



FRIENDS

March 2019

Our AGM for 2019 was well attended and we now have a slightly reorganised committee working for you. We were sorry to lose Cath Bennet who has been a committee member for over 10 years and our very able treasurer for most of them. Cath has decided to step down from the committee. I'm sure you will still see her at our monthly gatherings as she has kindly offered to continue to organise our very popular raffles.

The new committee consists of: Margaret Clarke (Chairperson), Barbara Lucas (Secretary), Tony Straw (Treasurer), Diane Brown (past chairperson), Gae Stewart, Christine Moriarty, Aileen Kopke, Diane Welch, Brian Peterson, and new committee member Lorraine Blenkhorn. We welcome Lorraine to our ranks and look forward to working with her.

Thankyou all for your continued support. We look forward to working for and with you during the coming year.



FRIENDS OF HOROWHENUA LIBRARIES

Morning Tea in April
Join us in te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po
on Wednesday morning April 3rd

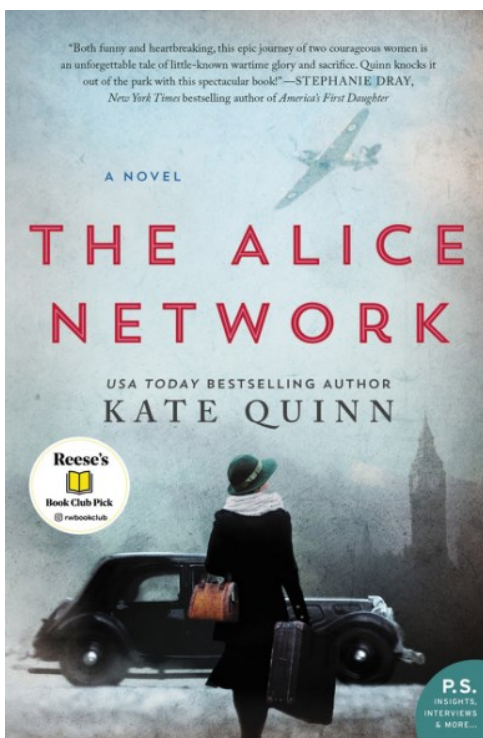
Our guest will be Chris Lloyd who will talk about his musical journey and introduce us to some of his guitar family.



If you have any new neighbours or friends please feel free to invite them along. Everyone is welcome.

Book Review

The Alice Network by Kate Quinn



Based on the World war I exploits of French Spy, Louise de Bettignies and weaving a tale between WWI and post WWII (1947) this is a gripping story right from the start. I knew nothing about women spies in WWI so the truth woven through this novel was a revelation to me. In 1947 Charlie St Clair has an “Appointment” arranged by her mother to deal with the little problem of her rapidly expanding belly. She is not keen, and in her search for a way out hopes to locate a cousin lost during the war years. To do this she makes contact with the now elderly Eve Gardiner who had been part of the Alice Network during WWI and who has her own reasons for wanting to dig into the past.

This is a gripping story right from the beginning—my daughter recommended it to me and now I recommend it to you. You should find it in the Free fiction section of our libraries.

Enjoy!

Where the money went...

We had a very successful fund raising year in 2018—2019

Here is a breakdown of the accounts so that you can see the details for yourselves

Fundraising Revenue

Book Sales

January 2018 (unbanked from the previous year	554.90	
June/July 2018	6,840.50	
October 2018	1,695.50	
January 2019 (not including \$693.60 still to be banked)	2,439.10	11,530.00

Other

Morning tea raffles	464.50	
Bridge tournament	855.00	1,319.50

Funds Distributed to HDC for use within our Libraries

Libraries	Large Print books	4000.00	
	Digitising Shannon News	2,000.00	
	Books for Babies	1,800.00	
Events	Women's Suffrage (speaker fees)	600.00	
	Festival of Stories (Storyteller fees)	1,200.00	9,600.00

Funds pegged for particular use

Book Sales - raised by and reserved for Foxton Library	1,899.00	1,899.00
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Thanks are due to Tony Straw, our treasurer for doing such a sterling job keeping our funds under control!

During the coming year we will again be supporting the Annual Large Print Appeal and a new initiative which is in the pipeline to encourage young Mums to register their toddlers and use the library. Anything that we can do to encourage literacy and a love of books has got to be worthwhile!

School Holiday Programme starts

Monday April 15th

School holidays are rapidly approaching and once again our fantastic Children's library specialists in our libraries have some great activities planned.

Beginning on Monday 15th April at 10.00am this FREE programme will run in all three libraries at the times listed below

Te Takeretanga o Kura hau-po from April 15th to 26th from 10am to 12pm.

Te Awahou Niewue Stroom April 15th to 18th from 10am to 11pm.

Shannon Library April 15th to 18th from 2.30 to 3.30pm.

If you've got grandchildren visiting this could be just what you have been looking for.



A children's holiday programme that is based around the Geronimo Stilton books. There will be crafts and activities including cheese tasting and a special mystery hunt to complete.

If you haven't met Geronimo Stilton yourself do have a look for some of the quirky books in the children's library so that you can be on the same page as the small people in your life!

Don't forget the **LEGO Club**—meets from 3.30 pm - 4.30pm on the first Thursday every month at Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po. All of your potential builders or construction experts are invited to come along to join in. As usual with the great activities offered for the lucky children in our region there is **no charge** to come along.



Planning Ahead

FOHL Morning tea guest speakers to mark in your diary on the first Wednesday morning of the month:

May: Peter Burke, author of True to Ireland which tells the story of Irish conscientious objector Maurice Aylward. Aylward was one of six Irishmen who were tried for refusing to fight in World War II. Journalist Peter Burke, from Horowhenua, uncovered their story while he was combing through old papers following his mother's death in 2009 and decided to write a book about it.

June: David Harris of Kapiti Horowhenua English Language partners, an organisation vital to the successful resettlement of non English speaking people in our community.

If you haven't made it here yet there is still a little time left to view this magnificent exhibition. Do try to come along to

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom

To see this remarkable collection of digitally remastered life size paintings from one of the worlds greatest artists.



Wednesday 3rd April

During April we welcome local artist

Andy Glanville

to Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō.

Macondo is a collection of paintings, prints, wood carvings, sculptures and drawings created by Andy Glanville .

The exhibition endeavours to take the viewer on an artistic adventure through the diverse range of mediums with which the work has been created.

Andy Glanville is an artist and art educator, and has worked in the art departments of motion picture movies.



Library activities nearby

Friends of Kapiti library have kindly shared with us their planned

Readers and Writers Programme 2019



If you are interested in attending any or all of these events I'm sure they would make you very welcome. If you need further information you can contact them by email from the link below.

<https://www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/libraries/my-library/friends-of-the-library/>

Wednesday 20 February 2 pm	Mākarō Press By River and Sea	Four Kapiti poets reflect on the imaginative impact of water
Sunday 10 March 2.30 pm Paraparaumu Community Centre	Kapiti Children's Writing Group Four Writers for Children	Four writers for children – adventure, graphics, learning, fun – discuss their goals and inspiration
Sunday 31 March 2 pm	Renee Hollis Keepers of History	Renee's interviews with over 100 centenarians produced a unique record of New Zealand life
Sunday 7 April 2 pm	Rob Clarke 40 years of Paper Plus	The highs and lows of life for people dedicated to selling books in Kapiti
Sunday 5 May 2 pm	Nick Ward Script writing	Acclaimed writer of <i>Secondhand Wedding</i> and <i>Fresh Eggs</i> tells how it's done
Sunday 2 June 2 pm	Adrienne Jansen A Change of Key	Adrienne, advocate for the outsider in our society, returns to share her latest novel
Sunday 7 July 2 pm	Jane Parkin Reflections on Editing	An editor is an essential partner for every writer. Jane has worked with many of NZ's leading authors
Sunday 18 August 2pm	Lynn Jenner Peat, the Expressway and Charles Brasch	Reflections on a road, a poet and a landscape; described as 'an intriguing literary delight'.
Sunday 1 September 2 pm	Elizabeth Cox Saving Old St Paul's	How the battle between two sincere opponents was won by heritage advocates
October (To be confirmed)	Te Wananga o Raukawa Visit to Library and Campus	Visit one of Kapiti's great institutions – its buildings, its aspirations and its new library, risen from the ashes.

All meetings are in Paraparaumu Library Meeting Room unless otherwise stated

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Regular Happenings

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.



Tai Chi every Monday 10—11.30am suitable for beginners

Contact Us

Don't forget—this is your Newsletter

If there you have questions about the activities of the Friends of Horowhenua Libraries or would like to become more involved please do not hesitate to contact us by email

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Happy Reading Everyone!