

THE TARRAS CHURCH SERVICE IS
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY
MONTH AT 11AM

UPCOMING SERVICE:

1ST OCTOBER 2023

DUTY: REBECCA CHAPMAN-COHEN &
JAN ANDERSON

Services lead by Damon Plimmer – all welcome *****

IF YOU ARE A CROCHETER, OR WOULD
LIKE TO LEARN TO CROCHET, AND ARE
KEEN TO HELP THE CHURCH WITH A
PROJECT PLEASE CONTACT FELICITY FOR
DETAILS ON 0274372137.

Tarras Hall and Recreation committee

The next Tarras Hall and
Recreation Committee Meeting will
be on Tuesday 19th September
2023 at 7pm at the Tarras Hall
Supper Room. Anyone welcome to
come along.

Tarras Hall

Hall users are reminded
to book with
tarrashall@gmail.com and
to also contact Michelle
for amenities hire.

All users are reminded to
leave the hall in a clean
state or they will be
charged \$150 cleaning
fee.

Book Club

Date:- Wednesday 13th
September

Time:- 730pm

Hosted by: Helen Pledger



Tarras Bird Watchers

On 14 August 3 Banded Dotterels were seen on their breeding sight at Bendigo Reach., having likely returned from their winter migration to Australia.

They stayed for a few days, but none have been sighted since.

Last year we believed there were 5 - 6 pairs in the area. 3 chicks hatched from one nest, 2 from another and 1 was observed from a nest where 2 eggs had been photographed. Another nest with 2 eggs was observed.

None of the young birds appear to have survived.

The conservation status of this endemic bird is listed as at risk – declining.

The Field Guide to the Birds of New Zealand tells us that they suffer considerable nest predation by introduced mammals, especially cats, ferrets, stoats and hedgehogs Also that human disturbance, especially from off-road vehicles, affects riverbed breeding populations.

As this may be the only remaining nesting site in the Tarras area, please help to ensure this continues by staying on the existing vehicle tracks if visiting, and wherever possible leaving the birds undisturbed.

Photo: Peter Swale

Tarras Talk

Find us online at www.tarras.org.nz



TARRAS RURAL WOMEN NEWS

Cancer Society Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day 2023 Otago/Southland Cancer Society Fundraiser

Thank you to all the Tarras Rural Women who donated items for the raffle, money for the collection and also contributed towards our stall in the village on the 25th of August.

Thank you to our community who generously purchased tickets in the raffle and in many cases donated cash and items for the stall also.

Thank you to the Tarras school pupils who put their time and skills into yummy shortbread stars, cards with spring verses, and pretty paper flowers.

TOGETHER you have all contributed to the fantastic total of \$1468.90 that has been banked. The popular raffle raised \$445 of that total.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gordon Lucas the winner of the raffle.

Tarras Rural Women.

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NEXT MEETING:-

September 20th

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:-,

October 18th, November 15th,
December - TBC

TARRAS SCHOOL

Collie Club winner!

Congratulations AJ Hawker from Lindis Peaks who represented Tarras Collie Club on his own to gain 2nd place in the Otago Centre interclub challenge held at Herriot on the 11th of August. AJ had 2 runs with 1 heading dog and 1 huntaway. Well done.



TARRAS CEMETERY

Work has been progressing on the Tarras Cemetery improvements

So far some trees have been removed, and a new fence with rabbit netting has been erected. Future improvements include irrigation and landscaping.

Free Golf Lesson!

The Tarras Golf Club is holding a Lesson for anyone interested, beginners and players on Saturday 23rd September from 3-4pm with the Cromwell Golf Club Pro Willie Moore. Please meet at the Tarras Hall before 3pm. Please register with Jan 0273094344. Refreshments afterwards.

Have news for Tarras Talk?

Please continue to email tarrastalk@gmail.com by the 30th of the month. If you too would like to be included in the reminder email, send me an email and I will add you to the list.

AGM - Friends of Tarras School

Friends of Tarras School will be holding the AGM on Monday October 9th at 7pm at the school. All welcome to attend

Final Assembly for Rachelle!

All parents and the wider community are invited to Rachelle's last Assembly to be held at the school on Friday 22nd September at 1.30 pm for a farewell and shared afternoon tea!

Tarras Golf Club News



The Tarras Golf Club wishes to thank the Lion Foundation and the Otago Community Trust for their donations to enable us to buy this Fairway Mower. We are very happy to have it and are grateful for their generosity.

The Tarras Golf Club annual 3 day Tournament is on 5,6 and 7th September. The John Annan Memorial is played over the first two days for men and the Women's 4 Ball is on the 7th September.

Coming up: Saturday 16th September-Jack and Noni Mead Trophy

Saturday 23rd September-Tarras Championship Finals

Saturday 30th September -Potters Gold Watch mixed day

Saturday 14th October-Closing day

Bula Vinaka

The days are getting longer and playtime involves less layers as each day passes! Students really enjoy it when the sun shines and they can spend more time enjoying outside learning.

Students were proud to support the Tarras Rural Women in their Daffodil Fundraising efforts. Students drew beautiful daffodils and added these to cards, created some paper crafted daffodils and baked delicious biscuits. Although students were up the mountain skiing the efforts were well recognised by Sandra Calder, who we thank for allowing the students the opportunity to support their community in this way.

Skiing has started on Fridays and students have 2 weeks left. This year we have students exploring both Treble Cone and Cardrona and staff enjoy the ski stories that are told on Monday mornings. It is easy to see improvements with the ski ability, especially when no one is able to be spotted on the learner slopes anymore.

Students came back to school with a super haul of certificates from the Small Schools Cross Country held in Poolburn. Despite the snowflakes falling all students put in 100% effort during their races. Results as follows for places: Rylee came 3rd in year 6 girls, Bodhi came 1st in Year 5 boys, Matilda R came 2nd in year 3 girls, George came 2nd in Year 2 boys, Frankie came 1st in year 2 girls. Rylee and Bodhi will now continue onto the Upper Clutha Cross Country event in Hawea.

Lucy from Enviroschools has been working with the school to identify water sources at school and this about how we can manage water in our area. Students enjoyed making their own rainstorm using their hands - it was very realistic - the video is on our facebook page. Lucy works with students to support them to develop ideas to ensure their environment is able to be sustained in a way they see fit.

Staff have been working with Tash from ImpactEd to develop local curriculum documentation, whole school learning overviews and planning linked to Te Mātaiaho - NZ Curriculum Refresh. These documents are currently being finalised and then will be available on the school website.

It is with huge thanks to Glen Eden Primary in Auckland that our students have now got beautiful kapa haka uniforms. Glen Eden Primary were updating their selection and offered these out to any schools in NZ. Fortunately school colours are the same and we now have beautiful uniforms which reflect our school colour too. Some alterations and some additions will be made to ensure good fits.

Tarras School Board welcomes community members to join a school assembly on Friday 22nd September at 1.30pm where Rachelle will be farewelled. Following the assembly will be a shared afternoon tea.

Alice Casey, incoming principal, met students, staff and parents on Monday 28th August. After touring the area and meeting everyone she is very excited to be starting in Term 4.

Rachelle



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