



COMMUNITY NEWS

SUPPLEMENT
Late October 2015

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 around 1980 other Tawa residents on neighbourly.co.nz. You can opt for daily updates or weekly updates from that site.

THIS EDITION IS A SUPPLEMENTARY NEWSLETTER. THE NEXT FULL ISSUE IS SCHEDULED FOR EARLY/MID NOVEMBER.

NEIGHBOURLY ALMOST AT THE 2000 MARK!

Some time within the first half of November the Neighbourly website will see its 2000th member sign up in Tawa. An outstanding achievement!

Neighbourly is operating in around 1800 different suburbs throughout the whole country. And you may be aware that Tawa has more members than any other suburb in New Zealand, something of which we can be very proud!

At the time of going "to print" we had 1980 members. We're currently gaining 2-3 new members each day, meaning that Tawa is likely to reach 2000 between 5th and 12th November.

We were asked recently, "What good things have you seen in Tawa as a result of having such a strong Neighbourly community?"

We answered that one specific community project to have come out of Neighbourly is its recently-commenced community garden. Discussion on that topic had started on the website twelve months earlier. Interested parties subsequently met in person and took it from there. Many months later, after numerous meetings and online discussions, the first seeds were sown (literally) in the garden earlier this month. That news featured in the most recent edition of this newsletter.

We have also had two Neighbourly get-togethers in person in the past twelve months, one involving 85 people, the other 150.

And a few months ago Council proposed getting rid of the flowers on the "BP roundabout" (corner of the Main Road / Tawa St / The Drive). Drainage issues meant that it probably would have been less expensive to completely concrete the roundabout than to sort out the drainage problems, thereby ensuring the flowers could stay.

The issue was discussed on Neighbourly with a total of 40 people expressing an opinion. All bar two wanted the flowers retained. The strength of community feeling was conveyed to Council who agreed that, yes, they would find a way to return the flowers! And so it came to be (as in the pic).



HUMAN TRAFFICKING TALK

Human Trafficking is a problem for New Zealand as well as a world problem. Come and hear Detective Senior Sergeant Liam Clinton on "Exploitation and Human Trafficking in the Wellington Region".

Wednesday 4 November, 7.30-9.00pm @ Tawa Union Church, 6 Elena Place, Tawa. Sponsored by ANZRATH (Aotearoa NZ Religious against Trafficking of Humans) and the Tawa Ministers' Association.

THE NORTHERN WALKWAY CLIMB

Meet 9am for a 9.30 start on Saturday 7 November.

Join us climbing the beautiful Northern Walkway. A 4-5 hour sponsored walk.

Wellington Freedom Climb is supporting Project Freedom in Cambodia. Walk or sponsor a walker, to raise funds and make a difference in the lives of women and children who are caught in slavery and human trafficking.

Start: end of Truscott Avenue in Johnsonville

Finish point: The Dell, Wellington Botanic Gardens

Cost: \$20 adults, \$15 students, \$35 families. Register and pay online or on the day.

Wet weather postponement date: Saturday 14 November

Website: wellington@freedomclimb.net.nz

For more information visit: www.freedomclimb.net.nz



TAWA COLLEGE COMMUNITY SERVICE



If you're senior, disabled or genuinely need a hand with essential work that needs doing at your place, then read on.

Year 10 students will be working in the local community on Monday 30 November through to Friday 4 December 2015. The students will be accompanied

by staff members and can garden, clean, pick up rubbish, paint fences, or any variety of labour that you might need doing. There is no cost involved – this is simply an exercise in "community service" within the Tawa basin. This will be the seventh year this project has been undertaken.



To book students to help at your place, phone Tawa College on 232 8184 or email the organiser at the College, Alex Geary, on ageary@tawacollege.school.nz by Sunday 29 November.

Please supply your name, address, phone number, what work you need doing, and which day or days suit best. First in, first served.

TAWA CHRISTMAS PARADE

Planning is well advanced by the Lions Club of Tawa towards this year's Tawa Community Christmas Parade, to be held on Saturday afternoon, 5 December.

Any business, organisation or community group that wishes to participate but has not already been approached should contact Bryan by email at TawaParade@lionsclubs.org.nz or alternatively phoning Graeme on 232 5407.





Linden School Community Fair

Puff 'n' Stuff

Saturday October 31

10am - 2pm

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A fun event for the entire community!



Entry spot prizes, Competitions, raffles, prizes. Mini cars, Kid's Beauty shop, Gumboot and Paper Plane throwing competitions, a variety of stalls, Entertainment, Fun activities,

Books, toys, white elephant, plants, vege and flower seedlings, garden gifts, food and drinks, Caffe L'affare coffee, cakes, sweets, ice cream, candy floss, Hot Rods, Fire, Police, Llamas, Dunking Pool, rides and attractions, bouncy castles.



Check out our facebook event page: Linden School Community Fair - Puff 'n' Stuff!

LINDEN SCHOOL COMMUNITY FAIR

Saturday October 31, 10am to 2pm, a fun event for the entire Tawa community, particularly focusing on pre-school and school-age children and their families.

We will be having the usual school-run stalls, e.g. cakes, sweets, books, plants, face-painting, raffles and other games, rides for the children, competitions, displays, and of course a range of food and coffee.

We have also invited a number of community groups to provide displays, information and promote safety in the community (e.g. fire, police, ambulance, Civil Defence), keeping active, healthy living and other things that will be of interest to those living in the Tawa/Linden area.

There will also be a wide variety of entertainment for the duration of the fair.

Come and join us on our Facebook page to keep up-to-date with all the exciting details as they become available.



- MUSIC
- FOOD
- TALENT QUEST
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE
- FACE PAINTING
- SPOT PRIZES
- GAMES

CHILDREN AGED 5-12 come join the fun

TAWA NEW LIFE CHURCH – 236 Main Rd

ON SAT 31st OCT 2015

6 – 8.30 PM (sausage sizzle for tea)

DRESS-UP FOR FUN

But NO HALLOWEEN COSTUMES PLEASE

This event is FREE! But tickets essential for entry

Get your tickets from

Take Note Tawa- (Postshop) Main Road

New Life Church or Baptist Church office Main Road

Any enquires call

Michele McDonald 2324924

TAWA RSA IS A COMMUNITY CLUB

AN INVITATION:

You're welcome to pop in after work for a drink or chat, a Friday evening meal, the monthly Sunday roast, to play bowls, or to hire the hall. It's a great way to meet friendly people in your community and a great place to socialise.

Our clubrooms are open Wednesday to Sunday from 4pm until closing time. Our weekly Friday meals are at 6pm (no reservation needed), and roast dinner on the last Sunday of the month at 6pm (booking required).

Upcoming events include a karaoke night and a quiz night. Community bowls are played every second Wednesday.

ANZAC DAY:

Every ANZAC Day a wide range of people gather at the New World carpark along with local scouts, guides and more. We march in a parade behind the Wellington Red Hackle Pipe Band to the Tawa RSA hall for an ANZAC service followed by refreshments and a time to catch up with others from the community.



It's Party Time!!

The World Famous—Tawa RSA

KARAOKE



Over 1600 songs
to choose from

Visitors
Most
Welcome

Bring a
Friend

Back Again.....

By Popular Demand.....

As Seen on TV. (What???)

When: 7:30 PM - Saturday 7th November 2015

Where: Tawa RSA, Thompson Lounge, 89 Oxford Street, Tawa Ph: 232 5788

Any Food: Yes — Light Supper

Cost: \$2.00 - (To cover light supper)

WHERE WE ARE:

We are at 89 Oxford Street (the northern end). The entrance is on the left side of the building. The front doors are for the hall, not our clubrooms. The hall is used by various groups and clubs such as ballet and indoor bowls, and for social occasions and concerts.

We are a club for ALL local people to enjoy. You do not need to be Returned Service Personnel to become a member of Tawa RSA (or any RSA). We welcome the whole family and we are part of your community.

Adios

Malcolm Sparrow

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