

Christmas Update

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2018 has been a fantastic year for Otago Peninsula Trust

Glenfalloch Night Garden glowed with enchantment as sculptures were magically lit throughout the grounds. Thousands of people came to enjoy the very special event.

Save the dates Sep 19-21 2019



Glenfalloch Restaurant leapt to Dunedin's Number One Restaurant

Things that made us laugh! Royalcam albatross looking 'smug' as a cruise ship arrives, fans giving an Albatrossy Easter makeover, surprise visitor at an albatross nest, The real 'Albert Ross' visits, our April Fools joke catches a few unawares



Glenfalloch Restaurant has had a stellar year. In March it became the #1 Restaurant in Dunedin on TripAdvisor and remained at the top all year. This is an incredible testament to the skills of Hannes, Melanie and the team. The 'Trust the Chef' surprise menu is legendary with rave reviews.

We're all so proud that so many Dunedin people choose to celebrate their life's events at Glenfalloch—2019 sees the Trust celebrate 50 years since buying the property for everyone to enjoy. Congratulations Hannes for winning the Farm to Fork contest this year and for featuring in the Delicious Dunedin Cookbook- you'll also spot Pania Paerata from the Albatross Café too.



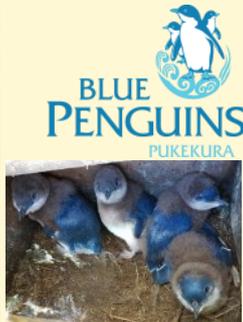
We'd love to welcome more Trust members to become ambassadors for Otago Peninsula. Membership has loads of benefits—Free tours, discounts on souvenirs, café, restaurant, newsletters, Trust functions...

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A Royal Albatross flew down Dunedin's main street as our team celebrated the annual Santa Parade and a colourful year at the colony. 13 chicks fledged in 2018 with fantastic tour viewing. We decorated the Centre with murals inspired by artist Michael Tuffery and fulfilled by local school artists. Thanks to our friend Val Braumann we purchased a work by peninsula artist Tori Clearwater—the albatross was created from plastic rubbish to highlight the plight of marine birds and pollution. For the 80th albatross fledging celebration our team made a life size albatross cake—that's three metres of icing!



Thanks to our friends who help us in our mission: "To Preserve and Enhance Otago Peninsula". Special mentions to the Visitor Industry, who send us visitors to enable us to fundraise and support our work, Korako Karetai whanau for our penguin partnership, DOC for the incredible dedicated work they do, DCC for taking care of things when we call, Fulton Hogan for their friendly and considerate roadworkers, TPP for Pukekura care and anyone who's reading this—Thanks so much for your support—you inspire us!



Blue Penguins Pukekura had a wonderful year with 13% growth in colony numbers, plus a celebrity popped in for some penguin feeding at Easter



Congratulations John Jillett, for Life Membership. John was a Trustee 1999-2018, instrumental in setting up the Education Programme for the Royal Albatross Centre which has been hosting students since 2001



In 2017/18 we hosted over 1400 students from 39 schools

TRENZ 2018! We were excited to host this important event in Dunedin for the first time. This will lead to more business as agents saw our fantastic attractions first hand and were suitably wowed by the Wildlife Capital of NZ.



80 years since the first albatross chick fledged in 1938. We recognised Lance Richdale's incredible legacy with a talk on his life by Neville Peat. Dedicated Lance camped out beside the nest to ensure the chick's survival. Our 'Richdale Observatory' is where visitors view albatross today.



2018/19 Albatross viewing looks great with 47 nests (43/51 eggs fertile) 3-4 in observatory view. Blue Penguins 177 pairs breeding, 440 eggs laid, 262 eggs hatched, 144 chicks fledged so far. Fantastic birdlife viewing this summer!