Newsletter – September 2015

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NOW IS THE HOUR – celebration time! STREET PARTY OF THE HOUR – celebration time!

shops - music - food crafts - performance

The South City upgrade is finished and we're organising a street party on Thursday October 8 to celebrate. The party runs from 6pm till 9pm and we've even been able to close the streets for the occasion. South City shops will be open with in-store specials and there will be lots of craft and food stalls. Entertainment will include bands Midnight Cruise and Phoenix, as well as the Cook Island Drummers and Marchers.

It's a street party so Elles Rd will be closed from Dalrymple to Martin/Janet St (except for access to New World). The left turning lane only on Janet St will also be closed and Martin St in front of the shops, but you'll be able to access the United Video car park. The stage will be provided by a large curtain-sider truck - thanks Freight Haulage Ltd - parked in the middle of the intersection!

With this major milestone achieved, it's a good time to reflect on how much a community can achieve, working in partnership with Council and others. We first talked about the community's desire to transform

South City in our August 2012 newsletter and followed that up in October 2012 with a plan to achieve what you told us you wanted.

Now, a relatively short three years later, we can tick it all off. We have new street frontages, great furniture and a covered hub, an 'Aurora Australis' light show every night which is a New Zealand first, a community park with a garden, basketball court, stage and outdoor gym, the mall has been upgraded inside and out and we have our major entrance sculpture, Tale of Southland. We'd especially like to thank designer Craig Pocock for his commitment to us and the 'above and beyond' effort he has put in. And we'd like to give 'three cheers' to the Council for fully supporting the community vision and making the street upgrade happen.

And now it's time to party and we look forward to seeing you all there!

Thursday 8 October 6pm - 9pm

Summer Splendour

South Invercargill residents are strongly encouraged to consider entering this competition. Suggest it to your neighbours and friends as well! Your efforts help us promote pride in the South and there are some great prizes on offer from Diack's Nurseries, New World Elles Road, Awarua Synergy and the ILT.

Competition Categories are: Street Frontage, Decorative (flowers etc), Vegetables, New

A South Alive Garden Competition

Open to all residents in the 9812 postcode area

Garden, Rental Garden, Owner/occupier Garden, and School Garden. Entrants may enter as many categories as they wish.

Entry forms are available at Diack's Nurseries, South City Gift & Lotto Shop and the South Alive Office.

Entries close Monday November 2 at 1pm.

Competition judges will be Anne Diack and Keiron O'Connell and judging will take place in the week beginning November 9.



The fund is back. And we've made it even easier to get the money.

So get some friends, neighbours or colleagues together and think of fun ideas that you'd like to do.

Or apply yourself if you've got an idea that would benefit the neighbourhood.

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Most new projects will qualify. Ideas we can think of are art or crafts, gardens and planting, a self-help or local learning group for developing or passing on skills e.g. a knitting circle, organising your neighbours into some kind of shared service e.g. for garden or DIY equipment; the possibilities are endless.

Call into our office and pick up an information sheet and application form, or phone and we'll post them to you. They can also be downloaded from our website www.southalive.org.nz.

Thanks to the Community Trust of Southland for providing this fund. Watch out for a special Childrens Fund coming soon.

Applications for this round close on Tuesday November 17th.

▲ South Alive discussing the Street Party with South City businesses.

From left, Colin Anderson, Senior Constable Anthony Hogan, Trevor Thayer,
Matt Smellie, Steve Jo, Marie Crowe, Helen McKowen, Trudy Saunders

T-shirts for Sale

Are you proud of Invercargill's Tale?

Would you like to own your own model or gift it to someone here or overseas?

Then we have the answer for you with these beautiful best quality 100 per cent cotton printed T-shirts.

Available in sizes S - 3XL currently in black and blue/grey. \$29.90 each, from our website www.southalive.co.nz or from the South Alive office in South City Mall, phone 218 6882.



Thanks to our supporters

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

- Dil Belworthy, Glowing Sky for donating over 100 top quality T-shirts and organising the printing of them with our 'Tale of Southland' sculpture
- Southland Glass for arranging accommodation for our artist
- Phoenix for performing during our exhibition opening
- Fulton Hogan for traffic management during the sculpture opening
- **Community Patrol** for providing security during the sculpture opening
- Merv Gunn, Cook Island Drummers, Gabbi Rose, Adrian Buchanan, Aurora College Kapahaka group for their performances before and during the sculpture opening
- South City Nibbles, Just Incredible and The Lawn Keeper for their part in helping our events around the sculpture opening
- Aurora Service Academy for providing the food service at our exhibition opening
- New World Elles Road for loaning us pallets for a stage, and the delivery and pick-up

• Margaret Perkins for taking our seed sowing workshop

Short Stories

Up to \$1,000

to help you

do something

good in your

neighbourhood

Quiz Night: Fundraiser for South Alive projects. Come and have a great time while supporting us to do good in the neighbourhood. Great prizes and heaps of raffles. \$20 per team of four or come along and we'll make up teams. Newfield Tavern. Thursday October 29, 7.30pm start.

Mixed Media Art workshop Saturday September 26: This workshop will use collage art as a starting point as well as various other art materials such as paints, crayons, small found objects, fibre, impasto textures and more to construct three small finished paintings.

Carpentry 101: In this workshop you'll learn how to build a stool and then upholster it. Run over three weekends, from 1pm – 4pm on Sunday October 4, 11 and 18.

South Invercargill Artists Exhibition, call for entries: Artists living in the 9812 postal area are invited to exhibit at our annual event for South Invercargill artists.

Eligible work includes paintings, drawings, sculpture and pottery. Last year 21 artists took part and the exhibition attracted over 600 visitors. See 'What's On' section for info.

Wanted - Sacks suitable for bagging mulch: Ex coal sacks ideal size. Every year our Fruit & Nut group bag 20 cubic metres of mulch and distribute it among their 11 orchards and 70 trees in South Invercargill parks but they're short on sacks. Please contact Marie on 027 2078575 or drop into the South Alive office.

Raffle: Side of pork. Drawn by police. First prize ticket 153 Poss. Second prize ticket 160 Baker. Thanks to everyone that bought tickets. \$200 raised for our projects.

What's On

Street Party on Elles - Thursday October 8, from 6pm – 9pm. See story for details

 $\bf Art\ Class - Saturday\ September\ 26,\ 10am - 3pm\ $26\ Mixed\ Media\ Workshop.$ Contact South Alive

Carpentry 101 – Sunday October 4, 11, 18. 1 – 4pm \$44 Make and upholster a stool. Contact South Alive

Working bee in community garden – Saturday October 3, from 10am Quiz Night Fundraiser for South Alive - Thursday October 29, 7pm for 7.30pm start. Newfield Tavern.

South Invercargill Artists Exhibition Call for Entries - Entries will be received November 1-3. See entry form for more details (on our website) or call Marion 216 6679

Senior Friendship Group - Every Tuesday, 2 - 4pm at South Alive Hub. Entrance from back of the South City mall. Contact Trudy 218 6882 or just come along. All welcome.

Action Group meetings this month – new members/potential members welcome to attend. Contact South Alive office for more information or just show up. All welcome.

- Beautification Group Saturday October 10, 10am, South Alive office
- Dog Park Group Saturday October 10, 3 pm, South Alive Hub
- Fruit and Nut Group, Monday October 12, 7.30pm, contact Marie 027 207 8575
- Arts Group Tuesday October 13, 5.30pm, South Alive Hub
- Housing Group, Thursday October 15, 6pm South Alive office For more information on any of our events or meetings, contact us in any of the ways listed under our 'Contact details'



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Contact details

Office: Shop 6,
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 South Invercargill

Opening hours:

Mon & Tue 11.30am – 1.30pm; Wed 11.00am – 3.00pm; Thu 3.30 – 5.30pm; Fri 12.00 – 2.00pm.

Closed Saturday and Sunday.

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