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STEAMPUNK NZ FESTIVAL OAMARU, 2-5 JUNE 2023

**This year's Festival theme is TRANSPORTED.
TRANSPORTED in time, in place, in mood...or...?
Interpret how you wish!**

WEEKEND CHALLENGES

GADGET CHALLENGE

Create a handheld navigational instrument

To safely transport oneself about in space and time, it is often necessary to know where one is, where one is going and where one doesn't want to go! The best explorers have their favourite instruments and gadgets to enable them to do so.

We invite you to bring your personal navigational creations and put them to the test against the best of the best. One gadget per person, one person per gadget, and gadgets must be handheld - ie operated whilst holding the instrument in one's hands.

There are two categories, Under 15 and Adult.

Gadgets need to be on display at the Festival by 10 am Saturday 3 June 2023. Instructions for drop off will be on your registration forms. *No entry fee.*

THE GREAT WORLD SUITCASE CHALLENGE

With approval from (the instigators) Hatton Cross Steampunk, Gloucester, VA, USA, we are delighted to offer this creative experience for Steampunk NZ Festival 2023.

For our inaugural challenge, we shall offer one category only:

‘The Personal Suitcase’, aka: ‘I’m only going on a short jaunt.’

This category will focus on your own personal suitcase of a size that you could carry unaided, and which you could place under your seat or in the overhead bin of an airship. It should be no larger than 70 cm x 53 cm x 36 cm, and weigh no more than 20 kg.

Judging criteria and points will be awarded on the aesthetics of your luggage, how creative the backstory is, how much are you able to incorporate into the suitcase and what (if any) transformation happens upon opening it. We want to see all the bells and whistles, lights and all the things that make this build uniquely yours.

Plumb the depths and exceed the limitations of your experience as an inventor and maker. Soar to new and glorious lofty goals. Wow the judges with your creativity.

We hope you have a wonderful time creating your suitcase and look forward to seeing them in all their glory on display at Steampunk NZ Festival.

Your suitcase needs to be on display at the Festival by 10am Saturday 3 June 2023.

Instructions for drop off will be on your registration forms.

Registration forms will be available April 3.

No entry fee.

AROUND THE TOWN IN HOW MANY WAYS?

How many different ways can you transport yourself around Oamaru this weekend as you take part in the Festival?

Get your passport from the Transportation Station, collect stamps at designated events, and remember to take photos.

Bring your completed passports to the Transportation Station before 4pm Sunday to go into a prize draw.

No entry fee.

THURSDAY 1 JUNE

OP SHOP TOUR

Thursday 1 June, 10am

Around Oamaru - Meet at the corner of Tees Street and Itchen Street outside Cucina.

Join your Steampunk hosts Merchant Lucretia, and Angele Beesley-McKenzie to traverse Oamaru’s favourite op shops for trinkets and treasures! Steampunk attire is encouraged, with comfy-ish shoes. Finish with a lunch and shopping show off. Great event for newbies, with everyone welcome. A truly fabulous way to kick off the Steampunk NZ Festival weekend.

EARLY BIRD MEET AND GREET

Thursday 1 June, from 5pm

Craftwork Brewery, Harbour Street

A grand start to the festival for those in town early. This is a casual gathering of Steampunkers in the ambient atmosphere of Craftwork Brewery. A seasoned Steampunker or two will be on hand to welcome newcomers and make sure you get acquainted with some friendly faces. Simply steam up and join in!

FRIDAY 2 JUNE

STEAMPUNK NZ FESTIVAL 2023 GRAND GATE OPENING CEREMONY

5.30pm sharp!

With Waitaki Mayor Gary Kircher and Festival Ambassadors La Falconesse and Agent Darling, officiating, we open the Festival and celebrate with a Steampunk Steamline through the lights and moody atmosphere of Harbour Street. Join the Steampunk community in their finery. Bring your lanterns! bring your lights! Everyone is welcome on Steampunk Street Night!

THROUGH THE PORTAL VARIETY SHOW - STRICTLY R18

Friday 2 June, 7.30pm

Scottish Hall, 10 Tyne St

Steampunks entertaining Steampunks in the true Victorian tradition of make your own fun. Expect Victorian vulgarity, lascivious language, and raunchy rudeness. This is a strictly R18 event with a bar, naughty jokes and the possibility of a little bit of burlesque-style nudity. Anything is possible - you have been warned!

Tickets \$35 per person.

SATURDAY 3 JUNE

STEAMPUNK MARKET

Saturday 3 June, 10am-3pm

Oamaru Squash & Badminton Club, 14 Tyne St

It's like a treasure hunt...but we've FOUND the treasures for your selective pleasure! The Steampunk Market is happening again with goods ranging from clothing to home decor, jewellery to millinery couture. You're going to need to come armed with a spare suitcase to take all your splendiferous finds home with you.

HOT AIR BALLOON RIDES

Saturday 3 June

Friendly Bay

Adventure Balloons NZ's tethered hot air balloon flights will show you a bird's eye view over the Oamaru Harbour and town. Up, up, but not too far away!

Please note, this is a weather dependent activity and refunds will be offered if the operators cancel due to weather conditions. Tickets \$55 per person - bookings essential.

HOUSE OF BRICKS

Saturday 3 June, 10am - 3pm

Scottish Hall, Tyne St - back entry, look for the flag

Who doesn't love a pile of Lego bricks?

House of Bricks present space-themed Lego, Technic cog and gear Lego, and general Lego bricks for kids up to 100 years old to enjoy.

Build, make, create - PLAY!

Come to the entry at the back of the Scottish Hall on Tyne Street -

Free event - koha appreciated.

MODEL RAILWAYS

Saturday 3 June, 10am to 4pm

13 Tyne St, upstairs above The Oamaru Textile Emporium

Enjoy watching the five scale model layouts created by the Whitestone Model Rail Group. The main display is based on Oamaru and features many local buildings and N.Z.R. Locomotives and rolling stock.

Find them at 13 Tyne Street - upstairs above the Oamaru Textile Emporium.

Entrance fee is \$2 per person and \$5 per family.

TEA DUELLING

Time and place to be confirmed...watch this space!

Tea duelling is the art of gracefully dunking a biscuit into a cup of tea, soaking it for five seconds, and then lifting it and cleanly 'nomming' on it - all without dripping tea, dropping biscuit bits into the tea or on the table, and doing so after your fellow duelist. Entries welcome on the day. Arrive a little early to allow enough time.

STEAMPUNK STREET PARADE

Saturday 3 June, 11am

Featuring this year's theme of Transported - come watch a colorful array of Steampunk folk, machines and entertainment parade through the streets from the Victorian Precinct into Harbour Street.

Anyone wanting to submit a float or walking group please register by Friday 26 May.

STEAMPUNK YOUR PENGUIN

Saturday 3 June, time to be confirmed

Scottish Hall, Tyne St

Our Festival penguin mascots Wansbeck and Wanbrow are looking for a new batch of recruits to join their ranks. Come and dress a Steampunk penguin so they can graduate as a fully operational Festival agents. (a 25cm soft toy penguin you get to keep - is included in the price.) Lots of leather and fabric, and brass bits and bobs will be available for you to Steampunk your penguin, and help is at hand with gluing, fixing and cutting.

We would love all the new penguin recruits to be on display in the Transportation Station until Sunday afternoon, and then you can take your's home with you after that.

Limited penguins available, and bookings are essential.

Tickets \$20 per person - includes penguin.

STEAMPUNK SHOWCASE

Saturday 3 June, 3pm

Scottish Hall, Tyne St

What are the finest Steampunks wearing this year, or indeed any year?

Come and see for yourself at the Steampunk Showcase on Saturday afternoon. It will be a pageant of steaminess unequalled anywhere in the aether.

Try not to be overwhelmed by the splendiddness of the contestants as they promenade across the stage! Gasp at the luminosity of the clothes, the gadgets and the accessories! Glowing with more brilliance than a time traveller's portal, this will be an experience you won't want to miss.

Tickets \$10 per person.

LEAGUE OF VICTORIAN IMAGINEERS' MESS DINNER & AIRSHIP RACING

Saturday 3 June, 7.00pm

Loan and Merc, 14 Harbour Street

The League of Victorian Imagineers' Mess Dinner returns to the Loan & Merc this year, which also allows the return of Airship Racing. Huzzah! Airship captains be prepared!

A substantial buffet-style meal will be provided and a cash bar will be available.

Dietary requirements catered for on request. Please note there are no seating plans for this event - it is Mess Hall style tables.

1900 hours Doors open - cash bar available

1915 hours Opening Speech and Toast

1925 hours main course is served

1115 hours Airship Racing commences

For those not *au fait* with the 24 hour clock - that's 7pm start and 9.15pm Airship Racing!

Tickets \$80 per person.

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RETROSPECTIVE FUTURISTIC

Sunday 4 June, 11am and 4.30pm

Oamaru Repertory Theatre, Itchen St

Join us for a retrospective futuristic jaunt through the extraordinary lives of pioneering journalist Nellie Bly, and Father of Science Fiction, Jules Verne.

Climb aboard our heroine's time-travelling Steampunk dirigible for a fantastical journey into Nellie and Jules's past. Then travel with them into the future Jules predicted with uncanny accuracy.

Will we get you home? Don't worry about that - just enjoy the ride!

Tickets \$35 per person.

PEDALMANIA

Sunday 4 June, 10am - 3pm

Friendly Bay

Yet another method of transportation to experience, but this is an experience like no other! Pedalmania bikes are strange, clever, crazy and bizarre pedal-powered contraptions that all ages can enjoy. Some seat one person, some seat two, some seat five, you choose!

Free event - koha appreciated.

TEAPOT RACING

Sunday 4 June, 2PM

Scottish Hall, 10 Tyne St

Witness the excitement as derring-do drivers propel their radio-controlled Steampunk Teapots through our unique obstacle course.

With verve and velocity, they try to avoid crashing.

Will they get through the Waterfall and over the Rope Bridge?

Which Steampunk driver will endure to claim the magnificent trophy?

It's a race against time requiring nerves of steel!

Tickets \$15 per adult or \$20 one adult + one child under 14.

EXPLORERS RETURN BANQUET & BALL

Sunday 4 June, 7pm

Oamaru Club, Severn Street

The grand finale of the festival!

Come and join us in the newly refurbished Oamaru Club.

Share tales of expeditions, explorations and transportations - celebrate your bold adventures of the festival.

Feast! then dance! Dance the night away with the always awesome Dee May and The Saints.

During the evening we will reveal the theme for Steampunk NZ Festival 2024.

This is a banquet hall style seating arrangement with long banquet tables and no seating plan. Our tables will be set with starting nibbles, the meals will be alternating plate style delivered to the table with side dishes on the table.

Dietary requirements catered for - please advise in advance.

Tickets \$120 per person.

MONDAY 5 JUNE

STEAMPINK BREAKFAST

Monday 5 June, 10am

Loan and Merc, 14 Harbour Street

Salutations, Steampunk society, our SteamPINK Breakfast, fundraising for the Breast Cancer Foundation is on again. Join us at the Loan & Merc for this fun event for a worthy cause. Wear as much pink as possible so dig deep into your Steampunk wardrobe!

Fill your pockets with gold coinage for trinkets, and raffles - and we will fill your bellies with a wonderful breakfast. Flat whites and lattes etc will be available to purchase from Housekeepers Design.

There will be goodie bags, prizes, raffles, a quiz and of course a delicious breakfast.

What better way to finish a wonderful festival weekend, or to prepare for your journey home!

Tickets \$40 per person.