



FRIENDS

November / December



Friends of Horowhenua Library Morning Tea gatherings

The next Morning tea meeting will be on Wednesday February 13th as the first Wednesday in February is Waitangi Day.

FOHL wish you all a safe, joyful and peaceful Festive season and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Happy Birthday Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom

**Friends of Horowhenua Libraries Congratulate
Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom on their first birthday.**

If you haven't been to see this wonderful asset to our region yet do take the time over the summer to visit. There is lots to do in Foxton and the area around Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom is a great spot to enjoy the summer



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I have know **Vicky Webster** for some years and have always admired her talent and quirky way of looking at the world. Her **Cloud Cover** Exhibition was a real treat . We hope you enjoyed it and took the opportunity to stop and chat with Vicky while she was in Te Takeretanga o Kura haupo. We are blessed in this region with the wealth of artistic talent that abounds in all fields.

In **Cloud Cover**, Vicky has used a technique the she enjoys. Each canvas starts with a base coat of colours which leave random patterns on the canvas.

Once the base coat has dried it leaves random patterns and shapes on the canvas which give and element of surprise to every painting.



Coffee Grinder



In the meadow



I love the exuberance and joy in this painting of a **Windy day!**

Thank you Vicky for sharing your work with us.

October Book Sale

Thanks to everyone who assisted with the extra sale in October. We really appreciate your help. And thanks too, to the wonderful library staff who patiently coped with the disruption of their normal routines and with the additional work involved in taking money from the book sale through their tills.

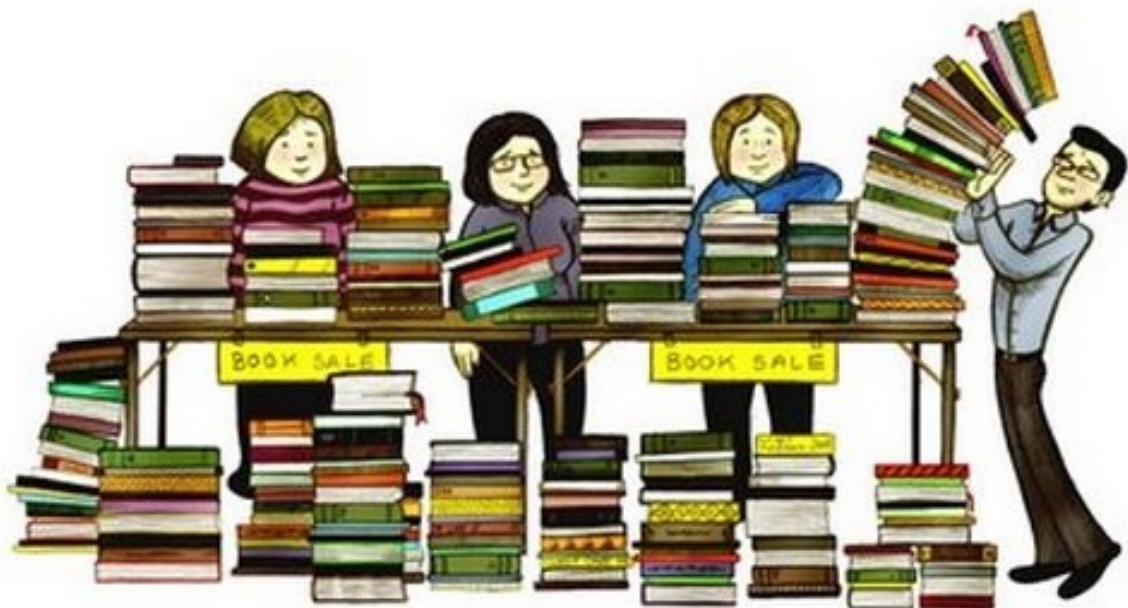
At present we do not have a full tally of the profits from our October book sale.

Our cash takings were \$1,234.50, however a large proportion of sales were processed through the eftpos terminal at the Te takeretanga o Kura Haupo desk. This cash has been ring fenced as FOHL income but it needs to be processed through the HDC account system before we know a final total. We will keep you posted!

There was quite a large number of books left over and the best of these have been sorted and packed into boxes to go to Vanuatu thanks to Rotary. Its good to know we can help.

Summer book sale

The **Big summer book sale** will commence at Te Takeretanga O Kura Haupo on Monday 7th January. If anyone is available to help with setting up the sale on the afternoon of Sunday 6th from 1.00pm or during the next three weeks please contact Tony Straw at tonystraw@clear.net.nz to have your name put onto the roster. Many hands make light work, so please don't be shy. Its not difficult and we are happy to show you what needs to be done. Its always fun to meet and chat with people who come in looking for holiday reading treats.



Friends of Horowhenua Libraries 30th Anniversary Celebration

Friday 16th November 2018



What a treat Jane Curry and Owen Moriarty were to listen to at the FOHL 30th birthday celebrations. Such beautiful music and great talent. I've never seen two people play one guitar on stage at the same time.

We enjoyed listening to Alan Smith reminisce about the Friends over the years and although some of the tales were familiar I'm sure there were a few that people hadn't heard before. Thanks to everyone involved.



Diane Brown welcomes guests to our celebration



Margaret Clarke presents a book to Library manager Wendy Fraser

One of the lovely stories shared at the Birthday party was a recollection from long standing supporter and Library Friend Lorraine McArthur

Sitting downstairs requesting donations for new books for the Large Print collection Lorraine made a note of the numbers of people coming into the library by keeping a tally over an hour between 10 am and 11 am on weekday morning.

She was astounded at the number of borrowers who had visited during that time. There was also a group of preschoolers thoroughly enjoying their visit. When her shift ended Lorraine spoke to a passing librarian who had two young children clinging to her long skirt as well as managing a large armload of books.

“My Goodness, do you realise that over eighty people have been in during the last hour?”

“Oh, were there? Yes, I thought the morning seemed a bit quiet” was the calm reply.

Lorraine had always suspected that librarians were special people. She has never forgotten the sight of the librarian totally encumbered and totally unflustered who had such a different perception of a busy morning.

Lorraine McArthur has been a member of the FOHL for over twenty years. She was president for seven of those and has been a tireless seller of books and promoter of events. Her husband Ian has given sterling service as a hauler of books, mender of trolleys and trestles. Ian is the man on hand with the right tool at the right along with a delightful smile. The FOHL has been fortunate to have such pleasant helpful members.





Are your children or grandchildren bookworms?

The summer reading programme offered by the Eastern and Central community trust through most public libraries is a great way to get kids hooked on books

If you have a young person in Year 7 or 8 (age 11-13 years old) in the family, enrol them for the summer reading challenge – The Power to Read – from 26 November 2018 at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom and Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō.

It is well recognised that children's reading levels can often slip over the summer when they are on holiday. Halting the summer slide can be as simple as encouraging kids to read five books over the summer break.

The library does its part by providing a free reading focused programme during the summer holidays.

Read books and write short book reviews. For every three reviews completed, you can select one new book as a reward. Some of these are the latest titles and it is possible to earn up to five new books over the programme.

The programme runs from the 10 of December 2018 till 18 January 2019. Enrolments open on the 26 November 2018.

We are extremely grateful to the Eastern and Central Community Trust for funding this programme.

Time to get the kids signed up for the summer reading programme!

Remember if your grandchildren are registered at their home libraries and are visiting over the summer break they are eligible to report in to summer reading sessions at any participating library



The Amazing Read is the Summer reading programme for kids from 3yrs to 12yrs.

This is an incentive based programme of activities and book reports which culminates in a finale celebration where every child who completes the programme is rewarded with a book to keep

Seasons Greeting to you all.



This year has whizzed by and Christmas celebrations are being planned, just as 30 years ago planning was being put into place for a ***Friends of the Library Committee.***

Thank you for coming to our 30th Birthday party, to celebrate and look forward to our next 30 years.

Libraries are an important part of our Community, ever evolving, being inclusive and an integral part of Horowhenua with books accessible to all.

To all our Friends, volunteers and other Helpers we say to you all, you are library stars.



The committee look forward to another stellar year.
Best wishes for a happy, safe and fun filled Christmas with family and friends.

DIANE BROWN.

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

