

## Friends of Horowhenua libraries July 2023



### Morning tea Wednesday August 2nd

Once again with the madness of School holidays and book sales behind us you are invited to join us in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po for a cuppa and a chat and to listen to our guest speaker of the month.

This month we are delighted to welcome [Jo Mason](#) who I am sure many of you will know and recognise.

Jo has just returned from walking along some of the Camino Trail, the sacred pilgrimage route which runs across northern Spain. What a wonderful experience!.



Do come along and join us to listen to the tales of Jo's adventure.

## Mid Winter Book Sale

Many thanks to all of the willing helpers with the recent book sale. Without your assistance this twice yearly event would be much onerous and much less successful.

The final tally of the funds raised has yet to be made but we can tell you that we are very pleased with our results. It looks as if there will be between \$3000.00 and \$4000.00 going into the Friends of Horowhenua Libraries bank account.

Thanks to Tony Straw who did a great job organising the roster of helpers - always a tricky task. With books at \$1.00 each and magazines free it was great to see them all going out the door to new homes.

Special thanks are due to the wonderful team of ladies from Altrusa who managed the sale for a whole day, giving other volunteer helpers a much needed break.

We are however, as a committee getting older and are finding it more difficult to lift heavy boxers and trestles when setting up and packing down the sale. If you feel you may be fit and able to assist with this for future book sales we would love to hear from you when we next call for help with a book sale.



## Shelf-tidying Working Bee

A small group of volunteers are continuing with tidying the Adult Fiction of Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō. We are sure users of this section of the library are appreciating the improvements in the order of these shelves. We meet at 8.30am at the Bath Street entrance on the second Wednesday of each month. Our next date will be Wednesday 9th August. The early start enables the work to be completed before the library opens at 10.00am. Don't worry if you haven't done this before. Training will be given in the correct shelving of books - if you know your alphabet it's not too difficult! More help is always welcome.



## Tea and Tales

The Friends are always welcome to join Tea and Tales either at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō on the first Thursday of the month, or at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom on the last Tuesday of the month.

Next meetings : Foxton Library  
Te Takere

Tuesday 25th July  
Thursday 3rd August

Both meetings are from 10.30am to 11.30am. Those attending are welcome to bring a tale to share or just to listen.

## Sunday Concerts

# Ainslee Allen

**This is one you shouldn't miss!**

**Sunday July 30 200.00pm - 3.00pm**



As an Independent Country artist, Ainslie released her debut EP *the A-Sides* in November 2013 before joining forces with Elvis Presley's TCB band members for a tour of Hawaii and New Zealand in 2014. Highlights of her career thus far include entertaining New Zealand and Australian troops on a 'mercy mission' in East Timor, playing the support act for Air Supply and performing for an audience of 250,000 at Auckland's Coca-Cola Christmas in the Park.

Ainslie makes regular appearances at major sporting events, singing the National Anthem for the All Blacks, Silver Ferns, South Africa's Springbok, the Wallabies and French rugby teams. Her song *Can U Handle Me* was chosen to be on NZ on Air's Kiwi Hit Disc and her soulful version of the New Zealand National Anthem was produced and marketed by the New Zealand Department of Internal Affairs. Ainslie also judged and mentored the TV series 'The Big Time

**Coming Up** - In October we will be celebrating with another Festival of Stories. - one of the events during the festival that the Friends of Horowhenua Libraries have been asked to help with is a **Murder Mystery evening**.

This will involve a very social gathering of folk in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po during which the mystery will unfold. There will be a finger food supper and bar available, and as you mingle and chat with other guests you never know what might happen. Some of the guests will be more than they at first appear to be... Tickets for this event will be limited so don't be slow when you see them advertised.



If you fancy yourself as an amateur actor and would like to be more than a mere bystander observing the mystery unfold please email Barbara at [bmserendipity@gmail.com](mailto:bmserendipity@gmail.com) to express your interest.

***Happy Reading Everyone***