

North Taranaki Branch Newsletter Term Two 2023



Hi KCC'ers

BIRTHDAY PARTY

It's Forest & Bird's 100th Birthday Celebrations this year but did you know that it is 35yrs since KCC was launched also. Let's have a party to celebrate the two milestones.

The programme will look like this:

- Games
- Surprise activity during which you will create something insect friendly to take home for your garden. All materials supplied.
- Pot luck dinner, starting approx. 5.30pm
- Quiz Night – in families or small groups



Date: Saturday 27 May 2023

Time: 4.30pm – 7.30pm

Meet: Spotswood Primary School Hall – 177 South Road, New Plymouth

Bring: Contribution to share for 'pot luck dinner'.

Come along and join the fun – lots of spot prizes.

If you can't make it at 4.30pm please feel free to come to the pot luck dinner and quiz evening. I'll ask the question on registration so I know how much supplies are required for the activities.

A Night of Star Gazing - New Plymouth Observatory

This is not a public night. We have a special booking for KCC members and family. Numbers are limited so please register on the link sent.

Date: Thursday 29 June

Time: 7.00 – 8.30pm. Please arrive by 6.50pm, so we do not keep the volunteers waiting.

Cost: \$5.00 per person, payable to myself on arrival. Please have correct change.

Meet: NP Observatory, Marsland Hill, New Plymouth

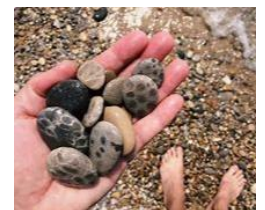
Bring: Warm clothing as there is no heating inside the observatory and it can be very cool using the outside telescopes. Water bottle.



The night will not be cancelled unless it is shocking weather. If it is too cloudy to use the telescopes everyone receives a voucher to come again on a public night. There is ramped access to the building and a wheelchair-friendly outdoor telescope option.

A ROCKing GOOD TIME

Have you every strolled along the beach looking at the coloured stones, glistening as the waves wash over them? Have you every wondered about the beautiful stones and crystals you may have seen in shops and markets? Have you considered whether a rock looks the same inside as it does outside and why some rocks are only found in certain places in the world?



If you have answered yes to any of these questions or you have others then this activity is for you !

The Taranaki Lapidary & Mineral Club have agreed to host us and explain everything you ever wanted to know about rocks and crystals AND they are going to demonstrate the cutting and polishing of rocks. They have an impressive range of machinery for this.

I guarantee you wont look at rocks the same again after this visit.

The club has some amazing rocks and crystals on display also.

Date: Friday 14 July 2023 (Public Holiday)

Time: 3 – 5 pm Please arrive 2.45 pm

Meet: Lapidary & Mineral Club rooms, 3 Rangitake Drive, Spotswood, NP.

Bring: Covered in shoes, suitable clothing & water bottle. You may also like to bring snacks if you think you may get peckish.

They do have a sales table so you're welcome to bring a little pocket money.

If you are able, please bring a donation / koha for the club.

KCC Motto

I will love and care for my natural world – the native plants, the animals and the places where they live. I CAN make a difference.

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