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Mark & Tania Gill.

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Coming up

Mondays at 7pm
Badminton \$3 per person
at Community Hall Ph: Ed
Shaw on 521 1106

Village Trapping Group
Wed 25 July meet at 10am
fortnightly – all welcome –
all Pip on 521 1130 for
further information

18th August
Mountain Film Festival –
to be held at Community
Hall – details to follow

Karate classes – re-start
on 14th August

Circuit Breakers
Monday, Wednesday &
Friday at 10am at
Community Hall (gold coin
donation) All Fitness Levels

Sundays 10.30 am
Lake Rotoiti Chapel
services are run by locals
and non-denominational.
Everyone welcome.

Tuesday Trek – proposed
walk 19 July – mid winter
special mulled wine for
lunch at either Red Hills
Hut or Big Bush/TeeTotal
If interested call Pip Berkett
03 521 1130



Do you have some netball fanatics in your school that
would love to win free tickets?

Sport Tasman in partnership with Netball New Zealand have an opportunity for your school and / or students to be part of this international Netball event that will be hosted at the Trafalgar Centre, Nelson between Sunday 19 – Friday 24 August.

The opportunities include being part of the action of the tournament with 50 tickets a day to be won and also to be part of the Community Engagement Day being held on Wednesday 22nd August.

We have the opportunity for your school and pupils to WIN; Tickets to matches for you and your friends A School visit from one of the international teams on Wednesday 22nd August

Win the chance for you and friends to accompany one of the teams into the stunning Abel Tasman National Park on Wednesday 22nd August.

Win the opportunity for you and a friend to travel with a team on Wednesday 22nd August.

Win the opportunity to be a ball carrier for a match. To enter simply send us a short video clip explaining why you should win any of the above opportunities. Be creative and let us know that if you were selected, would you dress in the colours of your favourite team, tell us who you would bring with you and why, but most of all make sure we understand your love and passion for Netball.

Entries open Friday 29 June and selection will commence the 16 July. Email your videos to:

jody.m@sporttasman.org.nz or
hayden.b@sporttasman.org.nz



Rural Women of St Arnaud would like to invite the ladies of the Village and surrounding areas to a fun **“Winter Womens Day Out”**

4 August 2018 starting at 8.30am at Community Hall with Tea/Coffee

- 9 – 11 am Nik Roach, florist from Blenheim, to do a various demonstration
11 – 12 Stefano demonstrate pizza making – to be our lunch
11 – 12 Nik Roach and Julie Robilliard – flax flowers etc

Lunch 12 – 1 pm
pizza's made by Stefano + tea/coffee

- 1 – 2 pm Nik Roach – minimal flowers with local greenery
1 – 2 pm Julie R – flax weaving etc
2 – 3.30 Nik Roach floral display
2 – 3.30 Rebecca Palmer card making (make 1 card fee included in entry fee extra \$8) – to advise if you would like to do more than 1 card please

Tea/Coffee

Jane McConochie demonstrate spinning if sufficient interest.

The flower display's will be given away as spot prizes at the end.

Cost \$ 35.00, includes lunch, Tea/Coffee
1/2 day \$25.00 includes tea/coffee

(no refunds) it would be peoples choice for what they would like to do on the day.

To register by 1 August: phone Marg Anderson 5211864 or avarestbnb@xtra.co.nz

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 You will need at least 1 year's experience in a similar role and have a current Bar Managers Certificate.

Please send your cv to info@clinkercafe.co.nz
 or pop in and see us at 15 Beechneest Drive

Hi Great Spotted Kiwi Supporters.

A story I would like to share with you...

Emma, Patrick and I went up the Lake to remove Puremahia's transmitter on Thursday morning (21.6.18). Puremahia is one of three adult Great Spotted Kiwi in the Park that carry transmitters.

Opposite Whiskey Falls, we picked up his transmitter signal, on the St Arnaud Range side, which is known as the Rotoiti Nature Recovery Area. From the boat, we plotted Puremahia's position by triangulation.

Once ashore, as we walked up hill, Emma and Patrick listened to the transmitter signal to find Puremahia's exact location. We found his burrow under a dead beech tree. Very quietly Patrick and Emma surveyed the area for the entrance to the burrow, which Emma found. Emma had to crawl into the burrow up to her waist.

This is when the excitement started. Emma pulled out a kiwi and it was a female bird, who didn't think this was fun. She was a bit feisty. As Emma held her, Patrick went back to the burrow and found another kiwi, a young female, which I held. Patrick went back to the burrow again and finally pulled out Puremahia. We had to place him in a catch bag, as we were running out of hands. Patrick then weighed them, measured their beaks and checked their condition. When he had finished, he went back to the burrow and found a kiwi chick. It was Puremahia's chick, which had hatched in November or December last year. Patrick was able to take photos of the chick before we placed all the kiwi back in the burrow, and we left very quietly.

It was a day I will never forget. We don't really know what is out there in the park. Two Kea flying around above us during our kiwi catch made our day.

I must say Patrick and Emma are very professional in their approach and care of the Kiwi.

Patrick has looked back at the records and found that one of the kiwi, without a transmitter, is a female, named Awaroa, and the other could be an Operation Nest Egg bird named Turimawiwi 2012.

As Patrick put it "Talk about a cosy burrow!"

Wayne Sowman
 Friends of Rotoiti
www.friendsofrotoiti.co.nz



Nice as pie!



Pies would have to be one of the ultimate winter comfort foods and there were plenty of pie-eating grins to prove it at the Bring Back the Pie competition on Saturday 7 July.

Originally expecting 34 people and 18 pies on the night, the organising team scrambled to squeeze in more than 50 hungry punters, while hard-working judges Jo and Sam Midgley raced to assess and grade an additional 10 entries.



Pip Berkett's bacon and egg pie won the Competitive Savoury section. "An excellent example," enthused the judges, making special mention of the tasty crust.

"Oma's Apple Pie" was overall winner of the Competitive Sweet category, with baker Ingrid McConochie complimented on her pie's pastry, texture and filling.

The event was conceived by Judi Edridge, Marg Anderson and Lorri Taylor at an informal get-together rumoured to have involved "too many wines." Although the idea behind the night was simply to cover costs, the organisers announced they would donate the excess \$570 raised towards the local Fire Brigade First Response effort.



Despite a very dramatic-sounding crockery malfunction, an extended wait for the additional entries to be judged, and Your Reporter being instructed by an RDCC stalwart to "bugger off" as she attempted to photograph him in a fetching black singlet, Bring Back the Pie was unanimously pronounced a stunning success.

There's no plan to hold another at this stage but Marg says any future events would probably be competitive-only.

—Niki Morrell

P.S. Photos taken on the night are available to view and download at <https://bit.ly/2NbZkVr> until 7pm on Sunday 5 August.

FULL RESULTS

Competitive category

Savoury

- 1: Pip Berkett—Bacon & egg pie
- 2: Judi Edridge—Beef cheeks and chocolate pie

Sweet

- 1: Ingrid McConochie—Oma's apple pie
- 2=: Kaye H—Windblown apples & pears pie
- 2=: Judi Edridge—Mixed nuts & caramel pie

Non-competitive category

Savoury

- 1: Sandra Wotherspoon—Matariki beef & mushroom pie
- 2: Jan Thomson—Lake Station beef & black bean pie

Sweet

- 1: Leonie Nicholls—Apple & plum pie
- 2: Jasmine Mortimer—Pecan pie.

Jasmine is a pupil at the local school and was the youngest competitor in the event.

Digging up dirt – nowhere to put it?

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wanted topsoil (even if it is grass) by
local resident
Please contact
Sandie on 021 2779284

Judi, Lorri and Marg, would like to thank everyone who supported “Bring Back the Pie” competition on Saturday night, it was such a fun evening with some amazing savoury and sweet pies. Our wonderful judges Jo and Sam Midgely who did a superb job, thank you. After our expenses, we had an excess of \$570.00 which has been donated to the **Lake Rotoiti First Response** team for equipment.



Just to let those who would like to come up for a cuppa at the café at Tophouse we will be closed until September for Bathroom renovations .
Miles and Helen



Ingrid McConochie has shared a picture of the sunflowers sown on the edge of a brassica crop at Lake Station

YOGA

AT THE ROTOITI COMMUNITY HALL
WITH ASHTON



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Schedule (beginning July 3)

Tuesday: 7:30-8:30pm all levels
 Wednesday: 7:00-8:00pm all levels
 Thursday: 7:30-8:30pm all levels
 Sunday: 6:30-7:30pm all levels
 *subject to change

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- 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



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