Hinewai Reserve
a mini national park on the doorstep of Akaroa

Hinewai is a 1250 hectare reserve in the southeastern corner of Banks Peninsula (east of Akaroa). It is owned and managed privately by the Maurice White Native Forest Trust but freely open to the public who walk its 16 kilometre network of tracks and liken it to a mini National Park on the doorstep of the Akaroa township.

The reserve takes in most of the Otanerito and Stony Bay Valleys, and the head of Sleepy Bay Valley; it ranges from the 960m sub-alpine summit of Taraterehu/Stony Bay Peak down to almost sea level at Otanerito Homestead, but not (yet) right to the sea (walkers can however walk to Otanerito Beach by the kind co-operation of the reserve’s farming neighbours, Brian and Faye Narbey).

Hinewai’s vegetation ranges from sub-alpine snow tussock and Dracophyllum, down through magnificent beach forest remnants, to low altitude warm temperate trees such as titak, nikau palm, ka and mamuku. Huge areas are regenerating into native forest through nurse canopies of exotic gorse and broom, and native kanuka.

The reserve’s fauna includes such treasures as kereru, bellbird, red, brown creeper, tomtit, rifleman, falcon, morepork, jewelled gecko, hanned kokopu, Banks Peninsula tree weta and giant dragonflies.

Permanent streams feature more than 40 significant waterfalls. The track network takes in several of these falls, as well as some by ancient trees (podocarps and beeches) and lookouts.

The visitor centre is at mid-altitude (450m) close to the manager’s house on Papakaika Meadow. Manager Hugh Wilson will give a short talk and guided walk during the CHS Tour, ”A Day on the Peninsula”, 27 January 2015. $50 per person.

NEW TOURS

Melbourne Flower Show

5 Day Short Break 24-28 March 2015

Fully escorted short break incorporating Melbourne Flower Show, Mount Macedon, Dandenong Ranges, Botanic Gardens, Melbourne sights and much more! Bookings out now: $2,149 twin share

Bookings & Registrations 366 6937
email: office@chsgardens.co.nz

Oheina

House & Garden Tour with Sir Miles Warren

Tuesday 23 November, 9am - 1.30pm
Book now: $65 includes morning tea and coach transport
Recognised as one of the very best gardens in New Zealand, Oheina has a strong structure created from a series of "rooms" including a walled red garden, formal rose garden and large herbaceous border leading to a gazebo.

AUTUMN SHOW 2015
Celebrating your harvest

Remember to collect your pumpkin seedling from all About Gardening this month - and listen out for Michael Coutler’s growing and care tips to produce a fabulous pumpkin for the Autumn harvest display!

IN THE PLANNING

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All About Gardening December 2014 Christmas Spectacular

Tuesday 2 December 7pm - 9pm
Wed 3 December 9.45am - 11.45am
Presenter: Cynthia Keppe
Tips & Tasks with Michael Coutler
From Your Gardens & Question Time
Festive & Floral
Celebrate Christmas with flowers from your garden.

Morning Tea/Supper

Musical Entertainment by the Sweet Adelines Barbershop Quartet, ‘Key Note’
Winners of the 2014 New Zealand national competition Key Note are in full voice, having just represented NZ at the International Sweet Adelines Quartet Competition. Raffles

IN THE PLANNING

Wow Wellington October 2015

Day on the Peninsula

Hinewai Reserve & Fisherman’s Bay Private Garden

Tuesday 27 January 2015
Book now: $85 (WPO Lunch) Includes: coach transport, garden entry and afternoon tea

PERIMETER TRAIL UPDATE

The launch date of 8 & 9 November has been deferred and we are waiting on a new date in the meantime we thank those members who have volunteered their services as either sign takers, planters and tenders or trail watchdogs. It would be great to have more members on board and there’s still time if you do wish to assist this innovative community project please register your interest with Liz at: office@chsgardens.co.nz

FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a month of contrasts this has been and I am not talking just about the weather. Our drive way is now clear and clean with parking much improved.

Oderings night was a huge success with so many of you coming. The Cafe food was great and the savings on gardening goods was excellent. Many thanks to Darryn, Julian, Aaron and Debbie at Oderings for giving us this opportunity. We hope that this will become an annual event.

We are looking for new ideas for Fun Functions...Please help.

Happy gardening, Elizabeth