



Friends of Horowhenua Libraries (FOHL)

May 2025

May is the fifth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars, coming between April and June. It has 31 days. The month of May might have been named for the Roman goddess Maia, or more likely the Roman goddess of fertility Bona Dea, whose festival was held in May.

May never begins or ends on the same day of the week as any other month.

May's flower is the Lily of the Valley. Its birthstone is the emerald. The meaning of the emerald is success in love.

Or from the dictionary: may (v) : *might, can, could, possibly will*

Morning Tea

After listening to our wonderful April speaker, Jo Campbell (Yarn Therapy Ltd), one was 'fit to be dyed' as who knew the amount of work and creativity that went in to not only dyeing yarn, but deciding on the colours (some of Jo's are actually based on The Muppets) and selecting the yarn for a variety of purposes.



Something different for the month of May when our guest speaker will be Mayor Bernie Wanden. Do come along on:

Wednesday, 7 May 2025 at 10.30 am.

and hear what he has to share with us.

Tea and Tales

Come and join Tea and Tales – in Levin it will be on Thursday, 1 May

In Foxton it will be on Tuesday, 27 May

Both meetings are from 10.30am to 11.30am. Those attending are welcome to bring a tale to share or just to come and listen. We reiterate, if you are able to join us there will be tea/coffee and biscuits, as well as great company and stories.

Shelf Tidying Working Bees

14 May 2025 (the second Wednesday of the month) will be the next shelf tidying - 8.30 am at the Bath Street, Levin, entrance.

Thankfully the shelving at Levin is not quite as high as shown here and it is possible to sit down to put the books on the lower shelves in order (if they need it, of course).

It would be appreciated if you could spare an hour or so to assist.



Mother's Day



Another 'M' day is Mothers' Day which this year is on Sunday, 11 May. A great opportunity to express our appreciation for our mothers.



Read for Trees



For those who supported this wonderful initiative (from 1 December 2024 to 1 March 2025) a special community tree planting event (including a free barbeque) was held at Kowhai Park, Levin, on Saturday 26 April at 2.00 pm.

Thank you to all participants for enabling this to be so successful (with over 42 trees to be planted). We reiterate, hopefully this is something we will be able to support again.



And an overview of things happening via our libraries:

Book Crawl

Emily Writes, popular blogger, author, feminist and all-round fabulous human is coming to the Horowhenua and if you are R18+ you are invited to come along to join Emily in a celebration of Mother's Day.

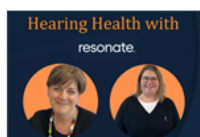
When: Saturday, 10 May 2025 : 7.00 – 9.00 pm

Where: Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō

Cost: \$5.00 per person. Tickets include a complimentary beverage upon entry. Additional refreshments will be available for purchase.



For more details on the following events and services that can be accessed through our wonderful libraries:



Friday Concerts

go to: <https://www.tetakere.org.nz/Events-Activities>