

PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Kia ora Koutou Dunedin WEA family and friends

As I write this the daffodils are out and the blossom is in full bloom, signaling the arrival of spring. The winter has been hard and long so the change in season is a welcome relief.

Did you manage to do a class in Term 3? If not, we hope we can tempt you to one of our fabulous classes in Term 4. We hope to offer a new music course (guitar) as well as our usual popular classes in term 4 so keep an eye out for this. I did have the privilege of attending the first session of the 'Beginners Food Growing Course' recently and am greatly inspired by Michelle Ritchie's enthusiasm and knowledge of all things gardening! I also hear that first time tutor Lynette Cadzow's crochet class went well and am looking forward to seeing the photos.

Some of the tutors will be taking a break in Term 4 although we may be able to tempt some of them back to do a taster day before Xmas. Planning is underway and we will let you know if this is going ahead.

In the meantime, enjoy the spring and all that it may bring.
I look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Ngā mihi mahana
Mary
DWEA President

Are you interested in becoming a tutor?

If you have a skill that you are passionate about sharing, and perhaps have some experience teaching that skill to adults, we would love to hear from you. To apply and propose a course, visit <https://dunedinwea.org.nz/employment/> and complete the application form.

Kia ora everyone

Term 3 is fast disappearing and it has been a joy to hear about what the courses provided or meant to those who attended. Participants talked about the difference it has made to their social wellbeing by prioritising one night of the week where they left home to participate in an interest or learn a new skill that is just for them. One of our Tutors mentioned that her students have no time for tea or coffee as they just want to jump into what they are learning!

Most of our weeknight courses will be wrapping up soon with a few of our weekend classes still to come. So whether you continued to build on a skill or took the plunge to try something new, we hope you celebrated your new learning and reminded yourself that mistakes are vital to learning.

A huge thanks to all our wonderful Tutors for their ongoing passion in passing on what they know to all our eager students and to all our students for participating in such a positive way. I wish you all the best for your future learning for Term 4.

Mel
Programme Coordinator



***Fabulous Cat Cave
created in the Wet
Felting Class Term 3***

DWEA CLASSES TERM 4

➔ WEEK DAYS

6.30 - 8.30
PM

Learn to play Guitar
(subject to confirmation)
Wednesdays 15 Oct - 19 Nov (6 weeks)

6 - 8 PM

Knitting for Absolute Beginners
with Elaine Burgess
Tuesdays 14 Oct - 18 Nov (6 weeks)

6.30 - 8.30
PM

Intermediate Drawing
with Natalie Cheetham
Thursdays 16 Oct - 20 Nov

TBC

Beginners Food Growing Course
with Michelle Ritchie
Fridays 5 weeks (subject to confirmation)

➔ WEEKENDS

12.30 - 3 PM

Basic Crochet for Beginners
with Lennette Cadzow
Sundays 12 Oct - 23 Nov (6 weeks)

12.30 - 3.30
PM

Wonderful Watercolour
with Ron Esplin
Sundays 30 Nov & 14 Dec



Above: Beginners Knitting student, Term 3



Above: Dry Needle Felting student, Term 3



Above: Patchwork Quilters display their latest achievements

Feedback from our Students & Tutors:

- Feedback from Lennette our Crochet Tutor “a joy to see all the students helping each other”.
- Comment from a student in the knitting class “My mother has been fixing some of my mistakes which has been a diversion for her!” after her Mother ended up in hospital with a broken hip.
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The Gratitude Column

Thank you so much to our generous funders – they literally keep us going!

And thanks as always to the South Dunedin Community Network for the use of their rooms, which we so appreciate and a special mention to Kirsten and Becks for making me feel so welcome in the building.



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