

Newsletter – August 2017

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# Activating Communities BOTTOM OF THE SOUTH

On September 8 and 9, South Alive is partnering with Sport Southland to bring two interactive community building workshops, with Inspiring Communities and American community activator Jim Diers, to Invercargill. In these workshops, we will hear some of Jim's inspiring stories from around the world and gain practical tools for getting active in our own communities. This will be a fabulous opportunity to connect with each other, share ideas, and find new ways to get active in our communities. Places are limited, please register in advance to confirm your place:

# The Night Food Markets are back!

The Night Food Markets are starting again on November 10 – we're so excited! We are keen to get a line-up of musicians and talent in place for the summer. The markets will run fortnightly on Fridays until March 16, 2018 (no market January 5) from 5.30pm – 8.30pm in the South Alive Community Park. This is an awesome community event and a great space to share your talent. We are also keen to get a few more volunteers on board for the season, especially people who are available to help on the Friday evenings. If you would like to volunteer or share your music at the markets, get in touch with us – we'd love to have a chat.

#### Call for plates and cutlery

We are aiming to minimise waste at the Night Food Markets and will have a wash station set up for plates and cutlery so that single-use plates and plastics are reduced. If you are keen on reducing waste, we would love your help with this aspect of the market. We are currently collecting side plates and cutlery to help make this happen. If you have any old side plates and cutlery that you don't need or use, we would be grateful if you would consider donating them for the Night Food Markets. All donations can be dropped off at the South Alive Office.

# Friday, September 8, 9.30am – 4.30pm, Legends Lounge 1, ILT Stadium Southland. This workshop is aimed at the business community and costs \$80pp or \$50pp for community organisations. Register at http://tinyurl.com/jimdiers Saturday, September 9, 10am – 4.30pm, Aurora College. This workshop is aimed at volunteers working with communities throughout Southland and is free, although a \$10 donation would be appreciated to help cover costs. Register by contacting the South Alive office. Many thanks to the Community Trust of Southland, ILT and the Support for Volunteering Fund for their support with these workshops.



Courtesy of Corrina Housnam

### South Alive Community Mural Project

South Alive is excited to announce a nationwide design competition and is calling for proposals for a mural design for the wall of the new community building. The title of the mural project, **Living SOUTH/You Are Here**, is the theme for the mural design. Artists are encouraged to create a contemporary work that reflects the natural and physical elements of the region, the iconic landscape and geography and flora and fauna of Southland.

The winning design will be created as a paint-by-numbers mural on the East wall of the building and the community will be invited to paint the mural with the artist. We are thankful to the Invercargill City Council Creative Communities Scheme for their support with this project.

The deadline for the proposals is **Monday, September 25, 2017.** Call for Proposals guidelines can be found at the South Alive office, or from this link http://tinyurl.com/southalive



#### Grafting with the Guytons

Join us for a Grafting Workshop and learn how to graft apple trees with Robyn and Robert Guyton on Saturday, October 7. This was extremely popular last year so we are running two workshops, one at 10.30am and another at 1pm in the South Alive Community Hub. You will need to bring secateurs and a sharp knife as well as two pots filled with potting soil. Price is \$15pp (cash only) and this includes your two trees for grafting. Please register by September 22 by contacting Jess on 021 137 2743 or Marie on 027 207 8575. Additional trees will be available for purchase on the day.

#### The Hub is buzzing!

Did you know we have four different groups that meet in The Hub throughout the week? There is truly something for everyone! On Tuesday, the Seniors' Friendship group meet for a coffee and a chat, from 2pm-4pm. On Wednesday, there is a Craft and Social group that meets from 10am-12pm—bring your own craft or come down and learn something new. Thursday from 10am-12pm, the Rag Rug group meet up to work on their rag rugs. We also have a new group starting up, a Women's Social Group, on Fridays from 2pm-4pm. The first one will take place on September 1. This group is a social space for women to come together for some company—and make some new friends. Every group asks for a \$2 donation, which includes a hot drink and goes towards the cost of hiring the Hub. This month there is a sewing bee for Boomerang Bags, Thursday August 31 from 1pm-4pm. Please bring your own sewing machine if you have one. If you don't know how to sew, but are keen to help out, come down anyway, there are lots of ways to help.



#### Thanks to our supporters

These businesses, people and organisations keep us Alive! So please support them whenever you can.

- Creative Communities fund for their support of the Paint-by-numbers mural project
- Lynette Jack for Blackcurrant cuttings and Wes and Olga Pope for Gooseberry cuttings
- The Community Trust of Southland for their funding support for The Pantry
  SPCA Southland for their donation of books for the new Little Library
- outside The Pantry
- Glasines and Pizza Hut for your support
   The Community Operation
- The Community Organisation Grants Scheme for their funding support of South Alive

• To everyone who helped at the recent sewing bee for Boomerang Bags South Alive Action Group meetings this month – new members/potential members are welcome to attend. Contact the South Alive office for more information or just show up. All welcome ©

Arts Group – Monday, August 28, 6pm, South Alive Community Hub Housing – Thursday, September 7, Invercargill Public Library meeting room, 5.30pm – 7pm

Beautification – Saturday, September 9, 10am, office

Fruit and Nut – Tuesday, September 12, 7.30pm, contact Marie 027 207 8575

## What's On

Free Wellness Clinic with 2nd year SIT Nurses – Friday, August 25, ım – 3pm, South Alive Community Hub Working Bee, Sunday, August 27, 11am, South Alive Community Gardens Plunket Car Seat Clinic – Monday, August 28, 10.30am – 12.30pm, car park of South City Mall Sewing Bee - Thursday August 31, 1- 4pm, South Alive Hub Brewing Workshop, Thursday August 31, 7-8.30pm, The Pantry Women's Social Group – Friday, September 1, 2pm – 4pm, South Alive Community Hub Fermentation Workshop - Thursday September 7, 7-8.30pm, The Pantry Activating Communities Workshops - Friday 8 and Saturday 9 September. **Erin Lane Art Exhibition** – 4 – September 10, 10am – 2pm, South Alive Community Artspace Gallery National MP Constituent Clinic, Monday, September 18, 11am – noon, South Alive Community Hub **Peacehaven Village Art Exhibition** – 13 – September 21, 10am – 2pm, South Alive Community Artspace Gallery Kids Spring Poetry Festival – Saturday, September 30, 10am – 4.30pm, South City Mall Spring Flower Festival – Saturday, September 30, 10am – 4.30pm, South City Mall Josie Hibbs Art Exhibition, September 25 – October 6, 10am – 2pm, South Alive Community Artspace Gallery Seniors Group, every Tuesday, 2pm – 4pm, South Alive Community Hub

Craft Group, every Wednesday, 10am – Noon, South Alive Community Hub Rag Rug Group, every Thursday, 10am – Noon, South Alive Community Hub Women's Social Group, every Friday, 10am – Noon, South Alive Community Hub



#### **Contact details**

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