## Lake Rotoiti Community News

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### Lake Rotoiti School News

We've been back at school now for 2 weeks.

We welcome two new students, Arnav Joshi and Lydia Wedderburn, to the school. It's great to have you with us.

Last week we had our last Tuakana/Teina activity until Term 4. Children have been learning to use sewing machines, developing Lego skills, sanding down the Optimists ready for painting, and learning basketball skills. A big thank you to Karen Diefenbach for taking the Lego, and to Flyn and Bailey Basalaj for taking basketball.

If you have any skills that you would like to share with our children, we would love to hear from you. We have these activities on a Friday from 2 – 3pm in four week blocks. Our next set of activities will start in Term 4.

It would be fair to say that most children have decided that boat renovation is unlikely to be a career choice!

This term we are focusing on how our culture is a reflection of our past and how our traditions have grown. We are also skiing every Monday (Let's hope that the snow cover improves).

We also intend entering a competition to try and get the Americas Cup to visit the village. More information coming soon!

Mike

### Coming up

5 August, 7;30 pm **Lake Rotoiti Hall committee Tri-annual meeting** Drew Hunter 521 1919

7 August 2020 from 5 pm, **St Arnaud Informal Open Mic/Jam Session** Alpine Lodge Joanna 021 209 7064

Conservation Week
Talk - New Zealand
Invertebrates
Tues 18 August 7:00 pm
DOC meeting room

"Bring a Friend Trapping'
Wed 19 August
10:00 – 12:00 noon
Meet DOC meeting room
Pip Berkett 027 521 1130

NZ Mountain Film Festival Sun 23 August Some tickets left Tracey 021 475 514 Graeme 021 085 94088

#### Weekly

 See community activities inside the newsletter

Photos: Jetty - Nicky Crawford; falcon - Lynda Pogson, Skiing – Dana Bauer

We'd love to print your photos here. Send to rotoitinews@gmail.com



Hard at work sanding an Optimist



Everyone helping out



### Hut restocking

Last week the Recreation and Historic Team flew more firewood into the back-country huts and undertook some maintenance tasks.

### Avalanche monitoring

As winter is upon us, DOC is again providing visitors with information about the avalanche risk in the backcountry.

On-site avalanche path observations and monitoring were made during the hut stocking flying.

All users of the backcountry are advised to check the Avalanche Advisory at <a href="https://www.avalanche.net.nz/">https://www.avalanche.net.nz/</a>. The website shows avalanche advice for 12 high risk sites around the country, including Nelson Lakes.

The site also has useful resources and training options for those who spend time in the mountains.

### Kea nest monitoring and protection

The local Biodiversity team are excited to have a team of volunteers from the Kea Conservation Trust staying for two weeks. The focus of the work will be monitoring known kea nests and increasing the protection around the nests, including deploying trail cameras.



Photo - Tracey Grose (DOC)

### Conservation Week

The theme for 2020 is "Nature through new eyes" or "He tirohanga hou ki te taiao" meaning 'a new way of viewing nature'.

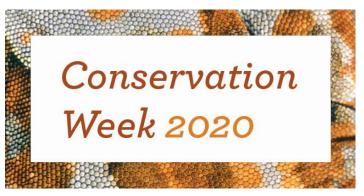
The lockdown period brought about a change in perspective for many people and we gained a new appreciation for the important things in life.

Nature hasn't changed - we have.

People are encouraged to build on what we saw in lockdown.

Take time to get up close and see what has always been there; to listen to the sounds of the wind, the lakes and rivers, and the birds. Take time in nature to restore your wellbeing.

Connecting with nature is shown to have a very positive impact on wellbeing.



How can you connect with nature during Conservation Week? See over the page

New Zealand's native invertebrates – A talk by Melissa Griffin, Senior Biodiversity Ranger.



Our invertebrates (insects) are sometimes forgotten so come along and hear about what amazing little creatures (and some not so little!) are around us.

DOC meeting room, Tuesday 18 August,
 7:00pm

## "Bring a friend trapping" with Friends of Rotoiti.

Everyone is welcome to join in and learn more about one of New Zealand's longest-running and successful community trapping groups.

Meet - 10:00 am, Wednesday 19 August, DOC meeting Room, behind the Visitor centre (you can park in the VC carpark)



 $Friends\ ready\ to\ go\ trapping-in\ warmer\ months.$ 

Join FOR and help with their Village ratting lines. Most tracks are easy walking. You'll be accompanied by an experienced trapper and you'll learn about all the effort FOR have made over the last 15+ years.

Don't like dead things? No problem! We'd love people who just want to go for a walk and record the kills as we go.

Bring walking shoes, warm layers. Walking pole if you like using one.

We are usually back by 11:30 for a well-earned cup of tea!

### Marlborough Mindfulness Safari

Walking in nature and really being present to what is around you is a great way to get grounded and relieve stress



### Find Your Inner Nature

How to participate:

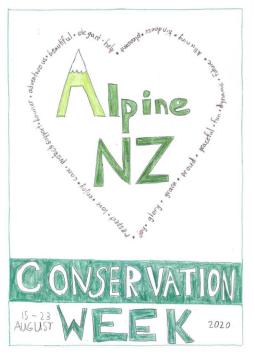
- Download your instructions from: www.doc.govt.nz/mindfulness-activitysheet (or collect a sheet from the Visitor Centre)
- Choose your location
- Enjoy your Mindfulness Safari
- Create your favourite artwork (this could be a photo, poem, drawing...)
- Send a digital copy of your artwork by Mon 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020, 5.00pm to: nhaisman@doc.govt.nz

You'll go into the draw to win a great conservation prize pack (worth \$50).

Two prizes to be won - "12 years and under" and "Over 12".

Winners will be announced on 21st August 2020 on the DOC Marlborough Events Facebook page www.facebook.com/marlboroughconservationeven ts

A big thank you to local pupil, Sierra. She was inspired to draw this lovely Conservation Week poster after being outdoors. *Thank you, Sierra*.



## Have you heard?

# Plastic recycling has changed - only 1, 2 & 5 numbered plastics now accepted.

From now only Tasman District Council will only collect plastics that can be recycled in New Zealand – these are the ones labelled with 1, 2, and 5. These three plastic types are the most common, representing around 85-90% of the plastics we use. Most of the containers that you use will still be recycled: soft drink and water bottles, clear plastic meat trays, plastic milk bottles, bathroom, kitchen, and laundry products, and ice-cream, butter and takeaway containers.

The plastics that we **will not** collecting anymore are plastics **3**, **4**, **6** and **7**. These plastics are used in some food and product packaging like single serve yoghurt pottles and most sour cream containers. These cannot be recycled in New Zealand and are very difficult to find an overseas market for. There is also concern that some of these plastics may not be recycled appropriately.

So please start thinking about the plastics that you buy, reduce plastic where you can, starting checking the number and aim to buy only 1, 2 and 5 so less plastic goes to landfill.

This change came into effect on 1 July 2020.

### Rubbish day in St Arnaud – THURSDAY

 See the last two pages of this newsletter for the recycling dates for 20/21 and a poster showing what can be recycled.

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# Quail Eggs

My quails are still laying through the winter.



If you would like some cute eggs for your salad or whatever you come up with, please let me know.

### \$5 for a dozen.

If you would like a jar of pickled quail eggs, available in different flavours for \$ 7.

Did you know that quail eggs are supposed to help with allergies?

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### THANK YOU

The Lake Rotoiti Volunteer Fire Brigade wishes to thank the Rural Woman Association for the wonderful gifts (including beanies to keep us warm on cold winter night call outs) recently presented to our newest members.

The support of one community organisation to another is truly appreciated and reflects on what is a great little community we all live in.

Picture: Marg Anderson (L) and Cynthia Midgley (R) from Rural Woman with new recruits, Janet Newell, Dani Ferrens, and Jeremy Bonsell



### **FOR SALE**

Craftsman incredi-pull Chainsaw, heavy duty 55cc for sale. Only selling because its too heavy for me to use.

Has not been used for several years and hasnt been used much over previous years. Offers wanted. Pick up St Arnaud.

Tel 022 615 4915



### St Arnaud

## Mountain Film Festival



A selection of 2.5 hours of the best films from New Zealand Mountain Film Festival 2020 will screen:

Saturday 22 August SOLD OUT 7:00pm Sunday 23 August 6:00pm DOC Office

A diverse range of films:

- Seven kayakers seek the source of the Amazon. Challenging white water.
- Solo adventure of 12 days kayaking to start a climbing a 500m rock face in Greenland.
- Paragliding on Kilimanjaro, and a birthday party!
- Climbing K2, the most dangerous mountain, without oxygen.
- Discovering the 'why' of adventure while skiing the Lhotse face.
- Crossing the 70 km Wetterstein Ridge, non-stop - and solo.

Running time 2.5 hours

Limited to 20 seats per screening.

Cost \$10 per person (adults and children)

Payment – internet banking. No door sales.

For more details:

starnaudfilmfest@gmail.com

or phone

Tracey Grose 021 475 514 Graeme Andrews 027 232 1027

See you there!!



# St Arnaud Informal Open Mic/Jam Session

7 August 2020, at Alpine Lodge 5 pm, Jam starts 6 pm

One mic and guitar will be available, otherwise BYO instruments

Register with Joanna 021 209 7064 before the event.

Guests most welcome

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## **107.7 Lakes FM**

After a lot of equipment problems, (now all solved) 107.7 Lakes FM is back on the air.

Ski reports every morning that Rainbow is open at 8,9,10 and 11am, plus a lot more coming soon!

Paul Harriman.



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# Regular Community Activities

<u>Sunday:</u> Lake Rotoiti Chapel 10.30, Rotoiti Street, St Arnaud - services are run by locals and nondenominational. Everyone welcome.

<u>Thursday & Sunday:</u> Rotoiti Hub, 3 pm - Holy Spirit lead worship, encounter, revelation and ministry. Phone Nigel and Sarah 0274 413 776 or Jane 0273 328 096 for info and location.

Lou's Hair, Beauty & Massage Community Hall – next dates: 27 Aug 24 Sept 22 Oct Phone for an appointment 027 252 2039 EFTPOS available.

24 August: (Monday) "Flashmob" Singing Group: For those of you who are brave enough to venture out in the cold, "Flashmob" get together at 19 Toutouwai Place, St Arnaud 7.30 pm to 9 pm.



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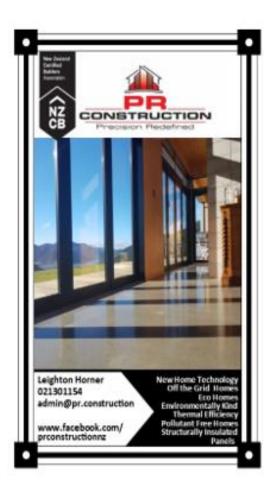


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### Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

"Circuit Breakers" exercise group Monday, Wednesday, Fridays 10 am, Community Hall All welcome, gold coin donation Gael 027 280 4078

**Badminton** Monday, 7:00pm Community Hall. Gold coin donation. Nicky Shaw 521 1106

### Seido-Karate

Community Hall - Gold coin donation Tuesdays 6pm - kids & beginners Thursdays 6 pm - General Class Graeme Andrews 021 085 94088.

### Yoga – all levels

At Alpine Yoga and Massage – Alpine Lodge New times Tuesday 5:30pm, Thursday 5:30 pm, Sunday 9:00 am Ashton 022 525 7871

### **Craft Group**

Thursday 1pm. Various venues
Bring your crafts and share with others
Jane McConochie 5211844, Nicky Shaw 5211106

### **Village Trapping Group – Friends of Rotoiti**

Meets every second Wednesday.

DOC meeting room, 10.00am to 11.30 approx. Cuppa afterwards.

Contact Pip Berkett 27 521 1130 or Julie Robilliard 5211874

### **Pilates – Community Hall**

Mondays 5.30, Thursdays 10am. Lisa 0212024034



Our Restaurant is Opening soon!
Sebastian is Back!!! Tophouse's new Chef.
Commencing Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August.
Lunch on Saturdays & Sundays from 12-3pm.
Dinner on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 6-8pm.

Mondays with advance notice. Bookings appreciated and recommended. Please inquire for group bookings up to 14 people.

For bookings ring us at ,

Tophouse – PH: 5211269 or 0211089266

Or Email at info@tophouse.kiwi

Regards, Miles & Helen

### Babysitting

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

Contact: rotoitinews@gmail.com







## **Glass Recycling**

Empty, unbroken glass bottles and jars in a blue crate (available from Council's Customer Service Centres).



## WHAT CAN'T GO IN

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**Plastics 3, 4, 6, 7**, glass, liquids, rubbish, polystyrene, plastic bags, garden waste, food waste, disposable nappies, hot ashes, oven ware, electrical goods, engine oil bottles, automotive parts, paint and chemicals, bubble wrap, ceramics, crockery and porcelain, lids, toothpaste tubes.

Put your bin out by 7am on your fortnightly collection day, as close to the kerb as possible. For more information visit tasman.govt.nz.



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