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E-bikes charge out the door



Dunedin Electric Bikes co-owner Nathan Parker takes an electric bike for a quick spin past the Valley Community Workspace where the business is based and selling bikes from.

SINCE DUNEDIN Electric Bikes set up shop in the Valley Community Workspace, electric bicycles have been flying out the door so fast Katie and Nathan Parker are barely keeping up with demand.

Saturday mornings at the workspace are "crazy busy" with lots of people, including kids, coming in to get their bike fixed or to try out an electric bike, says Katie.

"It's fantastic. There's a real buzz."

Katie and Nathan, the co-owners of Dunedin Electric Bikes, started renting space at the workspace a few months ago, and Nathan also helps out when he can, with the bike workshop run by Peter McDonald.

Electric bikes are experiencing a surge in popularity, and a lot of that interest is due to environmental reasons. An e-bike enables people to get around or commute to work easily.

Katie says she is able to bike from her home in Warrington to work at the hospital in her workclothes, as she doesn't arrive all sweaty, and with the e-bike "hills are a

breeze".

E-bikes have also given older people, who might not have been on a bike for 20 years, the confidence to get back to biking.

The oldest person they have sold an e-bike to was a 79-year-old woman who regularly uses her bike to visit friends as far afield as Aramoana and on the Otago Peninsula.

"Every time Nathan sells a bike he gets this great buzz thinking 'that's one less car on the road'."

The e-bikes have a 60–70km radius before the battery goes flat, after which they can still be pedalled — but it is harder work. They range in price from about to \$5000. Dunedin Electric Bikes is open at the workspace on Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm, or you can find more information on their Facebook page.

The workspace is a cooperative of people and skills which empowers collaborative enterprises for community and business. Find out more at workspace.org or at their Facebook public group.—Edith Leigh

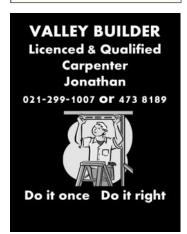




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Valley Voice highly rated

ACTIVITIES THE Valley
Project supports are very ben-

eficial in contributing to people's sense of community. This was the overall message gained from community consultation run by the project.

About 130 people completed a consultation survey either online, during a morning tea or community dinner, or outside the Gardens New World.

The *Valley Voice* community newsletter was among the most popular initiatives run by the Valley Project.

Other activities which rated highly as 'very important' or 'important' were community events, the community rooms, Cosy Homes, FoodShare support, community gardens support, sup-

Community conversation

ty education and workshops.

The Valley Project executive board is inviting the community to join them at their next monthly meeting.

Board chairwoman Margaret Hillerby says the Valley Project is a community-led development project and it's important the board keeps up a conversation with the community.

port for community initiatives, and communi-

Valley Project community coordinator Anna

Parker says it is exciting to see the high level

events. "This may indicate a willingness of the

community to drive change and participate."

Many thanks to all those who took the time

to participate in the consultation, says Anna.

of support for community initiatives and

The meeting will be at the Valley Baptist Hall at 248 North Rd, 7pm, Wednesday 9 November.

From the editor

WOW, THE valley is the place to be this month. Once again this issue of the *Valley Voice* is packed with events happening in our area. Trying to fit them all into 12 pages can be a challenge!

It was heartening to see that the *Valley Voice* was rated as 'very important' by more than 75% of the people who participated in the Valley Project's recent community consultation.

Remember if you want to raise the profile of your club, group or event, articles and photos are welcomed. Just get them in by the 15th of the month prior as space does fill up quickly.

Have a great month, happy reading and get out there and support all these wonderful community events.

-Valley Voice editor Edith Leigh

Share your skills and passion

Are you on the Valley Project's volunteer database? Tell us what your passions and skills are and we will be in touch when we have volunteer opportunities that match what you love to do.

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If you don't have internet access, pop into the office at 262 North Rd from Tuesday–Friday, 9am–4pm.

Plunket moving: clinic room free

Sadly the Valley Project farewells Plunket this month. Plunket had a nurse based in the community rooms, but from 21 November she will be running clinics from the Plunket rooms at the Gardens corner.

The Valley Project is open to ideas from the community about how they would like to see the clinic room used, or there may be other practitioners who would like to make use of this space. It is currently rented at \$10/hour. Contact the Valley Project office on 473 8614 or email project@northeastvalley.org

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Creative buzz a feature of Arts Bazaar

NORTHERN
ARTERY'S sixth Arts
Bazaar in the valley
will see Nga Maara
Hall buzzing with
the hum of people
enjoying a busy
crafty day on
Saturday 26
November.

The Northern
Artery collective
originally conceived

for local artists and craftspeople to showcase and sell their work prior to Christmas. It also gives people the opportunity to 'shop local' for beautiful gifts made by the many talented artists who live and work in our area.

The wonderful St Martins Hall was the venue for our first two events. When we were no longer able to use the hall due to earthquake regulations, we moved along the valley to Nga Maara Hall where we have found another ideal home.

The bazaar is known for its vibrant and festive feel with a local flavour. There will be musical performances, and Northern Eatery will be open for business, providing shoppers and stallholders alike with home-baked delights and a well-earned cuppa.



the idea as a means The annual Northern Artery Arts Bazaar has a special buzz all of its own

The work for sale is diverse and unique with many of our stallholders returning year after year. There is real sense of camaraderie throughout the day. So don't miss out. Come along between 10am and 3pm and enjoy choosing gifts for friends, family and of course yourself!

Please bring cash as there is no EFTPOS available

There are still a few space available for stall-holders. Please email Elizabeth on elizabethm46@hotmail.com stating your name and a brief description of the art/crafts you would like to sell.

—Marion O'Kane (on behalf of Northern Artery)

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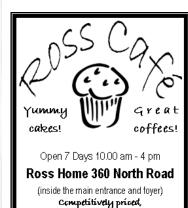
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Come along Saturday 3 December from 1.30pm to 4pm at the Valley Community Workspace, 11 Allen St. The cost is a \$5 to \$10 koha. If you can't make this date, contact Kaitrin on 027 460 9885 or 425 8959 for further dates.



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Pine Hill garden set to grow



Bourke Thomas, of Mornington, volunteers his time on the end of a shovel to help install a garden tap at the Pine Hill Community Gardens as part of the Bunnings community programme.

"Our family has always

been committed to the

community."

PINE HILL Community Garden was the fifteenth Bunnings community project that Bourke Thomas has offered his time to help out with.

The Mornington resident and Bunnings em-

ployee says he just loves doing community stuff". "It's how I was brought up. Our family has always been committed to the community as a whole."

About ten Bunnings staff arrived at the

gardens and helped plant a variety of vegetable and flower plants and install a garden tap. The plants, including ten bags of seed potatoes, the tap and gardening equipment, including trowels and gardening gloves, were all donated by Bunnings.

Community garden co-founder Kelley Allen

says she was thrilled and it would be wonderful to see the garden start growing. "These plantings today are massive for us. It has generated a lot of interest in the [Pine Hill] community. People walk past and see

what we're up to."

"Getting the water on is big, as we have been using water from a neighbour." Garden volunteers have also run two sausage sizzles at Bunnings, which raised \$226 to go towards

installing a shed onsite to store equipment.

The community garden has a regular meet every Saturday from 11am to 1pm. Anybody is welcome to come along and join in.

The Bunnings team also recently repainted outdoor seating at Sacred Heart School.

—Edith Leigh

Valley Project computers running sweetly



The computers in the Valley Project office have been upgraded and are running a lot smoother thanks to Connect South and volunteer Saquib (pictured) who gave many hours of his time to help out.

Connect South is a non-profit organisation that offers information, advice and support to the community sector. Connect South community support consultant and computer guru Rob Tigeir also runs a computer class at the community rooms on Tuesday mornings.

Bowls a great experience for all ages



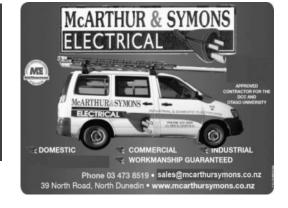
A Dunedin accounting firm enjoying a casual bowls experience at the North East Valley Bowling Club.

Committee member Pete Thomson says they all had a great time. "Bowls is one of the few sports that people of all ages and fitness levels can enjoy."

Putting on a 'bowls experience' with a meal and beverages is a fundraiser for the club.

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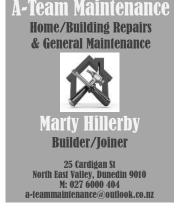
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Shed transformation team effort

IT HAS been a big job but we are seeing The North Dunedin Shed transform from a big, empty, rubbish-filled farm shed, into a workshop area for its members.

Young and old, male and female, working and retired, we have enjoyed using old skills and learning new ones as we have rolled up our sleeves and enjoyed each other's company in the process.

With the help of some greatly appreciated grant monies we have been able to finish the

concrete floor and are well under way with partitioning the end walls with roller doors and some containers for secure lock-up space.

During the last few months we have cut up and sold the huge pile of demolition timber that came with the building and we thank local residents for supporting this fundraising project.

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From left, Norman Ashbury, Kirsten Ashbury and Jim Gladding working hard at 'The Shed' before the installation of the end doors.

Menzshed organisation, although our shed has attracted members of both genders. We are always looking for new members and invite anybody to visit us to see what we do and whether you might like to be part of our happy team.

We always have a morning tea and a good chat as part of our morning. Come along and join us at Bonnington St, just off Norwood St. Cross the little bridge and our big shed is just around the bend.—*Paul Nelson*

Children celebrated for White Sunday at church



Members of the PIPC congregation presenting a song on White Sunday.

WHITE SUNDAY, when Pacifica families give thanks for their children, was celebrated at the Pacific Islanders Presbyterian Church on North Rd last month.

To mark the occasion, members of the multiethnic congregation wore white, children read the lessons and said prayers, and families performed items. To conclude, PIPC minister the Rev Nimarota Lale, gave a short reflection and the Rev Alofa Lale blessed the children and thanked them for their input.

The service was followed by a shared lunch and – following tradition – children were served first. White Sunday originated in Samoa at the end of the 19th century, when child mortality was high, so surviving children were regarded as blessings from God.

The special children's day spread throughout the Pacific and, with the influx of Pacifica people to this country, to New Zealand.—*Gillian Vine*

Sew right to go from boring to funky

THERE IS a sewing revolution happening. Old things are being seen in a new light; forgotten skills are being remembered; broken things are being made better than ever; and our wardrobes need never be the same again.

Using skills our parents, grandparents and great-grandparents knew, and using them to transform ill-suited, worn out, or simply boring items into funky fashion, is not a new idea.

But the local creatives behind the 'Just Atelier' eco-sewing hub felt the phrase 'make do and mend' didn't do justice to the sense of empowerment that comes from taking a piece of clothing that isn't working for you, and transforming it into something you love.

For the past year, Fi Clements (designer of fashion label Senorita AweSUMO) and Fiona Jenkin have been running monthly 'Mend and Make AWESOME' workshops in their central city studio. They share ideas and teach techniques for everything from patching jeans to darning gloves, to upcycling coats.

Along the way they've seen new friendships formed, confidence gained, personal values strengthened, and individuality triumph over bulk fashion.

November's Mend and Make AWESOME workshop will be held in the valley at the community



Just Atelier eco sewing hub founders Fi Clements and Fiona Jenkin have a passion to help people to sew and repair or upcycle items of clothing, and are bringing their next workshop to the valley.

rooms on Saturday 12 November from 2pm to 5pm.

All ages and levels of sewing experience, as well as any project, most welcome. Sewing machines and all other equipment provided. There will also be a chance to donate or swap items from your sewing stash, including patterns, fabrics and notions. Koha appreciated.

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Tori Clearwater is a second-year student studying Fine Art, majoring in sculpture and ceramics at the Otago Polytechnic School of Art.

Tori likes to use unconventional materials and materials that are recyclable and sustainable, and has created the sculpture out of almost 100 coloured glass bottles, all sourced from the student area. The glass was collected and then tossed into a concrete mixer to break it down into fine pieces.

See more of her work on Facebook at Tori.c.art or or Instagram @clearwatertori. The Art Tardis itself is outside the Grid Coffee Roastery on North Rd this month.



The sculpture which is currently on show in the Art Tardis outside the Grid Coffee Roastery

Contact northernartery@gmail.com or message Art Tardis on Facebook if you are interested in showing your work in the tardis.—Jasmin Lamorie





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Kelly



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BREED: Staffy-Huntaway cross

PERSONALITY: bubbly and very friendly

LOVES: cuddles and going on walks

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PERSONALITY: sweet nature

LOVES: eating and sleeping

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Canterbury SPCA's facilities were full to breaking point with stray/lost and confused cats following the earth-quake and they needed to transfer some cats down to us to make some room and that's when Vita became a resident of Otago.

Vita was adopted from SPCA Otago some time ago but unfortunately came back into us in May 2016 as a stray.

Vita is a mature adult with a sweet nature looking for a retirement home of her own to live out her golden years.

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Dogs breakfast fundraiser at the Grid

DOG OWNERS can celebrate Dunedin's first dog-friendly coffee shop with a 'Doggies Breakfast' at the Grid Coffee Roastery in the valley.

The dogs breakfast is also a fundraiser for the Otago SPCA. Tickets will be \$25, of which \$20 goes directly to the SPCA in support of their new building project.

Each ticket includes a hot drink, a bowl of dry dog food sponsored by the Gardens New World and entry into the draw for a Dog Zen prize pack donated by dog trainer and TV personality Mark Vette. The first 80 tickets sold will receive a take-home

• p8 goodie bag valued at over \$25.

Organiser Michelle Hagar said the Dunedin City Council environmental health and animal services teams had approved the event.

The dogs' breakfast will be held on Saturday 19 November, with four sitting times to choose from, at the Grid on North Rd. Purchase tickets from the Grid or email info@woofztowagz.com



A Doggies Breakfast organizer Michelle Hagar

Water quality starts at home

AS I weaved my way through a small

obstacle course of dog poo on the North Rd footpath, I got wondering: where does all that poo end up? I asked Jared Oliver and Frank van Betuw, stormwater guys at Dunedin City Council. The short answer: in Lindsay Creek (or the Water of Leith if you live on the other side of Pine Hill).

Stormwater is the rainwater that falls onto hard surfaces like roofs and roads, which cannot soak into the ground. Under our feet is an amazing, mostly hidden network of stormwater pipes and drains, most dating from the early 1900s, designed to quickly carry that water

away.

The stormwater system is meant only for stormwater. But every time it rains the valley gets a wash, and everything on the footpath, the road, your driveway and your roof – from dog poo to lolly wrappers to tyre dust – is flushed into the drains as well.

The mudtanks (the boxes under the grates in the gutter) catch the bigger stuff, but everything else gushes straight into Lindsay Creek, as is, at 25 locations from Norwood Street to the Dunedin Botanic Gardens.

If you think that sounds a bit nasty, what goes down the drain when it *isn't* raining can be just as bad. Many people don't realise that whatever goes down the outside drains on your property and on the road ends up in Lindsay Creek untreated. This is unlike what goes down your inside drains like your loo, shower and washing machine, which is



An innocuous-looking stormwater drain delivers another batch of North East Valley soup into Lindsay Creek.

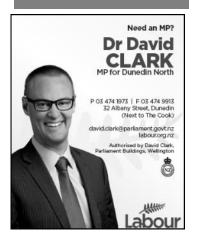
whisked off to Tahuna sewage treatment plant for a clean.

The critters that call Lindsay Creek, the Water of Leith and Otago Harbour home (including those cockles you're going to collect this afternoon) don't particularly like old paint, pesticides, heavy metals, oil, antifreeze, insecticides and car wash soaps and waxes.

The city council website has a bunch of useful tips on how to not put nasties down your drains. Even simple things like sweeping instead of hosing down the driveway (and putting the sweepings in the rubbish), washing your paint brushes in the laundry sink, and washing the car on the grass (there are fantastic wee microbes in grass that help clean up the nasties) or at a car wash will make a big difference for our creek. Oh, and picking up your dog poo, of course.

Just think, you can help improve the water quality in Lindsay Creek without even leaving your property! Easy.—Helen Jack

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Artist finds inspiration in tramping



I am a keen tramper so my art reflects what I meet on these outings. I spot a scene of stark lighting, startling colour or interesting movement and photograph it. I generally like to paint what I have seen as I believe the art is in taking the photograph. Acrylic is my favourite medium as I find it flexible enough for sharp outlines and blending shades.—
Judy Wilson (Artist member Otago Art Society)

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Microphones and stands wanted

A MUSIC and vlogging studio is on the dream list for the Tinker School which is looking for donations of recording gear and musical instruments. In particular they need microphones and mic stands, old electric or acoustic guitars (which they don't mind repairing if necessary) and a drum set.

Parent Karl Bray says he is keen to start a music project with the kids, who love music-related activities. "The kids are really keen to start vlogging," he says.

The Tinker School is a children's afterschool and holiday programme. A vlog is a form of blog in which the medium is video.

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

RUDOLF STEINER

Playgroup in Pinehill, 10am–noon, Mon, Thur and Fri (Te Reo Mãori group), 351 Pinehill Rd, \$3 koha & piece of fruit, Ph Steiner School 471 2163.

SPACE PROGRAMME

Programme to support new parents through first year of child's development (Supporting Parents Alongside Children's Education). Valley Baptist Church. Contact Amy on 473 0014 or space.valleybaptist@gmail.com

NEV PLAYGROUP

Come along with your children 0-4 years, Baptist Hall, 270 North Rd, 9am–3pm, Tue, Wed. Ph Michael 473 0572.

YOUNG PARENTS

Young Parents Group Te Roopuu Maatua Maahuri, where young parents come together to share and support each other. For parents who had their first child before 26 years. Children welcome. 12.30– 2.30pm, Thurs, community rooms. Ph Susan 021 550 0737.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Are not too far away! Update your listing for the December Valley Voice (no issue in January). Email voice@northeastvalley.org

fitness & health

ATHLETICS & HARRIERS

Children 3–6yrs and 7+yrs, Chingford Park Clubrooms, 5.30–6.45pm, Mon, and Caledonian grounds, Sat morn. www.leithharriers.co.nz

CLASSIC YOGA

Move, breathe & relax with professional yoga and meditation teacher Uschi Heyd. Classes start in March, www.birthcircle.org/yoga-classes

CONTRA DANCE

7.30pm, Mon, \$3, 52 Dundas St. Ph 473 8640 for more information.

DUNEDIN ACROYOGA

Combining acrobatics and yoga, no partner needed. Beginners classes available. 6–9pm, Tue, Opoho Presbyterian Church, 50 Signal Hill Rd. Facebook or email jooske@gmail.com

DUNEDIN BMX CLUB

Race night, Forrester Park BMX track, 6pm, Thu.

FOLK DANCING FOR FUN

Baptist Church, 270 North Rd, 10am-11.30am, Fri, \$3. Ph Yvonne 455 2406, stureid1@yahoo.co.nz

INDOOR BOWLS

Friendly games, 1pm start, Thur, NEV Bowling Club, 139 North Rd. Ph Jack 473 9565 or Sean 473 8822.

HISTORICAL DANCE

Explore European dance from the medieval era to the late 19th century. Historical dance workshop, 2nd Sun each month, 10am—noon, Nga Maara Hall, 63 North Rd. Beginners welcome, \$10, www.frenchdancing.co.nz

Classifieds and community notices (for non-profits)

CHANGING WAYS

Lose weight without dieting Virtual Gastric Band Programme 95% success rate

> Ph Karyn on 021 0275 4881 www.changingways.co.nz

LEARN TAEKWONDO

Korean martial art, supportive environment. Training Mon, Thur, NEV Normal School hall, 6pm–7.30pm. Ph 027 412 5770 or

dunedinolympictkd@hotmail.co.nz

MEDITATION

Meditation and mindfulness afternoon workshop every two weeks, ph 021 035 2392, www.meditatenz.com

NAKAJIMA JUDO CLUB.

Weekly evening class for all levels and ages. Ph. Keri 021 027 93683.

OPOHO BOWLING CLUB

Dunedin's friendly little club on the hill. Become part of our lawn bowling community, club day 1.30pm, Mon. Ph Paul and Bridget 471 0743.

PARKRUN

A free, weekly timed 5km run/walk, Sat, Botanic Gardens. Meet at café, 8am summer, 9am winter. Go to parkrun.co.nz for more info and to register & get your personal barcode.

QIGONG

Classes in Yuan Gong, Ans 027 756 8383, yuangongdunedin@gmail.com Jay 027 584 4537, www.bodymindqi.com

SELF DEFENCE COURSES

For women and girls, learn simple ways to use your mind, body and voice to keep safe. Contact Imogen ircoxhead@gmail.com

SPAN NEV

Stretch'n'flex,low-impact exercise, St David's Presb Church lounge, 10am– 11am, Tue, over-65s \$3. Ph 473 9311.

STEADY AS YOU GO

(Age Concern) Gentle balance and strength exercises, NEV Baptist Church, 10.30am–11.30am, Mon, and Pine Hill School Library, 11am, Thur.

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.

YOGA IN THE VALLEY

Instructor Adair Bruce, DNI tech block, 6pm, Mon–Fri, \$5 waged, \$4 unwaged; St David's Church, cnr James St & North Rd, 9.15am, Mon, Wed, Fri, adairbruce@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Priority given to valley groups, email voice@northeastvalley.org

THAI MASSAGE

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ZUMBA

All welcome with or without children, qualified instructor Liana, 11am—noon, Mon, Baptist Church hall, \$5, ph 021 299 1024.

further education

COMPUTER CLASSES

Free class, 9.30–11am, Tues, community rooms, 262 North Rd. Tutor Rob Tigeir. Ph Afife 473 8944 for info.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Multicultural Women's Group New English speakers welcome, 10–noon, Wed, community rooms, 262 North Rd. www.multicultural-women.com

FREE LITERACY COURSE

For more information contact Ana & Marg at Literacy Aotearoa, 477 2055.

LEARN ITALIAN

Planning a trip to Italy this year? Fun, communicative lessons Ph Samantha 021 0831 8408.

ITALIAN CLASSES

Exp teacher, native speaker of Italian ph Antonella 027 341 8312, antonella.vecchiato@gmail.com,

LEARN ENGLISH FAST

English for daily life and work, free. Contact Paul or Tamara at English Language Partners 477 7261, dunedin@englishlanguage.org.nz

SEA OF FAITH

Highgate Church Hall (cnr Drivers Rd and Highgate), 6–7.30pm, fourth Thur each month. Enquiries ph 473 0031.

art, craft & music

ART TARDIS @ THE GRID

Coffeehouse featuring 'Mud Diamond' by Elise Johnston

ARTYFACTS

Art group for support and motivation, bring your own work, 9.30am—noon, Wed, free. Ph Patricia 473 1494.

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, 1pm–3pm and 7pm–9pm, Wed, St David's Church, \$15 per session. Ph Friederike 482 2025.

GARDENS PHYSIOTHERAPY CLINICAL PILATES

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Dunedin Electric bikes

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Ph Nathan Parker 027 214 8294 or Facebook for free trial and advice

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.

KNITTING SQUAD

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

QUADRILLE CLUB

Wanted musicians to collaborate with the Quadrille Club on an informal basis. Our dance repertoire is mostly from the 18th/19th centuries. Contact Kate at info@frenchdancing.co.nz

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 Clare for more info clare-n-don@clear.net.nz

HORT TALK

Digging the Dirt on Soil, soil basics by Lisa Short, Hort Lecturer, Otago Polytechnic. Botanic Garden information centre, free, noon, Friday 7 October

community groups

BIKE WORKSHOP

Get help - use our workshop, bikes available for koha. 3.30pm–5.30pm, Tues, and 10.30am–1.30pm, Sat, Community Workspace, 11 Allen St.

DUNEDIN MAKERSPACE

Work on project, watch others and chat, 1pm–5pm, Sat; organised talks, 7pm, Thur, VCW, 11 Allen St.

DUNEDIN NORTH LIONS

Always welcomes visiting or new members. Ph Ed 456 4317 or Murray 473 8044.

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ENLIVEN DAY CLUB

Ross Home, drivers and help with activities needed, light food preparation. Tues, Wed & Fri. Ph Maybank 473 0890.

LADIES' PROBUS CLUB

Meets 10am, Mon, NEV Bowling Clubrooms. New members welcome. For more info ph 455 6683.

MEN'S PROBUS

NEV bowling club, 10am, 2nd Mon each month, new members welcome. Ph Don 473 7544.

MULTICULTURAL GROUP

Women's multicultural group, make new friends, speakers, cooking, outings. Community rooms, 10am-noon, Fri, ph Afife 473 8944.

PINEHILL COFFEE & CAKE

Morning tea outing to Dunedin café, last Wed of each month. Ph Carolyn 477 7115 for more info.

NORTH DUNEDIN SHED

Sat mornings Bonnington St over bridge. Ph Paul 474 0060.

OPOHO EUCHRE GROUP

Opoho Bowling Club, 1.30pm, Wed. Ph Roy 473 7162.

trading corner

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

Experienced 21 year old. Ph Kelly 027 697 9194.

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

17 year old with extensive first aid training and experience with children of all ages. References available. Kyra Ph 0221507349

COMPUTER SERVICES

Trouble-shooting, tuition, low rates. Ph Dave 473 9542, 022 635 9414 or email davemaxz@actrix.co.nz

HOUSEMINDER AVAIL

House-minder available, 10 yrs experience minding pets and plants. Mature male (53), non-drinker, non-smoker. Ph Jeffrey 027 446 7915 or jeffreyhrobinson@yahoo.co.nz

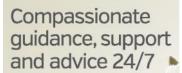
PEASTRAW

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Friendships made at playgroup



Della (1, left) and Angus Dobson (3) having fun together at the North East Valley Playgroup before a shared morning tea with children and parents.

COMRADERY (BY spades), advice (when asked for), sanity (depending on your definition) and plenty of humour are all dished up for parents and caregivers at the North East Valley Playgroup.

Playgroup supervisor Amy Souquet says the playgroup is a great opportunity to meet and get to know other parents in the valley community.

The playgroup runs on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am to 3pm and parents and caregivers are welcome to drop-in at any time with their pre-schoolers.

Morning tea and a small lunch is provided with the support of FoodShare and the Grid Coffee Roastery.

The playgroup is held at 270 North Rd and the cost is a \$2 donation per family.

Valley Project shares skills and knowledge with community groups



Members of the Corstophine Community Hub and the Caversham Community Development Group at the community rooms to learn from and share ideas with the Valley Project staff about community-led development. The kowhai tree was a gift to symbolise the growing relationships between community groups in Dunedin. Pictured, from back left, are Meri and Vasili Jounaides, Tony Culling, Jenny Rowe, Anna Parker, Talia Wharerimu and Chelsie Parsons, from front left, Ani Jounaides, Sande Joans, Manea Tekii, Mama and Moana Taana.

what's on calendar

exec meeting

Join the Valley Project executive board for their next meeting. 7pm, Wed 9 Nov, Valley Baptist Hall.

mend and make

A workshop to repair and upcycle clothing. 2–5pm, Sat 12 Nov, community rooms. Registration essential (see p7 for details).

arts bazaar

Arts and crafts for sale at the annual Northern Artery Art Bazaar, just in time for Xmas. 10am–3pm, Sat 26 Nov, Nga Maara hall.

room to dream

Studio show at 95 Norwood St. Opens 2pm Sat 26 Nov. Also open 27 Nov, 3–4 Dec, 11am–4pm.