

Celebrating the call of the kārearea



A NEW addition to the Valley Project team, a New Zealand Falcon, or kārearea in Māori, can be found enhancing the entrance to the car park on North Road. This beautiful mural, painted by Bruce Mahalski from the Dunedin

Museum of Natural Mystery signifies all of the amazing biodiversity found within the North East Valley and surrounding suburbs. His image is inspired by a photograph by Keith Payne. *Continued page 4...*

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Lots of social fun with FOOD

AS YOU may already know we've got new opening hours! We've decided to trial this for the first school term to see how it goes. We're now closed on Mondays and open Tuesday - Friday 9 til 3pm, with a late night Thursday's 'til 7pm. We're also open on Saturdays 1030am - 230pm, and we've decided to have this as a day of community connection and kai. We'll often be putting on a FREE BBQ so pop on down and connect with your fellow community!

As part of our new hub space, and our new hours, we will be offering a series of FREE workshops that we encourage you to come along to. Kicking off this month we've got Christine Canty's Balance Connection class. Christine is a registered group fitness instructor and physiologist, she's offering an exercise class for the body and mind, a gentle progression of core strengthening and stretching exercises, finishing off with meditation. Exercises are introduced slowly and taught with a focus on technique and mindfulness. Any level of experience is accepted as throughout the class options will be presented from beginners to advanced.

Bring along your exercise mat, or towel, and a water bottle. Christine's classes will commence on March 6 at 10am. Classes are on first three Saturdays of every month, with an evening class of a Thursday from 5:30pm, please check our Facebook page for details.

On the 6th of March we'll also be offering the first in a series of workshops on how to be handy around your home! Gerard from the North Dunedin Shed will be presenting a workshop on hammers and screwdrivers and drills, oh my! The point of this class is for those who desire to learn the basics of hammering, screwdriver and drill operation to complete simple fix it jobs around the house. The workshop will kick off at 11am, bring your tools if you can!

Due to a shift in alert levels both of these classes will have a limit of physical attendance so please get in touch if to book a space. Alternatively classes will be live streamed, the link posted on our Facebook page.

Valley project to host DCC Long Term Plan public consultation

ON THURSDAY April 8th, 5-6pm, at the Valley Project community rooms YOU can join DCC staff and City Councillors to hear about, and give feedback on the DCC Long Term Plan, whilst eating some FREE pizza! Details about the LTP will be released on the DCC website late March. Keep our eyes peeled on our Facebook page for details, and please do come along to give your feedback directly to the decision makers!

Warm welcome to new Pine Hill dairy owners



WE'D LIKE to take this opportunity to welcome Lucky and Ron, the proud new owners of the Pine Hill Dairy. The couple took on the business after they were in Dunedin for a hospital appointment because Ron broke his wrist. They saw an opportunity and seized it! Ron has been engaging with the community to see what suggestions arise in order to encourage people to shop at the store, while Lucky has taken on the role of running the shop. Business has been quiet but the couple is hoping to build

momentum, and have some pretty exciting plans for the future. Welcome to our community and we wish you all the best! - Jess Covell

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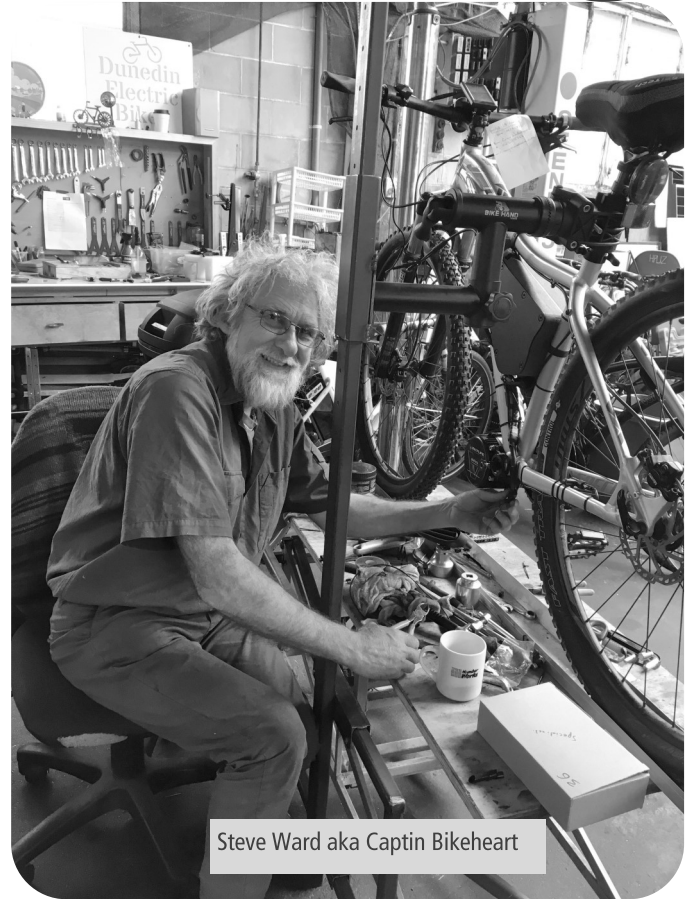
Wheelie spoke-tacular start-up opportunity

THE VALLEY Community Workspace (VCW) on Allen Street is a co-op space that supports research and practice in low-carbon and green technologies.

The co-working space is used not only for sustainable, innovative ventures, but skill-sharing, creativity and community-led education and development too. Current innovative ventures being carried at VCW include an electronics and robotics development space; a DIY bicycle repair/second-hand bike workshop; electric and recumbent bicycle developers; electric car conversions; and a welding workshop. The occupants of VCW have their own pockets of space as well as shared areas. It's an exceptional space with some really incredible minds who strive to create green technology ventures so they can then impart that knowledge by means of apprentices. It's a community initiative working with the community, for the community, with the support of the Valley Project, and do you know what? There's one heck of an opportunity coming up.

Given the exponential growth of the VCW there's a gap that needs filling and Steve and Nathan want to offer this excellent opportunity to our local community first. VCW is in need of a bike mechanic. This is not a job opportunity but a business opportunity. There's now room for a small start-up business with a focus on modern bikes. This opportunity is exceptional because not only are you coming into a space where there will be so much support to help you on your way, but there's virtually no cost involved either! Having this new addition to VCW will enhance the already established space and other businesses. Steve says it's been done before and it works really well, but there hasn't been someone committed enough to continue. There's want for it in the community, and it's that kind of local support that will help you on your way.

If this sounds like something you might be interested in, torque to; Steve: 0278212833 Nathan: 0272148294 - Jess Covell



Steve Ward aka Captin Bikeheart

Foray into Fringe with local artists

THE DUNEDIN Fringe Festival kicks off this month with Ōtepoti becoming a melting pot of cutting edge artistic displays. The Dunedin Fringe is an annual arts festival of contemporary and innovative art performance, the focus being artistic performance that is experimental, provocative and entertaining. This is the first time in two years the festival has gone ahead due to recent goings on, and it's also the Dunedin Fringes' 21st birthday. There's always a plethora of events to attend at Fringe but the two below involve artists from our community (and me!) *Spectacle Presents: Spectacle* is a show that encompasses the essence of Fringe. *Spectacle* is an entity that will present immersive, participatory, pan-art shows, attempting to remove the limitations of the usual gallery experience.

The show, likened to a modern day version of the 'Happening', is made up of six core Ōtepoti/Dunedin-based artists and seven collaborators, each reinterpreting the theme *Spectacle* within their chosen medium – conceptual art, dance, digital art, instal-

lation, music and visual art.

So what can you expect? When thinking of what connotes to 'Spectacle' I think of visually striking, something amazing, interesting and exciting. Presenting a show under this name with this theme with such an array of mediums, you can expect to be wowed!

Opening night commences at 6pm sharp on 19 March and will see the first incarnation of the show boasting the works and performances by those involved. On Saturday 20 March there will be a workshop where the public is invited to come along and participate in mask-making, you must register via email for this: spectacledunedin@gmail.com. The masks will be unveiled as a community installation at the closing show on Sunday 21 March, 6pm sharp, where we'll do it all again, but just a little differently!

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Kārearea, story continues from page 1.

But, why the kārearea, and why is it so special?

We have heard many stories from local community members remarking on the wonderful and fierce nature of the kārearea, within their own backyards and parks in the area. A

pair have been seen over several years around the northern end of the Valley., so we thought why not highlight their beauty and existence with a mural.

Kārearea are only found in New Zealand (endemic) and are only one of four species of birds of prey that naturally occur here. Like some other endemic birds in New Zealand, kārearea have an "at risk, recovering" conservation status meaning these birds are rare, and are still at risk of going into decline if new threats arise. It's thought that in the wild there are only about 3,000-5,000 pairs meaning we are quite lucky to have them living here. Unfortunately, they are vulnerable to predation from mammalian predators and are threatened by habitat loss.

However, kārearea are striking raptors or birds of prey, flying at speeds over 100km/hr, mostly taking live prey "on the wing" and often larger than themselves. They will sit and watch their prey, and when ready to strike, will directly attack with their

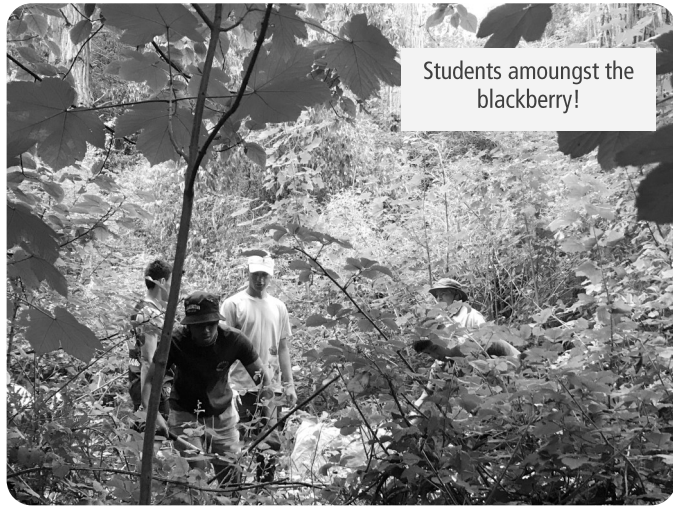
sharp talons and powerful beak. Unlike the often-mistaken Swamp Harrier, kārearea often do not feed on carrion (such as road kill) and do not often soar, rather flying with fast wingbeats.

Kārearea will aggressively defend their nests, or rather a scrape in the ground, under a rocky outcrop or in an epiphyte in a tree. They are monogamous, mating for life, displaying courtship rituals every breeding season. They will utter a 'kek kek kek' cry when defending their territory.

Their scientific name, *Falco novaeseelandiae*, derives from the latin for Falcon (Falco) and New Zealand (novaeseelandiae), a rather simple description, as with the English name, for a fantastic bird. If you're wondering if you've seen one before, check out the \$20 note, kārearea are featured on the reverse side.

For more information about the kārearea, check out: nzbirdsonline.org.nz/species/new-zealand-falcon or if you'd like to share your own stories, please do so in the Open VUE Facebook group! [Facebook.com/groups/openvue](https://www.facebook.com/groups/openvue)

For more information about the Dunedin Museum of Natural Mystery, check out their website for Facebook page. It really is well worth a visit!



Weed warriors feed goats

THANK YOU to the team of UniCrew Volunteers from Carrington College who dealt to A LOT of blackberry at Chingford Park during University O'week! The goats were thrilled with the massive haul of fresh kail!

This area is being cleared to make way for planting to rebuild a lovely native habitat.

Join us every second and fourth Sunday from 10 am - 1pm at the "Riparian Rhapsody" on the other side of the creek on the northern side of the park (behind the Pavilion, across the creek) to lend a hand!

Kids' Corner

Who am I?

Using the clues below and reading the cover story, can you find out which bird I am?

1. I usually make my nest as a scrape in the ground, laying reddish/brown eggs.
2. I'm only found in New Zealand (am endemic) and my species has a "recovering" status.
3. When flying, I will mostly flap my long and pointed wings and will only occasionally soar.
4. I usually hunt for my prey "on the wing" (rather than feeding on road kill).

Who am I?

Write your answers in the spaces below!



Māori name: _____ English name: _____ Scientific name: _____

For the answers, check out the cover story!

UPCOMING EVENTS

WORKING BEES

- **Propagation Nursery** working bees are on every Thursday morning and the fourth Saturday morning (**27th March**) of the month from 10am - 12pm. Find the Propagation Nursery behind Blacks Road Grocer! Come along and grow your own native plants!
- **Chingford Park "Riparian Rhapsody"** weeding working bees every second and fourth Sunday morning of the month (**14th and 28th March**) from 10am - 1pm. Find us working in the clearing at the tee for hole 8 of the Disc golf course. Come along and grab a little time out in nature!

TRAP LIBRARY

- The Trap library is open during the Valley Project opening hours (Tues, Wed, Fri from 9am - 3pm, Thursday from 9am - 7pm and Saturday from 10:30am - 2:30pm. Grab some friendly advice and monitoring devices or traps for possums and/or rats!

COMMUNITY

- Find us at the finish to the Three Peaks mountain race from 11am - 3pm for a Chingford Park Showcase on **28th March!**

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Experimenting with fermenting



A SURPRISING story in international news of late is that, due to an unusually wet summer, Korea's most recent cabbage harvest has almost entirely failed. This means that this year Korea will be unable to produce its usual gargantuan amounts of kimchi. Kimchi is a Korean staple and is eaten with nearly every meal, so this is a catastrophe for Koreans. This got me thinking about how this could affect us here in New Zealand. Because kimchi has recently come into the global culinary spotlight, much larger quantities are being eaten here than in the past. However, with the recent disaster, Korea will clearly be unable to export anywhere near as much as usual.

I do not feel qualified to give readers a kimchi recipe as I am not of Korean descent and have made it only a few times in my life, but I do have a fair amount of experience with other fermentation methods involving cabbage. The recipe I'm offering is something of a hybrid between German sauerkraut and the zingier ferments found in China. The main difference between sauerkraut and other fermented cabbage recipes is that sauerkraut usually only has two ingredients: cabbage and salt. Sometimes flavourings

such as caraway seeds are added, but usually no other vegetables or spices. Sauerkraut builds up most of its flavour from its long fermentation time: taste it just after making it and it's just salty cabbage, but leave it a month and it's deep, complex and moreish. Kimchi is almost directly in contrast to this: whole cabbage leaves are spread with a mix that typically consists of gochugaru (Korean red pepper flakes), fish sauce, garlic, ginger and onion. Once coated in the paste, the cabbage can be eaten straight away and still be delicious, but is typically fermented for two weeks to a month. I will be borrowing from these two techniques as well as traditional Chinese pickled cabbage, which tends to be fresher and less pungent than kimchi. I am using weight measurements for this recipe, as it is easier to measure the salt content, which is vital to prevent bad bacteria from thriving.

Ingredients:

1 kg cabbage of your choosing
20 g salt
2 small carrots
5 radishes
40 g ginger
4 garlic cloves

Method

Chop the cabbage into whatever size you think will be nice for eating – I lean toward very thin strips, about four centimetres long. Combine cabbage with salt in a large glass or ceramic bowl and then decide how much you need a workout. You

can either squeeze the cabbage constantly for about 15 minutes until it starts releasing its juice, or let it rest combined with the salt for half an hour then squeeze for about five minutes.

After this is done, slice the carrots and radishes into very thin rounds – the thinner the better. Slice the ginger into thin strips, and either slice the garlic or just smash it with the flat side of your knife – I prefer the second method because it gives you an amazingly intense mouthful of garlic in the end product.

Combine the vegetables with the cabbage and mix well. If you

press down hard on the mixture you should see water bubbling up almost to the top of the cabbage. If not, then continue squeezing the cabbage for about five more minutes. You can now either transfer the mixture directly into jars or leave it in the bowl. Either method requires a weight to keep the mixture submerged in liquid – a heavy plate works for the bowl method, and a small glass jar filled with stones tends to work for the jar method. Cover with a tea towel and transfer to a cool, dark place, with a plate underneath to catch any leakage.

Start testing the ferment after about one week – it will still be quite fresh tasting, but the flavours will have mingled deliciously. After two weeks the bacteria will have started doing their work and it should be quite tart and crunchy. It can be left for up to a month, during which the flavour will continue to mingle and deepen. Once you're happy with the flavour, transfer to sterilised jars and store in the refrigerator. It should be good for up to six months. Serve with everything!

- Joe Flarety is a local chef with a passion for people and kai.

Continued from page 3... This FREE event, which will also be live streamed, has been made possible with the help of the Dunedin City Council arts grant and creative communities funding, a successful Boosted NZ campaign, the Dunedin Dream Brokerage and Emerson's Brewery.

Local Pine Hill artist Nicola Hansby will also feature in this year's Fringe. She has orchestrated an exciting exhibition involving everyone's favourite drawing game, Exquisite Corpse. It's a game in which participants contribute to a collective drawing without the knowledge of others' additions. The game itself stems from the Surrealist movement which sought to release the creative potential of the unconscious mind. It always results in something wondrous.

There is so much to love about it. An exquisite corpse drawing combines things you wouldn't expect to see together. With a little weirdness, wildness and joy, Exquisite Corpse breaks free of plain old reality.'

This show will be the second instalment. The first show, despite falling victim to Covid cancellations, was a success and has prompted Hansby to continue, this time with even more artists. And what better platform than Dunedin Fringe?! The exhibition

will take place at Olga Gallery 19-25 March and is FREE to attend. The finished pieces will be for sale with all proceeds donated to ChatBus, a Dunedin counselling service for children. The project was made possible with help of Creative Communities Scheme Grant and a successful Boosted campaign. - Jess Covell



Six core artists from Spectacle. Photo Amanda Konijn

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Spectacle Presents: Spectacle

19 March 6pm opening show
20 March 10am -2pm Workshop
21 March 6pm closing show
53 Castle Street

Propagation Working Bee

Every Thursday 10am-12 and Saturday 27th of March
Gate behind Blacks Road
Green Grocers on Blacks

Chingford Park Working Bee

14th & 28th March, 10am-1pm
Chingford Park

Late Night Thursday's at the Valley Project

Open Until 7pm!

Exquisite Corpse Exhibiton

19 March Opening 5pm
20-25 March 10 - 5pm
Olga Gallery Moray Place

Your monthly guide to Valley events, talks, workshops, gigs and the rest.

To list your event please contact Jess by the 20th of the month: voice@northeastvalley.org



All events FREE unless stated
Koha is encouraged.

11th - Blues with Oscar LaDell and Julian Temple 8pm
12th - Warf St Band 8pm
13th - Gypsy jazz duo 8pm
14th - Jazz jam session with Big Jazz Apple 4pm
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Elena Poletti reads

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6th - Hospital Sports + Porpoise + Three Quarter Marathon 7pm \$15 entry

*Please check Facebook for level 2 updates.



THE WILD Dunedin Festival in the April school holidays has lots of exciting things happening in the Valley and close by. Look out for fun kākā events for children at the NEV School hall, activities for adults and children in the Upper Botanic Garden, and you can visit Orokonui Ecosanctuary for a discounted entry fee on Earth Day.

For information on the huge number of events and activities for adults and children, and to become a friend and have early access to the online programme and preferential bookings, visit www.wilddunedin.nz. And you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Personal expression focus of art class



HAVE YOU ever felt a desire to express yourself artistically, but unsure where to start? Anneloes Douglas runs art classes down at the Valley Project every Thursday morning and Friday evening. Anneloes has a wealth of knowledge and experience when it comes to the arts, and has a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Royal Academy of Visual Arts, Netherlands; a diploma of art and creativity (honours) from the Learning Connexion in Wellington, a DipGrad in Design from Otago University, and has studied anatomy and illustration at Arts Students League, an independent art school in New York City.

Anneloes says, 'The most valuable lesson you can learn as an art student is to pursue your own art, exploring your own choice of subject matter, while learning techniques that make that possible.'

So with this she strives to create a supportive atmosphere, introducing students to different techniques and skills and encouraging experimentation. There's a fun warm-up exercise at the start of each class, which students receive via email.

All levels and all painting and drawing media are welcome, whether acrylic, watercolour, pastels or oils. Students are required to bring their own materials.

It's \$20 per class and runs every Thursday 10am-12 noon and Friday 6-8pm. To book or for more info give Anneloes a buzz on 027 307 7034 or 467 9993 or email: anneloes.douglas@xtra.co.nz - Jess Covell

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valley garden journal



Meet community gardener Gretchen Kivell

How long have you worked at the garden, and why did you start?

I retired about eight years ago and moved into my home in Opoho. I set up a raised garden - but realised I didn't know how to grow vegies! I rang the NEV Project office, and they put me onto the Community Garden, which has taught me all I had hoped and so very much more.

What sorts of things have you learned?

About growing seeds and transplanting young plants, then planting, weeding, harvesting - and we swap recipes as we do all this. About new vegetables and herbs, and how to use them. About making good compost and preparing the soil. About watering over the summer. About others living in the Valley (and those who come from further afield) - such a wide variety of interesting people with a wide range of capabilities. Also, I've found NEV gardening is the best way for me to find out what else is going on in my NEV neighbourhood.

What do you value most about the Garden?

Each weekend's 'working bee' of three hours includes a cuppa, baking and a sit, where we plan for next time but more importantly enjoy our chit chat - this is the time when I see the 'community' of our Community Garden. I'm most impressed with the egalitarian nature of our community. Everyone receives a warm welcome; everyone is welcome to join if they wish; and people enjoy using and extending their skills to meet the wide range of work needed to keep a community garden going throughout the seasons. I'm grateful for the wide range of gardening skills I've developed, and for the friendly people I work with each weekend. The Garden is celebrating 10 years next month. Do feel welcome to come and visit during one of our working bees.

North East Valley Community Garden

Saturday 13th & 27th March: 9:30-Midday

Sunday 7th & 21st March: 1-4pm

Sunday 4th April (Easter Sunday)

Dalmore Reserve Community Garden

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DalmoreCommunityGardenPineHill for upcoming events and working bees

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The 3.5acre garden of the Dunedin Rhododendron Group is situated in Torridon St, Opoho. Members of the public are invited to visit at any time. Dogs permitted on a lead.

THREE LEFT FEET

Social dance group, no experience or partners necessary. European dance - folk and traditional, \$5 or \$7.50/couple, Nga Maara hall, 6pm-7pm, Thu. Ph. Marilyn 473 7829.

ZEN MEDITATION

Zen Meditation - Traditional Zen for beginners and experienced people. All welcome. 7pm Thursdays at the Quaker Rooms, 15 Park Street, Dunedin North. Koha please. 6 week beginners courses through the year. 7 day retreat on Quarantine Island annually. Any questions phone Glenn 473 6256

YOGA IN THE VALLEY

Instructor Adair Bruce, 6-7pm, Mon & Fri, DNI designspace; 9.15-10.15am, Mon, Wed, community rooms. \$10

waged, \$8 unwaged, for more info contact adairbruce@hotmail.com

further education

CITIZENS ADVICE

Dunedin Citizens Advice Bureau - a free confidential service for all. We can help with tenancy problems, employment issues, consumer problems & host of other issues. Rodgers House, 155 Princes St, 471 6166, cab.org.nz

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STAND-UP COMEDY

Open mic at Inch Bar 1st and 1st Wednesday in Feb. Comedy workshop Mondays 5-7pm at George St McDonalds. Open to all skill levels. Contact reuben@dunedincomedy.co.nz

art, craft & music

ART CLASSES

For all levels, casual attendance welcome, tutor Anneloes Douglas, community rooms, 10am-noon, Thur and 6pm-8pm, Fri. Ph 027 307 7034, 467 9993, anneloes.douglas@xtra.co.nz

ART CLASSES

Continuous class, newcomers welcome, 1-3pm, Wed, community rooms; 1-3pm, Thurs, St Peter's Church Hall, Caversham; 7-9pm, Thurs, Logan Park High School, \$15 per session. Ph Friederike 482 2025.

KNITTING SQUAD

BYO knitting or crocheting, or come & learn, community rooms, 1pm-3pm, Wed. Ph Marjory 473 7751.

ART FIBRE DUNEDIN

Bring lunch and requirements, 10am-3pm, second Sun each month, community rooms, Ph Viv 473 0343, www.artfibredunedin.blogspot.com.

DUNEDIN FIDDLE CLUB

Community rooms, 7.30pm, Wed.

MUSIC LESSONS

Guitar, drums, singing, with professional musician. All ages. Contact Bevan bevan37@hotmail.com or ph 027 363 1376.

SOUNDS NOR'EASTERLY

Do you enjoy singing with a group? Why not join your local community choir? All ages and abilities welcome. DNI design lobby every Tues, 7.30-8.45pm. Email Marion for more info marion.okane68@gmail.com

UKULELE SESSIONS

Wed, 7-8.30pm, Baptist Church, 280 North Rd. Just turn up or text Adrienne 027 389 2574 for more info.

WOMEN'S ART GROUP

An art & craft group aimed at helping new Dunedin residents learn & share skills & connect with others. Tues, 1pm, community rooms, 262 North Rd.

LEARN TROMBONE

From winner of Dunedin Youth Jazz Festival best trombone and Otago Rockquest best musician - contact Finnbar ph 0273562881 fin.mckinlay@gmail.com

community

BIBLE HOUR

Friendly small group Bible learning over morning tea, Sun, 9.30am, DNI (tech area) during school terms. All welcome, free, ph 020 4079 5727 or www.dunedinchristadelphians.org

BIKE WORKSHOP

Get help, use our workshop, bikes available for koha, 3.30-6pm Tues, and 9.30am-12.30pm Sat, Valley Community Workspace, 11 Allen St. Contact Peter on peterd0n@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY ACCOUNTING

Dunedin Community Accounting provides free accounting training & advice for non-profits in Otago. For more info call 0800 113 160, kiaora@dca.org.nz or www.dca.org.nz.

ENABLING LOVE

Looking for friendship and social connection? 18-65 years welcome to our weekly coffee group at Otago Museum cafe, Thurs, 1-2pm. More at www.enablinglove.nz or contact Joshua for venue at enquiries@enablinglove.nz

DUNEDIN REFUGEE & MULTICULTURAL WOMEN'S GROUP

Dunedin Refugee Centre, meet community rooms, 262 North Rd, 9.30-

11.30am, Fri. Ph Afife 473 8944.

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Free legal advice at Community Law Otago, available by appointment. Legal advice by qualified lawyers, practical solutions.

Telephone 03 474 1922 or email reception@dcl.org.nz to make an appointment.

MEN'S PROBUS

NEV bowling club, 10am, 2nd Mon each month, new members welcome. Ph Peter 455 1256, peabee@xtra.co.nz or ph Don 473 7544.

DALMORE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Pine Hill, Dalmore Reserve entrance on Allenby Ave, We need more gardeners, please get in touch if you can help or come along to one of our working bees on the 2nd and 4th Sunday each month at 3pm.

dalmorecommunitygarden@gmail.com

WILD DALMORE RESERVE

Help us protect and restore the native biodiversity of Dalmore Reserve. We meet most Sunday afternoons. Entrance at 20 Allenby Ave, Pine Hill. Contact us through our Facebook page Wild Dalmore Reserve or phone/text 021 206 3593 or more info

NORTH EAST VALLEY COMMUNITY GARDEN

The NEV Community Garden is directly behind NEV school. Pay us a visit! We meet every weekend: hours in the Valley Garden section in this Valley Voice.

DUNEDIN MAKERSPACE

Work on project, watch others and chat, 1pm-5pm, Sat; organised talks, 7pm, Thur, Valley Community Workspace, 11 Allen St.

NEED A JP?

Contact Colin Lind to arrange to meet, ph 473 7174 or 027 733 0066 or colin@lind.co.nz.

NORTH DUNEDIN SHED

New members welcome. Open Wed and Sat mornings 35 Bonnington St over bridge. Find us on Facebook: North Dunedin Shed Society Inc

NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT

Create safer, more caring communities. For more info and local contacts ph Joy Davis on 456 0857 or 027 476 6047 neighbourhoodsupport@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY PATROL

Dunedin North Community Patrol. Assisting Police to ensure our commu-

nities are safe to live in. Volunteers welcome – for info call Garry on 027 3641485

ST CLAIR 125TH JUBILEE

June 4-6. Registration info available via email 125years@stclair.school.nz via St Clair school facebook or at the school.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

CREST Train at the Botanic Garden. Can you help? Volunteers needed for driving, ticketing, commentary, maintenance, secretarial duties. www.crestrides.org.nz or phone Rodger 0274714902

SEEKING

Seeking the youngest of 7, escorting the Hon. Helen Clark to the St David lecture theatre and also kindly introduced me to the Hon. David Clark MP. This person knows me very well, authentic and very kind. Please phone 0210847006

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10 years of childcare experience, full drivers licence. Have worked with twins. Ph Kelly 027 697 9194 .

BABYSITTER

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Wednesday

10.30-12.30 Valley Project

3.30-5.30 Valley Baptist Community Centre-Tech Space.

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housing

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for families, kids & teens

DUNEDIN TOY LIBRARY

A vibrant toy library for children from birth to 7 years. Huge range of toys, ride-ons, dress ups, puzzles, games. NEV Baptist Community Centre, 270 North Rd., 3.30–4pm Wed, and 10–11.30am Sat.

GIRLS BRIGADE

Dunedin Girls Brigade Company, all girls, from age 5 up welcome, 6–7.30pm, Wed, St Marks Presbyterian Church Hall, 304 Pine Hill Rd.

MT CARGILL GIRLGUIDES

Pippins, brownies, guides and ranger groups in the valley, ph 0800 222 292 or info@girlguiding.org.nz

OPOHO PLAYCENTRE

Opoho Playcentre is a nurturing play space for 0-6 year olds where children and their whanau attend together. Our focus is on child-led learning through play. Come make friends, play, learn, and grow. Three free visits. 28A Signal Hill Road. Mon-Fri 9 am - 12 pm following school term times. Find us on Facebook, contact us at opoho@playcentre.org.nz, or ph: 027 880265

OPOHO SCOUTS

Keas, 4pm–5pm, Tues; Cubs, 6pm–7.30pm, Thur; Scouts, 7pm–8.30pm, Wed. Opoho Scout Den, ph Kevin 0800 SCOUTS.

MAINLYMUSIC

Leith Valley Church, Malvern St, Wednesday 10am \$4 Contact: Fran ph 467-9208 (Leith Valley Church Phone No) Or 027 456 1188

PRESCHOOL MUSIC

At Opoho School, 9am–9.30am, Fri, during school term, Room 3, gold coin, drop in, ph 473 8019.

church services

Salvation Army, 43 North Rd, community worker only, Mark O'Donnell

Sacred Heart Catholic, 89 North Rd, Mass 9.30am

Glenaven Methodist, 7 Chambers St, 11am

Pacific Island Presbyterian, 160 North Rd, English 11am on 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays; Cook Island 9.30am; Samoan 11am, 4th and 5th Sundays

Anglican: St Martin's, 194 North Rd, 10.30am

St Thomas', Raleigh St and Pine Hill Rd, children & family service, 4.30pm, 3rd Sunday

Opoho Presbyterian, 50 Signal Hill Rd, 10am

NEV Presbyterian, community rooms, 9.30am, first, third and fourth Sundays, cafe service, contact Shona McDonald ph 4530145

St Mark's Presbyterian, 304 Pine Hill Rd, 10am

NEV Baptist, 270 North Road, 10.30am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Variety of classes with stories, crafts, songs and more. Ages 4–18, 9.30am Sun (term time only), DNI (tech area). All welcome, no charge, ph 020 4079 5727 or www.dunedinchristadelphians.org

SPACE FOR BABIES

Programs run by registered ECE teachers supporting families through their first year with a new baby, school terms, 12.30–2.30pm, day TBC, Valley Baptist Community Centre, ph 473 0014 or space.valleybaptist@gmail.com

NEV PLAYGROUP

For 0–5yrs, variety experiences to enhance development of your child, meet other local young families, free morning tea & lunch provided for adults please supply child's morning tea. Valley Baptist Community Centre, 270 North Rd, 9am–12.30pm Tue & Wed, ph 473 9413 or nevplaygroup@gmail.com

RUDOLF STEINER

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Our bank account number is 03-1726-0005606-000 if you would like to make a donation. Please use VVdonation as a reference.

Students celebrate playground success



THE DNI Board of Trustees decided to redevelop the school's playground roughly two years ago. A designer was hired, but when the students were presented with the initial design, they promptly rejected it. The student council spent a whole year devising a more youth-engaging vision.

The student council carried out research and surveys of their fellow students and, with the help of principal Heidi Hayward, came up with their own plans that they felt better represented the students themselves. There's a hamster wheel— a first for a New Zealand school playground, a flying fox, a rope climbing frame and some basket swings, and it's quite an impressive sight.

Many of the students from the council have since moved on to high school, but the entire 2020 student council was present at the opening to cut the ribbon for all of their mahi. Anticipation was high as the gates came down earlier than



The former DNI school council of 2020

expected, giving staff quite the chore to keep 300 odd kids off the new equipment until the official opening.

Members of the student council expressed their excitement to finally see their vision come to fruition, and this was followed by ribbon cutting and of course playing! It was a truly special sight to see the utter glee on

these kids' faces as they finally got to utilise the equipment. Kai pai for your mahi, team! - Jess Covell

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Te Reo Māori

Te Reo Māori language used in this month's Valley Voice

Kārearea - New Zealand Falcon	Kākā— New Zealand kākā is a large species of parrot.
Kai—Food	Kai pai—Well done
Ōtepoti - Dunedin	Mahi—Work/accomplishment
Ōtepoti Mohoao—Wild Dunedin	

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