



SEWN NEWS

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Welcome to the May / Haratua 2017 Social Equity & Wellbeing Network (SEWN) newsletter.

SEWN HQ ...

SEWN wishes to thank all those who have paid their yearly membership renewal fee.

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admin@sewn.org.nz

...is busy organising a very important hui for the non-profit sector.

Last year saw the launch of a report that many of us contributed to: **Third Sector/Not-for-Profit Sector Recovery in Post-Earthquake Christchurch**. We've invited central and local government and funders to come and talk to us about the Action Points in the report that relate to them.

The focus will be on what they're already doing, in order to give us a starting point to think about and discuss 'what next'?

If you'd like to be part of this discussion, please join us on **Tues 23 May, 12 noon to 3pm, at the Oxford Tce Baptist Church Lounge**. Finger food available, rsvp to admin@sewn.org.nz by 16 May.

Inside May

- Stitching together-SEWN news
- Thought-provoking articles
- Resources for NGOs
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Clare in the Community



With thanks to the Guardian and Harry Venning

Newsletter for and by the Community Sector in Waitaha (Canterbury)

Email items for SEWN's May newsletter to newsletter@sewn.org.nz by Thurs 25th May 2017.

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HOT TOPIC

Non-profit Sector Priorities for Election 2017

On Saturday 23 September our country will go to the polls to elect a new government. The lead-up to that will see lots of debate and competing claims from the candidates about what policies we need for social equity and community wellbeing. Our sector will also want to see policies for a thriving sector.

From now until the election, SEWN will be featuring the views of non-profit organisations about topics they would like to see on the election agenda. We would also love to hear from you about what your organisation sees as top priorities to get in front of candidates and political parties (email sharon@sewn.org.nz or ph 366 2050). The more voices we have, the more chance we have to get our goals addressed.

Crisis? What crisis?

Campaigners for better mental health services are disappointed that the Prime Minister says there is no need for a review of the mental health system. This has come after the recent release of the "[People's Mental Health Report](#)" that identified issues and made four recommendations:

- An urgent funding increase for acute and community-based services;
- Fully independent oversight of the mental health system;
- An urgent independent inquiry into the structure and provision of mental health services;
- A national education programme to help NZers understand what mental health is and what services are available.

The PM has promised more funding, but commentators say that an inquiry is needed to ensure that the mental health system is configured in the right way and the funding is spent in the right places. As Platform Trust says, "The recent People's Mental Health Report was initiated out of a shared sense of frustration and the completed review report is an excellent and moving companion to the ever-growing mountain of evidence of system failure." Certainly, the volume of stories and reports that a basic google search comes up with justifies the descriptions of crisis in the mental health system that goes beyond simply resourcing.

On top of this nation-wide crisis, the impact of the earthquakes on mental health is now peaking and mental health services in post-quake Canterbury are stretched beyond capacity. See article [HERE](#)

Yes, we need funding, and the promised increase is greatly appreciated. Most importantly though, we need to make sure that funding is going to where it will make most difference.



Summary of issues raised. (We'll add to this every month. You can add your organisation's support to any of the issues by contacting us.)

- **Mental Health:** redesign needed. *Platform, The People's Mental Health Review,*
- **Housing:** lack of safe, affordable housing; homelessness. *Salvation Army*
- **Poverty:** entrenched child poverty. *Salvation Army*
- **Justice:** increasing prison incarceration rates, high recidivism rates. *Salvation Army*
- **Abuse:** call for an inquiry into abuse while in state care. *MSSAT, HRC, Whanau Ora Partnership Group, People First, Maori Women's Welfare League, Disabled Persons Assembly*

There's An Election Coming Up. What Sort of Democracy Do We Want?

(Abridged) courtesy of ComVoices <http://www.comvoices.com>

News that Forest and Bird, one of New Zealand's largest and most respected conservation organisations has quit the Land and Water Forum comes as no surprise. (Dominion Post, 8 March 2017)

The forum is described as "a Government-led body which brings together dozens of environmental, industry and recreational groups to improve freshwater management." Forest and Bird (F&B) was one of its earliest members. F&B President Mark Hanger said "The forum provided the Government with consensus recommendations that had buy-in from all the relevant stakeholders, incorporating the best scientific advice, yet they've come up with something very different. In putting the forum's recommendations to one side, the Government has undermined the good faith and trust that we put in the forum to help address the freshwater crisis facing New Zealanders"

We are dealing with a 3rd-term Government that is following the pattern of previous 3rd-term Governments – a growing arrogance in their role as decision-makers, leading to increasing isolation from real communities. It seems deeply embedded in our culture that we vote every 3 years to elect people to make decisions on our behalf, and then many of us just hope they'll just get on and do it – we will only get involved if they do something that really upsets us, like "meddle with our Super".

I think we, as New Zealanders, need to evolve our democracy to make it more participative, and I believe that in the community and voluntary sector we have skills and experience that can contribute to much better decision-making by government and its agencies. Every Government agency I work with seems to run on an assumption that participative decision-making is too hard, or expensive, and is somehow unconstitutional. As for the September election, what can community groups do?

I'd suggest, invite candidates of every party to come and meet you, tell them what you do, tell them how it makes a difference in the community, and tell them how you can help government work better for your people and your community. And then, in your newsletters, website, Facebook, wherever, encourage your members or participants to go and vote. Don't tell them who to vote for (you could lose your charity status) but you are allowed to report on how the different candidates responded to your ideas.

Go for it – Please. Our democracy needs you!

Dave Henderson is the External Relations Manager at Hui E! Community Aotearoa, but this blog does not represent Hui E!. The views expressed are Dave's own. Abridged version, see full article at: <http://comvoices.org.nz/>

Sector meeting with Poto Williams

Labour MP Poto Williams recently met with non-profit sector people to talk about policy for the sector. The meeting covered a great range of topics, including contracting, our relationship with government, and the extent to which the sector is valued and respected.

SEWN supported the call for the requirement for identifying client data to be scrapped, and for a different approach to government management. We also agreed with others at the meeting who appreciated the good relationship they had with most local staff of government departments. The efforts that those staff made to support the sector was appreciated.

We raised our concern that government focuses on only that part of the sector that has service contracts with government, while the far greater part of the sector that builds community resilience and social capital through participation is all but invisible to it. We want to see government recognise and value the contribution that *all* of the sector makes to building community wellbeing.

We also spoke about our concern that ministries are accountable to their ministers only for the direct outcomes they are required to deliver. For instance, the Ministry of Education is accountable to the Minister of Education only for education outcomes, and was not accountable for the social or community impact of school closures after the earthquakes.

Finally, we also called for an end to the tired old claim of 'too many groups' and calls for amalgamations. We know that community groups are an essential part of building social capital, but nobody knows

how many groups are needed for optimal social and community wellbeing. How then do we know that we have too many groups?

SEWN would love to hear about your wish list for policy for the non-profit sector. Share your thoughts on our Facebook page, or email sharon@sewn.org.nz

Get ready to vote in the 2017 General Election

Everyone has a different reason for voting – whatever you're in it for, the Enrolment Commission wants to help you have your say on who runs the country. Enrol or update your details now to make sure you're ready to vote in the 2017 General Election on Saturday 23 September.

You must enrol if you are 18 or over, a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident, and have lived in New Zealand continuously for one year more at some time in your life.

It's easy to enrol. To get an enrolment form, go online at www.elections.org.nz, call 0800 36 76 56, pop into a Post Shop or text your name and address to 3676.

If you believe that having your details made publicly available on the electoral roll could threaten your personal safety, or that of your family, you may be eligible to go on the unpublished electoral roll. Your enrolment details would be held securely by the Registrar of Electors in your local area, would not be released to anyone, and would not appear on the published roll.

To find out more about enrolling, or about the unpublished roll, go online at www.elections.org.nz, or call 0800 36 76 56. It's your right to vote, don't miss out.

Volunteers through the generations: how are they different?

(Shared with the permission of Volunteering Canterbury)

Recently, Taylah Mawson and Liyana Azul from Student Volunteer Army (SVA) spoke about the excellent programmes that they're running:

- Schools programme involving year 12s and year 10s across 11 high schools, trying to promote volunteering in young minds
- Big Give – large scale project to help a struggling community – recently in South Brighton, 800 volunteers, great feedback from the community and volunteers.
- City Care connect – another big community project, later in 2017 in Linwood
- Camps – recent camp at Hamner Springs
- Frequent weekend projects

They also touched on the motivation for students to volunteer – project based, being able to see a visible end goal, plenty of 'warm and fuzzy' moments, and food, food, food! Liyana also ventured that volunteering as a new migrant had led to strong connectedness to a new location. <http://www.sva.org.nz/>

Serve for New Zealand

Eileen Hennessey from Serve for New Zealand spoke about the background and ethos of Serve for NZ on Anzac Day, and encouraged us to participate in pledging hours to help in this country-wide project to promote volunteering across New Zealand. <http://servefor.nz/>

Group discussion The meeting touched on the problems of reducing volunteer hours; the Volunteering New Zealand survey 2016 suggested volunteering hours have dropped by a huge 42%, and regular long-term volunteers not being as available to some organisations.

Cath Ford, Girl Guiding NZ, struck a chord with her observation that volunteer management used to be about the organisation, whereas now it needs to be more about the volunteer – how can we manage the individual volunteer to provide the flexibility they want or need.

This led to discussion of promoting more skills-based volunteering and subsequent training. This led to another difficult problem - people can leave after training and it becomes hard for organisations to deal with. Unfortunately organisations might simply have to factor in that people may leave after they've been

trained. One organisation we've spoken to offers 3 month roles, even though they are wanting long term volunteers – they then have the challenge of motivating, training and retaining their volunteers so that they remain part of the organisation, or if they leave after 3 months they return at a later date.

There was discussion at the meeting on what drives different generations, and generalising, we discussed Millennials enjoying project-based work with an end goal, Generation Xers driven by direct feedback of their performance, Baby-Boomers working for, and believing in, the organisation, and the older generation enjoying volunteering more as a social activity. Obviously these are generalisations, but this might impact management styles for different individuals. And on recruitment there's still a place for encouraging volunteers, for shoulder tapping people and giving them the confidence to volunteer. We also picked up on an idea from the Student Volunteer Army of getting more in depth feedback from our volunteers – what do they want, what is going well?

Summary

Volunteering now is less about the organisation, and should be thought of more about the volunteer. Flexibility in approach and what volunteering offers is key to successfully managing our volunteers.

Post Disaster City Research

Raven Cretney (RMIT University of Melbourne) has been putting the final touches to her thesis resulting from a Post Disaster City Research project in which over one hundred people participated and their stories, experiences and opinions were integral to recording what has happened throughout the recovery from the earthquakes.

Rachel has also tried to share the wider stories and findings to communicate the incredible achievements of community led recovery in Christchurch as well as the challenges and lessons that have emerged, particularly from the formal government processes of participation and engagement.

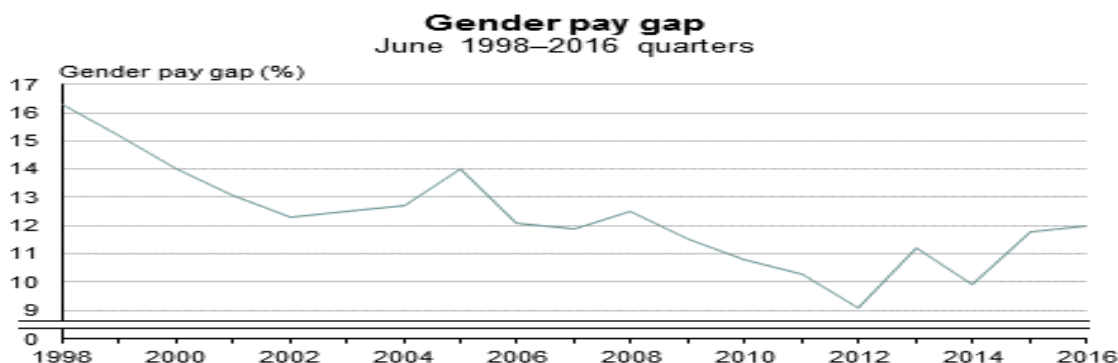
One outcome of this was an article published in The Conversation last year to communicate to an international audience the story of community led recovery in Christchurch. You can find the article [here](#) if you are interested. Connect with Raven: www.ravencretney.wordpress.com

Ministry for Women Releases New Gender Pay Gap Research

The national gender pay gap is now 12 percent and appears to have stalled over the last decade.

In early March, the Ministry for Women released 'Empirical Evidence of the Gender Pay Gap,' a research report it had commissioned Auckland University of Technology to undertake.

That research, the first into the gender pay gap in New Zealand in more than a decade, showed there is a difference in the earnings of men and women that can't be explained by differences in education, occupation and industry, or part-time work.



These factors, commonly cited as causing the gender pay gap, only explain 20 percent of the gap. "Most of the gender pay gap—80 percent in fact—is caused by factors like unconscious and conscious bias that

impacts negatively on women's recruitment and pay advancement," says Margaret Retter, Acting Chief Executive of the Ministry for Women.

"Women are now more highly qualified than men on average," adds Margaret, "This level of increased qualifications should be reducing the gender pay gap. However, the research shows that these qualifications are not fully reflected in women's earnings." For women on lower incomes, factors such as type of work, family responsibilities, education, and age remain important.

The Government is working to increase women's participation in high-demand occupations and to address pay equity (undervaluation of female dominated occupations). This should help reduce the gender pay gap for groups of women on lower incomes, including Māori, Pacific, migrant, and sole mothers. For women on higher incomes, the focus now needs to be on addressing assumptions about women in work, including unconscious bias. This is particularly important for people who make decisions about attracting, recruiting, retaining, and promoting staff.

For more info, including a copy of the report, please see the Ministry's website: www.women.govt.nz

Do Good Jobs: Tools of the Do Good Trade

Ever wondered which tools super-productive and uber-organised people use to get things done? Here are some great ideas for computer programmes/apps from Bizdojo to make your life easier!

Top 10 Tools:

1. **Canva.com** Quick image for social media/logo/brochure Cost: Free, some stock photos \$1
2. **Dropbox.com** Free cloud based document storage and back up Cost: Free (limited uploads). Up-graded storage \$99 USD per month
3. **G Suite for non-profits** Google's non-profits programme giving free access to a number of Google's paid products, tools and non-profit services. Cost: Free. TechSoup New Zealand validate New Zealand charities for Google. If you haven't heard of Techsoup and the free or heavily discounted software and hardware perks they offer, visit their website.
4. **Last Pass:** Password manager, only ever remember one Master password! Cost: Free for individuals. Enterprise accounts available too, and they offer a 30% discount for non-profits.
5. **MailChimp.com** Send out email newsletter updates and more. It's simple to use, offers beautiful templates, and tells me how things are performing. The paid version also lets you set up automated emails Cost: If you have less than 2,000 subscribers, it's free to use. You can also easily integrate a sign-up form on your website. They offer a [15% discount to charities](#).
6. **Asana.com** Web and mobile application designed to help teams track their work, everything from strategic plans to content calendars. Plus, you can turn on a cute message that gives you high-fives as you tick off your tasks too! Cost: Free to use for teams of up to fifteen people. It offers a discount to small teams of less than forty people.
7. **Xero.com** A Kiwi-made finance package that's so easy to use. From filing expense claims on the go to reconciling accounts. [Xero](#) phone app too. Cost: \$55 a month. 25% discount for charities.
8. **Squarespace:** Think of [Squarespace](#) as your very own IT department, with free, unlimited hosting, top-of-the-line security, an enterprise-grade infrastructure, and around-the-clock support". It seamlessly integrates with social media, MailChimp Cost: USD \$12 to \$40 per month depending on your needs - this includes your hosting costs too. If you already have a domain, you can connect it easily.
9. **Slack** Offers real-time messaging and topic channels, designed with team chat in mind, and as a result it often replaces internal emails, which leads to less cluttered emails! You can share documents and ideas with each other in Slack too, it's the perfect place to collaborate and get feedback Cost: Free to charities for any number of users.
10. **Zapier** Lets you easily integrate the apps that you use. It's a tool primarily for non-technical users to connect web apps together – apps like many of the ones listed here including Xero, Gmail, Asana, Mailchimp, CRMs like Insightly and Capsule and more. Cost: Free for 5 Zaps then discounted by 15% if you are a charity. [sourced from <http://dogoodjobs.co.nz/tools-of-the-do-good-trade/>]

HAVE YOUR SAY

SEWN alerts readers to consultation processes or lobbying initiatives that we think are of particular relevance to the social services sector or to non-profit organisations. However you can keep an eye out for issues of importance to you or your organisation by regularly visiting the following websites:

Christchurch City Council consultations:

<http://www.ccc.govt.nz/the-council/have-your-say/whats-happening-now/consultations/>

Central government consultations:

<https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/business-before-committees/>

Action Station is a great NGO and website to see what submissions are open and how to quickly submit an email or sign a petition on a current issue.

<http://www.actionstation.org.nz/campaigns> or <https://www.facebook.com/ActionStationNZ>

Inquiry into abuse in state care

The Human Rights Commission is calling for an independent inquiry into the abuse that many children suffered while in the care of the state. You can add your voice to that call by signing the open letter at <http://www.neveragain.co.nz/>



NOTICE BOARD

Police Vetting Latest Update:

The Vetting Service secure website has been updated to allow all Approved Agencies to prepare for Cost Recovery by entering billing and charity information. From 1 May 2017 eligible Approved Agencies will be able to apply for waivers. The application forms will be located on the Vetting Service website under the '[Cost Recovery](#)' section from 1 May 2017.

In line with this and to reflect minor changes since their inception, the Approved Agency Agreement (AAA) and Offshore Approved Agency Arrangement (OAAA) documents have been updated. All agencies will need to resign them before **30 June 2017** to enable vetting requests to be submitted. These documents can be resigned electronically via the vetting website. You will be prompted to do this when you login.

Need further information: <http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/businesses-and-organisations/vetting/forms-and-guides>

One Voice Te Reo Kotahi (OVTRK)

The current focus of OVTRK is on advocating for the value of third sector organisations (TSOs), promoting an ecological Tiriti-o-Waitangi-based multicultural future and creating communication conduits for Third Sector voices to be heard including in the earthquake Regeneration phase. Keep up to date with their initiatives – for example [Sector Report & Actions](#) - and find out how you can participate at <http://onevoicetereokotahi.blogspot.co.nz/>

Who are a charity's officers?

The Charities Act 2005 may define officers differently to the way your rules define them. An officer can be a person or a body corporate. If your charity is a trust, your officers are all your current trustees.

If your charity is **not** a trust, your officers are:

- all the members of your highest governing body (e.g. committee, board, etc.), and
- all the people in a position to have significant influence over your management or administration (for example a chief executive or a chief financial officer).

Volunteering Canterbury will once again host a ceremony during National Volunteer Week (18-24 June) and present awards to volunteers in Canterbury. These awards will recognise outstanding efforts and achievements by volunteers of all ages in all sectors. Your organisation can nominate an individual or a group to receive an Award. Download a nomination form today!

<http://www.volcan.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Nomination-form-002.pdf>

Youth Work Survey

Penny Prescott of Canterbury Youth Workers Collective urges local input to the work being done by Ara Taihoi to create a professional body. Some information about this: <http://www.arataiohi.org.nz/professional-association/survey-and-faqs>

And you can contribute to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSJCYYJ>

Penny is keen to get feedback or questions from you to take to the project working group: Phone 377 8080 or 021 331 505 or email Penny at penny@ctwc.org.nz

New Zealand tech start up [Donation Manager](#) is launching software which slashes the end-of-financial-year administrative burden for charities.

The cloud-based software launched April 5th 2017 and can save charities thousands of bookkeeping hours every

year. Donation Manager allows charities to manage donor contact information and transactions, as well as design and send rebate letters. It's been designed by former Xero employees and integrates seamlessly with the popular accounting software.

Best of all; Donation Manager is a charity itself and totally free to use for registered New Zealand charities.

Community Law Canterbury has produced some updated information about the services they provide to those in need of some legal support. If your group is working with clients who might benefit from some legal help, please don't hesitate to pass on our number or email address. Phone: 03 366 6870 / 0508 CANLAW or web site www.canlaw.org.nz

If your group is working with Maori clients or would like to know more about our marae based services, you're welcome to contact Jamie-Lee at jamielee.tuuta@canlaw or Mana at mana.wright@canlaw.org.nz

The Canterbury Men's Centre is now seeking more counsellors to join group of contractors. Please tell others you know that may have the skills and interest.

The CMC is a Non-Government Organisation with the mission statement of "Happy Healthy Canterbury Men"

wanting trained counsellors that have an interest in working with the wide range of men. Ideally able to see ten or more clients per week. CMC operates both inside and outside normal office hours so have flexibility regarding available times. Offices in Christchurch, Kaiapoi and Ashburton and open to other areas. Counsellors are paid as a portion of the client fees. This portion is updated every six months in line with the financial capacity of the agency. Please contact Service Manager about specifics.

Find out more: To register your interest, please contact Service Manager, Karl Belcher at karl@canmen.org.nz or by phoning 03 365 9000.

Tsunami Review Report now available

The review was prepared in response to the Mayor's request to address issues raised by elected members and residents in coastal communities about the activation of the tsunami sirens and the evacuation that followed the earthquake on 14 November last year.

The findings of the review have been released, along with 48 recommendations on how to address issues. To read the review and subsequent recommendations, please access this link:

<http://www.ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Services/Civil-Defence/Review-of-the-Tsunami-Evacuation-2017.pdf>

RESOURCES FOR YOU, YOUR COMMUNITY OR YOUR CLIENTS

Making it Work- Employer obligations and individualised funding workshop: Learn what is involved with being an employer of your own support staff under individualised funding models guided by Auckland Disability Law.

Open to disabled people and whanau who employ/wish to employ own support staff.

When: Wed 3 May 10-2.30pm

Where: CCS Disability Action at 224 Lichfield St Christchurch (venue is wheelchair accessible)

Lunch is provided, RSVP by 21 April to:

Carmen Curtis ph 03 741 3275/ 027 230 9821 or email: Carmen.Curtis@ccsDisabilityAction.org.nz

GenConnect Riccarton High School Students available every Wednesday during term time 1pm – 1.40pm Upper Riccarton Library, 71 Main South Rd, to help with questions about ipad/smart phone use, skypeing and Facebook type communications, and sorting what apps are and which ones are the best to use.

"Connecting generations by sharing knowledge."

Carers' Day at the Dentist

Saturday 6th May 2017 at Lumino Dentists.

Free dental appointments for family carers. Book your free appointment now. Email: supportteam@carers.net.nz

The Problem Gambling Foundation: Pathways to Reintegration Symposium.

The topic is 'Family/Whānau and Reintegration'.

Date and Time: Wednesday 10th May 2017, from 9.30am to 12.30pm

Location: Oxford Terrace Baptist Church (corner of Madras Street and Oxford Terrace).

Here are details of the presenters at this symposium:

- Toni Tinirau, Irene Whittaker and team from He Waka Tapu
- Sandra Lorgelly from the Family Help Trust
- Adele Sherry from Home & Family
- Chantel Harris from Te Runanga o Nga Maata Waka Incorporated
- Debra Kavanagh (Drug-Arm Christchurch) and Delia Fonotia (PGF)

There will be time after the presentations for other services to introduce themselves and give updates

Dementia Canterbury FREE Community Education seminars at 314 Worcester Street Christchurch

Navigating Your Way through Dementia Services
Find out about different levels of care and the process for organising respite:
Tues 16 May 2017 10.30 – 12 noon

Dementia & Stress Reduction Strategies
with Dr Gerald Johnstone
Tues 30 May 2017 7.30 - 9pm

Bookings essential-limited to 30 places, to book phone 03 379 2590 or 0800 444 776 or by emailing: admin[at]dementiacanterbury.org.nz

Parent Hub Launch 1st June 2017

As a result of the Canterbury Earthquake Appeal Fund Parenting Package and with feedback from parents, All Right? Is setting up a new web page that will list parent groups, courses, workshops, and seminars in Greater Christchurch. Parent groups can list activities free of charge – to investigate, groups are welcome to take a look:

The link to the Parent Hub: <http://all-right.org.nz/tools/courses-tools-busy-parents/> And the password is: allrightparenting

Information can be uploaded by completing the feedback form on the web page, or by emailing Anna Mowat: annamowat@xtra.co.nz Questions welcome. Updates appreciated by Friday 5 May.

Experiential Psychodrama Weekend with Simon and Carol Parkinson-Jones

Venue : Rainbow Valley, 750 McCallum Road, Takaka

Time: 7.30pm Fri 23rd June to 4pm Sun 25th June

Workshop Leaders: Carol Parkinson-Jones and Simon Jones, qualified counsellors and therapists.

Investment: \$300 waged, \$250 unwaged.

The Aim of this weekend is to provide a supportive space where you can explore the concerns that you bring, in order to build your capacity to live a rich and fulfilling life.

Experiential Learning is based on the old truism 'action speaks louder than words'. It incorporates group-work, psychodrama, mindfulness, and body awareness. The aim is to expand your self-awareness, self-expression and spontaneity - the spontaneity that generates new, creative and effective ways of being in the world, with yourself and in relating to others.

To enrol, or for more information, phone 03 525 8542. Email: carolnsimon@gmail.com To secure your place email your details and send deposit of \$50, or full amount, to PO Box 108 Takaka, 7142 or deposit by internet banking into acct 02 0874 0053111 00

Women's Centre Courses – May - Term 2:

Looking after YOU! Learning Mindfulness and Practicing Relaxation

This is a group for women interested in developing a range of skills and techniques to achieve relaxation and mindfulness and thereby improving wellbeing and self-care.

Date: 26th May – 23rd June (5 sessions)

Day: Friday **Time**: 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Facilitators: Nikki Evans, Freddie Duncan

Cost: \$45 waged, \$30 low/unwaged **Enrol by**: Friday 19th May

Parenting Children with Worries

This group is for women interested in developing their understanding of childhood anxiety

Date: 2nd June - 30th June (5 sessions)

Day: Friday **Time**: 10:00am – 11:30pm

Facilitators: Nikki Evans, Erna Jackson **Cost**: \$40

waged, \$25 low/unwaged. **Enrol by**: Friday 26th May

Lunchtime Discussion Group: Introduction to Feminism No prior knowledge is required, come along and join in.

Date: 12 June – 3 July **Day**: Mondays

Time: 12 pm – 1 pm

Facilitator: Sionainn Byrnes

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

Registration by: Monday 26th Jun

Migrant support to attain a learner licence

Classes will be held each Wednesday 6.30-8.30pm at Hagley Community College (Room HL4) and Saturday 4pm - 6pm at Christchurch Community House, 301 Tuam Street.

Run by Canterbury Business Assn. Call Taz to inquire and book: 03 379 4222 or text on 027 273 8815.

Free Migrant Employment and Legal Advisory Service

Christchurch lawyers Saunders & Co, along with University of Canterbury School of Law students can help Canterbury Business Association members with legal questions. Ideal for migrants and international students. FREE. Appointments needed: email le-galhelp@canterburybusiness.org.nz or phone Taz Mukorombindo 027 273 8815.

The Werry Centre is a national centre for infant, child and adolescent mental health. Its website has some great mental health resources and information for young people and their families.

Find them at <http://www.werryworkforce.org/>

FREE Craft Classes run by Rekindle. Different craft workshops that will enable you to learn new resourceful skills, beginning with week day sessions Monday to Wednesday 10am to 2pm, and some weekend

courses to come include: string & rope-making, basket-weaving, peg-making, peg-loom making, peg-loom weaving, spoon-carving, basic stool making, shaving horse making etc. Details of next classes and contact info at: www.rekindle.org.nz

Speak Up-Korerotia update

Here are the shows produced in the last few months for your listening pleasure

[Antarctica](#) - Conversation on treaties, ice melt and other intriguing topics, to coincide with the 50th anniversary of NZ's Scott Base

[Canterbury's residential red zones](#) - Human rights implications of the post-earthquake red zoning, and the importance of considering what to do with the land moving forward

[Bilingualism in a single language-dominant society](#) - Why it's important to foster bi- and multi-lingualism in a primarily monolingual society

[Indigenous women in leadership](#) - Celebrating UNDRIP (Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People) and International Women's Day, this show looks at perspectives on 'leadership' and the role of Maori women

[The changing face of rural NZ](#) - Stories of migration to Ashburton, and the role of a museum exhibition in fostering a sense of belonging among newcomers

[Discussing Autism](#) - Clarifying some of the lack of understanding around this issue and with a very positive message: focus on what people with autism contribute, and not what they find it hard to do.

Listen to podcasts on: [SoundCloud](#), [iTunes](#) and [Plains FM](#) Follow on [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)

[Transcripts](#) available. For topic-related resources, visit [Christchurch City Libraries](#)

Sort Out Your Money Worries - Building Financial Capability (Budget Advice) in Selwyn.

Trained Financial Mentors (Budget Advisors) can meet with you or your client to provide one on one budget support and/or group workshops. They offer a confidential and non-judgemental service which will be provided in your community and in some circumstances can be offered in your own home. To find out more: familyworksuppersouth.org.nz or email selwyn-budget@psusi.org.nz Ph 03 3665472

Celebrate Pink Shirt Day and Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying on Friday 26th May 2017.

Pink Shirt Day is celebrated annually and is about working together to make our schools, workplaces and communities safe, welcoming and inclusive for all.

[Register your school, workplace or community group for Pink Shirt Day](#). Register by Monday 1st May 2017 and go in the draw to win FIVE official Pink Shirt Day 2017 t-shirts by Mr Vintage!

Take advantage of all the Pink Shirt Day resources

- [Download the toolkits for ideas and inspiration](#). There's a toolkit for students, teachers and workplaces.
 - [Visit the Swag section to stock up on free campaign resources](#) like the Event Pack, plus much, much more.
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RESOURCES FOR YOUR ORGANISATION OR GROUP

Data Analyst available for part-time or short term work. Experienced in the charity & non-profit sectors with very strong skills in Microsoft Excel and developing answers from analysing large databases. Contact Chris, email: chris_ingram@outlook.co.nz

(Northland DHB) Alcohol Bulletin by Dave

Hookway is a regular newsletter featuring latest research on alcohol's effects on health. Here is a small excerpt from the last bulletin:

New research from NZ casts serious doubt on previous assertions regarding the health benefits of 'moderate' drinking. It is in the interests of the alcohol industry to promote 'responsible' and 'moderate' alcohol use – but in reality alcohol is not a health tonic by any means and is classified by the World Health Organisation (WHO) as a [Class One carcinogen](#). The involvement of the alcohol industry in attempting to subvert evidence-based alcohol policy is also the subject of research released recently in Australia.

If you want to receive this newsletter regularly – email dave.hookway@northlanddhb.org.nz

Canterbury Men's Centre is updating the Blokes Book. If you feel that there is something that should be in there, but isn't, then please contact Donald Pettitt, donald@canmen.org.nz, or ph 03 365 9000.

Current version at: <http://canmen.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2011/01/BB-2016-Web-Copy.pdf>.

Pre-orders for Blokes Book/Orders for Fun for Older Men: If you are in the CDHB region you can send an email to the Community and Public Health Team. Write to Sue.Burgess@cdhb.health.nz with: your name, address and number of Blokes Books/Fun for Older Men booklets you want.

NZ Sign Language (NZSL) is promoted by the Deaf Society during Sign Language Week 8-14 May 2017. This year Deaf Aotearoa is providing FREE 45-minute NZSL taster classes around the country throughout May or Term 2. These classes are available to:

- schools;

- healthcare providers;
- businesses;
- organisations;
- clubs and other groups.

Register now as classes are limited. [Find out more about free NZ Sign Language taster classes from Deaf Aotearoa](#) including how to register. You can also email Deaf Aotearoa for more information: taster-class@deaf.org.nz

Volunteering Cnty Student Volunteer Expo

When: Tuesday 2 May, 11.30am - 2.30pm,
Where: Undercroft, Puaka-James Hight Bldg.
 An opportunity for NGOs to tell students why they should volunteer for their organisations.
 Spaces limited, to book: outreach@volcan.org.nz

: Christchurch Community House/ Te Whakaruruhou ki Otautahi 301 Tuam St, Christchurch.

Cost: \$55 pp for Volunteering Canterbury members, \$85 for non-Members. \$25 pp for additional attendees from your organisation.

All prices include GST. [Download the registration flyer for this Volunteering Canterbury workshop](#) [PDF].

Car Boot Sales at Quaker Centre 217 Ferry Rd Christchurch (corner Nursery Rd) 9.30 to 12.20pm Saturdays - weather permitting. \$15 per space or pay for 3 in advance \$40, Contact phone 021 111 6223

Community Mentoring Programme

This programme provides support over a twelve month period to not for profits, social enterprises, charitable trusts and incorporated societies to make sure you get

the right information and support to empower your organisation.

Please register online www.communitymentors.org.nz Fee is \$225 plus gst. For further info contact the Canterbury Programme co-ordinator Ellen Pender phone 03 379 5575 ext 801

Office Space Available the Quaker Centre at 213 – 217 Ferry Rd has some upstairs office space that it would like to let to a non-profit organisation. The 60 sq. m space is in 3 rooms plus a kitchen and toilet. Please note there is no disability access. Rental is approx. \$190 to \$200 per sq. m.

Beulah Church 140 Springfield Rd, St Albans

Christchurch has three rooms for hire –
 - **Auditorium**, Seating for 200 - 350 people
 - **Springfield Room** Light bright contemporary setting that can be utilized as a classroom, seminar room or theatre. A fully serviced kitchen with a service hatch is also available for hire for self-catering. It comfortably seats 60 people.
 - **Café** The lounge and foyer available for small group meetings and seminars. Tables and seating for 40 people. Adjacent kitchen with service hatch area is also available. Off street car parking for 50 cars. Contact us on 03 355 4928 for enquires and pricing or go to www.beulah.org.nz for more info

Free New Zealand Recreation Association webinar: Vulnerable Children's Act Explained

For anyone who work with or for children, and would like to know more about the act, vetting and safeguarding. For more information go to: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/417363999463432705>

FORUMS / EVENTS / TRAINING / DEVELOPMENT

Community Exercise Foundation Course

Active Canterbury is seeking expressions of interest from community organisations and people in the community who are interested in attending a foundation exercise course in April-May 2017. Two Saturday workshops of 6 hours, cost \$50. To read more go to: https://gallery.mailchimp.com/77fab764104b664aa2707d4ec/files/Community_Exercise_Foundation_Course_Expression_of_Interest.pdf

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University of Otago Christchurch 2017 FREE Health Lecture Series.

Tuesday nights 7pm

All lectures will be held in the University of Otago Christchurch's Rolleston Lecture Theatre, on the Christchurch Hospital campus.

Tuesday 2nd May: Vitamin C in cancer and infection.
 Tuesday 9th May: The wonderful world of 3D-bioprinting

Healthy Christchurch Lunchtime Seminars 2017

Community and Public Health, 310 Manchester Street 12:15 to 1:15 pm

Tues 2 May MBIE Urban Performance
Tues 16 May Sexual Health

Speakers from NZ Prostitutes Collective, Ara Institute of Canterbury, NZ AIDS Foundation, Q-topia. Presentations followed by question and answer time. Please bring your own lunch. Come a little early if you would like tea or coffee.

[Bookings essential: register online to secure your place](#)

Christchurch Community Accounting workshops:

Treasurer Induction

Becoming a treasurer is usually the result of much arm-twisting and is more than a little daunting. This two-part workshop covers what a treasurer of a smallish not-for-profit should know, such as basic bookkeeping, an understanding of financial information, and how to safeguard your assets.

Daytime and Evening Options in May and June

For more info: www.commaccounting.co.nz

FANZ (Framework for Autism in New Zealand) TIMARU

Supporting an individual on the Autism Spectrum

FANZ is a two-day introductory programme about autism that enables participants to create a framework for understanding and supporting a person with autism.

WHEN: Wednesday 3 & Thursday 4 May 9.30-3.30pm both days

VENUE: Timaru - Venue details after registration

COST: Family/Whanau/Caregivers: \$50.00 (per person) Professionals: \$175.00 (per person)

Way to Play - CHRISTCHURCH

Playing joyously with your child on the Autism Spectrum

Way to Play is a one-day introduction to playing with children on the Autism Spectrum.

WHEN: Friday 16 June 2017 – 9.30am to 3.30pm

VENUE: Christchurch - venue details after registration

COST: Family/Whanau/Caregivers: \$20.00 (per person) Professionals: \$75.00 (per person)

Further information on all our training courses and how to register can be found on website http://www.autismnz.org.nz/training_programmes.

Information or to register: call 03 343 2225, or email canterbury@autismnz.

Resilient Children, Resilient Teens - Free Workshop

Thursday 4 May 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Springston Sports Pavilion (Errol Tweedie Rm), Ellesmere Junction Road Springston Christchurch
Facilitated by Paula Partington

Participants will be provided with the opportunity learn and/or develop skills around:

- Challenging behaviour;
- Managing conflict;
- What is positive parenting;

- What constitutes bullying and ways to deal with it; and
- Take home some useful tips and ideas

Enquiries to: *Lee-Anne Tarling*, Education Coordinator – MHERC, projects@mherc.org.nz or 0800 424 399
Brenna Russell, Community Connector - RCPHO
Brenna_Russell@rcpho.org.nz or 027 228 7995
Jacky Muirsmeach, Community Liaison - Selwyn Parenting Network Inc connecting@spn.org.nz or 021 388 900

Volunteering Canterbury 2017 events:

Tuesday 9 May, 9-1pm:

"Toxic Environments and Difficult Conversations"

Tutor: Chris Beardsley

Learn how to approach conflict in the volunteer management environment in this workshop with Chris Beardsley. Dealing with difficult people effectively means dealing with difficult behaviour. The course will focus on how to manage your side of a two-way conversation, as any interaction always involves both people.

Date and Time: Tuesday 9th May 2017 9am to noon

Location: Christchurch Community House/ Te Whakaruru ki Otautahi 301 Tuam St, Christchurch.

Cost: \$55 pp for Volunteering Canterbury members, \$85 for non-Members. \$25 pp for additional attendees from your organisation.

All prices include GST. [Download the registration flyer for this Volunteering Canterbury workshop](#) [PDF] or email outreach@volcan.org.nz for the registration form

Community Law Canterbury legal training:

May 09 - Liability - a guide for Managers and Board members to help reduce the risk of facing personal liability for the work you do for your non-profit

June 20 - New Board members - a guide to the law for those new to being on a Board/Committee (or those who would like a bit of a refresher)

July 11 - Health and Safety - a guide for Managers and Board/Committee members covering the six key health & safety obligations. Further information about these workshops is available by contacting Susan @ susan@canlaw.org.nz

The Philanthropy Summit 2017 will bring together global and local thought leaders from philanthropy, business, government, investment and the community sector along with innovators for the two-day summit that will inform, inspire and challenge you.

Early registration is now open at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=161783&>.

Dates: Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th May 2017

Location: Te Papa (Wellington)

We have an impressive line-up of speakers from near and far, including:

Katy Love - Wikimedia Foundation (USA);

Allan and Rachel English - English Family Foundation (AUS);
Donna Flavell - Waikato-Tainui (NZ);
Judge Carolyn Henwood (NZ);
Dai Henwood (NZ); and
Naida Glavish - co-chair of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua (NZ).

Philanthropy New Zealand looks forward to seeing you there, and together learning about game-changing strategies and innovative ways to maximise our impact in philanthropy.

Expressions of Interest: Engaging Pasifika Cultural Competency programme in South Island:

11th May 2017 9am to 4.00pm
Venue: 64 McFaddens Road Christchurch
Email your name/role/workshop to:
enquiries@leva.co.nz Online regn info will be emailed out
More info at <http://www.lwva.co.nz/training-careers/engaging-pasifika>

Education Expo : Communities of Learning | Kāhui Ako 16 May 2017 4pm – 7pm FMG Stadium Waikato, Seddon Road, Hamilton

Communities of Learning | Kāhui Ako are a fundamental change to our education system, and will make a significant impact on the way we all work together to lift the progress and achievement of every child and young person.

Regional and national staff will be available to answer questions in expo styled information sessions. You can find more information about the tools and resources you will see on the day here at <http://kahuiako.education.govt.nz/> Please confirm your interest by emailing Colleen Kiely colleen.kiely@education.govt.nz or if you have any enquiries call 07 858 7196.

COMPASS Workshop on Narrative Therapy with Jackie Bateman

Narrative therapy was developed on the premise that “the person is not the problem, the problem is the problem” and challenges people’s beliefs that a problem speaks of their identity.

Date: Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th May 2017
Time: 9am to 4pm both days. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea are provided.
Location: Commodore Hotel (449 Memorial Avenue)
Cost: \$549 per person including GST.
[Find out more about this Narrative Therapy workshop with Jackie Bateman](#), including how to register.

Some of the specific content areas that Jackie will cover include:

- The theoretical underpinnings and principles of Narrative Therapy.
- Practice frameworks that relate to narrative therapy and an exploration of key techniques.

- Using narrative therapy in 'real world' contexts and its application with individuals, families and groups.
- The opportunity for participants to practice and experiment with key techniques and develop skills relevant to their professional contexts.

Jackie Bateman is a social worker, consultant, author and international trainer. Jackie has worked extensively in the areas of child protection, youth offending and sexual offending in both the UK and Australia. She currently works as a clinician/manager for South Eastern Centre against Sexual Assault (SECASA) in Melbourne where she utilises narrative and other strengths-based approaches in her work.

Child Matters – Working Together with Vulnerable Kids – Free seminar for professionals

Understand your role in working with vulnerable children and keeping them safe

Where: Christchurch (Papanui) 16th May
Christchurch West 17th May

Time: 9am – 3pm Morning tea & Lunch provided
Venue TBC on enrolment.

To enrol follow this link: https://www.tfa-forms.com/401541?tfa_7628=tfa_7632
More info phone 07 838 3370

Christchurch Housing Forum

When: Wednesday 17th May 2017

Venue: Oxford Terrace Baptist Church Hall on the corner of Oxford Terrace & Madras Street, Christchurch

Time: 12.30pm to 2pm

Inquiries to Tenants Protection Assn, phone 379 2297.

Cultural Awareness and the Treaty of Waitangi

Increase your understanding of how the Treaty is relevant to your workplace. Introductory/refresher level. Experienced tutor and positive learning environment.

When: 1-5pm, Wednesday 17th May 2017

Venue: Quaker Centre, cnr Ferry Rd and Nursery Rd

Cost : \$50. Certificate provided.

Enquiries: Cathy Sweet 0272568908
csweet@xtra.co.nz

Get Set Go Workshop dates

Learn how to bring your brilliant ideas for community programmes and events to life with the easy to use Get Set Go resource and planning sheets, which you can tailor to suit your needs, and feel confident that your event or programme will be a great success.

To Register: click on the link and complete your details: <https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/events-and-festivals/running-an-event/courses-for-event-organisers>

Dates/Times:

Fri 19th May 9.45am – 2.30pm

The Loft, Level 1, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Linwood

Tues 27th June 9.45am – 2.30pm
South Library/Service Centre Board room 66 Colombo St
Fri 4th August 9.45am – 2.30pm Fendalton Library/Service Centre Board room, cnr Jeffreys & Clyde Rds ChCh

Child Matters & Community Networks Aotearoa is providing a series of seminars around the country. These seminars are about *maintaining the safety of children in your organisation*. (See article this newsletter)

Date and Time: Monday 22nd May 2017 2pm
Location: Christchurch Community House (301 Tuam Street). Please note there is no parking on site but \$4 all day parking on corner of Tuam & Barbadoes Streets.

Third Sector Recovery Forum

Tuesday 23 May, 12 noon - 3pm, no cost – more detail to come. Forum to follow the report on Third/Not-For-Profit sector recovery needs, including discussion with funding stakeholders and next steps. More details on website www.sewn.org.nz (Upcoming Events) View the Third Sector Recovery report [HERE](#)

NZ Family Therapy Specialists 2 day workshop: **Extending Your Collaborative Practice with Family & Whanau** 6 – 7 June 2017 in Christchurch

This course is **suitable for** people with prior introductory training in family therapy & working with whanau, or equivalent professional experience. It is not necessary to be working with families & whanau to attend.

There is the opportunity for workshop participants to invite members of a family & whanau they are working with to attend a session of the workshop to co-consult with both the workshop leader & a reflecting team.

Venue: CCC Service Centre 4 Jeffreys Rd Fendalton
Investment: \$395 includes GST, reading materials and a

1 hour post-course Skype or email consultation.
Contact Craig Whisker: craigwhisker1161@gmail.com
Ph: 021 213 9921
<http://www.facebook.com/nzfamilytherapyspecialists>
Register: <https://goo.gl/forms/8slrMRETJ2IMTvon2>

Building our Place: the Impact Conference - Community Housing Aotearoa

7-9 June 2017, Wellington

This conference asks how the community housing sector can contribute to delivering the vision 'all New Zealanders well housed' and offers an opportunity to join the conversation and become part of the solution to improve housing outcomes for all New Zealanders. For further info please visit <http://cha-impact.co.nz/>

Superu's Evidence to Action conference

Monday 19 June 2017: Rydges Hotel in Wellington. The event brings together New Zealand's social service community to network and share their insights about what works. This year we will be focusing on the nexus between evidence and action.

Confirmed on the programme are [Dr Sarah Morton](#), Director of What Works Scotland; Karen Field, CEO of Drummond Street Services in Melbourne; [Monique Fa-leafa](#), CEO of Le Va; Stuart McNaughton, Departmental Science Advisor; and [Eru Lyndon](#), Regional Commissioner, Northland, Ministry for Social Development. See the provisional programme for the conference [here](#).

Registration fee (including GST):

- Earlybird - \$200 (until 19 May 2017)
- Standard rate - \$250 (20-31 May 2017)
- Late rate - \$300 (from 1 June 2017)

Registrations received prior to 31 May 2017 have the option to pay by either credit card or invoice. Registrations received after this date must be paid by credit card.

<http://eventbrite.co.nz/e/evidence-to-action-conference-2017-tickets-32990249725> Follow the event on social media using #E2A2017

Call for expressions of interest:

Working with Men Conference 24 - 25 Aug 2017 Tauranga.

Kidz Need Dadz would like expressions of interest from individuals and organisations for our workshops at the "Working with Men" conference. If you would like to hold a workshop and/or attend the conference then please get in touch.

Topics include:

- What works & what doesn't?
- How do we effectively engage men?
- How to change generational thought patterns
- What needs to change in order for men to feel safe asking for help
- What programs are working? what's not.
- How do you work with and engage men.
- What issues are facing men in NZ

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST Please send a brief overview of the workshop you would like to present to: The manager, <mailto:manager@kidzneeddadz.org.nz> We have limited positions available so we are looking for excellent speakers from around the country on the topic of men's issues.

Social Service Providers Aotearoa Annual

Conference: 4 - 5 September Te Papa, Wellington.

"Beyond Boundaries – Collaboration in Action".

.For more information:

<https://www.sspa.org.nz/events/sspa-conference-2017>

Working with Parents' Anger - 2 day workshop

Christchurch - 14 & 15 Sept 2017

This two day workshop is for people working with parents, caregivers & families, where anger and distress is impacting on children. Focus is on skills and interventions to take the heat off the child, while supporting parents' growth.

Day 1: Concepts & Skills

Day 2: Application of learning

Method combines theory and practice utilising experiential methods and didactic teaching. Learning occurs in an environment of confidentiality and open enquiry.

Fee \$240 plus GST. Contact Selina.reid@gmail.com to register.

Cashmere Presbyterian Church Annual Seminar

22 - 24 September, 2 MacMillan Ave.

The focus will be on youth wellbeing, encouraging resilience, and preventing suicide. The plan includes a parents/grandparents/community seminar about assisting youth; a networking consultation for professionals in youth mental health and wellbeing, and a seminar for teenagers on helping their friends.

Feedback from across Christchurch is welcome, including suggestions about who to involve and offers to participate. Discuss with others, and email Rev. Silvia Purdie: purdies12345@gmail.com

Social Enterprise World Forum (SEWF 2017)

27 - 29 September 2017, Christchurch

This is an international event for social enterprises from all over the world to come together, share wisdom, build networks and discuss how to create a more sustainable future. The event attracts social entrepreneurs, policy makers, community leaders, investors, academics and more.

For further info please visit: <http://www.sewf2017.org/>

Public Health Association NZ Conference:

Join us here in Ōtautahi Christchurch 2 - 4 Oct 2017

Theme: Valuing Connections, Connecting Values/ Ō Tātou Kaha / Ō Tātou Pae Ora

Streams:

- Connections with place & environments – Toitū te whenua
- Connections with people & communities – Toitū te tāngata
- Connections for knowledge – toitū te māramatanga
- Connections for wellbeing – toitū te ora

Abstracts close 2 May. More information from <http://www.pha.org.nz/event-2380023>

Registrations will open on Thursday 1st June

Early bird prices (GST incl):

Members: \$585 - standard price is \$640

Non-Members: \$640 - standard price is \$730

Student or Unwaged: \$300

Daily Pass for Members: \$320

Daily Pass for Non-Members: \$380

[A printable panui is available to share the registration information](#)

Empowerment & Success: A Positive Path for the NGO Sector

Following on from our successful collaboration in 2014, Community Networks Aotearoa (CNA) and the NZ Council of Christian Social Services (NZCCSS) are together again for our joint conference in October 2017.

The conference, entitled **Empowerment & Success: A Positive Path for the NGO Sector**, will take place on the **26th & 27th of October at the Quality Hotel Lincoln Green in Auckland**. This two-day event will have something to offer not only our member organisations and their networks but all involved sector-wide. So, save the date and watch this space as more detailed information becomes available!

www.communitynetworksaotearoa.org.nz

FUNDING

Rata Foundation has changed its grants processes. If you have any questions about the changes please check out the Funding section of their website and in particular the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section <http://www.ratafoundation.org.nz/funding> or call one of the team on 0508 266 878.

Small Grants / Nga Putea Iti and Large Grants / Nga Putea Nui are now **open any time**. Only one application per year can be made.

Rotary Neighbourhood Applicants to the fund can apply for up to \$500 for small neighbourhood events and up to \$4,000 for larger community events. www.rotaryneighbourhood.org.nz

Methodist Mission with support from Red Cross

has small grant moneys available (max \$300, \$500 and \$1000) for community based events promoting social connectedness. Funding covers Selwyn, Christchurch, Waimakariri, Hurunui & Kaikoura districts. See <https://www.facebook.com/pg/communityconnectionsgrants> for updates.

To apply, email tineke@mmsi.org.nz with details of:

1. What you are proposing to do
2. Who you intend to invite
3. What you hope will be the outcome of this initiative / event
4. Preferred date (if you could give two options, as that would help us putting the calendar together)
5. Who you will collaborate with in your local neighbourhood
6. How your event will build social connectedness

7. Your budget

Email proposals in by the following dates:

Events June – Sept 2017: Proposal due 1 May 2017
Events Oct 2017 – Jan 2018: Proposal due 1 Sept 2017
Events Feb – May 2018: Proposal due 1 Jan 2018

Trustees Executors is proud to administer six funds including the following:

- [The Kingston Sedgfield \(NZ\) Charitable Trust](#) Education and rehabilitation of young people. Prefers Otago area but will consider other. Applications are open year round and are considered at the end of each month.

All information, guidelines and application forms at www.trustees.co.nz

Lottery Grants

Community (national and regional) Opens 24 May 2017 Closes 5 July 2017.

Community Facilities Opens 5 July 2017 Closes 30 August 2017.

Community Sector Research Opens 1 Nov 2017, closes 13 Dec 2017.

Environment and Heritage Opens 14 June 2017, closes 9 Aug 2017.

Health Research Opens 21 June 2017, closes 2 Aug 2017.

Outdoor Safety Opens 31 May 2017, closes 12 July 2017.

More info from <http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Lottery-grants>

COGS (Community Organisations Grants Scheme) applications opened on 12 April 2017, close 24 May 2017 www.communitymatters.govt.nz

Christchurch City Council - Strengthening Communities Fund

We are advised that staff hope to open funding within the next week or two. Please get your applications in early. Funds will be available within the same time frame as 2016 Email: communitygrants@ccc.govt.nz

Creative NZ: Creative Communities always open. <http://www.creativenz.govt.nz/find-funding/funds>

This month we share a quote from the late Norman Kirk and we feel it is rather appropriate in this election year.

"All Kiwis want is someone to love, somewhere to live, somewhere to work, and something to hope for."

-Norman Kirk

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