

STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee
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SUBJECT: Community Recreation Advisors Report

COMMUNITY RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on activities to the Committee on the Community and Recreation department.

RECREATION PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

Mudcakes and Roses

Despite increasing the print run this publication is again not keeping up with the high demand. We are currently in discussion with Grey Power to join our family of sponsors.

Jam Magazine

The magazine has developed to become a significant publication for youth in the district. It was fantastic for all concerned to get the recognition of a national award covered further on.

Boredom Busters

The spring issue again promoted a huge range of activities for our young people and some great competitions.

SPARC RURAL TRAVEL FUND

The fund is targeted at the travel costs of young people aged between 5-19 years participating in regular local sport teams' competition. SPARC allocates a total of \$20,081 per annum which we deliver via two rounds closing 30 April and 31 October each year. The applications to the October round will be considered at the next Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee meeting.

RUGBY WORLD CUP

See attached report.

ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Arts Strategy

See attached report:

DISTRICT MUSEUMS

Motueka Museum

Exhibitions - Streets Part 2 focused on the history of the local streets names is on thorough to November. Before the summer exhibition 'Time Gentle Men Please' on the local Hotels opens on 1 December.

Toilets – the upgrade has now been completed and the toilets look so much better. Because of the way the new floor had to be laid the museum closed for the week.

Marble Seat – this has now been replaced onto the lawn outside Muses.

A grant of \$8,000 was received from Lotteries towards the salary for a cataloguer. The role will be to organise all the archives, photographs and other artefacts that are held in the back room.

Golden Bay Museum

Exhibitions - the recent Portraits of Golden Bay Personalities had a really good local response and resulted in several purchases of photos from the exhibition.

The current exhibition is, "Tarakohe - the history of Port Tarakohe and Cement Works". The exhibition opened on 24 September 2008 and runs through until 19 April 2009. The next planned exhibition is "The Peace Movement" it starts 27 May 2009 and runs until 29 August 2009.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Grants and Community Facilities Rates Subcommittee

The Community Grants from Rates scheme received 147 applications prior to the 31 August deadline. The Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee met on 23 September 2008 and considered the applications.

Creative Communities Scheme

The Creative Communities Funding for local community arts projects is an annual allocation of \$33,537 we administer on behalf of Creative New Zealand. The grants are considered twice a year with rounds closing March and September. The committee met on Monday 8 October to consider the September 2008 applications.

Refugee and Migrant Groups Social Services Project funding

Tasman District Council is applying to the above fund for \$7,500 to support the expansion of migrant and refugee and support services at via Motueka Newcomers Network.

TASMAN YOUTH COUNCIL

Four Tasman Youth Council representatives attended the 2008 Youth in Local Government Conference in Christchurch 6-8 October. The conference was an outstanding success with almost 200 attendees.

The conference included an Award component for youth led projects. Tasman Youth Council was recognised as runner up in the Big Projects category for Jam magazine.

The Youth in Local Government conference is a biennial event that provides an opportunity for those young people and those working in local government to meet together, build networks and discuss issues related to involving young people with their local communities. The conference aim is creating vibrant cities full of youth participation.

Kirsten Alison a Tasman Youth Council representative from Waimea College will be giving a summary of the conference and what she took from it to the Committee at 11.00 am.

"A recurring topic of discussion at the conference centred around the portrayal of Young People in the Media and the limited opportunities for Young People to have their voice heard. The acknowledgement of Jam Magazine towards addressing and portraying positive youth messages is testament to this great publication"

Paul McConachie, 2008

Summer Passport

The Tasman Youth Council have two pages in this summer's edition these are a general youth council recruitment ad as well as promotion for the Tasman Skate tour.

OSCAR Fabric Art Workshop

A fabric art workshop was on offer to Nelson-Tasman holiday programs over the recent spring school holidays. A total of 15 workshops attracted over 430 5-13 year olds during the creative craft session.

OSCAR Big Day Out

Teapot Valley Christian Camp hosted the spring 08 big day out, with 432 kids from 17 Nelson/Tasman holiday programs in attendance. A varied outdoor adventure based program was offered, featuring go carts, pikelet hobo stove cooking, Nelson Giants basketball skills workshop, and a flying fox.

Tasman Karaoke Superstars

The Richmond heat of the Tasman Karaoke Superstars was once again hosted by the Richmond Mall during three consecutive afternoon sessions over the spring school holidays. A diverse range of ages and abilities took the stage. The top two performers in each of the three age categories gained automatic selection to compete in the grand final of the Tasman Karaoke Superstars, scheduled for the ITM Motueka A&P show on Sunday 7 December. Excellent support was received by the Richmond Mall, The Edge 93FM, and members of the Tasman Youth Council.

Competition Heats have also been staged and completed in Moutere Hills and Motueka regions, with Murchison and Golden Bay to host heats in the next month.

YouthFest

The Tasman Youth Council are busy organizing their end of year event – YouthFest. The event is a celebration of being young and growing up in Tasman, initiated by youth, organized by youth, and to be enjoyed by youth. It is a forum to bring young people from all walks of life together in a supportive and safe environment. The afternoon features live bands, yummy food, and fun rides and attractions.

TYC wishes to extend an invite out to all councilors and staff to stop by and check out the show: Saturday 8 November, 2-5pm, ASB Aquatics Front Field.

RECREATION PROGRAMMES

Pushplay Nation Month: Month of October

The month is aimed at increasing levels of physical activity. Activities ran across the Tasman District included activity focused events in Wakefield, Motueka, Mapua and Richmond. The regionwide Spring Strut Stride walking

promotion is well under way with 87 teams enrolled representing well over 600 walkers.

SUMMER EVENTS

A large range of community events are coordinated and or supported by the Community Recreation department and Regional Community Recreation Coordinator Contractors. The events are funded via Summer Festival budget, The Canterbury Community Trust Grant and community input and often voluntary time. A huge thanks to all involved who assist to make these events happen.

Events will be promoted on radio, in the Tasman District Council Hummin in Tasman and Newline publications, as well as limited listings in the Sealand Summer in Nelson brochure. The Hummin in Tasman event list is currently being compiled by the Community Recreation department and includes events we are directly involved with as well as well as events from other event organisers including A + P Shows, Christmas Fairs and Market days. Copies of Hummin In Tasman will be available at TDC Offices, Libraries and at Information centres and other Community facilities from late November. I will include an event summary in the next report.

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