

JUNE 2023 REAP Marlborough Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM CEO, SHARON

Our team has been involved with many wonderful community events over the past few months and continue to be involved in and with many more throughout this year - in this newsletter we are sharing some great stories

The team has grown also - we are thrilled to welcome:

- Darlene Purdie as our Literacy & Numeracy Tutor for the BCITO Apprentices in Blenheim
- Andy Navarro as the ECE / Schools Activities Facilitator, this means she gets to do great activities with our tamariki
- Ros Byrne has joined us in a Compliance role



Selena, Andy, and Jo - ECE/Schools Team

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

REAP Marlborough was delighted to work with local film maker Tyler Redmond as part of Tech Week. Tyler and his crew provided more than a dozen young people with the opportunity to learn about camera work and have a go using his equipment. This was a 'taster session' in advance of a longer July school holiday programme for aspiring film-makers. We hope to work with Tyler in the future to offer further film-making courses and opportunities for young and old.



NEW OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT LOCAL APPRENTICES

We've been pleased to be offering through a new contract with the BCITO (Building & Construction ITO)/ Te Pūkenga to support their apprentices with their paperwork towards their apprenticeships. So far we have 17 apprentices registered for this assistance - some just need a quiet space to get their work done, others may need a hand with how to navigate learning while working. It's great that each week they come along for an hour or two, enjoy some pizza, and a supportive and fun learning environment. If you know a building apprentice in need of extra help, remind them to pop in to see our tutor,

Darlene, at My Space,  |  Te Pūkenga
5 - 7pm, Wednesdays.

SENIORS' EXPO & TECH HELP

Shona and Kate attended the Seniors' Expo in March to share about our digital technologies support services.

If you or a loved one could use assistance with technology, please reach out for help. REAP runs Better Digital Futures for Seniors, providing one-to-one free sessions with a skilled staff member to help resolve everyday digital device issues and teach computer skills.

In addition, Marlborough Libraries can provide free help through their Book a Librarian service and there is a range of other digital support services for individuals or groups. Check out www.reapmarlborough.co.nz/digital-tech-support. Alternatively, you can pick up a hard copy of the 'Digital & Technology Support in Marlborough' brochure from Age Concern, CAB, or your public library, or ring us for advice on 03 578 7848.



WAIRAU WOMENS DAY 2023

Almost fifty Wairau Valley women of all ages recently spent a fun day out learning new skills and meeting friends, old and new.

On a cold, but not frosty, morning in June the women started at 10 am to either learn the basics of fruit tree pruning or having a go using carpentry skills to transfer old pallet wood into useful garden boxes.

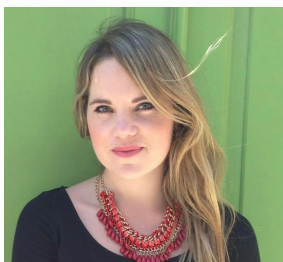
Everyone warmed up with a Mexican-themed catered lunch and listened to Sarah from Warrior Women Coaching deliver an informative talk. Next the group again split into two - half trying their hand at water-colour painting, while the others had a go operating earth moving equipment.

Everyone finished up at the local Wairau Valley Tavern for a complimentary drink and a chance to chat. Feedback from the event was overwhelmingly positive, and REAP along with the Ministry for Primary Industries provided key funding for this important rural wellness and skill-building event.



ECE/SCHOOLS NEWS

We are delighted to welcome Andy (Andrea) Navarro to our ECE and Schools team at REAP Marlborough. Andy is implementing projects including Slackers Ninja Line and Haere Au ki te Kura, as well as supporting playgroups in our region. Andy has a background in visual arts and we look forward to sharing her skills with our community.



CELIA HOGAN WORKSHOPS

Many kaiako (teachers) in our region are excited to learn more about play in nature and diversity in outdoor learning so it was great to collaborate with the Enviroschools team to bring Celia Hogan to Blenheim.



ECE & SCHOOLS EVENTS

PCT WORKSHOP

The next PCT workshop will be held on Tuesday, 8th August, and will be facilitated by University of Otago.

MENTOR TEACHERS HUI

The next mentor teachers hui will be on Monday, 7th August, 4pm to 5pm, and will also be facilitated by University of Otago.



HE MĀPUNA TE TAMAITI WORKSHOPS WITH SUE HONE

Supporting social and emotional competence in Early Learning and New Entrant years. Three sessions coming up:

- 4th July, 5pm - 7pm; Whitney St School hall
- 11th July, 5pm - 7pm; Kaikōura
- 12th July 5pm - 7pm Whitney St School staff room

ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION

SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS - PART 2

Dates: 6th - 18th October

Time: 6 - 8 pm

Location: TBC

Price: \$80.00 (7-week course)

Tutor: Carina Gonzalez

Build on your basic knowledge of conversational Spanish in a friendly relaxed environment.

TE REO MĀORI (evening classes)

Dates: 9th August - 13th September

OR 11th October - 15th November

Time: 6 - 8 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough, 65 Seymour Street, Blenheim

Price: \$70.00 (6-week course)

Tutor: Te Oho Mauri Cooper

An introductory course covering basic Māori language skills and culture.

TE REO MĀORI (morning classes)

Dates: 8th August - 12th September

OR 10th October - 14th November

Time: 10am - 12 noon

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$70.00 (6-week course)

Tutor: Glenna Casalme

AED/CPR FIRST AID

Date: Thursday, 10th August

Time: 11 am - 12:45 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$35.00

Tutor: Nine Scott

A very experienced professional medic points out the things that usually go wrong and gives you the skills to not just avoid these pitfalls.

UKULELE - PART 2

Dates: 6th November - 11th December

Time: 7 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$30.00

Tutor: Kathrine Townshend

NZ SIGN LANGUAGE

Dates: 6th July - 24th August

Time: 6 pm - 8 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$95.00 (8-week course)

Tutor: Eufasia Middlemiss

BABY/TODDLER FIRST AID

Dates: 18th July,

10th August,

OR 12th October

Time: 1 pm - 3 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$20

Tutor: Nine Scott

Essential first aid tips for your baby/toddler.

Scenarios covered include choking, CPR, burns fever, allergic reactions, and more.

REFRESHER FIRST AID

Dates: 21st July,

18th August,

22nd September,

OR 20th October

Time: 9 am - 5 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$80 for individuals,

\$188.50 for organisations/employees

Tutor: Nine Scott

Suitable for those who need first aid skills for home, work, or recreation, and/or who need a certificate that fulfills their legal workplace requirements. This class teaches NZQA unit standards 6401 & 6402.



DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Dates: 24th July - 2nd August,

15th - 25th August,

12th - 21st September,

OR 17th - 26th October,

Time: 6 pm - 8 pm

Location: REAP Marlborough

Price: \$170.00

Tutor: Eddie Van der Westhuizen

Learn how to avoid and overcome risky driving situations, and get your Restricted in 6 months!

ACE COURSE FEEDBACK

TE REO MĀORI

"Virgil has been amazing to learn off. She has such an interactive way of teaching that has made the course a lot of fun and a lot easier for me to pick up and follow."



UKULELE

"Great tutor. Fun course."

"Amazing fun, thank you. I'm looking forward to the next one."



NZ SIGN LANGUAGE

"Eufrasia is a very good tutor and has the knack of combining learning with fun. I would recommend her."



SAVE THE DATE -

RURAL READINESS EXPO

The Rural Readiness Expo will help us be prepared for everyday rural living, and large weather events or other natural disasters. Civil Defense, MDC, FENZ, Rural Support, Landcare Trust, REAP, and others along with local operators and companies will be on site to help you with practical advice. Lots of fun, lots of information, food stalls and free entertainment.

Would you like a stall site? Want to be involved? Email the Wairau Valley Rural Hub Coordinator, Angela - wvrruralhubcoordinator@gmail.com. This will be a free event for all Marlburians but a koha is welcome.



WORKSHOPS & DEMONSTRATIONS
TRADE SITES AVAILABLE

Rural Readiness Expo

WANT TO BE INVOLVED?
Contact Angela Woolf 027 303 8380
wvrruralhubcoordinator@gmail.com

In an emergency and everyday life-

who will you call for help?

Alternative Energy → Communication
Water → Food → Resilience → Safety
Animal Welfare → Home Security

SATURDAY 26 AUGUST 2023
A Rural Hub event initiated by the Wairau Valley Hall Committee with MPI

DONATE A DEVICE

REAP Marlborough is keen to try a small pilot trial of repurposing second-hand laptops or tablets to gift to members of the community who lack the resources to purchase a new one. If you have an unwanted or unused tablet or laptop you are willing to donate, please let Kate know on 578 7848 or email kate@reapmarlborough.co.nz. Devices should be in working order, less than ten years old, and have the computer login and password information which will allow us to delete all data and return them to their factory settings or if able, you could restore it to factory settings yourselves before donation.

