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## Lake Rotoiti School News

Tēnā koutou katoa,

As Term 2 draws to a close and the temperature continues to drop, we look forward to preparing for the ski season ahead.

### Logos

The past fortnight we have been busy researching and developing logos. Part of the learning was to embed our understanding of what our kura/school means to us. Jan (our resident artist) came in and judged them on Friday. We welcomed her feedback and using this, we will be creating logos with our whanāu at home.

Take a look at the Judges Top 4. If you wish to see more, come and visit the kura/school.



## Coming up

### **Village trapping group**

Pip Berkett 521 1130 or  
Julie Robilliard 5211874

### **Craft group** Thursdays

1pm to 3.30pm (detail in  
newsletter)

### **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/Sarah Calder  
0274413776

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

Photo:  
Teetotal Ice Skating Pond

### **Ngā Mihi - Thank you**

Tēnā rawa atu koutou (thank you everyone) for the outstanding help we had this term with our Math Big Day out. We explored math through Elaine at the shop, The Fire station, Friends of Rotoiti - trapping, we visited Fred at the building site and Andrew came in and chatted about math on the farm. These visits certainly opened everyone's awareness of where math fits in the real world.

### **Farewell**

Sadly we have had to say farewell to Tracy. She has been with the kura/school for many, many years. We celebrated and thanked her at a farewell last Friday. As a Principal I have valued Tracy's dedication to her mahi/work, and I know she will be missed by the kaiako/teachers, ākonga/students and the wider community. We wish you well in your future position Tracy - and thank you very much for everything.

### **Our new van**

With great excitement, tamariki welcomed the new van. This was purchased through Bowater Toyota and will be used for the Kikiwa run.



### **CAMPGROUND PRICE REVIEW**

After conducting a campsite price review, the Department has increased the scenic and serviced campsite prices by \$2 for adults and \$1 for youth. Changes came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Standard campsite prices remain unchanged.

Prices are only increasing at high-demand campgrounds. This will help manage the rising pressures and better recover their costs.

Along with general visitor growth on public conservation land, the number of visitors to DOC campgrounds has also been growing. DOC campsite visitor numbers are estimated to have grown 7-8% each year over the last two years.

There are no changes to campground categories or service standards as part of this price review.

New prices for the campgrounds at Nelson Lakes:

Campsite	Category	Adult	Youth
West Bay	Scenic	\$15	\$7.50
Winter - Kerr Bay no power	Scenic	\$15	\$7.50
Winter - Kerr Bay power	Scenic	\$18	\$9
Summer - Kerr Bay no power	Serviced	\$20	\$10
Summer - Kerr Bay power	Serviced	\$23	\$11.50
Teetotal (No change)	Standard	\$8	\$4
Kawatiri (No change)	Standard	\$8	\$4
Rotoroa (No change)	Standard	\$8	\$4

### **Vacancy: Administration Person**

We have a vacancy within our vibrant school for an administration person.

If you are articulate, number savvy, organised, flexible and proactive with a positive approach to your workload, we want to hear from you. If you have great communication skills and enjoy working with both adults and tamariki - this could be the place for you. We are after someone with a strong understanding of accounts, Novopay and budgets, plus a high level of attention to detail and accuracy.

Training will be provided.

Please send your application form and CV to [principal@lakerotoiti.school.nz](mailto:principal@lakerotoiti.school.nz) by Monday 22nd July. 5pm.

The application form and timelines can be found on our website.

## Craft Group

Bring your winter project and share your knowledge or just come and catch up. Whatever your interest.

Also at the next two hall meetings bring your felting to finish. There will be spinning wheels available and tuition for learners if anyone is keen.

### Meetings

Thurs 27th June 1 - 3.30 pm Lake Rotoiti Hall  
Thurs 4th July 1 - 3.30 pm Lake Rotoiti Hall  
Gold coin donation to cover hall costs thanks

Thurs 11th July 1 - 3.30 Nicky Bavin's

For more information contact: Jane McConochie  
03 5211844 or 027 332 8096



### KEEPING YOURSELVES WELL THIS WINTER SEASON FROM COUGHS, COLDS & FLU

- Keep healthy – have a balanced diet, sleep well, fresh air and exercise, drink lots of water
- Stay home from school or workplace if you are unwell to avoid spreading onto others
- See your GP if you are feeling really unwell or worries; or phone Healthline 0800 611 116
- Good hand and cough hygiene (and keep 1 metre or more away from someone coughing or sneezing)
- Consider flu vaccination (current criteria below)

Family and whanau who meet the eligibility criteria for free flu vaccination (eg over 65 yrs, pregnant, have certain health conditions, or have children 4yrs and under who have been hospitalised for respiratory illness or have a history of significant respiratory illness) can get this done at their GP clinic and some pharmacies. For more information check out websites:

[www.healthnavigator.org.nz/health-a-z/i/influenza/](http://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/health-a-z/i/influenza/)

[www.fightflu.co.nz](http://www.fightflu.co.nz)

Any queries contact Public Health Nurses:  
Karen Aitken – 027 451 3674  
Val Collie – 027 277 5762

### House available for rent

4 bedroom unfurnished house on quiet street in the village – available now.

Log burner, 2 separate lounges, kitchen and dining combined, separate toilet and single garage. Part of the section is fully fenced.

Bond required.

\$275 per week

Please contact Jo Joice on 027 571 1497



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## Couch for sale

Very comfortable three-seater couch covered in light green fabric.

The seat and back cushions are in good condition. The fabric has faded a bit, especially on the top half of the back cushions and the arm rests.

The seat cushions are still firm - this is NOT one of those saggy couches where you fall into the gap when you sit down!

Measurements: 215cm wide, 86cm deep, 70cm high

Price: \$320

Call Phil to enquire 027 704 7184



### Regular activities in and around St Arnaud

#### **Badminton**

Mondays 7pm

Community Hall

\$3 per person to cover hall and shuttle cocks.

All gear supplied; all levels welcome.

Ed 5211106

#### **“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 521 1022. Gold coin donation

#### **Yoga – all levels (see ad in Newsletter)**

Aston 022 525 7871

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

Contact: [rotoitinews@gmail.com](mailto:rotoitinews@gmail.com)

## Have Your Say-Proposed Memorial-Fallen Soldiers

An independent working party comprising of Philip Borlase, Richard Thoms and Brent Higgins have embarked upon a process to have an appropriate memorial to the fallen soldiers installed at the Rotoiti Community Hall.

A case has been put to the Hall Committee, & the RDCC which has been agreed to in principle by both. (The RDCC have in fact generously agreed to fund the granite part of the memorial). A formal application to Tasman District Council as both landowner & regulator was made & has been approved, subject to final consultation via the Rotoiti Community newsletter.

It is considered that a suitable memorial to the soldiers should be located immediately adjacent to the flagpole. The two photos below show the location & memorial rock to be utilised. (N.B the plaque is a proof only & minor fine tuning is to occur, including deletion of the donation acknowledgement along the base of the plaque).

The wording proposed for the plaque comes from Laurence Binyons poem "Ode to the Fallen Soldier". These words are poignant and are used both nationally & internationally for similar memorials.

Space for this article does not permit full details of the application made to TDC, however should further information be required, a copy of the full application can be emailed.

The purpose of this article is to allow the opportunity for all residents & interested parties to have their say on this proposal as described.

It would be appreciated if all feedback could be emailed to [jbandsjh@gmail.com](mailto:jbandsjh@gmail.com) no later than 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

N.B should you wish for your feedback to remain confidential, your email can be sent to Richard Hollier, Reserves Manager-TDC  
[Richard.Hollier@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:Richard.Hollier@tasman.govt.nz)

Brent Higgins

On behalf of the Working Party



**FOR THE FALLEN**

*They shall grow not old  
as we that are left grow old  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.*

*At the going down of  
the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*

**Laurence Binyon**

# Can you help?

I need help to identify some of the people in these two photos taken at Lake Rotoiti 16th and 17th January 1938.

Standing at the back; Charles Vincent HIGGINS, (Chux),

Next row; Susan O'BRIEN, Charles Edgar O'BRIEN,

Front standing; unknown male, unknown male, Ethel O'BRIEN or Eileen HIGGINS nee O'BRIEN, Charles Wallace O'BRIEN,

Kneeling; unknown woman,

Front; Maureen HIGGINS, Nita O'BRIEN, nee NEWPORT, Brian HIGGINS.



Unknown male, (same as in photo above), Brian HIGGINS, Charles Vincent HIGGINS, Maureen HIGGINS.

Family connections; Maureen and Brian's parents were Eileen, nee O'BRIEN, sister of Ethel and Charles Wallace and Charles Vincent HIGGINS. Susan and Charles Edgar O'BRIEN were the parents of Eileen, Ethel and Charles Wallace.

Names mentioned in connection with these two days at the Lake are; Mr McCaa and his speed boat "Eve", Mr Reid and Mr Fitzsimons.

My name is Gwen DODGSHUN and I am the daughter of Ethel O'BRIEN and these are some of her photos. My contacts are 0274975729 and [g.p.dodgshun@actrix.co.nz](mailto:g.p.dodgshun@actrix.co.nz)