



Volunteering Mid & South Canterbury

Te Rōpū Tūao i te waenga o Waitaha

VMSC Mid-Canterbury Newsletter

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Something to think about: If funds were unlimited, would you still hire volunteers?

Site Visits

Last month I visited the Toy Library, Kai for Kids and Step Ahead. I'm looking forward to visiting more workplaces in the coming months so that I can learn about volunteer roles and workplace needs.



Volunteer of the Month Sponsored by Columbus Coffee

If you have a volunteer you'd like to recognise, please let me know any time – there is no monthly deadline as such. Just drop me a line when you have a volunteer to nominate. I have a Columbus Coffee coupon – I just need a name to put on it!

Workshops and Professional Development

The first session is being held today, 3rd March. (Boundaries – Personal and Professional, Matt Rainey.) The next session is on Monday 7th April, 10:00am at Community House: **Risks we Face**, Jim Henderson, Ashburton District Council Emergency Management Officer. An invitation is included with this newsletter. Please invite your staff and volunteers to attend.

This Month's Pop-Up Display in the Arcade Wednesday 12th March, 9:30 – 11:30

March Peer Support Coffee & Chat for Managers of Volunteers

Thursday 20th March at 10:30 am.

We had a small, but worthwhile, gathering in February at Columbus Coffee. However, the venue was a bit too noisy. For this month, I have booked a private room at **The Rabbit** in the Triangle. The starting time has been changed to 10:30 am. Buy your coffee on the way past the cashier and make your way to the room at the far end of the counter.

VMSC Website www.vmsc.org.nz

Could I please ask those of you who have roles listed on our website to please check that they are up to date? If a role needs to be deactivated, please do so, or contact me to help with this or any other website tasks.

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