



COMMUNITY NEWS

Late September
2014

This community newsletter is sent out early each month on behalf of tawalink.com, Tawa's community website which has been supported by the Tawa Residents' Association since 2002.

More regular community updates are available if you join more than 660 other Tawa residents on neighbourly.co.nz. You can opt for daily updates or weekly updates from that site.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL "SPRING INTO TAWA"

Spring into Tawa Market Day took place on the Saturday morning before last. As is often the case, the weather was 'inclement' with a couple of brief periods of light rain, but that didn't stop the punters turning out in their droves. There were more than 60 stallholders including the likes of one run by Tawa College students fundraising for their History trip to the USA next year.

Certain community groups have informed us that Spring into Tawa is one of their best yearly fundraising opportunities and that's one of the reasons the Tawa Residents' Association runs the event each September. We also saw a number of election candidates making the most of the occasion to promote themselves just one week short of polling day.

Thanks to all those who took part including the Tawa Volunteer Fire Brigade, the Police, WREMO (Emergency Management), the Red Hackle Pipe Band, local Morris Dancers and Tawa Music Learning Centre students, etc.



For enlargements of these and many more photos, see www.facebook.com/malcolmsparrownorthern

TAWA GOES TO TOWN - LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR TICKET!

Don't miss this showcase of song, dance, lighting and sound, bringing the Tawa community together to form a spectacular evening's entertainment with around 750 singers and dancers, both children from local schools and an adult choir taking part, this Tuesday night.

It has been described as an \$80 show for only \$28 a ticket for adults, and \$14 for children under 14. Tickets are available from Ticketek at <http://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=TAWAGOES14&v=WMFTawa>



DEFIBRILLATOR FOR LINDEN SURGERY

Linden Surgery has been donated a new defibrillator worth \$2850 by the Tawa Rotary Club. Dr Rod Ferguson is shown trialling the operation of the new equipment.



He said this will replace previous equipment and will enable doctors, nurses and staff at the Linden Surgery to respond very quickly if a patient or a member of the community requires urgent CPR.

“This defibrillator”, said Dr Ferguson, “will enable a patient’s heart to return to its normal function until treatment is able to be given, and will substantially increase the chances of a good recovery.”

Tawa Rotary Past President Irene Corpuz (pictured) said that Tawa Rotary is keen to help the community and this is a good opportunity to provide the latest equipment to the

Linden Surgery. “If only one life is saved, then our donation has been worthwhile,” she said.

CONNECTING WITH TAWA ON ‘NEIGHBOURLY’

Coming Events in Tawa (as posted on Neighbourly):

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| Tuesday 23 Sept | - Tawa Goes to Town |
| Friday 26 Sept | - Life Matters Workshop |
| Monday 29 Sept | - Superheroes Holiday Programme |
| Thursday 2 Oct | - School Holiday Fun - Hop-In |
| Saturday 4 Oct | - Narukami Taiko Free Open Day! |
| Thursday 9 Oct | - School Holiday Fun - Hop-In |
| Wednesday 15 Oct | - Tawa RSA Community Bowls Evenings commence |
| Saturday 18 Oct | - Art & Craft Expo |

‘Neighbourly’ enables local people to share information with each other and to become a more “connected” community. See www.neighbourly.co.nz.



ARE YOU KEEPING UP WITH WHAT’S HAPPENING IN TAWA?

HOP IN = HOLIDAY DROP IN



Holiday fun for Caregivers and Preschoolers.

An opportunity for adult company while your pre-schooler plays in a safe environment. Plenty of toys and activities! Morning tea available!

Everybody is welcome! Join us on Thursdays 2 & 9 October, 10am to 12 noon, Tawa Union Church, Elena Place.

Enquiries to Heidrun on 232 2197 or Karen on 232 3436.



HOLIDAY FUN CLUB

Baking and Craft Holiday Programmes for children aged from 4 - 10 are being offered by Hayley Balmer, a teacher, in Redwood, Tawa on 8 & 9 October. Each 3 hour session is different and children can come for as many sessions as they like. All groups are limited to only 10 children and a reservation is necessary. Email hayley.balmer@xtra.co.nz for further details.

PINK RIBBON STREET APPEAL

The Lions Club of Tawa are coordinating the local Pink Ribbon collection on Friday 10 and Saturday 11 October.

While the roster is for a one hour slot, collectors can select to assist for two hours if they wish.

If you able to collect on either day please reply totawalions@lionsclubs.org.nz or alternatively phone Alastair on 232 7936.



THE NEW ZEALAND
BREAST CANCER
FOUNDATION

TAWA ART & CRAFT SOCIETY (INC) ANNUAL EXPO

The annual Expo will be held on Saturday 18 October 2014 at Tawa Community Centre, 5 Cambridge St, 9am-3pm. Paintings, Pottery, Woodcraft, etc.

We have tables available. Contact Aileen - email aileenwood@hotmail.com or text 027 212 6024.

FIRE BRIGADE OPEN DAY

Tawa Volunteer Fire Brigade will be hosting an Open Day on Saturday 25 October 2014 (Labour Weekend) to celebrate the brigade's 70 years of operation.

At the Tawa Fire Station, 16 Lyndhurst Road, 10.00am to 1.00 pm.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL FAIR

Sunday 16 November, 10am to 2pm. Come along and join in the fun of our school fair. Great stalls, great food, cakes, sweets, candy floss, plus cherry picker rides, bouncy castle, horse rides, hot rods and much much more. Bring the whole family for a fantastic day out.

TAWA CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday 6 December 2014 at 2pm.

Organising the parade this year is currently under way and community groups are invited to join in by contacting either Ken Coad on 232 2475, kccoad@xtra.co.nz or Ron Baker on 232 7309, rwmg.baker@xtra.co.nz.

Discussions are being held with Wellington City Council regarding the use of their large flat deck trailers (as used for the Rugby 7s and Chinese New Year parades). If your group would be interested in using a trailer please contact Ken.



Tawa Recreation Centre Programme

Tawa Recreation Centre, Tawa College, Duncan Street | For ages 5-12 years | To book visit Wellington.govt.nz/holidayprogrammes or phone 232 2260

Monday 29 September	Tuesday 30 September	Wednesday 1 October	Thursday 2 October	Friday 3 October
<p>Treasure Hunt</p> <p>Start the holidays off by participating in a Tawa Recreation treasure hunt and team bonding such as minefield, pass the hula-hoop and a game involving chocolate!</p> <p>Then relax with origami and make some door hanger crafts.</p>	<p>My Kitchen Rules</p> <p>Test your cooking ability with our own version of the popular TV show, My Kitchen Rules</p> <p>Then get active with some multi-sport activity in the gym.</p>	<p>Minecraft and Loom bands</p> <p>Come along for some Minecraft activities and make your very own Loom bands to take home and show off to your friends.</p> <p>Bring your togs and a towel - we will be heading to Tawa Pool for a swim in the afternoon.</p>	<p>Trip Day: KidzStuff Theatre</p> <p>We are going to see Rapunzel at KidzStuff theatre for a morning full of laughs and entertainment.</p> <p>Then enjoy some tagging games in the afternoon back at the rec centre.</p>	<p>Frozen Day</p> <p>Sit down with a mug of hot chocolate and watch the coolest Disney film of the year, Frozen.</p> <p>Afterwards we have some Frozen based crafts and inflatable relays in the gym.</p>
Monday 6 October	Tuesday 7 October	Wednesday 8 October	Thursday 9 October	Friday 10 October
<p>Spring Day!</p> <p>Celebrate spring with some spring crafts!</p> <p>Then get your oven mitts out to make some banana bread, and finish the day with egg and spoon races.</p>	<p>Fear Factor</p> <p>Come test your courage in our Fear Factor challenge.</p> <p>Afterwards we will play some old favourites in the gym such as Mayhem and Capture the Flag.</p>	<p>Sherlock Holmes</p> <p>One of the leaders has committed a crime! Use your Sherlock Holmes detective skills to find out who.</p> <p>Bring your togs and a towel - we'll be heading to Tawa Pool again for a swim.</p>	<p>Trip Day: Junglerama</p> <p>That's right! We are heading to Junglerama for a day filled with fun!</p> <p>Then come back to the Rec Centre for a colouring in competition.</p>	<p>Hunger Games</p> <p>May the odds be ever in your favour for a Hunger Games day full of games and crafts.</p> <p>End the day bouncing on inflatables.</p>

School holiday programmes also available at:

ASB Sports Centre
72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie
For ages 5-12 years
To book phone 830 0500

Nairville Recreation Centre
Cnr Cockayne Road
and Lucknow Terrace,
Khandallah
For ages 5-12 years
To book phone 479 2022

Karori Recreation Centre
251 Karori Road, Karori
For ages 5-12 years
To book phone 476 8090

Cost per day	Recreation centres	ASB Sports Centre
Non-trip days 8.30am-3.30pm	\$32	\$35
Trip days 8.30am-3.30pm	\$42	\$45
Aftercare 3.30-5.30pm	\$13	\$13

Bookings open Tuesday 2 September. All holiday programmes are OSCAR approved.



SCOUTS offers adventure and activities for both GIRLS and BOYS -

0800SCOUTS to join!

SCOUTS offers great opportunities to both girls and boys aged 6 to 26 to experience adventure through a wide range of activities. We offer the best value extra-mural activities in New Zealand.

Family and Whanau are welcome to join the adventure with their children, to enjoy spending quality time together trying fun new experiences and challenges together within SCOUTS.

We are always looking for Volunteers to help keep our numbers growing and would love to hear from anyone who has a few spare hours a week and is keen to help deliver a great programme to New Zealand youth. There are many ways to volunteer, so choose one that suits and experience SCOUTS for yourself.



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WWW.SCOOTS.ORG.NZ

TAWA SCOUT GROUP

we're creating a friendly atmosphere for everyone and anyone keen to start having fun while their working out

DUO

Friends for fitness

Kelsey Stirling
0273301774

Samantha Martin
027 7465822

Starts
4TH
September

so take a **STEP**
and join us at
Tawa
Intermediate Hall

7-8PM

thursday's

Join in!
FIRST
SESSION
FREE
\$10
Per Session

FOR ANY INQUIRIES
DUOBOOTCAMPS@GMAIL.COM

LEARN JAPANESE DRUMS



COME AND
HAVE A GO AT
OUR OPEN DAY

Saturday
4th October
1-3PM

Tawa Community
Centre
5 Cambridge Street

CONTACT
narukamitaiko@gmail.com
facebook.com/narukamitaiko



Mission HQ:

For Y1 - Y6

St Christopher's Anglican Church
1 Lyndhurst Road
Tawa

Missions Include:

Games, Music, Puppets, Quizzes,
Jokes, Bible stories, Craft
& Much More...

Mission Dates:

Monday 29 September -
Friday 3 October
9.45 am - 12.30 pm



Doors Open 9.30 am Each Day



PILATES AT THE TAWA COMMUNITY CENTRE

Monday evening Pilates class - 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Wednesday evening Pilates class - 7.30pm to 8.30pm

New class, start date 15 October, all welcome.

Cost, casual rate \$15.00.

Concession passes are available:

5 class pass \$70.00, 10 class pass \$130.00, 20 class pass \$220.00.

Bodevolve Pilates is a full body workout with emphasis on the core muscles. Suitable for all ages and abilities.

Contact Natasha McAlister on 027 292 3944, natasha.bodevolve@gmail.com.

Bodevolve
Pilates

TAWA SCHOOL TEA TOWELS

Tawa Central Kindergarten are selling Tawa street-names tea towels to commemorate over 60 years in the Tawa community. They are \$12 each or 2 for \$20 and are available at the kindergarten now. For queries or to order, please contact 232 4673 or email tawacentral@wn-kindergarten.org.nz.

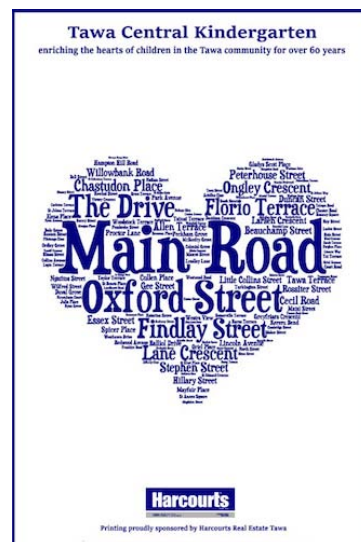
OLYMPIC JUNIOR ATHLETICS CLUB

The Olympic Junior Athletics Club is based at Grenada North Park, Tawa over the summer. Our club nights for 4 to 14 year olds start Monday 3 November from 5.30pm to 6.45pm.

We are one of the biggest clubs in the Wellington region and have won the junior interclub trophy for the past three years. A range of training options are available pre season and throughout the season for all age groups (7 and above) including college and uni students. These are held on other week day afternoons.



You can register online until 17 October. For more info go to www.olympicarriers.org.nz/childrens-athletics or contact Jo Murray on 021 976 116 or coaching@olympicarriers.org.nz.



Tawa Community Centre

A friendly place to pop in during the hours of 9am-1pm on weekdays,
or hire a room or hall for your community group / birthday party /
meeting at reasonable rates.

Like us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/TawaAndLindenCommunityCentres>

or email mandy.russell@wcc.govt.nz and put 'Join'
as the subject to receive regular updates.

60 SECONDS WITH Councillor Justin Lester

Justin is the Deputy Mayor of Wellington and serves on the Tawa Community Board as one of the two Northern Ward Councillors appointed to the board, additional to the six elected members.



Early life Born in Blenheim and grew up in Ward (Marlborough), Stewart Island and Invercargill.

Lived in Wellington since 2004 when Liz and I returned from Germany to settle and raise our family.

Family Married to Liz with two young girls, Madeleine (4) and Harriet (2).

Education

I studied Law at the University of Heidelberg and worked at the Max Planck Institute of International Law and Comparative Law.

Work Experience over the years

In Wellington I worked in the public and private sectors as a Consultant and then Director. In 2006 I also set up my own business, Kapai, a chain of healthy food outlets. I was elected to Council in 2010 and was appointed Deputy Mayor in 2013.

Interests and hobbies

I love all kinds of sport including football, rugby, cricket and rugby league. With a couple of young daughters I also have a new interest in animated films (in particular Disney's "Frozen").

Which sports team(s)?

The Wellington Phoenix, Hurricanes, the Warriors, Southland Stags and the All Blacks.

Favourite holiday destination in New Zealand?

Stewart Island.

Why the community board, and what do you do on it?

I'm appointed to the Tawa Community Board as a Northern Ward Councillor. Tawa has an incredibly strong community and it's our job to ensure it's well represented locally and around the Council table.

KEEPING IN TOUCH IN TAWA

If you want to keep in touch with what's happening in the Tawa community, 'Neighbourly' is the place to be. 660+ Tawa people are now connecting with other local people on this site - see www.neighbourly.co.nz.

Adios

Malcolm Sparrow

On behalf of TawaLink.com (supported by the Tawa Residents' Association)



"You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream." – C S Lewis

"I dream of a better world where chickens can cross the road without having their motives questioned."

"And God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the world. Then He made the earth round and laughed and laughed and laughed."

Items for this newsletter should be sent to info@tawalink.com. Queries to 232 5030 or 027 232 2320. Please type in email Subject Line: "Item for Tawa newsletter".

This newsletter is emailed to around 1200 Tawa households, businesses, schools, churches and clubs/groups (anyone who has an interest in the community of Tawa), usually near the start of each month. If you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please send us an email requesting that your name be deleted from our list.

For back issues of the newsletter, see www.tawalink.com/newsletters.html.

PLEASE BE AWARE that many of the items/articles in this newsletter have been sent through by members of the Tawa community and have been published "unedited". They may not necessarily reflect the views of the Editor.

Kowhai trees in bloom this month in Tawa



Clockwise from top left: • McLellan St • Peterhouse St • Larsen Cres • view from my lounge window (notice tui on top of tree) • Tawa College • Woodman Drive (north)