



## **'THE BUZZ'**

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### **Message from your Board of Trustees**

The Conductive Education Southern Charitable Trust (CESCT) Board of Trustees announce that the new role of Parent Liaison has been accepted by Vicky Collard.

Vicky is a parent of a child who has attended Conductive Education for some time and Vicky has recently become a member of CESCT Board of Trustees.

The role of Parent Liaison has been created by the Board to assist with the flow of information and communication from the Board to families and also from the families to the Board. It is also hoped it could create more opportunities for parents to get together and meet socially, sharing support for each other and *Our Centre*.

Any suggestions or ideas parents have to support *Our Centre* that they may wish to be addressed by the board can be discussed with Vicky.

Vicky will then suggest the idea be put in writing (by the parent) and received by Vicky ten days before a scheduled Trustees meeting, as this will then enable the matter to be addressed as an agenda item at the next Trustees meeting (depending on prioritising the importance of other agenda item listed in our limited meeting time). Trustee meetings are held (usually) as a lunch time meeting, on the third Wednesday of each month. With the time frame of one and a half hours approximately.

Vicky as Parent Liaison will then respond back to the parent (in writing if necessary). Please be assured any suggestions and ideas will be addressed.

Vicky hopes to organise a social function soon which will enable more interaction between parents. That does not usually happen because children participate in different classes on different days. It is hoped this social gathering will provide an opportunity for parents to support one another, create an opportunity for sharing ideas, to grow and improve our centre and the programmes offered. If anyone has any suggestions for a winter function for families please contact Vicky.

Please note that

1. Queries from parents re the day to day running of *Our Centre* are still to be directed to our Manager, Kevin.
2. Complaints are to be acted upon according to the procedures outlined in our centres 'Policies and Procedures Manual' (a copy of these is held in our office.)

Vicky's contact details are: Phone: 03 217 7040  
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**Lynley Ramsay**

CESCT Parent, Trustee and Secretary to the Board

### **Conductors' Report – November 2013**

It is November already and we have arrived at that point when our letter holder which was placed next to the door is too small. When we made it we had about 24 children or less attending weekly and we decided to make it bigger for a higher number of clients and now we have outgrown it again.

Since the last issue of this newsletter we have done 15 Assessments and we still receive referrals continuously. The assessed children are Rory Peterson, Hope Taylor, Paigan Kerr, Darcy McDowall, Molly Gray, Reilly Hudson, Braxton Sadlier, Abby Gill, Eva McMillan, Tomas Parish, Alexander Roberts, Meila Johnstone, Isla Moffat and Mia Shaw. Three of these children did not start with us and some of them have already graduated because they learnt to crawl within the last 4 months.

Layla Cruickshank returned to *Our Centre* after spending few months in plaster.

Anna Hika has started back with us and had her re assessment recently.

Jodi Graham and Reilly Hudson successfully completed their goals and graduated, and also has Tomas Parish whose family moved back to Christchurch.

The Conductors are currently attending a New Zealand Sign Language Course every second Saturday for 5 weeks and we both feel it is really important with our work. It was great to see 3 of our family from Conductive Education attending that course so now we are going on a same road for these children's development. We are not going to be trained Sign language therapists after it, the main goal is to use the sign at our sessions with the clients who are talking with using NZSL for better communication. We already been to two sessions and the improvement is huge in the communication between the Conductors and those children who are using it. Thanks to the management of Conductive Education Southern for make it possible for us to be part of it.

Our twice yearly Parents/Clients-Conductors meetings have been completed for 2013. Thank you to all parents who attended these and helped us shape the way forward for your child. Collectively we can work together with you all for greater independence as well as helping our work to know more about You/Your children.



## **SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

Our next sausage sizzle fundraiser  
at The Warehouse Invercargill is  
coming up on

**Saturday 03 May 2014**

**Two more volunteers are needed  
for the 11.30am till 2,00pm shift**

**Two volunteers are needed for the  
2.00pm till 4.00pm shift**

Please let Manager Kevin know of  
your availability –

Phone: 027 22 11 701

Email: [coned.southern@xtra.co.nz](mailto:coned.southern@xtra.co.nz)  
or add your name to the roster on  
the table at the Centre's Front  
Door.

Thank you.



**TERM ONE 2014 FINISHES ON  
THURSDAY 17 APRIL 2014.**

**TERM TWO 2014 STARTS ON  
MONDAY 05 MAY 2014.**

We will be providing some classes during the  
second week of term holidays – from  
Monday 28 April to Friday 02 May 2014, if  
there is enough need indicated by clients. If  
you desire to attend during this week, please  
let your Conductor know before:

**Friday 11 April 2014.**

## Denny Enright – BORN TO BE A FIGHTER – book.

This book is selling very well. Initially a print-run of 500 book was printed and recently we had to do a reprint of a further 500 books. The first 500 books were sold all around New Zealand and Australia.

Denny Enright, who in his younger days was a champion NZ boxer who used to live in Invercargill, has written his autobiography, titled ***BORN TO BE A FIGHTER***. Denny has donated all net proceeds from his book sale all net proceeds from his book sale to Conductive Education Southern Charitable Trust. So far Conductive Education Southern has received \$2,600 as net profits. We stand to gain a further \$3,000 – \$5,000 when the reprint is sold.

Trustpower has purchased 170 books @ the retail selling price of \$20 per book for their Invercargill–base 2014 National Community Awards programme being held in Invercargill. Thank you Trustpower for this magnificent purchase of Denny's book which will bolster our CE Southern finances.

Books are for sale at our CE Southern Centre too – great reading and priced at \$20. Buy yours now and help us to help you.



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## From the Board.

The Board of Trustees wishes to announce that Conductive Education Parent Brendan Kerr has joined your Board of Trustees.

Your Board now comprises seven Trustees, four of which are Conductive Education Southern parents and three are professional business-minded people supportive of Conductive Education Southern.

Currently your Board of Trustees are:

- John Rhodes, Chairman, Trustee and Treasurer, a local businessman and grandparent of CE Southern child Olivia Bartley
- Lynley Ramsay, Secretary to the Board, Trustee and parent of Jackson Ramsay who attends CE Southern
- Dennis Hika, Trustee and Deputy Chairman, and parent of Anna Hika who currently attend CE Southern
- Virginia Wilson, Trustee, a lawyer at Eagles, Eagles and Redpath in Invercargill
- Vicky Collard, Trustee, and parent of Madeline Collard who currently attends CE Southern
- Brendan Kerr, Trustee, and parent of Thomas Kerr who currently attends CE Southern
- John Wallace, Trustee, a local retired businessman.

Our Patron is:

- Dr Viliame Sotutu, Paediatrician at Southland Hospital

## Conductors Professional Development

During the week 17 – 21 March 2014 our two Conductors (Judit and Zsofia) travelled to Auckland and spent the week with the *Integrated Neurological Rehabilitation Foundation* –which is the Auckland Conductive Education Unit that works solely with adults.

Conductive Education Southern now takes Adults as part of our Conductive Education Southern programmes (presently we have three adult stroke recovery people attending) it was necessary to give our Conductors all the skill-set they can get within NZ to adequately and safely work with our adults.

This time away meant we had no Conductive Education Southern classes for the week 17–21 March but I am sure you agree with me that it was essential to have this adult training for our Conductors. Some of our people attending CE Southern started coming as children and soon they will be adults and we all, Conductors, myself and Trustees want to ensure we can competently and adequately assist all our CE Southern people and their families.

## Sausage Sizzle

Thank you to the parents who helped with the parent fundraising on 08 March 2014 at The Warehouse Invercargill.

A profit of \$400 was raised and community awareness achieved.

## MTA SOUTHLAND GOLF TOURNAMENT

As no parents were available to assist at this fundraiser at the Otatara Golf Club on 14 March 2014, Manager Kevin spent a long, long day onsite in the heat and lovely weather at the 17th Green.

It is not known yet how much Conductive Education Southern raised, but what we do know is that a huge amount of community awareness was created.

All CE Southern families have now received their tickets to this year's Fashion Extravaganza. We need a sellout to ensure we make some serious fundraising money from this glamour event. It is not just a women's event, men are welcome too.

More tickets are available if you need them – and we hope you do.

The 20 stalls around the perimeter of the Ascot Park Hotel Function room are mixed – we have footwear, homemade jewellery, arts, crafts, jams, pickles & chutneys, liquorice, cupcakes, hot finger food, children's clothing, nuts, creative cards, Caci Clinic, Mole Map Clinic, Conductive Education, etc.

The James Hargest High School Leo Club will be out in force selling raffle tickets and scratchies. Please support them to help us.

Each of our stallholders have donated some of their wares for our raffles so we are assured of a good variety and plenty of prizes.

Gretchen and Simon, More FM Radio in Invercargill Breakfast Hosts will compere our Fashion Extravaganza.

A great night is assured. All ticket holders will get a complimentary glass of Lindauer bubbles on arrival.



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## Extravaganza 2014

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### STEP OUT FOR A FUN NIGHT

- FRIDAY APRIL 04, April 2014
- ASCOT PARK HOTEL, INVERCARGILL
- DOORS OPEN 6.30pm SHOW STARTS AT 7.15pm
- COMPLIMENTARY **BUBBLES** ON ARRIVAL
- FASHION HOUSES FEATURING CHILDREN'S, MALE AND FEMALE CLOTHING
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