Friends of Horowhenua Libraries

Newsletter June 2020



After a long break we are at last able to invite you again to

Morning Tea in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po

Our first Post lock down morning tea will be on Wednesday July 1st at 10.30pm

when we are looking forward to being entertained by our

Guest speaker

Raconteur Extraordinaire

Alan Smith.

Do come along and join us for a morning of fellowship and fun. We'd love to see you there,





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The Annual Winter Book sale will be held from Monday July 6th to Friday July 10th



The sale will is for fived days only as the central space in Te Takere is needed during the second week of the holidays for another exciting event.

If you are able to assist with the book sale please contact Tony Straw tonystraw@xtra.co.nz

What did you do during Lockdown?

While in lockdown I know our librarians were all still working hard.

Shannon library has had a major makeover with fresh new paint inside, new furniture, new layout, new shelving and lovely new book stock. There are still some finishing touches to complete but the library is looking great. The courtyard is going to get a makeover and there will be new outside signage too.

If you are passing by anytime soon do stop in and have a look. Remember your library card means that you can borrow books from any of our libraries and return them to any branch.

I know that many of the staff have put in some serious working hours in the last few weeks. Instead of having new stock delivered to the library workroom it was taken to the living rooms of staff where it was accessioned (received into stock and accounted for), catalogued and prepared for processing so that very soon we will see it on the shelves.

The numbers of people registered for the **Homelink service** swelled to over 160. Staff selected and delivered reading materials to folk who could not get to the library and desperately need something to read.

Tea and Tales was up and live each week for anyone who wanted to listen to stories read aloud by Beth or Pam.

Returned books were quarantined for several days before being re shelved and Customer service staff spent time sanitising the whole of Te Takere.

As I write the Te Takere coffee shop is not yet open but hopefully it won't be too long before it is and the whole place is back to buzzing as it used to.

There is currently a wonderful exhibition at Te Awahou Nieue Stroom.

Thursday, 18 June 2020 | 01:00 PM to Sunday, 23 August 202



Matariki is an eye-opening exhibition – full of visual surprises and is aimed at changing the way we look at and think about space and galaxies that surround our small planet.

More than 25 images show star clusters like Matariki, planets, galaxies, and brightly coloured nebulae.

Dr Chadwick, photographer of deep space and Lecturer in Philosophy at Massey University, has been taking photos of deep space through a telescope since 2006, with a digital CCD (charged coupled device) camera on a moving mount that tracks the movement of the stars. His images are impossible to capture with traditional analogue photography.

If you are looking for somewhere local to visit this could be an interesting day out.

There will be much to look forward to as the library gears up to get back to business as usual so do watch out for events which will be advertised in this newsletter, on face-book or on the Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po and Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom web pages .

In the second week of the holidays Matariki celebrations will be held in Te Takere and you are all invited.

In September watch out for the next Festival of Stories which will be mostly focused on local people and local stories.

Happy Reading!