

Gardens dream comes true



Now the hard work begins . . . Kelley Allen and Fred are thrilled that Pine Hill will have its own community garden. The first step will be a barbeque to celebrate and give the local community an opportunity to visit the site and get involved.

A DREAM for Pine Hill to have a place where residents can come together and help build community resilience and sustainability is about to come true.

A community garden will be created in the Dalmore Reserve as the last pieces of paperwork are finalised by the Dunedin City Council.

It has been a long process for Pine Hill resident Kelley Allen and now she is ready to celebrate before the groundwork begins.

Everybody is invited to a barbeque at the Dalmore Reserve on Allenby Ave on Saturday 13 February. The event will be a chance for people to meet each other and talk about how the garden is going to work.

"It's really exciting," says Kelley.

"It's just about people getting out there and mobilising our community to be more resourceful and sustainable."

One of the first projects up for discussion would be how to move a donated shed onto

the site and then the construction of the first raised bed.

It is hoped the garden will replicate the popular and successful community garden in North East Valley.

The *Valley Voice* first talked to Kelley almost one year ago when she first raised the idea of bringing Woodhaugh Gardens-type environment to Pine Hill.

"It's been a long, beaurocratic process" to get to where they are today, but it should be all worthwhile, she says.

Food will be supplied at the barbeque courtesy of the Gardens New World, and an application has also been made to the DCC Neighbours Fund. Bring something to sit on, such as foldable chairs or a picnic blanket, and your own refreshments.—*Edith Leigh*

WHEN: 4pm, Saturday 13 February

WHERE: Dalmore Reserve, Allenby Ave, Pine Hill

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VOLUNTEERS FROM PACT will be delivering the *Valley Voice* community newsletter in Pine Hill this year. *Valley Voice* editor Edith Leigh says 750 newsletters are delivered in this suburb every month and having volunteers helps to reduce the cost of producing the newsletter.



Morgan Phipps delivering the Valley Voice to accessible streets and businesses in the valley. Morgan loves being out and seeing people.

"We are really excited about this partnership which will be beneficial for the Valley Project and people who attend Naphtali Centre in the valley."

PACT lead facilitator Harry Strang says roles such as this help people to become part of the community.

"Naphtali supports people with intellectual disabilities who often have lots of time on their hands and not much to do in terms of things that are useful to themselves or others.

"We like to support people with purposeful activities and we like to make a contribution to the community, so this ticks both boxes." One person will take on the delivery role in

Pine Hill initially and see how it goes, Harry says. He will have a support person for his first round of deliveries.

Volunteers from Naphtali Centre have been delivering the *Valley Voice* to businesses and accessible areas of North East Valley for the past year.

Valley Project manager Marty Cancilla says volunteers are an essential part of the work the project does.—*Edith Leigh*

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New Valley Project website launched



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New trailer for community use



A high-sided trailer for community use has been bought by the Valley Project. Contact the office on 479 4713 for more information about hiring costs and usage terms.



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Monster garage sale a community event

THE POPULAR Monster Garage Sale is returning to Sacred Heart School this month.

This fun community event is a perfect day out for family and friends with a variety of stalls including baking, boutique second-hand clothing, a 'white elephant' homewares stall, a sausage sizzle and coffee by Grid. There will be plenty of bargains for outfitting student flats.

A range of fun activities for kids will be available including a bouncy castle, face painting, nail bar, photo booth and Megazone's pop-up laser tag.

Place a bet or two on the Dove Derby in which you pick a dove and guess

how long it takes to get back home to Green Island. Top pick takes home a cash prize of \$100. Do join us on Saturday 13 February from 10.30am to 1.30pm and meet our wonderful community at Sacred Heart School, 63 North Rd.—Sarah Ballantyne



Sacred Heart School pupils, from left, Callum (5) and Daniel Botting (9), Nuala (8) and Orla Kelly (10), Elsie (4) and Bella Anderson (7), with a banner they made for the upcoming garage sale on 13 February.

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Beginner te reo class in community rooms

Kia ora, my name is Merirangi Rewi and I tutor the beginner te reo classes that have been happening in the valley. This is a 36-week course which begins in the first week of March and runs right through to the last week of November. We have a three-hour class each Tuesday night from 6pm to 9pm at the Valley Project community rooms, 262 North Rd. Otherwise there are night classes available which are held at the Kokiri Centre (51 Macandrew Rd) in South Dunedin. This course is for those with little to no reo with the hope of being able to use the basic structures by the end of the year. There are no fees. Anyone wanting more information can email me at merirangi.rewi@twoa.ac.nz or call me on 03 466 3431. Te Wānanga o Aotearoa has a range of courses on offer from small business management, to social services and Māori arts. Visit our website www.twoa.ac.nz or call in to our office at 51 Macandrew Rd, South Dunedin, for more details.

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Clay an expressive medium for artist

CLAY CAN be "super-messy and expressive" or "refined and elegant" says local ceramic artist Marion Familton.

"I love clay as a medium. It is so soft and tactile which means you tend to use your hands more than you would tools.

"What you 'do' is what you get – if I'm after a robust natural look I'm charmed by those nicks and dribbles that happen in the process of making something.

"If I'm after a more refined look I'll work in a more careful, considered way. The piece will still look soft and handmade; it won't look perfectly machine-finished like it has come out of a factory."

Marion is excited pottery is making a comeback and people are appreciating hand-crafted objects.

She has a studio and kiln in her Opoho home where she produces a broad range of styles. She graduated from the Dunedin School of Art in 1985 and went on to teach in Australia, before returning to Dunedin.

Marion is February's featured artist in the Northern Artery Pop-Up Gallery, where she is exhibiting wheel-thrown domestic forms and a sculptural series about the Waitaki Valley. Her work can also be seen in the Stuart Street Potters Co-Operative.



Ceramic artist Marion Familton is the Northern Artery Pop-Up Gallery artist in the Gardens Mall this month.

January pop-up artist finds inspiration in the valley landscape for paintings



JANUARY'S ARTIST in the Northern Artery Pop-Up Gallery, Kylie Miri Darragh, has painted and drawn all her life.

She graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Whanganui Quay School of Arts in 1998 and completed two major community mural works in the district.

Before moving to Dunedin in 2013 she exhibited widely in the Bay of Islands, worked with the Art Upstairs Co-op in Kerikeri and annually partici-

parted in the Matariki Exhibit in Waitangi.

She now lives in Dunedin and paints and draws the landscape around her in North East Valley and the inspirations and stories of Dunedin city. Find out more at Kyliemiri.weebly.com

Pictured: An art work by Kylie Miri Darragh

Peastraw fundraiser ready for orders

The annual peastraw fundraiser for North East Valley Normal School is gearing up and open for orders.

Last year the school raised about \$4000 which was used to buy new iPads for classrooms.

The peastraw cost hasn't been finalised yet but is likely to be \$10 per bale, with an additional small charge for delivery.

Pick-ups can be arranged. Contact 021 0849 9662 or nevpeastraw@gmail.com for more information or to order.

Steady As You Go class to start in Pine Hill



An Age Concern Otago Steady As You Go falls prevention exercise class in Dunedin

AGE CONCERN Otago is starting their very popular, long-standing Steady As You Go falls prevention exercise programme in Pine Hill.

The class is for one hour once per week and uses gentle strengthening, balance and flexibility exercises designed for men and women over 65. Leg strength and balance is tested at week one and later in the programme.

Participants enjoy the friendly classes and find their mobility and stability improve greatly.

Please come along and find out about the classes, bring a friend or contact Margaret at Age Concern Otago at margaret@ageconcernotago.co.nz or phone 477 1040.—Margaret Dando

WHEN: 11am, Thursday, first class 4 February

WHERE: Pine Hill School library

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SPCA op shop opens at gardens shopping centre

THE OTAGO SPCA is “really excited” about its new second-hand shop in North East Valley.

Chief executive Sophie McSkimming says the SPCA had been looking for a site for an op shop for quite a long time. When the opportunity came up to move into the site of the former Salvation Army store they decided it was perfect.

When the news about the new store went out people were “really generous” with donations and she is sure the support will be ongoing.

The SPCA has had the usual influx of kittens, baby birds and ducklings this summer holiday period. When the *Valley Voice* spoke with Sophie, about 60 kittens were out in foster homes, where they are cared for until they are ready to be adopted.

The SPCA is always looking for new volunteers and fosterers. “We couldn't function without them,” says Sophie.



SPCA Op Shop manager April Elliott, pictured here with her dog Lexie, is excited to be continuing with a second-hand shop in the same space as the former Salvation Army Store that she ran for 16 years.

The shop will be open Mondays to Fridays, from 9am to 5pm.

Creek-fest celebration next month

LINDSAY CREEK/Puke Haukea flows from Mount Cargill through North East Valley to the Waters of Leith. It is an important natural asset but one that may not get the attention it deserves so the Valley Project plans to celebrate it.

Our aim is to make people aware of our awa, the treasures that it holds, our impact upon it and, as its stewards, how we can protect it.

Creek-fest is being planned for Sunday 20 March. The event will start about 1pm with guided walks to various interpretive stations along the waterway and will culminate at Chingford Park for live music, activi-

ties and a barbecue until about 6pm.

Event coordinator Anna Parker says: “Our Creek-fest team is well underway with planning and is excited about this great event. We would love the help of volunteers on the day.”

Keep an eye on the next *Valley Voice*, the Valley Project Facebook page and join the event on Facebook at ‘Lindsay Creek Project – Celebrating our Awa’ for updates and stories. Please get in touch with staff at the project on 473 8614 or project@northeastvalley.org if you would like to help out.

—Marty Cancilla (Valley Project manger)

Lots happening at Valley Community Workspace: All welcome

THINGS ARE happening at the Valley Community Workspace. Have you got a budding tradesperson who is good with their hands?

The Tinker School is a place where kids can learn how to use tools to make and fix things. Drop by on their open day on 13 February from 11am to 1pm to find out

what it is all about and register for one of the courses they will be offering. This is a chance for your kid to make something cool.

The workspace is open regularly on Tuesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. Fix your bike, help to work on electric vehicles and check in at MakerSpace.

A welding bay and engineering space is in the works too. If you would like to volunteer, donate a bike, need something repaired or just want to hang out and use the free wireless you are welcome. The workspace is at 11 Allen St. To find out more visit www.valleyworkspace.org
—Marty Cancilla

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—Kate Grace

New columnist brings scientific voice

SCIENTIST AND valley resident Helen Jack will be sharing interesting natural history stories about the valley area in a new column, NEVology, starting this month.

Helen is a geological hazard analyst who works remotely for the Canterbury Regional Council. She takes geological hazard information, such as earthquake or tsunami information and turns it into "something useful" for public information, civil defence planning and land use planning.

"I'm really interested in science communication and thought this would be a nice opportunity to write something a bit less formal." The column would also give her the opportunity to branch out into other areas of science, such as zoology or botany.

"We love living in the valley. It's just such a nice community and it's close to town but you feel like you're half living in the country."—*Edith Leigh*



Scientist Helen Jack studies rocks in Linday Creek/Pukehaukea with her daughter Adele (3)



volcanic gateau reveals history

EVERYONE KNOWS that North East Valley and its surrounding hills is the best place in Dunedin to live. But how did our little green glen come about?

The rocks of the valley are mostly cloaked under vegetation and houses now, but they tell the story of eruptions, upheaval and erosion.

Lava from the Dunedin volcano arrived here in three main stages, and streams laid down sediments in-between times and afterwards, creating layers of different rock – think a sort of volcanic gateau.

Most of the first lava layer arrived here from a volcanic vent near Portobello about 13 million years ago. This was mostly basalt, a runny lava rich in iron and magnesium, which cools into a dark coloured rock.

Around this same time a 500m-wide lump of our very own lava sprung up where the former Palmers Quarry now is. This lava dome was made of phonolite, a relatively uncommon rock with more silica than basalt. Its name means 'sounding stone' because of the ringing sound it makes when hit with a hammer.

The second layer arrived around 12 million years ago, again from Portobello. This lava had slightly different minerals in it and formed rocks

with far more interesting names like trachybasalt, trachyandesite, dolerite and more phonolite.

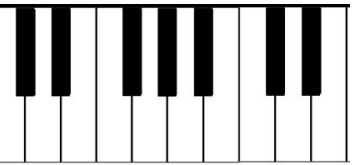
Lastly, around 11 million years ago, lava erupted from vents along the north-western side of the harbour from Flagstaff to Mopanui, covering the area in the third layer. This lava was stickier, creating the steep-sided domes of Mt Cargill/Kapukataumahaka and Butters Peak, as well as most of the Pine Hill and Signal Hill ridges.

But the volcano is only part of the story. From about 11 to 12 million years ago, the land was also being squished, broken and folded, and this continued after the volcano became extinct about 10 million years ago.

One of the areas that was broken and folded downwards was along the line of North East Valley, and this made a natural path for Lindsay Creek to begin its work of eroding into the rocks, revealing the different layers and creating the valley we know and love today.

In future stories we'll investigate the valley's fascinating geography, plants and animals – there are all sorts of things to discover in our neighbourhood.

—*Helen Jack*



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Sweetpea



AGE: 5 years old

BREED: long-haired white and tabby female cat

PERSONALITY: a princess

LOVES: limelight and attention solely on her

Sweetpea is a friendly girl who can be temperamental at times - a real diva!

She enjoys human interaction and TLC, but does not enjoy spending time with other cats. Sweetpea has already been rehomed a few times in her short life, but has not received as much attention as she would have liked.

She came to the SPCA with her beautiful coat in a badly matted and knotted condition, so she needed to have the fashionable 'lion cut' shave to deal with it. Her beautiful fur is starting to grow back now and she will be looking fabulous again very soon.

She will need a special home to give her the love and care she deserves, including keeping that coat well-groomed when it grows back.

Tangi



AGE: 3 year old female

BREED: white and tan brindle American bulldog

PERSONALITY: happy and friendly

LOVES: walks and other dogs

Tangi is a lovely, friendly girl who enjoys the company of other dogs. She is alert, nosey at times and very affectionate.

She's a little too 'interested' in cats, birds and livestock, so we would prefer to avoid homes that have these animals already.

However, she just loves all people, young and old, and she would have a blast playing with energetic new owners on the beach every weekend.

She is large and strong, so will need good, regular exercise. Come and meet Tangi at the SPCA Dunedin Centre today.

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This is because of the Upper Junction and its strategic placement between two ports – it was once an inland link between the young towns of Port Chalmers and Dunedin.

It is because of this northern artery that was cut through the bush by sure-footed settlers and surveyed by colonising eyes that the valley became a main thoroughfare of yesteryear.

With the impressive view from Signal Hill stretching out over the peninsula, south to the Taieri and west to Flagstaff, one can imagine the virgin hills that greeted those early peoples. Charles Kettle, the town surveyor (1840s/50s), trekked up these thickly bush-clad hills and reported back to local authorities and the 'town-fathers' on the majestic grandeur of what

he saw.

Running parallel to the peninsula the valley is neatly tucked between two hills of sunny disposition and is bordered by the openness of the sea. Sitting on strong soil, footing the mud flats of Pelichet Bay (formed by the mouth of Opoho Stream which later became Logan Park) it has a similarity somewhat to Blueskin Bay, like a reverse reflection on either side of Mount Cargill.

We are so lucky to live in such a beautiful place that has been carved out of a primordial paradise.

Although North Rd is no longer the main route out of town, the valley still borders SH1 beside the Botanic Gardens and is the first port of call coming in to Dunedin from the north.

—*Fiona dun Frae**
(*pen-name)

What's in a name?

Getting the correct spelling for placenames isn't always a straightforward matter.

When the Valley Project recently asked for opinions about whether it should be Lindsay Creek, Lindsays Creek or Lindsay's Creek we got quite a response.

Research by various people uncovered a few anomalies—a Dunedin City Council map used Lindsays Creek, as did an 1988 Otago Heritage Book *On the Slopes of Signal Hill* by EW Blair and E Kerse.

A Land Information New Zealand map went with Lindsay Creek and Wikipedia also used Lindsay Creek and made mention of a Māori name for the creek, Puke-haukea.

Anna Blackman kindly advised us that place names generally don't have apostrophes in them, even if they are named after somebody.

One of our resident *Valley Voice* proofreaders took up the challenge, got on the phone and sorted it out for us. So for now we are now going with Lindsay Creek/Puke-haukea.

Valley flashback: Pelichet Bay - the mouth of Opoho



Early work on reclaimed Pelichet Bay for building work. Taken some time in 1924.

Photo courtesy of the Dunedin City Council Archives (donated to the DCC by building contractors Love and Fletcher (joint project by Love Bros Ltd and Fletcher Construction)).

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Harvest coordinator needed

THE DUNEDIN Community Food Harvest group is looking for a new coordinator to help out this year.

The group coordinates the harvesting of fruit trees in people's gardens around Dunedin, which are then cooked and preserved. They aim to reduce food waste while socialising, educating and building a community. Preserving workshops and an apple press day have been held in North East Valley in previous years. Present coordinator Annika Korsten says it is a "pretty straightforward" role. Contact Annika via dunedinharvest@gmail.com or through her Facebook page if you can help out.

Valley band to play at fundraiser

LOCAL BAND, Valley Bluegrass, will be playing at Love Hope Strength next month. This is a cancer fundraising event with country music deliciousness, also including Melissa Partridge and The Eastern.

Come and be part of something amazing.

WHEN: Saturday 27 February

WHERE: Coronation Hall, Maori Hill

Dog Rescue appeal day collectors needed

DOG RESCUE Dunedin is looking for volunteers for their annual appeal. They have collection points around Dunedin, including at the Gardens New World.

Please email appeal day coordinator Jacqui King at appeal@dogrescuedunedin.nz or text 027 329 5765 if you can help. Dog Rescue Dunedin saves unclaimed dogs from the Pound.

church services

Salvation Army, 43 North Rd, Nitechurch, 6pm

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, 10.45am

St Thomas', Raleigh St and Pine Hill Rd, 6pm

Opoho Presbyterian, 50 Signal Hill Rd, 10am

NEV Presbyterian, 224 North Rd, 9.30am cafe service

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

NEV Baptist, 270 North Road, 10.30am.



community garden working bees

top paddock behind North East Valley Normal School

Sunday 7 Feb
1pm–4pm

Saturday 13 Feb
9am–noon

Sunday 21 Feb
1pm–4pm

Saturday 27 Feb
9am–noon

for families, kids & teens

DUNEDIN TOY LIBRARY

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FANTAIL TRAILS

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MT CARGILL GIRLGUIDES

Pippins, brownies, guides and ranger groups in the valley. More info on Facebook or Ph Eileen 476 1813.

MUM 'n' BUBS YOGA

A class for mothers and babies from about 8 weeks old until they are actively mobile. 1.30pm–2.30pm, Mon, Baptist Church. Ph KJ 021 174 0149 or catchkj@gmail.com.

NEW PARENTS' GROUP

Coffee group for parents with babies, 10am–noon, Mon, community rooms. All welcome. Ph Charlotte 473 8614.

OPOHO PLAYCENTRE

Sessions for 0–6 year olds, 9am–noon, Mon–Fri, school terms, 28A Signal Hill Rd. Visitors welcome. For more info ph 473 0819 or email opoho.playcentre@yahoo.com

OPOHO SCOUTS

Keas, 5.30pm–6.30pm, Tues; Cubs, 6pm–7.30pm, Thur; Scouts, 7pm–8.30pm, Wed. Opoho Scout Den, Ph Kevin 0800 SCOUTS.

PLAYGROUP

Leith Valley Church, Malvern St, 10am–noon, school terms. Ph Julia 027 635 8181.

PREGNANCY YOGA

Move & breathe your way towards a positive birth, 5.30pm–6.45pm, Mon, community rooms. With experienced yoga teacher & birth educator Uschi Heyd, ph 027 360 0238, 473 0393 or visit www.birthcircle.org

PRESCHOOL MUSIC

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 and Fri (Te Reo Māori group), 351 Pinehill Rd, gold coin & fruit to share, 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). Day and time of sessions organised around the group, Valley Baptist Church. Contact Amy on space.valleybaptist@gmail.com or 473 0014.

TUNEFUL TUESDAYS

Music session for pre-schoolers and parents, limited spaces. NEV Baptist Church, 1.30pm–2.15pm, Tues, gold coin. Ph Kaitrin 425 8959.

VALLEY PLAYGROUP

Come along with your children 0–4 years, Baptist Hall, 270 North Rd, 10am–2pm, Mon; 9am–3pm, Tue, Wed. Ph Michael 473 0572.

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All welcome with or without children, qualified instructor Liana, 11am–noon, Mon; 1.30pm–2.30pm, Thur, Baptist Church hall, \$2.50, ph 021 299 1024.

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DUNEDIN BMX CLUB

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

EXERCISE GEAR WANTED

Do you have exercise gear, such as
weights, mats & bands, you no longer
need? Donate it to the NEV communi-
ty Sat morning exercise class.

FOLK DANCING FOR FUN

Baptist Church, 270 North Rd, 10am-
11.30am, Fri, \$3. Ph Yvonne
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FREE FITNESS CLASS

Outdoor circuit training, NEV Normal
School, 9.30am Sat. All welcome. Ph
Knox Rehabilitation Clinic 474 0517.

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 wel-
come, \$10, www.frenchdancing.co.nz

LAUGHTER YOGA

Laugh yourself to health and happi-
ness. 5.15pm–6pm, Wed, Otago Poly-
technic H block, room 608.

LEARN TAEKWONDO

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dunedinolympickd@hotmail.co.nz

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Church, 10.30am–11.30am, Mon, and
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art, craft & music

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467 9993, anneloes.douglas@xtra.co.nz

ART CLASSES

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sion. Ph Friederike 482 2025.

KNITTING SQUAD

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ART FIBRE DUNEDIN

Bring lunch and requirements, 10am–
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www.artfibredunedin.blogspot.com.

DUNEDIN FIDDLE CLUB

Community rooms, 7.30pm, Wed.

NEV KRAFTERS

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community groups

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7pm, Thur, Valley Community Work-
space, 11 Allen St.

ENLIVEN DAY CLUB

Ross Home, wanted, drivers and help
with activities, light food preparation.
Tues, Wed & Fri. Ph Maybank 473
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MENTORS REQUIRED

Become a mentor to young people
who need a good male role model in
their lives, Operation 'New Direction'.
Ph Rob Fitzpatrick 473 6825,
garden@northeastvalley.org

LIONS IN THE VALLEY

Toroa Lions Club meets twice monthly
Mon evenings, Morrison Lounge,
Opoho Church, new members, men
and women, welcome. Ph Tess 473
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hann@gmail.com

MULTICULTURAL GROUP

Women's multicultural group, make
new friends, speakers, cooking, out-
ings. Community rooms, 10am–noon,
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NORTH DUNEDIN SHED

Working bees, Bonnington St, over
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Night flowers mural brightens up wall



Filipa Crofsky paints a mural on a Delta substation on North Rd. The mural is based on an installation of paper flowers by artist Tara Douglas, the winning entry in a competition to paint a mural on the wall, which has been a target of graffiti in the past. Photo: Edith Leigh

New craft group starts up in the valley



Rachael McCann works on a costume she is making for an upcoming production at the Globe Theatre, while Donna-Marie Darling knits a jersey

WHEN YOUR hobby is making Victorian ball dresses, which involves metres and metres of material, living in a "tiny house" can be challenging.

So when Rachael McCann asked if she could make use of the Baptist Church Hall space to sew, she thought it would be great to share that time with other crafters. Consequently a new craft group, NEV Krafters, will be starting in the valley this month.

Getting together with others to craft is very social and a great way for experienced people to share their skills with beginners to help them get going, says Rachael.

The craft group will be run by the Valley Playgroup and is also a fundraiser for them. Tea, coffee and baking will be provided and they will also offer a basic mending and hemming service for a donation.

WHEN: 7.30-9.30pm, second and fourth Wednesday of each month
WHERE: Valley Baptist Church

what's on calendar

Steady As You Go

Classes to start in Pine Hill. First class at the Pine Hill School Library. 11am, Thursday 4 February

garden barbeque

Celebrate the beginning of a new community garden in Pine Hill. All welcome. At the Dalmore Reserve, Allenby Ave, 4pm, Saturday 13 February.

garage sale

Grab a bargain and have a fun family day out at a monster garage sale. Sacred Heart School, 10.30am-1.30pm, Saturday 13 February.

Tinker School

Learn how to use tools to make or fix things. Open day on at the Valley Community Workspace, 11 Allen St. 11am-1pm, Saturday 13 February