# FRIENDS

# September 2018



# October morning tea will be held at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom in Foxton.

Horowhenua Libraries are excited to show off the facility in Foxton and are looking forward to welcoming you all there. If you haven't had a chance to visit this unique facility yet, why not make a trip to have a look and meet some friendly people. Our guest speaker on

#### October 3rd at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom

#### is Chrissy Pederson

a Foxton resident and businesswoman who has been actively involved in Foxton life for many years. Her talk is titled — Life, The Future, and In the Middle



Why not make up a car load of friends and come and join us? If you need help with transport you are welcome to contact Margaret Clarke on 06 3689881 and she will try to put you in touch with someone who could help you. Likewise if you are willing to help someone who may be car-less get to Te Awahou, please let Margaret know.



### What an exciting and busy month September has been.

Preparations for the Festival of Stories and the concurrent Celebration of Women's Suffrage in New Zealand kept us busy for the first week or so .

First—an apology. In previous newsletter I have said that we were partnering the Horowhenua Historical society in assisting with these celebrations. The group we have been working with is the **Horowhenua Family History group**. They are the people to contact if you wish to do genealogy research. You will find them on a regular basis in the **Heritage room in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po** 



We began our celebrations with a fascinating talk from Karen Fiefield, CEO of Wellington Zoo.

Karen has transitioned the old traditional Wellington Zoo into a leading player in conservation and innovative animal welfare.

She has succeeded in what was a traditional male role—so who better to start the week celebrating the achievements of women.

After hearing Karen speak with such enthusiasm about the work the zoo is

doing to preserve and conserve animals of all shapes and sizes I am keen to visit Wellington zoo this summer.

FOHL Committee with Karen Fifield,

Front Row: Diane Welch, Gae Stewart, Diane Brown

Back Row: Brian Petersen, Tony Straw, Barbara Lucas, Aileen Kopke, Karen Fifield, Cath Bennet, Margaret Clarke. Behind us all—Georgie the mannequin in appropriate period dress.

This first event was followed by a programme highlighting women and their stories with something new happening every day.

When attending a meeting at Te Takeretanga o Kura hau Po on Wednesday 16th, I thought it was entirely appropriate to see all of the folk who had participated in the Memory Walk for Alzheimers enjoying a concert there. Keeping our memories alive as long as possible is important to help preserve our stories.

On Thursday evening we heard from Breast screen Aotearoa on the essential nature of taking part in the National Breast screening programme and the positive results that this programme has achieved - then what followed was an hilarious night of fun with Mary Kippenberger and Peter Charton Jones when we all reverted to childhood and acted out a couple of favourite fairy tales.



There were workshops and film screenings aplenty during the week to keep everyone busy .

The two concerts, one at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom and one at Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po on Friday and Saturday kept everyone entertained from 12.00—1.00pm on those days. It was good to see that the bus trip from Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po to Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom was well patronised. We hope you enjoyed your visit there on Friday.



Stringalong performing at Te Takeretanga o Kura hau Po



The week of celebrations culminated in afternoon tea—provided by the lovely dadies from Altrusa, and a talk by Georgina Beyer on the afternoon of Sunday 23rd. What an interesting life!



# October book sale

You asked for it so here it comes—another School Holiday Book sale.

We will be setting up during the afternoon of Sunday 7th October and the sale will run for just one week rather than the usual two. as Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po is busy again in October. (I don't know how those wonderful staff there manage to keep up!)

If you would like to volunteer to help with setting up, helping with sales, or packing up at the end of the sale please contact Tony Straw (tonystraw@clear.net.nz) who will be making a roster of helpers.



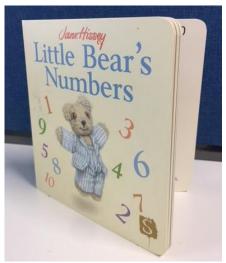
Presently due to our fund raising events and book sales our FOHL finances are in a healthy state. We were pleased to be able to help fund the Guest speakers for the Festival of stories and are looking forward to being able to assist with other activities in our libraries that are not regarded as core business for libraries such as the **Books for Babies programme.** 

Under this scheme which has been running for about 10 years in our libraries every new born baby in our region receives a gift pack from the library which includes information on help agencies for new mums, enrolment details for our libraries and a board book to kick start the process of Mum reading to baby.

The gift bag includes:-

- general information about the library, how to join etc.
- reasons why it's good to share books with your baby
- suggested books to begin with
- a list of selected board books from the library
- a list of parenting books from the library
- introducing books to children
- a cute board book to start the reading habit

Its never too early to start reading to our children.



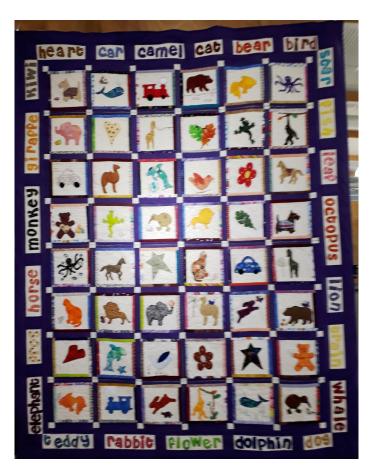
## Oh those wonderful Quilts!

How appropriate that during a week celebrating the achievements of women

This glorious display of fabric art and quilts should be in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po.

Stunning work ladies!

Two for the Zoo by Madalyn Brewer





Butterflies galore by Ute Ruschhaupt



Friends by Griet Lombard

# **Exciting events coming soon!**

#### Late Daffodil Show:

On Saturday 6th October in the main space, the **Central Daffodil Group** will be holding their Late Daffodil Show in Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō. Members of the group will



come from as far away as Eltham and Hawera, Hunterville and Bunnythorpe, Whitby and Miramar.

From 8am on Saturday morning they will be busy vasing their prize daffodil blooms.

At 10am the stewards and judges will deliberate on which collections and single blooms are worthy of awards.

The public will be able to watch this process. Members will be available to answer any queries about growing daffodils and how the flowers are judged when so many look perfect.

The show will close to the public at 3pm.

#### **Bug Invasion Holiday Programme:**

How will you entertain your children these holidays?

At each of the Horowhenua Libraries they have some creepy crawly craft activities lined up featuring bugs of all sorts – but only of the paper kind.

Each day they will make and decorate a different bug.



There will be caterpillars, butterflies, ants, spiders, dragon flies - you name it!

At the end of the programme they will be making a variety of food bugs to eat, including worms in mud and ants in your pants - yum! If your children or grandchildren are into creepy crawlies (or even if they aren't), they will love this programme.

Levin library - 1st to 12th October 10am-12pm Foxton library- 1st to 5th October 10.30 – 11.30am Shannon library- 1st to 5th October 2 – 3pm

## Sunday Concert – Scarlet:



Scarlet are singer Amanda Hanna-Doull and guitarist Andy Mauafua. They describe their sound as "Retro-Acoustic-Jazz". They take a wide variety of songs and put their own unique spin on it.

Andy's acoustic guitar sometimes doubles as a percussion instrument to give the songs an added sonic depth, while Amanda's beautiful, smooth vocal tone compliments the guitar perfectly.

Sunday, 30 September 2.30pm Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō

# **Balls, Bullets and Boots Exhibition:**

OPEN at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 1 October - 11 November 2018 In popular memory, rugby players during the Great War were heroes, athletes turned soldiers, making noble sacrifices for the 'greater game' of war as they traded the cheers of spectators for the roar of artillery fire. This new exhibition explores the impact that the harsh reality of war had on colonial sportsmen (and their loved ones) as they were transplanted from the rugby fields of home overseas to fight for the 'mother country'...

#### WHAT IS IT?

A unique commemorative exhibition that explores the legacy of war through sporting eyes.

Two years in the making, it's been produced by the NZ Rugby Museum (NZRM) based in Palmerston North.

Attracted 12,000 visitors in its first viewing at Te Manawa, Palmerston North. Has been exhibited at Linton Army Camp, Te Manawa, National Army Museum, Rotorua Museum, Nelson Provincial Museum, Papakura Museum, Ashburton Museum and now Te Awamutu Museum.

Derived from an e-book of the same name, authored by rugby historian Clive Akers (published alongside the exhibition)

#### WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

Tells the life stories of XV WW1-era NZ rugby players and a woman coach Aims to illustrate the range of wartime experiences New Zealanders had, with their love of rugby the common denominator in their selection for our 'exhibition XVI'.

#### WHO'S BEHIND IT?

Brought to you by the New Zealand Rugby museum - the World's leading rugby heritage destination!

Based on extensive archival research conducted by rugby historian Clive Akers with assistance from military historian Peter Cooke and museum interpreter Bettina Anderson.

Funded and supported by a solid team of NZ sporting, funding and military organisations (currently 17 in total).

# BALLS, BULLETS & BOOTS FROM RUGBY FIELD



Monday 1 October -Sunday 11 November

Free entry for under 16 years and gold coin donations for adults.

Te Takeretanga o Kurahau-pō, Youth Space

A New Zealand Rugby Museum exhibition commemorating World War One.

Visit ww1rugby.nz







Horowhenua Culture & Community Centre Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō

#### Sept 1st—30th

Remembering Kingsford Smith

An exhibition by the Horowhenua Philatelic Society - our local Stamp Club.

28th September 2018 marks the 90th Anniversary of the first crossing of the Tasman Sea by air, a significant event in New Zealand's history.

Charles Kingsford Smith piloted the plane, "Southern Cross," with 3 other crew from Sydney to Christchurch, a flight of nearly 14 ½ hours.



He went on to pioneer many other routes in his career and left a lasting legacy on both sides of the Tasman.

This display shows some of the stamps and covers that detail his achievements as well as other memorabilia associated with Kingsford-Smith.

Do you have a LEGO enthusiast at your house?

Why not come down to Te Takere on the first Thursday each month to join the other LEGO builders between 3.30pm and 5.00 pm.

**Busy little hands love Lego!** 



### Some exciting Coming Events to mark in your calendar

# **Regular Happenings**

*Wednesday night is QUIZ night*—so why not make up a team (usually 4 people) and come along for some fun. Its got to be better than blobbing in front of Telly!

## Jazz Jam

Like to listen to smooth music? —why not drop in on the Jazz Jam on the second Sunday each month in Te Takere? You never

know , you might be inspired to join in. They are a friendly encouraging bunch who would make you very welcome.

# Guitar Club begins Wednesday 23rd May

Do you have a young person at home who would love to join this group? Guitar Club, a great new initiative with a talented Te Takere staff member which encourages people to learn or perfect their guitar skills in all genres. With the help of a professional musician, these weekly

# Tai Chi every Monday 10—11.30am suitable for beginners



# We are still looking for old friends—can you help?

Keep Friday 16th November from 5.30—7.30pm free to come and join us to celebrate the **30th birthday of the Friends of Horowhenua Library.** 

All old friends and volunteers are welcome so if you know anyone who may have supported us in the past who you think would like to come along please let them, and us know.

