

STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee
FROM: Community and Recreation Advisor
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SUBJECT: Community and Recreation Advisor's Report

TASMAN YOUTH COUNCIL

The Youth Leadership Forum "*Tomorrow's leaders learn from today's*"

The annual Youth Leadership Forum which is coordinated by Motueka High School is being held on the 24 March at Seifrieds Vineyards with 150 young people currently registered. Tasman District Council provides \$300.00 sponsorship to this youth development initiative.

Thursday 24 March 2005, 9.00–3.00 pm, Seifrieds Vineyard Conference Centre, Redwood Rd, Appleby, Richmond

The programme for the day is...

9.00 am Registration and welcome
9.30 am **Erica Robson** – Erica is a producer of the *What Now* television programme and works for Whitebait Productions. She is also a volunteer worker for Camp Quality, Youthline and Pillars (an organisation for children affected by imprisonment).
10.30 am **Morning tea**
11.00 am **Marcus Akuhata-Brown** – Marcus has done everything from meeting the Queen to working with poor and marginalised in various countries throughout the world.
12.00 pm **Lunch**
12.45 pm **Problem solving** session in small groups.
1.45pm **Tim Prendergast** – Tim is a blind Paralympian who represented New Zealand in the 800 and 1500 metres at Athens. Tim works for the Royal NZ Foundation of the Blind in Wellington.

FOUND

The Found website www.found.org.nz is becoming the major source of accessing the Community Directory. A new feature under development is the ability of anyone

accessing the website to be able to print of an up to date copy of the database at the push of a button. We will also have limited hard copies available.

NELSON TASMAN CONNECTIONS APPLICATION TO THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE CONTESTABLE CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITY FUNDING ROUND

The joint Nelson/Tasman Expression of Interest (EoI) for the Crime Prevention Fund 2005/06 – 2006/07 has been considered and we have been advised that the (EoI) has been accepted for further consideration. This is being viewed as a pilot program which, depending on evaluation results, could be a model for other areas. The application was for a service to target youth offenders and those identified at risk. The initial pilots will be in the Motueka Ward base at ATET and Nelson City based at the Hub. Intervention will be one to one - looking at family, education and employment to re-engage individuals into the community. As well as other community education courses, ATET run the Eight Ball alternative education contract for students either expelled or not coping at Motueka High School. This gives clear experience with youth at risk and will also allow continued connection with those in the Eight Ball program when they leave the school system. Target age is 15-20 years.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES SPARC APPLICATION

The WAY TO GO application for funding to role out interventions that will increase activity in the community has been responded to positively by SPARC. WAY TO GO covers multiple strategies region-wide to ensure the active choice is both the first choice and the easy choice by:

- Enabling the community to be well-informed of options and benefits of physical activity.
- Enabling the community to be involved with local and regional recreation opportunities.
- Providing human resource, facilities and opportunities to provide support and motivation for communities to become more active.

The intent is to intensively intervene in communities with a whole of life approach and comprehensive engagement of key community networks. The funding proposal to SPARC Active Communities has been identified as well aligned with SPARC's aims and objectives and clearly linked to other regional planning materials like the Ministry of Transport's *Getting There Strategy*, the *Tasman Cycling and Walking Strategy* and the unpublished *Nelson Tasman Physical Activity Plan*. SPARC and the project partners Tasman District Council, Nelson City Council, Sport Tasman and Public Health Unit are currently working to:

1. Develop letters of agreement between parties specifying their contributions to the project.
2. Identify 2-3 high level outcomes for the project.

3. Provide a robust measure for each outcome (ongoing and summary measurement).
4. Highlight the sustainability of the project. Specifically, who will support the project beyond SPARC's 3 year investment horizon?

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PLAN

Community workshops to contribute to the development of the Physical Plan are scheduled through March, unfortunately due to illness the Brightwater, Murchison and St Arnaud had to be rescheduled.

It is anticipated that each workshop will be completed within two hours. Revised schedule is as follows:

| Location | Date | Time | Venue |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Tapawera | 14 March | 7.00 pm | Tapawera Community Centre |
| Mapua-Moutere | 15 March | 5.00 pm | Mapua Hall Meeting Room |
| Wakefield | 16 March | 7.00 pm | School library |
| Takaka | 17 March | 12.30 pm | Community Centre |
| Collingwood | 17 March | 6.00 pm | Collingwood Fire station |
| Brightwater | 21 March | 7.00 pm | Wanders Club room |
| Motueka-Riwaka | 22 March | 7.00 pm | Motueka Recreation Centre |
| Murchison | 23 March | 3.30 pm | School Library |
| St Arnaud | 23 March | 7.00 pm | Lake Rotoiti Hall |

FUNDING ROUNDS

Creative Communities

There is a balance of \$14,761.70 available for allocation in the current round closing 31 March. Application forms are out now.

SPARC Rural Travel Fund

There is a balance of \$6,780.00 available for allocation before 30 June 2005. Application forms are out now with the next closing date being 29 April 2005.

Community Grants from Rates

There is a remaining balance of \$21,484.00 available for allocation for 2004/2005. Applications will be taken to the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee for consideration at monthly meetings as they are received.

Summer Festival Grant Application

The application for support of the region wide Summer Festival Events to The Canterbury Community Trust was successful with \$7,000.00 being allocated.

BIKE WISE RESULTS 2005

Tasman District Council came fourth in the National competition for Large Businesses with 39.49% of staff taking part in Bike Wise Week. This is a great effort as shown by the nearest other Territorial Authorities being Marlborough at 22.1% and Nelson at 21.42%.

POSITIVE AGING FORUM

MINUTES

TITLE: Positive Ageing Forum
DATE: Tuesday 15 February 2005
TIME: 1.00 pm
VENUE: Richmond Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Richmond

PRESENT: R Aberhart (Chair), C Pitman, J Harris, S Egan, B Oakly, P Wright, P Marshall, M Tregurtha, J Irwin-Lawless, Mayor P Matheson, R Williams, J Harwood, S Wililams, J McKenzie, D Grant, J McCaskey, M Staynor, B Anne, D Bradley, D Manunui, M Honey, M Tasman-Jones, D Ward, A Fidler, J Howard,

APOLOGIES

M Parfitt, E Henry, G Collingwood, Mayor J Hurley, Honourable Mike Ward, N Riley, E Wiblin, B Granger, G Currie, U Travis, E Mead, M Drummond, P Reay, R Butler, N Carson, J Challis, L Jackson, J Large, N. Chalker.

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved M Stayner/P Wright

THAT the Minutes of the Positive Ageing Forum Meeting held on 23 November 2004 be approved.
CARRIED

2 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recycling bins are too heavy for the elderly and arthritic. Mike Tasman-Jones reported he spoke to TDC staff who had taken this up with the contractors, we are waiting for a response from them and Mr Tregurtha undertook to speak to Nelson City Council contractors. B Oakly demonstrated opening the bottom of an empty tin can by placing the opener on the side edge of the can rather than on the end face of the can.

3 COMMUNITY PLAN DEVELOPMENTS

M Tregurtha and D Ward spoke about the proposed consultation process for the development of the 2006 Community Plan. Community groups are to be consulted and it

was agreed by consensus that the Positive Ageing Forum should participate as a collective. Mr Ward explained the public submission process for the Council's Long Term Council Community Plan.

4 PRIMARY HEALTH ORGANISATIONS – CARE PLUS SCHEME

B Anne provided an overview of the Care Plus Scheme which is a new primary health care strategy initiative. The scheme provides additional funding to general practices in primary health organisations. This is aimed at patients with high health needs and will be introduced progressively to three age group brackets between 2005 and 2007. An administrative board has been established and a trust will be formed from 1 April and community representatives appointed. Patients must be enrolled with a medical practice for eligibility and be assessed by a practitioner and expected to benefit from intensive clinical management in primary care.

5 LIVING ALONE PAYMENT AND SUPER EXPO

J Harris of Work and Income said that Government is conducting a select committee hearing on the subject of the living alone payment. A Positive Ageing Strategy Expo will be held in Blenheim in March with similar event being planned for Nelson later this year. On 6 December 2004 cabinet agreed to consider extending eligibility to the higher single rates of NZ superannuation, to all married superannuates with a partner in long-term residential care.

6 FALLS PROGRAMME – PRESBYTERIAN SUPPORT SERVICES

S Williams spoke about the ACC funded Falls Prevention Tai-Chi Programme aimed at the 65+ age group to increase strength and balance.

7 PILOT PROGRAMME FOR MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SOCIAL SERVICES

B Ryan of Family and Community Services of the Ministry of Social Development spoke about a Pilot Programme looking at issues for migrants and refugees coming to live in Nelson/Tasman. Meetings will be held to gain more local information and shape future programmes and policies to make settling in this region easier for people.

8 THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER'S CASKET

R Williams RNZRSA spoke about the contents of samples from this region which had been collected by RNZRSA members and interred in the casket of the Unknown Soldier in Wellington.

9 PREVENTING INJURY FROM FALLS PROGRAMME

R Aberhart reported on attendance at a regional workshop on Falls Injury Prevention.

10 ELDER-FRIENDLY GUIDELINES

Nelson Marlborough District Health Board has produced a booklet titled "Elder-Friendly Guidelines".

11 COPING WITHOUT A CAR

A booklet titled "Coping without a Car" has been produced by the office for senior citizens.

12 POSITIVE AGEING STRATEGY DOCUMENT

Copies of this document were made available for distribution at this meeting.

13 SPORT TASMAN SEMINAR

M Tasman-Jones said that a Sport Tasman Seminar titled "To Rest is to Rust" would be held between 1.00-3.00 pm on 24 February 2005.

14 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was set for Monday 4 April 2005 at 1.00 pm.

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