

Youth alive trust

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Christmas Newsletter 2019

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30th Birthday Celebrations

Ten Club Parties, a big friends and supporters of YAT Birthday BBQ, two celebration church services, our UpstreamNZ launch and over the week we ate 58kg of cake!! (16 large slabs). Check out some of the celebration week Photos on our [Facebook Album](#) and also our two minute [Birthday Video](#). We shared memories, laughed at old photo's and heard stories about how Youth Alive Trust had impacted them as a young person. High School teacher Georgia Dickson flew in from the West Coast to share her story, Tom & Sophie Lochrie shared their stories, and teachers Josh & Fiona Haythornthwaite told their stories too.



The Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector, and Christchurch MP Poto Williams also gave a moving speech on the value of community groups such as Youth Alive Trust and the importance of our longevity in the area. Our first ever youthworker, Andrew Hill, who started working for YAT in 1988 shared his stories and the significance he has seen YAT played in the community over the years, and why he's still involved as a trustee. We also raised \$12,500 as Birthday Gifts towards our much needed replacement van, reaching 30% of the target in one week!



Thank You Thank You Thank You, to anyone who has played their part in YAT over the past 30 years. Hundreds of staff and volunteers have served tens of thousands of young people, and the although this celebration gave us a snippet of our impact, we know the ripples spread far and wide from individuals, families and communities. Happy Birthday YAT!!



Recent Highlights...

Family Fun Night



Our annual Family Fun Night attracted 1,000 people for a night of games, food, entertainment and fun! Thanks to the volunteers who made it happen.

3x3 Basketball



The 4th Term hosted our 7th annual 3x3 Basketball competition at Rawhiti School and Haeata Campus. Congrats to the overall winners 'Ankle Insurance'

Fire Poi



Our teenage Friday night club learnt new skills recently from guests teaching Fire Poi. One of the best night ever, they said!

Music with Michal



A large group of parents and toddlers enjoyed a music concert with local celebrity Michal Bush, as part of our weekly playgroup.

Encore Concert



Students from our Amplify School of Music showcased their talents at an end of year concert, supported by our amazing tutors.

Volunteer Training



Our volunteers meet fortnightly for trainings and upskilling. Recent topics have been first aid, cultural awareness, health and safety and code of ethics.



upstreamnz - NEW FUNDRAISER!! www.upstreamnz.co.nz

Youth Alive Trust launched a new fundraising partnership, where YAT receives donations when people use approved businesses for their everyday purchases! Eg: If you switch your electricity to YES Power (Canterbury based, and can beat most other rates) then YAT receives an average of \$100 per year, at no extra cost to you! Eg: If you need your heat pump cleaned, and you use an Upstream approved business, then YAT receives a percentage of that fee, eg: 15%. Other services and products include travel, Real Estate, Home Loans, Coffee, Solar Energy, Bouncy Castles, Electrician, Painter & Plasterer, Plumber, Photographers, Builders, Bins, Carpet, Insurance and more!!! Next time you need a service or product, book your business through: www.upstreamnz.co.nz and ask them to donate to Youth Alive Trust.

How can I help ? Email: office@yat.org.nz

- ☐ I'm keen to volunteer and would like to chat to someone about the different options
- ☐ I'd like to give regular donations and become a 'Friend of Youth Alive Trust' (Bank Account: ANZ - 117892-0066444-00)
- ☐ I'd like to give a one-off donation towards the replacement van fund (Bank Account: ANZ - 117892-0066444-00)
- ☐ I'm interested in discussing how my business can partner with you
- ☐ Please send me information about how to leave an eastside legacy by including Youth Alive Trust in my Will