



Bush Telegraph

July 2018

From the Manager

You may notice a bit of work going on around the house. We are resurfacing the driveway with "Agrok". This is a compacted permeable material that will wear better than the current shingle and will replace the loose gravel. This will be better for pedestrians, cyclists and will also stop stones being carried into the house. At the same time we are enhancing the rose garden and replacing the concrete pavers with cut concrete. Work started on Monday 23rd and should be fully completed by Friday 10th August, with as little disruption to the cafe as possible. On Thursday 26th July we will have an early start with concrete being poured at 5.30 am. My apologies for any inconvenience to our Girvan Street residents.

We have been having a real problem with dog poo and it has been getting steadily worse. With a number of dogs roaming away from their owners and giving littlies and ducks a fright, we are now obliged to do something about it. We will be enforcing the Bylaw which requires ALL dogs that come onto the Riccarton House property to be on a leash at ALL times. Also a reminder that no dogs at all are allowed in the market area on Saturday mornings. Due to the historical significance of Riccarton House and grounds, and the number of people visiting, this area is controlled by the Christchurch City Council Dog Control Bylaw 2016. We will be erecting new signage at the entrances and the Council will help us by having regular patrols.

Shona Willis, Manager

Local. at Riccarton House

We are open six days a week, Monday – Friday and Sundays 9am - 4pm. (Closed Saturdays for the Farmers Market.)

We have a new winter menu which is rather scrumptious. Come in and enjoy the warmth of the open fires or choose to sit outside and enjoy the sun.

We are also open for private dining, anniversary dinners, weddings, corporate hosting, memorial services and more.

Contact details for restaurant booking or private event enquiries:

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What's happening in the House?

As part of Kidsfest we partnered with No Productions Theatre Collective to host a series of 30-minute long immersive adventure-style tours aimed at older kids (10+), teenagers and young adults, and based on the engrossing tales from the Deans family history. The adventurers visited Deans Cottage and the House itself – including the much-dreaded Attic – under the guidance of the urbane yet sinister Dr Wild and the nervous housemaid Dorcas.

We ran the tours for six nights and most of the 18 shows were fully booked. It was fun.



Tours

We run hour-long tours six days a week from Sunday to Friday at 2 pm. We have stopped our Saturday Tours over the winter and have added an additional Sunday Tour starting at 11 am.

Tour prices: Adults \$18.00, Seniors \$15.00, Students, \$12.00, children \$5.00, under-5 free.

Note that for each paying Adult or Senior a local resident can have a tour for free.

Group and combination tours are heavily discounted and we also run private tours and school groups by prior arrangement.

What's happening in the Bush?

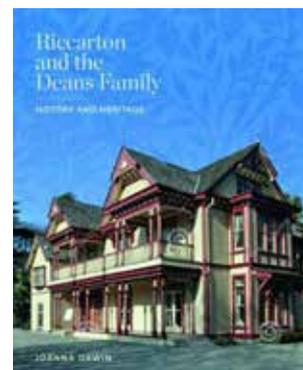
One of our projects that is almost complete is the upgrading of the interpretation signs throughout the bush. These bi-lingual signs have been installed and look very good. This week the "Nature's trail" signage goes in. Nature's Trail is a series of interactive interpretations for our youngsters and will also be of visual and tactile appeal for wider audiences as well, particularly new migrants and those with sensory issues.



Noticeboard

Special Offer for a limited time - "Riccarton and the Deans Family" by Joanna Orwin - This beautifully written and presented book can be purchased at the House for \$25.00 - it usually sells for \$50.00.

Residents Association - If you live in the area, are not a member of your local residents' association (and would like to be) simply email rbkresidents@gmail.com for more information.



Contacts

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Opening Hours (until 1 November 2018)

Grounds: 6am – 7pm daily
Bush: 6am – 6.30pm daily

