




INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION

# 29th WORLD ASSEMBLY

25-29 MARCH 2018 QUEENSTOWN · NEW ZEALAND

## Partner Programs & Social Events

While the IAOPA World Assembly business meetings are in progress, we have created some social activities to enjoy and meet other IAOPA partners.

### Monday 26th March 2018

Event:	Local AOPA partners introducing you to Queenstown
Duration:	Own pace
Departure Time:	9.30am
Cost:	Nil - but ensure you have your credit card with you.
Description:	Meet at Rydges foyer and walk to Patagonia Chocolates Cafe for a coffee and catch up before taking your time to stroll the streets and shops of Queenstown.



### Tuesday 27th March 2018

Event:	Skippers Canyon 4x4 Tour. <a href="#">Nomad Safaris</a>
Duration:	4 hours
Departure Time:	8.15am or 1.15pm
Inclusions:	Pick up & drop off from Rydges Hotel, refreshments, gold panning
Cost:	NZ\$195 per person



Description: The Skippers Canyon 4WD tour departs from Queenstown and heads out of town towards Coronet Peak Skifield. As we head up the mountain, take in panoramic views over the Wakatipu Basin. After entering Skippers Canyon we travel to Lighthouse Rock for a dramatic lookout over the canyon. We continue following in the footsteps of adventurers and discoverers as this historical winding road brings us to the historic Skippers Bridge- a perfect photo opportunity.

After carefully negotiating the bridge, the road continues into the old township of Skippers. Long since abandoned, several original buildings remain waiting to be explored. During a pause for refreshments in the township, immerse yourself in the history of this place as the restored schoolhouse and old homestead divulge a wealth of information through photos and artefacts from the early days of this settlement. The nearby cemetery depicts a more gloomy and dangerous life for these gold prospectors.

On the return journey we stop at Deep Creek where you can test your luck panning for gold in one of the richest gold bearing rivers in the world.

### Thursday 28th March 2018

- Event:** Arrowtown and Winery Tour
- Duration:** 5 hours
- Departure Time:** 11.00am pick up from Rydges Hotel
- Inclusions:** Transport with commentary, winery lunch, underground wine cave tour, tastings at 2 wineries visited, Arrowtown visit.
- Cost:** NZ\$199 per person  
*Subject to availability of wineries at time of confirmation. Any additional wine purchased at lunch is to be paid directly to the winery.*
- Description:** This food and wine experience is a relaxed and leisurely tour amongst picturesque surroundings.
- You will visit New Zealand's largest underground wine cave before enjoying a delicious winery platter lunch.
- We will then visit a second boutique vineyard overlooking scenic Lake Hayes and then give you time to explore historic Arrowtown village.
- 4.00pm Drop off at Rydges Hotel in time for a rest before attending the Gala Dinner.



### Friday 30th March 2018

- Event:** Dart Wilderness Jet
- Duration:** 6 hours from Queenstown
- Departure Time:** 7.45am or 12.30pm (stop at Glenorchy for refreshments / food, own cost)
- Inclusions:** Pick up from and return to Rydges Hotel.
- Cost:** NZ\$249 per person (2018 pricing)
- Description:** Your Wilderness Jet is an exhilarating and spectacular journey deep into the heart of the world-renowned Mt Aspiring National Park with the only jet boat operator allowed on the Dart River.
- The sheer diversity of what's on offer means you experience a unique combination of breathtaking scenery matched with exciting jet boating on braided, glacier-fed rivers.
- Highly informative guides add the personal touch, talking about the area's history, the Greenstone trail and Māori legends. Walk amongst ancient beech forest unchanged for 80 million years and view the scenic backgrounds for many Middle Earth movie scenes.
- An authentic New Zealand experience in an untouched world.
- WHAT YOU BRING:** Dart River Wilderness Jet is a high country adventure. So that your experience is really enjoyable we recommend that you dress warm, regardless of the season or weather; wear suitable supportive footwear, as the guided walk is 30 minutes long on a rolling track through the forest.



#### Dart River Wilderness Safari - Que...



**WHAT TO BRING:**

Summer – Sunglasses, sunscreen, insect repellent, a warm outer layer & your camera (carried at owners risk)

Life jackets are supplied and mandatory on the jet boat and optional spray jackets are also available.

**WHAT WE PROVIDE:**

All transport to and from Rydgest Hotel, Queenstown.

Friendly, knowledgeable & cheerful local guides.

\* Please Note: Lunch is not included in the activity, but there is a wonderful cafe at Glenorchy where you can purchase yummy fare.

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Saturday 31st March 2018

## Warbirds Over Wanaka

[... more info](#)



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