

HIP

HOBBIES • INTERESTS • PASSIONS
STUFF FOR BABY BOOMERS!



APRIL - OCTOBER

Kia ora, and welcome to the Rotorua District Council's Autumn/Winter edition of H.I.P. Stuff for Baby Boomers.

After three issues, we now know that the Hobbies, Interests and Passions booklet has provided the catalyst for lots of local seniors and 'soon-to-be-seniors' to get involved with new interests or rediscover old hobbies and passions.

Mrs Kathleen Lee is among those who have heaped praise on the RDC initiative.

"I belong to Springfield Strollers and our membership has increased through people looking at the brochure seeking something to do," says Mrs Lee. "Like me, many of my friends find pleasure in reading the colourful and informative HIP brochure. It certainly brings attention to the many activities available to get older people motivated... no one should complain there is nothing to do in Rotorua."

Being an active member of the Rotorua Dahlia Club, the Rotorua branch of the Altrusa Service Club, the Rotorua Musical Theatre and playing outdoor bowls in addition to walking, Mrs Lee is a shining example of someone who chooses to 'age positively' by engaging in activities that help ensure life is happy and fulfilled whilst getting older.

Whether it's joining a walking group or a Baby Boomers' dance class, training as a Victim Support volunteer or taking a Te Reo class, enrolling in a 2-day pastel drawing workshop or learning to make cheese... residents aged 50 and over keen to emulate Mrs Lee and age positively should use this booklet as a guide to broadening their social interaction, knowledge and wellness options in 2011 and beyond.



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ART ON DISPLAY

Sunrise Rotary Club fund-raising sculpture exhibition

Sculpture exhibition featuring artists from throughout the Bay of Plenty region. All work is available for purchase.

Sat and Sun, April 23/24 | 10am-4pm | 2 Manahi Ave. | Admission: \$5
Bob Gardner | Ph 343 1120 | sculptures@complete.co.nz

Molly Morpeth Canaday Art Award winners

Works by nine award-winners from Whakatane's nationally recognised Summer Arts Festival Art Competition.

To Sun, May 15 | 9am-5pm | Rotorua Museum | Free for residents with ID
Ann Somerville | Ph 349 4350 ext 7823

'Body in Action' exhibition

Highly interactive exhibition revealing how the human body works.

To Sun, June 26 | 9am-5pm | Rotorua Museum | Free for residents with ID
Ann Somerville | Ph 349 4350 ext 7823

'Drawn from Italy: Mantegna to Kauffmann' exhibition

Selection of 15th-18th C. Italian-influenced drawings and prints from Te Papa's collection.

Daily, June 11-July 10 | 9am-5pm | Rotorua Trust Galleries, Rotorua Museum | Free for residents with ID | Ann Somerville | Ph 349 4350 ext 7823

'The Crescent Moon: The Face of Islam in NZ' exhibition

Photographer Ans Westra and writer Adrienne Jansen travelled the country to meet a diverse group of Muslims of Asian descent.

Daily, July 2-Aug 7 | 9am-5pm | Rotorua Trust Galleries, Rotorua Museum
Free for residents with ID | Ann Somerville | Ph 349 4350 ext 7823

Wearable Creationz art exhibition

Exhibition of work by invited local and national artists. Opportunities to purchase and meet the artists at work.

Daily, Aug 13-21 | 1-4pm plus show nights
(see p6) | Energy Events Centre | Free | Mijo Katavic
Ph 027 528 2842 | Mijo.Katavic@rdc.govt.nz



'Blomfield in Wonderland' exhibition

An exhibition demonstrating that Charles Blomfield's art focused on more than just the scenic wonders of Rotorua.

Daily, Aug 20-Nov 27 | 9am-5pm. 9am-9pm after Sept 25 | Rotorua Museum | Free for residents with ID | Ann Somerville | Ph 349 4350 ext 7823

Art Bytes - Friends of the Rotorua Museum

Monthly art talks by New Zealand artists, photographers, sculptors, glassmakers and carvers.

Monthly, various dates | 5.30pm | Education Room, Rotorua Museum
Admission: Gold coin | Warwick Hill | Ph 027 243 7595, 350 1814
paste101@gmail.com | www.rotoruumuseum.co.nz/about-us/our-supporters/friends-of-rotorua-museum

Exhibitions at Rotorua Arts Village

A constantly changing array of wearable art, photography, painting, sculpture, group and top art students exhibitions March-Sept.

Mon-Fri | 9am-4.30pm | Rotorua Arts Village, Hinemaru St. | Free
Tania Short | Ph 348 9008 | office@rave.org.nz | www.rave.org.nz

DISCOVERY OPTIONS FOR 50^S PLUS – P3 TO 10

ACTIVE OPTIONS FOR 50^S PLUS – P11 TO 18

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ARTISTS' AT WORK

Pastel Portraits - 2-day art workshop

Demonstrations, discussions and exercises to build confidence and technical skills. Suits beginners to advanced artists.

Sat and Sun, May 7/8 | 8.30am-4 pm | Arts Village, Hinemaru St. | \$130
RAVE office | Ph 348 9008 | maxinethompson@windowslive.com
www.maxinethompsonartist.com

Animals In Pastel - 2-day art workshop

Whether beginner or advanced artist, learn the art of drawing animals in pastel with professional Maxine Thompson.

Sat and Sun, Oct 29/30
8.30am-4pm

Arts Village, Hinemaru St.

\$130 | RAVE office | Ph 348 9008 | maxinethompson@windowslive.com
www.maxinethompsonartist.com

**Pastel Portraits - 2-day art workshop**

Learn pastel drawing with professional artist Maxine Thompson. Suits beginners to advanced artists.

Sat and Sun, Nov 19/20 | 8.30am-4pm | Arts Village, Hinemaru St.
\$130 | RAVE office | Ph 348 9008 | maxinethompson@windowslive.com
www.maxinethompsonartist.com

Beginners' mixed media art classes

Ideal class for those who have always wanted to try their hand at painting. Ring for course outline.

Mon and Tues, ongoing throughout the year. | 9.30-11.30am
Janet Keen Mosaics and Fine Art Studio, 374 Clayton Rd.

\$200 includes eight hours of tuition and materials | Janet Keen
Ph 346 3435 | jkeen@clear.net.nz | www.jkeen.net

Geyserland Art Group

A supportive environment where artists of all levels and mediums come together to paint.

Every Thurs | 9.30am-12.30pm | Studio 2, Arts Village, Hinemaru St.
Subs: \$25 plus \$2 per session | Pam Lines | Ph 027 594 2307
pam.lines@xtra.co.nz

MCA - Mokoia painting group

For painters of all levels of experience to share ideas and techniques.

Every Wed | 1.30-3.30pm | Mokoia Community Association Hall,
297 Vaughan Rd | Koha | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

CAMERA AND FILM BUFFS

Magma Short Film Festival

Short film festival featuring films from around the globe. Live music and a bar open ahead of screenings.

Thurs-Sat, April 28-30 plus workshops | Various times and costs, see online programme | Shambles Theatre, Amohau St. | Kiri Jarden | Ph 351 8154
info@magmafilm.org.nz | www.magmafilm.org.nz

**WR2982: Short Course Certificate in Introductory Digital Photography**

Learn techniques for digital image capture and digital image manipulation using editing software. Improve/enhance images from digital cameras.

One semester part-time. 5 credits | Mokoia Campus, Waiariki Institute of Technology | Jaarna Hoskins, School of Computing, Technology and Communications | Ph 346 8684 | enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz
www.waiariki.ac.nz

WR2983: Short Course Certificate in Experiencing Digital Photography

Understand exposure and contrast for advanced image capture using a digital camera. Enhance/manipulate images using editing software. Explore printing processes.

10 weeks part-time. 10 credits | Mokoia Campus, Waiariki Institute of Technology | Jaarna Hoskins, School of Computing, Technology and Communications | Ph 346 8684 | enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz
www.waiariki.ac.nz

Rotorua Camera Club

Club meets to discuss and critique members' prints. Also tutorials on digitally manipulating imagery via computer software.

1st Wed of month | 7pm | Dutch Club Hall, Neil Hunt Park, Tarawera Rd. | Subs: \$55 single, \$75 couple | Raewyn Connolly | Ph 345 9828
secretary@rotoruacamera.co.nz | www.rotoruacamera.co.nz

Film and theatre group - U3A

Group for 'third agers' who share an interest in film/theatre by going on regular group outings.

Every 2-3 weeks | 11.30am for 12.30pm film | Meet at various local cafes | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups) | Mary Shapley | Ph 347 9636
www.u3arotorua.com

Photography - U3A

Group of 'third age' amateur photographers who share an interest in cameras and photography.

Group 1 meets 2pm

2nd and 4th Tues of month

Ph Katie Williams 346 3148

Group 2 meets 10am

2nd and 4th Fri of month

Ph Loeta Davies 348 6322

Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups) | www.u3arotorua.com

**MCA - Movie and Munch**

Watch a movie then share lunch with new friends. Check monthly east-side 'Mokoia Matters' newsletter for what's on.

Every 2nd Fri | 10am | Mokoia Community Assn Hall, 297 Vaughan Rd
Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

MCA - Friday Flicks

Watch a movie and chat with friends. Check monthly east-side 'Mokoia Matters' newsletter for what's on.

4th Fri of month | 1.30-3.30pm | Mokoia Community Assn Hall,
297 Vaughan Rd | Free | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

CREATIVE HANDS

Floral design course

5-week course learning some basic floral designs whilst having some fun. Max. 15 places.

Courses start April and run every six weeks (approx.) | 5.30-7.30pm
School of Floral Design, Rotorua Florist, 1222 Eruera St. | \$150 plus
approx \$20 per week for materials | Pamela Jenkins | Ph 348 1092
pamela@schooloffloraldesign.co.nz | www.schooloffloraldesign.co.nz

Create Japanese Tamari balls

Tutor Ann Bell shares the traditional Japanese art of Tamari; wrapping balls with thread to make intricate, geometric patterns.

Sat, May 21 | 9.30am-3.30pm | Arts Village, Hinemaru St.
Approx \$50. Pre-registration required | Delight Gartlein | Ph 357 2575
wallight@paradise.net.nz

Wearable Creationz 2011

A fun, charitable event showcasing Wearable Art; a true celebration of colour, creativity and community.

Thurs-Sat, Aug 18/20 | 7pm plus
11am matinee (Thurs only)

Energy Events Centre | From \$5-\$135.

Check website for details.

Barbara Cook | Ph 021 797 049 | www.wearablecreationz.co.nz



Beginners' Mosaic Classes

Have fun learning to mosaic over four weeks. Ideal for small groups.

Mon and Tues on demand | 9.30-11.30am | Janet Keen Mosaics and Fine Art Studio, 374 Clayton Rd. | \$200 for four 2-hour lessons (includes materials) | Janet Keen | Ph 346 3435 | jkeen@clear.net.nz
www.jkeen.net

Coffin Club group - U3A

Group for 'third agers' intent on building their own underground furniture.

Every Wed | 9.30am | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Katie Williams | Ph 346 3148 | www.u3arotorua.com

Craft group - MCA

For crafts people of all levels of experience to share ideas and techniques.

Every Thurs | 1-3.30pm | Mokoia Community Assn Hall,
297 Vaughan Rd | Koha | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

PERFORMANCE

St Luke's Lunchtime Concert Series

Normally two concerts held each month. Check Rotorua Review for date and featured singer/musician/ choir etc. Lunch available.

April-Oct | 12.15pm | St Luke's Church, cnr Pukuatua and Amohia Sts.
Free. Donations welcome. | Hanno Fairburn | Ph 348 2992

Rotorua Jazz Club evening

Featuring a tribute to Bobby Hackett and Benny Goodman.

Sun, May 1 | 5-8pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse
\$15 non-members, \$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438
davecown@yahoo.com | www.rotorujazzclub.com

'All Shook Up'

Featuring songs made famous by Elvis. JPC musical based on a guitar-playing stranger helping a small town discover the power of rock 'n' roll.

May 20-28 | 8pm (Wed-Sat), 2pm (Sun) matinee. No shows Mon or Tues.
Civic Theatre, Convention Centre | \$30 | Ticketmaster | Ph 349 5141
ticketing@rdc.govt.nz

Rotorua Jazz Club evening with the 'BBC'

Sun, June 5 | 5-8pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse | \$15 non-members,
\$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438 | davecown@yahoo.com
www.rotorujazzclub.com

Rotorua Jazz Club evening with 'The Woody Woodhouse Connection' from Tauranga

Sun, July 3 | 5-8pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse | \$15 non-members,
\$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438 | davecown@yahoo.com
www.rotorujazzclub.com

Rotorua Rhapsody concerts

Performances by local and Australian school choirs, orchestras and concert bands.

Wed and Thurs, July 6/7 | 1pm matinee (Wed and Thurs) and 7pm (Thurs)
Civic Theatre, Convention Centre | Free tickets available from Ticketmaster
from June 27. | Rod Bird | Freephone 0800 442 554
rod@groupevents.com.au

Rotorua Rhapsody gala concert

Featuring the best musicians from Rhapsody 2011 plus guest performances by Roger Fox Quartet and jazz singer Erna Ferry.

Fri, July 8 | 8pm | Civic Theatre,
Convention Centre | Free tickets available
from Ticketmaster from June 27.
Rod Bird | Freephone 0800 442 554
rod@groupevents.com.au



Rotorua Musical Theatre's BEEHIVE: The 60s Musical

Written, directed and choreographed by Robert Young, the show's jam-packed with the hits of 60s and 70s girl groups.

July 8-23 | 8pm (Wed-Sat), 4pm (Sun)
matinee. No shows Mon or Tues.

Casa Blanca Theatre, 122 Riri St.

Admission: \$27 seniors, \$32 adults, \$5 discount at matinees.

Richard MarsHall | Ph 347 6330 | info@rotoruumusicaltheatre.co.nz
www.rotoruumusicaltheatre.co.nz



Rotorua Jazz Club evening with Australian band, 'Dixie Street'

Sun, Aug 7 | 5-8pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse
Admission: \$15 non-members, \$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438
davecown@yahoo.com | www.rotorujazzclub.com

Rotorua Jazz Club evening with Tony Parker's 'New Orleans Joymakers' from Auckland

Sun, Sept 4 | 6-9pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse
Admission: \$15 non-members, \$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438
davecown@yahoo.com | www.rotorujazzclub.com

Rotorua Jazz Club evening the 'Hamilton Big Band'

Sun, Oct 2 | 6-9pm | Arawa Lounge, Racecourse
 Admission: \$15 non-members, \$8 members. | Dave Cown | Ph 347 9438
 davecown@yahoo.com | www.rotorujazzclub.com

Mayoral Concert for the Elderly 2011

Popular annual concert for Rotorua's older residents featuring a variety of mostly local singers, groups, orchestras and choirs.
Sun, Oct 2 | 11am and 2pm | Civic Theatre, Convention Centre
 Free tickets available from Ticketmaster. | Monty Morrison | Ph 348 9134
 monty@cmmevents.co.nz

Bay of Plenty Blues Club Inc.

Where Blues enthusiasts come together to play, perform and meet people with a common interest in Blues music.
1st Wed of month | 7.30pm | The Belgian Bar, 1151 Arawa St. | Subs: \$40 double, \$30 single.
 Non-members \$5 door charge. | Anita Loderus
 Ph 345 8115 | secretary@bopblues.com
 www.bop-blues.com

**Geysersland Country Music Club**

Enjoy country music in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Sing or just listen.

3rd Sun of month | 1-4.30pm | RSA Clubrooms, Haupapa St. | Subs: \$8 senior individual or \$12 senior couple (over 55) plus door charge of \$2. Visitors \$4.
 Julie Hill | Ph 027 727 4914 | julesh@xtra.co.nz

**PINS AND NEEDLES****Make a poppy wall hanging or bag**

Learn how to design a garden scene, raw edge appliqué and free motion quilt during this relaxed, fun class.

Sat and Sun, April 30/May 1 | 10am-4pm (Sat) and 10am-2pm (Sun)
 Cottage Flair, Main Rd, Ngongotaha. | \$90 | Ph 357 5955
 cottageflair@wave.co.nz | www.cottageflair.co.nz

Silk ribbon embroidery class

Make an attractive little bag whilst learning this fast growing and easy-to-learn technique. Suitable for all levels.

Sat, May 7 and 14 | 10am-3pm | Cottage Flair, Main Rd, Ngongotaha.
 \$90 | Ph 357 5955 | cottageflair@wave.co.nz | www.cottageflair.co.nz

Create a 34" x 34" quilt featuring Convolvulus

The quilt's flowers are made with machine appliqué techniques then machine embroidered before being added to the quilt.

Sat and Sun, May 28/29 | 10am-3pm | Cottage Flair, Main Rd, Ngongotaha. | \$90 | Ph 357 5955 | cottageflair@wave.co.nz
 www.cottageflair.co.nz

Beginners' Patchwork course

Comprehensive beginners' class covering all basic patch-working skills. After 10 classes you will have a completely finished and bound quilt.

Tues, 10 weeks, starting May 31 | 9.30am-noon | Cottage Flair, Main Rd, Ngongotaha. | \$120 | Ph 357 5955 | cottageflair@wave.co.nz
 www.cottageflair.co.nz

Rainbow Quilters

A group of friendly quilters who meet to share their knowledge and love of quilting and patchwork.

1st and 3rd Tues of month | 7-9.30pm | Rotorua Bridge Club, Neil Hunt Park | Subs: \$30 | Ruth Lewis | Ph 348 2868 | ruth.lewis@xtra.co.nz

Rotorua Floral Art Group

Weekly workshops, demonstrations or classes. Occasional outings. Affiliated to national body. National qualifications available.

Every Thurs | 1pm | Studio 1, Arts Village, Hinemaru St. | Subs: \$50
 Anne Koopal | Ph 366 6851 | koopal@xtra.co.nz

Rotorua Embroiderers' Group

Members get together weekly (day or evening) to stitch and chat. Regular classes throughout the year.

Every Wed | 9.30am-3.30pm and 7-9pm | Parksyde Community Centre, Tawera Pl. | Subs: \$50 plus \$2 per day. Most classes additional.
 Linda Keach | Ph 349 3106 | ljkeach@gmail.com | www.anzeg.org.nz

THE ARTS**A French Collection: The Rotorua District Choir conducted by Ursula Schraa**

Performing works by French composers Debussy, Faure, Franck and Faust, including Faure's 'Requiem'. Featuring soloists and a small orchestra.

Sat and Sun, May 14/15 | 7.30pm (Sat) and 2pm (Sun)
 St Luke's, cnr Pukuatua and Amohia Sts. | Admission: \$15
 Alison Lewis | Ph 348 5183 | dianne.estcourt@xnet.co.nz

**Opus Orchestra concert**

Peter Walls will conduct a programme including Mozart's concerto for flute and harp, and Symphony No. 31.

Sun, June 5 | 3pm | Concert Chamber | Admission: Senior citizens or Friends of Opus \$30, adults \$35 | Hanno Fairburn | Ph 348 2992
 contact@opusorchestra.org.nz | www.opusorchestra.org.nz

Chamber Music Concert

Rotorua Music Federation hosts an evening of chamber music featuring Martin Riseley on violin and Deidre Irons on piano.

Thurs, June 23 | 7.30pm | Concert Chamber, Convention Centre | Admission: \$30 | Don Tombleson
 Ph 345 7406 | donflo@xtra.co.nz | www.rotoruausic.org.nz

**'Meler Ensemble' chamber music concert**

Rotorua Music Federation concert featuring Andrew Tyson (piano), Josef Spacek (violin), Amanda Verner (viola) and Aleisha Verner (cello).

Wed, Aug 10 | 7.30pm | Concert Chamber, Convention Centre
 Admission: \$30 | Don Tombleson | Ph 345 7406 | donflo@xtra.co.nz
 www.rotoruausic.org.nz

BOWL ALONG

RSA Indoor Bowls

Rotorua RSA Indoor Bowls Club plays social/competitive games weekly through to Oct 24. Come along and try it.

Every Mon | 7.15pm | RSA Clubrooms, Haupapa St. | RSA membership plus sub-club fee of \$20 and \$3 club nights/\$5 championships
Eoin Gainsford | Ph 348 5502 | rotrsa@hotmail.com

Indoor bowls

Commencing early May.

Every Mon and Fri afternoon | Arawa Bowling Club, 64 Lytton St.
\$3 plus \$15 social membership to Arawa Bowling Club encouraged.
Hazel Friday | Ph 349 4579

Learn to play petanque

The Rotorua Petanque Club has two sessions weekly

Every Tues and Sun | 12.30pm (Tues) and 12.30pm for 1pm start (Sun)
Petanque Terrain, adjacent to Blue Baths, Government Gardens
Subs: \$50. Visitors \$5. | Sue or Trevor Neilson | Ph 346 3370
trevorandsue@xtra.co.nz

Social daytime bowls with Ngongotaha Indoor Bowls Club

Relaxed, social day begins with morning tea at 9.30am.

Play as many games as suits. BYO lunch.

2nd and 4th Tues of month | 10am-2pm | Ngongotaha
Community Hall, School Rd. | \$3 per day | Cheryl Wiggins
Ph 357 5332 | bc.wiggins@wave.co.nz

Primetimers Ten Pin Bowling Club

An active group of over 55s who play social and tournament level ten pin. Learners' welcome.

Tues and Thurs excluding school holidays | 10.15am (Thurs) and 1.15pm (Tues)

Strike Zone Entertainment Centre,
Ward Ave. | Subs: \$25 plus \$12 per session Ph Daph Harvey
347 0758 or Chris Clare 345 6754
daffyduck1930@xtra.co.nz or bald.chris@yahoo.co.nz

**Lawn bowls at Rotorua East Bowling Club**

Try outdoor bowls with loan gear. Club coaches on hand to assist beginners. Regular social gatherings. Non-playing members welcome.

Regular, twice weekly play. Various days. | Warwick Dr, Lynmore
Subs: \$85 first year member, \$30 social member, \$170 full member
Elizabeth Maxwell | Ph 345 7371

Blind bowlers group

Blind or visually impaired members of the Royal NZ Foundation of the Blind are welcome for social indoor bowls.

Every Mon | 1.30-3.30pm | Parksyde Community Centre, Tarewa Pl.
Subs: \$5 plus \$3 per session. | Shirley Teirney | Ph 348 7673
www.parksyde.org.nz

Concert featuring NZ Chamber soloists

Rotorua Music Federation hosts chamber music soloists Katherine Austin on piano, Lara Hall on violin and James Tennant on cello.

Sat, Aug 27 | 7.30pm | Concert Chamber,
Convention Centre | Admission: \$30 | Don Tombleson | Ph 345 7406
donflo@xtra.co.nz | www.rotoruausic.org.nz

**Opus Orchestra concert**

Peter Walls will conduct a programme including a Vivaldi concerto for two cellos and Beethoven's Symphony No. 1.

Sun, Sept 18 | 3pm | Concert Chamber, Convention Centre
Admission: Senior citizens or Friends of Opus \$30, adults \$35
Hanno Fairburn | Ph 348 2992 | contact@opusorchestra.org.nz
www.opusorchestra.org.nz

'Felix the Quartet' in concert

Rebecca Struthers (violin), Andrew Thomson (viola), Vesa-Martti Leppanen (violin) and Rowan Prior (cello) hosted by the Rotorua Music Federation.

Wed, Oct 26 | 7.30pm | Concert Chamber, Convention Centre
Admission: \$30 | Don Tombleson | Ph 345 7406 | donflo@xtra.co.nz
www.rotoruausic.org.nz

Get involved in community theatre

Interested in acting, directing, backstage, front-of-house, wardrobe or set building? The Rotorua Little Theatre welcomes new members.

Three shows annually, autumn, winter and spring | Shambles
Theatre, behind Pak 'n' Save, Amohau St. | Subs: \$40 single, \$55 couple
Val Isherwood | Ph 362 8763 | nestormv@slingshot.co.nz

WRITERS AND BOOKWORMS

Book sale

Organised by Friends of the Rotorua District Library, this regular fundraiser features thousands of books at bargain prices. All proceeds to the Library.

1st and 3rd Sat of month | 9am-1pm
Old Tea Kiosk, Kuirau Park | Friends subs: \$10 | Anne Hunt
Ph 348 7680 | annedon@clear.net.nz | www.rotorualibrary.govt.nz

**U3A - Book reviews group**

Group for 'third agers' keen to share their love of the written word and reading.

3rd Mon of month | 2pm | Meet at Public Library, Haupapa St.
Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups) | Jill Nicholas | Ph 347 9647
www.u3arotorua.com

Writing for families group - U3A

Lively group of 'third agers' who write at home but gather to share fellowship, ideas and family history.

1st and 3rd Fri of month | 9.30am | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Jenny Carroll | Ph 332 2633 | www.u3arotorua.com

Reading Round - Monthly book discussion group for adults

Lively, informal discussions on current topics and books with first option on many new titles.

4th Wed of month | 10.30-11.45am | Haupapa Room, Rotorua Library,
Haupapa St. | Gold coin donation to cover morning tea | Bev Emmerson
Ph 348 4177 ext 7042 | library@rdc.govt.nz | www.rotorualibrary.govt.nz

BEAT THE FEET

47th Rotorua Marathon

NZ's most famous marathon circles Lake Rotorua.

Support runs/walks of 5km, 10km and new half marathon also on offer.

Sat, April 30 | 8.30am (recreational marathon walkers), 10am (marathon runners and competitive walkers plus half marathon runners and walkers), 10.15am (10km), 10.20am (5km) | Start/finish Government Gardens
Entry fees: \$40, \$50, \$80 and \$110 | Murray Fleming | Ph 348 3301
murray@eventpromotions.co.nz | www.rotoruarunners.co.nz



Nordic walking

Join informal, social Nordic walking group. Beginners' welcome. Need to bring own, borrowed or hire poles.

Every Fri | 9am | Various locations for approx. one hour
Free. Bring money for apres-walk coffee. | Ph Audrey 348 1471 or Gill 346 2911 | irach@clear.net.nz

Springfield Strollers

Friendly, social group. Usually flat walking for one hour in various Rotorua locations, then morning tea.

Every Wed | 9.30am | Meet at Springfield Golf Course carpark, Springfield Rd. | Free | Barry Jenkins | Ph 348 1450
nzrotorua59@hotmail.com

Green Prescription walking group

Green Prescription advisor on hand to navigate the way for an easy 30-40 minute walk.

Redwoods - every Mon | 10am | Meet at Redwoods Visitor Centre, Longmile Rd. **Lakefront - every Thurs** | 9.30am | Meet at Sea Scout Hall, Lakefront | Free | Melissa Gordon | Ph 348 4125 ext 605
melissag@sportbop.co.nz | www.sportbop.co.nz

Walk with Rotorua Heart Support Group

Different weekly walk providing fun, social support and exercise to those with heart conditions.

Every Tues | 10-10.45am | Meet at Sea Scout Hall, Lakefront
Free | Violet Wood | Ph 348 0357

Cross country walking

Moderate to high fitness required for solid full days. Bush and forest trails.

Every Tues and Thurs | Meet at 8.45am, leave 9am sharp
Meet at Community Youth Centre (old YWCA), Te Ngae Rd.
Charge for transport when required. | Ingrid Bonnington | Ph 348 9407

GREEN FINGERS

Rose and fruit tree pruning demonstration

Informative pruning demonstration covering roses and fruit trees. Pre-register or come along on the day.

Sun, July 3 | 2pm | Palmers Gardenworld, Sala St. | Free | Darryl Pierce
Ph 347 7505 | rotorua@palmers.co.nz | www.palmers.co.nz

Rotorua Festival of Gardens

Biennial festival featuring 45 gardens. Among the 15 new gardens featured are eight large Waikite-Ngakuru properties.

Fri-Sun, Nov 11/13 | 10am-5pm
Admission: \$15 seniors (Fri only), \$20 (1 day), \$30 (3 days) | Lois Baker
Ph 345 3578 | loray@slingshot.co.nz | www.rotorua Gardens.org.nz



Rotorua Dahlia Club

Advice, friendship, dahlia demonstrations and garden visits. Members can enter blooms in various local and national dahlia shows.

Every 2nd Mon (Aug-March) | 1pm | Roosevelt Church, Roosevelt Rd. (if not an outside visit) | Subs: \$5 | Sue Wykes | Ph 366 4683
rotoruahdahlia.club@gmail.com

Hannah's Bay Community Restoration Trust

Volunteers welcome to assist running programmes based around education-focused organic community gardens, wetlands restoration and development of a community orchard at Hannah's Bay.

Community restoration area of the Hannah's Bay reserve
Denise La Grouw | Ph 345 5592 | denisel@clear.net.nz
www.communityrestorationtrust.com

HEALTHY OPTIONS

AMJAZZ - Baby Boomers Classes

A gentle 'keep fit' style class incorporating dance, Pilates and general movement. No experience necessary. Encouraging, social atmosphere.

Every Fri morning | 18 Waters St. | \$10 per session, 10-class concession available. No ETFPOS facility. | Pam Shanks | Ph 345 8632, 021 1155 9238 | pam.shanks@xtra.co.nz

Tai Chi classes at The Academy

Tai Chi will guide you towards a healthier body; assisting with flexibility, core strength, balance, vitality and breathing.

Every Tues and Thurs | 10.30am and 6.30pm
Wayne Rush Bodywork at Go360, 1070 Eruera St. | \$5 per session | Ph 343 6080
info@waynerushbodywork.co.nz

Beginners' Tai Chi

Improve health. Calm and focus the mind. The Taoist Tai Chi Society of NZ runs regular beginner classes. | 11 Hyland Cres. | First class free, thereafter \$27.50 per month (waged), \$16.50 per month (unwaged).
Erik Westra | Ph 347 1647 | rotorua@taoist.org | www.taoist.org.nz

B.U.S classes - Balance Upright and Safe

Falls prevention class for 55 years and over - 45 mins of gentle exercise to music to improve strength and balance.

Every Mon, Tues and Wed excluding school holidays
Various times: 11am, 1pm, 1.30pm and 2pm | Various locations: city, eastside, westside and Ngongotaha. | \$2 | Lisa Mansell | Ph 348 4125
lisam@sportbop.co.nz | www.sportbop.co.nz

Yoga for balance

Being flexible isn't a prerequisite to trying yoga, let Joy teach you how. Beginner and advanced welcome.

Every Fri | 9.30-11am | Arawa Bowling Club, Lytton Street | \$8 casual, \$35 (x 5 sessions) | Joy Wilkins | Ph 345 5659, 021 064 3122

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Sporting clays target shoot	May 1	19
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Make a poppy wall bag class	May 1	8
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Exhibition of ornamental boots and shoes	Starts July 24	20
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Elder Expo	October 1	22
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'Felix the Quartet' in concert	October 26	10
Animals In Pastel art workshop	October 29, 30	4
'Blomfield in Wonderland' Exhibition	Through October	3
NOVEMBER		
Rotorua Festival of Gardens	November 11, 12, 13	13
Pastel Portraits art workshop	November 19, 20	4
'Blomfield in Wonderland' Exhibition	To November 27	3

Pilates for health

Low impact exercise to improve core stability, balance and strength. Ideal for beginners 50 and over.

Regular 5-week (evening) and 8-week (day) block courses

QE Health, Whakaeu St. | \$60 and \$93 | Gail Powell | Ph 349 5254
gail.powell@qehealth.co.nz | www.qehealth.co.nz

Heart of Gold

Certified by the Heart Foundation, this class is designed to improve the cardiovascular system.

Tues and Thurs | 11am-noon | Gold's Gym, Old Taupo Rd. | \$3 per session | Raewyn Gardiner | Ph 348 8998 | raewyn.gardiner@xtra.co.nz

Arthritis Pool Classes

Warm water pool exercises for arthritis sufferers. Enjoy the benefits of easy exercise in a friendly environment. Non-swimmers welcome.

Option of 8.30am at Polynesian Spa (Mon), 1pm or 1.30pm at Cantabria (Mon and Fri) or 4pm or 4.30pm at QE Health (Wed).

\$5 per session, \$3 Arthritis NZ Foundation members | Ph Alison 345 8345 or Mary 346 3831 | marybart@maxnet.co.nz

Green Prescription Easy Aqua

Low-impact aqua aerobics class; perfect for beginners.

Every Tues excluding school holidays | 12.15pm | Aquatic Centre, Tarewa Rd. | \$4 per session | Melissa Gordon | Ph 348 4125 ext 605
melissag@sportbop.co.nz | www.sportbop.co.nz

The Body Movers

Exercise that will help with balance, mobility, co-ordination and flexibility at a tempo that is comfortable.

Every Tues | 9am | Parksyde Community Centre, Tarewa Pl.
\$3 per session | Esther Amon | Ph 350 3037 | estheramon@xtra.co.nz
www.parksyde.org.nz

Murupara In Motion

A low intensity 'sit and be fit' exercise class. Perfect for beginners.

Every 2nd Wed | 10am | Te Ika Whenua Hauora, Pine Drive, Murupara Free | Melissa Gordon | Ph 348 4125 ext 605 | melissag@sportbop.co.nz
www.sportbop.co.nz

LET'S DANCE**Sulphur City Square and Round Dance Club**

Square dancing is a fun, healthy, low impact activity. Moves taught and danced on club nights.

Every Wed. 12-week \$20 learner courses held annually April-June. | 7.45-9.30pm | St Mary's Church Hall, cnr Ranolf and Seddon Sts.

Subs: \$15 plus \$4 per night | Ann Sullivan | Ph 348 1991
annsullivan@clear.net.nz | sites.google.com/site/sulphurcitysquares

**Rock 'n' Roll dance lessons**

Rotorua Rock 'n' Roll Club holds weekly club dances plus regular beginner courses several times a year on demand.

Every Tues | 7-9pm | St Mary's Church Hall, cnr Ranolf and Seddon Sts.
\$2 per session. Lessons: \$25 per 5-week block course | Donna Mason
Ph 346 0317, 0274 516159 | sunsec@fmgirl.com

Scottish Country Dancing

Soft shoes required but no partner necessary. Learners welcome.

Every Mon | 7.30-9.30pm | St Andrew's Church, cnr of Devon St. and Otonga Rd. | \$5 | Ann Brimmer | Ph 347 9046 | gregandann@xtra.co.nz

Lake City Square Dancers

Square dancing options include learners, mainstream and plus level.

Also round dancing.

Every Tues | 10am-noon | St Mary's Hall, cnr Ranolf and Seddon Sts.
Subs: \$15 plus \$4 per session | Irene Clair | Ph 349 1308, 027 200 3912
ireneclair@xtra.co.nz

Dynamic Square and Round Dancing Club

Round dancing is a combination of ballroom moves cued from the stage by a caller. Ideal for couples. Beginners welcome.

Every Mon (square and round alternate weeks) | 7.30-9.30pm
St Mary's Church Hall, cnr Ranolf and Seddon Sts. | \$4 per night | Ann Hand | Ph 345 6827 | barry-ann-hand@clear.net.nz

RSA Dance Sport Group

Our mainly 45-60 year-old group enjoys social Ballroom, Sequence, New Vogue, Latin and some Rock 'n' Roll dancing.

Every Wed plus 1st and 3rd Sun of month | 7-9pm | RSA Clubrooms, Haupapa St. | Subs: Under \$60 for RSA membership (depending on service) plus \$2 nightly raffle | Greg Ellwood | Ph 357 2636
suegreg@xtra.co.nz

Marae line dancing

Beginners welcome to come and give line dancing a go.

Bring a plate for shared lunch after class.

Every Mon | 10am-noon | Rotorua Citizens Club, cnr Arawa and Rangiuuru Sts. | \$2 | Anne Hogg | Ph 348 4246

Beginner and easy line dancing classes @ Parksyde

Beginner class with Geyslerland Line Dancers. Can be combined with follow on easy session. Fee covers both sessions.

Every Thurs | 10-11am and 11am-noon | Parksyde Community Centre, Tarewa Pl. | \$4 per session | Jeanette Salt | Ph 348 4845
jeanettesalt@xtra.co.nz | www.parksyde.org.nz

Intermediate line dance class**@ Parksyde**

With the Geyslerland Line Dancers.

Every Thurs | 1-2.30pm
Parksyde Community Centre, Tarewa Pl.
\$4 per session | Jeanette Salt
Ph 348 4845 | jeanettesalt@xtra.co.nz

**Easy line dance class @ Ngongotaha**

Every Mon | 1-2.30pm | Ngongotaha Community Hall, School Rd.
\$4 per session | Jeanette Salt | Ph 348 4845 | jeanettesalt@xtra.co.nz

Intermediate line dance class @ Owata

With the Geyslerland Line Dancers.

Every Mon | 9.30-11am | St David's Church Hall, cnr Whareni and Reeve Rds. | \$4 per session | Jeanette Salt | Ph 348 4845
jeanettesalt@xtra.co.nz

MOVE YOUR BODY

Get Active, Stay Active Expo

A host of local sports clubs and activity providers' jump starting November's Get Active, Stay Active month.

Late Oct | Village Green, Lakefront | Free | Kylie Lang | Ph 351 8685
kylie.lang@rdc.govt.nz | www.getactivestayactive.co.nz

Aqua Cardio

Medium to high intensity aqua class to music with continuous movement in water. Booking required.

Every Mon, Wed and Fri (excluding school holidays) | 12.15-1pm (Mon and Wed - deep), (Fri - shallow) | Aquatic Centre, Tarewa Rd. \$6 casual | June Joseph | Ph 350 0569 | june.joseph@rdc.govt.nz
www.rdc-aquatic.co.nz

Fitness at QE Health

An accredited conditioning provider to NZ Academy of Sport, Aaron Randell offers personalised fitness programmes, assessments and training sessions. | QE Health, Whakaue St. | Aaron Randell MSc. BPhEd, BSc Ph 349 5254 | aaron.randell@qehealth.co.nz | www.qehealth.co.nz

Functional Fitness Centre

Specialising in exercise rehabilitation, cardiovascular strength and fitness, Pilates and fitness advice. Fit as a Fiddle Functional Fitness Centre, Zen building, 1131 Arawa St. | Ph 343 6446 | charlotte@fitasafiddle.co.nz

Zumba® Gold

Latin-inspired dance and fitness class designed for the active older person, beginner or someone in rehabilitation mode.

Every Thurs and Sat | 9.15am (Thurs) and 11am (Sat) | Fit as a Fiddle, 1131 Arawa St. | \$5 per session | Gayle Rattigan | Ph 021 203 9619
rattigan@xtra.co.nz | http://61602.zumba.com

ZUMBA - Beginners

Have fun whilst exercising. You don't need to know how to dance or be co-ordinated. Inquire about Zumba Aqua.

Every Mon and Fri | 4.30-5.15pm | Westbrook School Hall, Malfroy Rd. \$4 seniors (65+), \$5 adults, | Ph Paere 021 159 8065
or Rose 021 038 9722

Zumba fitness classes with Leanne

Family-based classes cater for everyone. Supportive team, dimly lit, air conditioned for year-round comfort. Ideal for reserved beginners.

Every Mon, Wed and Fri | 6-7pm | Kaitao School Hall, Bell Rd. \$5 per session, \$4 Gold Card holder. First class free.
Leanne White-Haverkamp | Ph 027 525 3826 | sendit2lee@hotmail.com

MCA - Chairiobics

Exercise programme for over 65s run by a professional trainer.

Every Wed | 9.45-10.30am | Mokoia Community Assn Hall, 297 Vaughan Rd | Koha | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

MCA - Eastside Senior Cyclists

Length of ride is decided on the experience and enthusiasm of the participants on the day.

Every Mon | 9.30am | From Mokoia Community Assn, 297 Vaughan Rd | Free | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoia.org.nz

ACCENT ON HOBBIES

Model Railway Club's annual model show

Variety of model train layouts. Talk to modellers who build and run them. Model trains and parts on sale.

Sat-Mon, April 23/25 | 10am-4pm (Sat and Sun), 10am-2pm (Mon) | Arawa Park Racecourse | Adults \$5
Peter Egglestone | Ph 357 4655 | egglestn@ihug.co.nz



Rod and Gun Club sporting clays target shoot

Annual sporting clays target shoot. Pre-season warm up for game-bird hunters.

Sun, May 1 | From 8.30am | Club grounds, 249B SH30, 2km from city past Rotorua Landfill | Tony Truss | Ph 347 9425, 0274 720 116

Rotorua Fishing and Casting Club

Weekend beach fishing competitions based at the club's Otamarakau grounds. Great camping facilities for fun, family weekend.

Sat and Sun, May 7/8 and June 4/5 | Competition runs from noon Sat till 10am Sun | Clubrooms and HQ at Otamarakau | Subs: \$50 plus \$3 per rod entry on the day | Garry Bennett | Ph 345 8040, 027 276 8138
gazza.ben@xtra.co.nz
www.sportsground.co.nz/ClubSite.asp?SiteID=13547

49th annual Rotorua Cage Bird Show

Hundreds of birds on show including budgies, canaries, parrots, cockatiels, Zebra finches, Bengalese, love birds and British birds.

Sat and Sun, July 9/10 | 1-4pm (Sat) and 9am-1pm (Sun) | Lynmore Primary School Gymnasium, Iles Rd. | Admission: \$2. Club subs: \$22 | Jean Fenton | Ph 333 7978



Indoor Smallbore Target Shooting

.22 rifle target shooting can be enjoyed by men and women of any age provided they can shoot from a prone position.

Every Wed | 7pm | Rotorua Smallbore Rifle Club clubrooms, Sanatorium Reserve, Te Ngae Rd. | Casuals: \$15 per night | Terry Duncan
Ph 027 594 3550 | duncanhouse@xnet.co.nz
www.targetshootingnz.co.nz

MENZ Shed Rotorua

Expanding facility where men get together for woodwork and metalwork projects, make or repair things, talk and share skills.

Every Tues and Thurs | 10am-4pm | Te Amorangi Museum, 43-45 Robison Ave. | Ph Bruce Chapman 345 9525
or Allan Estcourt 027 285 3205 | arestcourt@hotmail.com | menzshedaotearoa.org.nz

Ngongotaha Model Railway Group

Use own or group's trains and rolling stock. Learn how to maintain gear and build a track layout.

Every Thurs | 6.30-8.30pm | Model Room, Ngongotaha Rail Park
Gold coin donation | Rodney Sievers | Ph 357 5484
admin@rotoruarail.co.nz | www.rotoruarail.co.nz

Wingspan**Birds of Prey Trust**

A 'conservation in action' programme with free-flying New Zealand falcons.

Falconry display, museum, aviaries and tours.

Daily | 9am-3pm.

Flying displays from 2pm. | 1164 Paradise Valley Rd., Ngongotaha
Admission: \$20 seniors, \$25 adults. Become a Trust member and enjoy year-round unlimited entry for a family membership donation of \$60.
Debbie Stewart | Ph 357 4469 | wingspan@xtra.co.nz
www.wingspan.co.nz

**BYGONE TIMES****Antique Fair hosted by the Antique Fair Charitable Trust**

Furniture, vintage tools, china, clocks, militaria, crystal and silver displayed for sale. Supporting Rotorua Hospice.

Sat and Sun, April 23/24 | 10am-5pm (Sat) and 10am-4pm (Sun)
Rotorua Convention Centre | Admission: \$6 | Diane Akers
Ph 021 609 399 | finechinadi@ihug.co.nz

Collectors in the Community: Rick Williams' dinosaur fossils

Daily, May 26-July 20 | 9am-5pm | Upper foyer, Rotorua Museum
Rotorua residents free with ID | Ann Somerville | Ph 350 1814

Central North Island Swap Meet and Car Show

The 31st annual Rotorua Vintage and Veteran Car Club event. Traditionally attracts large crowds from all over New Zealand.

Sun, July 10 | Gates open 7am | Paradise Valley Raceway, Paradise Valley Rd. | Admission: \$10
Sellers \$20 | Mel Cooper | Ph 345 6615 | melandco@paradise.net.nz

**Collectors in the Community: Norma Evans' Ornamental Boots and Shoes**

Daily, July 24-Sept 14 | 9am-5pm | Upper foyer, Rotorua Museum
Rotorua residents free with ID | Ann Somerville | Ph 350 1814

Antique Fair hosted by the Antique Fair Charitable Trust

Antique and vintage china, jewellery, furniture, books, crystal and militaria displayed for sale. Supporting Rotorua Hospice.

Sat-Mon, Oct 22/24 | 10am-5pm (Sat and Sun) and 10am-4pm (Mon)
Rotorua Convention Centre | Admission: \$6 | Diane Akers
Ph 021 609 399 | finechinadi@ihug.co.nz

Railway vehicle restoration

The Rotorua Ngongotaha Rail Trust welcomes volunteers keen to help restore part of our railway heritage.

Every Fri | 10am-3pm | Ngongotaha Rail Park, Taui St. | Rodney Sievers or Sharon Fleet | Ph 357 5484 | admin@rotoruarail.co.nz | www.rotoruarail.co.nz

Discover your Genealogy

Join the Rotorua Branch of NZ Society of Genealogists and learn how to undertake family history research.

3rd Thurs of month | 5.30pm | Don Stafford Room, 2nd floor, Rotorua Public Library | Subs: \$25 | Valerie Price | Ph 345 5073
valerieprice@xtra.co.nz | www.genealogy.org.nz

Heritage Village of Te Amorangi Museum

Opportunity for enthusiasts to help with development and operation of steam machinery, buildings, displays of furnishings, clothing, appliances etc.

Every Thurs and Sun | 10am-4pm | 43-45 Robinson Ave.
Ph Bruce Chapman 345 9525 or Allan Estcourt 027 285 3205
teamorangimuseum@xtra.co.nz

Art History group - U3A

Opportunity for 'third agers' to share their passion for art. Outings to exhibitions.

2nd and 4th Mon of month | 2pm | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Anne Hunt | Ph 348 7680 | www.u3arotorua.com

History group - U3A

Enthusiastic group of 'third agers' who share an interest in past lives and times.

2nd and 4th Wed of month | 10am | Subs: \$10
(covers all U3A groups) | Nan Miller | Ph 345 5817 | www.u3arotorua.com

GAME ON**Rugby World Cup match: Fiji vs. Namibia**

Match 3, Pool D of Rugby World Cup play.

Sat, Sept 10 | 3.30pm kick off | Rotorua International Stadium
Go to Rugby World Cup 2011 website for ticketing information
<http://tickets.rugbyworldcup.com/info/ticketsIndDate.aspx>

Rugby World Cup match: Samoa Vs Namibia

Match 9, Pool D of Rugby World Cup play.

Wed, Sept 14 | 2.30pm kick off | Rotorua International Stadium
Go to Rugby World Cup 2011 website for ticketing information
<http://tickets.rugbyworldcup.com/info/ticketsIndDate.aspx>

Rugby World Cup match: Ireland vs. Russia

Match 27, Pool C of Rugby World Cup play.

Sun, Sept 25 | 6pm kick off | Rotorua International Stadium
Go to Rugby World Cup 2011 website for ticketing information
<http://tickets.rugbyworldcup.com/info/ticketsIndDate.aspx>

RSA Snooker Competition

Friendly, social afternoon of snooker competition using a handicap system based on ability.

Every Mon | 1pm | RSA Clubrooms, Haupapa St. | RSA membership plus sub-club fee of \$10. Visitors \$2 per visit. | Tony Horton
Ph 362 8165 | hillvue@xtra.co.nz

Flag 500 cards

Friendly competitive play, three persons per table. Prizes; weekly door prize and monthly aggregate prize.

Every Tues | 1pm sharp | RSA Clubrooms, Haupapa St.
RSA membership plus \$3 per session | Valerie Nisbet | Ph 349 2898
Vvg.nisbet@xtra.co.nz

Arawa Social Bridge Club

Every Thurs | 1pm sharp | Arawa Bowling Club, 64 Lytton St.
\$2 plus \$15 social membership to Arawa Bowling Club encouraged.
Wendy Nairn | Ph 347 8658

Community autumn/winter open draw mah-jong

Every Sun | 1pm sharp | Arawa Bowling Club, 64 Lytton St.
\$3 per session plus \$15 social membership to Arawa Bowling Club encouraged. | Gillian Lamprey | Ph 347 1376 | glampsat@xtra.co.nz

Contract Bridge Lessons

Inquire about the club's annual 10-week beginner lessons. Suitable for complete novices or former players who are 'rusty'. | 7-9pm
Rotorua Contract Bridge Club, Neil Hunt Park, Tarawera Rd. | \$30 including course notes | Gill Nelson | Ph 346 2911 | gilln@clear.net.nz
www.contractbridge.net/rotorua

Rotorua Scrabble Club

All levels of ability welcome to play Scrabble using NZASP rules. Opportunities to play in national tournaments.

Every Thurs | 9am-noon | 25 Barraud Place, Pukehangi | Subs: \$10 plus \$2 per week | Ph Tim Henneveld 348 0697 or
Ruth Godwin 349 6954 | rgodwin@xtra.co.nz | www.scrabble.org.nz

HELPING HANDS**Elder Expo**

Featuring 60 stalls offering easy access to a wealth of information pertinent to older persons and their families.

Sat, Oct 1 | 9am-5pm | Bay Trust Room, Energy Events Centre
Cathy Le Vaillant | Ph 347 1539 | ageconcernrotorua@xtra.co.nz
www.ageconcern.org.nz

Train to become a Victim Support volunteer

Initial three months on phones and 'buddied up' observation.

Next 3-day course Oct 22, Nov 5 and 6. Two intakes per year.
9am-4pm | Waiariki Institute of Technology | Free but requires a commitment of two shifts per week for one year | Pam Royal
Ph 349 9471, 349 9548 | pam.royal@victimsupport.org.nz
www.victimsupport.org.nz

Rotorua Altrusa Service Group

An international women's service club, Altrusa is actively involved in community service and improving literacy.

3rd Mon of month | 6.30pm | Princes Gate Hotel, Arawa St.
Kathleen Lee | Ph 348 1450

Kiwi Encounter volunteer guiding

Become a volunteer guide and help educate guests about the conservation work being done by the National Kiwi Trust.

Daily tours | 10am-4pm |
Rainbow Springs Kiwi Wildlife Park,
Fairy Springs Rd. | Toni Thompson
Ph 350 0440
toni.thompson@rainbowsprings.co.nz | www.kiwiencounter.co.nz

**Rotorua Grey Power**

A group that lobbies Parliament and local bodies to improve the lifestyle of the elderly. | Subs: \$12 single, \$20 double | Ashton Peat
Ph 346 8527 | peat.rot@paradise.net.nz | www.greypower.co.nz

Adult Literacy Volunteer

80-hour course builds proficiency to assist adults improve their reading, writing and math skills. Assessments to be completed.

Tutor training starts Mon, May 9 | 9am-4pm | Arts Village,
Hinemaru St. | Free but requires time and commitment. | Mary Longson
Ph 350 2286 | litro@xtra.co.nz

Docents at Rotorua Museum

The docent training programme offers 13 weeks of instruction in return for a commitment of conducting weekly guided tours for museum visitors.

Inquire about the next training course

Rotorua Museum | Ann Somerville
Ph 351 7823 | ann.somerville@rdc.govt.nz
www.rotoruauseum.co.nz

**Zonta Club of Rotorua**

An international organisation with clubs worldwide, Zonta's mission is to advance the status of women worldwide.

4th Tues of month | 6pm dinner followed by meeting
Millennium Hotel, Hinemaru St. | Subs: \$200 (includes admin fee).
Meal \$22 on club nights. | Barbara Stewart | Ph 348 5410
Rotorua@zonta.org.nz | www.zonta.org.nz

MENTAL STIMULATION**Current events groups - U3A**

Opportunity for 'third agers' to discuss national and international events.

Group 1 meets 10am **1st and 3rd Thurs of month.**

Ph Ann Bosomworth 345 8339.

Group 2 meets 10am **1st Thurs of month.**

Ph Blanche Kingdom 348 7990.

Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups) | www.u3arotorua.com

Philosophy group - U3A

Group of 'third agers' who enjoy discussing topics with a philosophical and theological underpinning.

2nd and 4th Thurs of month | 2pm | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Peter Wood | Ph 345 5099 | www.u3arotorua.com

Science group - U3A

'Third agers' with enquiring minds who share an interest covering many scientific subjects.

1st and 3rd Mon of month | 10am | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Tony Charleton | Ph 332 2183 | www.u3arotorua.com

NEW SKILLS**1-day hands-on cheesemakers' workshop**

Understanding the principles and practices of making, ripening and maturation of cheese to enable home-based production.

Sat, May 14 (Feta and Halloumi) or Sun, May 15 (Brie)

9.30am-3.30pm | Te Runanga Tea House | \$199 | NZ Cheese School
Ph 07 883 8238 | office@newzealandcheeseschool.co.nz

Learn to fly fish

The A-Z Fly Fishing School is running another course on behalf of the Rotorua Anglers' Assn. All aspects covered including a practical session.

Thurs, 5 weeks starting Aug

7-9pm | Rotorua Anglers' Assn clubrooms, Pererika St. | \$160 includes club membership | Roger Bowden Ph 348 7816 | rogbrt@slingshot.co.nz

**Mountainbike Skills' Clinic**

Take the 'scariness' out of learning this exciting, sociable sport. Clinics teach simple techniques for riding safely and correctly off-road.

Dates available monthly | 9am-2pm | Whakarewarewa Forest \$125 | Gabrielle Molloy | Ph 021 865 454 | info@mtbskillsclinics.co.nz www.mtbskillsclinics.co.nz

Sign language course for beginners

NZ Sign Language is not just for the deaf; it's for everyone keen to learn about deaf culture.

7 weeks starting 2nd week of May | 6.30-8.30pm | \$80 Pixie Neame | Text only 021 34 89 34 | nzhandsalive@slingshot.co.nz

Take up a mallet sport

The Rotorua Croquet Club plays several versions of croquet, all are good exercise but not strenuous.

Every Wed and Sat

9.15am-12.45pm
Rotorua Croquet Club,
Queen's Drive, Government Gardens
Subs: \$135 Dorothy Dyson
Ph 357 5754 | dysondj@clear.net.nz

**Learn to play squash**

Want to give squash a go or new in town? Geysers City welcomes beginners through to A-graders.

Members have own key and play when it suits.

Geysers City Squash Club, Depot St. | Subs: \$190 (social)
Graham Brownrigg | Ph 021 312 076 | gbrownrigg@sharp.net.nz

WR2721: Certificate in English (for speakers of other languages)

Progress from beginner to advanced level developing listening, speaking, reading and writing skills for everyday life or study.

Start anytime | Mokoia Campus, Waiariki Institute of Technology
Jaarna Hoskins, School of Computing, Technology and Communications
Ph 346 8684 | enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

Learn public and event speaking with Lunchtime Toastmasters

On-going education in public speaking using comprehensive Toastmasters International course instruction manuals.

Every Tues | 12.15-1.15pm | Upstairs at Arts Village, Hinemaru St.
\$US20 one-off fee plus \$NZ50 bi-annually. | Peggy Shanks
Ph 348 7400 | peggyshanks@xtra.co.nz

OTHER LANGUAGES AND CULTURES**Deepawali 'Row of Lights' Festival**

Yoga, roti-making and sari workshops plus clothing, jewellery and Indian food stalls. Evening Indian cultural show and fireworks.

Sat, Oct 1 | 10am-4pm and 6.30-10pm | Convention Centre | Free
Dr Guna Magesan | rotorua.deepawali@gmail.com
www.rotorua.deepawali.org

Conversational Spanish group - U3A

'Third agers' with some knowledge of Spanish gather to practice the language and retain their skills.

1st and 3rd Fri of month | 2pm | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Miriam Ruberl | Ph 027 248 7542 | www.u3arotorua.com

Neighbours in the Community

Gain understanding of the challenges of settling into NZ life via different migrants talking about their culture and experiences.

Last Fri of month | 12.10-12.50pm
Arts Village, Hinemaru St. Free. Tea/coffee provided | Ph Judy Winiata 350 2395 or Heather McAllister 350 0533
judy.winiata@englishlanguage.org.nz
or heather.mcallister@rdc.govt.nz

**Netherlands Society Rotorua (Inc)**

Community activities for people of Dutch descent or affiliation.

Regular coffee mornings (1st Tues of month, 10am), bingo sessions (3rd Wed of month, 2pm) and Dutch market day every 2nd month. | Dutch Club Hall, Neil Hunt Park, Tarawera Rd.
Subs: \$20 single, \$30 couple | Douwe Visser | Ph 345 9383
douwe.visser@gmail.com | www.dutchclubrotorua.blogspot.com

WR3023: Short Course Certificate in Introductory Chinese

Write in Chinese using basic grammar as well as understand simple spoken and written Chinese in social situations.

One semester, part-time. 15 credits | Mokoia Campus,
Waiariki Institute of Technology | Karoline Setu-Galo, Te Wananga a Ihenga Maori Development, Humanities and Research | Ph 346 8964
enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

WR3022: Short Course Certificate in Introductory Japanese

Write in Japanese using basic grammar as well as understand simple spoken and written Japanese in social situations.

One semester, part-time. 15 credits | Mokoia Campus,
Waiariki Institute of Technology | Karoline Setu-Galo, Te Wananga a Ihenga Maori Development, Humanities and Research | Ph 346 8964
enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

WR3024: Short Course Certificate in Introductory Spanish

Write in Spanish using basic grammar as well as understand simple spoken and written Spanish in social situations.

One semester, part-time. 15 credits | Mokoia Campus,
Waiariki Institute of Technology | Karoline Setu-Galo, Te Wananga a Ihenga Maori Development, Humanities and Research | Ph 346 8964
enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

WR2843: Short Course Certificate in Te Reo Maori - Level 1

Communicate in te Reo Maori in everyday situations with confidence and understand Maori language and customs at a foundation level.

One semester, part-time. 11 credits | Mokoia Campus, Waiariki Institute of Technology | Karoline Setu-Galo, Te Wananga a Ihenga Maori Development, Humanities and Research | Ph 346 8964
enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

WR2844: Short Course Certificate in Te Reo Maori - Level 2

Communicate in te Reo Maori, undertake higher te Reo / tikanga Maori studies, and participate in common Maori customary practices with understanding.

One semester, part-time.

11 credits | Mokoia Campus, Waiariki Institute of Technology Karoline Setu-Galo, Te Wananga a Ihenga Maori Development, Humanities and Research | Ph 346 8964
enquiries@waiariki.ac.nz | www.waiariki.ac.nz

**Certificate in Te Ara Reo Maori - Level 4**

Intermediate level. Designed for adult learners to develop basic conversational Maori and understanding of Maori customs and protocols.

36 weeks, starting July | Flexible study options

Te Wananga o Aotearoa | No fees | Ph 343 6087 | www.twoa.ac.nz

SOCIAL NETWORKING**Coffee mornings**

Enjoy companionship and laughter at new monthly coffee mornings. Different activity/guest speaker arranged each month.

3rd Thurs of month | 10-11.30am

Age Concern, 1333 Eruera St. | Admission: Gold coin donation plus \$2 raffle
Cathy Le Vaillant | Ph 347 1539 | ageconcernrotorua@xtra.co.nz
www.ageconcern.org.nz

**Parkside Community Centre for 55 plus**

Older Persons Community Centre Trust offering opportunities for recreational and social interaction. Cafeteria daily plus monthly luncheons with entertainment.

Weekdays from 9am | Parkside, Tarewa Pl. | Betty Foster
Ph 348 9892 | parkside@clear.net.nz | www.parkside.org.nz

Rotorua East Probus Club

Probus clubs provide an opportunity for retirees to meet for companionship and friendship.

2nd Thurs of month | 10am | Rotorua East Bowling Club, Warwick Dr.
Subs: \$10 plus \$3 per meeting | Blanche Kingdom | Ph 348 7990

Ngongotaha Probus Club

Probus clubs provide an opportunity for retirees to meet for companionship and friendship.

2nd Wed of month | 9.45am | St. Barnabas Church Hall, Ngongotaha
Subs: \$12 plus \$2 per meeting | Prue Hall | Ph 349 4554

Tasters Club of Rotorua

Join like-minded people each month to taste 4-6 wines from one winery. Four wines are matched to finger food.

4th Thurs of month | 6.30pm | Capers, Eruera St.
Subs: \$15 plus \$15 per night. Casuals \$20. Pre-booking required
Jan Wilson | Ph 345 5510 | www.tastersrotorua.co.nz

**Travel group - U3A**

Group of keen 'third age' travellers who enjoy sharing their individual travel experiences and plans with others.

4th Thurs of month | 1.30pm | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Doris Scott | Ph 349 2720 | www.u3arotorua.com

Visits group - U3A

'Third-agers' who enjoy sharing outings to places of interest locally and in the wider Bay of Plenty.

1st Fri of month | 1.30pm | Subs: \$10 (covers all U3A groups)
Judy Somerville | Ph 357 2292 | www.u3arotorua.com

MCA - Cuppa and Co

Share a cuppa and a chat, perhaps listen to a speaker or go on a trip.

3rd Fri of month | 10-11.30am | Mokoia Community Assn Hall,
297 Vaughan Rd | Free | Ph 345 5971 | mca@mokoiaa.org.nz

THE NETSCAPE**Introduction to Computers** (5-week course)

Keen to use computer technology to enhance your life?

Take a basic Senior Net computer usage course.

New classes start regularly. | Regency Park Estate, Brent Rd.
Subs: \$20 individual, \$30 couple. | Betty Milligan | Ph 348 8117
bmilligan@kinect.co.nz

Computer classes at SeniorNet

Courses cover introduction to email, internet usage, Basic and Advanced Word, Publisher, Excel, Power Point, digital camera usage etc.

Regency Park Estate, Brent Rd. | Subs: \$20 individual, \$30 couple.
Betty Milligan | Ph 348 8117 | bmilligan@kinect.co.nz

Certificate in Computing - Level 2

Introductory course providing basic skills in computer hardware and software, email and office applications.

18 weeks, starting July | Flexible study options
Te Wananga o Aotearoa | No fees | Ph 343 6087 | www.twoa.ac.nz

Certificate in Computing - Level 3

Intermediate level. Develop skills in word processing, spreadsheets, database management, desktop publishing, creating professional presentations and web design.

18 weeks, starting July | Flexible study options
Te Wananga o Aotearoa | No fees | Ph 343 6087 | www.twoa.ac.nz

Certificate in Computing - Level 4

Develop skills in project management, data communications, computing systems, multi-media websites, online help systems, relational databases and software programming.

18 weeks, starting July | Flexible study options
Te Wananga o Aotearoa | No fees | Ph 343 6087 | www.twoa.ac.nz



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The event/activity/class/course name is required plus date, time, venue, cost, contact person and phone number. Include email and website address if appropriate. No more than 18 words of detail about an activity that is specifically aimed at, or particularly suited to, Rotorua residents aged 50 years and over.

Activity must run between October 20, 2011 and April 30, 2012.