



And then there was light

Through the great work of Network Electrical Services (NES), much of it provided as a donation to South Alive and the community, our park is now lit up at night which is great for all the nocturnal basketballers and gardeners – and we also have lights in the South City mall car park. This has made the area safer and more attractive for everyone, so a big thanks to NES.

NES workers Wayne Kennedy (in the box), and on the ground Cameron Stevens (left) and Nigel Parish (right).



Housing Group Goes To The Dogs!

Now that the Overgrown Section Programme is up and running and well supported, the South Alive Housing Group is tackling another worthwhile issue they'd like to see improved for South Invercargill residents. Calling the project, 'Responsible Dog Ownership', Margaret Cook, the convenor of the Housing group, says that it will fit in well with another South Alive project, the establishment of Invercargill's first dog park.

Council Animal Control Officers advise that the two main issues they deal with in the South area are barking and wandering dogs and the Housing group agrees that these are areas of concern. They have therefore agreed to work with the Council, as they have with the overgrown sections, to once again develop a community focused programme that will address this on-going problem.

Community Park Progress

The park was a hive of activity at the weekend. We had teams shovelling and spreading dirt, de-nailing tens of pallets and building the paling fence, planting and weeding the community garden boxes and building a planter box along the top of the back fence. And let's not forget the team across in our office kitchen keeping us supplied with great food and hot drinks. We have more landscaping work (mainly raking) and fence building to do, so if you can lend a hand we'd love to have your help. Give us a call!



Above: Maurice Tucker and his grandchildren weeding one of the community garden boxes. Marie Crowe in the background building a garden box on top of the fence. The paling fence under construction on the left.



Above: The 'Lorneville gang' - Terence Daniels, Lesley Holder, Michael Joyce, Trevor McKenzie, Gayle Hammond. We love our alliance with you!



Left: Trevor McKenzie denailing pallets

Dog Park Developments - Woof Woof

Good news for everyone that is eagerly waiting for Invercargill's first dog park. Robin Pagan, ICC Parks Manager, says they are now sourcing materials and doing the final marking-out on site.

He says that construction will start by early September and the park will be ready for use by November at the latest, and possibly earlier if the weather holds.

We, and our canine friends, couldn't be happier!



The outline of the dog park is shown by the white lines

Briefly ...

Choir Concert

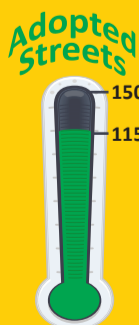
The South Alive Choir is joining with other choirs in a variety concert at First Church on the 18th August starting at 2pm. They'd love to have lots of people come to hear them.

Planting 100 fruit trees

Our Fruit and Nut Tree Group will be planting a further 100 fruit trees in public spaces around South Invercargill next weekend, Aug 24 and 25. They'd be very happy to have help – see What's On for details.

Operation Zero Rubbish - another great step forward

Since the publicity two weeks ago about getting our 100th street adopted, 15 of the remaining streets have also been adopted – so that leaves only 35 streets to go until we have every street in South Invercargill being kept free of rubbish. Wow - it makes you proud, doesn't it.



Hanging baskets workshop - reminder

Just a reminder about this free workshop from Diacks Nurseries. Come along at 2pm this Saturday 17 Aug at 2pm and learn how to plant stunning baskets.

What's on this month...

- **Hanging Baskets Workshop - Sat 17 Aug, 2pm.** Free. South Alive community park, behind the mall.
- **Choir** - The choir is taking part in a **variety concert** on **Sat 18 Aug at First Church, 2pm.** The choir also meets every Thursday at 7.00pm at St Andrews Church, Elles Road. Gold coin donation. Tel Jo 214 2373 for more information or just show up. All welcome. No auditions.
- **Neighbourhood Project Fund Workshops - Mon 19 Aug 3.30pm or Thu 5 Sep 5.00pm** to help interested people/groups develop their proposals for the fund. Both workshops in the South Alive Office. Prior registration appreciated - see our Contact Details
- **Fruit and Nut Tree Group - planting 100 new fruit trees Aug 24 & 25** in South Invercargill parks. If you'd like to help, call Marie on 216 5690
- **Fruit and Nut Tree Group fundraising sausage sizzle - Sat 31 Aug from 10am** in front of United Video
- **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.
 - **Housing** - Thu 15 Aug 6.15pm South Alive Office
 - **Beautification** - Thu 15 Aug, 5.15pm South Alive Office
 - **Fruit and Nut Trees** - Mon 19 Aug, 6.30pm tel Marie 216 5690 if you'd like to attend
 - **Children & Youth Projects** - Tue 27 Aug, 6.30pm at Aurora College Boardroom
 - **Over the Fence Project** - Thu 1 Aug, 5.30pm 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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