

Call to roll out more suburban reads

Whanganui District Library would like to hear from businesses or organisations interested in hosting a self-service library in their suburban premises.

Whanganui District Libraries and Community Manager, Pete Gray, says, "The suburban selfservice library is, as far as we know, a new model of library pioneered in Whanganui.

"So far we've implemented two suburban selfservice libraries - the Hakeke Street Library in Whanganui East and the Rangiora Street Library in Castlecliff. These have been very successful and we'd like to roll the initiative out to suburbs throughout Whanganui," Mr Gray says.

Whanganui District Councillor James Barron, who owns the building that houses the Rangiora Street Library in Castlecliff, says, "There are

so many benefits to the community from the Rangiora Street Library - not only to read and exchange books but as a hub to meet and exchange stories and be part of a social community where people of all walks of life can feel welcome and at home.

"It's fantastic to see the way the Castlecliff community has embraced having a library at its heart and our volunteer librarians add a real personality to our library.



From left, keen readers Isla Chadfield-Waitokia, Morgan Wood, Izabella Malou and Jayde PHOTO: HOLLY HODDINOTT Butturini enjoy the books on offer at Hakeke Street Library

"Whanganui District Library staff have also bent over backwards to be supportive and make this library work for our community," Cr Barron says.

Mr Gray encourages businesses and organisations to approach him about hosting a self-service library in their premises. For more information, please contact Whanganui District Libraries and Community Manager, Pete Gray, at: pete.gray@whanganui.govt.nz or call 027 289 5562.

Waitangi Day celebrations

Whakawhanake Ltd, in association with Whanganui District Council, will commemorate Waitangi Day this year at Pākaitore Moutoa Gardens with Picnic at the Pā on Thursday, February 6, 2020 from 11.00am-3.00pm.

Picnic at the Pā will feature food and expo stalls, live music and entertainment, games and more for the whole whānau. Some stall spaces may still be available - for enquiries, please email: info@whakawhanake.com or call Tamahaia on 027 443 6175. For more information about Picnic at the Pa, please visit: www.facebook.com/Whakawhanake



Entries wanted for pattillo Whanganui Arts Review

The Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui is calling for entries for the 2020 pattillo Whanganui Arts Review. Submission day is Tuesday, 18 February 2020 from 10.30-4.30pm.

The pattillo Whanganui Arts Review is intended as a true reflection of the Whanganui region's creative energy and is open to artists of any age who live in the region including Ruapehu, Rangitikei and all areas that link to the Whanganui River. Works of all media can be entered.

This year's review offers eleven Merit Awards worth \$200 each, two \$1000 Excellence Awards and a main award of \$5000, the Open Award, which also includes the pattillo project – a solo-artist showcase exhibition at the Sarjeant Gallery. For more information, please visit: www.sarjeant.org.nz/arts-review-2020

Duty Planner reduced hours

Reduced staffing levels means Whanganui District Council is currently operating a temporary, limited Duty Planner service until vacancies are filled. The Council Duty Planner is now available only from 3.00pm until 5.00pm, Monday-Friday. For urgent enforcement enquiries, such as works alleged to be not authorised by the Whanganui District Plan, please call the Council on (06) 349 0001.

WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL **PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS**

Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on the following topic:

say Majestic Square Redevelopment Kōrero mai For more information please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/Your-Council/Have-Your-Say

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Notice of intent to grant a Licence to Occupy

Pursuant to Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977, Whanganui District Council hereby gives notice of an intention to issue a Licence to Occupy to Wanganui and Old Boys Rugby Football Club Incorporated for a term of 10 years over approximately 12,180-square metres of land being part of Lot 7A/DP 68 -Williams Recreational Reserve - contained in Certificate of Title 1045/54.

Commonly known as Williams Domain in Tinirau Street, Whanganui East, the land will be used for the siting of a storage shed, sign and six lighting poles for recreational purposes associated with rugby.

Written submissions stating grounds for objection should be forwarded to the undersigned at 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui, by 4.00pm on Tuesday, 25 February 2020.

Further information can be obtained from Council Property Officer, Dianne Love, by calling (06) 349 3159 or 0274 375 375.

Baiting operations

Rat and rabbit baiting will take place at Rotokawau Virginia Lake from Monday, 3 February until Thursday, 9 April 2020. Rabbit bait (Pindone) will be positioned at the top end of the lake (Virginia Road end) while rat bait (Pestoff) will be located at the Great North Road end of the lake. All baits will be in approved bait stations with signs on display during this period.

Rabbit bait will also be placed at **Bason Botanic Gardens from Monday, 3 February** until Thursday, 9 April 2020. The bait (Pindone) will be in approved bait stations with signs on display.

Proposed road closures

Pākaitore Celebration Day

Under the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, Whanganui District Council proposes to close Taupō Quay, from Market Place to Bates Street, for Pākaitore Celebration Day. The proposed period of closure is from 7.00am-7.00pm on Thursday, 27 February to Saturday, 29 February 2020.

During the proposed closure, directional signs will be in place to show the alternative route. Any person objecting to the proposal should lodge written notice of their objection and reasons before Monday, 10 February 2020 at Council Customer Services, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui.

Wanganui Street Drags 2020

Under the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, Whanganui District Council proposes to close Taupo Quay from Heads Road near Suzuki New Zealand to Carlton Avenue, including Pacific Place, for Wanganui Road Rodders' annual drag racing event. The proposed period of closure is from 6.00am-4.00pm on Sunday, 1 March 2020.

During the proposed closure, directional signs will be in place to show the alternative route. Any person objecting to the proposal should lodge written notice of their objection and reasons before Monday, 10 February 2020 at Council Customer Services, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui.