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ECHO Walking Festival - A walk through Martha mine pit fence

On Wednesday the 20th of April, OceanaGold Waihi will once again be opening the gates for a walk through the Martha Pit as part of the ECHO Walking Festival. We will then return via the popular Pit Rim Walkway, back to the car park. The total distance is about 2 km to 3 km, and we expect it to take about an hour, maybe a little more. Sturdy shoes are a must, and we will supply Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) which will add to those all-important photos.

Visit www.echowalkfest.org.nz to register as spaces are limited.

"Bees in Schools" with the Pacific Coast Technical Institute

For several years at our Moresby Ave building, we have provided part of our floorspace to the Pacific Coast Technical Institute (PCTI) to use for their 'Bees in Schools' course, which they run in conjunction with students from Waihi College.

Students learn to manage hives, care for bees, and appropriately extract honeycomb from a hive, before processing the honeycomb into honey, as well as packaging the final product and developing the labelling and marketing.

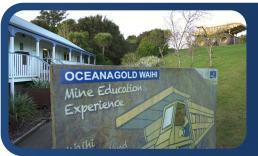
Mark Hellyer, a Director of PCTI, stopped by recently to see Phil Salmon, our Community Development Advisor, with a delivery of some of the honey crafted by the 2021 course attendees.

PCTI also established and maintain a commercial-grade kitchen onsite. In a New Zealand first, the kitchen is a collaborative project between private sector business, secondary, and tertiary educators to provide the NZ certificate in Food and Beverage Processing (L2), supporting the region's budding food innovators.

Beekeepers / Apiarists are on the New Zealand Skills Shortage list, making this course a great way to help local students work towards a highly relevant, sought after skill set.







Correnso & Project Martha Community Meeting

Our next Correnso and Project Martha Community Meeting will be held on Thursday the 19th of May from 5:30 to 7:30pm. This meeting is designed to provide an update to affected residents within the Correnso and Project Martha (including Rex) mining areas about works undertaken since the previous meeting.

The meeting will be held in the OceanaGold Ed Centre on the corner of Moresby Ave and Savage Rd. In the mean time, if you have any questions please visit or call the Project Information Office.

