

The 12th Annual Riverton Heritage Harvest Festival 2020

Saturday 28th March

- 10.00am: Workshop Session 1
- 10.00am: Festival Hall & Farmers Market Opens
- 11.30am: Open Talk – *Gardening Q&A*
- 12.30pm: Workshop Session 2
- 12.45pm: Champion of the Harvest
- 2.30pm: Open Talk – *Ecosystems by the Square Meter*
- 3.00pm: Workshop Session 3
- 4.00pm: Festival Hall and Farmers Market Closes
- 7.00pm: Harvest Ceilidh Evening

Sunday 29th March

- 10.00am: Workshop Session 1
- 10.00am: Festival Hall & Farmers Market Opens
- 10.00am: Thanksgiving Service at Riverton Union Church
- 11.30am: Open Talk – *Regenerative Farming Panel*
- 12.30pm: Workshop Session 2
- 12.45pm: Champion of the Harvest
- 2.30pm: Open Talk – *Relocalising Southland*
- 3.00pm: Workshop Session 3
- 5.00pm: Forest Garden Tour



WORKSHOP PRICES:

\$12.50 per workshop
Early bird price of \$11.25 until 19 March.
10% discount applies when you book 4 or more.

COMPETITIONS FOR CHILDREN

- ✓ **Make a vegetable creation** ~ out of fruits & vegetables!
- ✓ **Costume Contest** ~ Dress up harvest themed to win prizes!
- ✓ **Scavenger Hunt** ~ Discover everything that's happening at the festival!

COMPETITIONS FOR ADULTS

- ✓ Bring down the **best of your harvest** to display & win prizes!
- ✓ **Design the artwork for next year's Festival Poster!**
- ✓ The **Champion of the Harvest Competition** during lunch time Saturday and Sunday!

Saturday 28th March 11.30am

Gardening Q&A session with some of our favourite local gardeners including Carla and Wendy De Boer of "Basil and Baylys", (Sustainable Heritage Produce and Plant Nursery) in The Catlins; Bart Acres from Ōtepoti Urban Organics; and Anna & Casey Lora River Farms. Come along with all your gardening questions!

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Ecosystems by the Square Meter – Nick Kiddey
Learn how the environmental nightmare that is the verge can be transformed into a thriving ecosystem that supports the needs of Council's roading infrastructure while providing widespread benefits to homeowners, neighbours and nature.

Sunday 29th March 11.30am

Regenerative Agriculture Panel - Hamish Bielski, Peter McDonald, and Guillermo
Regenerative farming is the new kid on the block in the farming world and looks to be the way of the future. The regenerative practices are inspiring, sensible, and challenging conventional agriculture in an encouraging way. Three regenerative farming practitioners: Hamish Bielski, Peter McDonald, and Guillermo Humble will describe their "changes of heart" and approaches to farming in a panel discussion moderated by Robert Guyton.

Sunday 29th March 2.30pm

Relocalising Southland – Robyn Guyton
In the next 10 years the most important thing for us to do is re-localise our basic needs, things that we can grow and produce locally. This will not only enable us to be more resilient to any natural or man-made disaster, but will have a dramatic and positive effect in our communities. Robyn and the South Coast Environment Society have many projects addressing this like the Open Orchard project, sustainability workshops and the Longwood Loop. What is your passion? It is time for action!

Harvest Ceilidh Evening - 7pm, Flecks Hall Riverton

Come along and kick your heels up for an evening of live music, singing, dancing & good company all in celebration of the harvest! Suitable for all ages especially yours! Come dancing or if you're a sitter, bring a cushion and just enjoy the music. Gary Elford will call the dances, so no experience needed! Bring a bottle of your favourite cheer and a friend if you wish! **Ticket cost: \$10 adults, \$5 Children**