



THE HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013

FEBRUARY

- South Roads offers to donate surfacing work for community park at back of the mall
- Hanging baskets are installed along Elles Road
- Zero Rubbish project announces it has 95 streets adopted
- Fruit and Nut Tree Group recommence their monthly fundraiser BBQ

MARCH

- Earthworks begin in the community park
- The dog park gets the go-ahead in principle

APRIL

- Autumn Splendour garden competition winners announced
- An agency 'speed-dating' event for landlords is held
- Working bee to paint 18 community garden boxes
- Over a thousand flower plants and cuttings are donated
- Second annual public meeting is held to decide projects for 2013/2014

MAY

- Working bees held in the community park

JUNE

- Official opening of basketball court
- South Alive's first Quiz Night raises \$2,100 for our projects
- Community garden is established in the community park
- A community noticeboard is installed in the mall
- A \$10,000 Neighbourhood Project Fund is announced

JULY

- Ranui and Kew kindergartens & St Andrews Young Achievers group adopt garden boxes
- 100th street adopted in Zero Rubbish project

AUGUST

- Fruit & Nut Tree group plant 40 more trees in public parks
- Lights installed in the community park, and fixed in mall car park
- Working bees recommence in park
- Planting hanging baskets, free workshop
- Beautification Action group has first garage sale to raise funds
- South Alive choir gives concert
- Neighbourhood Project Fund workshops
- South Alive hosts study group from Rebuild Kaiapoi project

SEPTEMBER

- Research results announced. A 65% increase in the number of people who now say they feel a sense of pride in how South Invercargill looks and feels
- Fruit & Nut Tree pruning, free workshop
- New batch of hanging baskets put up
- More working bees in the park!

OCTOBER

- Kew Pacific Island Early Childhood Education Centre and Invercargill Vegan Society adopt garden boxes
- Broken mall car park sign fixed
- Fruit & Nut tree group make 5m³ of their own mulch, and get 25m³ donated
- Zero Rubbish certificates awarded
- Neighbourhood Project Fund winners announced
- Meetings for business, and public meeting to discuss Martin St and Elles Road design proposals

NOVEMBER

- Dog park opens
- South Alive installs seating in mall
- Harvest give-away and garden open day in the park
- Arts & Craft Action Group forms
- New pallet fence between community park and mall car park finished
- Summer garden competition announced

DECEMBER

- Outdoor gym in park being built
- South Alive supports the South City Business Association's first 'Xmas in South City'



Thanks to our fantastic volunteers

A big shout of 'hip hip hooray' for our volunteers – those in the teams, our Zero Rubbish street adopters and those who come to help when they can. Thank you so much for your thousands of hours of contribution. Your work is changing the look and feel of South Invercargill and making lots of people happy.

Thanks to the Council

Our achievements are also due to the strong and generous support of the Council – which is partly about funding, but as importantly, about other support and advice. We'd especially like to thank Cr Neil Boniface for always taking the time to show up and help. We'd also like to thank a huge number of Council staff – secretaries Rae Dorricott, Jan Jennings and Catherine Humphreys for their backup and support; Michael Hartstonge from Building Consents who's part of our team; managers Russell Pearson, Robin Pagan and John Youngson for their willingness to help and find solutions; Directors Pamela Gare and Cameron McIntosh for their mentoring and belief in our goals. And the Mayor and other Councillors for continuing to support South Alive and attend events.

Thanks to our supporters

The third and equally vital link in getting our projects off the ground has been the companies and organisations which have supported us with cash and in-kind help. We can't thank you enough, and wish once again to express our strong gratitude to you all – and ask South Invercargill residents to support your businesses whenever they can.

- South Roads (park surfacing) • Invercargill City Council Urban Rejuvenation Fund • Contel Holdings, mall owners (free rent) • Preston Russell (legal services) • Community Trust of Southland (funding for Neighbourhood fund and Comms) • Invercargill Licensing Trust (funding to surface basketball court) • Resene Paints (paint for garden boxes and furniture in mall) • Southland Times & The Eye (free advertising for annual meeting and loan of tent) • Elles Road New World (purchase of fitness machine for outdoor gym) • Network Electrical Services (contribution towards park lighting) • South City Gifts & Lotto (twin seat for mall and on-going general support) • Impuls'd (two bench seats for mall) • Hirepool (free hire equipment) • Diacks Nurseries Ltd (running workshops, donations, judging garden competition) • Jan Duncan Osteopath (seat in the mall, seats in park) • Stadium Southland (provision of backboard and hoop for basketball court) • Department of Corrections (lots of labour for working bees) • Bin Inn (digger driving, donation of wall for mural) • Kathryn Mitchell, SIT (coordinating art work in park) • TNZ (supply of mulch) • Rotary South (working bees) • John Elliot (survey plan for park) • McNeill Distribution (delivering mulch) • Mega Mitre 10 (timing equipment for watering system) • Richard Inns 46degrees (3D modelling work) • van Eden Tulips (crocus bulbs) and everyone that donated plants and bulbs

Thanks to our Prize Donors

Quiz night, garden competition, Xmas raffles, Dog Park opening:

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Contact details

• **Office:** Shop 6, South City Mall. PO Box 7055, Invercargill

• **Opening Hours:** Mon & Tue 11.30am – 1.30pm;
Wed 11.00am – 3.00pm; Thu 3.30 – 5.30pm;
Fri 12.00 – 2.00pm; Sat 10.30am – 12.30pm

• **Christmas Closure:** The South Alive office will be closed from Monday 23 December and re-open Monday 20 January. If you need to contact us during that time, please email or leave a phone message.

• **Reminder:** Summer Splendour Garden Competition – entries close 7 Feb 2014

