

### Area for Motor Homes to Park Short Term ie ( 1 to 3 nights)

I would like to see an area allocated for the visiting Motorhomes, belonging to **The New Zealand Motor Home Association**, to park up, empty their waste and go shopping etc. Usually these places are for up to 3 nights stay, and the Vehicle **MUST** be passed as "Self Contained". ( This is done by NZMCA Inspectors and passes the vehicle to hold enough waste, in their tanks before emptying out.

There is already a much used Dump Station in Charles Street and it would be handy if the parking up area was nearby to this. The Dump Station in Charles street allows the vehicle owners to do their shopping at nearby New World after emptying.

Being a majority of retired folks, with time to browse and shop, they would spend plenty in our township, from coffees, meals, clothes, gas, petrol, groceries etc. instead of just going straight through on The Motorway, which most do now.

To qualify to park, it would be best to be a "**SELF CONTAINED ONLY**" parking area, as this stops the Juicy Vans etc , with no toilet facilities on board from parking and leaving mess behind. NZMCA Members must have their sticker on the vehicle, and be displayed at all times along with their member number inside a wings on the van.

A step further, would be to join The "**Motor Home Friendly Town**" scheme. A lot of small towns around NZ are becoming members, the latest to be added is Methven & Masterton. This really brings in the Motor Homes to visit and enjoy all the things that are to be offered in the town and surrounding areas, and in the two monthly Magazine the Club puts out, it is given huge write-ups with pictures and is excellent advertising for the town.

With Motor homes parked up over night, ie perhaps near The Wharf area, they provide a security at night for the nearby businesses & buildings because the occupants can notify police if anything suspicious is going on in the surrounding area.

Some North Island Towns also provide power points for vehicles. These must be paid for of course, usually the person goes to the likes of our Information building and gets a key and ticket to place in the van window to say they have paid for a nights power. Not all that many require this as most motor homes are self sufficient with Gas appliances.

Having lived in, or near Kaiapoi for 75 years, I really would like to see our Town promoted as a great place to stop and enjoy the beaches, walkways, Salmon Fishing, Trout Fishing, Whitebaiting , Boat Trips on the river, Biking and of course the Golf, Bowls etc Clubs.

Nothing was sadder than to see Kaiapoi badly damaged by The Earthquakes, but now it is all go, and great to see each day an improvement, with all the rebuilds and construction.

If required I could put forward names to be contacted in The Club, either the New Zealand head Office or The Canterbury Branch.

Many Thanks from Arapata Treggerthen, Member number in the club 17773

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