

## Duntroon Digest February 2026

The dedicated team producing the Duntroon Digger has created another very enjoyable edition for February and March. You can download your copy at [www.duntroon.co.nz](http://www.duntroon.co.nz) . Alternatively, the publication will be sent to your inbox if you email Gill at [duntroondigger@gmail.com](mailto:duntroondigger@gmail.com).

The first meeting for the year of the Duntroon and District Development Association was held on February 9th. The committee has several projects to be completed, and so once again it is a case of all hands to the pump.

The Historic Gaol has been ear marked for repairs and the surrounding picket fence will also get a makeover.

Plans are afoot to develop the Duntroon Wetlands further. As a part of that, the storage container for tools has been shifted near to the centre of the wetlands for convenience.

Daniel and Katrina Moffat and Kowhai Accommodations have very generously donated funds to add more plants to the wetlands. They have even offered to plant the plants themselves which is in keeping with the work they have been doing in the wetlands for many years now.

The very first working bee at the Duntroon Wetlands will take place on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> of February. The incredible growth this season has been a challenge to our wetland worker Lloyd Grafton, and he will be pleased to have added assistance.

Another beneficiary of the incredible season is the Community Share Shed which is located between the Duntroon Garage and the Gaol. Jan Keeling is the power behind this initiative and has been keeping the shed topped up with fresh fruit and vegetables locally sourced since 2023. Jan even makes sauces from the produce. If you happen to have bread bags and need to find a home for them, just drop them off at the share shed; they will be gratefully received.

It only seems like a couple of months ago that I was telling you about Dansey's Pass Trail Ride. Well, here we are again winding up to this great fund raiser for the Duntroon School.

This year the ride is on March 21<sup>st</sup> and registrations are open and can be found on the website [www.danseypassstrailride.org](http://www.danseypassstrailride.org) .

As was reported last month, the Duntroon Domain and Camping ground has been extremely busy this season. The Waitaki District Council has just installed some new signage at the entrance to the domain which hopefully will direct visitors to the correct

destination as there have been a few visitors traveling past the gate and heading off to the Maerewhenua River in the past. Time will tell.