

Remarkable Rambler



March 2026

<p>Next Business Meeting: April 1</p> <p>Programme Meeting: April 29 Quiz night</p>	<p>Duty committee April = Communication</p>
<p>Service Hours: from March 2026</p> <p>Breakdown this month:351</p> <p>YTD 2554</p> <p>Great effort everyone</p> <p>♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥</p>	<p>International login details are available from Year Books or Club President.</p> <p><u>Altrusa International - club sister Richardson District 15</u></p>
<p>Upcoming Events:</p> <p>Quiz night Whakatipu Rugby rooms 29 April. Doors open at 6pm Quiz 6.30pm</p>	<p>Past and Upcoming Service:</p> <p><u>Senior Citizens Friday Lunch dates for 2026:</u> 17 April, 08 May, 12 June, 10 July,14 August, 11 September, 09 October,13 Nov, 11 Dec.</p> <p>Senior citizens lunch 10th April</p> <p>Meals on wheels this month on 13 ,14,15,16,17 April</p> <p>Anzac Day 25th</p>

Notices – Birthdays

In April we have:

Sharron – 7th



Coffee Catch Up:



Monday 20th April 2pm at Provisions in Arrowtown.

See you there gals!

From Our President

Greetings Everyone

I have enjoyed the social activities this month mixed in with the service

Going to Kinross for a couple of hours on Sunday 15th was an enjoyable, relaxing way to spend a lovely Sunday afternoon and a few days later after we had an hour plus with the Volunteers at the Frankton Fire Brigade followed by a very relaxing time and a meal at Giovi's and to finish off some of us had the opportunity to meet one of the members of our sister club of Richardson in Texas. We appreciated Nancy talking time out from her trip to spend some special time with us and with both sharing our club activities. More info in the coming pages.

Keeping the balance a big thank you to all who helped with the Child Cancer Appeal, delivering library books, reading at QPS, WSCA Friday lunch and the Blood Bank support which is greatly appreciated but we also get to meet and have a yarn with other locals doing their bit by donating blood.

Next month we have our annual Quiz night, Meals on Wheels delivery and ANZAC Day.

Best wishes to Louise for your exciting trip to Nepal with Active Hearts. We wish you lots of energy ,fun and laughter. We will be excited to catch up on your return.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ella on an amazing sixty years of service to Plunket in various roles.

See you next Wednesday night at our business meeting. Could you please be at Senior Citizens by 5.45pm as Sharron will lead some discussions for 15 minutes and during the meeting we will install and welcome Barbara to our group.

Kate

Dates to Remember April

1 April Business Meeting

15 April no meeting

29 Quiz night

See above for service and events

- Poster on bottom page, please distribute to your contacts

Queenstown Primary School.

Roster to fill out will be available at the Business meeting 1 April. Check your availability before then please.

Monthly Cafe Catch up

Our monthly catch up took an opportunity for a change so twelve of us travelled out to Kinross Winery on Sunday 15th and spent a couple of hours enjoying food, a drink and a yarn while listening to Neil Chilton entertain.



Sister club visit from Richardson Texas

On another beautiful Wakatipu day, 7 Queenstown Altrusans met at Eichardts Grille with Nancy Rohm from our Sister Club in Richardson Texas. I had met Nancy before at the Quebec and San Antonio Conventions and also a few years ago when I was in Texas with Jim (a Texan) and visited the Richardson Club on one of their meeting nights. I had also met up with her 2 years ago when Jim and I visited Texas. I had lunch with 8 or so Richardson members. Richardson has been our sister club for many years and is a club of 75 members. It was really great to meet up with Nancy and listen to how they operate their club. Nancy bought with her, all the way from Texas, pens with the Richardson club details printed on them for each member of our club. If you are at the next business meeting, I will bring these and distribute them to you all.



Those attending the lunch on 25 March were, Marilyn, Kate, Louise, Alyth, Betty, and Annette. Betty was really pleased that so many of our members were able to meet with her.

Child Cancer Collection

Thank you to all the members that helped out collecting for Child Cancer on Friday March 13th at New World.



Kays Book reviews

BOOK REVIEW - "Three wee Bookshops at the end of the World" by Ruth Shaw. This is the third book written by this author who lives in Manapouri. Her first book "The Bookseller at the End of the World" is about the first part of her life and the second book "Bookshop Dogs" which is all about her dogs and her meetings with dogs. Both of these books are worth reading and the third I have just read is just as entertaining as the first two. I loved it and would not hesitate to recommend it. It tells the story of her meeting up with her husband whom she describes as the 'love of her life' and tells of their adventures together up to the present time.

I have also just read "The Nine Lives of Kitty K" by Margaret Mills. Margaret was formerly an Altrusan in the Queenstown Club. This book is also worth a read, it is based on the story of the life of Kitty Kirk on the Otago Goldfields. It is based on the true story and I really enjoyed it.

I have also just finished "The Windsor Legacy" which I also enjoyed and found interesting. It covers the history of the Windsors from the time of King Edward and Wallace Simpson down to the present day. I didn't expect to enjoy it but I found it really interesting and enjoyed it.

Frankton Fire Brigade Visit

For our programme meeting, Linley organised for a visit to the Frankton Fire Station as they were the recipient of our golf tournament fundraising in January this year. It was a welcoming, enlightening and informative session, being able to view and have explained how their extensive supply of equipment is used was amazing.



Giovi's

Yummy food and fine wine and good company followed on from our Fire Station visit to the local italian in Remarks Park.



We are very grateful to this family for their previous sponsorship of Altrusa. We highly recommend this restaurant.. spread the word gals!

This months recipe from Marilyn's kitchen

CHEESY BITES:

Recipe makes 12 Cheesy Bites
Heat oven to 200 degrees C.

Bread Cases:

Line 12 medium sized patty pans with buttered sandwich bread slices.

Grease the patty pans with melted butter and lightly coat the bread cases with the melted butter. This gives a crisp browned bread case.

Filling:

2 eggs, lightly beaten
½ cup Ham or cooked Bacon
2 tbsp chives
2 tbsp parsley
1 teasp curry powder
Salt and Pepper to season
1 cup tasty cheese (grated)

Hints:

Use Tip Top Oatlicious sandwich bread and a 9cm round cookie cutter to make the bread cases. Roll the rounds lightly with a rolling pin, before coating with melted butter. A wee bit time consuming, but worth the effort!

Put all the ingredients in a bowl and mix, coating the ingredients with the egg mixture. Add more cheese to use all the egg mixture. Fill each bread case to the top and sprinkle parmesan cheese on top.

Cook for 20 minutes until brown on top.

Best served warm.

Freeze well.

There are 21 slices in a packet of Oatlicious bread, buy 2 loaves, to make 3 batches.

The same filling can be used to make Toasties.

Reflection

Together, through kindness, commitments and connection we continue to strengthen our community and live the values of Altrusa. Thank you all for all you give, your time, your energy and your heart.

GOLDEN GORGEOUS AND GIFTED

QUIZ NIGHT

QUEENSTOWN RUGBY CLUB ROOMS

WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

QUIZ STARTS AT 6:30PM

\$150 PER TEAM - UP TO 6 PLAYERS

BAR AVAILABLE, NIBBLES PROVIDED

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by 20th April