Lake Rotoiti Community News 9th December 2019

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

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Lake Rotoiti School News

The school's swimming pool is up and running for the summer. If you would like to use the pool during the holidays and outside of school hours (before 9am and after 3pm) you will need an access fob. These are \$50 and are available from the school's office between 9-12:30 Monday, Wednesday and Friday until 20 December.

If you are unable to pop into school during these times please contact Dominique at office@lakerotoiti.school.nz to make alternative arrangements.

Happy Swimming

Dominique McCrostie Office Manager Lake Rotoiti School 03 521 1830

Coming up

18th December 1pm at Lake Rotoiti Chapel, Rotoiti St. Presentwrapping workshop.

15-21 December 10.30am -7pm Lake Rotoiti chapel open for viewing Christmas display

Friday 20th December 5pm Fire Force community Christmas BBQ, at Lake Rotoiti School

Sunday 22 December 4pm Christmas Play. Lake Rotoiti Chapel

Christmas Eve 24 December 7.30pm Carols Service, Community Hall.

Christmas day 25 December 9.30am, Christmas Day service Rotoiti Chapel.

Thursday 2nd January 2020 9am to 1pm Rural Women annual book sale and trash n' treasure. Community Hall.

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

Photo credits "Flirt" RS Hamlett. Boats, Nicky Crawford

Book Character Day

Book character day was celebrated in style - with everyone dressed as characters from their favourite novels. We had representatives from many books such as: Wolf Brother, The Lion King, The Grand High Witch, Animals to the rescue, Asterix, The Wee Three Men, Lemony Snicket and even Mary Poppins! Plenty of fun was had walking to The Alpine Lodge, who hosted Page and Blackmore, and the Quiz night. Ka mihi nui to Page and Blackmore, The Alpine Lodge, Dine Hard and Elaine for the prizes. There was a spectacular turn out at the guiz night, it was great to see the community getting involved. Thank you to all. Next year we plan to make this night more successful by selecting an evening where those who attend the fire service training and Flashmob can join us!!



Artist studies

At Lake Rotoiti School in the past few weeks we have been learning about famous artists and recreating artworks in different styles. The Piwakawaka have recently created pop art in the style of Andy Warhol. The Tui class recreated *Starry Night* pieces whilst attempting to incorporate Vincent Van Gogh's specific style.



Road cycle safety

The folks from Sport Tasman visited the school and introduced us to road cycle safety. We developed skills such as correct indicating and turning, bike maintenance and even emergency braking. Many of the Tui also had the chance to practice their skills on the road learning how to properly navigate the different hazards that may be present. Thanks to Sport Tasman and Ride Safety.

Field Day 2019

After about 7 years, the sun finally decided to join us for Lake Rotoiti BGAC Field Day on Saturday 23rd.

The kids got to enjoy their first swim of the season in the school pool. Santa left his reindeer behind and turned up on a dirt bike and gave out a book and a frozen juicie to the kids.

The winner of the marshmallow raffle was Dani Ferens and the fruit burst jar was Fiona Ferens (rigged I know). Megan Jordan won the cow cake raffle and Sue Ford won the carrot cake.

Thank you to everyone who supported the children with their side stalls.

Field Day made \$337 which is fantastic. Thank you to all the wonderful judges, teachers, parents and kids that help make Field Day so much fun.

This years winner of the BGAC Cup is Jasmine Mortimer. A picture of her below with her dog Simba. Cheers, Janine







Christmas Present Wrapping Workshop

Lake Rotoiti Chapel 6a Rotoiti Street, St Arnaud 1:00 pm Wednesday 18th December

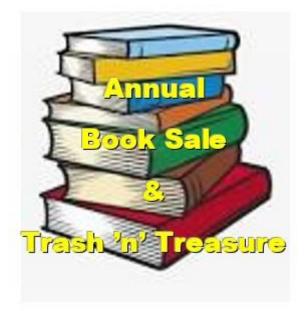
Come along and enjoy the fun of making your presents look magic. Learn how to decorate your presents with recycled materials. Suitable for adults.

Bring along a present and wrapping paper. Other materials will be supplied.



Contact Marg Anderson 521 1864

St Arnaud Rural Women



Thursday 2 January 2020 9:00 am to 1:00pm

Lake Rotoiti Community Hall St Arnaud

\$10.00 per table for T'n'T

Contact Treasures - Nicky Shaw 521-1106 Books – Marg Anderson 521-1864

Start 2020 with some bargains!

The Weather!

This is a topic that seems of interest to everyone. A few years ago we had a keen weather-boffin, Grant Harper, who collated and presented monthly weather statistics for the newsletter. The weather is so crazy at the moment that it would be awesome to start this up again – is there anyone out there keen to do this? Be in touch – rotoitinews@gmail.com. Or, just start sending your contributions to the newsletter. Cheers (and stay dry!), your editing team.

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2019/2020 SUMMER OPEN DAYS

Rainbow Skifield is opening its gates to the public over the summer so you can experience this beautiful location without snow.

OPEN DATES

December 14-15, 21-22nd January 25 - Feb 2nd February 15th - 23rd April 24, 25, 26th

Gates open between on **0800-1600** on the selected dates. Please leave the hill at 1600, at latest.

\$20.00 per vehicle

Pay cash into the green box beside ticket windows. Funds go towards the upkeep of the road.

If you wish to leave your vehicle overnight, leave intentions with staff who will be onsite during the open days. Return on an open day between opening hours to collect your vehicle.

Event inquiries welcome (weddings, school trips/camps, photo-shoots, etc).

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Tom Harry

Operations Manager

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News from the RDCC

Rotoiti District Community Council its AGM on Wednesday 27 November 2019. It was with regret that the resignation of Brent Higgins from the Executive Committee was accepted. Brent has been a critical member to the success of the Committee and ensuring many projects were actioned and completed on behalf of the Committee. Debbie Christie was nominated and accepted the position on the Executive Committee and hopes to continue to work on the Dark Sky Proposal which Brent wishes to see continued.

Paul Dulieu stood down as Treasurer and has been replaced by Wattie Mortimer. Many thanks to Paul for his commitment over the years. Paul will remain involved and his ongoing contribution will be valued.



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We are rebuilding a bach in St Arnaud and would like to remove the old shed/bach in January 2020. Do you want to salvage and re-use any building materials? Includes corrugated iron, kitchen, bathroom fittings, windows, hardfill (concrete slab). If you are keen, please call **Sarah on 022 653 0096** to discuss.



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

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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 0272804078, Seido-Karate **Community Hall** Tuesdays 6pm - kids & beginners Thursdays 6 pm – General Class Graeme Andrews 02108594088. Gold coin donation Thursday Sailing and Watersports: starting Thurs Nov 14th. Kerr Bay east. 6 – 8pm Wattie 0224928841 Yoga – all levels At Alpine Yoga and Massage – Alpine Lodge Ashton 022 525 7871 Craft Group Thursday 1pm – 3.30 pm. Various venues Bring your crafts and share with others Jane McConochie 5211844

Te Reo (Maori Language) Thursday 7 pm All levels welcome. Lake Rotoiti School staff room Sue Ford <u>sue.ford@lakerotoiti.school.nz</u>

Alpine Flash Mob (social singing group) Meet last Monday of each month at Wendy Bolitho's, 19 Toutowai Place, St Arnaud. Contact Jan Thomson 521 1999 or www.janthomsonart@gmail.com.

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 521 1874 KEA / Lake Rotoítí School PTA Fundraíser



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Lake Rotoiti Volunteer Fire Brigade

Kindly supported by: Marlborough Lace Makers



Community CHRISTMAS BBQ

Friday 20th Dec, 5PM, School Grounds

+ Kids Disco from 4pm at the Hall

Everybody's Welcome

Come and see our New Fire Truck and Cutting Gear

Lolly scramble, Swimming for the KIDs

BBQ Food and Salads Supplied, BYO Refreshments

All we ask is to Please test your smoke alarms before you come