

ATCA October update

What a cold, wet, and erratic spring it has been so far, but it seems like the sun has finally remembered how to shine again. It has been inspiring to see how our southern communities have come together to support those who have been so severely affected by the recent flood waters.

Your committee has been busy finalising several important projects, including a bus shelter on Allison Avenue, commissioning a mural for the telco box on Allison Avenue, and purchasing a defibrillator for the Four Square. Thank you to Four Square for kindly offering to assist with a donation for this project. We have started planning our Christmas Party in the Park, and we are continuing with our historic plaque project.

Additionally, we are working with QLDC to install a picnic table at Templeton Park. Investigations are quietly progressing for a community building in Albert Town. We are collaborating with QLDC to improve the safety of residents in Hebbard Court, who have experienced several near misses due to vehicles parked on the road verges along Allison Avenue. And we continue to carry out maintenance and planting of trees in the lower lagoon.

Regards,

The Albert Town Community Association

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ATCA Projects

Donations

A huge thank you to those who donate to Albert Town Community Association. We acknowledge the \$5,000 grant we receive annually from QLDC, which has been confirmed



Albert Town Bridge Replacement Submission

Our submission has received positive responses from politicians (both local and Wellington-based) and NZTA, plus excellent press coverage. While we are realistic about the likelihood of this happening any time soon, we have at least started the conversation and highlighted the need for a replacement bridge.



Coffee Cart Wanted

Planning is well underway for our annual Christmas event to be held on Sunday, 1 December, 11 am – 2 pm at McMurdo Park. Sadly, the coffee cart option we had arranged is not going to happen. Does anyone know of a coffee cart operator who could help on the day? Please [email us here](#) or contact Sue on 021 443906.



Planting and Orchards

Thanks to **Te Kakano** for their recent planting session at Templeton Park.

Thanks also to **Perry Brook** who donated a special heritage apple tree sourced from the Lindis, which has been planted in the bottom lagoon community orchard.

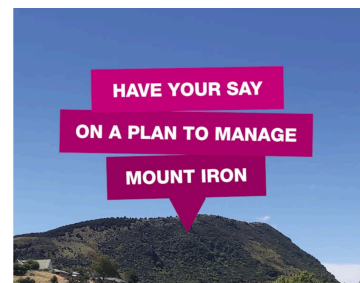
The **Upper Clutha Wilding Tree** group recently had an afternoon removing wilding trees such as hawthorn and flowering currant along the top lagoon track. Thank you to the Upper Clutha Wilding Tree Group for doing this work for our community.

Community Consultation

Did you know that QLDC is currently running public consultation on three topics that are relevant to Albert Town residents? These are:

- Waste Management and Minimisation Plan
- Clutha River Navigation by-law 2025 review
- Mount Iron Recreational Reserve Management Plan.

Make sure you have your say, and go to [QLDC's Let's Talk page](#).



Historic Plaques Project

Have you spotted the blue historic plaques popping up around Albert Town? Our next plaque will be installed in Arklow Terrace to recognise the Ferryman's Cottage. Following this, a plaque to recognise the original Templeton residence will be placed in Arklow

Terrace plaque. There is further historical information relating to the plaque sites on the [ATCA website](#). There are some fascinating stories, make sure you have a read.

ATCA Annual General Meeting

Our AGM is scheduled for 26 January 2025. This may seem quite a way off, but it will undoubtedly come around very quickly. Are you interested in being part of our association? Please contact chairperson Heather on 027 258 9779 for more information.

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