

# Otaki Potters

November 2022

We are now gearing up for a few very busy months. The Adult classes exhibition\* has been replaced with work for the Kapiti Arts trail. There is still time if you wish to register to exhibit and sell your work. Please contact Derryn [desgazrobson@gmail.com](mailto:desgazrobson@gmail.com). \*A big thank you from Paula to all the Adult students who submitted work for the Adult classes exhibition. This was a great success and wonderful to see the work produced over the year. Well done.

Sue is now looking for a team to help with the "Public Raku" on the 3rd of December. This is a very special event for the community and has been sorely missed, especially by the younger ones, so fingers crossed we will have the weather on our side for that date.

After this we will be looking down the barrel of the Festival of Pots and Garden Art! So pot furiously and please put aside time to help at these events. Remember that as a member you are required to put in 6 hours at the Festival. If this is going to be tricky for you, please talk to the team leaders (Rod and Sue) to find other ways that you can contribute. To register to exhibit at the festival please go to the OPC website for all information. <https://www.otakipotteryclub.org/>

Sue and Stephanie are keen to get the storerooms (at the front of the building) organised – The west room will house all our events equipment and the storeroom at the eastern all teaching equipment. We will be advertising a day when this is to take place so, come and help if you can.

Thank you to Alastair McKenzie who has taken over the class enrolments portfolio from Emily.

Emily took on this role last year and made many changes including increasing the number of classes we offer, the range of classes and the system managing enrolments. Thank you, Emily.

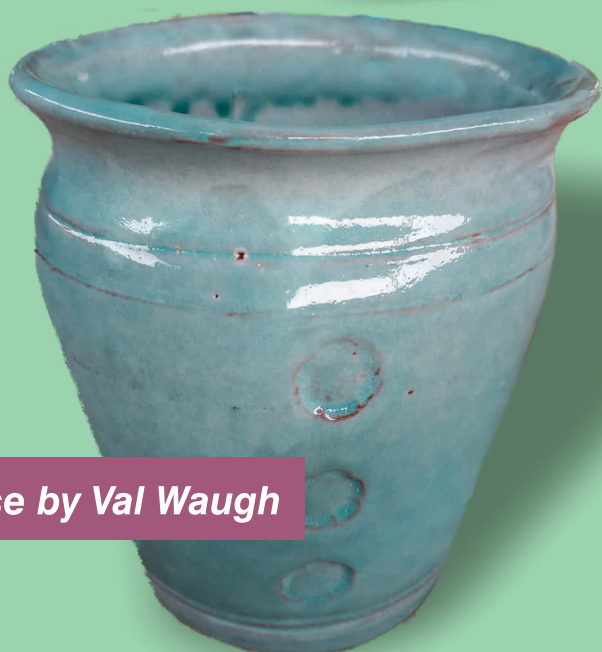


Cups by Bidy



Artists work in the Kapiti Art Trail

Vase by Val Waugh



Derryn has agreed to take on the role of "Classroom Booking Manager" All classroom bookings are now to be made through Derryn to avoid any overlaps.

Our Bats are disappearing! If you have taken your work home on one of the club's bats please return immediately. The classrooms are desperately short of these and we are now faced with having to buy some to tide them over. So, a timely reminder here that, please, no OPC equipment is to leave the club rooms. If you would like to buy bats see the notice on the board. One of our members has these for sale. Contact Sandra – [hello@potterybats.co.nz](mailto:hello@potterybats.co.nz)

**Working in the rooms:** If you work in the rooms, please make sure you clean your work area before you leave. This means wet sponge down twice and dry towel off. This is important as any dry clay or glazes left on the surfaces means more dust building up in the rooms. The main enemy is smaller silicosis-causing quartz particles in the minus 1 micron range. These are small enough to penetrate into and clog the air pockets in your lungs. These particles stay airborne for days. Please also pickup any clay lumps from the floor as any clay makes silica dust when walked on.

Thank you to those of you who wash the canvases. If you have taken any home to wash please could you return as we are short of them at the moment. In future we will wash these in the rooms, and we are looking at installing a clothes line outside on the eastern wall of the building to dry them.

Brent has installed door closers on the bathroom doors so don't be surprised by the door closing itself behind you! Thanks Brent.

**Library:** If you borrow any books from the library these need to be recorded in the book. We are missing some books and ask if they have not been recorded as "borrowed" they be returned.

**Classes:** have resumed for term four and run through to the 5th December. We now have 15 classes which means a very busy kiln team. Please let the Rod know if you have any urgent firing, otherwise, please know that they are working as hard as they can to get the work fired and back to you as quickly as possible. The Committee has agreed that the class fees will be increased at the beginning of 2023. These fees go toward covering the costs of running the classes and are not priced to raise funds for the club.

A full outline of the fees structure and what this covers will be sent out later in November.

**Diploma of Ceramic Art Exhibition:** Work for assessment for the DCA course will be on view on the 16th November from 3pm to 6pm. This will show many different techniques and styles so come along and be inspired. - Refer poster for details:- \*DCA – Diploma of Ceramic Art - a forum for distance students studying Ceramic Arts from Otago Polytechnic School of Fine Arts in Otaki – Tutor: Jenny Turnbull.

**Festival of Pots:** Wendi Lindsay promotes all our events on Facebook and has asked that we all share posts as we see them. This is a fantastic way for the club to advertise events so please check out our Facebook page and pass on the posts to as many of your groups/friends as you can. <https://www.facebook.com/otakipotteryclub/>

**Public Raku:** Sue Wilson and her team are on track for what will be our first Public Raku at our new venue for the 3rd December. If you are able to help, please contact Sue at [kakacat29@gmail.com](mailto:kakacat29@gmail.com).



*Kinas by  
Susannah Kyle*



*Work by  
Rod Graham*

## Otago Polytechnic - NZ Diploma of Arts & Design

1st Years, 3rd Years and 4th Years Final work on display



**Your Invited to view:**  
The students studying the NZ Diploma of Arts and Design in Ceramics invite you to view their end of year work.

16th November at Otaki Pottery Club  
Class Rooms  
from 3pm - 6pm

Nibbles and drinks provided  
All Welcome



INVITE



<http://www.op.ac.nz>  
Otago Polytechnic School of Art  
Otaki provider : Jennifer Turnbull  
[www.jenniferturnbull.co.nz](http://www.jenniferturnbull.co.nz)



**Have a Go Workshops- Adult / Young people:** Derryn had such a huge response to the holiday workshops for both Young people and Adults and is seeking members help for future workshops. These half day events are great fun. Please contact Derryn if you would like to be part of this team.

**Clay:** Jojo and Rod would like to get a team of people to help with the recycling of the clay that has built up over time. If you can help, please contact Jojo – [jhare67@yahoo.com](mailto:jhare67@yahoo.com). This clay will be for sale to members.

**Maintenance:** The Otaki Maori racing club will be working on the driveway over the next few months. Please take extra care when driving inside the complex. Drainage investigation continues and we ask that you keep clear of these sites.

**BUILDER NEEDED...** We have quite few jobs looming- in particular erecting shelves in the club rooms, kiln room and storerooms. If you have any building expertise and can help, please contact Rob Young. [robyoungsmail@gmail.com](mailto:robyoungsmail@gmail.com) or [otakipotteryclub@gmail.com](mailto:otakipotteryclub@gmail.com)

We are sad to hear that David and Margaret Roil are leaving us. They have been great supporters of the club. We wish them well for their move and thank them for all they have done for the club.

Stay safe, have a great month and make many pots!. *Caitlin*



**More great work in the Arts Trail**



## Management Committee

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**WORKSHOPS Adult** Jenny Turnbull

**Children/Youth** Wendi Lindsay

## New Members

**Welcome to:**

Alastair McKenzie, Suzanne Dowling, Virginia Housiaux, Caitlin Chapman, Meagan Fitzpatrick, Claire Fitzpatrick, Katrina Temaira, Glen Botha, Kimberley Ellis and welcome back Linda Mikkelsen.

Please do read the booklet you are given. This will cover what is required from you as a member and covers most of the operational side of the club.

## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD

The Diploma class tutored by Jenny T will be exhibiting their work on the 16th November 3-6pm. All are welcome - please see the poster in this newsletter or on the notice board.

**Tote Gallery:** November exhibition – Kapiti Arts Trail.

Paula needs help especially setting up and taking down exhibitions. If you can help please contact Paula - [ralfandpaula@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ralfandpaula@xtra.co.nz)

**Reminder:** The Tote Modern Gallery closes on 18 December for the year and Club members are asked to have their work removed by 8 Jan 2023.

**Kapiti Arts Trail** - 5/6 and 12/13 November. We are extending the Gallery again for this year's Arts Trail. Any queries please contact Derryn Robson 027 465 7536 or [desgazrobson@gmail.com](mailto:desgazrobson@gmail.com) subject – Arts Trail.

**Festival of Pots** publicity person needed to help the team please – contact Sue.

**Public Raku** – 3rd December. Volunteers needed to help organize the event. If you can help please contact Sue Wilson: [kakacat29@gmail.com](mailto:kakacat29@gmail.com).

**Bats for sale:** 150mm \$3. 200mm \$5.50. Please contact Sandra – [hello@potterybats.co.nz](mailto:hello@potterybats.co.nz) or ph: 0274888204.

**Last Cleaning Bee** for the year is the 10th Dec. If you haven't yet managed to sign up for a cleaning bee please check the roster in the rooms and register to help.

# TOTE MODERN GALLERY OPENING

This months exhibitors

**Members with work  
in Kapiti Arts Trail**

Come along and see all the  
great work on display

# Festival of Pots & Garden Art 2023

January 20th - 25th

10am - 4pm\*



[www.otakipotteryclub.org](http://www.otakipotteryclub.org)

**Anam Cara Gardens 150 Rangiuuru Rd Otaki**

## FESTIVAL MANAGERS

**Convenors:** - Rod Graham, Sue Wilson.

**Finances:** Bryan Johnson - data inputting team needed.

**Entry:** Vacant.

**Sales:** - Lynne Corkin.

**Cafe:** - Paula Archibald.

**Inside Curators and Guest Artists:** - Jenny Turnbull & Paula Archibald plus helpers

**Outside Exhibition:** - Rod Graham /Sue Wilson - team to be formed.

**Roster:** - Vacant ( need someone to set up a roster showing times that people are scheduled to do a shift) - team to be formed.

**Setup and Packdown:** - Rod Graham - team to be formed.

**Cleaning team:** - organiser needed

**Media:** - volunteer needed to place ads and submit editorial.

**Can you help in one of the vacant positions above?**