



PIONEER PARK

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ENTRANCE GATES

PRINCIPAL PARTNER:



Pioneer Park is



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ALEXANDRA Blossom Festival

Monday 19 September

All Day: Blossom Drive – Follow the Blossom Arrows for the most scenic Blossom Drive in NZ. Begin at the Alexandra Bridge and head towards Earnsclough. A round trip of 30km.
10am - 4pm: Central Stories Museum and Art Gallery: 65 years – Looking back at Blossom Festival. Walk through the decades with an interactive, multimedia display celebrating 65 years of the Alexandra Blossom Festival.

Tuesday 20 September

All Day: Blossom Drive. See 19 Sept.
1.30pm: Senior Blossom Festival Queen Contest. Doors open 1.30pm, show starts 2pm. Alexandra District Club, Centennial Ave, Alexandra. Admission \$15 Includes afternoon tea.

Wednesday 21 September

All Day: Blossom Drive. See 19 Sept.
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Thursday 22 September

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10am - 4pm: Central Otago Art Society Blossom Festival Exhibition. Central Stories Museum and Art Gallery, Centennial Avenue. Admission \$2.

Friday 23 September

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ROUND THE CLOCK RACE

Round the Clock Race teams and individuals traverse the Manuhirikia River & scramble up the hillside to the Alexandra Clock Race briefing at 5.15pm, Linger & Die, Rivers St Alexandra. **Racing starts 5.45pm.** Entry forms www.blossom.co.nz For additional info Alan Henderson: 027 2967832.

Fulton Hogan MARDI GRAS

6pm - 8.30 pm: Rivers Street, Alexandra. Freestyle NZ FMX Spectacular, Fireworks Display, Davey Back Yard Skiffle Band, Fire Dancers & Luminous Fairies.

Saturday 24 September

All Day: Blossom Drive. See 19 Sept.

10am - 4pm: Central Stories Museum and Art Gallery: 65 years – Looking back at Blossom Festival. Walk through the decades with an interactive, multimedia display celebrating 65 years of the Alexandra Blossom Festival.
9am - 5pm: Model Railway and Kit Set Model Display. Community House, 14-20 Centennial Avenue, Alexandra. Top Modellers competing for South Islands Champion Modeller. Family \$10, Adults \$5, Children \$2. Door sales only.
9.30am - 12 noon: Alexandra Public Library Blossom Festival Book Sale, 43 Tarbert St, Alexandra. Admission free.

10.30am: New World Florrey Judging. Get up close and personal with the Florreys in this year's Parade. New World Car Park, Centennial Avenue, Alexandra.

10am - 12 noon:

Roxburgh Pioneer Energy Roxburgh

Brass Band: in Concert, Old Post Office, Tarbert Street.

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8pm - 2am: Concert featuring - Tiki Taane, Tali & Chiccoreli, Elipsa Vikae, Stadium Tavern. Tickets: Eventbrite.co.nz



SATURDAY 24TH SEPT PARTY IN THE PARK!



LADY KILLERS



JORDAN LUCK BAND

EVENT CALENDAR



GRAND PARADE

Saturday 24th September

- 11.45am: Booths Transport Trucks Parade of Trucks**
Procession Order
- Blossom Festival "Clown Car" courtesy of Aspiring Auto Court
 - C O Vintage Car Club with guests former Blossom Festival Queens
 - Dunstan Vintage Machinery Club. Vintage Tractors
 - Geoff Grant Vintage Tractors
 - Central Motor Speedway
 - Holden Enthusiasts Club of Otago
 - Highlands Motorsport Park
 - Alexandra Pipe Band
 - Contact Float with Senior Queens
 - Davey Back Yard Skiffle Band
 - Boys Brigade of NZ
 - Queenstown Indian Dance Group
 - New World Florrey - "Kelly Club" - After School Care
 - North Otago Highland Pipe Band
 - Combined Lions Clubs of Alexandra & Clyde - "Cat in the Hat"
- Princess: - Emma Dodd**
- New World Florrey - Denise Bowen - "Lachie's Laces"
 - New World Truck
 - Life Education Trust Heartland Otago Southland
 - City of Christchurch Highland Pipe Band
 - New World Florrey - St Gerards School "Peter Pan"
 - WW2 Willys Jeep and Trailer
 - 50 Squadron Air Training Corps - Alpha, Tango, Charlie
- Princess: - Jessica Lake**
- RSA 25 Pounder Howitzer and Series 2 Land Rover Ambulance
 - SMWTO "Bollywood Dancers"
 - Family Works Buddy Programme
 - Central Pioneer Marchers
 - New World Florrey - Dunstan Educare "Springtime Gardens"
 - Alexandra Primary School - Food Forest
- Princess: - Claudia Hammond**
- Waimatuku Southern Scenic Highland Pipe Band
 - Alexandra Scouts - Minecraft
- Princess: - Lia Chapman**
- Rebel Creations and Tara Bladewing - "Rebels Throne and Tara Bladewing"
 - Waitaki Districts Schools Pipe Band
 - New World Florrey: DHS Yr10 History & Geography "DHS 60 years of Gold"
 - Grans Who Can - Clifford
- Princess: - Julia Anderson**
- Latin Soul Dance
 - Coast Guard Clyde
 - New World Florrey: Central Otago District Council
 - Alexandra BMX Club - Wheeled Passion
- Princess: - Mekah O'Neill**
- Queenstown Pipe Band
 - New World Florrey - Anderson Family "TMSO"
 - Eat Humble Pie "Life's a Beach"
- Princess: Tessa Handford**
- Animal Rehab Central
 - New World Florrey - Central Otago Living Options
 - Alexandra Rural Community Patrol
 - Central Otago Active Transport
 - Alexandra Volunteer Fire Brigade
 - South Canterbury Highland Pipe Band
 - Alexandra Musical Society - "Stars on Stage"
- Princess: Keely Fowler**
- Central Otago Steam Punk
 - Alexandra and Districts Youth Trust - Puna Rangutahi - "Happy Birthday Blossy"
- Princess: Hannah Tait**
- ILT City Of Invercargill Highland Pipe Band
 - Clydesdales & Wagon
 - Wanaka Rodeo Club



**SATURDAY
24TH SEPT**

PARTY IN THE PARK!

Pioneer Park is the destination for the procession and a fun afternoon at **Contact Saturday in the Park**. This family afternoon extravaganza is packed with fun, and everyone has a chance to choose their favourite float in the Best Float Competition. Use the "vote" portion of your ticket to vote for your favourite float. **On the main stage, from 1pm, there will be entertainment from -**



The entertainment is not limited to the main stage - situated in Pioneer Park there will be Wood Chopping demonstrations featuring current and former champions of this unique sport. Massed Pipe Bands gather from the four corners of Pioneer Park and march to the stage for a rousing performance before the official ceremony. Between 4.00 and 4.30pm there will be a break for the crowning and prize-giving, as well as the official Festival week opening speeches. We will introduce you to our current Princesses and returning former Blossom Festival Queens. Following the official ceremony, we welcome Jordan Luck and band to play out the rest of the afternoon.

We are not forgetting the young or the young at heart. The kids' stage features acts from previous festivals plus the best in entertainment for the whole family. Prepare to be entertained by **Shad Rutherford** - Entertainer NZ's most versatile variety act - Unicycle, Juggling, Balloon Twisting, Balancing - you name it - he can do it. **Wayne McEwan** - The Magic Guy - be astounded and amazed and amused by Wayne McEwan the Magic Guy. He'll have brand new Illusions and Magic guaranteed to make you wonder and leave you smiling. **Mullet Man** - a talented and genuinely funny circus performer who has won many international awards for his unique comedy stylings - Mullet Man is so named after his beautiful hair cut! Critics' Choice at the World Buskers Festival. **Sport Suzie** - Sport Suzie is New Zealand's Crazy Aerobics, Sport, and Circus fanatic. Inspired by the great Jane Fonda, Flash dance, and the music and fashion of the eighties, Suzie aims to shake the laughter out of any audience. Complete with crazy unicycling, contorted juggling and weird weightlifting tricks, this is one character you don't want to miss. **Skye Bromberg**, Skye Bromberg, Skye is a crazy contortionist, hula hooper and retro dancer extraordinaire, with several Guinness World Records under her belt. You will spot Skye at this year's Blossom Festival zipping around in character for the parade, on the stage in full costume, or when not twisting her body, she might be in the field twisting a balloon or two for your kids' delight. **MiM**, MiM always dreamt of becoming an acrobat because she wanted a job where she could wear sparkly costumes and be the centre of attention. She has always been a performer and has entertained audiences throughout the world. Find her upside down, bending over backwards, flying high or all of the above.

Within the Park there will be a vast array of food, Central Otago wineries, local craft beers and other refreshments alongside talented local artists and craftspeople showcasing their works.

The **Alexandra Blossom Festival Committee** encourages everyone to enjoy the fun and entertainments on offer - gather all your friends and family together to enjoy a wonderful spring afternoon in Pioneer Park.

Admission to Contact Saturday in the Park:

Early Bird sales to Friday September 23rd all tickets \$6 (under 5 free). Available at Unichem Alexandra Pharmacy and local Alexandra businesses and banks. On the day all tickets \$10 (under 5 free).

Sunday 25 September

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9.30am - 3pm: Alexandra Petanque Club Triples Tournament. 2 Poole Road Alexandra Spectators welcome. Free
9am - 1pm: b effect Linger & Die Mountain Bike Series. Cross Country 6 hour team race. Matangi Station Little Valley Road, Alexandra. Registration from 9am or online at www.linger-and-die.co.nz. Race starts 10am.
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10.30am - 3.30pm: I Love Clyde Heritage Day. Relax and enjoy the atmosphere at an open day in Historic Clyde. Explore the museums, churches, and heritage buildings. Maps in various shop windows in Clyde. Kids games at Railway station WoolOn Display. Free.
2pm - 6pm: Have a go at Lawn Bowls. Fancy a go at lawn bowls? Wander along any time Sunday afternoon have a go. Everything provided. Alexandra Bowling Club, Poole Road.

Delta Garden Tour

Find inspiration when exploring 8 unique gardens in and around Alexandra. Tickets available from the Alexandra Unichem Pharmacy, Centennial Avenue.

Garden Tour Tickets \$20. Includes Complimentary Devonshire Tea at The Orchard Garden.
Sunday 25th September. 10am - 5pm
Tickets & Maps to the Gardens available from Central Stories Museum and Art Gallery, Centennial Avenue from 9am on the day.



ALEXANDRA BLOSSOM FESTIVAL MEET

Sunday 25th September 2022
Alexandra BMX Track, 3A Poole Road, Alexandra
CHECK IN: 9am - 9.45am
PRACTICE: 9.30am - 10.30am
RACING: 11am

ONLINE ENTRY ONLY: www.bmxevents.nz/enter-online/
Entries close Wednesday 21st Sept 2022
Info & Updates will be posted on our Facebook Page.

Monday 26 September

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Thursday 29 September

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Friday 30 September

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NZ Merino Shearing and Wool Handling Championships

Molyneux Stadium, Centennial Avenue.
Starts 8.30am: Friday 30th September, Free Admission Daytime. Saturday Evening Finals \$10. nzmerinoshears@gmail.com



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7.30pm: Manhattan Short Film Festival, Central Cinema at Central Stories, Centennial Avenue, Alexandra. Bookings www.centralcinema.co.nz an exciting global festival of 10 outstanding finalist short films. Join other film lovers viewing at the same time round the world. Vote for your best film and actor. Members \$12, Non-members \$15, Children \$10.

Sunday 2nd October

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