



The Catlins Connection

Community Guide ... No 46 February 2023 Calendar

Wednesday, 1 February

The Catlins Area School

First day of School for all pupils

Owaka Outdoor Bowling Club, 6.30 pm

Owaka Parenting Support Group Coffee

Morning, Plunket Rooms, 10-12 midday,

South Otago (Owaka) Pony Club at McGill's
Newhaven, 4 pm

Owaka Community Library Board Games,
2.30—4.30pm

Thursday, 2 February

Twilight Golf, 6 pm

Digital Help, 1 –3 pm, Owaka Community Library

Owaka Euchre Club, 1.pm, Catlins Inn Lounge

Friday, 3 February

Catlins Senior Citizens, Supper Room, 1.30pm,

Saturday, 4 February

Waitangi Weekend

Owaka Volunteer Fire Brigade Honors Night

Niagara Bluegrass Festival (see ad)

Basil and Baylys Market, 10 am , (see ad)

Owaka Golf Club, Tee Off 1 pm

Sunday, 5 February

Waitangi Weekend

Niagara Bluegrass Festival (see ad)

Catlins Bat and Moth Night, 9 pm, (see ad)

Owaka Yacht Club Hook Trophy, 3.45 pm
start, Hinahina Estuary.

Monday, 6 February

Waitangi Day

Kaka Pt Ramblers Walking Group, 10 am

Tuesday, 7 February

Catlins Wild Life of the Night "Bats of the
Wisp" (see ad)

Owaka Going Forward, 7.30pm, Supper Room

Catlins Search and Rescue Training, 7.30pm

Age Concern Exercises, 10am, Owaka Grace Hall

Wednesday, 8 February

Owaka Outdoor Bowling Club, 6.30 pm

Owaka Garden Club, Supper Room, 1.30pm

South Otago (Owaka) Pony Club at McGill's
Newhaven, 4 pm

Owaka Community Library Board Games,
2.30—4.30pm

Owaka Parenting Support Group Coffee

Morning, 10-12 midday,

Owaka Library Book Club, Owaka Library, 2pm

Thursday, 9 February

Twilight Golf, 6 pm

Owaka Euchre Club, 1.pm, Catlins Inn Lounge

Digital Help, 1 –3 pm, Owaka Community Library

Friday, 10 February

Saturday, 11 February

Owaka Golf Club, Tee Off, 1 pm

Sunday, 12 February

Owaka Patchwork Group Supper Room, 9.30 -4pm

Monday, 13 February

Owaka Mainly Music, 10 am, Owaka Grace Hall
(see ad)

Catlins Coast Inc, Papatowai Fire Station, 7.pm

Kaka Pt Ramblers Walking Group, 10 am

Tuesday, 14 February

Age Concern Exercises, 10am, Grace Hall

Wednesday, 15 February

Owaka Outdoor Bowling Club, 6.30 pm

Owaka Parenting Support Group Coffee

Morning 10-12 midday,

South Otago (Owaka) Pony Club at McGill's
Newhaven, 4pm

Owaka Community Library Board Games,
2.30—4.30pm

Thursday, 16 February

Twilight Golf, 6 pm

Digital Help, 1 –3 pm, Owaka Community Library

Catlins Historical Society, 7 pm, Owaka Museum

Owaka Euchre Club, 1.pm, Catlins Inn Lounge

Friday, 17 February

Catlins Senior Citizens, Supper Room, 1.30pm,

Saturday, 18 February

Owaka Golf Club, Tee Off 1 pm

The Secret World of Arachnids, Kaka Point
Hall, 8 pm, (see ad)

Sunday, 19 February

Owaka Yacht Club Burke Trophy,
3.45 pm start

Monday, 20 February

Owaka Lions Club Meeting, 6.30 pm

Owaka Mainly Music, 10 am, Owaka Grace Hall

Kaka Pt Ramblers Walking Group, 10 am

Tuesday, 21 February

Age Concern Exercises, 10am, Owaka Grace Hall

Catlins Search and Rescue Training, 7.30pm

Wednesday, 22 February

South Otago (Owaka) Pony Club at McGill's
Newhaven, 4pm

Owaka Outdoor Bowling Club , 6.30 pm

Owaka Parenting Support Group Coffee
10-12 midday, at Plunket Rooms

Owaka Book Discussion Group, 7.30 pm

Owaka Community Library Board Games,
2.30—4.30pm

Thursday, 23 February

Twilight Golf, 6 pm

Digital Help, 1 –3 pm, Owaka Community Library

Owaka Euchre Club, 1.pm, Catlins Inn Lounge

Friday, 24 February

Saturday, 25 February

Owaka Golf Club, Tee Off 1 pm

Edge of the World Art Exhibition Opens,
Waikawa Hall, 9am—5 pm daily till 5 March

Sunday, 26 February

Owaka Patchwork Group Supper Room, 9.30 -4pm

Puketiro Gun Club, 12 midday

Monday, 27 February

Owaka Mainly Music 10 am , Owaka Grace Hall

Kaka Pt Ramblers Walking Group, 10 am

Tuesday, 28 February

Age Concern Exercises, 10am, Grace Hall

Fire and Emergency New Zealand declares a prohibited fire season for Otago's Clutha zone

Otago's Clutha zone has moved to a Prohibited
Fire Season as of 8am today, Friday 20 January
2023, until further notice.

A prohibited fire season means a total ban on
outdoor fires, and all previously granted fire per-
mits are suspended.

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This edition of the Catlins Connection is kindly sponsored by
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mainly music

Owaka Grace Church runs Mainly Music sessions for Pre-schoolers accompanied by Mums, Dads and caregivers.

First session for 2023 is Monday, 13 February at 10am in our building beside Owaka Motors.

Come and Join us for music, dancing, celebrations, spending time together and having FUN.

Haven't been before?? New to the area?? Come along.

We would love to meet you.

Cost: \$3 per child and \$5 per family

Contacts: Heni - 4158117, Karen - 0274158104, Glenda - 0272736314

drive on with the

NIAGARA FALLS

BLUEGRASS & ROOTS

FESTIVAL

Featuring ★★★★★★

SASSAFRAS BAND (USA) - THE EASTERN
OSCAR LADELL & HOOT - THE COMMONERS
VALLEY BLUEGRASS - BACKPEGGERS - PORT HILLBILLIES
JARED SMITH - PURPLE HAYES BLUEGRASS - ANDY PARSONS
SHAKY HOLLOWES AND MANY MANY MORE!!!

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niagara falls cafe

SAT/SUN. FEB 4/5TH

\$20 / DAY PP OR \$30 WEEKEND PASS - UNDER 18 FREE.

ENJOY! BIRCHWOOD! SILKEN! HARP! HORN! HORN!

FEATURING THE NEW MUSIC! BANSOFT! HARP! HARP! HARP!

Bat & Moth nights!

Thursday 29 December 9.30pm
Saturday 14 January 9.30pm
Sunday 5 February 9pm

Catlins River Rd, Tawanui
meet 1km before campsite

(carshare may be possible: meet outside the Lumberjack 40mins before start)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL!

We don't walk far – bring a chair if you like. Wear warm clothes as it gets cool later on. Also sturdy footwear and bring a torch. All equipment provided.
Free – koha welcome!

Find out more about our local bats and the moths they may be eating!

NB. Will be cancelled if weather is very cold or wet

For more details & offers/requests for car shares - **contact (text is best!)**:

Annette 0274 158 168
annetepowaka@gmail.com



It's Wild!

Celebrating Catlins' wildlife of the night!

February wildlife discovery meetings for all Catlins' artists

Tuesday 7 Feb, Bats of the Wisp: Booking essential for meeting place etc. Led by Ian Davidson-Watts. This is the busiest of Catlins' bat flight areas. Late in the night, more details of the bats foraging this valley will be discovered.

8pm Saturday 18 Feb, Kaka Point Community Hall: 'Silken harp chords and the green chorus'. Led by James Crofts-Bennett we will be exploring the secret world of arachnids. (Drawings - thanks to James!)

Contact: Catriona 0223 914 698 catlinspekapeka@gmail.com



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Catlins Medical Centre (2017) Ltd

Welcome to 2023 from Catlins Medical Centre

Covid is still around so take care of yourself and remember if you do test positive then register yourself on 0800 222478, that way we have a record of this.

We are fortunate to have locum cover right through until the end of April with Dr Gill Penno, Dr Claudia Mosavi & Dr Takla Gardey all making return visits to assist at the Catlins Medical Centre. These ladies all love coming to the Catlins and enjoy working with our staff and also the patients.

As you may be aware Elly Morris has decided to resign from the Catlins Medical Centre, date to be confirmed. Elly has dedicated many years to Catlins Medical Centre and has an amazing wealth of knowledge. Elly will be sorely missed but will now be able to have some time for herself, when she is not farming☺

Remember also if you are on regular medications do not leave it to the last minute to organize your repeats as we cannot guarantee same day prescriptions.

Debra Hollows, Practice Manager

Owaka Outdoor Bowling Club

If you are interested in playing Twilight Bowls

Just for Fun



Come along and have a game
Beginning mid February, on
Wednesdays, 6.30 pm

Please contact Dawn Smith, 0276574012
or any other Bowling Club member

MAKERS & GROWERS MARKET

SATURDAY 4th FEBRUARY

10am – 2pm

At Basil & Baylys Farm Shop

35 MAIN RD, OWAKA

COME ALONG TO SUPPORT OUR FABULOUS,
TALENTED, LOCAL MAKERS & GROWERS:
PLANTS, PRODUCE, FRESH BREAD, HONEY,
CRAFTS, MUSIC and more



Classes:

Tuesdays: 7-8pm

Yin Yoga

Port Molyneux

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Phone or Message Mel to book in 027 5106008

Wednesdays: 7-8pm

Hatha Vinya Yoga

Basil & Baylys, Owaka

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Owaka Volunteer Fire Brigade

Honours Night to celebrate Michael Redshaw's

Gold Star and Brigade Honours

Saturday 4 February 2023, 7.30pm

Owaka Community Centre

Music, Refreshments and Supper provided

Tickets: Double \$80, Single \$40,

available from Brigade members

or Stephanie Chambers 027

6791921 or Mark Cuthbert

027 2292972.



The Catlins Community Directory

**For Emergencies Call
111**

Catlins Medical Centre
Ph: 03 4158006 (24 hours)

**Catlins Health and Gifts
Pharmacy Depot**

Open 9.30am-5.30pm Mon-Fri
Prescription Collection Point
from 4.30pm, Wendy Dewe
Ph: 03 4158109

Catlins Information Centre
Ph: 03 4158371

**CDC Owaka Library/
Service Centre**

PH: 03 4158371 After Hours
0800 801350

Owaka Transfer Station

Open 1-3 pm, Sundays
Waikawa Road, Owaka

Owaka Museum

Mike McPhee (Manager)
Week Days: 8.30am-5pm
Open 7 days a week.
Closed Christmas Day.
Ph: 03 4158323

Catlins Coast Inc

Hilary McNab, Ph: 034158296

Catlins Community Co.

Hamish McDougall
Ph: 03 4158273

**Catlins Early Learning
Centre *Little Hoiho***

8am to 5pm Mon to Fri
Manager: Ali Duncan,
Ph: 021 02435252

Catlins Historical Society

Bruce Wilson, Ph: 03 4158282

**Catlins Historical Society
Volunteers**

Jenny O'Connell, Ph: 027 4128071

**Catlins Music & Poetry
Club**

Owaka Grace Hall, Chris and
Glenda Landreth, Ph: 03 4158119

Catlins Search and Rescue

Greg Ramsay, Ph: 03 4158437

Catlins Senior Citizens

Dawn Miller, Ph: 027 2345056

Catlins Yoga

Mel Wenlock, Ph 027 5106008

Hina Hina Hall

Melanie Burgess, Ph: 027 4826260

**Kaka Point Ramblers
(Walking Group)**

Every Monday 10am
Lorraine Barron, Ph: 03 4128016

Katea Indoor Bowling Club

Barry Gray, Ph: 03 4158415

**Our Hut Heritage Hub
Films, Tahakopa**

Wifi-Unifone available
Don Sinclair, Ph: 03 4158075
Owaka Badminton Club
T and S Grant, Ph: 03 4158003

**Owaka Book Discussion
Group**

Meets 4th Wednesday of month in
different homes at 7.30pm
Marian Smith, Ph: 027 3803132

**Owaka Combined Sports
Bodies**

Nathan Wilson, Ph: 03 4158599

Owaka Craft Group

St John Rooms, First Tuesday of
month, 1.30-4 pm
Lenore Kopua, Ph: 0274517797

Owaka Cricket Club

Francis Parker
Ph: 027 8244587

**Owaka & Districts Parent-
ing Support Group**

Abigail Tarbotton, Secretary,
03 4158975

Owaka Euchre Club

Dawn Miller, 0272345056
Pat Ratahi 0274158873

Owaka Garden Club

Meets 2nd Wednesday of month
Community Centre Supper Room
1.30pm, Wendy de Boer, 03 4158799

**Owaka Going Forward
Committee**

Marion Leslie, Ph: 03 4158588

Owaka Golf Club

Every Saturday tee off at 1pm
Doug Dewe, Ph: 03 4158060

**Owaka Grace Presbyterian
Fellowship** (next to Owaka
Motors), Sunday Services: 10.30 am

Visitors Welcome, Pastor: Matt
Tarbotton, Ph: 034158975

Owaka Hall Committee

Debra Hollows, Ph: 03 4158428

Owaka Ladies Golf

Tuesdays, Kathryn Wilson
Ph: 03 4158282

Owaka Library Book Club

Meets 2nd Wednesday of month at
2pm at Owaka Library
Steph Brunton, Ph: 03 4158371

Owaka Lions Club

Gordon Thompson
Ph: 027 3853182

Owaka Mainly Music

Monday, 10am, Owaka Grace Hall
(next to Owaka Motors)
Heni Landreth, Ph: 03 4158117

**Owaka Outdoor Bowling
Club**

Dawn Smith, Ph: 0276574012

Owaka Patchwork Group

Meets second and last Sundays of
month at Community Centre Supper
Room, 9.30am-4pm
Marion Leslie, Ph: 03 4158588

**Owaka Presbyterian
Church**

Sunday Services: 10.30 am
Visitors welcome
Campbell Brown, Ph: 03 4158274

Owaka Rugby Club

Chris Chittock, Ph:

**Owaka St John
Ambulance Volunteers**

Jim Young, Ph: 03 4158532

Owaka St John Committee

John Spicer, Ph: 4128184

Owaka Swap Shop

Rear of Owaka Community Centre
Open: Mondays 12-1pm,
Thursdays 2.30-4pm
Annette Patterson Ph: 03 4158491

Owaka Swimming Baths

Linda Wilson, Ph: 03 4158599

**Owaka Volunteer Fire
Brigade**

Mark Cuthbert, Ph: 03 4158509

Owaka Yacht Club

Hina Hina Estuary
Mark Preddy, Ph: 03 4128674

**Otago Youth Adventure
Trust (Tautuku Outdoor
Education Centre)**

Alan Dewe, Warden, Ph: 03 4158035

**Papatowai and Districts
Community Association
(PADCA)**

Ian Morison, Ph: 03 4749664

**Papatowai Country Store
& Peake's Kitchen**

Tom and Nicole Peake
Ph: 02204090798.
E: peakeskitchen@gmail.com

**Papatowai Forest Heritage
Trust**

Mary Sutherland Ph: 0274150205
E: marysutherland@icloud.com

**Papatowai Volunteer Fire
Brigade**

Tony Miller, Ph: 03 4158669

Pounaweia Picnic Group

Linda Mason, Ph: 027 459 3659

Puketiro Gun Club

Chris Bennett, Ph: 034158513

Romahapa School

Principal: Ph: 03 4128849

South Otago Forest & Bird

Jane Young, Ph: 03 4158532

**South Otago Pony Club
(Owaka)**

Wednesdays 4pm
McGill's Farm, Newhaven
Denise McGill Ph: 03 4158358

Tahakopa School

Principal: Cherie Zoutenbier- Bisset
Ph: 03 4158085

Tahakopa Fellowship

Our Hut, Tahakopa
Fortnightly services
Keith Olsen Ph: 0274158244

The Catlins Area School

Glenys Hanley, Principal
Ph: 034158036

The Catlins Bat Project

Report sightings, surveys, events
Catriona Gower
catlinsbats@gmail.com

**Community Email
Convener**

Join the **Catlins Community
email Group** to receive up-
to-date community notices.

Contact:

s.carr2007@gmail.com

Keep this page up to date.

Please contact **Helen-May** or
Glenda with any changes

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Ms KI Goffe JP, 021 777732

The Catlins Region:

Mr A Keen JP, 03 415 8195
Mrs R Ross JP, 03 415 8039
Mr BH Wilson JP, 03 415 8282

Kaka Point:

Mrs MJ Dunn JP, 03 412 8626 or 027 6512151
Mr MJ Ford JP, 03 412 8792 or 027 4128045



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