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Christchurch (Inc)



OCTOBER 2019



Market Sunday 8 September

**THE FIRST DUTCH FOOD MARKET IN CHRISTCHURCH,
ORGANISED BY THE NSC AND STALLHOLDERS
WAS AN AFFAIR TO BE REPEATED!
SO SEE YOU ALL THERE ON 13 OCTOBER 2019
FROM 10 am TO 12.30 pm
(Photo: Ron van Santen)**

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EDITOR'S REPORT

Dear Readers,

Phew, I just have come down to earth after the enorm amount of visitors to the first 'DuFoMa', as I like to call it, but I mean the Dutch Food Market. Ok, there are a few things that will have to be improved but on the whole it was amazing. Mothers, fathers, grandparents with their young ones, even a dog on three legs. He was not really allowed to be there, but nobody took offence.

By 12 o'clock most of the stalls were sold out, except for those, who have experience with market selling, they were still selling at 12.30.

I heard people crying out for more poffertjes and croquettes. Well, let's see what happens on Sunday, 13 October.

Perhaps the weather will be kinder, although that did not stop people to call in, but it would make it more inviting for the children to play outside.

Did it give you an idea to sell soup, made like your Dutch grandma use to make? Well, ring, **Desiree at 021 02373176** and book a spot. Charges for a stall are quite cheap. But don't forget: It is a **food** market, so to sell all other items, you will have to wait for the St Nicholas, Easter or King's Day Markets.



Photo:
Desiree
Van der Dussen

And may I somewhat proudly say that the beautiful Dutch cake, created by my own granddaughter, **Danielle de Bes**, was won by **Mrs Jean Blik**.

Yoka Saris

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

URGENT

Dear Members,

The Club needs your help! As you will see in this Echo, The Dutch Food Market on Sunday, 8 September, was a **BIG** success. A lot of people attended to have a chat and a coffee. Not sure if there were a lot of people plain curious but a lot of food was sold and the large amount of cheese was gone pretty quick.

You might have noticed that a lot of the stalls were run by the Committee members. Many prospective stall holders, we approached, had genuine excuses why they could not be in attendance themselves so we offered to sell on their behalf.

I am proud I work with such a dedicated bunch of people who were willing to step in to get things started. But it is something we can't keep up, we do need outside help. Are there people who are willing to run certain stalls at the market?

I will put it plain and simple: If we can't find people who are willing to support us with this we might not even finish this trial period of 4 market Sundays in the coming months.

We might as well call it off right now. And that would be a real shame but there is only so much as to what your committee is capable of doing. We too have families; work; etc.

What I have said is not meant as a threat but it is reality.

I'd really hate to have to cancel this event because it was so well attended and welcomed by so many.

We hope to hear from you soon. Just email us: committee.nsc@gmail.com or approach any of us at the coming market.

Kindest regards,

Ron





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Voor ons is dit aandoenlijk stuk een grote uitdaging; het geeft ons niet de dekmantel van wervelende kolder met veel show, maar we konden dit ontroerend verhaal niet weerstaan.

We denken dat iedereen zich wel kan herkennen in de vele gezichten van de liefde en we vertrouwen erop dat u een fijne avond/middag zult hebben met hapjes en drankjes.

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Boodschappen doet u bij ons, kaas, hagelslag, stroop, snoep, koekjes, drop, Honig en Knorr, hebben we iets niet, dan **bestellen we het voor u!**

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Tuesday till Thursday 10 am - 3 pm

Friday 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday at Riccarton Bush & House

Farmers market met poffertjes en
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Saturday at CAFÉ 3 pm - 5 pm

Sunday 12 pm - 3 pm

Monday we are closed

KLAVERJAS CLUB 'ONS GENOEGEN'

We hebben deze maand afscheid moeten nemen van een heel goede vriend, Herman van Trierum, 94 jaar. Hij had me al uitgenodigd voor zijn 95ste verjaardag op tweede kerstdag, want dat zou dan wel eens zijn laatste kunnen zijn, volgens hem. Maar zo zie je maar weer, je bent een mens van een minuut.

Ik bezocht hem veel de laatste tijd. Zondagsmiddags, dan gingen we de goeie ouwe tijd ophalen. Dus je ziet het maar weer, de vriendenkring wordt dunnetjes en wat we hebben daar moeten we zuinig op zijn! Het was een mooi afscheid wat de familie hem gaf.

Op de Kaart Club werd me verteld dat er nog maar 18 leden zijn. Ik wist dat natuurlijk ook wel en ik vertelde hem dat we dan maar moesten roeien met de riemen die we nog hadden, toch?

Op zaterdag, 20 oktober (Labour Weekend) is er een Card Drive en dat is dan meteen de laatste voor dit jaar. Entree \$15 voor leden en \$17 voor niet-leden. We spelen op de Everglades en we beginnen om 10 uur 30.

De winnaars deze maand waren als volgt:

27 augustus: 1) Wim Slot, 5141 punten; 2) Cees Baars, 5135 punten

10 september: 1) Dora Nieste, 5222 punten; 2) Arda Hogendoorn, 4794 punten

Wel beste mensen, dat was dan weer mijn epistle voor deze maand. We gaan de goeie kant op wat het weer betreft. Het wordt behaaglijk buiten dus geniet er van en ook van het spel van het leven.

Wim



YOUTH OF YESTERDAY

Hello Everyone,

Once again another month has passed and soon it will be October. This past month has been quite busy for me with lots of family visiting, I love having them all but it can also be exhausting.

Hanna will be back on 5 October, she has been missed but I do hope she had a wonderful time with her family in the Netherlands. On our behalf I like to extend our sympathy with the loss of her dearly loved sister-in-law Nancy, while she was away.

Congratulations to Merle Johansen, one of our Rummikub players, who will be celebrating her 90th birthday on 6 October.

Now that the weather is improving come along and bring a friend and enjoy the parklike view from the clubrooms while you play a game. \$2 cost, this is for a bottomless cup of coffee and a biscuit but you need to bring your own lunch.

We play from 9.30 am till 1.30 pm.

Bye for now,

Leona

Encourage others, you be an inspiration for them to follow!

HOE WERD PRINSJES DAG BEKEND ALS “HOEDJES” DAG?

In 1977 als pas gekozen VVD Kamerlid mocht Erica Terpstra voor het eerst de Troonrede op Prinsjesdag bijwonen. Als eerbetoon aan de Koningin besloot Erica een hoed te dragen. Van de 21 vrouwen die er dat jaar ook aanwezig waren droegen er drie een hoed, Hare Majesteit, iemand van het corps diplomatique en Erica zelf. De vrouwen gingen, zoals zij later zei, op in de grijze massa!



Maar naarmate de jaren vorderden werden de hoedjes toch steeds belangrijker. Sommigen dames gebruikten de gelegenheid om een politiek statement te maken. Krista van Velzen van de SP droeg bijvoorbeeld in 2005 een 8-kilo wegende hoed van autobanden om haar anti asfaltbeleid bekend te maken. Partij Voor de Dieren vertegenwoordigsters dragen vaak bij om het leed van de dieren op de voorgrond te brengen.



Ook Koningin Maxima droeg weer iets beeldschoons op haar hoofd dit jaar, maar ze moest het toch afleggen tegen haar Heer Gemaal, die deze keer vele malen meer gefotografeerd werd om zijn nieuwe baard. Ik ben benieuwd of ze er 's-avonds in bed over gekibbeld hebben. “Mijn hoed was zoveel keer te zien in de kranten!” “Ja, maar niet zoveel als de close-ups van mijn baard, Liefje!” Ach wat maakt het ook uit? Het meest gefotografeerde; gefilmd; ge-youtubed of wat dan ook was toch het belangrijkste doel van Prinsjes Dag.....juist..... **het Koffertje!!!**



BREXIT: ALMOST 100 COMPANIES HAVE MOVED TO THE NETHERLANDS

(by Mina Solanki)



To date, almost 100 companies have decided to move across the pond and set up shop in the Netherlands and another 325 are interested in moving due to the uncertain position of the UK in the EU. At the start of this year, 250 companies were considering moving.

Brexit uncertainty

The uncertainty regarding the UK's position in the European Union has caused 98 companies to move to the Netherlands. Another 325 businesses, including some big names, are interested in setting up an office in the Netherlands, according to figures from the Netherlands Foreign Investment Agency (NFIA), this year alone, 38 companies have sailed on over.

The NFIA expects more companies to choose to move across in the coming months and years, especially if a no-deal is agreed upon by the UK and Prime Minister Boris Johnson. "The ongoing growing uncertainty in the United Kingdom, and the increasingly clearer possibility of a no-deal, is causing major economic unrest for these international companies." NFIA Commissioner Jeroen Nijland said. The companies that have already moved over have mostly done so for urgent reasons, for example because of banking licenses or broadcasting rights allowing them to remain active in the EU.

The Netherlands is attractive

The Netherlands is particularly attractive for companies in the financial sector; IT; media; life sciences and health and advertising industry Bloomberg; AMBest; Cboe; MarketAxess; Discovery; Norinchukin and UK P&I.

It is not just the UK that the Netherlands is an attractive option for either, companies from North America; Asia and Australia are also looking into settling in the Netherlands so that they retain access to the European market. NFIA sees the Netherlands as a compelling choice due to its strong facilities; English-speaking population and digital infrastructure.

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FLOATING DAIRY FARM MOORED IN ROTTERDAM HARBOUR BRINGS THE COWS TO CONSUMERS

(from Stuff.co.nz)

Peter van Wingerden's dairy farm smells just like any other farm - the rich aroma of cow manure and grass hangs in the air around the unusual stable housing the cattle. The farm itself is far from traditional.

Moored in a small harbour in Rotterdam's busy port, the farm is a futuristic three-story floating structure where one robot milks the cows and another automatically scoops up the manure that gives the enterprise its familiar smell.

Its roof collects rainwater and a raft of solar panels floating alongside produces 40% of the energy the farm needs.

The cows, gazing out over ships transporting gas and yellow cranes unloading ships, eat a mixture of grass cut from a local golf course and a field used by Rotterdam's top soccer team, grain used by a local brewer to make beer and potato peelings - all automatically cut, mixed and transported to food troughs by conveyer belts.

As countries around the world seek to meet the challenge of feeding growing populations in a sustainable way, Van Wingerden believes the farm, which opened last May and cost 3 million Euro (NZ\$ 5 million), demonstrates a new sustainable way of producing food close to where most of it is consumed - in the world's cities.

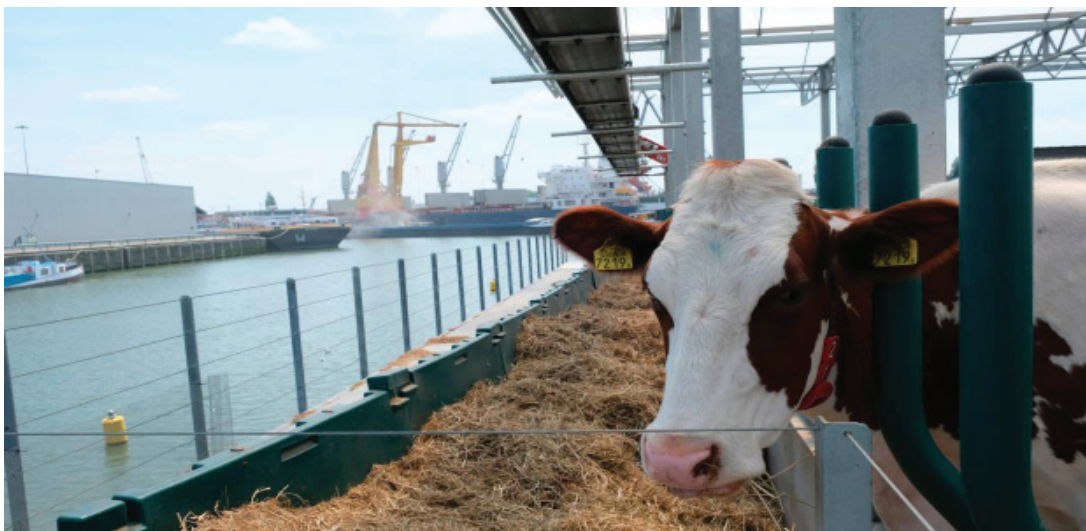
The farm pasteurises the milk and turns some of it into yoghurt on the middle floor of the pontoon. Manure is processed for use as fertiliser.

Jan Willem van der Schans, a senior researcher at Wageningen Economic Research who specialises in urban farming and circular economy issues, said floating farms could be the future for some sectors of agriculture as fruit and vegetables in some parts of the world. But he thinks that the level of automation and the unnatural surroundings of the cows may create opposition to the project.

However Van Wingerden said that animal welfare is his top priority, pointing to many design elements in the construction that are intended to make life as easy as possible for the cows such as rubber floors and poles in the stable. A small meadow of grass speckled with wildflowers grows on land next to the pontoon. Once fencing is completed the cows will be free to walk down to graze. "Animal welfare is for us design criteria no 1," he said. "We wanted to create the best stable - comfortable stable - solid stable - for the cows and that's what we did."

The cows appear comfortable on the water. On a recent hot, sunny day some lay in the shade, others stood, eating from the food troughs that overlook the busy Merwe Harbour, while others milled around the milking robot. The pontoon rose and fell gently on the undercurrents. The movement did not appear to affect the cows.

"The cows are on four feet, so that helps a lot," Van Wingerden said. "So they have not got a problem at all. They don't get seasick."



Gezellig even puzzelen!

Goed voor de brein en ook even checken hoe het met uw Nederlands gesteld is.

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In de maand september kwam Rudi van den Brink als eerste met het antwoord APENROTS, dus niet zoals vele andere inzenders APETROTS

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