

Lake Rotoiti Community News

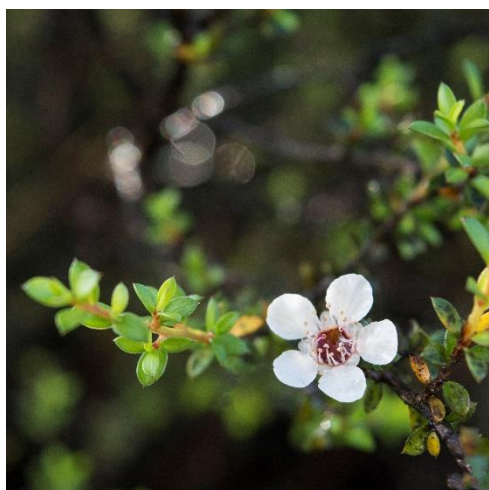
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items to: rotoitinews@gmail.com

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previous newsletters from
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Coming up

Sunday 23 October –
Tophouse Trail Event
www.tophousetrails.nz for
online entries

Road closures –
Saturday 15 October
8.05am – 2.25pm
Sunday 16 October
12.20pm – 5.55pm
Targa Car Rally –
diversion notices in place
SH6/SH63

Sundays, Flat Rock
Market, Kohatu 10am –
2pm
[kohatusundaymarket@](mailto:kohatusundaymarket@outlook.com)
[outlook.com](mailto:kohatusundaymarket@outlook.com) or Facebook

Photos: Hukere Valley,
DOC. Manuka. Falcon, L.
Pogson

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

Lake Rotoiti School News

Finally...

The building work has restarted, and we expect to be able to commission the toilets by the beginning of Term 4. Unfortunately, the roof has been found to be in poor condition and so a reroof will be undertaken. Who knows what we will find under there!

We farewell Fraser, Noah and Lachie Hart at the end of the term as they go back to Wellington. It has been a pleasure having the family with us for the term and we are sorry that the skiing wasn't as good as we had hoped.

At the beginning of Term 4 we welcome Rico and Kingston to the Junior Room as the beginning of a small influx over the next 12 months.

Keep encouraging businesses and friends to come to St Arnaud and become a part of our community. We need a significant roll growth to keep two teachers at the school. A minimum of 26 children are required, and I anticipate opening next year with only 17. In 2023 the Board will be funding one teacher.

With any sort of luck, the foundations for the Pool changing sheds will be going down in the holiday period. Many thanks to Ken, Simon, Paul, Barry, and Fred for getting this process underway. At some point we may be calling for volunteers to swing a hammer and wield a paint brush.

Term 4 starts on Monday 17 October. It's a short term of 8½ weeks and we are cramming a lot of activities in!

Term 4 activities:

Clued up kids (seniors) Richmond showgrounds, Fishing trip (seniors), Sailing, Book week, Field Day, Water fight, Year 8 camp, New Zealand Ballet visit, Paddleboarding, Beeby's hut clean-up and bird count, Māori musical instruments

We hope to open the pool shortly after Labour weekend – weather permitting.

Nga mihi, Mike and Miriam.



Duck Eggs for Sale

\$5 for 1/2 dozen free range eggs

Contact Sandie 0212779284

(I am able deliver into the village)

Duck eggs are almost 50% larger than a chicken egg and contain a comprehensive range of amino acids, vitamins, minerals and fats. Duck eggs lack the allergy-causing protein contained in chicken eggs, and supply an entire day's worth of vitamin B12 (needed for red blood cell production and healthy nerve function) [NZ Lifestyle Block September 2022]



Rental required in St Arnaud

Shane and Lou are looking for a family friendly home to live in with their 3 y/o toddler and very clean house dog. Reliable, very tidy, and quiet.

Rental required for 1 - 1.5 years.

Call Shane on 027 3202335



Nelson Lakes National Park serviced huts on the Travers Sabine circuit are now in summer pricing. From 1st October – 30th April, nightly hut ticket fees are \$20 per adult/ \$10 per youth per night with the backcountry hut pass not valid during this period.

Standard huts remain \$5 per person per night and backcountry hut pass is valid.

Hut tickets are able to be purchase from the Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes Visitor Centre.

Angelus Hut and Bushline Hut are required to be booked all year round. Angelus Hut is \$30 per person per night (backcountry hut pass not valid) from 1st October – 30th April.

Bushline Hut is \$15 per person per night/youth \$7.50.

All hut and campsite bookings are made on the DOC website www.doc.govt.nz

A change this year for the campgrounds at Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes – there is no glass recycling.

Sustainable Nelson Lakes

Nelson Lakes National Park is reducing waste to be more sustainable, but we need your help

Care for
Aotearoa



Protect nature
Be prepared



Keep NZ clean
Show respect



Department of
Conservation
Te Papa Atahuri



DOC Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes asks camp users to consider production and disposal of litter.

Where possible, we prefer all visitors to use the 'Pack in, Pack out' motto used by trampers and visitors to national parks.

Lake Rotoiti is remote from facilities, and it is difficult for us to manage recycling and general rubbish.

There is no glass recycling available at Kerr Bay or West Bay campgrounds.

If you are unable to take your waste with you, please carefully sort general rubbish and recycling into the bins provided.

If you are travelling, waste transfer stations are located at:

- MURCHISON
Matakitaki West Bank Road
- RICHMOND
Fittal Street
- BLENHEIM
Wither Road

<https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/know-before-you-go/take-your-litter-with-you/>

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The Targa Rally road closures were approved on 8 September at the Tasman District Council Regulatory Council meeting.

Road closures on Saturday 15 October (8.05am to 2.25pm) and Sunday 16 October (12.20pm to 5.55pm)

Roads affected: Eighty-Eight Valley Road (Genia Drive to Wai-iti Valley Road), Stock Road (full length), Kerr Hill Road (full length), Korere Tophouse Road from Kerr Hill Road to Rainy River Road.

If anyone requires access during this event to contact the organiser on 0800 827 427 and they will facilitate this.

In the event of an emergency please call 111 and the event would be stopped to allow access.

Mel Allen

Road Safety Coordinator

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Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050, NZ



As some of you may be aware, the historic Rainbow Road signage has been given a bit of a facelift. I bumped into an MDC road team a while ago, and they were replacing signage. It appeared the plan was to 'update' (read 'remove') the old NZED signs. That seemed a bit of a pity, so I collected as many as were left!! and with a good deal on paint from Guthrie Bowron in Nelson, cleaned them up, repainted, and replaced them. They are back. Some of them have 'character'!



But I need help!

The timber signs are classic. Each is 200x50x1500 (+/-) I reckon short ones (Hells Gate, Judges Creek) would go about 1200, and longer ones (No Catchem Stream) maybe 1600 or so.

If you have any planks lying unguarded behind the woodshed, or at the back of your garage, I would love to use them for this admirable job!! The state of the plank is not crucial, as history dictates these are pretty old signs, dating from when the pylon route was developed through the Rainbow Valley. Old age, cattle, and weather, have all added 'character'...

The second request is some local knowledge!

The two concrete bridges over the Wairau, at the Rainbow confluence, and up above Hell's Gate (Hare Creek?) where the big slips have occurred: did they have specific local names?

Some of the signs will be mounted on trees, as was the style back then, but a few will need to go on posts. Posts (100x100x2400 +/-) of any condition are welcome. I reckon about half a dozen should do the trick.



There is considerable time pressure !! on this project:
finish date Christmas... just haven't decided which
Christmas!!

If you have a spare post, plank or two, they can be dropped beside my woodpile, or I can collect them.

There are no rewards for joining this project, other than making a contribution, and feeling good about it.

Regards, Don McFadzien

17 Brookvale Drive St Arnaud.

don.mcfadzien@gilando.co.nz PH: 021 861132



**TRIPS &
TRANSFERS**

NELSON LAKES & BEYOND

LOOKING FOR

Covered or enclosed area to park a van in St Arnaud village this summer. Do you have or know of a mostly unused garage or storage area that we could use? Min. height clearance required is 2.5m. Preference for a lockable facility but will consider offers. Location needs to be in the village and have access to water for a quick wash down of the vehicle. No power required.

Looking to rent from mid October to approx March next year.

Please phone Jennifer to discuss 022-6154915 or email kiaora@tripsandtransfers.co.nz.

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 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 2pm

Local Spirit-led Christian worship, equipping and encounter.

Contact Nigel & Sarah Calder 0274413776 for details.

Kohatu
FLAT ROCK CAFE

Sunday Market

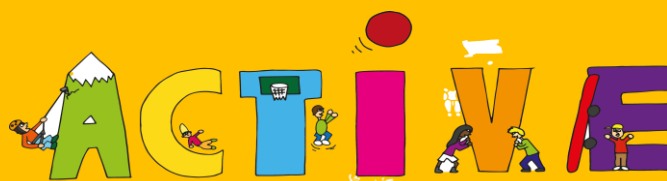
10am – 2pm

5087 Motueka Valley Highway – through the carpark in the paddock

(Closed Christmas & New Years)

Come along to the new Kohatu Sunday Market starting on the 25th of September! This market will run every Sunday between the hours of 10am and 2pm. If you're interested in having your own stall please email Deb or Temika at kohatusundaymarket@outlook.com

BE GET STAY



Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

"Circuit Breakers" exercise group

Monday & Wednesday 10 am, Community Hall

All welcome, gold coin donation

Gael 027 280 4078

Fit it Wednesdays

Wednesdays 6 – 7pm Community Hall – all

welcome, gold coin koha

Lou 021 0414913

Badminton / table tennis

Community Hall on Wednesdays at 7pm

All welcome – rackets available. Gold coin donation towards hall and shuttle cocks.

Nicky or Ed Shaw 521 1106

Seido-Karate

Community Hall

Tuesdays 6pm – kids & beginners

Thursdays 6 pm – General Class

Graeme 021 0859 4088. Gold coin donation

LAKE ROTOITI ANIMAL & CRAFT DAY

22nd NOVEMBER 2022 AT THE BASALAJ'S

Everyone is welcome

- 3-4pm come and set up your creations in the shed for judging. Stuff done at school will be delivered by the school bus. (Cheers bus driver and teachers)
- 4-5 animal judging outside whilst the other stuff gets judged in the shed
Pre-schoolers show off their pimped bikes
- 5.15 surprise visitor
- 5.30 games/start dinner
- 6.30 BBQ dinner
- 7.30 wearable art fashion show. Judging to be done by the parents. Bribes happily accepted on the night



Field Day Classes

Children will be put into groups according to their school year, for judging in all classes

Group 1—Year 1 & 2

Group 2—Year 3 & 4

Group 3—Year 5 & 6

Group 4—Year 7 & 8

Group 5—Adult

Animal Classes (for years 1-8)

- Poultry
- Lamb/Goat
- Calf
- Dog
- Rabbit/Guinea Pig
- Other small pet
- My pets got talent—show the judges how amazing your pet is
- Fancy dress pet



Children will be asked by the judges about their pet's health care, feeding, training etc.

Art/Craft Classes (years 1-8)

- Craft** wearable art made from face masks, maximum 3 boxes. Will need to be modelled on the red carpet for judging - to be done at home
- Colouring** to be done at home, given out at school
- Art** stencil on canvas - to be done at school

Photography (to be done at home)

- Group 1** fancy dress pet
- Group 2** halloween
- Group 3** beach day
- Group 4** silhouette
- Group 5** speed

Cooking

- Group 1** brownie
- Group 2** cupcakes
- Group 3** doughnuts
- Group 4** lamingtons
- Group 5** ice cream



Please remember items in the cooking classes will be consumed for dessert!

If you have a pre-schooler, bring them along with their decorated bike. They will get a certificate for participating. Please get in touch with Janine in regards to the gift from the 'surprise visitor'.

Please note: All entries must be the child's own work (not that of an adult) and all pets/livestock must belong to the child/family.

Also, please do not put your child's name on any entry. You will be given a code letter on the day for your child to identify their entries. Judges must not know which child has done each entry.

All children in years 1-8 in the community are welcome to join in on Animal and Craft Day. If you wish for your child to be included and they aren't at Lake Rotoiti School, please call Janine on 5211003 / 027 2292 076 and she will make sure you have everything you need,