



Our Place Clutha

What's On Guide

Spring | Kōanga
Oct - Dec 2026

Welcome to your guide to life in the Clutha District.

As spring enters the chat our What's On Guide continues to showcase local events, activities, groups and services that help build connection and community.

This guide has been prepared by the Clutha District Council, with information also provided by community groups across the district. Information is correct at time of publication. For updates, please check individual organisation websites or Facebook pages.



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Spring Scavenger Hunt

- ☐  **Daffodil**
- ☐  **Lamb**
- ☐  **Blossom tree**
- ☐  **Bee**
- ☐  **Butterfly**
- ☐  **Bird's nest**

- ☐  **Something yellow**
- ☐  **New green leaves**
- ☐  **A rainbow**
- ☐  **A picnic**
- ☐  **A yellow flower**
- ☐  **Something that smells like spring**



LOCAL
PLACES,
SIMPLE JOYS,
BIG MEMORIES.



Tick them off, mix them up or add your own. However you do it, we hope this spring brings you joy, connection and lots of little moments to treasure.



SHARE YOUR ADVENTURE - TAG US @CLUTHADISTRICTCOUNCIL

Spring Into Clutha

Local places, little known, Well worth the visit.

From peaceful walks to stunning outlooks and quirky little spots, here are some of our favourite hidden gems.



Sometimes the best adventures are the ones close to home.

1 Lighthouse



📍 Nugget Point

One of New Zealand's most famous lookouts, Nugget Point is perched on a platform overlooking the sea, providing panoramic views of the area's famous "nugget" rocks. Easy, accessible and stunning this time of the year.

2 Molyneux Bay



📍 Kākā Point

Typically a place abundant in driftwood, for lots of free entertainment building huts watching beautiful sunsets and views for days, this is not one to be missed. Located near the Kaka Point driftwood sign on the left hand side.

3 Ferry Punt



📍 Tuapeka Mouth

Free public ferry runs daily between 10am & 2pm its the only one of its kind remaining in the Southern Hemisphere. It's operation is dependent on the river level, and on a good river day it can even transport your campervan across. Keep up to date with conditions on the punt's Facebook page.

4 Beaumont Bridge



📍 Beaumont

Explore the historic bridge pier and keep your eyes on the rock face. Local stories say children walking to school once tossed horseshoes into the river, with some becoming embedded in the rock over time. Can you spot all seven?

5 Black Gully



📍 Tapanui

Tucked beneath the Blue Mountains near Tapanui, Black Gully is a peaceful West Otago escape surrounded by native bush, open space and walking tracks. It's a popular spot for picnics, camping and getting out into nature, with access to longer tramping routes through the Blue Mountains.

Featured Events

WHAT'S ON AROUND CLUTHA

From community catch ups to big events and everything in between - there's plenty happening this Spring.



SUPPORT
LOCAL
GO LOCAL
LOVE LOCAL

MORE FAVOURITES



LAWRENCE DACHSHUND DERBY



HERITAGE DAY



WEST OTAGO A&P SHOW



TAPANUI CHRISTMAS PARADE



MARKET DAY | LABOUR WEEKEND

Sat
17th
OCT



Lawrence Gravel Rallysprint

Motorsport action with rally cars competing through the historic Lawrence area, with spectator areas; prize-giving at Horse & Coach Inn.

🕒 9am - 5pm
📍 Blue Spur Rd / Gabriels Gully

SAT
24th
OCT



Clutha Community Market

Local produce, baking, crafts, makers and coffee, running from Labour Weekend through to Easter. Check out the Clutha Youth Art exhibition while you are there.

🕒 9am
📍 Te Pou Ō Mata-Au

SAT
28th
NOV



South Otago A&P Society

A great family day out in Balclutha celebrating rural life, with livestock, competitions, displays, entertainment and all the traditional fun of an A&P Show.

🕒 8am - 5pm
📍 10 Glasgow Street, Balclutha

SAT
7th
NOV



Kaitangata Car Show & Run

A huge day for car lovers, with hundreds of cars and bikes on display, followed by the popular vehicle cruise. A relaxed community event raising funds for local groups.

🕒 9am
📍 Kaitangata Rugby Grounds

SAT
5th
DEC

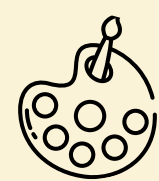


Clutha District Christmas Parade

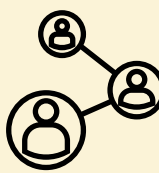
One of Clutha's biggest free community events, with floats, music, community groups and a Santa experience.

🕒 1pm
📍 Clyde Street, Balclutha

More than books



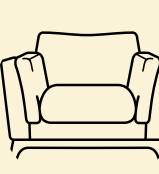
Get creative



Connect with others



Learn something new



Relax and unwind

Today's libraries are vibrant places for the community, full of opportunities for everyone. Whether you want to learn something new, get creative, connect with others, or simply enjoy a welcoming space, our district libraries have you covered.

Next time you're nearby, pop in and see what's on, you might be surprised by all that's on offer.



Balclutha Community Library

Address: 23 John Street, Balclutha 9230 | Phone: 03 418 1677



Lawrence Community Library

Address: 5 Peel Street, Lawrence 9532 | Phone: 03 485 9909



Milton Community Library

Address: Coronation Hall, 93 Union Street, Milton 9220 | Phone: 03 417 8220



Ōwaka Community Library

Address: 10 Campbell Street, Ōwaka 9535 | Phone: 03 415 8371



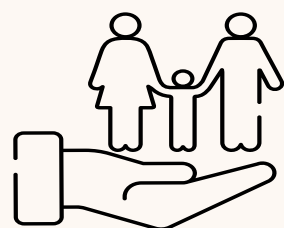
Tapanui Community Library | Te Mātauraka o Tapanui Hāpori

Address: 1 Suffolk Street, Tapanui 9522 | Phone: 03 204 8306

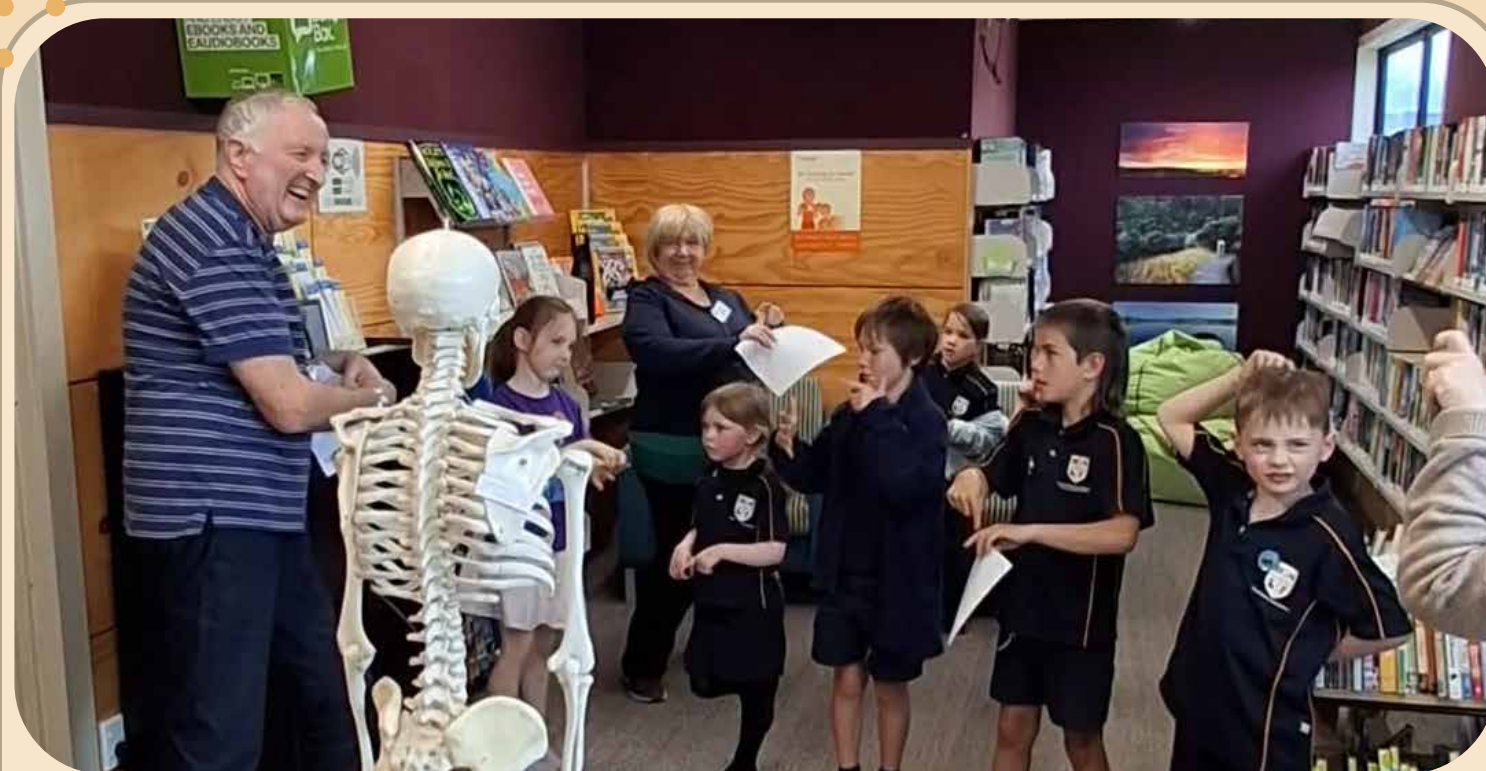
General Library Contact

Phone: 03 418 1677 | Email: clutha.library@cluthadc.gov.nz

Children's Programmes



All welcome; some programmes have age guidelines and it's recommended that children under 12 are not left unattended. Children 7 years and under require an accompanying adult. All programmes are FREE.



CATLINS CLUB

Adventure. Fun. Friendship

Friends, fun and activities after school on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

3:15pm - 4:15pm 📍 **Ōwaka**



STORYTIME

Imagine. Listen. Explore

Nurturing the love of reading from a young age supports brain development, literacy skills and imagination. A warm and cosy way to connect. For under 5 year olds.

Friday | 9:45am - 10:15am 📍 **Lawrence**
 Friday | 10:00am - 10:30am 📍 **Tapanui**
 First Wednesday | Monthly 10:30am - 11am 📍 **Milton**



BOARDGAMES

Think. Play. Conquer.

Healthy competition in a warm and cozy environment, great for families and friends to relax and have some laughs together.

Sunday | 12:00pm - 3:30pm 📍 **Ōwaka**
 Monday | 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Children's Programmes



For more information check out our website and Facebook page: [cluthadistrictlibraries](https://libraries.cluthadc.govt.nz/)
<https://libraries.cluthadc.govt.nz/>



CRAFTERNOON

Create. Make. Inspire.

After-school creative arts session filled with a great atmosphere and cool people. Come along, get innovative, and have fun.

Everyone is welcome.

Wednesdays | 3:15pm - 4.15pm | All ages **Balclutha**



CHILL OUT CLUB

Relax, play and unwind

Puzzles, games, books, and cosy nooks to read. It's a welcoming space to unwind, connect with friends, and reset after a long day.

Tuesday | 3:15pm - 4:15pm | All ages **Balclutha**
Mondays | 3:30pm - 4.30pm | All ages **Tapanui**

Children's Programmes



KIDS ACTIVITY HOUR

Play. Create. Craft

A different craft activity every week.
You can even suggest an activity or run it yourself.

Wednesday | 3:30pm - 4.30pm | All ages | ♥Tapanui



ANYTIME ACTIVITIES

Play, Invent, Learn

Fun, self-guided activities available every day after school, suitable for all ages.

Every day | ♥Milton



STORYTIME & CRAFT

Relax, Grow, Create

Enjoy some fun stories, then create something that you can take home. Recommended for 2-6years

First Tuesday of every month | 10:30am - 11:30am | ♥Balclutha

Adult & Community Programmes



Programmes for adults and seniors designed to connect, learn and support wellbeing.



For more information check out our website and Facebook page: [cluthadistrictlibraries](https://libraries.cluthadc.govt.nz/)
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Connect.
Learn.
Belong.

SOCIAL

Wise Owls

You're invited! To an opportunity to meet others, share in good talks and have a laugh, along with a yummy morning tea. Guest speakers at every session.
📍 Ōwaka | Lawrence



SOCIAL

Cuppa and a Chat

Share stories and find out recommendations for your next book title, Come for a chat, stay for a cuppa. Connection is important, so come along. All Welcome.

📍 Tapanui



SUPPORT

JP Services

Justice of the Peace services are available to assist with witnessing signatures, certifying documents, and statutory declarations.

📍 Milton & Tapanui



CREATIVE

Hooked on Crochet

Join a fun and social creative session with a wonderful group of people. Everyone is welcome no prior skills needed. Bring your own materials or use the supplies provided. Chat, relax, and create together.

📍 Balclutha



Adult & Community Programmes



Connect.
Learn.
Belong.

CREATIVE

Keep Calm and Carry Yarn

For adults and seniors to connect chat and learn a new skill, a welcoming group of community members who bring the laughs, all welcome.



📍 Balclutha

SOCIAL

Diamond Art

Share stories relax and enjoy the creative sparkle of diamond art in a warm and welcoming space. Everything is supplied, just bring yourself and enjoy creating something beautiful.



📍 Balclutha

SOCIAL

SAYGO Exercises

Every Friday at 10.30am in Balclutha Community Library with Age Concern. Exercises designed to improve balance and help keep you steady on your feet.

📍 Balclutha | 📍 Ōwaka

SOCIAL

Book Club

Pop in and share what you're reading, get recommendations for your next cozy read or simply for a cuppa and a chat.



📍 Balclutha | 📍 Ōwaka

SUPPORT

Jobbortunities

Support for young people aged 16–25 who need help with employment. From creating a strong CV to applying for roles that suit your skills and goals. Get practical guidance, build confidence, and take the next step toward your future.



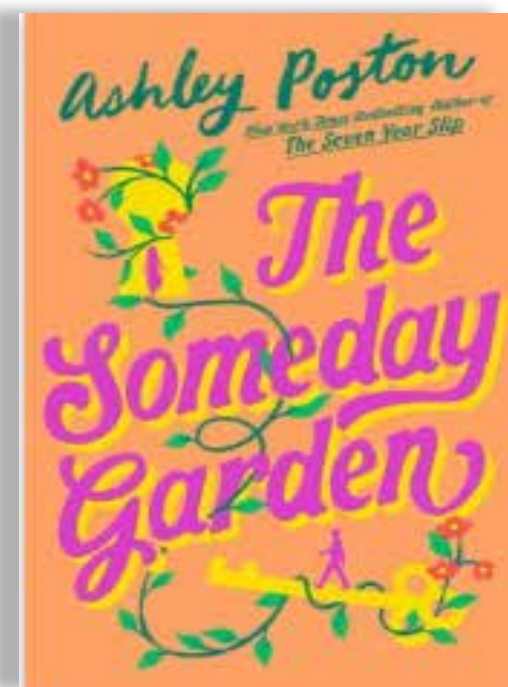
📍 Tapanui | 📍 Lawrence | 📍 Ōwaka

Grow Cook Create

Spring is the perfect time to try something new. Explore our library shelves for inspiration on gardening, seasonal cooking, crafts and creative projects to enjoy at home.

True Crime: A Memoir Patricia Cornwell

Kaye recommends True Crime: A Memoir by Patricia Cornwell. Best known for her Kay Scarpetta crime novels, Cornwell steps out from behind the fiction to share the remarkable real-life experiences that shaped her life and writing. An honest and compelling read for longtime fans and newcomers alike.



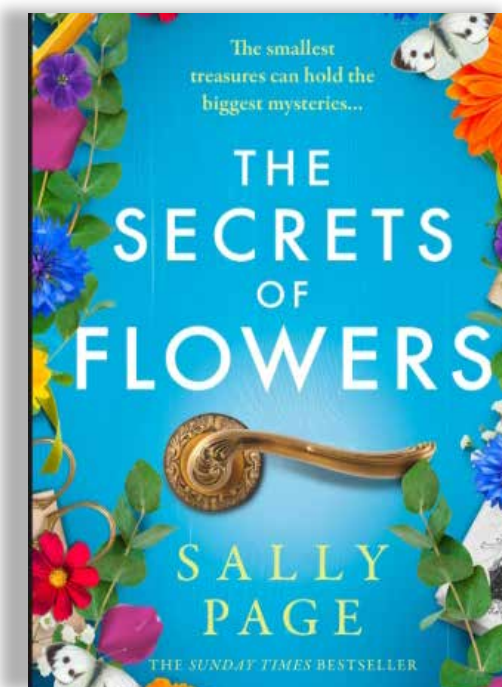
The Someday Garden
Ashley Poston
Fiction



Just a Mum's Kitchen
Anna Cameron
Cooking / Baking



Vegful
Nadia Lim
Cooking



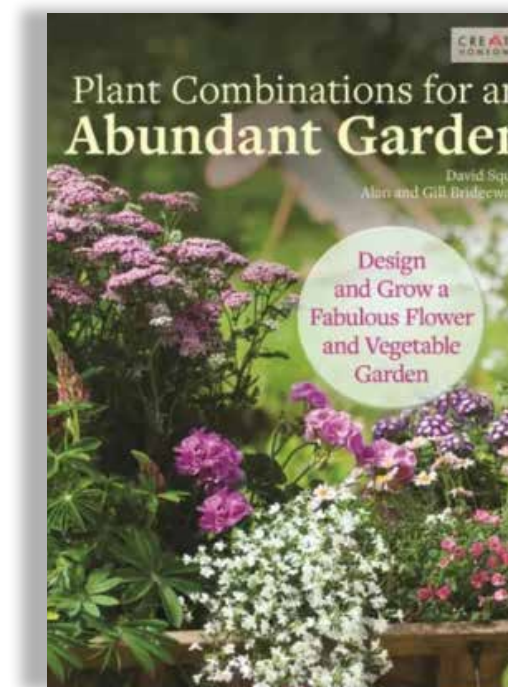
The Secrets of Flowers
Sally Page
Contemporary Fiction



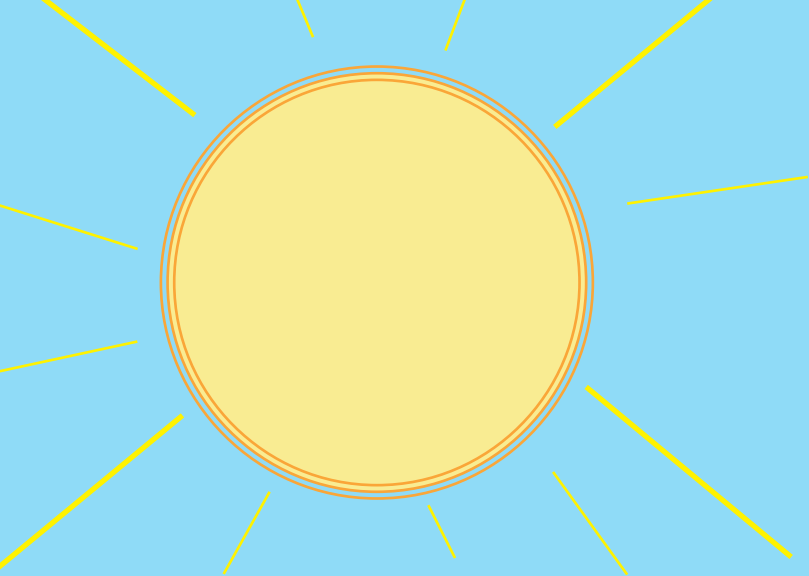
Blooms Every Day
Amy McCord
Craft/Hobby



Tasty
Chelsea Winter
Cooking



Plant Combinations for an Abundant Garden
David Squire
Gardening



SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

At your local Library

BALCLUTHA

Wednesday 30 September 2:00pm -3:00pm	Bingo
Thursday 1 October 1:30pm- 3:30pm	GG™ Gaming – Power Up Ages 8–11. Free. FULL
Thursday 1 October 4:00pm - 6:00pm	GG™ Gaming – Aftershock Ages 12–15. Free. Register via CORPS® App. Maximum 20 participants.
Friday 2 October 10:00am - 11:00am	Bubble Party
Tuesday 6 October 10:30am - 11:30am	Storytime and Craft
Wednesday 7 October 10:00am - 11:00am	Beeswraps
Thursday 8 October 10:00am - 11:00am	Arts 'n' Crafts

Spooky Scavenger Hunt - All holidays

TAPANUI

Tuesday 29 September 10:30 am or 1pm	Beeswax Wraps Class <i>Registration required. All ages</i>
Thursday 1 October & Tuesday 6 October 11:00 am - ages 5–8 1:00 pm - ages 9–14	Art Lessons with Mrs C <i>Bookings essential.</i>
Wednesday 7 October 2:00 pm	A Moment in Time Visit the West Otago Museum. All ages.

Drop-in Activities

Board games | Community jigsaw | Our Lego Town | colouring.

Ōwaka

15 – 29 September	Sea Lion September Exhibition
1 September - 11 October	Sea Lion Colouring Competition
Sunday 27 Sep 6pm	Sea Lion Talk with Jim Fyfe
Monday 28 September; Thursday 1 October; Monday 5 October; Thursday 8 October 10:30–11:30am or 3:00–4:00pm	VR Topia - Virtual reality 13+

MILTON

Wednesday 30 September 10:00am - 12:00pm	Lantern Making Workshop
Thursday 1 October 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Zines 101 Workshop
Tuesday 6 October 3:00 - 4:00 pm	Float My Boat Brick Challenge
Wednesday 7 October 3:00 - 4:00 pm	Bingo
Thursday 8 October 3:00 - 4:00 pm	Bubble Party
Friday 9 October 3:00 - 4:00 pm	Kites

Daffodil hunt

Can you find all the daffodils we have hidden?

LAWRENCE

Wednesday 30 September 10:00–11:30 am	Clay Pencil Topper Monsters
Wednesday 7 October 10:00–11:30 am	Footpath Chalk Art

ALL WELCOME - ALL FREE



Balclutha Centennial Pools

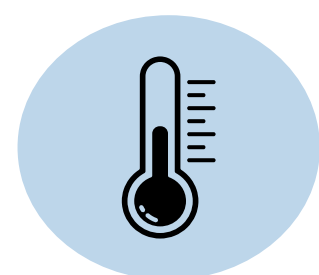
Swim all year round.

Looking for a place to cool off, warm up, swim laps, or splash around? Our heated indoor pool is open all year round - exercise and have fun no matter the weather.



FUN FOR EVERYONE

Our pool is heated so you can enjoy a swim.



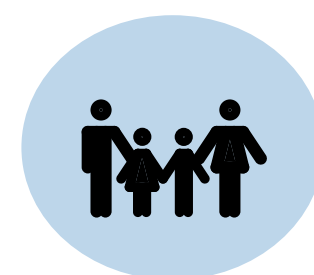
WARM & COMFORTABLE

Great for all ages and abilities - from casual swims to lane laps.



GOOD FOR YOU

Swimming is a low impact way to improve fitness and wellbeing.



FAMILY FRIENDLY

Quality time together in a safe and welcoming environment.



Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 6:00am – 8:00pm
Saturday – Sunday 10:00am – 4:30pm

Check out our Facebook page for public holiday information and updates.

Make a splash.

For more information on pricing or programmes visit our website or pop in to see one of our friendly team.

Spring Calendar

Dates for your diary at a glance.

OCTOBER

2 Oct – 27 Nov - The Botanicalists: Coast to Country - Ōwaka
Sun 4 Oct - Second Hand Sunday - Balclutha
Sun 4 Oct - Planting Your Garden for Birds & Bats - North Catlins
Fri 9 Oct - Harriet Moir: Dear Stalker - Balclutha
Sat 10 Oct - Balclutha Half Marathon - Balclutha
Wed 14 Oct - Beatle Mania | On Tour - Balclutha
Sat 17 Oct - Lawrence Gravel Rallysprint - Lawrence
Sat 24 Oct - Lawrence Dachshund Derby - Lawrence
Sat 24 Oct - Clutha Community Market - Balclutha
Sat 24 Oct - Annual Market Day - Ōwaka
Mon 26 Oct - Clutha Youth Art Competition Exhibition begins - Balclutha
Sat 31 Oct - Lake to the Sea Trail Ride - Milton

NOVEMBER

Sun 1 Nov - Heritage Day & National Anthem Celebrations - Lawrence
Wed 4 Nov - ORC Funding Clinic - Ōwaka
Sat 7 Nov - Kaitangata Car Show & Run - Kaitangata
Sat 14 Nov - River Ridge Christmas Market - Pūrākaunui
Sat 21 Nov - West Otago A&P Show - Tapanui
Fri 27 – Sun 29 Nov - Lawrence Rev, Rock & Hop - Lawrence
Sat 28 Nov - South Otago A&P Show - Balclutha

DECEMBER

Sat 5 Dec - Clutha District Christmas Market - Balclutha
Sat 5 Dec - Clutha District Christmas Parade - Balclutha
Sat 5 Dec - Taylor: A Tribute to the Eras - Balclutha
Sat 12 Dec - Tokomairiro A&P Show - Milton
Thu 24 Dec - Tapanui Christmas Parade - Tapanui

What's on in Balclutha



Second Hand Sunday

Sunday 4 October | 9am - 1pm

Planning a spring clean? Place unwanted reusable items safely at the roadside for others to collect, then explore the neighbourhood to see what you might find.



Harriet Moir – Dear Stalker Comedy

Friday 9 October | 7:30pm - 8:30pm

An hour of comedy from an award-winning comedian

Te Pou Ō Mata-Au

Adult \$30 / Student & Gold Card

\$25 + booking fees - R18



Beatle Mania | On Tour

Wednesday 14 October

7:30pm - 9:30pm

Te Pou Ō Mata-Au

Ticketed Adult \$79 / Senior \$71.10

Group 6+ \$74pp + booking fees



Clutha Community Market

Saturday 24 October | 9am

Labour Weekend

Te Pou Ō Mata-Au

Local produce, baking, crafts, handmade goods Support makers from around the district.



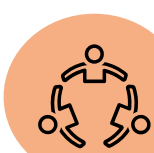
Clutha Youth Art Competition & Exhibition

Entries close Thursday 1 Oct 2026

Open to ages 8 - 21 with a connection to the Clutha District.

Ages 8–12 FREE | Ages 13–21 \$15 per artwork

Clutha Youth Art Competition & Exhibition from Mon 26 Oct at Te Pou Ō Mata-Au.



South Otago A&P Show

Saturday 28 November | 8am - 5pm

10 Glasgow Street, Balclutha

A family day out celebrating rural life, with livestock, competitions, displays and entertainment.



Clutha District Christmas Market

Saturday 5 December | 10am - 2pm

Christmas stalls and local shopping in the main street.

Free to attend



Clutha District Christmas Parade

Saturday 5 December | 1pm

Floats, music, community groups and Santa come together for one of Clutha's biggest free community events.

Free to attend



The Unofficial Tribute Show – Taylor

Saturday 5 December | 5 - 7:30pm

Te Pou Ō Mata-Au

Single \$69 | Group of 4 \$55pp + booking fees

A tribute to the eras of Taylor Swift, featuring some of the greatest moments from the Eras Tour live on stage.

What's on in Balclutha



Talking Cafe

27 October "Clutha Foundation"
24 November for a Christmas Party
10:30am - 12pm
Age Concern Building
Koha appreciated



Camera Club

Third Tuesday of the month | 7pm
Meet at the Leishman's lounge in James
Street on the third Tuesday of the month.
All welcome.



Creative Wellbeing Sessions

October 12 | November 10 and 24 | December 8
1pm - 3pm
124 Clyde Street
03 477 9566 Free adult art sessions



Craft Group

Friday | 10am–12pm
Creative Arts Centre,
142 Clyde Street
Contact: Susan 021 146 5423



Bridge Lessons

Thursday | 7pm
9 Crown Street.
Ph: Jane on 027 415 7124
Or simply turn up - all welcome.



Agility Training Society

Wednesday | 5:30pm
Cross Recreation Centre
Dogs of all levels are welcome
First 3 months free for new members



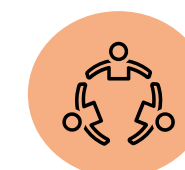
Social Games

8th October & 5 November | 2pm - 3.30pm
Age Concern Clyde street
\$5 afternoon tea



Walking Group

Thursday | 10am
Cross Rec Centre
\$4pp hot drink included



Thank-you Sponsors Morning Tea

17 November | 10am
At the Age Concern building



Tai Chi

Thursday | 10.30 - 11.30am
In Te Pou O Mata with
Age Concern



Genealogy Group

First Thursday of the month
7pm
Balclutha Library



Walking Netball

Wednesdays | 12.30pm
Cross Rec Centre

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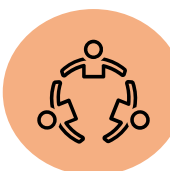
HT Pilates Plus

Tuesday 10am (child friendly)
at Athletics Club
Thursday 6pm at City Impact Cafe
Open to all ages. ACC approved
Contact: 0221944265.
holliephysio@gmail.com



SAYGO

Friday | 10:30am
Balclutha Library
Improve your balance, leg strength,
flexibility, general fitness, & wellbeing
with Age Concern.



South Otago Patchwork Group

Wednesday | 10am - 4pm & 7pm - 10pm
Creative Arts Centre Clyde St



Aquacise

Monday & Wednesday | 7:45am - 8:30am
Centennial Pool
Cost is pool admission. Great low impact
exercise to start your day the right way.



KT Kyokushin Karate

Monday and Wednesday
4:15pm - 5pm (ages 4 - 7)
5:30pm - 6:30pm mixed class
Physical, mental & spiritual endurance.
Contact Sempia Scott for term 4 details
ktkombatfitness@outlook.co.nz



Community Garden

Saturdays | 10am-12pm
38 James Street
Volunteers welcome



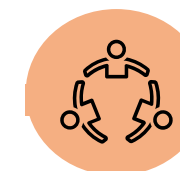
Clutha Country Music Club

Third Wednesday of every month | 7pm
11 Frances Street.
Practice nights for musicians are held on
the Friday prior to club nights. All ages are
welcome to come along.
Contact: Tineka 027 2759 926



Zumba Gold

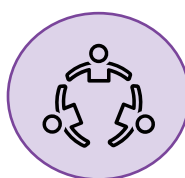
Tuesday | 9:30am
Cross Rec Centre
Improve coordination, cardiovascular
fitness, muscular conditioning.
Overall well-being
\$5pp paid to instructor



Cuppa & Connect

8th October & 12th November | 1pm - 3pm
Have a warm cuppa and connect
with people in the community.
Age Concern Building

What's on in Lawrence

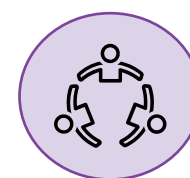


Gravel Rallysprint

Saturday 17 October | 9am–5pm

Blue Spur Road / Gabriels Gully

Catch the action as rally cars take on the gravel roads around Lawrence, with spectator areas and prizegiving afterwards at the Horse & Coach Inn.

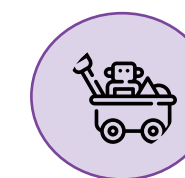


Heritage Day

Sunday 1 November

Main street parade

Celebrate 150 years of J. J. Woods' connection to New Zealand's national anthem. Enjoy a heritage parade through the main street and a day celebrating the town's history and community.



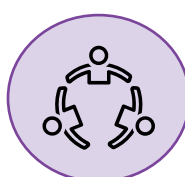
Toy Library

Open by appointment

Contact Stacey – 027 341 0930

\$60 per year

A great range of toys for local families to borrow and enjoy.



South Island Dachshund Derby

Saturday 24 October | 10am–5pm

Lawrence Rodeo Arena, Wetherstons Road.

A fun filled day. Bring your weiners along and enter some fun competitions. Stalls, entertainment, food, fun and laughter.



Ceilidh and Scottish Social dancing group

Wednesday | 7.00pm

Waitahuna Hall

Contact: Quentin – 021 148 7909

Lively social dancing in a friendly, relaxed group. No experience needed - all welcome.



Talking Cafe

29 October 'Death without debt'

26 November Christmas Party

1:30pm

Community Library



Rev, Rock & Hop

Friday 27 – Sunday 29 November

Lawrence Gymkhana Grounds, Wetherstons Road

Three days of classic cars, muscle cars, street rods and motoring action.

Programme times to be confirmed.



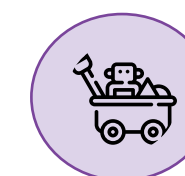
Halloween

31 October | 5pm - 7pm

The Junction 3 Ross Place

Spooky trick or treat for the kids.

FREE



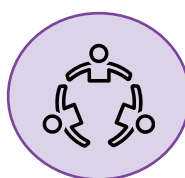
Storytime

Friday | 9:45am

Term time

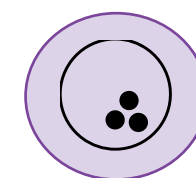
Guest speakers from the community join sessions at the library.

What's on in Lawrence



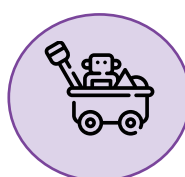
Tuapeka Vintage Club

Sunday | 1pm - 4pm
11 Gabriel's Gully Road
Everyone is welcome



Outdoor Bowls

Wednesday | 6:00pm
Clutha Valley Bowling Club
Licensed bar
All welcome
Contact: Jim 022 385 5917



Playgroup

Wednesday | 10:00am – 12:30pm
Term time
38 Waitahuna West Road
Contact: Lanni – 021 233 9500



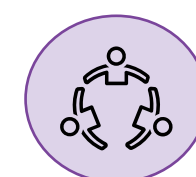
Mainly Music

Friday | 10:30
Term time
After story time at the Library.
Presbyterian Worship Centre
Christine – 021 212 1096



Coffee Time

Wednesday | 10:00am – 12:00pm
The Prospector Cafe
A relaxed weekly catch-up over coffee and conversation. All welcome.



Arts and Crafts

Monday | 11am - 1pm
Wednesdays 1pm - 3pm
Alternate weeks
At The Junction 3 Ross Place. Bring along materials, unfinished projects or creative ideas to share - this is a community studio.



What's on in Milton



Lake to the Sea Trail Ride

Saturday 31 October

8:00 am - 3:30 pm.

238 Union St Milton

Milburn to Toko Mouth return

Bikes and ATVs - no side-by-sides. Lunch provided.

Seniors \$70 | Junior \$45

<https://www.facebook.com/laketotheseatrailride>



Explore Yoga with Jas

Wednesday | 5:30pm

Alternating weekly between Yin Yoga and Hatha Yoga, with beginner-friendly modifications available.

\$20 per class or \$30 for 2

Bookings: Jas 027 473 3371



CACTUS

Term 4 | Three mornings a week

A physical training and personal development programme for rangatahi, focused on building confidence, resilience, fitness, teamwork and self-discipline.

Contact Project Bruce for details: 027 513 1775



Playgroup

Thursday & Friday | 9:30am-12:30pm

Term time

Te Whare Puāwai o Tokomairaro

34 Spenser Street.

Pre school play, hot drinks supplied.



Community Shed

Thursday | 9:00am-12:00pm

In the big shed down the gravel road behind the Tokomairiro A&P Showgrounds. Anyone is welcome to pop in and check it out.



Art with Heart

Monday | 10am - 12pm

Te Whare Puāwai o Tokomairaro

34 Spenser Street.

Material provided

\$5



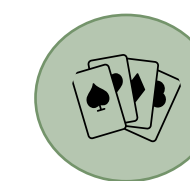
Tokomairiro A&P Show

Saturday December 12

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tokomairiro A&P Showgrounds

270-284 Union Street



Kaumātua Jams & Taurite Tū

Tuesday | 10am

Te Whare Puāwai o Tokomairaro

34 Spenser Street.

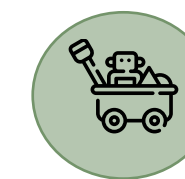
Strength/balance followed by waiata and kai.



Compost Workshop

Saturday 17 October | 10:30am

Registration only through Project Bruce



Storytime & Craft

Tuesday 6 October

10:30am - 11:30am

Milton Community Library

What's on in Milton



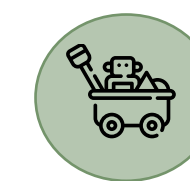
Keep Moving Class

Tuesday | 2:30pm-3:30pm
(Designed for the older generation)
Cost: \$3
Tokomairiro High School Gym.
238 Union St Milton



Exercise Classes with Kaz

Wednesday | 6:30pm-7:30pm
Tokomairiro High School Gym.
\$14 casual or 6 classes for \$75!
Grab a friend and come along
for some fun and fitness.



Mum & Bubs

Monday to Friday | 10am-2pm.
Tokomairiro High School Gym. Enjoy the
gym with a safe play-pen provided while
you get a work out in and have some time
to yourself. Please note this is not a class.



Tai Chi

Thursday | 1pm - 2pm
RSA 31 Union St
\$3 Contact Marilyn - 0272791602
for more details.



Women's Space

Wednesday | 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Tokomairiro Community Hub
A peer support drop-in session for women
and girls in the Milton community.



Parent/Caregiver Neurodivergent Support Group

First Monday of every month | 1pm
Te Whare Puāwai o Tokomairaro
34 Spenser Street.
Children welcome.
Contact Catherine: 027 252 9058.



Bridge

Thursday | 7:15pm-8:15pm
Coronation Hall 93 Union St
Contact Cathy Powell:
03 417 8907 or 027 517 8907



Tokomairiro Kyokushin Karate

Monday and Wednesday nights
Juniors 7 - 13 years 5:30pm
Seniors 14 years and over 7pm
Coronation Hall



JP Services

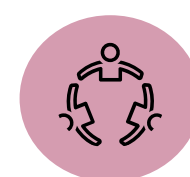
Friday | 3pm - 5pm
Milton Library
Free Justice of the Peace services for document
certification, statutory declarations, witnessing signatures
and identity verification. No appointment needed.

What's on in The Catlins



HTPilatesPlus classes

Monday | 6pm
Kākā Point bowling club
Thursdays 8.45am
Ōwaka (child friendly)
Ōwaka Grace Fellowship
Call Hollie: 0221944265



Ōwaka Community Library Book Group

Second Wednesday of the month | 2pm
Ōwaka Community Library
Share what you've been reading, discover new authors and enjoy a relaxed catch-up with fellow readers.



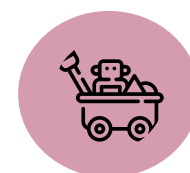
VR Topia

Monday & Thursday | 10.30am - 11.30am & 3pm - 4pm
VR headsets will be available at other times for self lead discovery. Staff sessions with customers from 31 August at Ōwaka Community Library.



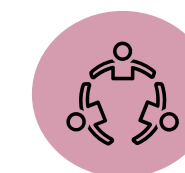
Mainly Music

Monday | 10am
Ōwaka Grace Hall
Music, movement and connection for babies, preschoolers and their caregivers.



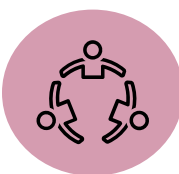
Ōwaka Swap Shop

Monday | 12 – 1pm
Thursday | 2:30 – 4pm
Rear of Ōwaka Community Centre
Drop in to give useful items another life or see what's available to take home.



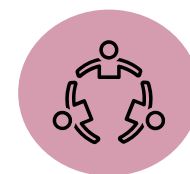
Kākā Point Community Group

Third Wednesday of the month | 7pm
Kākā Point Hall
A monthly community meeting to discuss local projects, issues and upcoming activities in Kākā Point.



Katea Indoor Bowls

Monday | 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Ōwaka Community Centre
A friendly evening of indoor bowls, with a relaxed social atmosphere and plenty of opportunity to enjoy a game with others.



Catlins Men's Group

Tuesday | 7pm
Presbyterian Church
A relaxed weekly get-together for local men to connect, catch up and enjoy some social time together.



Ōwaka Annual Market

Saturday 24 October | 9am - 1pm
Ōwaka Community Centre
A day for the family to enjoy.



The Botanicalists Coast to Country

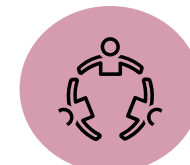
2 October - 27 November | 9am - 1pm
Ōwaka Museum

What's on in The Catlins



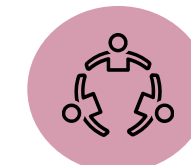
The Catlins Country Fete

Saturday 14 November | 10am – 4pm
River Ridge, 348 Catlins Valley Road,
Purakaunui
Range of homegrown, handmade and quality
products, with plenty of great gift ideas to help
you get your Christmas shopping sorted early.



Catlins Craft Group

First Tuesday of the month | 1:30 - 4pm
St John Rooms, Ōwaka
Bring along your current craft project and
enjoy a relaxed afternoon creating and
connecting with others.



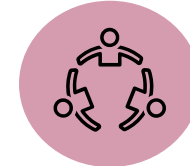
Parent Support Group

Thursday | 10am–12pm
Plunket Room, Ōwaka
A relaxed local support group for
parents and caregivers to connect,
chat and share experiences.



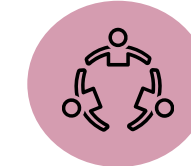
Ōwaka Golf Club

Saturday | 12:30pm and 1pm
Afternoon tee-off
A regular social round for local golfers.



Restoring the Long Yellow Ribbon

24 October & 21 November
Meet at 1pm Dutton's Bridge pull-off, Ōwaka.
Contact Catriona: 022 391 4698



Ōwaka Euchre Club

Thursday | 1pm
Fire Brigade rooms
A social afternoon of euchre and friendly
competition.



Catlins Club

Second & fourth Wednesday | 3:15 - 4:15pm
Term time
Ōwaka Community Library
After-school activities, fun and learning for local
children and tweens. Free.



Steady As you Go

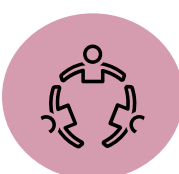
Tuesday | 10am
Ōwaka Grace Hall
A friendly, low-impact exercise class focused on
balance, strength, mobility and confidence



Spring Plant Market

Saturday 24 October | 10am - 2pm
35 Main Road
Organically grown and spray-free.

What's on in The Catlins



Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday | 7:30pm

Basil & Baylys, 35 Main Road, Ōwaka

A regular local Alcoholics Anonymous meeting offering peer support in a welcoming setting.



Colouring competition

1 September to 11 October

Open to all ages.

Great prizes to be won.

Pick up and return entries at:

Curiosity Café

Ōwaka Community Library and Catlins Information Centre

Or email entries to CatlinsSealions@doc.govt.nz.



Ōwaka Garden Club

Second Wednesday of the month | 1:30pm

Community Centre Supper Room

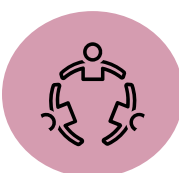
A friendly gathering for local garden lovers to share ideas, knowledge and seasonal inspiration.



Educational exhibition

1 October to 11 October 2026 at Curiosity Café,
1286 Kākā Point Road, Kaka Point.

Visit the sea lion exhibit and learn more about these remarkable marine mammals.



Ōwaka Patchwork Group

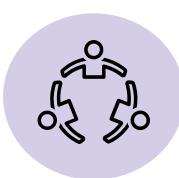
Second & last Sunday of the month | 9:30am - 4pm

Community Centre Supper Room

A social day for patchwork, quilting and creative projects with fellow makers.



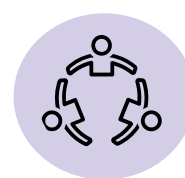
What's on in Tapanui



Tapanui Christmas Parade

Thursday 24 Dec

Celebrate Christmas Eve with the West Otago community as festive floats, decorated vehicles and Santa make their way through Tapanui. A fun local tradition for the whole family.



Community Kapa Haka

Sunday | 5 - 7pm

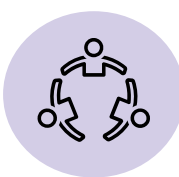
Blue Mountain College
A regular community kapa haka session.



Five Hundred Cards

Monday | 7:30pm

RSA Rooms, Tapanui
A regular evening of 500 cards and friendly competition.



West Otago A&P Show

Saturday 21 Nov | 8am–5pm

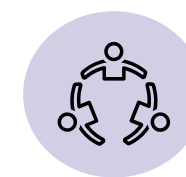
West Otago A&P Showgrounds,
138 Tapanui–Raes Junction Highway
A great family day out celebrating rural life in West Otago, with livestock, competitions, displays, entertainment and plenty of traditional A&P Show atmosphere.



West Otago Bridge Club

Wednesday | 7pm

RSA Rooms, Tapanui
Weekly social bridge for local players.



Nimble Fingers Craft Group

Monday | 10:30am - 3:30pm

RSA Rooms, Tapanui
A relaxed weekly craft group. Bring along your current project and enjoy some company.



Toy Library

Tuesdays | 9 - 10am

Fridays | 11:30am -12:20pm

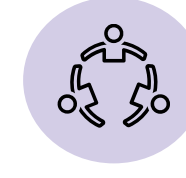
West Otago Toy Library
Borrow toys and resources for children to enjoy at home.



Mainly Music

Friday | 10.30am -12pm

Church on the Way Presbyterian
Contact: Robbie 027 354 7405
A fun, relaxed music and movement session for babies, preschoolers and their caregivers, with songs, activities and time to connect with other local families.

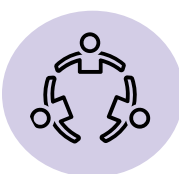


Whiskey Gully Christmas Trail

Early Dec

Head straight up Bushyhill Street until you reach the mountains- you can't miss it!

What's on in Tapanui



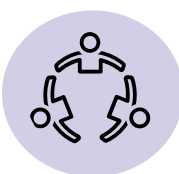
150 Year Celebration

Sunday 13 December | Time TBC
Street parade at 12pm, alongside Tapanui Market Day. Family picnic, museum open day and shop-window displays. Concert at the theatre at 3pm.



West Otago Karate & Kickboxing Club

Tuesday & Thursday
6:00pm – 8:30pm
Karate Clubrooms
Regular karate and kickboxing training in West Otago.



English Classes

Tuesday | 7pm–8:30pm
Free
Classes help support people of the community with learning English.



Knit and Yarn

Thursday | 1pm - 4pm
Church on the Way Presbyterian Church
Bring along your knitting, crochet or current yarn project and enjoy a relaxed afternoon of crafting, conversation and connection with others.



Tapanui Outdoor Bowls

Mondays | 1:30pm
Bowling Pavilion
Weekly social outdoor bowls in Tapanui.



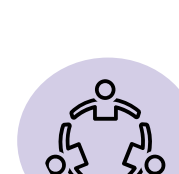
Heriot Playgroup

Wednesdays | 9:30am–12pm
Heriot Community Centre
A weekly playgroup for preschool children and their caregivers.



West Otago Walking Group

Monday | 1:30pm
Contact: Pia 03 204 8668
Join the West Otago walking group and meet new friends. Suitable for all ages and abilities.



West Otago Rural Kids

Every second Wednesday
6:30pm – 8pm
Heriot Den
A regular social activity for rural children and families in West Otago.



Why Clutha is simply the best

As we welcome spring, we not only celebrate longer days and warmer weather, but also the arrival of lambing and calving season. This time of year brings both excitement and challenges for our farmers, particularly as late winter and early spring storms can significantly impact outcomes. It's essential to prioritise your wellbeing and that of your livestock during these unpredictable weather patterns, as it plays a crucial role in the fabric of our community.

Spring is also a wonderful opportunity to reconnect and engage with our neighbourhoods. Whether you're attending a local event, volunteering with community groups, or simply sharing a conversation with a neighbour, each small interaction strengthens the bonds we share.

Let's embrace the beauty of spring, support one another through the challenges of lambing and calving, and continue to build a vibrant, connected community. Take care of yourselves and enjoy all that this season has to offer! And to our hardy whitebaiters, may the weather gods be on your side as well.

Jason (Jock) Martin, Your Mayor.



ADD YOUR EVENT?

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Submission deadline: 5th December