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SHARE YOUR BEST MONEY-SPINNING IDEAS WITH US AT A VALLEY-STYLE DRAGONS' DEN EVENT NEXT MONTH. LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY HUMMING.

THE NORTH East Valley community has been very fortunate to have received major financial investment into the Valley Project and our community over the past decade.

We have had some great success and created some awesome projects, events and activities but this funding has come to an end and we now have to take responsibility for maintaining what we have and further developing as a community.

The Valley Project has some funds tagged for social enterprise, and we believe it is time to look at developing and investing in some key social enterprises in the valley to ensure ongoing sustainable funding.

We need your help to generate ideas of whatever those projects might be. So we are asking you to dream up your best idea and

submit it as a brief one-page proposal along with a rough budget.

The people or groups with the best ideas will be invited to present these to a panel of social enterprise experts and our community at a 'Dragons' Den' event in August.

The strongest idea will receive a prize and we will then work with you to bring your idea to life. There are two categories:

Community business – a project that provides a service or benefit to our community and generates funds for the Valley Project.

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Project NEWS

Volunteers help out

VOLUNTEERS

ARE the oil that keeps the Valley Project running and we are excited to have two new helpers on board this month.

If you are calling into our office you will no doubt meet Rorie White who is assisting us a few days a week as our receptionist. He will be greeting people as they come in and helping out if he can, which means our staff can get some work done, something that is not always easy in such a busy hub!

Julie Howard will be helping out as a *Valley Voice* reporter. She is already proving to be a great asset in helping to keep our community up-to-date with all the happenings in the valley and its surrounds.



Julie Howard and Rorie White making signs at the Valley Project office.

Dragons' Den ideas

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IDEAS WILL be judged on the following:

- Community – how does this proposal benefit our community? Values – how does this project fit with our shared values?
- Resources – what will it take to get this project off the ground (money and people)?
- Sustainability – is this proposal likely to continue long term?

The deadline for proposals is 31 July and you are welcome to discuss your idea with one of us beforehand. Phone the Valley Project office on 473 8614 or email Rob on rwithomson@googlemail.com

—Rob Thomson, Valley Project executive board member

Valley card update

We have had an amazing response from people for our Valley Card project which aims to provide a discount for local services.

We have 26 businesses on board and some great discounts.

The cards will soon be on sale for \$20 (\$10 unwaged), and there will also be an opportunity to buy a card for another family who might not be able to afford one.

All income from the cards will go back into funding community events and activities.

Further details about businesses and deals, and how to purchase a card, will be on our website soon.

—Rob Thomson, Valley Card coordinator

Valley Project office hours: Tuesday–Friday, 9am–4pm, closed Mondays and school holidays



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DO YOU love sales? Are you passionate about the Valley? You might be the person we need to be the *Valley Voice* sales coordinator.

Our monthly community newsletter is a local institution and has been produced in various ways for more than 25 years. It is one of the longest-surviving community newsletters in Dunedin and is delivered to over 3600 homes in North East Valley, Opoho and Pine Hill communities reaching about 8000 people.

It is vital to this community's sense of social connection and cohesion and provides a vibrant platform for sharing local news, happenings and events.

The *Valley Voice* is an integral tool for our method of community-led development as it gives local people a platform to easily and efficiently share their events and activities with each other. The *Voice* also supports dozens of local businesses by providing cost-effective advertising that links them with customers in the area.

However, producing the *Voice* takes a lot of work, especially from our talented editor Edith. Volunteers put around 500 hours a year into writing, proof-reading, printing and delivering the newsletter.

It is a major investment for our community, costing about \$40,000 a year to produce. Ad-



Valley Voice editor Edith Leigh discusses advertising with long-time *Valley Voice* supporter Ray White real estate agent Jane Bokser.

vertising brings in about a quarter to a third of the cost, but we need to lift its income and find some creative new ways to put the newsletter on a sustainable long-term footing.

If you would like to work with the Valley Project as a sales coordinator we would love to hear from you.

The position will be commission-based, with flexible hours and support from the executive committee. For more information about the position and application process email voice@northeastvalley.org or phone the Valley Project office on 473 8614.—*Ian Telfer, Valley Project executive board member*

'Sustainability Snapshots' to inspire

THE VALLEY Community Workspace is hosting an evening of 'sustainability snapshots' – five-minute informal talks from workspace members about community resilience and sustainability projects they are involved in.

The wide range of talks will cover topics such as an app for identifying sources of draughts, solar gains and dampness in homes; tiny homes and low-cost, innovative heat transfer and storage; low-cost insulation ideas; electric vehicles and infrastructure; electric bikes; community solar; hot-desking – and a lot more.

Some projects are happening and others have lots of potential so come along and be inspired.

Soup and bread along with tea and coffee will be provided. There will also be a short Annual General Meeting.

Everybody is welcome on Tuesday 25 July, 5.30–7pm at 11 Allen St.—*Kristen Bracey*

hot desks and test bed

Use a hot desk in our co-working office space and electronics lab with free wifi and occasional printing at the Valley Community Workspace. Access starts at \$30 per week or \$10 per day.

The workspace is also promoting its 'Community Test Bed' to emerging scholars. Our collection of keen volunteers are interested in assisting university and polytechnic research projects that touch on themes of sustainability or low-carbon societies.

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Project ideas for North Dunedin called for

ROTARY NORTH Dunedin club volunteer and Northeast Valley resident John Campbell hopes the community will come up with ideas for a new international project in Dunedin.



Rotary North Dunedin volunteer John Campbell

Rotary is a worldwide organisation of people dedicated to community service.

In the last financial year, the North Dunedin club spent nearly \$15,000 on community projects.

Mr Campbell says he has lived in the valley for 40 years and would love to see a project in North Dunedin.

He is offering to apply for grants from Rotary Clubs worldwide, and is seeking ideas around welfare, children, community or sanitation to meet the grant criteria, he says.

Earlier this year members were part of a team that built a child-friendly backyard and play area at a Dunedin Women's Refuge safe house. It took 18 months to raise the money for the play area, he says.



Rotary Dunedin North members work hard at chopping firewood for Rotary fundraisers for various causes they support.

The club also sent members to the island of Epi, Vanuatu, where they made a hurricane-proof water catchment facility for the local Volto villagers.

Over the past six months he has spent most weekends cutting down pine trees to sell as firewood. Three original club members in their 70s also helped. "Age doesn't stop them cutting wood."

He encourages people to be friends of the club and follow their Facebook page.—Julie Howard

Tai chi classes proposed



Master tai chi coach Haogui Chen helps guide her daughter, Yinghao Hay, into the correct position.

TAI CHI changed the life of Haogui Chen, a new immigrant and valley resident, and now she would like to share those benefits with others. She suffers from diabetes, but says that since taking up the martial art six years ago, she now rarely needs any medication.

Tai chi is great exercise for young and old and is extremely beneficial for seniors, her daughter Yinghao Hay translates. Haogui is a qualified Master coach. She already runs weekend tai chi classes at the Dunedin Chinese Gardens, but is gauging interest in running a mid-week class during the day.

If there is community interest, one possible venue would be the Valley Project community rooms. Contact dunedintaichiclub@gmail.com if you are interested.

Future of Opoho Bowling Club looking positive with recruitment and hub

THE FUTURE of sports clubs in the city is being given a boost by the Opoho Bowling



Club, which has recruited the most first-year bowlers in Dunedin for the 2016/17 season and is now joining forces with Taieri Hockey.

Bowls New Zealand figures showed the Opoho Bowling Club registered eight first-year bowlers, well above the national average of 2.44 first-year bowlers per club. The club has 37 players including casuals.

Club president Tania Cassidy says it is vitally important for the sustainability of the club to continue to grow the number of registered bowlers. Opoho aims to be the number one club again next season and has also entered into a memorandum of understanding with the Taieri Hockey Club, she says.

"The Opoho Bowling Club and the Taieri Hockey Club will trial sharing of the Opoho Bowling Club clubrooms."

The memorandum meant the clubrooms would be used by approximately 160 sports club members throughout the year and realise the potential of the picturesque community resource, she says.

"I am convinced that by becoming a 'multi-club hub' the future of both clubs will be enhanced."—Julie Howard

Become a Net Ninja

A NEW Net Ninjas group is starting up in the Valley which will give children a range of learning experiences around internet technology.

Net Ninjas gives young people the tools to be confident users of internet technology and covers subjects such as how the internet works, online safety, password generation, programming basics and HTML and CSS. The group is aimed at children aged

10 to 13 years, with little or no experience, but an interest in computers, who have the ability to follow simple instruction.

This will be six-week course, run on Tuesdays, 5–6pm, at the Valley Project community rooms. To book go to the Hive Dunedin's Facebook page as spaces are limited. The suggested koha is \$60 (\$20 for community service card holders).—Ann Cronin

Dancing queens

When you share your birthday with the Queen it calls for extra celebration. The valley folk dancing group, all dressed up in tiaras, danced to Abba's Dancing Queen and shared birthday cake with June Crawford.



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Human connections to animals

OUR JULY
artist

exhibiting in Northern Artery's Art Tardis is Stephanie Cossens, a recent graduate of Otago Polytechnic School of Art. Stephanie is a Wellington-based artist with an interest in ceramics and soft sculpture.



She applies the soft textures of fabrics and juxtaposes them with the hard, smooth surfaces of ceramics.

She has been using these surfaces to investigate the connection between humans and animals, finding differences and illuminating the many similarities.

Her work engages with endangered species and she continues to experiment with ways of highlighting our need as humans to negotiate our relationship with nature.

—*Jasmine Lamorie, Art Tardis coordinator*

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Knitting inspires

This month's Northern Artery Pop-up Gallery artist is Maree Tomlinson with her work *Testing, Testing ...1, 2, 3* of Indian ink on canvas.

I SET this series as a challenge to myself. It contains repetitive patterns with an over-emphasis on hand drawing. I wanted to use an unfamiliar art form and technique to extend my creative process.

I find stillness in the rhythm of repetition. This relates to my main art form, knitting. Stitch by stitch, repeating the same mini-movements, until I have created an item or object. I usually challenge myself to create three dimensional knitted works. Many of my items were included in the Northern Artery *Tea Cosies* and also *Hats and Hotties* charity auctions.

These current works relate to my knitting process because I used repetitive patterns and movements to get into the same frame of mind as when I knit. My true, effortless creative zone. The inspiration for these images comes from the vernacular references to Modern Art Deco. I wanted to use shapes particular to Art Deco and mix them up with bright colours. I love orange, green and blue.

I actively avoid drawing and painting. The challenge to take several large canvases and cover them in hand-drawn patterns scared me. To sit before a blank white canvas is much scarier than looking at a ball of wool. I decided to use Indian ink as I have never worked with that medium either. My lines are purposely hand-drawn in order to contrast with the strong graphic patterns.—*Maree Tomlinson*

Social evening with Ceroc

Jane Bokser and Colleen Townsend wish to extend an invitation for a social evening at the North East Valley Bowling Club on Saturday 29 July from 7pm to 10pm.

We have arranged for a demonstration of Ceroc dancing followed by as many people as possible joining in to have some fun.

If you just wish to come and catch up with friends and neighbours you are more than welcome.

Please RSVP to Jane or Colleen by Wednesday 26 July. A supper plate would be appreciated.

For more information or to RSVP phone 477 3660 or email jane.bokser@raywhite.com or colleen.townsend@raywhite.com

—*Jane Bokser*

Crusty come-back on the cards

A ROTTEN floor in the upstairs flat above Crusty Corner is in need of repair before the North East Valley café can re-open.

It has been six months since the café's owners were forced to shut the doors because of the rotten floor. It is hoped Crusty Corner will be back in business by the end of this year.

Crusty Corner owner Robert Barker says a fire-proof ceiling has to be put in.

He does not know when they will re-open and he must wait until the landlord finishes the renovations to the building, he says.

"It's life."

Work may need to be done out the back of the café to remove some of the top storey in order to get the floor in, but he is not sure what the landlord has planned, he says.

Robert has no major changes in mind for Crusty Corner which has operated in the valley since 1985.

The owners of the building located at 1 North Rd, and 2 and 6 Bank Street were Sui Ching Yip and Sons Trustee Limited of Roslyn were unable to be contacted for comment prior to publication.—*Julie Howard*



Crusty Corner owner Robert Barker

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school NEWS

Clothes swap a great success



Sorting through children's clothes at the Monster Children's Clothes Swap

THE FREE school children's clothes swap last month was a great success.

School Kids Clothes Swap co-organiser Julie Howard says about 40 people attended, some armed with bags of clothes on the day.

"Volunteers sorted the clothes by size, and size ten was the biggest pile, and most popular."

People donated cans of food and cash as koha and \$95 was donated to the Valley Project. The money will go towards helping a family in our community who might be in need of help, such as to purchase children's shoes, bedding, school books or even an electricity bill, says Julie.

"A big thank you to everyone for their support."

B4School checks nurse



Newly qualified public health nurse Emma Lloyd will be doing the B4 School checks at the Valley Project community rooms. Jo Hanning is still the public health nurse for North Dunedin and the schools in this area, but Emma will be doing the B4 School checks in her stead.



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They are made out of fine silk (teal, ochre, maroon) and mounted onto 1.5m tall wooden poles. They are in a stripy long blue fabric bag.

We use them for medieval dancing and as we have a performance coming up and would be grateful if someone could tell us where they went.

If you have seen them in your community group, hall, school, church or around, please contact Kate at info@frenchdancing.co.nz or text 027 263 9939.

Community networking

The second Valley community networking meeting is a great opportunity for groups and organisations based in north Dunedin, or working in this area, to connect and find out what else is happening in our area.

The meeting will be held at 10.30am on Wednesday 26 July at the Otago Community Hospice. There will be a tour of the hospice with a short presentation about what they do, followed by an opportunity to network with others over morning tea.

Please RSVP to charlotte@northeastvalley.org to assist with catering. All welcome.

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Neighbourhood Support strengthens communities

I HAVE no doubt there are many of you wondering if you still have a community constable in the area of North Dunedin as it's several months since I put pen to paper.



Community constable
Brendan Thomson

Due to a some major leg surgery (minor surgery is what other people have) at the end of last year, I spent several months changing the contour of the couch with my butt, firmly planted as I watched Netflix and Sky Sport.

During my rehabilitation process I spent hours at the physiotherapy pool, initially feeling a bit sorry for myself – until I saw people being lifted or winched into the pool with no real hope of long term physical change, unlike me.

These people live in our community on a day-to-day basis and not just these folk, but others who are in need of assistance such as the elderly or those less fortunate than us.

Coincidentally, a short time after my return to work I was voted onto the national board of Neighbourhood Support. For those of you who aren't aware of this charitable organisation, Neighbourhood Support encourages and supports communities to plan ahead to reduce local crime, respond quickly to emergencies and solve community problems.

Within the group there is a contact person who is the link for sharing information within the group and passing on important matters.

It's a given fact that communities with a Neighbourhood Support group fared far better in the aftermath of the Christchurch earthquake and that's due to their knowledge of those within the group and prior planning.

I am not encouraging us all to become 'curtain twitchers' who hit the panic button when a strange car pulls up outside. What I am suggesting and in fact encouraging you to think about is becoming a member and getting

those around you involved.

You will have neighbours who need a hand at times, since crime does happen in our area – and who knows when the next civil emergency will occur and to whom.

I honestly believe Neighbourhood Support can strengthen our community and it requires very little work for so much gain. If you are interested, enquire at www.ns.org.nz, neighbourhoodsupport@gmail.com or pick up a membership pack from the Valley Project community rooms.

That's all from me. Look after each other and be careful on our roads.—Brendan Thomson

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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, 10.45am

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

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.



Every Sunday 1pm-3pm

Dalmore Reserve community garden

At the reserve entrance on Allenby Ave



Sunday 9 July 1pm-4pm

Saturday 15 July 9am-noon

Sunday 23 July 1pm-4pm

Saturday 29 July 9am-noon

NEV community garden working bees

top paddock behind North East Valley Normal School

for families, kids & teens

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

CHINESE FOR KIWIS

Bear Cats Club and Chinese ABC playgroups for children to learn Chinese. Tues, 3.30-4.30pm, Pine Hill School, 11 Hislop St. Ph 021 589 075 or www.chineseforkiwis.co.nz

DUNEDIN TOY LIBRARY

A vibrant toy library for children from birth to 7 years. Huge range of toys, ride-ons, dress ups, puzzles, games. St Martin's Hall, Northumberland St, 10-11am 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.

MINI MUSIC GROUP

Preschool music and movement session, 9.15-9.45am, Mon, Nga Maara Hall, Sacred Heart School, school terms, gold coin. All welcome.

MT CARGILL GIRLGUIDES

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

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.

PRESCHOOL MUSIC

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

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.

RUDOLF STEINER

Dunedin Rudolf Steiner playgroups, Te Whare Ako Marie, Pinehill and Maia. A sanctuary of creative play for children from birth to kindergarten and a place of peace and friendship for parent. Groups meet weekly, term time, For more info contact 471 2163 or dunedin-steinerplaygroup@gmail.com

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. 1-2.30pm, Thurs, community rooms. Ph Susan 021 550 737.

fitness & health

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 joooske@gmail.com

DUNEDIN BMX CLUB

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

FOLK DANCING FOR FUN

Baptist Church, 270 North Rd, 10am-11.30am, Fri, \$3. Ph Yvonne 455 2406, stured1@yahoo.co.nz

FRENCH DANCE

French traditional dance, beginners welcome, no partner needed. Wear comfortable shoes. \$8 casual, 7-8.30pm, Tues, North East Valley Normal School hall, 248 North Rd.

HISTORICAL DANCE

Monthly workshop, come and discover, learn or perfect dances from days gone by. Second Sun each month, 10am-noon, NEVN School hall. No partner needed, all abilities welcome. More info on our Facebook group 'Historical Dance - Dunedin' or at www.frenchdancing.co.nz

LEARN TAEKWONDO

Korean martial art, supportive environment. Training Mon, Thur, Pine Hill School hall, 6pm-7.30pm. Beginners' class 5.30-6.15pm; seniors' class 6.30pm onwards. For more details and to register email dunedinolympictkd@hotmail.co.nz

MEDITATION

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

Classifieds and community notices (for non-profits)

DUNEDIN ELECTRIC BIKES

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Valley Community Workspace
11 Allen St, Fri and Sat mornings

Ph Nathan Parker 027 214 8294 or

NAKAJIMA JUDO CLUB.

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

QIGONG

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

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.

SPAN NEV

Stretch'n'flex, low-impact exercise, fun and friendship, community rooms, 262 North Rd, 10am-11am, Tue, over-65s, \$4. Ph 4739311.

SPORTS AEROBICS

Competitive aerobics and casual fitness classes. Training held at DNI Sun, Mon and Fri. Contact Rebecca rebeccafishernz@yahoo.co.nz

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.

TANNOCK GLEN

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.

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

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ENGLISH CONVERSATION

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

LEARN ITALIAN

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

INDOOR BOWLS

Play indoor bowls at the NEV Bowling Club, 139 North Rd, Thurs, 1.30pm start. Ph Jack for more info 473 9565.

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

St Johns Church Hall (cnr Wright St 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

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.

THAI MASSAGE

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Ph Heidi on 473 6256 or 021 174 9290

DUNEDIN FIDDLE CLUB

Community rooms, 7.30pm, Wed.

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

VALLEY BLUEGRASS JAM

Monthly jam session at the Normanby Bistro. All welcome to listen or participate, 2pm Sunday 18 June.

community groups

BIKE WORKSHOP

Get help, use our workshop, bikes available for koha. 3.30-7pm, Tues, and 9am-12.30pm, Sat, Valley Community Workspace, 11 Allen St. Contact Peter on peterd0n@yahoo.com

DUNEDIN MAKERSPACE

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

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, first Mon each month, 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.

MEN'S SHED

The North Dunedin Men's Shed welcomes new members. Open Wed and Sat mornings Bonnington St over bridge. Ph Paul 474 0060.

MULTICULTURAL GROUP

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

NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT

Create safer, more caring communities. For more information and local contact details contact Lois on 456 0857 or neighbourhoodsupport@gmail.com.

PINEHILL COFFEE & CAKE

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

trading corner

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

Experienced 22 year old, have worked with children of all ages. 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

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED

In Opoho, please ring 021 039 5899 for more details.

KNIFE SHARPENING

Mobile knife sharpening service for house knives, \$15/knife. Ph 022 416 5446.

PEASTRAW

\$12 per bale delivered. A fundraiser for North East Valley Normal School. Ph 021 0849 9662 or nevpeastraw@gmail.com

RENTAL HOME WANTED

Three-bedroom house, long-term. Must be family friendly with heating. Up to \$350/wk. Ph 471 2309.

SENIORS HAIRDRESSING

Retired senior hairdresser providing service for seniors. Your home or mine. Dunedin North only. Ph Helen 467 9644 or 021 104 1011.

Homestay Host Families Needed

We are looking for more families to provide homestay accommodation for our international students.

We have short term groups (2- 4 weeks) and long term (6-12 months) students arriving to study this year. You must be open to hosting a male or female student. If you've considered hosting but were unsure, this is an opportunity to have a taste of this rewarding, fun and intercultural experience. For more details and an information pack please contact us: Email: homestay@op.ac.nz Phone: 479 3743

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Make a difference in your community!

Matariki Huka Nui a community celebration



Matariki Huka Nui 2017 as beautifully captured by Roslyn Nijenhuis Photography. Along with the many other volunteers who made this annual celebration a great success, Roslyn volunteered her time to document the event, including kapa haka performances, children's games and activities, behind-the-scenes volunteers and the hāngī. You can view more of her work on her Facebook page, and more Matariki photos on the Valley Project Facebook page.

MATARIKI HUKA Nui was a smaller event this year with the move to Sacred Heart School, but once again it brought the community together to enjoy kapa haka performances from local schools, art and craft activities, and of course shared kai.

Hāngī tickets always go fast, but this year they were gone within a day and we apologise to the many people who missed out. The event could not be held at Dunedin North Intermediate this year due to renovation work underway. We also have to recognise that our volunteer crew can only work to a certain capacity.

The organising crew would like to thank all the amazing volunteers, sponsors, entertainers and the North East Valley community who helped to celebrate this year's Te Matariki Huka Nui hāngī.

We hugely appreciate the wonderful Sacred Heart School and their supportive community for hosting this year's event. We look forward to celebrating with you all next year.

This year's sponsors were Matariki Puaka, Auahi Kore and the Valley Project.

Our entertainers this year were kapa haka groups from Dunedin North Intermediate, North East Valley Normal School and Sacred Heart School, Jayden JT, Mega Zone and the Dunedin Fire and Circus Club.

—organiser *Destynee Poutama*

what's on calendar

HortTalk

What can we do in our own gardens to encourage Monarch butterflies, noon, Friday 7 July, information centre, Dunedin Botanic Gardens.

snapshot evening

Five-minute talks related to community resilience and sustainability projects. Tuesday 25 July, 5.30–7pm, Valley Community Workspace.

networking

Community networking meeting, Wednesday 26 July, 10.30am, Otago Community Hospice.

social evening

Social evening with Ceroc dancing demonstration. Saturday 29 July, 7–10pm, North East Valley Bowling Club.