Wakatipu HIGH SCHOOL Newsletter

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Facebook Page

Please see our Facebook page for all the latest updates from Wakatipu High School, and take a look at our sports page for news on football, rugby, snow sports and more. Recent posts include Sporting and Cultural Blues videos and photos, and our Sportswoman of the Year.

Principal's Message

Kia ora and welcome to the Wakatipu High School newsletter. After the epics of the last few weeks today's is much shorter - in part because we are now settling to the new normal that is exam time, and because I am away at a principal's meeting tomorrow so am writing this on Thursday.

An update to the Tertiary Scholarships totals that I have mentioned recently is that our students have now gained $500,000 worth of scholarships. This is a phenomenal amount of money, which will be significant for those students and their families. It also shows just how well so many of our students are achieving and being prepared for their futures.

Friday 15th November - is always a different day here (and is based on Canterbury Show Day and no NCEA exams nationally). Please note:
Seniors - no studying at school this day please (and leadership training for Student Leaders)
Year 10s - Branches Camp Workday
Year 9 - School and buses as normal
Year 8 - Orientation Day, 09:00-15:30

Branches - please ensure that you see the latest email from Mr McIntyre; and that, if you haven't already, you complete the Medical and Consent and Transport Forms asap.
Branches Camp Fees are due next Fri 15th - but as always, if this is an issue please contact us re making an arrangement or Awhi support, we do not want finance to be a barrier to any student attending camp. Re which, our thanks to those who are supporting Branches Workday next Friday by employing students :)

NCEA Exams start tomorrow and run until early December. We hope that seniors are now studying hard so that they can achieve their goals and best qualification possible.
After last weekend's stunner this weekend will be much more mixed, with Saturday currently looking best :)

Steve Hall, Principal

Year 10 Exams

Year 10 students have sat their end of year English and Mathematics exams this week. These exams are as much about the process of learning as the performance (focus on the process). We want students to become familiar with how exams run and are structured, and by gaining some experience with this will hopefully reduce anxiety for NCEA exams next year.

One of the most important steps is for students to reflect on what went well and what they could change to improve their performance next time. Now is a really great time to talk with your student about how they felt and what might be good things to remember for preparing in the future. By focusing your conversation on the process rather than the grade (or outcome), you will really help them to improve their exam technique and future success.

All of the Year 10 students behaved impeccably during the exams, and we had excellent feedback from our lovely reader/writers and all the exam invigilators. It really was a joy to see students trying their best, sticking with it, and caring about their learning.

Students will get their Mathematics exams returned to them over the next week. Teachers will also discuss what went well and what they could change in their preparation. Mathematics classes will now be looking further at statistics (time series and big data). This is a highly topical area in a landscape of Queenstown's huge growth and businesses unprecedented access to individual data via social media.

English students will have their papers returned over the next week, and take part in a reflective discussion with their class. English teachers were also incredibly impressed with the effort students put into the exam, and hope that it was a valuable learning experience about how they work under pressure. Most classes will move into a creative project now, like a short-film production, zine creation or political campaign plan.

Please note that Year 10 exams are one data point, on one day. Their performance is not singularly significant in determining students' future per se. What students learn from the process of sitting the exam however could have a far longer impact.

Lee Hiestand, Assistant Principal

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Mana Pounamu Awards 2019

Last Friday the prestigious Mana Pounamu Awards were held in Dunedin. These awards celebrate the achievement of rakatahi Māori in secondary schools across Otago. Each school nominates one junior and one senior student for these awards and this year we were delighted to put forward Dillion Bouchier (Junior Yr 9-11) and Lucia King-Smith (Senior Yr 12-13).

Dillon (Te Rarawa, Ngati Manuhiri) has excelled in music and his academic studies. He has already gained Level 1 endorsed with Excellence this year and has had great success as a member of both the school jazz ensemble and his rockquest ban "The Trainsurfers".

Lucia (Ngati Kahungunu; Ngai Tuhoe) has achieved highly in leadership, her academic studies and in sport. She has been a fantastic House Leader, has represented the school in Netball, Athletics and Rowing and she is on track to achieve Level 3 endorsed with Excellence.

Although Lucia and Dillon were unable to attend the ceremony due to Senior Prizegiving, we congratulate them on their success this year and on receiving this award.

Sonia Panapa, Deputy Principal

Parking 2020

This is an important email re student car parking at WHS in 2020 - which may affect you &/or require action from you **now**, please read below.

We have had confirmation that the Phase 2 expansion of the school will start early next year. This means that the grass area behind our shed, which is currently being used for student car parking, will be being used for site offices and access for construction etc and will be cordoned off and unavailable for parking. For this reason, only Year 13 students will be issued with Parking Permits and able to park within the school grounds in 2020 (NB parking will still be on a first come first served basis).

Given this, if you will be a Year 11 or Year 12 student in 2020 and think you may wish to drive a vehicle to school next year, we strongly recommend that you take up the final opportunity that we have been offered to register your car for the '$2 per day reduced rate parking deal' at the public car park on Red Oaks Drive near Game Over. Registrations close on Friday 22 November at 3pm. Access to this deal is a limited offer and no further follow ups will be sent. NB parking there will also be on a first come basis and is not guaranteed.

Year 12's (who will be Year 13 in 2020) should also consider registering your car in the event you are unable to get a park onsite.

Andrea Wilton-Connell, Executive Officer

Long Drops and Hard Knocks

Long Drops and Hard Knocks celebrated 50 years of Branches school camps.

Adventure, laughter, danger, romance and intrigue all grace the pages of the Branches Charitable Trust's greatly anticipated anniversary book, celebrating 50 years of Wakatipu High school Branches Camp memories.

The full delivery is arriving soon and will be available from Thursday 21 November at $59.95. Stockists include:

- Wakatipu High School
- Arrowtown Museum
- Summerfields Pharmacy
- Remarkables Market
- Online www.branchestrust.co.nz or Branches Facebook page.

This would make a wonderful Christmas gift of memories. Please support Branches Trust!

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Job Opportunities

Placemakers and MICO have 3 roles available:
MICO Counter - Saturdays 8am - 2 pm
Tasks include - serving customers, stocking shelves, money handling

Placemakers Counter - Saturdays 8am -2pm
Tasks include - serving customers, cleaning and labelling, using eftpos

Placemakers After School Crew - Monday and Tuesday 3.45 - 5.30
Task include - shocking shelves, helping with displays
Please contact rachel.mansfield@placemakers.co.nz for more information or to apply.

AJ Hackett Bungy NZ
We need:

- A Café Assistant for our Bungy Café starting ASAP
- A Summer Frontline Sales & Service crew member for our Kawarau Bridge site (roughly mid Nov to end Feb)
- A Kitchen Hand for our Bungy Café (starting mid Nov)
- A Photo & Video Operator for our Kawarau Bridge site (starting mid Dec)

Please share our job opportunities & direct jobseekers to www.bungy.co.nz/jobs, or to apply directly to hrmanager@bungy.co.nz. If you would like to apply, please also be aware that you must be available full time over Christmas & New Year, as they have a holiday blackout period from mid-December to mid-Jan.

Bath Bed and Beyond are looking for:

- A reliable student to work over the busy Christmas period.
- Start mid-December until end of January

Please call into the store at Five Mile for more information.

Bachcare Holiday Homes
Senior highschool students interested in casual work cleaning Arrowtown holiday homes over the school summer holidays, please text/call Sara on 027 254 9022. $20 per hour. Attention to detail and time efficiency important. (Possibility of ongoing work available for future school/Uni holidays).

Tanya Glanfield, Careers Assistant

Climbing Team

Saturday 2 November a dozen of students part of the Youth Development Climbing Team made the most of the warm temperatures and climbed by Lake Wakatipu. The group scaled rock faces by Drift Bay (a few kilometres from Jacks Point). Students challenged themselves on climbs ranging from grade 15 to grade 22 (which is quite steep!).

Later during the day members of the team tried a climb which is perched just above the lake. At the end of the day some students decided to have a quick dip in the water as the temperatures approached the late 20s. Thank you to parents who helped this day and to Queenstown Climbing Club members for their help. Next week the team is heading to the Darrans which is one the best climbing area in New Zealand.

Guillaume Charton, Head of Languages

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Central Otago Junior Touch Tournament

WHS entered two teams into the Central Otago Junior Touch Tournament in Cromwell on Tuesday. Congratulations to the A team who won the A grade, beating Mt Aspiring 4-2 in the final. The B team finished second, losing to Dunstan 5-3 in the final of the B grade. It was a great afternoon of touch.

Laura Nathan, Sports Coordinator

Cricket Representatives

Congratulations to the following girls and boys who have been selected for Otago Country and Otago representative age group cricket teams. We wish you all the best at the upcoming summer tournaments.

Otago Country Colts:
Jordan Gibbons
Toby Hart
Angus Herron
Lachie Marshall
Seth Mawhinney
Gabe White

Otago Country Development:
Angus Herron
Otago U17 Boys:
Toby Hart

Otago U19 Women's:
Lucy Viggers
Kloe Vermeir
Paige Loggenberg

Laura Nathan, Sports Coordinator

View from School

Ken McIntyre took this lovely photo this week of our great view from school as the southerly cleared.

WHS Foundation Annual Golf Tournament

Don't miss out on the Wakatipu High School Foundation's annual Golf Tournament which will be held at Millbrook Resort in Queenstown on Wednesday 11 December!

Click here to register your team of 4 today.

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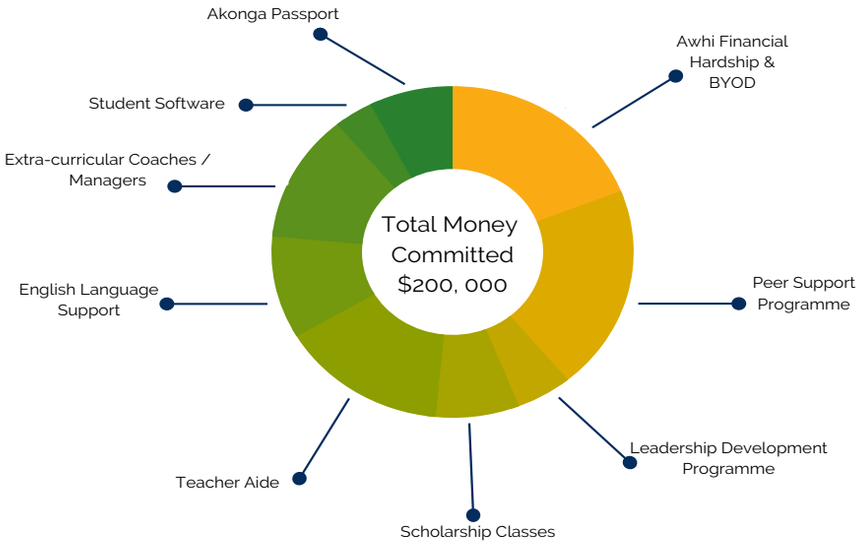
LOOKING FORWARD - GIVING BACK

The WHS Foundation is having a very real and positive impact in our school community, funding the school approx $200,000 per year and raising over $1.4 million dollars for Wakatipu High School since 2013.

FOCUS 2019



AWHI FUND

We understand that on occasion, families may need assistance in meeting the costs of various aspects of school life.
Supported by the WHS Foundation, WHS operates the Awhi Fund, named for the Maori word for 'help'. This fund is designed to assist families cover the costs of almost any aspect of school life, such as uniform, fees, 'BYOD' devices, camps and school/extra-curricular trips.

If you would like to get more information about Awhi, please contact a school Guidance Counsellor to arrange a confidential meeting.

BECOME A BUSINESS PARTNER

The success of the WHS Foundation depends on the strength of its partnerships with community and business leaders. The WHS Foundation business partnership program works with a dynamic group of local companies and professionals who recognise that an exceptional high school offering a great "all-round" education is key to retain families in the region, develop the future employees and entrepreneurs of the Wakatipu Basin and strengthen our local community. Interested in being a part of it?
Contact our Executive Officer on wakatipuhsfoundation@gmail.com or 022 327 9397

THANKS TO OUR BUSINESS PARTNERS!

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Highlands Game Over
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KJet
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Mitre 10 Mega
NZSKI
Pacific Travel Planners
Placemakers
Remarkable Park Town Centre
Trinity Development
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Important Dates

WHS Mobile App
Upcoming events and important dates now available on the WHS App Calendar

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

You can now get information on our important upcoming events on the 'Calendar' section of our WHS App. It's free to download and use for iOS and Android devices. Once you have the app on your smartphone or tablet, simply hit 'Calendar' to view important upcoming events. You can also tap on the three bars in the top left to bring up the menu, then use the 'Alert Subscriptions' option to select what groups, years, or subjects apply to you. The WHS App is recommended for both students and parents.

Push Notifications
The app allows you to select alert groups so that you only get notifications relevant to you such as:

- Whole School information alerts
- Sports and activities reminders
- Year level events
- House announcements
- Buses updates, such as lateness or breakdowns

This feature will help ensure that you receive only messages that are applicable to you.

Other Features
The app also gives you quick links to:

- Report your child's absence
- Log into the WHS Portal
- Access the school notices
- Read the latest newsletter
- Quick link to the school website
- Check upcoming calendar events
- Contact the school

Date	Event	Who
Friday 29 November – Tuesday 10 December	Year 10 Branches Camp	Year 10
Wednesday 11 December	Graduation	Year 13
Wednesday 11 December	Year 9 Prizegiving	Year 9
Thursday 12 December	Year 10 Prizegiving	Year 10

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MILLBROOK
Escape the everyday

REGISTER YOUR TEAM BEFORE 11 NOVEMBER -
www.wakatipuhsfoundation.co.nz/events
$200 per person includes light lunch, Golf and BBQ
$1,200 for Hole Sponsorship including team of 4

PROGRAMMED

Caretaker - Handyman

- ***Attractive and competitive salary***
- ***Excellent development opportunities and training***
- ***Great team environment***

The Role
We require a Caretaker- Handyman to join our Facility Management team to work full time afternoon shift 1pm to 9pm weekdays at Wakatipu High School in Queenstown.

Reporting to the Facilities Coordinator you will be required to care, maintain and develop the customer site and associated facilities, using professional techniques in accordance with approved plans, policies and hours allocated.

Responsibilities include:
• Completing diverse work requests within the time frames given
• Performing minor repairs
• Giving direction and working alongside specialist contractors
• Undertaking regular facility inspections
• Computer based systems and tasks

Skills and Experience
To be successful, experience in a similar role would be beneficial however those with a practical, hands-on and problem solving skill set are encouraged to apply. While having a well-developed applicable skill base and the ethic and attitude to succeed is highly desirable.

A related qualification will be very highly regarded and a current driver's licence is also essential.

A solid basic computer skill base is required.

The ability to legally work full time in New Zealand is required.
If you know you fit this role don't miss out! Apply now!

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Programmed strives for diversity, inclusion and equality of our people. We seek a workforce that is representative of the communities we work in. We encourage people of all cultures, gender, age, sexual orientation or abilities to apply.

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Receptionist

Cougar Security are looking for someone to join our busy office team and be the friendly face of our company!

This is a role surrounding:
- Being the first point of contact for people walking through our office doors and making phone/email enquires
- PA duties for management staff
- Ad-hoc and administration tasks
- Office maintenance

To apply for this role you will require:
- A full drivers license
- Be able to obtain a CDA. This includes being 18 years or older and having a clean criminal record
- Be a NZ resident or citizen

The ideal applicant will:
- Be computer literate
- Have excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Be comfortable working alone
- Enjoy dealing with the public
- Possess a willingness to learn and adapt new skills
- Plan to stay in this role for at least one year

In return you will get:
- A full time role with regular hours
- Training to upskill your knowledge and experience in an office environment
- A supportive and fun team to work with
- The opportunity to work at some amazing local events

If this sounds like you and you are looking for a new opportunity, apply now by sending your cover letter and CV to HR@cougarsecurity.co.nz

COUGAR

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Tickets on sale NOW from the
Arrowtown School Office & The Lakes District Museum
$65pp Includes Hangi Meal for one person
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Proceeds go towards supporting our childrens' Kapa Haka and Te Ao Māori learning in school

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@joycoqueenstown
•Like the competition post
•Share it for an extra entry!
*Entrants must have event within 100km of Queenstown
QUEENSTOWN@JOYCO.CO.NZ
027 597 1195

Can you provide a stable and loving environment for tamariki until it's safe for them to return home?

All children need a place where they can feel at home with their wider whānau or caregivers. Those who can give them aroha, a place of belonging and connection with family, whakapapa and culture

Caregiving can be hard at times but the rewards can be amazing. Your aroha can make all the difference.

For more information about becoming an Oranga Tamariki caregiver, please get in touch anytime on:

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BREAKFAST ON THE GO

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, it gives your child the **best** start by providing them with energy to play, learn and have fun!

Mornings are a busy time, so start your day on the right track with a quick, easy and healthy breakfast!

Here are some healthy on the go breakfast options to try:

Smoothie

- Fruit or vegetable smoothie using milk or yoghurt. Try tinned or frozen fruit.

Toast

- Peanut butter and sliced banana
- Fruit toast, plus a piece of fresh fruit
- Avocado & sliced tomato

Prepare in advance

- Fruit pikelets or pancakes
- Overnight oats, cereal or porridge
- Fruit, cereal and yoghurt

Check out: fuelled4life.org.nz/resources for recipes

PLANNING FUNDRAISING

Changing the way that we approach fundraising can send a clear message to our community and help to create an environment that support our childrens health.

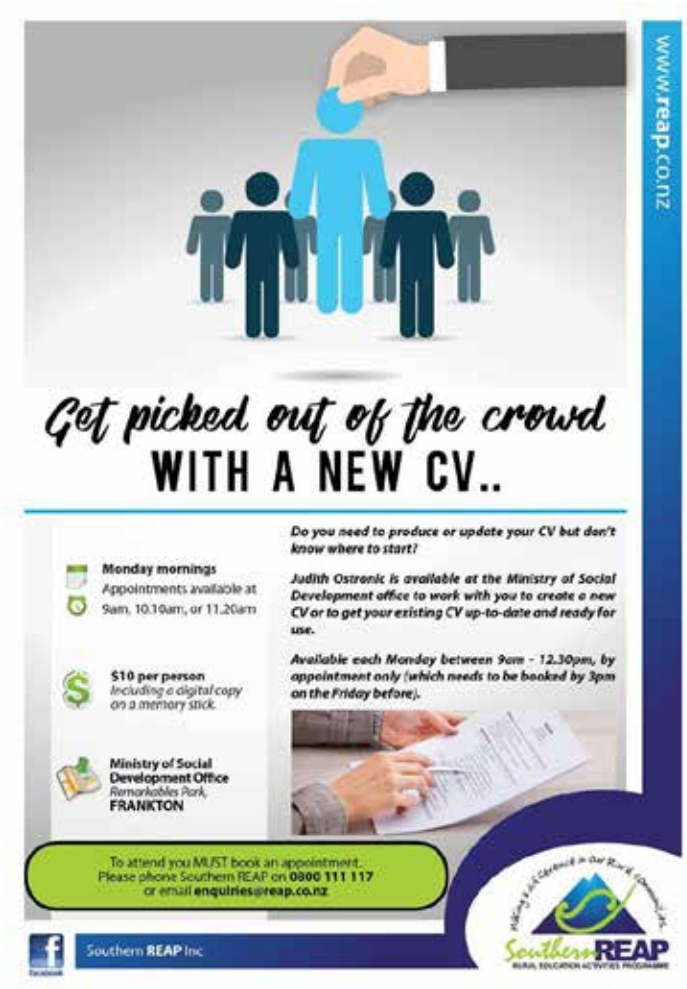
It might be time to start planning your service or school's fundraising for 2020. How about trying the following ideas?

Selling products such as soaps, reusable food wraps or reusable bags.

Holding an event such as a bikeathon, scootathon, car wash or art auction.

What other fundraising ideas can you come up with that promote healthy and active children?

For more information visit: **heartfoundation.org.nz**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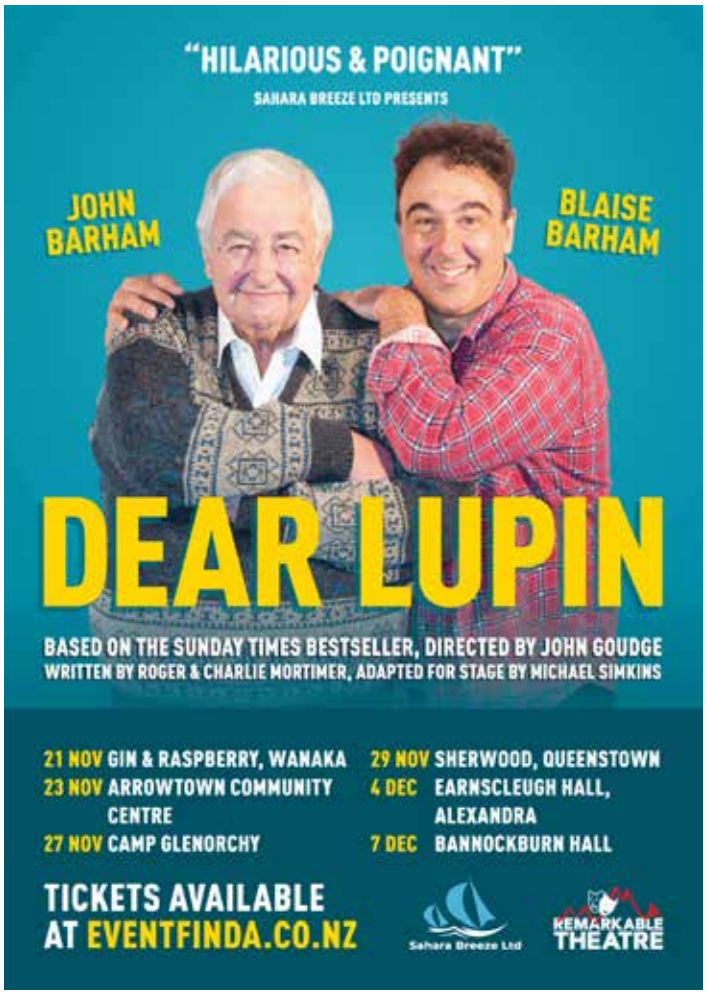
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SAHARA BREEZE LTD PRESENTS
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BASED ON THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER, DIRECTED BY JOHN GOUDGE
WRITTEN BY ROGER & CHARLIE MORTIMER, ADAPTED FOR STAGE BY MICHAEL SIMKINS
21 NOV GIN & RASPBERRY, WANAKA
23 NOV ARROWTOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE
27 NOV CAMP GLENORCHY
29 NOV SHERWOOD, QUEENSTOWN
4 DEC EARNSCLEUGH HALL, ALEXANDRA
7 DEC BANNOCKBURN HALL
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SUMMER SEASON
EVERY SATURDAY
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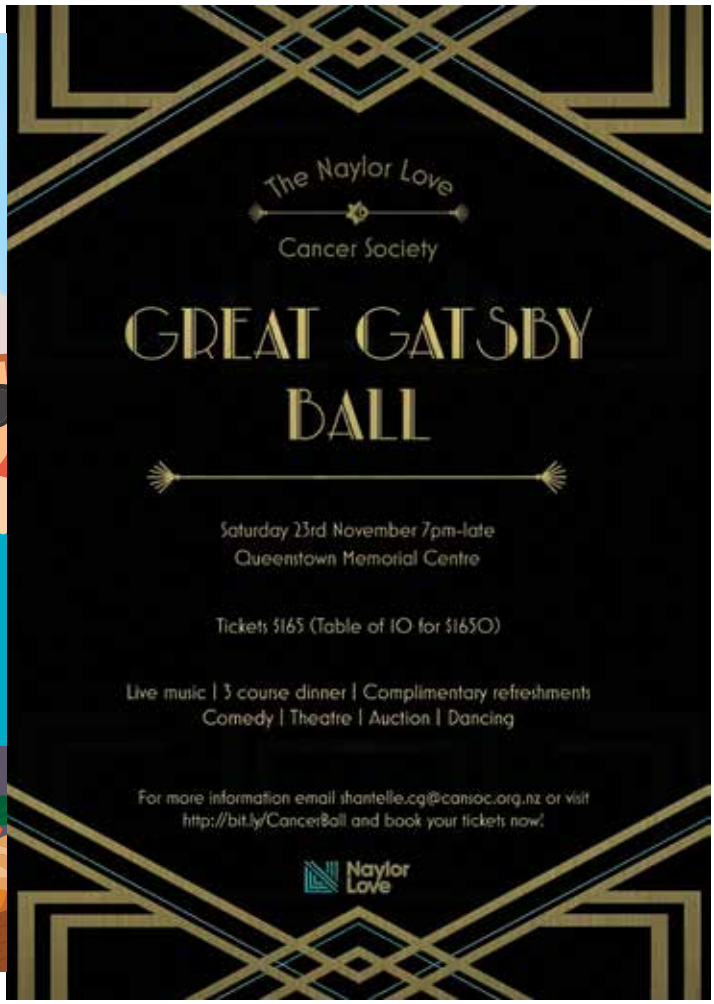
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GREAT GATSBY BALL
Saturday 23rd November 7pm-late
Queenstown Memorial Centre
Tickets $165 (Table of 10 for $1650)
Live music | 3 course dinner | Complimentary refreshments
Comedy | Theatre | Auction | Dancing
For more information email shantelle.cg@cansoc.org.nz or visit
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Naylor Love

How Queenstown Shaped Adventure Racing Worldwide

Thirty years since the world's first expedition length adventure race was held in the Southern Alps of New Zealand, sociologist and author Martha Bell will trace the growth of this worldwide endurance phenomenon and its Queenstown roots for Catalyst Trust.

The original Grand Traverse was held in November 1989 and was a media, tourism and sporting spectacular. It spawned a sport that now hosts a World Series, with qualifying races in countries around the world, and New Zealand team Avaya is the world champion.

New Zealanders have dominated racing in various teams over the last three decades, competing in everything from sprint to stage races. Many of our well-known adventure athletes have helped grow the sport at school level and written adventure racing guides for beginners. New Zealand racers are freelance athletes and race directors.

Ms Bell says this many of these athletes and administrators have been Queenstowners, enabled by our freestyle culture of the 1970s, mobile adventure lifestyles of the 1980s and the DIY Kiwi attitude to new technologies of the 1990s.

And, in the very first Raid Gauloises, "The Grand Traverse," it was the Kiwi racers who subverted the original race rules with their own interpretation of the new sport. So what might the future of adventure racing hold - and what might Queenstowners' part be?

Monday, November 25, 1pm-2pm, Queenstown Resort College meeting room, 5th floor, $5 koha at door. Registration is required on Catalyst Trust's Eventbrite page, as numbers are limited. Please bring your tickets (printed, emailed or Eventbrite app).

AI – It's Not What You Think!

Everyday Life and the Digital Revolution

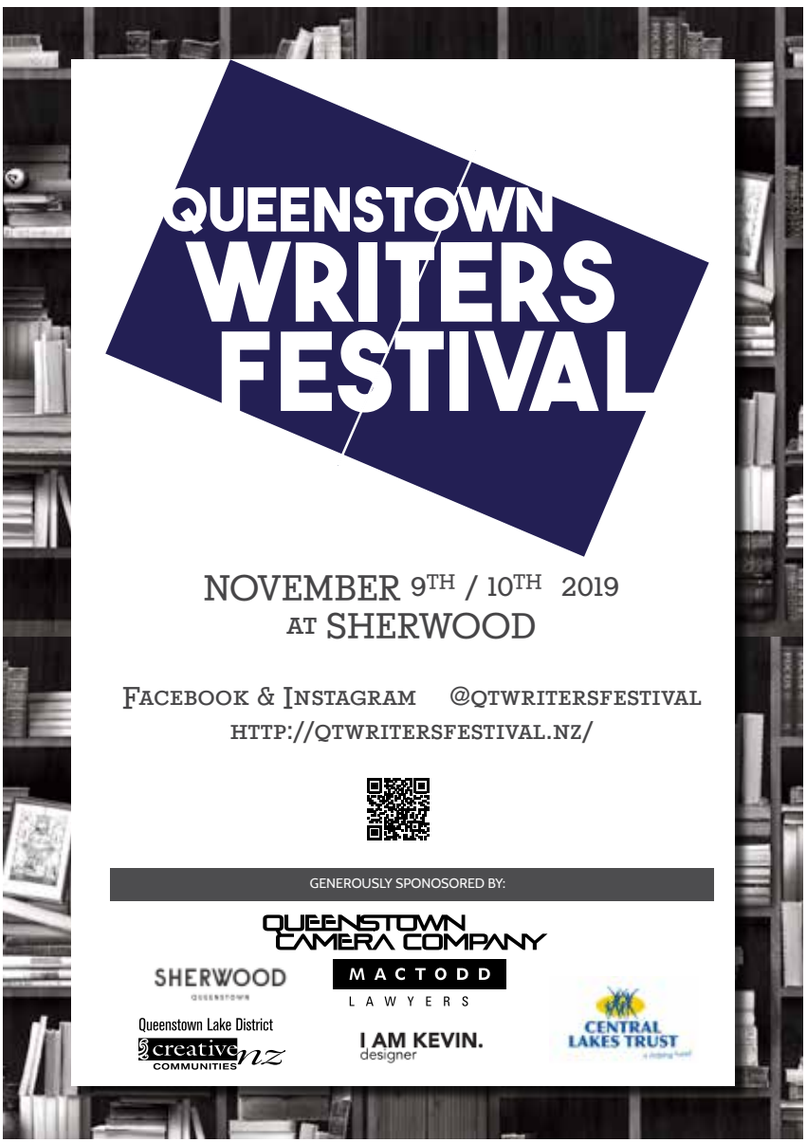
In this provocative Catalyst Trust talk, Cambridge-trained sociologist Anthony Elliott proposes that much of what passes for conventional wisdom about the AI Revolution is either ill-considered or plain wrong.

The reason? AI is not so much about the future but is rather a revolution already well underway – albeit one that is unfolding in complex and uneven ways across the globe.

From industrial robots to chatbots, and from driverless cars to military drones, AI is transforming all aspects of our lives.

Elliott explores how intelligent machines, advanced robotics, accelerating automation, big data and the Internet of Everything are bringing new forms of social interaction and transforming private life as much as the world of work.

Monday, December 2, noon-1pm, Queenstown Resort College meeting room, $5 koha at door. Registration is required on Catalyst Trust's Eventbrite page (opening a month prior), as numbers are limited. Please bring your tickets (printed, emailed or Eventbrite app).



AUDITION CALL

CHRISTMAS SHOW

15TH DECEMBER 2019

Following the success of last year's Christmas Show celebrating the volunteers in our community we present the 2019 Christmas Show - bigger and better than ever! This annual show is an integral part of the events calendar and gives the community and families a chance to celebrate and get excited about Christmas together!

Our producers are seeking a talented cast of children and young people who can sing, dance and act aged between 8-18 years old along with adult singers.

Auditions will be held on **Saturday 12th October 2019**

Please email qtxmasstars@gmail.com for more information and scheduled audition times.

" I highly recommend to anyone interested in dancing, singing or drama to audition for our amazing Christmas Show! Last year I was lucky enough to be cast in the lead role, which was an incredibly fun and rewarding journey! It has helped me with my confidence on stage both with singing and acting. Such an amazingly talented cast of local kids (and a few adults) who I now have a great bond with. The 2018 Xmas show was my favourite one yet! "

Bethany Graf who played the main character - Georgie