

Friends of Horowhenua Libraries

September 2021



Hello Friends

We missed being able to meet together this month, but all being well we should be able to have our gathering on Wednesday 6th October.



Jim Harper has kindly agreed to host us in Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom in Foxton to tell us about the history of Nye cottage. We will also be able to visit the cottage with Jim after his talk.

So do come along to Te Awahou and experience some lovely Foxton hospitality.

What a fantastic result from our mid winter book sale!

The final amount raised was just over \$5,600. A sum which makes our Friends bank balance look very healthy indeed.



We have been advised that the Summer book sale may not be quite as large as previous sales. Like every other business in New Zealand our libraries have been affected by the shipping delays caused by Covid 19. Much of the library stock is purchased from overseas publishers and has been held up by the dearth of visiting shipping and hold ups on container wharfs. So with fewer books arriving there is less shelf weeding happening. If you are waiting for a new title to arrive I'm sorry to say it may be some time before your request is met.

How we spend the cash

We have been asked to fund a new magazine rack for Te Awahou in Foxton and two more shelving trolleys for Te Takere. The magazine stand has arrived in Foxton and the staff are delighted with how it works for them.



A valued committee member resigns

This month we farewell our committee member, Margaret Williams who has reluctantly resigned. Margaret has been a valued member of our committee and we have enjoyed her contributions to our meetings. The committee would like to offer thanks for the work that she has done. She will, however continue to be a presence in our libraries and has assured us that she will still be available to help with book sales and other activities.

Events in Te Takere. On the Horowhenua Libraries Web page there is a listing of coming events. Unfortunately many of the events have been cancelled during this recent lockdown.

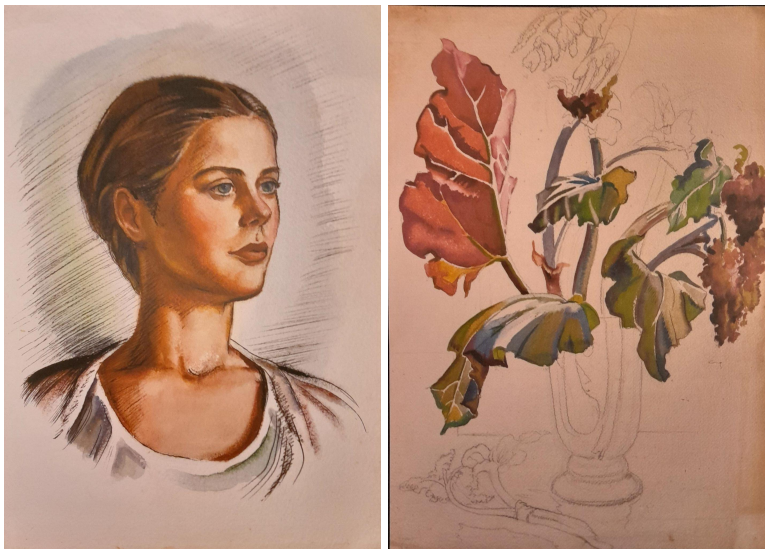
This link will take to directly to that page [Te Takere Events](#)

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In the Exhibition Space

The Adkin family feature largely in the history of Levin with the widely known photographic work of Leslie Adkin. However did you know that Nancy Adkin, his daughter was an accomplished violinist, pianist and painter?

Some of her work is exhibited in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po now.



International Day of Older Persons

Friday October 1st.

This is a United Nations initiative celebrated world wide. It's a time for everyone, families and organisations to acknowledge and say thank you for the huge contribution older people make to communities throughout New Zealand. Our Services to Older Persons Livrarian Jennifer Walton has been making sure we celebrate safely and in accordance with level 2 restrictions. If you are a senior citizen you can are invited to enjoy browsing for a book but are also invited to come to the library desk at the front entrance to receive a voucher for a free coffee or hot chocolate at the Library Cafe. Make sure you come in before 3.00pm when the cafe closes.



We'd love to see you there!

E Resources

During this last lockdown I ran out of paper copies of books (of course) so I was very grateful for the ability to download and read ebooks.

Like most of us I prefer to read 'proper' books with paper pages, but any book is better than no book!

There are some changes coming with the electronic offerings from our libraries so do watch out for further developments.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in Foxton on the first Wednesday in October.

Until then - Happy reading!