

WHAKATIPU SENIORS GIG GUIDE - NOVEMBER 2025

Keen to connect? Check out this month's calendar of activities around the Whakatipu Basin

MONDAYS

3rd Mon of month, 10:30-11:30am: **Whiskers & Wisdom** dementia-friendly fun with QT Cats at Frankton Library.

10.30-1.30pm: **Dementia Mate Wareware HomeShare** (small community social groups) at Country Club 420 Frankton-Ladies Mile Hwy. Contact Karin 022 535 4747 / hscoordinator@alzheimersotago.org.nz.

2.30-3.30pm: **Power: Exercise for Parkinson's Disease** at Queenstown Events Centre. Book an assessment before joining via deni.zawalski@qldc.govt.nz

1:30-2:15pm: **Leisurelys dance class** @ Queenstown Events Centre.

THURSDAYS

11am: **Age Concern balance & strength exercise class** at Arrowtown Community Centre. Contact Chris*.

11.30am-1.30pm: **Digital Support** at Arrowtown Library.

12:30pm: **Leisurelys Gym Class** at Queenstown Events Centre.

1:30-2pm: **Leisurelys Balance Class** at Queenstown Events Centre.

10.15am: **Whakatipu Walkie Talkies**, a great way to connect with others whilst staying active. Meet at Frankton Beach BBQ.

3rd Thurs of month, 1.30pm: **Age Concern Men's Group** at The Crown. Contact Cliff 027 530 6312

TUESDAYS

1st & 3rd Tues of month, 10am-12pm: **Cook Around the World** at Happiness House. Bookings req.*

10am-12pm: **Minds in Motion**, with Alzheimers Otago. Komunal Cafe. Bookings reqd. Call Gayle*

10.30am: **Age Concern Balance & Strength exercises** at Te Atamira, contact Chris*.

11am-1pm: **Taurite Tū - Strength & Balance or Fall Prevention** (ACC accredited) for anyone aged 50+ at Uruuruwhenua Hauora office 70/1 Glendra Dr. Contact 0800 485 111 / tahuna@uruuruwhenuahealth.co.nz.

11am: **Leisurelys Balance Class** at Queenstown Events Centre.

1st Tues of month, 7-8pm: **Community Sing Drop-in Choir**.

2nd Tues of month, 6:30-8pm: **Community Draw**

3rd Tues of month, 7-8pm: **Community Craft** (either writing, stitching, dancing or cultural event) at Te Atamira.

FRIDAYS

1st Friday of month, 12-2pm: **Kingston seniors** meet at Kingston St John Rooms. Call Carolyn 021 204 1158.

10-11.30am: **Free digital guidance** at Frankton Library.

12pm: **Friday Lunch** with Wakatipu Senior Citizen Association. Booking req.*

WEDNESDAYS

10am-12pm: **Community Knitting Group** at Happiness House.

12.45-1.15pm: **Leisurelys Strength Class** at Queenstown Events Centre.

1.30-2.15pm: **Leisurelys Pilates Class** at Queenstown Events Centre.

Every 2nd Wed, 3-5pm: **Digital support** at Kingston Library.

Last Wed of month, 1.30-3.30pm: **Digital support** at Glenorchy Library.

Last Wed of month, 10.30am: **Alzheimers Otago* Memory Keepers carer support group** for partners, family & friends of those with dementia or cognitive impairment at Queenstown Country Club Clubhouse.

WEEKENDS

Saturday Arts Social: every Sat 10.30am-12.30pm, free drop-in multi-arts programme for over 60s at Te Atamira.

St John Friendship Drives: Want to meet new people and get out and about but don't have transport? The St John Health Shuttle can pick you up from your door and take you out on a new adventure. We go to various locations both near and far for a cuppa and a chat. To book contact sarah.bloxham@stjohn.org.nz or 021 188 5223.

THE BIG QUIZ NIGHT

Friday, 21 November, 6.30pm - 8.30 pm, \$60 for a team of four people, hosted by Arrowtown Lifestyle Village (224 McDonnald Road). Gather your friends and test your knowledge at a fun-filled quiz night packed with questions from the good old days! Prizes, platters and good times guaranteed. Tickets on sale now via 03 442 1050 or info@arrowtownretirement.co.nz.



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SUPPORT AND SERVICES

Happiness House

Happiness House is a warm and welcoming community space for all, located on Park Street near the Queenstown Gardens. Pop in for a cuppa and a chat, enjoy the drop-in space, or check out their free activities and events. There's always something happening to help people feel connected. Ph 034426531 or email info@happinesshouse.org.nz.

Leisurelys – Over 60s fit for the future

Gym & group fitness classes at Queenstown Events Centre. Enjoy safe, enjoyable exercise and social outings with the Leisurelys, an award-winning programme for young-at-heart over 65s. Classes are designed specifically for you and include Pilates, dance, balance, aquafit, RPM (spin bikes), stretch, yogastretch and gym sessions. Class fees \$8.20 per class or \$57 for a 10-visit pass. Before attending any classes, you need to complete a free induction with one of the instructors – book via leisurelys@qldc.govt.nz / 03 450 9005.

Wakatipu Senior Citizens Association

Activities, social gatherings, outings, speakers and lunch for over 60s. Weekly talks and lunch (\$20 member/\$25 guest). Lunch bookings essential: manager@wsca.org.nz / 03 442 9214.

QLDC Libraries programmes

The libraries run a range of programmes for seniors, as well as support for instructors and caregivers, including digital training and social activities. Check out www.qldclibraries.govt.nz for more details.

Book delivery and pick-up service: Can't get to your library due to mobility or health issues? Contact: queenstown.library@qldc.govt.nz / 03 441 0600 or frankton.library@qldc.govt.nz / 03 441 3680.

Te Atamira community arts

Te Atamira community arts space at Remarkables Park hosts a range of great events, exhibitions and workshops for all ages and abilities. It's a great place to meet people and learn new skills. For more information, visit www.teatamira.nz or ph 027 1800 2868.

U3A Whakatipu (University of the Third Age)

Lectures and study groups on a range of topics - find out what's on via www.u3awakatipu.org/programme. Lectures are usually at Te Atamira on Mondays, 10am - 12 noon. A \$5 lecture fee is payable at the door.

Volunteer South

Volunteering is a great way to connect with like-minded people, learn/share skills, give back to your community and improve wellbeing. Contact Sue O'Brien 027 506 5705 / sueobrien@volunteersouth.org.nz. www.volunteersouth.org.nz

Age Concern

Advice, support, education and advocacy, including healthy aging and connecting with your community. There are regular coffee groups, outings and exercise classes (transport available). Contact *Chris 03 441 3490 / acqt@acinv.org.nz.

Alzheimers Otago

Caring for people living with dementia. For advice, support or to find out about therapies / groups to connect with others in the same situation, call Gayle on 027 441 4960.

Enliven - SupportLink

Need some help? SupportLink is a free community service matching volunteers to older people living independently. Email soulson@enlivensld.nz for details.

St John Health Shuttle

Book transport to Invercargill for health-related appointments Monday to Friday from Frankton – Queenstown, ph 0800 103 046.