

Middlemarch Activities

Middlemarch Promotions 2020

	Photography drive/walk	O Tawhiri Gallery	Gym	Mountain Walks	Salt Lake
Location	In and around Middlemarch	At Railway Station	Sports Pavilion, showgrounds, off Brown's Road, Middlemarch	Rock and Pillar Mountain Range	Kidds Road, Sutton.
Description	Great views within walking and driving distance of township - river, rocks, Smooth Cone, Salt Lake, old stone houses, mountain	Run by local artists; Vivienne and Jo Robertson. Items accepted for exhibition and sale from all over Otago.	Gym with a wide range of equipment.	If weather is fine and forecast favourable, a one day walk, or overnight tramp can be made to Big Hut, 1325m, close to the top of the Rock and Pillar Range. See spectacular schist tors and unusual flora and fauna. Other tracks too. Even an hour up a track gives stunning views.	NZ's only inland salt lake is reached via a 40 minute walk through tussocks and amazing rock formations. An undulating track requiring moderate fitness. Watch for slippery sections of track.
Availability	All year round.	When train is in Middlemarch and other times by arrangement. Contact Vivienne at 027 255 4299.	All year round, Some times are booked for organised groups.	All year round when fine. Novices should avoid winter conditions.	All year round.
Length of time	As long as you want.		To suit you. A key is available at a daily rate.	1 day return walk - allow 6 - 7 hours	Allow 1 to 1.5 hours
Special requirements	Your own camera or phone.			Warm clothing essential including wind & rainproof jacket, tramping boots or sturdy walking shoes. Take adequate water & snack food. Carry extra food and sleeping bag for overnight stays.	Sensible walking shoes.
Price per person			Annual fee \$120 dollars. Extra \$20 for key which is refundable.	\$10 overnight hut charge. Contact bus operators for transport to and from start or use own vehicle.	Transport - \$30 return trip from Middlemarch. \$20 from Salt Lake to Sutton. Use own transport, or If fit, ride your bike.
Contact details		Follow the link below to see gallery information. https://www.facebook.com/O-T%C4%81whiri-Gallery-140665056438959/?ref=bookmarks	Keys are available from Michelle Tisdall Ph 022 359 3753	www.middlemarch.co.nz/big_hut	0800 292 534 (Cycle Surgery) to book shuttle. Booking Essential.

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	Swimming	Tennis	Lawn Bowls	Golf	Line Dancing
Location	Swansea Street. SH 87	Showgrounds, BrownsRoad	Swansea Street	Garthmyl Road. Close to Middlemarch township.	Middlemarch Community Centre, corner of Swansea St and Browns Road
Description	Unsupervised pool. Children under 14 need to be supervised by an adult.	Two courts and volley board. Artificial turf,	Bowls available. Caters for any age, any ability.	9 hole golf course	Visitors welcome to watch or join in.
Availability	Usually Labour weekend until Easter.	Nets up from September to May.	November to end of March.	All year round	Wednesdays 1 - 3 pm Mondays 6.30- 9 pm
Length of time	Take as long as you like. Keys sold as all day keys so you can come and go.	During daylight hours	Minimum one hour.	Take as long as you like.	
Special requirements	Bring you togs. Babies/ toddlers require "swimmers nappies" (Available from Maggies)	Tennis shoes, or similar.	Flat shoes, e.g; sneakers.		
Price per person	Only swimmers charged. \$5.00 adult, \$2.50 child. Keys available at Strath Taieri Hotel.	Free with own gear. Racquets and balls can be hired at Museum. Minimum \$10 - partial refund on return.	\$10 per non member, adult player, children free.	\$10 club hire, \$20 green fee for 18 holes, or part thereof.	\$4 Wednesday \$5 Monday
Contact details	Stephanie Macaulay 03 464 3366	Dawn Coburn - 03 464 3696.	David Frew 03 464 3876, or Dawn Coburn 03 464 3696	Rob Sutton 03 489 2226	Lorna Williams 03 464 3718 Claire Seaton 027 464 3181
Additional Comments		Courts used for hockey practice in winter. Volley board still available.	Check with the contact people first. Occasionally green maintenance will affect availability.	Call Rob to arrange club hire.	Suitable for old and young. Anyone can have a go. Dance by dance instruction provided.

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	Junction Crafts	Museum	Heritage Drive	Township Walks	Fishing
Location	Railway Station	Aberafon St	Strath Taieri district	Middlemarch	Taieri River, just minutes from Middlemarch.
Description	A great little craft shop selling locally made goods and crafts and some craft supplies.	Features railway and local farming and mining history, an early submarine, WW2 quilt and natural history collections. Family History enquiries welcomed.	Take in the local landmarks and stunning landscapes of the Strath Taieri. Self driven	Walks in the township can take you past three churches, to the cemetery, railway environs, war memorial, community garden, stone arches, two children's playgrounds.	For the novice pr experienced angler the Taieri River is a perfect location for a fishing adventure.
Availability	Open Fridays and Sundays when train comes to Middlemarch 12 - 1.00 pm. Can also be opened on request. Closed at present - online site being developed	From October until late January Fridays - Sundays 12 - 2.00 pm. Late January until end of April: 12 - 3.00 Wed - Sunday. Also Public Holidays. All year round on request.	All year round	All year round	With a licence, obtainable from Cycle Surgery, in fishing season.
Length of time		Allow 30 or 40 minutes, but much longer can be spent browsing, or chatting with friendly helpers.	1 to 2 hours.	Take as little or as long as you like.	Relax all day at the river.
Price per person	No admission charge	\$2.00 adult, children free.	Free	Free.	Price of licence.
Contact details	03 464 3145, 03 464 3091, 03 464 3094	Dawn Coburn 03 464 3696, Irene Ramsay 03 464 3145	Maps and information available at Middlemarch Museum.		Cycle Surgery 03 464 3630
Additional Comments	Associated with running of train - more information when trains run again	Maps and local information also available.		Collect a booklet for brass rubbings from the museum (\$2.00). Maps free at local businesses. Be aware of geo caches.	