

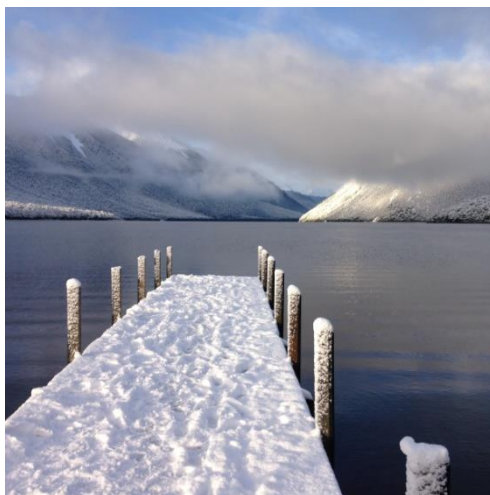
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School news

Tena koutou,

My name is Mike Allen. I am filling the role of acting Principal at Lake Rotoiti School until the Board of Trustees have made a permanent appointment. At present this process should be complete for the beginning of Term 4.

I would like to thank the St Arnaud community for making me feel very welcome. Coming from Christchurch I am not used to having such a tight-knit and supportive group around me. What a beautiful place, what fantastic people and what awesome children!

At school the swimming pool construction is proceeding quickly. The first pour has been completed and we hope to have power across from the school by the end of the next school holiday. The children are coping well with the reduced playground space.

Kathy is working with our senior students to prepare a team to compete in the cross-country at Rabbit Island. Wish them luck on 30 June.

The Junior children have been taking advantage of the recent cooler nights by making ice and investigating some of its properties.

You may have noticed the posts going in at the front of the school. The Board of Trustees are having a non-intrusive fence built to prevent freedom campers from using our school carpark.

Coming up

Tuesday 20th June –
Tuesday Trek – meet
Skating Pond at 9:30am.
Pip – 521 1130 or
Julie R 521 1874.

Wednesday 28 June;
6pm Matariki – *Night walk in the Bush*. All welcome. Bring a torch and a candle in a jar. Meet at the Blechynden Shelter. Nicky Crawford 521 1830

Sunday 25 June, 3:00pm
Worship Afternoon.
Community Hall.
Nigel and Sarah Calder
027 441 3776

Regular Events

Mon, Wed and Fri 10 am
“Circuit Breakers” training
at Community Hall.
Everyone welcome no
matter your fitness.
Gold coin donation.
Gael 027 280 4078.

Tues and Thurs 7.00pm
Seido Karate at
Community Hall,
Beginners welcome.
Graeme 521 1022

Wednesday 21st June,
10am. Friends of Rotoiti
Village trapping group.
DOC Smoko Room. Wayne
027 238 5597

Sundays at 10.30am
Rotoiti Chapel – Sunday
Service.

Everyone welcome



Visitor Centre winter hours

Mon-Fri 0800 – 1630
Sat-Sun 0900 – 1600
Phone 03 521 1806

This is the time of the year local DOC staff catch up on their equipment maintenance, data entry, report writing and the scores of jobs that are hard to schedule during the hectic days of summer. There is still plenty of field work to do - toilet and amenity cleaning, track and amenity maintenance, trap checks and all those usual tasks – just a bit less pressure.

Visitor Assets staff gave Kerr Bay a good tidy up after the busy summer took its toll. The car parks and some camping areas have been resurfaced, and the area around the campervan waste dump has been made easier to use.

The Cedric track between Sabine Hut and Angelus was scrub-barred to keep it accessible. Cedric offers trampers a more challenging route to Angelus.

Kiwi have been the focus for the Biodiversity Team during June.

About 40 people attended the Great Spotted Kiwi hui hosted by the Nelson Lakes team. Initial reports are the meeting was very successful. A special thanks to Julie Sowman and her team from Friends of Rotoiti and Rural Women for their wonderful catering and care of the attendees.

Biodiversity staff and a couple of Friends of Rotoiti volunteers had a bit of an adventure tracking Joy; a great spotted kiwi whose transmitter needed changing as the battery was coming to the end of its life. Joy led the trackers into a bush lawyer-covered patch of scrub in the Rainbow Valley. Joy – 1, DOC - 0.



DOC and the Friends of Rotoiti don't give up that easily so on a very crisp morning they had another attempt to find her. They returned to where she was last seen, but couldn't hear any beeps from the transmitter. They tried tracking her along SH63, and were glad to hear beeps coming from above the Cell Towers. She had walked about four kilometres in a couple of days. After a good walk uphill, Nik's sneaky tracking, and Emma's intuition Joy was soon resting comfortably on Julie's knee having her transmitter changed. We'll call that 1 – All.



Friends of Rotoiti Village Trapping Group

Meet 10 am every second Wednesday at the DOC smoko room (behind the Visitor Centre).

Upcoming trapping dates:

21 June

5 July

All welcome.

More information from Wayne

0272385597

REUNION - TAPAWERA AREA SCHOOL

Tapawera Area School will be holding a Reunion to celebrate 75 years as Primary and Secondary School.

The Programme dates are Friday 29 – 30 September 2017.

We ask that this information is sent out to inform those that went to Tapawera School .

Registrations close on July 31st.

Online <https://goo.gl/forms/ysSAKiYQL8ZVRSeO2>

Contact details: Barbara Carleton 03 5224337 or [tas75@tapawera .school.nz](mailto:tas75@tapawera.school.nz)

TUESDAY TREKS

ONCE PER MONTH WALKS, RANGING FROM 2 HOURS TO 4 HOURS APPROX.

THE FIRST WALK WILL BE **TUESDAY 20TH JUNE**.

MEET AT THE **ICE POND CAR PARK AT 9.30 AM** FOR A WALK TO THE END OF RATTLER RIM TRACK AND BACK VIA SIDE WINDER TRACK. BRING A DRINK/SNACK FOR MORNING TEA AT THE FAR END OF RATTLETS. NICE VIEW.WE WILL NOT WALK IN THE RAIN OR SNOW!

FURTHER WALKS ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, WEATHER PERMITTING. BRING WARM CLOTHING. GOOD WALKING BOOTS ADVISED.

PROPOSED WALKS MAYBE:

- BIG BUSH
- PARACHUTE ROCKS
- REDHILLS HUT
- BEEBYS HUT
- MT ROBERT CIRCUIT
- ROBILIARDS FARM TRACK



CONTACT PIP BERKETT 521 1130, 027521 1130 OR JULIE ROBILIARD 5211874 FOR FURTHER INFO.

Worship Afternoon

Community Hall Sunday 25th June at 3pm.

Live music with refreshments to follow.

Hosted by the Rotoiti Hub - All welcome.

Contact Nigel & Sarah Calder 027 441 3776or

Adrian & Bridget Barnett 027 323 7529 for more information.

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a pair of kids skis with bindings, (Salomon) 100cm. excellent condition.

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St Arnaud Mountain Film Festival

Saturday 12 August, from 5:00pm

We'll be screening another great selection of action-packed adventure films from some of the best outdoors film-makers in the world.

More details to follow.

Put this date in your calendar now.

Contact:

Tracey Grose 021 475 514

Graeme Andrews 03 521 1022

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Phone: Richard Thoms

03 5211 083 or 021 288 6664

Celebrate Matariki

Join the children of Lake Rotoiti School to celebrate Matariki.
Lantern walk and nighttime treasure hunt at Lake Rotoiti, followed by hot chocolate at the Blechynden shelter.

Wednesday 28th June, 6.00pm.
Cancelled if wet.
Meet at Blechynden shelter.

Any queries, call Nicky on 521 1830

Holistic Massage Treatments available

Phone Julie on 03 521 1220 or 021 886 995 to organise a time to suit.

Each and every one of you is an individual. Your massage treatment will reflect this and be adapted to suit your unique needs.

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- Promotes healthy circulation of blood and lymph as well as efficient delivery of nutrients and oxygen around the body
- May improve skin and muscle tone
- Encourages the elimination of waste from the body
- May promote cell and tissue regeneration

Contributing to the newsletter

Please send your contributions in the following formats:

- Advertising and notices sized to fit the newsletter columns. Accepted formats: MSWord, PDF or JPG.
- Full page ads incur a fee - \$30 (b&w) or \$70 (colour). This is a contribution towards photocopying costs. Please pay at the Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes Visitor Centre.
- Articles: plain text submitted in MS Word format, or in the body of an email.
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