



Dunedin Workers' Educational Association Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti Incorporated

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Exciting News!

Dunedin Workers' Educational Association Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti is now an Incorporated Society.

What does this mean?

It means...

- . We are credible, transparent and accountable as a group
- . We have increased funding options
- . We can apply for Charitable status
- . We can apply for tax exemption

Huge thanks to the fifteen inaugural members who backed us in our application.

We got there!



Who are we?

A group of local people got together in late 2019, following the Dunedin Art Show, to discuss the possibility of establishing a group that would advance, encourage and promote the provision of adult and community education in Dunedin.

Southland Education (WEA) has been the umbrella organisation until now but we are aiming to be an autonomous independent organisation.

At the inaugural meeting in November 2020 the following office bearers were elected:

President: Mary Geary

Secretary: Nancy McLennan Hughes

Treasurer: Lesley du Mez

Committee members: Sue Cheer , Ron Esplin, Thelma Greer

How We Got there

In 2020 five tutors offered a range of classes. The popular classes included

How to paint: Anneloes Douglas & Nancy McLennan Hughes

Watercolour: Ron Esplin

Art journaling: Sue Cheer

Drawing: Nancy McLennan Hughes

Patchwork: Mary Geary.



The initial classes were fully subscribed.

A third series was offered in Term 1 2021, Funding is now being sought for subsequent terms.

How to Be Involved

Become a member!
Membership is ONLY \$1

Have Your Say!
Feedback and suggestions on classes are most welcome.

Spread the Word!
Share this newsletter with anyone who you think may be interested

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MEMBERSHIP AND FEEDBACK FORM

Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti (Dunedin) WEA is interested in collecting your ideas for future adult education classes in our region. Currently we are running patchwork, painting, drawing and journaling classes at the South Dunedin Community Network in King Edward Street.

If you would like to join Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti (Dunedin) WEA please provide your details as follows:-

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The membership fee for 2021 is \$1.00.

My suggestions for classes, tutors, ideas.

Email to wea.south@xtra.co.nz or talk to a committee member

What's next?

Next Steps include

- Applying for further funding to run additional classes
- Set up Term 2 classes
- Applying for Charitable Trust status with the Charities Commission
- Set up Financial processes independent of Southland WEA
- Applying to IRD to be an employer
- Develop website and facebook page
- Develop Strategic Plan with feedback from members
- Develop Communications Strategy to get class information out

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