

# Otaki Potters

November 2020



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Next Cleaning Bee  
28th November

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings!

It's all go! I'm writing this heading up the Kapiti Arts Trail. Brochures are available in the rooms. Derryn tells me that she has about 20 members on the list who will have work at

the Tote for the Trail. This year we are inviting adult class members to join us. This is a great response, no doubt the place will be buzzing. The trail is a great opportunity to get out and see what others are doing and become inspired.

I was a bit premature with my comments about the first firing in

the up draught gas kiln. Being a test firing I should have waited until we opened the door. We first thought it was overfired but the top third was underfired. A few minor adjustments were required so we are hoping for a better result from firing number 2. We are now asking members for pots to test fire the new down draught kiln. Please use the yellow tickets for the downdraught kiln. A big thank you to Trevor Wright who re-fibred the up draught kiln and is now up grading the raku kilns. Trevor knows kilns and

we appreciate him giving of his time and expertise.

Thank you to those who turned up for the Raku pot in. Not a big response but a lot achieved. Pamella Annsouth continued working through her two gallery sessions producing 5 additional bread crates of pieces. We need more orbs and wheel pots so if you want to take clay home or get a group together to work in the rooms let me know and I will make sure clay is

available. Sue Wilson is convenor for the **Public Raku on December 5<sup>th</sup>**. We need all hands on deck..... set up, morning session; afternoon session, pack up. No experience needed. Contact Sue and she will give you a job. Club events are a great way to get to know other members. We will aim for a club raku in March/April next year.



Wendy Ransfield



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday/Sunday 7/8 & 14/15 November - KAPITI ARTS TRAIL

Saturday/Sunday 21/22 November - PIT FIRING

Saturday 28 November - CLEANING BEE

Monday 30 November - CHRISTMAS HAM LAST ORDERS

Saturday 5 December - PUBLIC RAKU FIRING

Saturday 13 December - CHRISTMAS DRINKS AND NIBBLES

Tuesday 22 January- Sunday 27 January 2021 - FESTIVAL OF POTS & GARDEN ART





Jojo Hare



The Claydate Programme

has come to an end for 2020. It was hugely popular for young and old alike. It's a Have-a-go programme supported by Creative Communities NZ. **Thank you** to those who volunteered their time to help and to Sue Wilson for coordinating the programme.

The rosters are being drawn up for the Festival of Pots and Garden Art and will be posted on the whiteboard in the rooms at the end of November. Please put your name in where there is a gap. Each session is 3 hours. We need **EVERY MEMBER** to get involved and support the event. If you are going to be away while the event is on we will need you to assist prior. **ALL** members are required to put in at least 6 hours. It's a big undertaking for the club and it's much better than selling raffle tickets!

Posters and cards will be available at the Arts Trail and for members to distribute. Sue Wilson is coordinating distribution please help get the message out. If you are a digital media buff please use your skills in this area.

We need someone to manage the roster for the festival and someone to manage the cleaning team, so don't hang back. Contact me asap.

Remember to register for the Festival of Pots. Check out the website. Registration forms will be available in the rooms.

HAPPY POTTING

*Rod*



Elephant by Sue Wilson

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE WELLINGTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL** by donating a piece of work to be sold at the Festival of Pots and Garden Art

In the last newsletter we put out a call to members and supporters to donate a piece of work as part of the Festival fundraising.

You are probably aware a generous developer donated \$50 million to build the **NEW WELLINGTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**. Now the fundraising committee needs to raise \$12 million to furnish it.

They have raised \$10m - now they are asking the creative community to get in behind and support the effort.

**All donated work in the Festival** will go towards this project.

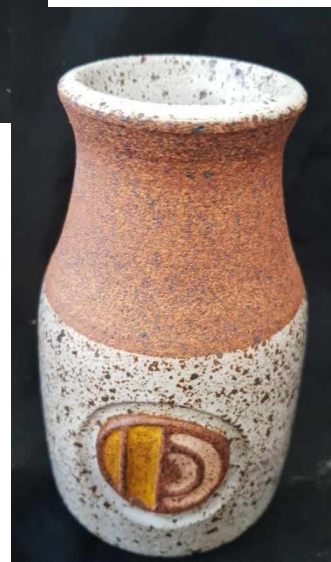
The club will not take any commission on donated items sold.

Here is a great opportunity to do something good for others. We know you will want to support such a worthwhile project.

Thank you in anticipation.



Marie Mehurst



### Welcome!

New members - Derek Deed; Neil Hay; Christian Imlig; Lyndele MacDermid and Sue Smith. Neil Hay is a past president of the NZ Society of Potters. We welcome your enthusiasm and expertise in building the club membership.

## FESTIVAL OF POTS & GARDEN ART areas of responsibility

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Convenor:                       | Rod Graham                               |
| Administrator:                  | Wendi Lindsay / Caitlin Taylor           |
| Rosters:                        | <b>vacant</b>                            |
| Finance/Data Entry:             | Derryn Robson                            |
| Set up/pack down/ road signage: | Brent Craig                              |
| Publicity:                      | Sue Wilson: Posters & Cards distribution |
| Newspapers/radio/magazines:     | Jude Bismark                             |
| Digital Media:                  | Wendi Lindsay                            |
| Sales/ Entry:                   | Lynne Corkin                             |
| Inside Exhibition:              | Jude Bismark                             |
| Outside Exhibition:             | Rod Graham                               |
| Guest Artists:                  | Jude Bismark/ Jenny Green                |
| Café:                           | Paula Archibald                          |
| Demonstrations:                 | Murray Hopping                           |
| Traffic Control:                | Simon Black                              |
| Cleaning:                       | <b>vacant</b>                            |

*If you would like to assist in one of the above please make contact with the person listed or contact Caitlin.*



Goblets and Weka by Lyuba Zhilkins



**Have YOU registered yet?**

**Festival of Pots & Garden Art 2021**  
 January 22nd - 27th 10am - 4pm

*Please note the Festival is running for a shorter time period than previous years.*

[www.otakipotteryclub.org](http://www.otakipotteryclub.org)  
**Anam Cara Gardens 150 Rangiora Rd Otaki**

## CHRISTMAS HAMS

Please see the information on the whiteboard in the rooms.  
 Orders close on 30 November  
 Contact Rod



Blue bowl by Caitlin Taylor







**Heads,  
Figure, and  
Vase  
by Val Waugh**



## **CHRISTMAS DRINKS AND NIBBLES**

on Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup>  
at 7pm at the TOTE.

Please bring something to put  
on the nibbles table (an item  
rather than a plate) and  
something to drink.

Non-alcoholic punch will be  
provided.

A special invitation to all  
members new to the club this  
year.

## **Management Committee**

### **Office Bearers**

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### **Other Contributors**

Club Library & Rooms: Kaye Stead

Newsletter: Diana Litton

Cleaning Bees: (vacant)

Clay: Rod Graham and David Timperley

Glazes: Murray Hopping and Helen Walch



**Kathryn Lim**



## **CLEANING BEE and WORKING BEE**

Both operating on Saturday 28 November,  
from 10am to 12noon.

Please indicate your attendance on the whiteboard in  
the rooms or contact Caitlin. Thank you.