

## Competitions:



### DOC Seaweed Drawing Competition

Marine mammals and marine reserves are something very special that we have in and around Banks Peninsula. Draw your best picture of these including other interesting sea themes, and be in with the chance to win!

Entries close **4.00pm, Friday 17th February 2017**

Submit entries to:

- Akaroa Dolphins, 65 Beach Road, Akaroa
- Little River Craft Station
- Posted (no folds) to P.O. Box 166, Akaroa 7542

For details of criteria visit: <http://www.akaroa.com/seaweed-akaroa> or <http://seaweed.org.nz/competitions/>

### Seaweed Poetry Competition

There's something about being a New Zealander.... we're drawn to the sea! The ocean, its moods and the life it nurtures have been themes of poetry for many. Write a poem that reflects the theme of Seaweed and be in to win fabulous sea-themed prizes.

There are four categories:

- Pre-school • Schools • Adult open category • Te Reo

All entries must be 400 words or less. Please submit by 4pm Tuesday 21st Feb. For details & entry form visit [www.ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp](http://www.ecan.govt.nz/poetrycomp)

## Resources

### Environment Canterbury

The education team has a great deal of interesting material available FREE to educators. For example

- Canterbury's Spectacular Coast booklet
- Canterbury's Marine and Coastal Animals booklet
- Teaching units for primary schools: Rocky Shore, Coastal Wetlands, Dunes
- Fact sheets on local coastal issues and unique features and animals of Canterbury's coast.

Visit [www.ecan.govt.nz/](http://www.ecan.govt.nz/) search Seaweed or contact:

Jocelyn Papprell, Environment Canterbury

Phone: 027 7030 772 or email: [jocelyn.papprell@ecan.govt.nz](mailto:jocelyn.papprell@ecan.govt.nz)

### Christchurch City Council

The Learning through action team offers two free coastal programmes 'Searching the shoreline' and 'Saving the sand dunes'. Coastal Management - Taku tai, takutai

Find out more by visiting their website:

<https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/learning-resources/learning-through-action/list-of-programmes/>

### Starters & Strategies

Term 4 2016 has devoted 4 pages to Seaweed; check them out for activity ideas. [www.starters.co.nz/uploads/teachers-magazines/t4-2016-flip/](http://www.starters.co.nz/uploads/teachers-magazines/t4-2016-flip/)

### Beach Clean-up how tos

Love Your Coast - <http://www.loveyourcoast.org/assets/Uploads/How-to-Organise-a-clean-up.pdf>

Sir Peter Blake Trust - [http://www.mariagill.co.nz/pdf/care\\_for\\_our\\_coast.pdf](http://www.mariagill.co.nz/pdf/care_for_our_coast.pdf)

## Deals:

### Seaweed Harbour Cruise Special with ecoSEAKER

The following discount will apply by providing the code 'Seaweed Special' when booking for trips during Seaweed.

Harbour Adventure Cruise Daily 2.30pm, between 25th February - 5th March  
10% off for their Harbour Adventure Cruise when booked directly with them over the phone. To book, or for more information, please contact ecoSEAKER on 0800 326 794.



### Akaroa Sea Week Special

Akaroa Seaweed Special 50% off their 3.40pm Akaroa Harbour Nature Cruise every day during Seaweed, when booking direct by phone 0800 4 DOLPHINS or in-store.



### Lyttelton Sea Week Special

Enjoy a 90 minute cruise of Lyttelton Harbour with Black Cat Cruises. Available over both weekends (25-26 Feb and 4-5th Mar) of Seaweed.

Costs: \$30 adult and \$15 child

Time: 1.30-3pm Sat and Sun. To book: email [lyttelton@blackcat.co.nz](mailto:lyttelton@blackcat.co.nz)

Ph: 03 328 9078 to reserve space with payment taken on the day.

No deals can be used in conjunction with any other offer.

## Coming up



22-24 March 2017 **Dune Restoration Trust of New Zealand, National Conference**, in Christchurch, (New Brighton WMC)

*The theme is "Diverse coastal environments in a time of change". It will show-case the wide variety of coastal landscapes in and around Christchurch/ North Canterbury and discuss local and national issues and challenges faced in coastal restoration and management. Include field-trips around the Christchurch urban beaches and the North Canterbury coast.*

For details and registration see <http://www.dunetrust.org.nz/news-and-events/annual-conference/christchurch-2017/> or contact Rodney Chambers, Coastal/Plains Area Head Ranger, [rodney.chambers@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:rodney.chambers@ccc.govt.nz)



### The Mother of All Clean Ups, Saturday 13 May

For information or to register for participation contact Tanya Jenkins on [info@estuaries.org.nz](mailto:info@estuaries.org.nz)



regional co-ordinating organisation



local supporting organisation



[www.nzaee.org.nz](http://www.nzaee.org.nz)



Department of Conservation  
*Te Papa Atawhai*

national supporting organisation

## Toiora te Moana - Toiora te Tangata Healthy Seas - Healthy People

### Seaweed 2017 Events and Activities around Canterbury

Saturday 25 February to Sunday 5 March 2017

For more details of events and updates please visit:

<http://seaweed.org.nz/events/> or

<http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/> and search Seaweed.



Seaweed is New Zealand's annual national week about the sea. Hosted by the NZ Association for Environmental Education (NZAEE), Seaweed focuses on learning from the sea. It's about exciting and inspiring all New Zealanders to renew their connections with the sea!

When	What & Where	Who
<b>All week</b>	<b>A special Antarctic Centre programme</b> focused on injured penguins, how they have been hurt by mostly human related causes and how they are living 3 x their normal life expectancy once we remove these impacts.	Contact: Ruth Guy ruth.guy@iceberg.co.nz
		
<b>Sat 25th Feb</b>	<b>Seaweeek officially begins</b>	
<b>Sat 25th Feb</b> 8.00am, 11.30am & 3.00pm	<b>Pohatu Penguins Sea-kayaking Safaris</b> Support the protection of the Hector's dolphins by experiencing a kayak trip that is totally mind blowing! Tour price: \$90 per person, with Pohatu donating at least \$25 per ticket to dolphin research. They are only looking to cover their cost.	Tours will depart from Pohatu's booking office in Akaroa. To book, or for more information, please contact Pohatu on 03 304 8542
		
<b>Sat 25th Feb</b> 10.00am to early afternoon	<b>Ministry for Primary Industries information trailer in Akaroa</b> Visit the Ministry of Primary Industry Recreational Fishing Trailer to find out about legal rules and requirements to follow for recreational fishing.	Main Beach Road waterfront, Akaroa More information at <a href="http://www.akaroa.com/seaweeek-akaroa">www.akaroa.com/seaweeek-akaroa</a>
<b>Sun 26th Feb</b> 9.00am - 3.30pm	<b>The Koukourarata Mātaitai</b> Enjoy a day out in beautiful Port Levy, hosted at the local marae and learn about how members of the local marae and residents have together formed a mātaitai committee to protect the precious harbour.	To book, contact: Manaia Cunningham Manaia. Cunningham@ngaitahu.iwi.nz Cost: \$35 per person. This price includes lunch and transport. For details of the excursion visit <a href="http://seaweeek.org.nz/events/canterbury/">http://seaweeek.org.nz/events/canterbury/</a>
		
<b>Sun 26th Feb</b> 2.00pm	<b>Seaweeek Cycle Ride with Forest and Bird</b> – check out the bird life along our coast with Colleen and her friends from 'Spokes', 'Frocks on Bikes' and Go Cycling. At stops along the way you will learn about the type of birds you will see. Bring binoculars for bird watching along the way. Meet 2pm Tidal View, Ferrymead with your own bike, helmet and water.	Free event Forest & Bird Contact: Colleen Philip 981 8556 Sponsor and Coffee vendor: Green Bear Coffee <a href="http://www.greenbearcoffee.co.nz/company/">www.greenbearcoffee.co.nz/company/</a>
		
		

<b>Mon 27th Feb</b> 5.30-6.30pm	<b>Youth Beach clean-up and info night.</b> Aimed for ages 10 – 13, a beach clean up session, some beach games and then a 10 min info session about how we can keep our beach and sea healthy.	Sumner Beach Contact: Cassie Lee hub@summerresidents.co.nz
<b>Tues 28th Feb</b> 7.30pm	<b>Seaweeek Seminar with the Marine Ecology Research Group (MERG) at the University of Canterbury</b> All welcome to hear Dr Mike Hickford, Dr Tommaso Alestra & Isis Metcalfe, talk about their respective research into whitebait, Undaria and a unique seaweed species.	NZAE Christchurch Contact: Jocelyn Pappriill chchnzaee@gmail.com 027 7030 772 Gold coin donation Venue: Mt Pleasant Centre, 3 McCormacks Bay Rd
		
<b>Tues 28th Feb</b> 10.30am & 11.00am	<b>Shellebrate Seaweeek @ your library:</b> swim along for stories, songs and silliness! You could even wear your togs! <b>10.30am - New Brighton and Fendalton</b> (Watersafety theme) <b>11am - Lyttelton</b>	Contact: Tania.Gibson@ccc.govt.nz or 03 941 7923
		
<b>Wed 1st Mar</b> 10.30 & 11am	<b>Shellebrate Seaweeek @ your library:</b> <b>11.00am –Akaroa</b> and Babytimes at <b>Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre</b>	Contact: Tania.Gibson@ccc.govt.nz or 03 941 7923
		
<b>Thu 2nd Mar</b> 5.30pm	<b>Green Drinks event Salty seas and swimmable rivers.</b> Emerson Yeoman and ECan Councillor Lan Pham talk about their year as island hermits - living and working on NZ's northernmost island and active volcano - Raoul Island, and what drove them back to civilisation Venue: The Twisted Hop, upstairs bar	Hosted by NZAE Christchurch Contact: chchnzaee@gmail.com or Green Drinks Chch coordinator peter@peter.taylor.co.nz <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/13805139341/">www.facebook.com/groups/13805139341/</a>
		
<b>Thu 2nd Mar</b> 5.30pm	<b>Can Akaroa become Plastic Bag Free?</b> Talk by Green Party MP, Denise Roche and the launch of the Peninsula's new Sea & Native Bird Brochure, as well as Akaroa Reusable bags . Akaroa Sports Complex	More information at <a href="http://www.akaroa.com/seaweeek-akaroa">http://www.akaroa.com/seaweeek-akaroa</a>
		
<b>Thu 2nd Mar</b>	<b>Screening of A Plastic Ocean</b> – A new documentary Venue & time TBA	Contact: Cassie Lee hub@summerresidents.co.nz
<b>Sat 4th Mar</b> <b>10-11.30am</b>	<b>Dune Restoration @ Woodend Beach.</b> Help us look after the dunes at Woodend Beach, Northern Pegasus Bay. Cuppa supplied as part of the event. No cost, Bring a hat, water & a spade if you have one.	Contact: Greg Byrnes Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara tkot@farmside.co.nz 03 3131768 <a href="http://tkot92.wixsite.com/tuhaitara">http://tkot92.wixsite.com/tuhaitara</a>

<b>Sat 4th Mar</b> 1.30pm	<b>Community Beach picnic (byo)</b> – An open invitation to meet on the Sumner Beach (in front of Surf Life Saving Club) for a relaxed get together with like-minded people, who are interested in meditation Followed by: 3.00pm – FREE guided meditation session at the Yoga & Qigong School of Sumner, 42 Nayland St	Contact: Cassie Lee hub@summerresidents.co.nz
<b>Sat 4th Mar</b> 5.30-8.00pm	<b>Akaroa Dolphins Cruise with NZ Whale &amp; Dolphin Trust Marine Scientists</b> Akaroa Harbour 5.30pm – 8.00pm Take this once in a lifetime opportunity to join scientists from the NZ Whale & Dolphin Trust, on a very special Akaroa Dolphins cruise. 5.30pm – 8.00pm (approx. finish time) \$100.00 per person (includes a drink and nibbles)	All proceeds go to the NZ Whale & Dolphin Trust. To book or for more information contact: Akaroa Dolphins on 03 304 7866 or at <a href="mailto:cruise@akaroadolphins.co.nz">cruise@akaroadolphins.co.nz</a>
		
<b>Sun 5th Mar</b> 4-5pm	<b>Guided walk around Charlesworth Reserve</b> Local wetland guides will take you on a one hour tour through Charlesworth Reserve. This recently 20 ha restored wetland hosts an amazing number of bird and plant life. Meet: Charlesworth reserve car park on Charlesworth Street (off Ferry Road) Ferrymead.	Easy walking on good walking track. Free event – No need to book, just be there. Organised by the Estuary Trust
		
<b>Sun 5th Mar</b> 6.30pm, for 7pm start.	<b>The Great Seaweeek Pub Quiz:</b> Something Beginning with Sea Cost: \$10 per person, with teams of up to 6 people Where: The Twisted Hop Pub, 616 Ferry Road	Limited spaces. Contact: Paul de Spa 022 151 1597 or <a href="mailto:pauldespa@gmail.com">pauldespa@gmail.com</a>
		
<b>Fri 10th Mar</b> 4.30pm onward	<b>Annual Farewell to Godwits</b> Annual event to farewell the Godwit birds before they travel back to their nesting grounds in Alaska. Speakers at 5pm before Council Park Rangers take you to the estuary edge to view these unique Christchurch visitors up close. Meet at Southshore Reserve at the very end of Rockingham Road	Free sausage sizzle. Spot prizes. Event organised by Estuary Trust – Christchurch City Council and Ornithological Society For more info contact the Estuary Trust on <a href="mailto:info@estuary.org.nz">info@estuary.org.nz</a>
		

