Lake Rotoiti Community News

Deadline for next issue: Friday 24 May 2019

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

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Lake Rotoiti School Board of Trustees Election Update

Board of Trustees play an important role in our school community creating a better future for our children. Information on becoming a trustee and what their role is can be found on the following websites www.trustee-election.co.nz and www.nzsta.org.nz.

Nominations are now open, and parents of the school should have received an Election Nomination Form by now.

Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives to the Lake Rotoiti School board of trustees. Anyone can be nominated to be a trustee; you don't have to be a current parent.

If joining the school board is something you are interested in, then please ask one of the school parents to put your name forward as a nomination.

Important dates 12 noon, 24 May - Nominations close 12 noon 7 June – election closes

Dominique McCrostie

Coming up

Community Roller Skating Night

Saturday 15th June 7pm - 8.30pm Tahunanui roller rink Dani Ferens 0278859746

Last Monday of each month:

Alpine Flash Mob social singing group.
Ph Jan 5211999.

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

Sundays 3pm: Rotoiti Hub Christian worship group. Nigel or Sarah Calder 0274413776

Note: regular notices about fitness related activities are listed in a separate box within the Newsletter.

Photo credit; Mirror Lake - Nicky Crawford

Parent Election Notice

Lake Rotoiti School Board of Trustees'

Nominations are invited for the election of 5 parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself.

Both parts of the form must be signed.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 24 May 2019 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 7 June 2019.

Signed Ingrid McConochie Returning Officer

Lake Rotoiti School Library

If you have a pre-schooler or you home-school your children, you're very welcome to enrol them in the library and borrow from our great collection of books.

The library is open for you to use Monday 9-10am, and Jan is usually working there at this time if you need a hand.

Please contact her if you need to enrol or if you'd like a reminder of how to use the issuing system (ph 521 1999 or janthomsonart@gmail.com).



Visitor Centre hours

The Visitor Centre is working on winter hours:

Monday to Friday 8:00 am to

4:30 pm

Weekends and public holidays 9:00 am to

4:00 pm

Contact: nelsonlakesvc@doc.govt.nz or 03 521 1806

Facilities update

Campgrounds - West Bay campground is now closed. Kerr Bay remains open over the winter, as does Teetotal campsite.

Angelus Hut - Bookings are not required until the end of November. However, bookings are required for Angelus Hut over Queen's Birthday and Labour Weekends.

Angelus Hut requires a green hut ticket (\$15.00 from a DOC Visitor Centre) or a backcountry hut pass.

Summer Volunteer Programme

Nelson Lakes staff are recognised within DOC as running one of the best summer hut warden and camp host volunteer programmes in the country.

People from all around the world volunteer to be hut wardens at Angelus, Blue Lake and on the Travers-Sabine Circuit. This year we enjoyed the company of volunteers from the USA, Canada, England, France, Germany and Australia. We've also had St Arnaud people volunteer! (Thanks Linda, Brian and Steve).

This season we had volunteers who undertook all three hut warden opportunities in one summer. We've also had people returning each year for at least the last six years – some more.

Hosts for Kerr Bay and West Bay campsites are largely New Zealanders although we are now getting more overseas people volunteering as well.

The summer volunteer season starts in late November, and the camphosts start in mid-December, when the campgrounds require bookings.

The overriding task for both the camphosts and hut wardens is to make visitors feel welcome and to help them settle in. They check bookings (or tickets), give weather and local information, and keep in contact with the Visitor Centre. Hut wardens do some cleaning and a few maintenance tasks as required. All volunteers get a thorough induction from Jake.

Why do people volunteer to be hut wardens or camphosts? In the debriefs after their duty the main reasons given are:

- Giving back for all the fun they've had tramping and camping
- A good excuse to get out tramping
- Meeting new people
- Learning a bit more about conservation
- And one of our very regular volunteers said, 'To get out of milking!"

122 volunteers contributed over in the 2018/19 summer season. This equates to a contribution of approximately 430 eight-hour day equivalents.

Angelus	29 people
Travers-Sabine	26 people
Blue Lake	30 people
Kerr Bay	17 people
West Bay	22 people

DOC staff are very grateful to all the volunteers in the Summer Volunteer programme for their contribution and enthusiasm for their tasks.

More details about the programme (and other volunteer activities in Nelson/Tasman) go to

https://www.doc.govt.nz/get-involved/volunteer/inyour-region/nelson-tasman/

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Could you help your community in an emergency?

The local Fire and Emergency/Civil Defence group is currently looking at what resources may be in the village and can be used in an emergency situation.

Do you have skills which you could share if required?

These may include medical qualifications or experience, HT license, traffic management, trade skills, languages other than English, etc.

At this stage we'd just like to know what's available in the way of local talent and who we can call on to volunteer help if required. This is a small community but often has lots of visitors staying who we may need help with.

If you are willing to have your info listed, please contact Jan Thomson with your details.

Contact <u>janthomsonart@gmail.com</u> or 03 5211999

All information will be confidential to the emergency group"



Couch for sale



Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

<u>Circuit Breakers</u> exercise group Monday, Wednesday, Fridays 10 am, Community Hall All welcome, gold coin donation Gael 0272804078,

Seido-Karate

Community Hall
Tuesdays 6pm - kids & beginners
Phone Toni Calman 035390681
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Alpine Yoga Alpine Lodge

Various classes on a weekly schedule. To find out more call Ashton 022 525 7871 or see her FB page 'Ashton Kay Thompson'

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Changes to newsletter deliveries

The emailing list for the newsletter is growing steadily, presenting us with an opportunity to reduce the amount of paper and ink that we use by printing less.

The newsletter is emailed as an Adobe PDF file, usually about 1MB big so it doesn't swamp the inbox or take ages to load. Everyone can open it and choose to print themselves if they wish, and it looks really great in colour.

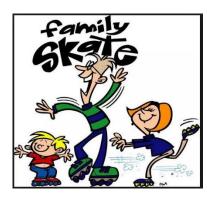
Many people resident in the village are already on the emailing list. So, starting in May, the newsletter will cease to arrive in your village PO Box. A limited number of printed copies will be available at the shop and in a free community paper box outside the PO boxes at the Fire Station.

Our NZ Post posties Mark and Tania have supported the newsletter delivery for years and we thank them for this marvellous and ongoing service to our community. For now, Mark will continue delivering to the rural letterboxes. The broadband is still pretty average for some of us living outside the village, and we are assuming that paper is the preference. It would be great to hear what people think about this.

If you are not on the email list and would like to be, please send an email to the newsletter team rotoitinews@gmail.com

Please also remember to update us with your new email address if you change.

Thanks! From your community newsletter team Sandra, Gabi, Tracey, Sue and Jackie.



Community Roller Skating Night

Tahunanui roller rink Saturday 15 th June 7pm - 8.30pm.

Bring your family along and a small donation for skate hire.

Any questions? Text or call me on 0278859746. Cheers, Dani Ferens

WAKEFIELD & DISTRICTS HEALTH TRUST TRUSTEE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

INTRODUCTION

Wakefield and Districts Health Trust is the successor to the Wakefield and Districts Community Health Centre Incorporated, established in the 1980s to build a medical centre to ensure that residents from Wakefield and the surrounding district would always have local medical services.

The Wakefield and Districts Health Trust was established to be beneficial to the Wakefield and districts community by:

- Primarily, but not solely, maintaining a building adequate for the provision of medical services to, and for the benefit of, the community;
- Providing or otherwise facilitating the enhancement of medical and health-related services to, and for the benefit of, the community;
- Providing the community with access to medical providers and service outside of the Wakefield and Districts community; and
- Generally enhancing the health and wellbeing of the community.

This is the organisation that in the last 18 months has been involved in the purchase and installation of more than ten AED defibrillators around our community. For a full list of locations, check out the Community Director in the Window on Wakefield.

We are now seeking expressions of interest for Trustees to join our governance board.

POSITION

We are looking for a new Trustee who can complement and work with our existing Board to make enabling decisions for the organisation. We want individuals who can support and are committed to helping us achieve our objectives. Applicants must reside in Wakefield or surrounding districts and be prepared to attend a minimum of six meetings per year.

IDEAL APPLICANT DESCRIPTION

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance and oversight of the management of Trust. Board members should demonstrate some or all of the following attributes:

 A good knowledge of the Wakefield and districts area and an interest in health-related matters.

- An ability to contribute to meetings in a fair, balanced and considered fashion.
- An ability to present and convey information in a straightforward fashion.
- An ability to evaluate reports, assess data and to enquire when further information is needed.
- Governance experience.
- Excellent communication and relationship skills.
- Knowledge of financial statements and balance sheets.
- An understanding of strategic planning processes.
- Prior charitable experience an advantage.

TO APPLY

Please contact the Trust Secretary at wdhealthtrust@gmail.com to request the Expression of Interest form and job description.

Please complete the Expression of Interest form and return via e-mail with your curriculum vitae and a brief covering letter to:

Secretary
Wakefield & Districts Health Trust
wdhealthtrust@gmail.com

All expressions of interest must be received by **5pm** Friday **14**th June **2019**.

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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Contact: rotoitinews@gmail.com



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