

Community Wellbeing

In this month's edition of the Community Wellbeing Newsletter you will find out about all the wonderful and exciting happenings going on in the Horowhenua. From the opening of the newly refurbished Levin Aquatics Centre to RJ'S 21st Birthday Bash. Read on for more information.

Upcoming Community Meetings

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The next Horowhenua **Older Persons Network** will meet from 10.00 – 11.00am on Thursday 20 October in Horowhenua District Council Chambers.

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The next Horowhenua **Youth Network** will meet from 10.00 – 11.00am on Tuesday 25 October in Horowhenua District Council Chambers.

With regards

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Youth Health and Wellbeing Expo

The Horowhenua Youth and Wellbeing Expo was held in the Youth Space at Te Takere in Levin on Friday 19 August. The expo drew approximately 600 young people, including scheduled visits by groups from Horowhenua College and Waiopahu College.

Organised by Horowhenua District Council, the free expo promotes youth wellbeing by showcasing activities and services that focus on good health, fun and support for youth locally.

There were 20 exhibitors, as well as demonstrations from local groups, organisations and individuals including Levin Adventure Park mural project-managing artist Jonny 4Higher, who painted a mural over lockers that will store Youth Space games.





Exercise Tangaroa...

Exercise Tangaroa – (taken from Māori mythology, ‘Tangaroa’ is the God of the sea, rivers, lakes and all that live within them).

Exercise Tangaroa is a national exercise under the National Civil Defence and Emergency Management Exercise Programme. The exercise took place over three days in August and September. The first two parts of the Exercise took place on 31 August and 14 September and a further exercise on 28 September 2016. The exercise is based on a regional source tsunami scenario. The primary purpose of the exercise is to test New Zealand’s preparations for, response to, and recovery from, a national tsunami impact. In each local Council area a “table top” exercise occurred. It was a useful exercise to practice a realistic scenario with limited warning time. For agencies and groups working in “welfare” this has been an opportunity to practise agency arrangements for what could be a major disaster.

A couple of the action points the local Welfare Committee has been working on are:

- What local agencies / networks have contacts for people who may be vulnerable in a civil defence emergency (including one that requires urgent evacuation) And would the respective agency / network be prepared to assist by making contact with their contact list.
- The local NGO sector potentially has a major role to play in assisting people from a welfare perspective, and is there an agency or network that could be represented on the local Welfare Committee to ensure local NGO’s are well informed about preparedness activities as well as in an actual event?

If your agency has a part to play in a local welfare response, and in particular with either of the above action areas, please contact Denise Kidd, local Welfare Manager (denisek@horowhenua.govt.nz)



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Aquatics Horowhenua Update



What a way to start! The eagerly awaited Community Funday at Levin aquatic Centre on the 24th of September was a roaring success with over 1000 visitors and around \$1000 raised for Arthritis Levin. Well done to the HDC events team for putting on a great community event.

The much anticipated hydrotherapy pool is open! As part of future programming in the new pool centre staff have sought opportunities to provide a low-impact water-based rehabilitation programme and with the partnership of Arthritis New Zealand. In early October 6 staff will be attending a full day course with physiotherapists and Arthritis NZ staff to add to their current knowledge base and assist them in delivering a high quality rehabilitation programme. The rehabilitation programme will allow participants to transition from the hydrotherapy pool into other classes in the facility as they gain fitness, mobility and confidence. As part of this we will be running an Aquathon Aquacise week from the 10th of October, with 2 hours of Aqua a day!

Lions Club Time Capsule: As part of the redevelopment works at Levin Aquatic Centre the time capsule buried by the club in 1990 was repositioned. A big thank you to the local Lions Club members involved and their understanding of the need for a reburial of the time capsule.

Social Sector Trial Update

by Terisa Ngobi, Social Sector Trial Project Coordinator/Champion

The Social Sector Trials (SST) were developed in 2011 as a community-based approach aimed at improving the way government plans, funds and delivers social services. They involve transferring the control of resources including funding, decision making authority and accountability for results from government agencies to a Trial lead in the local community. Trials are supported at a national, regional and local level by the Ministries of Education, Health, Justice, Social Development and the New Zealand Police.

SST Horowhenua Trial aim and outcomes

- reduce offending
- reduce levels of alcohol and other drug abuse
- reduce truancy rates; and
- increase participation in education, training and employment.

The Trials are now closed. Where successful, the SST will transition from a community-influenced model to a community-led model with a less narrow focus for the delivery of services. Horowhenua is one of the trials that will transition to a community-led model.



Warren Hirini and Tania Bell playing the string game

The transition process is now well underway and includes a six month transition phase in sites identified for transition. LTTM (Life to the Max) as the SST Lead and the SST Advisory group are working through what a community-led model will look like. Some current programmes and services will continue through the transition process. SST transition phase ceases on the 31st of December 2016. We will continue to update you monthly on the progression of transitioning to a community-led model.

Youth Coordinators from LTTM were among the 20 exhibitors who supported the Horowhenua Youth and Wellbeing Expo held at the Youth Space at Te Takere on Friday 19th August. This event is organised by the Horowhenua District Council and promotes health and wellbeing to our young people in our community. The three local colleges: Horowhenua, Waiopahu had around 600 of their students attend the expo.

If you are 16 – 17 years old, not engaged in education, training or work and would like help with drivers licensing, courses, C.V.'s and career advice, contact Life to the Max on: (06) 368 8005.

LTTM Youth Service also look after Young Parent Payment and Youth Payment clients, and welcome your questions relating to the eligibility of these payments.





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What's on at Te Takere

10 Week Quiz Challenge

Wednesday 5 October - Round up your friends and workmates and tease your brain and win some great prizes! Image attached.



School holiday fun for children

There's lots of fun in store at Horowhenua libraries in the coming weeks.

The Olympics in Rio may be all over, but the Library Olympics are about to take place at Te Takere and Shannon and Foxton libraries during the school holidays.

There will be a different activity each day to challenge the kids and test their library Olympic skills.

The Library Olympics are at Te Takere both weeks of the school holidays (**26 September – 7 October**) 10am – 12pm; Foxton Library first week of the holidays (**26 September – 30 September**) 10am-11am; and Shannon second week of the holidays (**3 – 7 October**) 2pm – 3.30pm.

Te Takere is running Book Bingo for Kids from **19 September to 7 October**. Come in and pick up a Bingo card, fill in all the squares and be in for a prize.

Motor racing track celebrated

Local history week at Te Takere will focus on the history of the Levin Motor Racing Circuit.

It is 60 years since the first meeting at the Mako Mako Road track, and 40 years since the last and the Levin Vintage Car Club is celebrating with an exhibition of cars, trophies and memorabilia from those often forgotten days of Levin's history.

Many world champions like Stirling Moss and Jack Brabham raced alongside local drivers on motorbikes and in sidecars with a crowd of more than 10,000 at the first event.

The display runs from Monday 3 October to Saturday 8 October.

CRUISE INFORMATION EVENING

Monday 10th October at Te Takere

Register your interest now to attend this informative evening and hear all about the latest cruise deals and destinations



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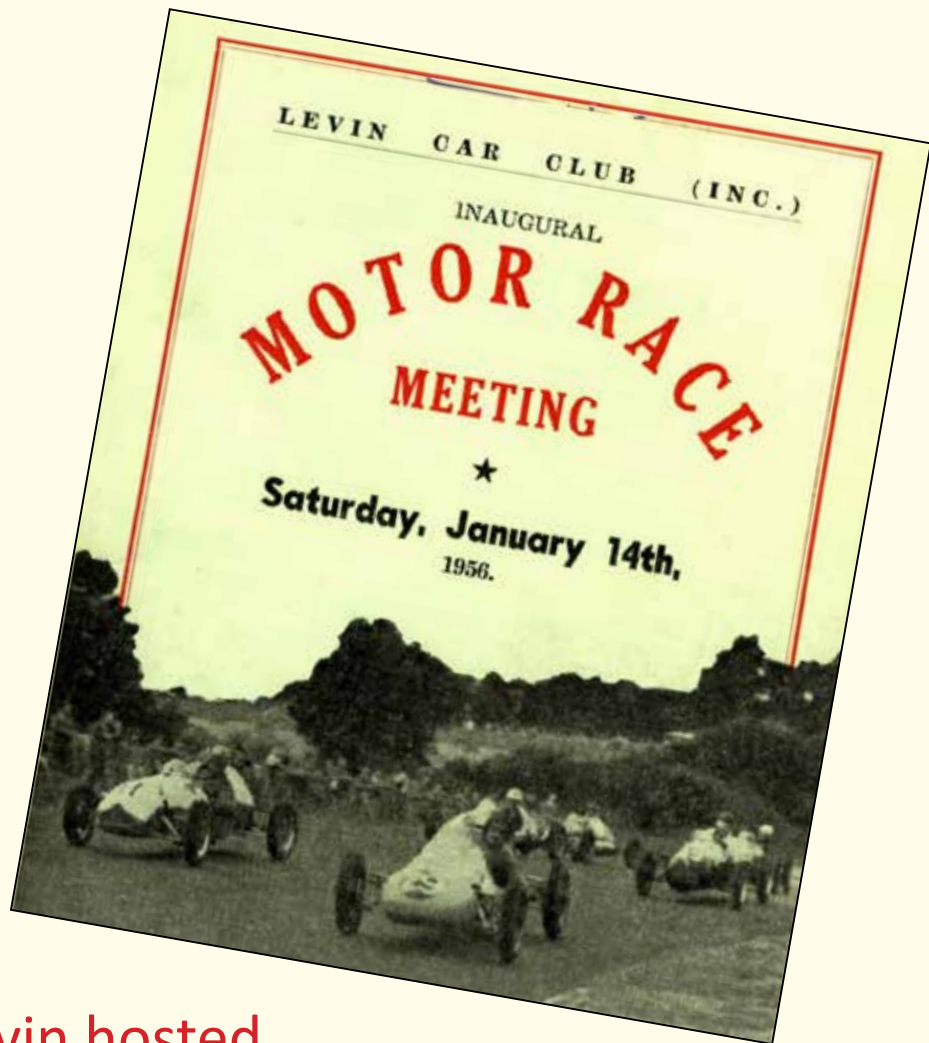
The Horowhenua Historical Society

presents

The History of the Levin Motor Racing Circuit

**Te Takere
Levin
October 3-8**

The display will bring some of the memories and excitement shared by thousands when Levin hosted international drivers like Stirling Moss and Jack Brabham on the circuit in Mako Mako Road.



Jack Brabham

*1956 - first meeting - 60 years
1976 - last meeting - 40 years*



Stirling Moss

October 2016

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10 Cruise information evening	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Older Persons Network meeting Thursday Night Street Feast	21	22	23 Foxton Spring Fling
24	25 Youth Network meeting	26	27	28	29	30