

Kahuyouth

The Crib on the web

What a couple of months we've had. Between Bluemoon parties, Wanakafest and mentoring there hasn't been a lot of time to do much else. First up, we'd like to send a huge thank you to everybody who helped out, donated for, or joined in everything we've been up to in the last two weeks especially. There isn't enough room to list you all here, but we really couldn't do these things without you. Thank you.

Another exciting development we'd like to share with you is our brand spanking new website. There's tons of stuff on there from a brief history of us, who our trustees are, any events we're planning and what's on at the Crib all at the click of a button. We've also got a comprehensive links page covering just about any service you may need in the area. It's not quite the finished

article yet but we're very proud of it and we'll be tweaking it in the coming weeks. Check it out at www.kahuyouth.org.

Finally, we'd like to invite any young people aged 11 – 24 who have something they'd like to say to talk to us about writing for this column. It doesn't matter what it is. Perhaps you have an issue you'd like to highlight, an opinion you'd like to share or an awesome recipe or trick you'd like to share with the community. This can be your column too!

For any information on anything we've talked about, or if you want to write an article, get in touch on 03 443 5880, email: kahu.youth@xtra.co.nz or Facebook: Kahuyouth Upper Clutha.

- RICHARD ELVEY



Violin's spirit

Christchurch Symphony Orchestra violinist Cathy Irons will perform the "Spirit of the Violin" at Wanaka Library on November 21 as part of her Southern NZ tour.

Cathy will play a diverse music programme suitable for all ages, from nursery rhymes to Bach's Gavotte, as well as Spanish and Irish music. She said the concert is a selection of pieces with many different styles. "I will wing it a bit on the day, choosing pieces depending on what I notice the audience enjoying the most. I find children enjoy nursery rhymes and interactive activities, to keep them involved and interested. I look forward to sharing interesting moments and stories in my life on my musical journey too."

Cathy has toured the country as a performer and teacher and has broadcast regularly on radio and television. She performs in the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra and is also the Outreach and Education coordinator for the Orchestra.

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inbrief

Fair share of fibre

Five councils in the Otago region including Central Otago District Council and Otago Regional Council have united to develop a digital strategy for the region. A region-wide survey for Central Otago residents and businesses has been prepared to gain an understanding of the digital challenges the region faces.

"Getting the most out of the roll-out of broadband technology is vital for the social and economic prosperity of Central Otago, and participation in the digital strategy will help us achieve this," Central Otago Mayor Tony Lepper said.

CODC chief executive Phil Melhopt said it was "imperative that Central Otago pushes for its fair share of fibre. Council involvement and community participation in the development of an Otago digital strategy is essential. Connectivity is just as important for our towns and rural communities as it is for the larger centres."

The survey results will be available in early 2013 and the Otago Digital Strategy should be developed by March 2013.

More delays at Makarora

It will be at least two weeks before both lanes of the State Highway 6 are open at the site of the slip 16km south of Makarora. NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) carried out further blasting on Tuesday to stabilise the slip site. NZTA area manager Central Otago John Jarvis said because the site is in such a confined area, traffic delays are unavoidable.

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