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By Jan Hawkins COMMUNITY

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In the midst of our Covid pandemic peaking locally, and with a polluted planet, increasing diseases like heart disease and diabetes, and Russia's aggression, the World Heath Organisation will this year focus global attention on urgent actions needed to keep humans and the planet healthy, and to foster a movement to create societies focused on well-being.

World Health Day is celebrated annually and each year draws attention to a

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Immigration New Zealand Changes to Work Visas

post-pandemic, Immigration New Zealand ("INZ") has announced changes to work visas, which will add new processes and costs for employers

There are currently 6 categories of Work Visas, covering a wide range of positions. These range from low skilled jobs through to highly skilled positions. INZ is in the process of scrapping the current system and moving to a single work visa – however, every business that plans to employ a migrant worker on the new Accredited Employer Work Visa ("AEW") must be an Accredited Employer.

Practically speaking, unless businesses plan ahead, the hiring process could face delays, while the employer completes the accreditation process. INZ has released only general information about the change, which leaves employers unclear of what is required to

There are specific details we should be aware of regarding this new visa:

- The median hourly wage will increase from \$27.00 to \$27.76.
- Compliance costs and fees are increasing. This includes a pre-employment Job Check which costs \$610 per position being filled.
- If your business is already accredited under the old scheme, that accreditation will end. Your business will need to become accredited under the new scheme.
- Employers who already employ Work Visa holders may be caught when the current visa ends and the employee transitions to the new AEW visa. In the worst case, the employee may go onto an interim visa without work rights while the employer becomes accredite and completes the hiring process again

- As New Zealand prepares to welcome migrants back and business looks to the future Employers under the AEW scheme have new responsibilities, including helping their employee to settle and acclimate into New Zealand culture.
 - INZ will also be clamping down on migrant exploitation and granting visas for the victims. For employers, it is important to appreciate that the migrant claiming exploitation may not need to provide much in the way of proof in order to qualify for the exploitation visa, but the impact on the employer may be huge, whether or not exploitation actually took place.
 - Employers under the new scheme will also be susceptible to more scrutiny by INZ. Fines for non-compliance with visa requirements could be up to \$50,000 for the
 - · Employers of seasonal workers such as Pacific Islands workers on a Supplementary Seasonal Employment Work Visa (SSE) are not affected.

INZ is proposing to release more specific information in May, with the new Visa being available from July. Applications under the Essential Skills Work Visa close on 3 July 2022.

Often INZ informs lawyers and immigration advisers about changes in advance, but this is not always the case. Our advice to employers is to reach out for assistance now and find out what they can do to prepare. We can guide and help you to begin to make these changes so that you are ahead of the formal release in May.

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Senior College Students' Work in Easter Art Exhibition

Senior Art Student, Grace Naylor, is excited that two of her art works have been accepted for the upcoming ACE'22 Easter Art Exhibition.

Grace became interested in exhibiting after hearing from organiser Victoria Dawes.

"It sounded interesting. It's something I have never done before, so I decided that it would be a good experience."

Grace sent two works in for assessment, and both were accepted.

She has concentrated on painting in her studies so far, but branched out and sent one painting and one sculpture.

Head of Arts Faculty at Cromwell College, Ashlee Carr, encouraged the students to submit their work, saying, "This is a fantastic opportunity for these young creatives to showcase their work alongside established artists.

Victoria says, "It has been a pleasure bringing together all of the artworks for the exhibition.

We are excited to be showcasing a wide range of media from a great mix of new and familiar faces.

Sculptures, Illustrations, Textiles, Paintings and Drawings coming together as a great celebration of the talent that the

"I was really nervous before I got the email, and was very happy to have both pieces go through,"

A close friend of the family had taught her painting when she was very young, and she really enjoyed it.

However, she tried a wire sculpture for the exhibition, in order to challenge herself with something new, and she was delighted to have it accepted.

"I was really nervous before I got the email, and was very happy to have both pieces go through," says Grace.

Fellow student, Isabella Miscisco has also had two works accepted.

Cromwell Basin has to offer.

A full list of the artists exhibiting is available on our website: www.artscentral.co.nz

We really look forward to seeing you at the show."

Arts Central Exhibition

Friday 15 April - Monday 18 April Conference Centre, The Gate, Cromwell Daily 10am - 4pm







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specific health topic of concern to people all over the world.

The theme for World Health Day 2022, on 7 April is 'our planet, our health'.

This date of 7 April marks the anniversary of the founding of the World Health Organisation in 1948.

The organisation asks the questions, "Are we able to reimagine a world where clean air, water and food are available to all?

Where economies are focused on health and well-being? Where cities are liveable and people have control over their health and the health of the planet?"

Our local businesses and schools are feeling the effects of Covid right now, with schools dealing with staff and student absences and the wine industry anxious about getting through the harvest successfully.

A focus on well-being and a gratitude for what we have been able to achieve is crucial for our well-being and that of our children.

Fortunately, in the Cromwell area, we have plenty of examples of care and aroha. Employers are showing kindness, gratitude and concern for their staff. Last week, Armando 's Kitchen closed the doors for a



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day, and all cycled the Dunstan Cycle Trail.

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There are many other examples. Holly Giddens, of Valli Wines, says, "We do Valli Family hikes/tramps/camping several times a year. It's great fun.

We also hold a 'Valli Rally' once a year, which has a bit of work/big picture stuff but also includes wellbeing speakers and activities."

Local organisation are helping.

Connect Cromwell encourage well-being and community connections by such events as Neighbours Day, Crop Swap and Kai Connections and initiates community activities like Disc Golf.

Lake Dunstan Charitable Trust works hard to engage the community and school students in the future health of our lake environment.

Its Community Engagement Co-ordinator, Megan Phillips says,

"Ensuring that we have a healthy environ-

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ment impacts on all aspects of our lives - personal well-being, family relationships, businesses - each is a reflection of the other."

Makiki Trust aims to restore and establish pockets of indigenous biodiversity in Cromwell and surrounding areas.

To maintain your family's wellbeing, and ease your child's (and your) anxiety in the current climate, here are some ideas:

take time to ask the family over mealtime to rate their day out of ten, and to say what their high point was;

limit the amount of news alerts you watch in front of your children, especially on the Ukraine War; get outside and move/play;

address your child's concern about the pandemic or the chance of war, even if you think they are too dramatic;

involve the family in recycling and other small things to help the planet and give a sense of satisfaction.

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Whakatipu Music Festival

6th April 2022

Coronation Hall, Bannockburn is the venue for one of the 2022 Whakatipu Music Festival workshop events.

As the title of the festival suggests, most offerings will be held in and around Queenstown. One, however, is in Bannockburn for the Central Otago Regional Orchestra members, most of whom find Bannockburn a more central location.

The workshop will be coached by New Zealand Symphony Orchestra (NZSO) flautist Bridget Douglas and cellist Andrew Joyce.

Whakatipu Music Festival aims to 'showcase extraordinary music from Aotearoa's leading musicians, emerging artists and local talent'. Four days of outstanding classical, jazz, singer-songwriting, Broadway hits and tango pourer performances will take place this Easter.

The festival is part of the Michael Hill International Violin Competition organisation. However, due to the border restrictions in relations to the Covid-19 pandemic, the international competition is deferred.

The National String Competition and Lewis Eady National Piano Competition went ahead in February.

The Whakatipu Music Festival had its inaugural festival last year, and features a wide range of free and ticketed performances.

One aspect is the Young Artist Programme. Selected from a national online audition process, 12 of New Zealand's top emerging classical music talents will receive coaching from the Festival artists, and participate in career development workshops to hone their professional skills.

The professional musicians will also deliver free workshops and teacher training for and with the local community this includes school visits.

On Friday night the Festival Opening Concert will be held in the Queenstown Memorial Hall, and Saturday features the Young Artist Recitals at 3pm, and the Festival Artists Concert at 7.30pm.

For the full programme and tickets go to michaelhillviolincompetition.co.nz



Safer Communities

And here we are - Autumn and the end of Daylight Saving. Those beautiful Autumn colours and wonderful sunsets are a highlight of this season. Autumn also means a drop in temperatures, darker mornings and evenings and frosts.

These changes in the seasons prompt us to assess our personal safety, our neighbours safety and our community safety. Many of the activities we do in the Spring and Summer go on hold. This can mean less socialisation and a tendency to isolate ourselves. So take some time to make a plan for your ongoing safety and wellbeing.

Keep your house Safe

- · Check outside lighting is working.
- Be aware of slippery surfaces.
- Trim scrubs and trees to prevent excess shading.
- · Check for leaks or gaps in windows and
- · Clear fallen leaves away from gutters.
- · Get your Chimneys cleaned.

Check your smoke alarms.

Keep your community Safe

- Reporting incidents, undesirable behaviours can occur under the cloak of darkness. Reporting these incidents to 105 helps the police to identify patterns of behaviour and potential trouble hotspots.
- · Report any street lighting faults.
- · Report any trip hazards on footpaths and walkways.
- · Clear fallen leaves away from drains.
- · Check in on neigbours or look for changes in their living patterns (curtains remaining closed, mail boxes not cleared).

Keep yourself Safe

Have suitable shoes for the conditions.

n Bannockburn. Photo supplied

• Check lights and wipers on your car.

Communicate with your neighbours.

• Keep active and get out and about as much

"Autumn shows us how beautiful

For more information about Neighbourhood

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I was pretty worried last week when I heard comments by Minister of Tourism Stuart Nash during his opening address to the University of Otago Tourism Policy School, (which he later reiterated in a webinar with the Queenstown Chamber of Commerce) expressing his dissatisfaction over progress made by Regional Tourism Offices on destination management plans.

These plans are designed to allow the community to have significant input into how tourism should grow, or not, with the district, and our RTO. Tourism Central Otago has put a hell of a lot of work in to finding out what the community thinks. This resulted in over 500 people contributing to the Plan which will come in front of council at our next meeting.

Minister Nash appears a bit grumpy that it has taken too long by his reckoning to get to this point but I'm a bit perplexed by that view. Does he want it done quick or does he want it done right? I'm really surprised at his attitude frankly as he and I, and I think most people in Central, agree that we need to do this crucial work right, to avoid going back to the volume-driven attitudes towards tourism of the past.

That's part of the reason why challenged the Minister in an open letter last week, but the bigger part is looking forward. I am really worried that Nash's comments may be the first signal that the Government won't offer any funding to implement the Plan once completed, because that would be a big mistake.

Council, through TCO, manages tourism in Central Otago not just for Central Otago but for the whole country and with just 24,000 people we can't be expected to foot that bill on our own. Government help is a necessity in ensuring the Plan it has paid for doesn't gather dust on a shelf.

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Lot 47 - \$50,000 is available for you to attend a health-related course. Apply now!

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The idea behind Cromwell Rotary and Lions clubs community fundraiser, Lot 47, came about by a desire to support those that are most vulnerable in our community due to illness or accident.

The profit was tagged to help St John fund their shortfall on their new station build costs so St John could continue its great work of support our communities vulnerable.

Due to the amazing support from the community the profit raised of \$824,436.88 far exceed expectations.

Applications are open for anyone (individual, sports group, local business, or community group) to apply for funding for any health-rated course.

For example, St John run First Aid courses which could include First Aid Level 1, 2 or a Refresher, Mental Health First Aid, Child First Aid or Basis Life Support.

However, any course can be funded not just St John First Aid courses.

By as many people in our community knowing some first aid or other skills they may also be able to support those that are vulnerable in our community.

Applications are also welcome for other health related items. For example: you may have an AED in your area. Does



anyone know how to use it or maintain it? Do you need funding to train locals

on how to use the AED or maintain the AED? Apply today.

Submit the name of participant(s); details of the course, including evidence of registration and the cost of the course to Lot47@southernpeaklaw.co.nz

Details can be found at:

www.lot47.co.nz

Remember

There are 2 other funds - \$100.000 Topping Education Scholarship Fund.

\$250,000 Lot 47 Combined Rotary and Lions Community Fund for community projects in the Cromwell Basin.

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Student Volunteer Week

Student Volunteer Week 2022 (#SVW2022) runs from April 4th till April 10th. Celebrating #SVW2022 is an opportunity to acknowledge the impact that student volunteers make through volunteering.

#SVW2022 is also an opportunity to enable students to try volunteering!

There are thousands of high-school and university students who give, grow, and connect through volunteering. This contribution has a major impact on communities and causes, on both the national and international stage.

There are incredible young people involved in volunteering through initiatives such as The William Pike Challenge, Duke of Edinburgh Award, Mount Aspiring College's Students in the Community and the many activities arranged through dedicated school service committee volunteers.

Kaitūao o te Taitonga | Volunteer South is passionate about enabling young people to connect with their community through volunteering and will be focusing on enabling more young people to volunteer this year.

"We had the pleasure of working with Dunstan High School and Mount Aspiring College last year, connecting over 100 students to their community through volunteering on teacher only days and are looking forward to re-establishing this work when the risk of COVID allows."

"Wakatipu High School is also keen to offer volunteering on teacher only days, alongside



their website 'Give Time' that was set up in 2020 with the aim of easily connecting students to organisations in the area." Volunteer South's Gillian White says.

Volunteer South is also part of a national youth focus group within the Volunteer Centre Network Aotearoa, which is working to reach deeper into their communities to support youth volunteering and to encourage organisations to offer the flexibility often needed by our youngest volunteers.

In Dunedin, Volunteer South and the University's Social Impact Studio, which supports student-driven change through volunteering and leadership, share volunteer opportunities to ensure organisations seeking volunteers reach the widest potential volunteer audience.

"Young volunteers bring so much to the organisations they support, a fresh energy, passion and many new skills and ideas.

We will be working hard in the upcoming year to highlight the benefits to organisations of opening their doors to young people. There are young people keen to volunteer - so we will be focusing on supporting them to become active volunteers." Gillian says.

Give.Grow.Connect. is the theme of #SVW2022 and the nationwide campaign is being driven by Volunteering New Zealand.

Student volunteers give a hand and add value to the community. By giving to a community or cause, student volunteers grow and flourish. They gain knowledge, experience, and create change within their communities.

Through volunteering, mahi aroha and social impact, student volunteers create their own social and professional networks. They connect with peers and people who share their same passion and interests. Kaitūao o te Taitonga | Volunteer South is a charitable trust that engages and supports both tūao volunteers and volunteers involving organisations and community groups in the Southern region of Aotearoa New Zealand.

The University of Otago's Social Impact Studio channels student creativity, vision and insight for maximum social impact.





Church Notices

Cromwell Presbyterian Church - 10 Elspeth St, Cromwell (along from New World) Sun service 10am.

All welcome. See our website for more details. www. cromchurch.co.nz Enq to office@cromchurch.co.nz

St Andrew's Anglican Church - 9am Sunday.

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Meditation - 8.30am Tues at St Andrews Church,

Cnr Donegal & Blyth St. All welcome. For more

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An interview with a Sanga Man

In a series of stories supporting local business, we feature an interview with Chris Sangster who, with his brother Rob and friend Miro Kollar, launched the success phenomenon that is Sanga's Pies.

The bakery and shop have been built by the owners in their Sangster Electrical yard, 4 Chardonnay Street, in Cromwell's industrial area.

Where did the idea of Sanga's Pies spring from?

Sanga's Pies came about via multiple beverages and multiple miles between Cromwell and Alex for Ice Hockey practices. It started as just a bit of casual chat between Rob, Miro and me, then the Cromwell Bakery came up for sale which kicked things into motion. We missed out on the bakery and decided to build something of our own, which lead, over a number of years, to the 'sangtuary' where we are based today.

What have been the main challenges your business has faced?

Challenges thus far revolve around being rudely awakened by an alarm clock at a very abnormal time every morning! Apart from the crazy amount of hours put in to build the bakery and shop, there hasn't been too many challenges just hard work, which is part of everyday life.

And the highs?

Highs to date definitely can't get any higher than people's reactions and positivity towards our pies. the feedback we have had over such a small amount of time in business has been amazingly rewarding - it's very cool.

What plan do you have for the future?

The future of Sanga's Pies we hope will be a successful one. We plan to be around for some time yet, so the waistlines of Cromwell people may grow ever so slightly. We do intend to throw some healthy options into the shop very shortly to counteract the increased

We are currently working with a few cafes outside of Cromwell in the way of supply just to get our pies further afield, but there will only be a hand-selected few.

Any challenges in siblings working together?

I've been working with my brother for about 15 years now - although we have had many hammer throwing moments, I wouldn't have it any other way. It's Miro I feel sorry for, as he has to put up with me for 12 hours a day, 5 days a week, crammed within the four walls of our bakery... take my hat off to the big fella!

What of the brewery in the bakery yard?

The Sanga's Brewery side of things we do eventually plan to get up and running.



Currently most of my beer that's brewed gets poured into the pork belly pies - that can be slightly depressing as I do occasionally/often like to hydrate with a Sanga's session IPA.

We were always going to open a brewery with the old man (Dunc), so to myself and Rob it is a goal to make a reality.

Anything else?

We should mention Miro, as, because it is called Sanga's Pies a lot of people think it is just Rob and me.

Miro, aka Miracle, I'm sure was brought to New Zealand by the Czech gods, purely to handcraft these beauties. I've never seen anybody work such magic with flavours or bounce salt off an elbow like Miro can. He's a pure magician in the kitchen.

Finally, our team is not complete without a mention of Rachel and Aimee, our wonderful baristas in the shop.



Birthdoy Wishes

Having a birthday this week...

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Painters giving the faded Big Fruit sculpture a spruce

up will soon add to the bustle of activity at Cromwell's

Consultation on speed limit changes closing soon

Cromwell News

With just a week left for people to give feedback on Central Otago District Council's Proposed Speed Limits Bylaw, less than 100 people have taken up the opportunity to have their say.

New speed limits are proposed for 70 roads, parts of roads, or areas in the Central Otago district. This includes residential zones, rural roads and town centres.

Central Otago Mayor Tim Cadogan said it was a surprisingly disappointing response to date, given how engaged Central Otago had been in recent consultations such as the Long-term Plan and the Waste Review.

He encouraged everyone to use this week to find out more about what the changes were, why they are proposed, and give feedback via the official form that can be found online or at Council service centres and libraries.

"There isn't a single person in the district who won't be affected by the proposed changes in this consultation; that's why it is really important that we hear from as many people as possible.

"Even if you're not a driver, you might be a cyclist, a pedestrian, or you're probably a passenger. This is going to affect all of us and we really want to know what you think. This is all about safety.'

"If you go into the consultation documents and wonder why 'such and such' street or road isn't there, then let us know; or if you think 'that's a stupid thing to do, don't change that road', tell us, we need to know. Equally if you support the proposal and see changes in there that you or your community have been calling for to improve safety around where you work, live or play, then please make a submission to tell us you agree."

Mayor Cadogan added that while there had been a lot of Facebook traffic on the topic, a comment on a Facebook post did not equate to a submission so he urged people to go that step further and complete a submission.

Councillor Tamah Alley lent her voice to the campaign to hear from the community about the Speed Limits, adding that speed limits were "not just about how fast or slow cars can travel".

"Some areas have experienced significant growth in previous years, which changes the way walkers, bikers or riders interact and enjoy spaces, as well as traffic movements.

She invited people to "look to see if any roads you and your family travel are on the list for change and send Council your feedback".

The proposed bylaw, statement of proposal, and maps outlining current and proposed speed limit changes are all available on Council's Let's Talk Korero Mai engagement hub at https://lets-talk.codc.govt.nz or on request from any Council service centre.

Feedback closes on Tuesday 12 April 2022.



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Citrus Glazed Duck Breast, with pickled pear, salad leaves & soft Goats cheese. A modern twist of the classic Duck a l'Orange.

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Pickled Pear

2 firm pears, skin on or off, cored &sliced

½ cup sugar

1 tsp salt ½ cinnamon stick

2 cloves

3 black peppercorns ½ cup water

½ cup Apple Cider vinegar

Mix all ingredients together and bring to the boil. Add sliced pears and boil for 1 minute. Remove from the heat and cool the pears in the pickling

Roasted Butternut Squash Pre heat oven to 180 C.

Peel, de-seed and cut the butternut in bite size squares. Coat with olive oil fresh thyme and season with salt & pepper.

Roast for 20 minutes or until tender.

Citrus Vinaigrette

 $1 \frac{1}{2}$ oranges juiced & zested (keep the other $\frac{1}{2}$ for the the duck glaze) I lemon juiced & zested

- 1 TBS honev
- 2 TBS Dijon mustard 3 TBS water
- 2 TBS Apple Cider vinegar Whisk all ingredients together. Yes, there is no oil,

which makes it really refreshing.

Orange Glaze

½ an orange, juiced & zested 3 TBS brown sugar, mix well Citrus Glazed Duck Breast 2 Duck breast (available at NW)

- Pre heat oven to 180 C.
- · Pat the duck breast dry with a paper towel.
- With a sharp knife score the skin and season well with salt & pepper.
- · Place the duck skin side down in a cold pan
- Turn on the pan to a medium heat and gently cook for 8-10 minutes until the fat is rendered and the skin is golden and crispy. Don't rush this step. The duck will release a lot of fat great for roasted vegetables.
- Turn over the duck breast and sear for 1 minute.

Remove duck from pan, baste with glaze and cook for 8 more minutes at 180C, rest for 6 min before slicing against the grain

Drizzle duck with any additional glaze once sliced.

To plate, arrange duck slices, add dressed salad leaves aside and top with pickled pear, roasted butternut, crumbled goats cheese and toasted chopped nuts. Drizzle a little dressing over the



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Big Fruit painters finally found

town frontage. Photo Supplied

An imminent \$80,000 paint job of Cromwell's iconic Big Fruit sculpture will soon add to the hive of activity at the

A painter willing to take on the task has proved elusive but about a year after beginning the search, the Central Otago District Council(CODC) have engaged Naylor Love Ltd to spruce up the faded fruit.

The fruit was last painted six years ago at a cost of \$37,000, following a gap of 12 years between paint jobs.

Without being lacquered for protection against the elements, the fruit had faded relatively quickly.

Last winter the Cromwell Community Board somewhat reluctantly agreed to a staff recommendation to increase the council's budget for painting the 8m high fruit from \$50,000 every five years, to around \$100,000.

This was to accommodate the only available quote at the time of \$94,500 and enable the job to be done.

Staff later decided not to accept that quote and the work was tendered in February this year. Two bids were received, CODC Parks

Time Out

and Reserves Manager, Gordon Bailey, said. The Queenstown-based firm planned

to begin work in early April. It is expected to take about 10 days,

weather permitting.

The area is a construction zone at present, as Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency(NZTA) work on building two roundabouts and a pedestrian underpass, while across the highway at the Wooing Tree subdivision, earthworks and the building of dozens of houses continues.

The NZTA roadworks are due for completion in May.





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Regular Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous - Thurs, 7pm at Cromwell Community House. Enq 027 445 0370

Alpine Street Machines - Every second Wednesday, monthly meeting, 7.30pm. Cromwell Bowling Club, Alpha St. Enq: 445 3371

Barnardos Early Learning Centre Cromwell -Come and visit our beautiful Centre with an amazing outdoor area! We welcome all families from 8-5pm, wholesome lunches and great programmes offered for different age groups. 25A Gilling Place (beside Goldfields Primary School). E: cromwellelc@barnardos.org.nz or phone 445 4728

Bridge - Is a game you will never outgrow. Lessons starting soon interest to bridgeclubcromwell@gmail.com

Care and Friendship - Will start on Wednesday February 2nd 2022 and will run fortnightly: A light-hearted day out with senior people. All are welcome to come between 11am and 3pm at the Catholic Hall, Sligo St. Cost for the day is \$8. For transport and further information phone Noeline on 4451157 Vaccination pass required

Central Otago REAP - Early Years Community Kapahaka, every Thursday, 10am to 11am. Cromwell Presbyterian Church, 10 Elspeth St

COREAP Digital Hub Cromwell - Free learning and help/advice with anything digital/tech. Vaccine passes, online forms/applications, online shopping, help with using computers or cellphones, printer also available. Book a time between 4-6.30pm every Tuesday at our Polytech Classroom - 19 Molyneux Ave, Cromwell. Call Vanessa 0274799627 or email computing@coreap.org.nz

Cellphone Classes For Seniors - We are funded by Age Concern to help senior citizens become more competent with their cellphones. We run free classes over a four week period covering the basics of using your phone. Please call Vanessa on 0274 799 627 or email computing@coreap.org.nz Creative Wellbeing Group - 2-4.30pm Wed at Arts and Crafts Clubrooms, Inniscort Street. Ph/ text/E: Fi 021 0278 1078 or central@artsenta.org

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Cromwell Bowling Club - Alpha St, Cromwell. Enquire about booking our facilities by calling Jan Ireland, bookings co-ordinator on 027 444 5454

Cromwell Bowling Club - Every Wed morning 9.15am & Friday afternoon 1.15pm throughout the summer, weather permitting. All welcome including beginner bowlers. We can provide bowls, just bring flat shoes. Please call the club to register each week on 445 0071 or email: cromwellbowls@gmail.com. All info is on the website https://cromwellbowls.org.nz

Cromwell Bridge Club - Each Thurs evening in the Catholic Church Hall, Sligo St. Be seated for a 7.15pm start. Enq Elaine 445 4695 / Wendy 445 0214 Cromwell Community Patrol - Meets 2nd Mon of the month at the Cromwell Fire Station at 7.30pm. New members very welcome. Enq: Fraser 445 4140

Cromwell Community Playgroup - Friday, 9.30-11.30am, Lowburn Valley Hall, 0-5yrs FREE, all welcome. Eng Anna 027 2694 778

Cromwell (Hustler) Darts Club - Every Wed Nights at 7pm. Contact Darryn Ph 021 103 6124

Cromwell Community Toy Library - Thurs & Sat 9.30-11am. Enq: Text/ph 022 4 TOY LIB (022 4869 542) Cromwell & Districts Promotion Group -Monthly meetings every 2nd Tuesday. For more

information contact info@cromwell.org.nz

Cromwell Garden Club - Generally meet 2nd Tues of the month. New members very welcome. Contact Jenny Pont 021 280 9809 or Trudy Nicholson 027 340 0789. New members welcome

Cromwell Geeks & Gamers - Meet last Tuesday of the month. Board Games. Ph: Ken 021 030 9051

Cromwell Karate - Tues & Thurs, Children 7-8pm, Adult-beginners, 8-9pm, Ripponvale Hall. Enq Dave 027 673 1438

Cromwell Lions - 4th Wednesday of the month form 6pm for 6.45pm meal, Cromwell Town & Country Club. Visiting Lions and new members welcome. Contact Graham Sim 445 0392

Cromwell Lake Dunstan Lions - 1st Thurs of month, 6.30pm. New members & visitors welcome. Enq: Sue 445 0678 / Julie 445 0069

Cromwell Menzshed - Dennis 027 2355 777 or Jim 021 2512 844

Cromwell RSA - 2nd Thurs of the month, 3pm. Cromwell Memorial Hall. Enq: Denis 445 0528 / Bill 445 0484

Cromwell Plunket Equipment Hire - Please ph/ txt Gen 027 891 0559 to make an appointment

Cromwell Plunket - Rooms open during office hours. Groups & after-hours available with bookings only. Enq Kim 027 771 9831

Cromwell Plunket - Mon/Tues and Alternate Wed, Clinics Celine Collins 027 245 9183

Cromwell Rotary - Meets 2nd & 4th Monday of each month at Town & Country Club, Cromwell. Visiting Rotarians and new members both welcome. President Stuart Heal, ph: 027 432 1847 e:rotary.cromwell@gmail.com

Cromwell Scout Group - Scout Hall, Ortive St, Cromwell. Keas: School years 1-3 Thurs 6-7pm, Enq: Jane 027 2716 351. Cubs: School years 4-6 Mondays, 6-7.30pm Enq: Robyn 027 677 4884. Scouts: School years 7-10 Tues 7-9pm. Enq: Ben 027 208 1377. Venturers: School years 11-14 Mon 7-9pm Enq: Geoff 027 756 5675. Enq: secretary@cromwellscouts.org

Cromwell U3A - Cromwell U3A - Wed 16th March. There will be no meeting this month.

Cromwell Table Tennis - Monday night's 7-9pm at the Presbyterian Church Hall, Elspeth St. All welcome, equipment provided. Call or text Tim for more info 0274 341 724. \$5.00 per night

Cromwell Walk Group - We are a friendly informal group that meets Fridays for afternoon or day walks. For walk information call Morley on 021 370 676 or text him with your email address to go on the group distribution list

Cromwell Youth Trust - Variety of services available including Drop-In Centre, Holiday programmes and more for Youth aged 11-18 years. More info www.cromwellyouthtrust.co.nz

Dance Classes - Preschool, ballet & jazz classes. Thursday & Saturdays at Presbyterian Church Hall. Enq 021 575 569. www.dancewanaka.co.nz

Death Café - Created to increase awareness of death. A group directed discussion with no agenda or objectives. This is not a bereavement support group or a grief counselling setting, it is open, respectful & confidential space where people can express their views safely. More info: Facebook: Death Café Cromwell

Embroiderers of Cromwell - Wed, 7pm, Tues, 9.30-noon, 44b Inniscort St. All welcome. Enq Lois 445 1526 or Yvonne 445 0682

Girl Guiding Cromwell - Pippins/Brownies/ Guides. Age 5 to 12. Meet at Lowburn Hall. Thursday term times from 4pm Ph: Glenda 445 3624

Keep It Green, Cromwell - Please return your boomerang bags to Paper Plus, Cromwell Pharmacy, New World or Fresh Choice. 1000 bags made in this community (thanks volunteers) please keep them circulating

Keep It Green, Cromwell - Cup Cycling coffee cups - participating cafes are Nichols, New World, Fresh Choice, Cromwell Bakery, Dough Sea Dough - please support this awesome way to reduce waste in our town!

Ladies & Men's Social Tennis - Wed, 10am, Barry Ave. Enq Ros 445 0754 or Dennis 027 2355 777

Mainly Music - On hold in red setting. Pls contact 445 3078 (Office) or E: mainlymusic4cromwell@gmail.com

Meals for Mums Cromwell - Providing home cooked meals to new mums of Cromwell. For more info, to register for the service or become a volunteer. Please visit www.mealsformums.weebly.com or Caroline Meyer: 027 226 2990 or Sarah Dickie: 021 082 91233

Meditation - Every Tuesday @ 8.30am. St Andrews Church, cnr Donegal & Blyth Sts. All welcome. Ph: 027 216 5165 for more information

Mini Gym - Cancelled this term. Our Committee has decided to put this on hold due to Government Red Light Restrictions. We will update when able to run again. For any info email admin@molvneuxeducare. co.nz or call us 445 0632

Narcotics Anonymous - Wed 6pm at the Cromwell Community House, 5 Murray Tce, Cromwell. Ph 0800 628 632

NZ Vintage Car Club Inc, Central Otago -Monthly meetings 8pm 2nd Wednesday of the month at the VCC Clubrooms, Litany St, Cromwell. Interested members of the public welcome. Enq

Patchwork Group - Thurs 9.30am, Clubrooms, 44b Inniscort St, new members welcome. Enq: Sandra 445 1428 / Chris 445 8332

Petanque Cromwell - Come along for a boule. Sundays and Wed, Sessions start at 1.30pm. Old Cromwell Precinct, access from The Junction. Enq to Margaret 445 3678 or Isobel 445 4479

Plunket Preschool Playgroup - Monday, 10am, for children aged o-5yrs, Plunket Rooms. Enq Kim 027 771 9831

Rock Climbing - Social Rock Climbing, meet Thursday evenings during daylight savings. Own gear required. Contact Kieran 021 0246 3139

Salsa Cromwell - Wednesday evenings, Bannockburn Hall. Class and Social Dance Enq Gina 022 237 6206 Facebook: Salsa Cromwell

Regular Meetings

Social Indoor Bowls - Come along to the Lowburn Hall, on Tuesday's and give Indoor Bowls a go! New members are most welcome. Social Bowls sessions from 1.30pm. Contact: Ev 021 136 1564 or 445 0809 for further info

Stay n Play - @ Kidsfirst Kindergarten, Cromwell. Wednesdays 9.30-10.30am. All families welcome. Runs during school terms

Tarras Yoga - All levels yoga for men and women at Tarras Hall, 7-8.30pm every Tuesday. Turn up! Or call Jennifer 022 0974 596

The Cromwell Kilwinning Lodge 98 - 2nd Wed in the month, 7.30pm

Ultimate Frisbee - Social ultimate frisbee sessions Mon 6pm @ Anderson Park, Cromwell. Free, all ages & abilities welcome. Enq: Kat 020 4076 5362

Volunteering South - Supporting & connecting volunteers & volunteer organisations. Contact kirsty@volunteeringcentral.org.nz or call 027 506 5777. www.volunteeringcentral.org.nz

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We currently have a vacancy at our Cromwell Pool, and we want you to join our team! The vacancy is a full-time position, 32 hours per week.

In this role you will provide the community with quality supervision to ensure the facility maintains an enjoyable and safe environment. You will have a high level of customer service with clear and effective communication skills as well as being practically minded.

This role is instrumental in promoting a healthy living and making a difference in our region.

Hours are as per roster (morning and evenings) Monday-Sunday shifts range from commencing early morning through to finishing at 7:45pm.

The position offers an excellent entry to the leisure industry with additional training pathways to aquatic qualifications.

As the successful applicant you will:

- · Have a positive, can-do attitude and proven ability working as part of a team
- Confident swimming ability able to swim 8 lengths of the pool within 6 minutes
- · Flexibility to work a range of morning, evening and weekend shifts · Be focused on providing the best customer service possible to our community

In return the successful applicant will receive:

- Training in Pool Lifequarding Practising Certificate (PLPC)
- Training in Comprehensive/Workplace First Aid (6400, 6401 & 6402)
- · Competitive market remuneration
- · Career progression and additional training opportunities provided e.g. New Zealand Certificate in Aquatics - Pool Lifeguard (Level 3), swim school, swim skills, trainer assessor and aqua fitness
- · A great working environment
- Regular work hours
- Access to the facility for fitness and training
- · Organisation Social Club

This roll requires the successful applicant to be fully vaccinated.

A copy of the job description may be obtained via Council's website (www.codc.govt.nz under Vacancies).

All applications should include a cover letter, CV and should be addressed to Lisa Wallis, Human Resources Advisor, PO Box 122, Alexandra 9340 or sent via email to people@codc.govt.nz.

Applications close 5pm, Wednesday 13 April 2022.

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Builder constructing trades community

Cromwell News

A young builder is laying a foundation of support for women in trades in Cromwell.

She's also developed a way for local women tradies to open the wide world of trades to other women.

Brie Cook was named Central Otago Apprentice of the Year in 2021. She says being successful as a tradie is less about whether you're male or female – more about the satisfaction of making and creating. And there's always work for a good tradie.

"No matter what happens in the world, we need people to build houses, keep the lights on, and the water flowing," she says.

"Trades are a great career path for women - there's an amazing sense of pride when you see a home or building in your community you were part of creating, you get paid while you learn, and once you're qualified

there's a whole career path if you want it."

Brie got to know other women tradies in and around Cromwell. She created 'Constructing Community', a community of support for women in trades, and came up with a way to encourage local women of all ages to get into trades.

Brie has put together a six-week programme for women of any age that will introduce trades from building to welding, prosthetics to plumbing, driving to roading and local women across more than ten different trades are the presenters.

The best thing - it's all free, thanks to the support of Cromwell ITM and local people volunteering their time.

"I've also designed a cool project that will run over the six nights, giving the women a chance to try different tools and techniques."

Brie has started a Facebook page,



Local builder Brie Cook is constructing a support network for women tradies. Photo Supplied

'Constructing Community', that will give information and updates on the six nights of trades, answer women's questions and profile women tradies in the Cromwell area.

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24 The Mall, Cromwell Ph (03) 445 3458

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267 Springvale Road, Alexandra \$1,225,000

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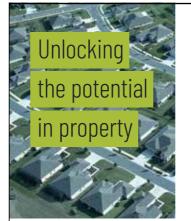
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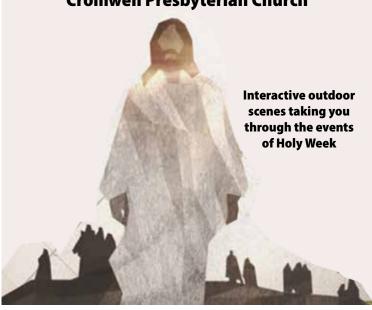
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The last day to have your voice heard is Friday, 29 April.

Take the survey online at:

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or pick up a copy from council offices or all service centres.





