

Otaki Potters

May 2023

Greetings everyone, I hope this newsletter finds you all well, busy and warm!

No rest for our kiln team over the holidays with young persons and adult workshops keeping them busy. Derryn and Storm ran the holiday program which was very popular with both younger people and adults. Duncan Shearer's workshop was by all accounts a valuable 2 days. His workshop included throwing and altering forms. Duncan is a very experienced potter who is currently managing the re-establishment of the Te Horo kilns – Mirek Smiseks brick kilns. Jenny is talking to Duncan about running a glaze workshop so keep a lookout for this.

Workshops in the next few months are Jean Kahuis "A Goddess for your Garden" on the 29/ 30 April. This will have come and gone by time you receive this newsletter – this workshop also coincided with the Equine market held at the Otaki Racing club. Thanks to Lynne for managing the "Pop-Up Market" for the club.

The last Kintsugi workshop was so popular Ema Frost agreed to another. This is a 3 hour workshop running from 9 am – 12 noon on the 26th June. Our website holds the details on all the workshops over the next few months.

Star Glaze: We hope everyone is busy creating work for this event. It is a great show-caser for the club and another wonderful opportunity to sell your work. See the information in this newsletter and to register please go through the website.

The club Raku was a great event with some wonderful results. Thank you to the team for giving their time to the club to run this.

AGM: is looming 21st May 3pm. Please put this in your diary. We cannot stress the importance for members to attend. It is here that you can have your say, express any concerns, suggest positive ways forward for the club and vote in the new committee.



**Duncan Shearer's
throwing & altering
2 day workshop.**



Derryn & Storm school holiday program



Some goddesses drying from Jean Kahuis latest workshop

Nominations: All positions are open for the management team and a notice for nominations is on the board. We welcome any one to stand for a position that they are interested in. The committee has created another role- Events and Marketing so there will be 7 seats on the Committee. Stephanie has decided she will not stand again in the next election. The committee agrees that the importance of the secretary role requires a team to manage it. If you would like to be part of this team, please make this known to one of the committee members.

This is a good place to extend an invitation to all members of the club to attend a committee meeting if you would like to get an idea of what is involved with being on the team. Please send a request to the secretary indicating when you would like to attend.

Vacancies: We are still looking for a Room's Manager. Again, this role is quite involved and needs a good team. The room's manager will manage this team. For further information on the manager role or any role within this team please contact me or the secretary.

Events and Marketing manager: We have a great team of people who manage this area for the club but it would be valuable to have someone on board to keep the committee up to date. If you are already working in this area for the club or would be interested in coming on board and would be interested in managing this role please add your name to the nominations form on the white board.

Tote Modern: the opening for Jean Kahui and Ramila Parbhus exhibition is this coming Friday the 5th at 5.30 pm. Bring family and friends - everyone is very welcome.

CLAY: a new system is in place for clay sales. Lynne Corkin has formed the new Clay Team and this team will coordinate all clay for purchase. A member of the Clay Team will be at the rooms every Saturday between 10am and midday for you to purchase clay. Outside of these times, we would like all members to email: clayotakipottery@gmail.com to order their clay. The Clay Team will reply advising if your clay is in stock, offer an alternative if it has sold out, and/or tell you when new stock may arrive. You will be advised when your clay will be available to pick up. Your clay will be left on the shelf outside the Clay Room doors for you to collect. A sales slip will be attached to your clay, and you will just have to complete payment with cash, EFTpos or online before you leave the rooms. Please note there will be a 5% penalty if the account team have to chase up any non- payment.

STARGLAZE - CELEBRATING MATARIKI 2023
JULY 13, 14 & 15.

After such a successful event last year the club will again run the event with some minor changes. There will be 90 spaces. Club members have priority until May 14th.

Registration \$60 includes GST. Registration is free for young people. A space will be set aside for young people to exhibit their work. ALL work must be for sale. One club member can pay for a space and share it with other members. EVERY EXHIBITOR, including young people, must fill in a registration form (same as for the Festival of Pots) with a 3-digit code listing items for sale. You will need to provide two copies when you arrive to set up your work.

Commission is 15%.

Trestle tables are available: \$10 each

Display panels for display: 2400 X 1200 @ \$40;
1200 X 1200 @ \$20.

Set up and pack up: Set up is Wednesday 12 July between 11am – 8pm. Pack up is Saturday 15 July between 4pm – 7pm.

It will be great if we can have people working in the rooms during the event. The “Have a Go” activities were very popular and we would like to run them again. We will need help to set up the venue (same as last year) and pack down on Sunday, 16 July. There is a race day on the 14th and Kiwi Kai will have their food truck on site.

It would be wonderful if Tutors would encourage their students to get together as a group to participate. We encourage new members to get involved and experience the joy of seeing that other people like your work enough to buy it. A great encourager! Also a great motivator to have work ready for the Kapiti Arts Trail in November and the Festival of Pots and Garden Art in January 2024. To register:

<https://www.otakipotteryclub.org/star-glaze.html>

Please make payment to Otaki Pottery Club 38-9003-0784227-11, putting your surname in the Particulars box, and Starglaze as the code

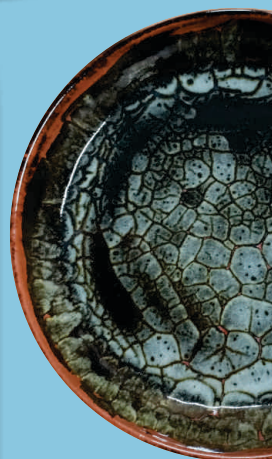
If you need further help or information please refer to the website www.otakipotteryclub.org or contact Sue Wilson kakacat29@gmail.com | 021 623 880 or Rod Graham rodgraham1948@gmail.com | 0274 457545



**Egg Tray by
Megan Fitzpatrick**



**Ball dish by
Gillian Sullivan**

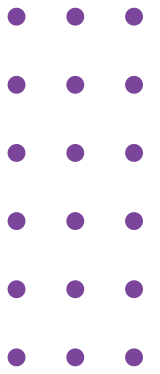




OTAKI POTTERY CLUB PRESENTS

POTTERY POSTURAL PATTERNING

Don't put up with the aches and pains that potters sometimes think are inevitable or unavoidable.



SATURDAY, 17 JUNE
10 00 AM

In this four-hour workshop, you will learn to use your body correctly and become more balanced by creating new patterns for your wheel and blocking work.

\$45 - shared lunch



REGISTER NOW

CLICK LINK BELOW FOR VIDEO
<https://youtu.be/MI0dTKYITvo>



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ROOMS **Manager Needed**

SOCIAL MEDIA Wendi Lindsay

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Children/Youth Derryn Robson

MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD

- **AGM** : - 21st May 3pm Nominations are open.
- **ROOMS MANAGER** and people to join this team needed. Contact Stephanie if you can help here.
- **APRONS FOR SALE**
Stephanie found these great Aprons and has had them specially designed for our club. They come in 2 colours.
\$40.00 - Members. \$50.00 - Non-members.
Contact Stephanie if you would like to buy one.
otakipotteryclub@gmail.com

NEW MEMBERS

Sonia Jenkins

Dean Lewin

Storm Davenport

Helen Pizzini

Kintsugi Workshop

with Emma Frost

Half Day Workshop

9-12pm | \$175

Monday 26th June, 2023

Come and learn the magical art of Kintsugi with artist Ema Frost.

Bring along a piece of your pottery to restore. Materials are provided.



Kintsugi – or kintsukuroi

Garden Orbs

CLASS IS NOW FULL

with Bonnie Wooller

TOTE MODERN GALLERY OPENING

Friday 5th May 5.30pm

This months exhibitors

Potter: Jean Kahui

Artist: Ramila Parbhus