

Winton Outlook

March 2024

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South Sea Spray - 17 murals in 6 days

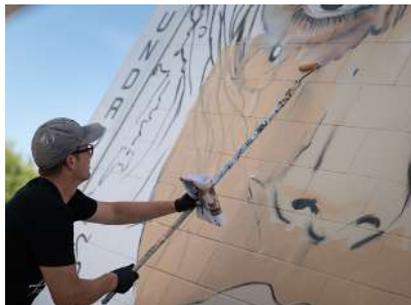
A group of very talented artists worked around our 'summer' weather to complete some stunning masterpieces around Winton. A big thank you to the artists, to the community of Winton as a whole and to the local businesses that supported and sponsored the event. Southland District Councillor Margie Ruddenklau was a driving force for the Winton community and put in the hard yards to get South Sea Spray in Winton across the line. The murals bring vibrancy and colour to our town and have attracted many visitors since.

Over the course of the week everyone had the chance to vote for the 'Mitre 10 Winton Peoples Choice Award', with 450 votes the winner was Nicola Oldenhof. Nicola is a local artist, born and raised in Southland. She has worked in the tattoo industry for the past fourteen years, the last several of which have been spent in her own studio (Alleycat Tattoo).

Oldenhof has been consistently experimenting with new and varied art forms as a way of furthering her growth as an artist - forms such as life drawing, pen and ink, watercolour and most recently, photography. This mural is the latest expression of her continuing belief in the importance of art, the centrality of nature and the vital necessity of protecting the future of both.



'Huiā' - Artist: Nicola Oldenhof



Asti @ the Laundromat - Artist: DEOW



Artist: Jacob Root - Distrange Design

Images supplied by: Deow - South Sea Spray Trust
Creative Director. Email: info@southseaspray.co.nz

Winton locals compete in iconic national Coast to Coast multi-sport event



Craig Robins (Weka) & Colin Lawry (Kura) got a late call in to compete in the 'Coast to Coast Tandem Team' event in mid October, having been wait-listed for three years prior. When given the chance, how could they say no. It definitely required some self assessment, as Colin Lawry underwent a hip replacement in May. This along with farm work, life and training was a huge commitment.

Doing it for your team mate was their focus, with 50 years of friendship, good times were had as training provided many rums, roasts and recovery. With the added addition of Tim Lawry (Colin's son) who was competing in the 'Longest Day' event. A next level athlete that brought his own personal focus of competing, having crossed the Coast to Coast from a young age whilst attending Central Southland College.

Seeing and supporting more young Central Southland College boys competing in this race allowed Kura and Weka to get in that extra bit of training. This is an adventure race they would highly recommend to anyone willing to test your endurance, while having fun along the way.

Article and Images supplied by Rochelle Robins



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Winton Community Support Update

Community Food Share Cupboard:

Well, its certainly taken a bit of time to get this new and improved food share cupboard up and running. Many of you will have already seen and possibly be making good use of our new cupboard, but for those of you that don't know about it, I can fill you all in.

This new cupboard is situated on the grass area between the Winton Bakery and the RSA building. It has been awaiting its signage since before Christmas and I'm very pleased to say that it will be hopefully be on before this goes to print.

It is there for everyone to use but please be respectful and thoughtful when using this space. Only take what you need for yourself. There is a list of do's and dont's for everyone to read, so as a community lets make this a positive and useful space. It is here for everyone's benefit.



Staying safe - A refresher course for older drivers:

Age Concern are running a Refresher Driving course for older drivers here in Winton on Tuesday 12th March. The course will take place at the Salvation Army on Dejoux Road. Don't worry... there are no tests or practical tasks during the day.

This is a FREE classroom-based, very engaging driving refresher session. There is Road Code refresher knowledge, some chats about any upcoming medicals you might be having in respect to renewing your licence and plenty of information about changes to road layouts and signs etc.

Oh, and there's a light lunch included for a \$5 donation to Age Concern. Contact either Heather or Gilian at Age Concern on (03) 218 6351 to enrol or call Louise on 236 9934.

Dementia Support Group:

At the end of last year, I started up a Dementia Support Group for caregivers, family members and anyone else that is joining in the journey of caring for someone with dementia. This is a safe place to share, cry, laugh and to learn. One thing you will learn is that you are not alone on this journey. Your loved one is more than welcome to come along as well.

Olivia from the Alzheimers Society comes out each time and is able to help with any questions anyone may have. She is also hoping to arrange for a speaker to come every second month starting this month. Did you know that the 'Wanda Trak' Tracking system is used by Search and Rescue and also the NZ Police to search for people living with Dementia who regularly wander from their place of residence?

The system is comprised of either a pendant or a watch which is worn by the person living with dementia. It emits a pulse using a specific frequency which is detected using a Radio Tracking Unit. This provides a huge amount of peace of mind to families and is available if you have someone who is regularly wandering from home. Contact the Alzheimers Society for more information on (03) 214 0984. If anyone is interested in joining the Alzheimers 'Minds in Motion' (or Cognitive Stimulation Therapy) sessions please contact Jo on (03) 214 0984.

Louise Faithful - Winton Community Support, Gow Street, Winton. Phone 03 236 9934 or email: wcsw@xtra.co.nz or find us on Facebook - Winton NZ Community Support. Office hours: Mon - Fri 9am - 3pm

WINTON AREA PROMOTION INC

We are looking for new members!

Are you interested in helping out with community projects?
Got some ideas you want to share?
Why dont you come along and see what we are about.

Winton Area Promotion Inc is a group of enthusiastic members of the community who work together for the promotion of Winton and the surrounding areas.
To name just a few of our endeavors;

- The **displays** in the old Barber shop (**Matariki and Anzac**)
- **The kids hub at the Open Day** - providing free Santa, balloons and face painting for the kids
- Cleaning up and painting of a couple of the old shop fronts in main street
- Supplying and putting up of the **Christmas flags** in the township
- **Winton Wide Garage sales** - Annual event we organise and run
- Organisation of the funding for the **What's On signs** at each end of town
- Supply of township and heritage trail **maps**

To continue and to do more we need members. Its a fun group to belong to so come along to our next meeting and find out what we are about.

Join us at our next meeting, have a chat to one of our contacts below

**Contact us - Sue 0276260264
Brenda 0274622123
wintonareapromotions@gmail.com or
find us on facebook**

Forest Hill Trail Run fundraiser for Lochiel School an outstanding success

The Forest Hill Trail Run held their 3rd trail run event on Sunday, 18 February and what a day out it was. All funds raised from this event go to Lochiel School PTA to help support resources to promote healthy bodies and minds in our community, as well as giving a contribution to the great work done by The Forest Hill Trust.

We had over 180 runners and walkers take our 5km, 15km and 25km tracks held within the magnificent Forest Hill Reserve and adjoining private farmland. At 9.50am we had a warmup with Stephanie from the NRG Winton gym and enjoyed some tunes and banter with our favourite DJ - DJ Numnuts.

At 10am our 15km & 25km runners took off for their journey ahead, some with nervous smiles and some with determination to beat their records from the previous years. Our long distance runners got to enjoy the Forest Hill Reserve and also 3 private farms, enjoying the views that not many get to see. Along the track they were delighted by signs created by the Lochiel students to encourage them to keep going.

Not long after our big runners took off, our 5km runners and walkers took to the trail to enjoy the shorter but enjoyable track that summited through to the top of the reserve onto private farmland. They took in the views and returned back to the home base where everyone enjoyed a cold ice block, a hot sausage, games at the kids area and a fantastic medal made by **CSDesignz**. **Ginger Crunch Coffee** kept our supporters caffeinated whilst they enjoyed the homebase fun and awaited their friends and family.

The Forest Hill Trail Run Team would love to thank everyone who made the day a success from our entrants, their supporters and all of our supporters. **AB Lime** for helping us every year, we are so lucky to have your support. **Vet South** for cooling everyone down with an ice block.

Westpac for supplying the BBQ food. **R-Line** for supplying the hydration for everyone to enjoy. **NRG** for pumping us up. **Selector Uniform** for sponsoring and creating our merchandise. **Vital Signs** for making us a massive roadside sign to promote the run. **Flowers and the Girl** for making beautiful bouquets for our winners.

We are also grateful to the **Department of Conservation** for maintaining the reserve and last but not least our farm owners who let us enjoy their slice of heaven.

Until next time, Forest Hill Trail Run Crew.

Article supplied by Lochiel School



Winton CCTV Crime Prevention Cameras

The Winton Business Association along with other community groups are campaigning to ask the Oreti Community Board to reconsider the funding application to upgrade and extend the coverage of the CCTV cameras. The cameras were first installed well over 20 years ago to protect the community and help prevent crime. As with all assets, maintenance is required and the advancements in technology allows easier installation and better coverage.

Local businesses have their own security measures in place but we are concerned for the safety of our residents and the general public. The cameras provide valuable protection and proof in the event of any crime. Currently these are installed in public open spaces, such as the main street and the John Street Reserve toilet area. The cameras are in need of upgrading or replacing. This is not a privacy issue but for public protection and the wellbeing of our Winton residents.

We are seeking letters or emails of support for the upgrade to be reconsidered by the Oreti Community Board. These can be emailed to winton.nz@outlook.com and will be collectively presented to the Board.

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Oreti Community Board Update

Great North Road/Anzac Oval Master Concept Plan

The board has some discussion around the plan and has decided to put it out to the community as presented. There is huge potential for community participation, more so around Anzac Oval. Council staff are now working through how the engagement process will be presented. Community engagement will conclude with a community meeting. Watch this space, the Winton Community Facebook page and the Oreti Community Facebook page for updates.

South Sea Spray

South Sea Spray has come and gone and what an impact it has made to the town, we believe visitor numbers are up and it has generated a lot of publicity.

Winton Sports Hub

Work is well underway towards developing a sports hub in Winton, with the aim to bring sporting clubs and other groups under one umbrella. Just some of the potential benefits include; a co-ordinated approach to funding, collaboration between codes and utilising existing facilities to ensure maintenance and improvements are undertaken in a timely and proactive nature.

If your club or group has not been to one of these meetings yet and you would like to know more contact Tim Fletcher on tim@activesouthland.co.nz to receive updates. Are you interested in supporting the new hub as a board member? We are looking people to support the new hub particularly for people with skills in finance, sports and recreation, events, funding diversity and governance.

A Community meeting will be held at the Winton RSA - Anzac Lounge on 19 March at 7pm. All welcome.

Article submitted by:

Colin Smith - Oreti Community Board Chair

Salvation Army Community Lunch

Come along to a weekly lunch group:



Wednesdays at 12pm - 1pm
Winton Salvation Army,
7 De Joux Road, Winton.

Everyone is welcome, whatever your age & stage, including kids.

Bring along a plate of food to share and join in on some great conversations and make some new friends. No need to book, turn up on the day. We look forward to seeing you there.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
11 MELDRUM STREET, WINTON

Live Alone Lunch



If you are living alone you are most welcome to join us for lunch and fellowship on:

**Thursday, 14 March
at 12 noon**

RSVP to Kathleen 236 0250
or Jenny 236 0884

Winton Bridge Club

If you are looking for a new hobby and to meet new people, consider learning to play contract bridge which gives plenty of mental challenges without too much physical exertion. Brain Gym – suitable for all ages. You are very welcome – by yourself or bring friends!

Free lessons (10 week course) starts on
Wednesday 20 March 2024 at the
Bridge Rooms, 145 Park Street, Winton.



For more information please contact Wendy:
027 427 0447 or **03 2217 417** or email
winton.bridge@xtra.co.nz to register your interest.

Winton Football Club

Junior Have – a – Go Session:

Suitable for ages 4 - 17 years old.
All genders. Past and new players welcome.
No experience needed, just enthusiasm.
Come along to find out what it's all about and to learn new skills.



When: Thursday 7 March 2024. Time: 4pm - 5pm
Where: Moore's Reserve Sports Ground, Winton

For more information please contact - email:
wintonfootballnz@gmail.com



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2024 Central Southland Real Estate Update for Winton and surrounds

2024 is off to a flying start - we have had some fabulous properties listed and sold. Buyers are more positive towards making a move and we are meeting new people to the area at our open homes.

We do not expect a hike in property prices with interest rates staying level, but with indications there will be law changes come July 2024 around the bright line test (and investor rules) we believe the market might start moving along at a quicker pace. The average house sale price for January was \$506k (18% up on January 2023).

The bonus of working in Real Estate is getting to constantly meet new people. Everyone brings a different story and this brings us opportunities to be involved in some amazing local events. In January we sponsored 5 young lads (both local and regional) to attempt an 8 hour 5 stand strong wool shearing record. They were successful and it was an awesome occasion to be apart of.

We recently attended the Waimumu Field days with over 700 exhibitors - the sun was shining and the atmosphere was positive, it was great to see some local faces enjoying this amazing biannual event.

We are excited to be heading along to the up and coming Vetsouth Gorge Race - a local adventure race, on March 16th. Get a team together and explore our local backyard. A great excuse to get fit and active with profits going to Limehill's sports clubs.

*Article supplied by Paula Johnstone - Residential & Lifestyle Sales
Winton & Surrounds - Bayleys Real Estate*

THE VETSOUTH GORGE RACE

16th March 2024
Lora Gorge, Southland

Adventure Race

Rogaine Style with mystery activities thrown in! Navigate yourself around the course using a topo map while collecting as many points as you can within your allocated time.

3 HOUR RACE
All trekking
\$75 per team member

6 HOUR RACE
Half MTB - Half Trekking
\$100 per team member

9 HOUR RACE
Mix of MTB and Trek
\$125 per team member

Teams of 2, 3 or 4
Male, Female or Mixed Categories

www.sporty.co.nz/the gorgeadventurerace

Proudly supported by **VetSouth**

All money raised will be split between the Limehills Star Rugby Club and the Limehills Netball Club

hannah's powder room

- Teeth Whitening
- Manicure
- Pedicure
- Makeup
- Eyelash Extensions
- Dental Jewellery

Follow the QR code below or find the Booking Link at <https://hannahspowderroom.as.me/>

Winton Monthly Market

10am - 2pm

SATURDAY 16 MARCH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COMPLEX
Meldrum Street, Winton

A large variety of goods on offer from stalls in the hall, foyer, lounge and outside.

FREE ENTRY

Enquiries to Mary: 236 8821

MEETINGS

Walking Group

If you are interested in joining us for a walk each fortnight, the Winton Walking Group are meeting on the 7th & 21st March. Phone Helen on 022 156 8404.

Winton Garden Club

Tuesday 12th March, Winton Anglican Church Hall at 7.30pm. Guest speaker: Mark Fredric who will be speaking on Bonsai. All welcome. For more info: Colleen Simpson 027 632 8217 Janice Coles 021 053 3588

Takitimu Patchwork and Embroidery Group

meet 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 9.30am-4pm, Winton Presbyterian Church Hall, 11 Meldrum St, Winton. Anyone interested in Patchwork/Quilting/Embroidery is welcome. Sharon 027 223 3435. takitimupatchwork@gmail.com

Winton Business Assoc.

are having their monthly meeting on Tuesday 12 March at the Top Pub, Main Bar Dining Room at 5.30 pm. All welcome to attend. Enquiries: winton.nz@outlook.com

Seniors Gentle Exercises

Gentle seated and standing exercises focusing on improving mobility and balance. Every Wednesday (excluding School holidays) 10am - 11am at the Anglican Church Hall. \$5 per person. Contact Glenda: 027 429 6703

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Essential Contact Numbers

WINTON COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKER

Louise 236-9934 or wcsu@xtra.co.nz

HEALTH SHUTTLE

for MEDICAL appointments in Winton and Invercargill
Phone 0800 103-046.
(Operates by donation). A shuttle to Dunedin is also available leaving & returning daily from Invercargill.

LET'S LINK TRANSPORT SERVICE

Ken Galt 027 454-9119
or Louise 236-9934

LET'S LINK ODD JOB SERVICE

Phone Louise 236-9934.

FREE SMOKE ALARM CHECKS

Checks/updates/batteries changed by a Volunteer Fireman.
Phone Louise to book 236-9934

HELPING HANDS

Lawn, garden and pet care for those suffering short term medical issues.
Phone Robyn Bye 0274 182-053.

WINTON LIBRARY

0800 732-542

WINTON MEDICAL CENTRE

236-7444 or Urgent Doctor Service
Invercargill 03 218-8821

WINTON PHARMACY

236-7729

WINTON TRANSFER STATION

Florence Road
Mondays & Wednesdays 2pm-5.30pm
Fridays 12-5.30pm
Saturdays 1-5pm
Sundays 2-5pm

LET'S LINK FOOD BANK

Ken Galt 027 454-9119
Louise 236-9934
Anna Ellis 021 238-8526
Salvation Army 03 236-0928

LOSS & GRIEF SERVICE

Appointments available on request.
Southern REAP, 224 Great North Rd.
Phone 027 443 8788 or email
lossandgriefcentre@gmail.com to book.

Church Services

New Horizon Church

Meeting at the Winton Salvation Army
7 Dejoux Road, Winton, Sundays 7pm

Catholic Church

Mass Sundays 10.30am
Priest Rev Hamesh Wyatt
84 Great North Road, Winton
Contact 236 8084

Salvation Army

Sundays 11am
Friday night youth group
Shared Lunch
Every Wed at 12.30pm. All welcome
7 Dejoux Road, Winton

Presbyterian Church Winton

Sunday Services

Winton 10am

Live Alone Lunch

2nd Thurs of each month. Fellowship
and food for those living alone.
RSVP to Kathleen on 236 0250.

Choirs, Prayer and Bible Study Groups
Queries please phone office 236 9792
Mon to Fri 9am to Noon

Winton Church 11 Meldrum Street

Postal Address P.O Box 5, Winton
Baby change facilities available.

Anglican Church Services

Weekly 10am Sundays. All welcome
Cnr Meldrum St & Great North Road

Winton Genealogy Group

Are available in the Community
Room of the Winton Library,
1 Wemyss Street, every Tuesday
afternoon from 1pm, to assist
with Family and Local History
research.

Otautau Patchwork Group

meet every Tuesday, 9.30am at
the Otautau Bowling Club, Rye
St Anyone interested in
patchwork or quilting welcome.
Bring your lunch and spend the
day with like-minded women.

Contact Joyce:
021 0225 1623

Oreti Community Board

Monday 15 April at Wallacetown
Community Centre, 57 Dunlop
Street, Wallacetown. Meeting
starts at 6pm. All welcome.



MID ORETI CATCHMENT GROUP
Mini Forest Movement Nursery Open Evenings

First Tuesday of every month.
4-7pm - AB Lime Nursery at the end of Bend Road, Winton.
Come along and help propagate more native plants for more mini forests for our catchment and community



FORKLIFT (OSH) & 'F' ENDORSEMENT

FORKLIFT CERTIFICATE (OSH):

Will enable you to operate a forklift within your workplace.
Course cost: \$115

FORKLIFT CERTIFICATE (OSH) + 'F' ENDORSEMENT:

Will enable you to operate a forklift within your workplace and on the road. To gain this the learner must hold a Full Class 1 licence. **Course cost: \$175 + \$62.10 to be paid at Licensing agent**

Class will start at 8am with learning for Forklift certificate (OSH) running till 12pm. Those wishing to gain 'F' endorsement will stay on for an extra 30 mins of learning. All will break for lunch and then move to Winton Mitre 10 for the practical component.

Kindly supported by Winton Mitre 10

● **Wednesday 27 MARCH 2024**

● Southern REAP, 224 Great North Road



Contact Southern REAP (Rural Education) to register on info@reap.co.nz or call 0800 111 117

Next edition of the Winton Newsletter will be 1st April 2024.

Closing deadline for advertising
10am, Wednesday 20 March 2024.

Business advertising available with very limited spaces; 45x90mm \$35 or 90x90mm \$50

Closing deadline for articles
10am, Wednesday 20 March 2024.

Queries or information can be emailed to: winton.nz@outlook.com



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