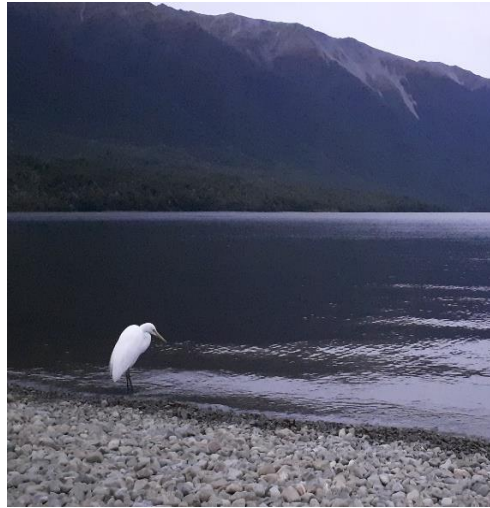


This newsletter is produced by a small volunteer editing crew to help keep our community connected and informed. We welcome your contributions!

Please send your newsletter items to: rotoitinews@gmail.com

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5pm Friday 10th Nov 2023

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Lake Rotoiti School News

Kia Ora

I hope everyone managed to stay warm over the weekend. Hopefully that was the last of winter and snow we got for the year.

Last Tuesday Janine and Alan Basalaj hosted the annual Lake Rotoiti Animal and Craft Day. Children in the community worked hard to present arts, crafts, baking, and their pets. The animals this year ranged from horses to snails, with rabbits, chickens, lambs and dogs in between. There were pony rides, lots of yummy food and of course a good dose of rain. It wouldn't be Field Day at Janine's without freezing temperatures and rain.

We would like to thank Janine and Alan for hosting this great community event. We would also like to thank the children for their creativity and work, the parents for all their help on the day as well as in the weeks leading up, Debbie for driving the bus full of children to the event, the judges for having to decide on first, second and third places, and of course everyone else from the community who showed up and made this day special.

Let's hope for a warmer, sunnier day next year (Yeah, right).



Coming up

Thursdays 10am - 12pm
Playgroup. Community Hall. Ph Kirsten 0220445829. Gold coin donation.

Saturday 4 November Bonfire and fireworks night. Ali and Sue Nicholls 03 5211110

Tuesday 7th November
The Page & Blackmore Pop-Up Book Store
Alpine Lodge
11am – 1pm

Saturday 18 November from 1.30pm Christmas at the Lake - Community Hall. Raffles, high tea, shopping, food.

Sunday 26th November
Active4Good's
Edridge Teetotal Traverse 2023
www.nelsonlakestrails.org

Photos:

Kotuku, Kerr Bay D. O'Connor.
Celmisia Semicordata David Price.
St Arnaud, David Price.

Note: regular notices about fitness related activities are listed in a separate box later in the newsletter

Lake Rotoiti Community News

The school recently went up to Beeby's Hut to get the hut ready for the summer season. The children cleaned the inside of the hut, the toilet, organised firewood and collected any rubbish from around the area. It was a fun day, although somewhat cold. It was the first time I had a sausage sizzle while it was snowing. A huge thank you to the parents who provided their time and four-wheel drives to get all the children up onto the mountain.



A quick update on the pool upgrade. After some issues with the pumps the water has finally started to clear up, however the water is still unsafe to swim in. Fred and Jeremy have been working on our new changing sheds, the boxing around the concrete foundation has been removed and we are excited to see more progress soon. We are hoping to open the pool and have the kids swimming in another two to three weeks.

On the 7th of November, Page and Blackmore will put up their annual pop-up bookstore at the Alpine Lodge. There will be a great discount on all books it will be a great opportunity to stock up on Christmas presents! We will see you all there from 11am to 1.30pm.

Nga mihi,
Mike and Miriam.

ENTER THE NATIONAL WILD GOAT HUNTING COMPETITION

1 August – 26 November 2023

To enter, visit www.doc.govt.nz/wild-goat-hunting-competition.




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Prizes include NZ Hunter Goat Pursuit - chance to win a filmed hunting expedition. Go in prize draws for every tail or head registered at an open day.

Open days and times	Open day address
19th Nov 10am - 3pm	Murchison DOC field base, 116 Fairfax Street, Murchison <i>Spot Prizes on the day – \$100 Huntech gift voucher!</i>
26th Nov 10am - 3pm	Nelson NZDA Meeting room – Fish and Game Rooms 74 Champion Road, Stoke, Nelson <i>Spot prize on the day – a PLB!</i>

You are invited to...

Christmas at the Lake

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

FROM 1:30PM

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Bonfire & firework night
Saturday 4 November

Starting with
potluck tea
@ 6 pm
firworks
when it gets
a bit dark
@ nicholls

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PLAYGROUP

Playgroup meets Thursday mornings
10am - 12pm at the community hall, all
preschoolers welcome.

Many thanks to St Arnaud
Rural Woman for your on
going support

For any inquiries please contact
Kirsten on 0220445829

TDC engagement on Land and Freshwater Plan

What do you want freshwater in the Tasman region to look like?

Tasman District Council is working on the development of a Land and Freshwater plan, and they want your help to get it right.

They have already defined the Freshwater Management Units, the smaller areas the region will be broken down into under the new plan and set draft Visions and Values for each FMU. Now they need to define the Environmental Outcomes for each of those values.

The draft Environmental Outcomes will set the direction for the new plan change and will be used to set the targets and limits for land and freshwater use in the region, and the rules that they need to achieve them. As the Outcomes define the end goal, it's important they get them right, and that they reflect what the people of Tasman want the region's land and freshwater to look like in the future.

At each stage of the process, they have been engaging with the public to make sure that people agree with what they are doing. They also recognise that any changes to land and freshwater use will mean changes for people working in the rural and environmental sectors, so really want to hear from those people.

The engagement on the Environmental Outcomes stage 3 opens on 20 October and closes 30 November 2023. You can find out more, and have your say at:

<https://shape.tasman.govt.nz/mountains-to-the-sea>

They aren't doing any engagement events this time, as they have found they get much better results online but are holding three webinars where people can get all the information and ask questions. They are also happy to attend community or industry group meetings to speak to them about the Environmental Outcomes and the new plan. Just contact them on:

freshwaterplan@tasman.govt.nz



BOOK FAIR '23

**7 NOVEMBER
11 AM – 1 PM**

AT ALPINE LODGE

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Upper Wairau Rainbow Possum Control Notice

Downer New Zealand wishes to advise that a ground-based possum control operation will be taking place to keep possum numbers under control to prevent spread of TB. This operation will be conducted as part of the TBfree New Zealand programme.

Areas covered: The operation covers 11,551 hectares along the Rainbow Road from the Chinaman Stream to No Mans Creek. The operation also extends up to the headwaters of a number of the larger tributaries leading from the valley floor.

Operation date: 1 November 2023 to 30 November 2024.

Poisoning methods: Feratox is a small capsule containing cyanide poison (about the size of a pea). In bait stations the cyanide capsules are placed into a green non-toxic peanut paste contained within a plastic bait station attached to trees and fence posts in suitable habitat.

Traps will also be used throughout the area in conjunction with poisoning methods. The public is warned to take care in these areas and not to remove carcasses or baits. Baits are dangerous to people and dogs.

General warning

- Baits are toxic to people and animals.
- Do not touch poison bait.
- Do not touch traps.
- Poison bait or carcasses are deadly to dogs.
- Watch children at all times.
- Tell any visitors to the area of the danger.
- Follow the advice on the poison warning signs.

If you suspect poisoning

- Contact your local hospital, or dial 111
- National Poisons Centre 0800 POISON – 0800 764 766
- In the case of a domestic animal being poisoned, contact a local veterinarian

For further information (including maps of the operational area), contact the Project Supervisor: Project Supervisor, Northern South Island, 0508 392 355 or Biosecurity@downer.co.nz

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Full page ads incur a fee of \$30 Please pay at the Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes Visitor Centre.

Articles: plain text submitted in MS Word format, or in the body of an email.

Photos: JPG files up to 5MB, attached to an email (not embedded in text).

Contact: rotoitinews@gmail.com

Church Notices

Lake Rotoiti Chapel

Sundays 10.30am

Rotoiti Street, St Arnaud

Services are run by locals and are non-denominational. Everyone welcome.

Contact Ali/Sue 03 5211 110

Rotoiti Hub

Sundays 10am

Local spirit-led Christian worship, equipping and encounter.

More details and enquiries:

Nigel /Sarah 027 4413776

or Kay 035211261 / 0273072820

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Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

Monday and Wednesday 9am Body Fit

Community Hall. Instructor-led fitness classes targeting the whole body. Each class incorporates both high intensity cardio and resistance training, with options for low impact variations to cater to all exercise levels/abilities. Koha donation to the hall. Lou 0210414913

Wednesday 10am Circuit Training and exercise group. Community Hall. Gold coin koha for the hall.

Mondays 7pm Badminton. \$3 per person to go towards hall and shuttle-cocks. Racquets available, all welcome! Ed 03 5211106

Seido-Karate

Community Hall

Tuesdays 5pm - kids & beginners

Thursdays 5pm – General Class

Graeme 021 0859 4088. Gold coin donation