention to detail and a dedication that is remarkable.

A business like PeterTimbs is extremely rare today and St. Albans can be proud they live, work and prosper in our neighbourhood.

Bill Demeter



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#### One third happy with Council

Only a third of us are happy with how the Council interacts with us according to the Council's report on itself. This is because Councillors don't front up to the people. In recent weeks we have seen council staff as the chief defenders of rates rises, Hills Road bus boarders and now the demolition of the Stewart Fountain.

#### **Edgeware Pool**

What struck me when the Edgeware Pool debacle unfolded was the absence of the Councillors. It's not good enough for Councillors to vote for a community facility to be destroyed and then change their mind when elections roll around.

It's not good enough that Councillors expect the community to 100% fund a new facility they voted to take away from us. I and your Shirley – Papanui team can do better than that. This may mean secure land tenure, it may mean a contribution to match donated funds, but you know we'll genuinely try and we will front up to the community.

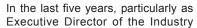
#### Hills Road

The Council is spending a six figure sum on the Hills Road bus boarders in a failed experiment on top of the earlier failed experiment. Once again Council staff are defending this Council decision and the responsible Councillors are absent from the debate.

If I am elected to Council, staff will be respected advisors but I will advocate positions and defend my decisions.

#### Darel HALL - background

I am used to changing public policy and I want to do that for our community. As the University of Canterbury Students' Association President in 1998 – 1999 I led a vigorous campaign that made the cost of tertiary education a top election issue and resulted in a much fairer loan system.



Training Federation, I have led the charge to bring back apprenticeships.

My governance and advisory board experience includes the University Council, Canterbury Student Broadcasting, President University Sport New Zealand, UBS Canterbury Ltd, Tertiary Teaching Excellence Awards Advisory Panel, United Kingdom Sector Skills Development Agency's International Panel, and Ako Aotearoa – the National Centre for Tertiary Teaching Excellence governance board.

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My name is Debra, and I decided to become a Breast Chek Consultant because my mother was diagnosed with breast cancer late last year. She is now a breast cancer survivor like so many other women. Going through the process with her—and also the ongoing support required to keep her positive—has made me want to help in whatever way I can. I did not know the proper way of checking and had never been shown. The kit makes checking so much easier. As a Consultant I am now creating awareness and educating.

The Breast Chek Self Examination Kit is a simple to use, inhome device, which helps every woman to examine their own breasts on a monthly basis. This increases familiarity and confidence. It magnifies the fingertips when you complete your monthly breast self-examination. By completing a monthly self-examination, you get to know if any change has taken place.

Women will become familiar with their breast tissue and will be better equipped to detect any abnormalities. Learning the importance of how your breasts look and feel at different times helps women know what is normal, and able to recognise any irregular changes.

In New Zealand, one in three cancers that occur is breast cancer, and more than six women are diagnosed with breast cancer each day. Over six hundred women die from breast cancer each year. One in ten women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. The incidence is highest in women aged between 50-54. Maori women have a higher mortality rate than non-Maori.

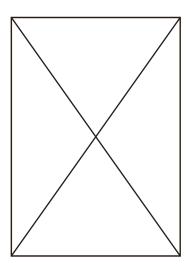
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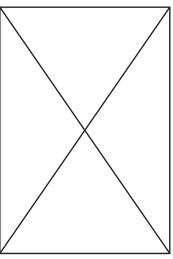
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# St Albans Neighbourhood News ten years ago

Looking at the STANN newsletter of October 1997, I noticed a delicious article about the St Albans Social English Group who had been conducting cooking sessions as part of the learning experience for new migrants. As well as pikelets - typically kiwi, they have sampled Cookies with Cinnamon from the Netherlands, Bonda from India, and Sushi from Japan. Using cooking to share cultures, to me, is an excellent idea. I wonder what is happening to link cultures these days?

Some local teens were wanting a skateboard ramp in the area, and one wrote to STANN who replied that work is underway to organise one. For once the Council listened and a skateboard facility was erected at St

Albans Park. Well done the CCC. Diaries belonging to John Evans Brown, the owner of Chippenham Lodge in Browns Road from 1875-1884, and the first mayor of St Albans have been found. Apparently these diaries give a fascinating account of the life of a wealthy family. Displays of parts of the diary were to be displayed at the Open Day on 18 October 1997. Chippenham







became a non-profit society in the 1970s to provide accommodation for those who wished to live in a communal way. The society also owned another city house and a farm at Oxford. I wonder how those folks are getting on today. A picture of the old Edgeware pool was printed together with a plea for volunteers.

Well, the bulldozers did their work early one morning, and the pool has gone. If you want to help resurrect the facility in a new modern way, you should contact the Community Centre.

And that's the way I see it.

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