

## Friends of Horowhenua libraries May 2023



### Join us for Morning Tea 7th June 2023 in Foxton

The next morning tea event will be held at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom on Wednesday 7th June. We will be visiting Nye House of very interesting historical significance, and the Manawatu print building also in Foxton. Members are invited to meet at the café at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom at 10.00am for coffee if they wish and we will be going next door to Nye House at 10.30am to be shown round by Jim Harper. If you would like help with transport to Foxton please telephone Margaret Clarke on 368 9881. We hope to see you there.



Nye family Homestead



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## Recognition for the Friends of the Horowhenua Libraries

To mark the coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6 May, the Horowhenua District Council planted a Miro tree in the gardens at Thompson House. As part of this commemoration the council also recognised the contribution of a number of community groups. One of the groups recognised was the Friends of the Horowhenua Libraries. Three of our representatives were very pleased to receive this recognition at a reception held at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō. Their certificate was presented by mayor, Bernie Wanden to Margaret Clarke, Trish Tough and Aileen Kopke.



On Saturday 13th of May our own Tony Straw was in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po  
to launch his book - **Adriatic**

I am looking forward to reading this one Tony!



Adriatic tells the story of the adventures (and mis-adventures) of Tony and his wife Lee on their journey around this fascinating region of the world.

Thanks to Pam Colman for facilitating this even and to the library for providing a generous morning tea for all who attended



## **Wow! - our libraries are getting so tech savvy**

**Next date: Thursday, May 25, 2023 | 09:00 AM to Friday, June 02, 2023 | 03:00 PM**

Come along to the Smartphone Basics courses onboard Dora. During this morning session we will be covering online safety and using your smartphone. This course is important for smartphone users in an online world.

We are excited to be hosting DORA in the Horowhenua from May 22 – June 2, in partnership with the [Digital Inclusion Alliance Aotearoa](#) and [Rural Women New Zealand](#). DORA will be visiting some of our smaller Horowhenua communities; Manakau, Ohau, Waitārere, Poroutawhao, Koputaroa, Foxton, Shannon, Tokomaru and Foxton Beach.

If you would like to take part check here

<https://www.tetakere.org.nz/Events-Activities/DORA-Online-Safety-and-Using-Your-Smartphone>

For dates and information on how to register for a session as space is limited.



**Beginning on Thursday May 25th Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō is proud to present 'From Tattoo to Canvas', selected works by local Levin artist Peter Russell.**



This exhibition is a survey of Peter's work over the last 4 years, and encompasses his passion for classic cars and hot-rods, as well as his explorations into wildlife and portraits. The title 'From Tattoo to Canvas' refers to how Peter came to start painting, a short 4 years ago. He drew the design for his tattoo, celebrating some of his favourite classic cars, and it was that creative exercise that encouraged him to take the leap and start painting. Since then, he has amassed an impressive body of work, and regularly takes commissions and shows work at car shows. Peter is a self-taught artist who works mainly in acrylic, but can turn his hand to oil also.

'From Tattoo to Canvas' is Peter's first solo exhibition.

## **Coming up...**

Our next Book sale is scheduled for the July School holidays. Set up will be on Sunday 2nd with the sale running from Monday 3rd to Friday 7th July. Put this in your diaries - there is always a wide selection of material to choose from and it's a great way to occupy grandies for a while if they are visiting for the school holidays.

## **Working bees -**

Five wonderful people attended the last working bee. Thank you to them all. The library is certainly looking better! The next working bee will be on the second Wednesday in June. ie. June 14th. If you would like to help be at the Bath Street entrance to Te Takere at 8.30am.

## Library Stocktake

**A full library stocktake** will take place in June. Once again FOHL have been asked to help. Most of the stocktake is done digitally and usually volunteers are asked to help with the final mop up of items that may have been missed. If you would like to help with this process keep an eye out for the call to action. It's not a difficult job and with many hands making light work doesn't take too long.

## Sunday Concerts

With the cooler months approaching if you are looking for a way to spend a lazy Sunday afternoon come along to Te Takere on June 25th for a real treat

**This Concert at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō will feature Wellington based singer-songwriter Amba Holly.**



Amba has won awards for Best Māori Songwriter and Best Māori Female Solo Artist at the 2019 Waiata Māori Music Awards, including winning the Radio Airplay Song of the Year by a Māori Artist in Te Reo Māori.

**For a full listing and more details about these events go to the Events page on the Te Takere web site**

**[https://www.tetakere.org.nz/Events-Activities?dlv\\_OC%20CL%20Te%20Takere%20Events%20Listing=\(pageindex=1](https://www.tetakere.org.nz/Events-Activities?dlv_OC%20CL%20Te%20Takere%20Events%20Listing=(pageindex=1)**

***Happy Reading Everyone***