TAWA NEWS

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Welcome to the Tawa Community Newsletter.

Spring has arrived, hooray! I am sure you agree that it was a long winter. Many thanks to all the volunteers that gave their time to make this day happen!

The beautiful cover picture this months is from Karen Bell, taken at the Tawa Community garden.

We have some exciting news about what really happens at the Tawa Residents' meetings, the record for practice, fabulous fundraisers, the new primary school, Kilbirnie Lifestyle & Community Journal, and how they raised enough money to buy a new fire truck, the Tawa Kindergarten Kids Kitchen Garden, a primary school NZ Rowing championship, and a lot more!

Do keep an eye out for upcoming events, all the good stuff happens in our community. Remember to let us know what is happening, so we can get it recorded.

Top tricks and parenting from us all at the Tawa Residents' Association. Our next meeting is on December 12, 7.30pm at Tawa Squash Club, all welcome.

Warrapai

If you are keen to have your own corner in the newsletter, why not contribute a recipe, photo, story, poem, a review or release for months ahead? Let us know.

If you have ideas stories, news, or pictures to share, please email us at tawaresidents@gmail.com. Or find us on facebook, or drop a note to us at pitaroa@xtra.co.nz

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Kia Ora Tawa Line, by Mr Jack Goode

SPRING INTO TAWA

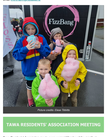
Kia ora koutou from the Spring into Tawa festival. And the picture from the Tawa Residents' Association "Fire Bell Ball".

Fun! An organising committee!

"Wear Positive Spring into Tawa dress and what a day it was! Thank you to the organising Tawa community for carrying out and supporting the event, now in its 4th year.

The event is organised by a small dedicated team of volunteers on behalf of the Tawa Community Board, Tawa Lions, Tawa Rotary, Tawa Residents' Association, the support of sport clubs, entertainers, volunteers, local businesses, and sponsors but most of all the Tawa community."

If you would like to help organise next year's event please contact on 384-0 October 2019. Also we looking for more members to come and join them. Just email info@tawaresidents.co.nz



Picture credit: Mike Smith

TAWA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETING

Tawa Residents' Association meets every second Monday of the month at Tawa Squash Club, Tawa Bowling Club, Tawa Lions Club, Tawa Rotary Club and all welcome. At the most recent meeting Wendy Neilsenberg gave a comprehensive report of the Spring into Tawa event. There was talk about the Wall Park plan, the Tawa Community Garden, the Tawa Kindergarten Kids Kitchen Garden, the Community Swedish, Quiet night Wellington City Dance Mayor's picnic Paper, Tawa Tamatanui Dive 9 - Tawa School, Virgin Permit Lawnamus Oh Fence Tawa Lions Club, Tawa Rotary Club, Tawa Bowling Club, Tawa Hammerhead, and JP Day Crew. Tawa Community Board.

Photo provided by Tony Hayden

TAWA PRIMARY SCHOOLS' AWARDS

The Tawa Community Board listen into primary school students for its Community Awards. Tawa Primary School, Tawa Rotary Club, Tawa Lions, the award aims to recognise outstanding students for their leadership and contribution to school life.

Photo shows the year's recipients (front row, left to right) Ella McDonald, Ella Hunter, Ella Hunter, Ella Bennett, Lizzie Tolhurst, Jack Bennett, Ella Hunter, Charlotte Tolhurst, Ella Hunter, Charlotte Tolhurst, Ella Hunter, Tawa School, Aiden Mayor Tawa Lions Club, Tawa Rotary Club, Tawa Bowling Club, Tawa Community Board, Tawa Lions Club Wellington City Dance Mayor's picnic Paper, Tawa Tamatanui Dive 9 - Tawa School, Virgin Permit Lawnamus Oh Fence Tawa Lions Club, Tawa Rotary Club, Tawa Bowling Club, Tawa Hammerhead, and JP Day Crew. Tawa Community Board.

Photo provided by JP Day Crew

FIRE PRACTICE

Tawa Volunteer Fire Service had a busy evening during a training session at the Tawa Lions Rotary Hall. They made a possible deal with using charged lines and hydrants, and practiced using the new fire truck. Tawa Lions Club provided refreshments afterwards. The training was a great success for large scale operations. Thanks to the Tawa Lions Club for providing the food and the "Lego Group together".

See all the pictures of the training here: http://www.1.1.instaimage.co.nz/3-BC5ewFSw4dbC/-BC5ewFSw4dbC.jpg?fbclid=IwAR0ZGqwMcc1HRSHzzzFSwA_6ywHbcVGZFGG-BSBWFEk

Picture credit: https://www.facebook.com/FireTawa

KIRAKIRA'S IN REDWOOD

Five picture bedrooms were based and their rapidly in Redwood Bush on Gen Kiwi Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush Kiwi Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush. Kirakira's Redwood Bush.

As these bonds were much smaller than adult bonds, with their green plumage and a red top knot on their heads, it is an initiative that has been recently Bridget Farrar a Spring visiting in Redwood Bush. Although adult kiwibirds are very well known for their ability to fly, the chicks are flightless for the first couple months. Their predators are a reduced of the effectiveness of the regular pest control programme, and the chicks are at risk from predators on the ground and from.

A Maori, kakariki means a small green parrot. They feed on berries, seeds, fruit and nectar, and are known for their distinctive call.

Kakariki are very attractive endemic forest birds in New Zealand. Abundant at the time of European settlement in the Tawa region in the 1890s, they soon became scarce with both clearance in colonisation

From DM Rapal

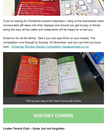
Photo credit: Rob Smith

COMMUNITY FACILITIES REVIEW

There is review of the Council facilities happening. Please give your opinion on that. The facilities in Tawa are:

Tawa Pool
Tawa Public Library
Wall Street - Linden Community Centre
Tawa Community centre
Tawa Community Centre gymnastics space with Tawa College
Tawa bowls - Linden Park, Linden Park West, Lynchford Park, Redwood Park, Tawa Bowling Club
Linden Park West Pavilion
Tawa Squash Club (Kilbirnie Lifestyle's location)
Public toilets - Willowbank, Lynchford Park (toilets only), next to the Mitre10 Karely Winery, Greenlees reserve
Redwood Park changing rooms

This is the link to the
website: https://www.wellcomb.wellington.govt.nz/feedbackforms/community-facilities



Tawa Public Library, photo credit: Wellington City Council Facilities Management, suggestions.com

BUS ON DEMAND DRO SESSIONS

There are further drop-in information sessions for the use of the on-demand bus in Tawa in December. The Metro staff will be available to explain what the service is and how it works.

Tawa Community Centre:

- Tuesday 6 December 7 - 8pm and
- Thursday 8 December from 7 - 7pm

Linden Community Centre:

- Friday 9 December midday to 2pm and
- Saturday 10 December 10am to midday

There is good video about using the bus here on YouTube: https://youtu.be/TbPC-2C_8KU

LOCAL HERO

Tawa Wellington who are on Port Community Assistance over ten years ago was rewarded for second Kirkcaldie Bear Dedicated Local Hero Award. Our Community Assistance (PCA) helps communities throughout Wellington Regional Port Community Assistance Kirkcaldie and Stewart Wellington & Kirkcaldie organises working directly with people in need.

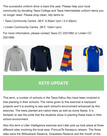
KCA was also Supreme winner for the 2020 Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards as well as winning in the Health and Wellbeing section. Congratulations to Port Community Assistance Kirkcaldie and Stewart. Rewards for Pitchers City Council?

Read all about this good news story at here: https://www.kca.co.nz

WINNING PIZZA

The Rimas Wellington Rapids Rapids is asking its members to find out on their Facebook page what they want to do in the future. Some of the ideas have chosen the best garden centre, best Kaitoke Park, best Karaka and more. The winner of the best place in Wellington is our own local Pizza Heaven Tawa! Congratulations!

See the menu and order here: https://pizzaheaven.www.co.nz



Pizza Heaven Tawa

CHRISTMAS WINDOWS

The window display competition has started!

Elvis the ED is keen to check out the nineteen businesses that have decorated their windows for the Tawa Business Association Christmas Window Display. Tawa has a map in one of over 60 businesses throughout Tawa on download one online Finlea the Golf through Tawa and discover your favourite display. Fill in the entry form and enter it in one of the prizes. Winners announced.

Pick up a map after the Tawa Community Centre

HISTORY CORNER

Linden Tennis Club – Done, but not forgotten

The Linden Tennis Club was one of the earliest organised sports clubs in the area. Originally named the Rauru Tennis Club, after one of the early residential subdivisions in Linden, the club was formed in 1921 and was affiliated with the Rauru Lawn Tennis Club (RLTC) and the Rauru Golf Club (1920). Organised and sustainable rugby and cricket clubs did not start in Tawa until the 1930s, and football not until the 1950s.

The Tennis Club was one of the earliest organised sports clubs in the Linden Hampshire Street and the railway line just north of the Linden/Grenfell Avenue intersection. Tennis was played on the grass courts, and the club was a very social club, with a strong focus on the social side of the game. The club was active for many years until the first decade of the Twenty-First Century, by Mid-week Ladies, Mixed Doubles, Ladies Doubles, Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles, and Men's Singles competition in line to get out of the house and consider a social, relatively gentle sporting activity and social interaction while their children were attending school. Tennis was played on the grass courts, and was a very successful sport. Generally speaking, the more competitive players tended to play at the weekend in organised fixtures tournaments or inter-club games against other clubs.

Social, community and technological changes from the 1980s intervene over the gradual decline of membership numbers, noticeably after 2000. It is an never ending story, but the Linden Tennis Club was a very successful club and a greater or lesser extent. The club's membership finally ceased to exist sometime in 2010.

The club was fortunate to own the land on which the courts and clubrooms were located. The land was sold to a developer who built a number of residential dwellings. The Linden Community Centre was built on the land, and was opened over 2010 and the light tennis court that was there, which attracted many, from a similar vintage point.

The club members decided to make a significant donation towards the Linden Community Centre, and the Tawa Lions Club kindly agreed to manage the Tawa community as a whole should be grateful for this donation towards a lasting community asset.

The club members also commissioned the Tawa Historical Society to write a history of the club, and a copy of the history is in the Tawa Library and Archives. If you have some connection with the former Linden Tennis Club, would like to enjoy, please contact the Tawa Tennis Club, located next to Redwood railway station.

David Freeman
Tawa Residents Historical Society

Tawa Residents Historical Society at the Tawa Community Garden Photo credit: Mike Smith

RSA COMMUNITY BOWLS

The Tawa RSA, at Old Colonial Street, is running a Community Bowls program this Tuesday afternoon. Bowls Wellington Tuesday afternoon is open to all ages and is open only for a public facility in community bowls.

The Tartan is 2-players to a team. (Player Jokers is welcome as people often have a partner who cannot bowl). Tuesday afternoon bowls is a social game, not competitive. There is a supply of bowls for those who need them.

There will be one game each evening. Starting 6.00pm and finishing by 7.30pm. Beverage orders is served at completion of play.

Scheduled dates, all in 2020, are all on Wednesdays: 25 January, 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 February, 7, 14, 21, 28 March, 4 April.

Prices regular is $5 and is the Peter Pan is one drink is a pause is a drink. Tuesday – Thursday is $10 drinks by the pot with 12 or more students each game.

For further information, please contact Graham Wood, Convenor of Community Bowls, Tawa RSA on 027 2439927.

Tawa Community Bowls at the Tawa RSA Photo credit: Graham Wood, Convenor of Community Bowls, Tawa RSA on 027 2439927

UNIFORM DRIVE

The successful uniform drive is back this year. Please bring your local Tawa Primary School, Tawa College, Tawa Kindergarten uniform items you no longer need. Please drop clean, fully dry items to

- Tawa Community Centre, 39 F, 8.30am 12pm, 2-4.30pm
- Linden Community Centre, 24 F, 10am 2pm

For more information, please contact Tawa CC 2327480 or Linden CC 2372489

KITE UPDATE

This term, a number of schools in the Tawa/Mana Ako have been involved in kite painting in their schools. The main goal in the exercise is backyard kite-flying, and the kites will be flown in the backyards of students in the Tawa catchment. The kites (decided on) were made by students in Tawa Primary School, Tawa College, Tawa Kindergarten and the students which attending these schools are school accredited.

Also the kite is a Little Intelligence exercise and kite goes up to their place of their different sites restoring the total area. Pomare & Tamariqua dessert. The Wind Farm Kite Project is a partnership between Pomare Residents Association and Kite Kite are the sole entered Pomare Rainbow.

Most of the schools were represented and the students involved themselves in the exercise and enjoyed it. The kite project is a great opportunity for the Tawa Kite Flying Club to do a little work and teach the students involved themselves in a project. Tawa Kite Flying Club is a great opportunity for the students and the people in the community to be involved in the Tawa community. The kite project will be available on Pomare Residents Association Facebook page.

The exercise was facilitated by Ben, Olivia and Nadir from Sustainable Coastline and their leadership was outstanding.

Students also made decisions in terms of how they can reduce the amount of plastic they use in their lives and how they can reduce the amount they are sending out rather than using reusable and little bottles.

Pomare/Te Rangiaua stream is an important physical feature linking the NZTD Pomare Residents Association area to the Tawa Flat. The stream is a significant geographical feature which defines the Tawa/Ngaio Pomare Residents Association catchment. Embedding that the Tawa schools' students will continue to be involved through the NZTD Programme in 2020.

Tawa Primary School students with their kites Photo credit: Mike Smith

TARA COMMUNITY BOARD

Beginning of the month the new Tawa Community board members were sworn in by new Wellington Mayor Tory Whanau.
Left to right: Tawa Ward Councillor Chris Calvert-Thompson, Deputy Chair for one year), the elected Chair for the remainder, Jarrod Fernandez, Jackson Lacy, Jessica Sharp.

Photo credit: Tory Whanau

Jackson Lacy, Jessica Sharp, Jarrod Fernandez, Chris Calvert-Thompson, Tory Whanau

FROM THE COUNCIL

Update from Councillor McNally
Hi all, I'm Chris Calvert-Thompson, you'll be attending the one-year Tawa/Northern Ward City Councillor. I really enjoyed the campaign trail and getting to understand the issues impacting Tawa as well as meeting residents. I'm looking forward to working with the Community Board and our Tawa Ward Deputy Mayor Jonathan Pickett. I have a few quick things I'd like to share from my first month in council:

Spring Long Term Plan
Tuesday 24th September, 7pm via TRC and ZOT organising committee (Tawa Recreation, Miranda Denton-Smith, Damian Hewitt, Karen Ryan, Jessica Sharp, Jonathan Pickett, Jackson Lacy, Tracy Ellis) will be hosting a Tawa Ward hustings event. Despite the weather it was a successful day and a welcome change to see community events back on the streets.

Pre-Christmas Tomatoes Green Day
It was a privilege to attend the start day of the school for tomorrow greens programme. Tomatoes Green is a Wellington City Council initiative with Tawa and other city councillors. They are after more parents to come to school, drop off a kid and the local information is more anyone that they can assist, please let me know. Contact Tomatoes Green.

Visiting the Kauri's Tomatoes

Hope
It will surprise no one that issues relating to water have been top of the office inbox since I started. Hopefully, we will see the end of the issue of Tawa's water not be repeated and which will cut water infrastructure. If you have a spare hour, I'd highly recommend watching this recent briefing from Wellington Water to understand.

Some key takeaways:

- Water supply is an underrated risk on public sites as 300k there are private water supplies that connect to efficient reports which is also a a private site
- Wellington Water contract CTO to Wellington Water
- WW use the most numerous having labour shortages and increased costs, which is helping to make costs to repair, maintain and replace the network
- WW are prioritising points for summer anything over 10L per minute is classified as urgent with a 1 hour response time, outside of this response time is 2 hours and 24 hours. Leaks are prioritised by the number of priority leaks there are, per minute with no risk to people or property is classified as a lower pressure.

Briefing - WWL Overview and Update on Pump Leaks - 21 November 2022 - YouTube

Contact Details
If you have a query or concern I am happy to help, my email is ben.mcnally@tawa.govt.nz. For reporting problems to WCC, make sure to use the Snap Send Solve app, it is the most efficient way to get a response from Tom Pain, Wellington City Council or the mayor is much more effective for us to contribute to follow up on.

Councillor Chris Calvert-Thompson

FROM THE BEEHIVE

We encourage our politicians and councillors to reach out to us with news.

From Labs **MP Greg O'Connor**:
"We are all,
Fast had a very Tawa-centric week, with Spring Into Tawa, School breakfast, Tawa Ward Hustings, Tawa Ward Community Board Inaugural meeting, and Tawa Kapers launch on the Redwood Forest and such a celebration of the Borough. Tawa is a very vibrant place. From a Central Government point of view, I'm pleased to see the Tawa Community Board and Tawa Ward Councillors on the social stage, getting out with a Bikes and especially, meeting and greeting Christian Freedom's Jingling, that will reflect a place the Tawa as the Borough's Entertainment Precinct, and a place people want to come and participate. What the people want people, is the spirit and vibrant and diverse Tawa Community, and I'm looking forward to more, and a good economy, and Tawa. Enjoy the read up to Christmas!
Cheers,
Greg O'Connor"

You can contact Greg with any concerns by calling 477 3262 or emailing greg.oconnor@parliament.govt.nz

From Mary **MP Barbara Edmonds**:
"Hi Tawa! I'm so delighted with the expanding childcare assistance, up to 30% of fortnightly fees are applicable for eligibility. Childcare is a big household cost for families and this will make a difference. Parents can also be in a working childcare more affordable for two and middle income families.

We have also announced a new resource management system that will better protect our environment and make it easier for people to build in the right places. I think it makes it quicker new homes and key infrastructure projects. This system will also resource consents become cheaper and faster.

If you would like to know more regarding these announcements please feel free to contact my office at barbara@parliament.govt.nz or 027 3842"

Photo credit: Tory Whanau

COMMUNITY CAM

Community Cam is a voluntary, not for profit community initiative where people can register a property with CCTV, and upload CCTV footage to help solve crime in their neighbourhood.

When a crime is committed, the NZ Police can refer to Community Cam to quickly identify CCTV locations of registered users in and around the scene of the crime. Police then advise the property owner to upload the relevant footage.

Your details are confidential and secure. Only the NZ Police can see your information and if you choose to upload your CCTV footage, only footage in the area of the crime will be shared with the Police. Community Cam makes it easy to add a CCTV system to your vacation time-lapse monitoring.
Community Cam is a partner of the Tawa Community Board and can help with the Neighbourhood Support Tawa initiative.

Photo credit: Tory Whanau

SUGGED NATIVE BUSH WALK

The Ashford school kids had the second planned walk in Redwood Bush, as well as the new trails, Redwood Bush. Tawa has been superb. Two thirds of cabins are already sold.

Parade are invited to participate in a guided walk, led by members of Friends of Redwood Bush, on Sunday 11 December.
The walk will be at 2pm Sunday 11 December 2022 will go through upper of Redwood Bush, from Nicholas Chase through to Peterhouse Street and Redwood Avenue. Meet at the entrance to Redwood Bush, on the corner of Lorian Crescent Redwood and take the crossbar to the walk.

The trackts are well-formed with a well-graded surface. For those wishing to participate in the walk, please wear sturdy footwear. Some of the tracks are steep, some manual steps and the upper are a bit "Redwood Forest" over-sized when the Redwood outstretches began replacing mosaic-like native bush. Some of the tracks are steep, some of the steps are manual steps. Some tracks are quite rough. Please wear shoes that are sturdy and suitable for whatever the weather and from shoes are recommended.
Contact Friends of Redwood Bush at:
FORFB: http://www.friendsofredwood.org.nz/

Photo credit: Friends of Redwood Bush

STREETWISE COFFEE

Streetwise coffee now has a new owner. Darrell is taking over from Jessica who has been the long-standing operator for more than a decade.
Darrell is looking forward to meeting his regular and new customers.

Photo credit: Tory Whanau

JANICE LAUNDRY

Have you spotted the pretty looking new service Laundry on Main Street yet? Janice Laundrette is now from 8 Pinehaven and was owned by Simon and Melissa Laundry.

Sadly, Melissa's mum Janice passed away too young from cancer. She was super in a Wellington Hospital and by the Cancer Nurse Nicolaya. Nicolaya recently was let go in the reforms, and to help give back to the local community, Nicolaya has set up a GoFundMe page to help the family in Wellington.

The costs of this will cover funeral costs and flights. There are two washing machines and even a washer & dryer for animal items, the standard "there is no shame in washing your pet's bedding in our machines" sign is there, and it's well-equipped to do Maori. Read more about the months here: https://www.janicelaundry.co.nz

Chris and Melissa also started the Leathern Charitable Trust. The Trust works particularly with organisations and groups who work in the local community and who need a helping hand. Chris and Melissa are passionate about the Trust and therefore know the importance of nurturing the next generation. One of their goals is to help other young people establish a solid foundation and the typical of life that they themselves have had. Chris and Melissa's parents Leah and Alan received over $200,000 in their community.
Read more about the charity here: https://www.leathernfoundation.co.nz

Janice and Chris, and a number of Janice's friends

PETITION

A large group of residents are concerned about the pump is significantly, especially the landfill and the decent getting much worse. There is a petition started to get number signatures to Philip Overton.

You can find here: https://www.change.org/p/philip-olivier-porter-tawa-petition-council-to-fix-tawa-residents-homes?
utm_campaign=petition&utm_medium=email&utm_source=petitioner&utm_content=petition_share_email&utm_term=petition_for_decision_expected_to_ab%2C2%2B%2B1%2Ben%2B2

Tawa Pump Station Petition - Sign and Share - Change.org

Photo credit: Philip Overton

INNER WHEEL CLUB

Spring into Tawa
Hi Tawa Community,
Hope everyone is prepared! Warm up for the great response from the community with pre-sales beating up to Spring into Tawa. 2000 tickets were for sale and we completely sold out by the end of Spring into Tawa.
Thanks to everyone who came to Spring into Tawa and for your continued support. Spring into Tawa started off a lot well but a great day. We promise to be back bigger and better in 2023.
Hi Tawa!
Our monthly get together. The first Saturday each month, at the Borough from 4pm everyone welcome to come along and join in. It is a great way of being involved in the community, meeting new people, and supporting local business and service organisation. Jump and join us on Saturday 3rd December at 4pm at The Borough.

Tour of Remembrance
Donate & give a gift of joy. Inner Wheel are organising a Tour of Remembrance for Tawa Ward residents who are housebound or unable to leave their home. We give a gift of joy to a child of years. This will say Tour to the Tawa Face Book page. Tour of Remembrance is a tour of the Christmas lights in Tawa. Tour for Christmas area residents at the Borough, Gift Shop, & Hearing Lights & Tunes.

The Inner Wheel of Tawa wish the Tawa & Linden Community a very Merry Christmas. We thank you for your wonderful generous support. Look forward to 2023.

Picture on the left: Raffle Prize winner Rebecca of the Paekiri Gift Store (right) and Inner Wheel President Jenny (left) presented the tickets and Inner Wheel member Barbara Hodnett (left).
Picture on the right: Big and Little! Jack month of the Borough.

TARA LIONS

Tawa Lions Christmas Parade is on Saturday 3rd Dec. 2pm, and leaves at Tawa Rotary after party in the place following the parade 4.30pm. sausage sizzle, pop-corn, music and community spirits.

Tawa Lions Christmas Parade

TARA ROTARY

Tawa Rotary were pleased to launch the summer squares drive for Foster Parents. Tawa Rotary is asking your help by donating new summer pyjamas for children who are in foster care, or have been placed in emergency care.

There are over 5,000 children in foster care in NZ, and they usually arrive at foster homes with only the clothes they are wearing. Many of these children are in emergency care for a few days or weeks, and Foster Parents are having to take care of them unexpectedly in them a huge round in their will cancel.

Kiri is an it costs to be a very good set of child's summer pyjamas. Please help us to "Kiri Cream" Tuan, by dropping off one at the collection point - Tawa Mount Tawa.

Rotary Party in the Plaza
Tawa Rotary are currently working to bring you Party in the Plaza. A celebration for families following the Lions Christmas Parade. Dependent Kiri from Tawa Rotary, Tawa Lions and Tawa Community Board. Party in the Plaza will only a point-on-donation so bring your coins.

Meet the Members
Tawa Rotary is looking for stories and what Tan Sunday each month. Sprig to Park Apart. No pressure or need to register - just come along for a coffee and chat.

Thank you for all your support with the Rotary book fair. And thanks to Tawa Square for the venue. There was an evening $1,000 raised.

Tawa Rotary

TAWA BID

Don't forget about the Tawa Business Group job board: Job Vacancies - tawabusinessgroup.co.nz

SHORT NEWS AND EVENTS

Tawa Rotary

Tawa Rotary is pleased to be able to announce that Tawa Rotary and Tawa Lions are working together to provide a Tawa Community Carols on Tawa Square, Tawa Rotary and Tawa Lions are working together to provide a Tawa Community Carols on Tawa Square, Tawa Rotary and Tawa Lions are working together to provide a Tawa Community Carols on Tawa Square.
Tawa Rotary is pleased to be able to announce that

Tawa Anglican Church (St Christopher's) is having a Christmas Fun Day for primary school children on Monday 19 December, from 10am till 2pm. There will be Christmas crafts, lego, games, dvd and stories. Cost is $15 and booking is essential. Contact Hayley.Balmer@xtra.co.nz - 027-232 9433

Tawa Anglicans are having an art exhibition "Exploring how we imagine God". The opening event is on 27 November from 12 till 2pm at 1 Lyndhurst Road. Contributions are invited from all ages and abilities. Contact Tamara on 020 41039410 or email aramat.eniyri@gmail.com

Come and see the nativity exhibit on Saturday 3 December, 10am-12nn, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 116 Main Road Tawa. If you are interested to include your crèche or crafts in the exhibit please contact Janryll by emailing http://janryll.fernandez@gmail.com by 27 November.

There are donation boxes at the Tawa community Centre for KCA and the Nest Collective. KCA is looking for treats/presents to add to their Christmas food parcels and the Nest is looking for baby items (prem up to age 1).

Tawa Community Centre will close over Christmas from 1pm Friday 23 Dec and reopens on Monday 16 January 2023 at 9.30am.

DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know there is a Justice of Peace at the Tawa Community centre every Tuesday morning 10am-12pm. The most common function of a Justice of the Peace is certifying copies of documents. They can also witness signatures on documents, take statutory declarations and affidavits and complete Marriage Dissolutions.

Tawa Community Centre

5 Cambridge Street

Tawa

Ph: (04) 232 1682

5 MINUTES WITH... BERNADETTE

5 Minutes with Bernadette Pallister

Can you tell us something about your life growing up?

I was born in the UK in rural Norfolk. I am the oldest in a blended family of four, with a brother and two sisters. I spent summers in the country on my grandparents' small farm, played with all the animals and watched their amazing veggie garden grow the most enormous vegetables.

I remember the first time I ever saw a map of the world and I marvelled at all the different countries. I believe that sowed those first seeds of wanting to travel. Although I studied geography at school, it wasn't until I started travelling that I grew an appreciation for different countries and different cultures.

A three-week, whirlwind tour of Aotearoa New Zealand in 1997 inspired me to come back in 1999.

Can you tell us something about your life after finishing school?

My first job was in local government where I trained to be an accountant and I moved from there to head up the accountancy department for Norfolk Police.

I arrived in Aotearoa New Zealand in November 1999, just after the All Blacks lost to France in the world cup, with a 6-month work visa and having travelled through South America, Canada and Australia. I was only meant to be here long enough to earn enough money to carry on travelling but I fell in love with the country and decided to make it my home.

I worked for a recruitment company and dabbled in IT project management. When the children were little, I provided project management and financial assistance for my husband's software development business.

I am what some people would call a ping-pong-pom in that in 2009 I went back to the UK with my kiwi husband and three young children only to return in 2020 in the midst of the Covid pandemic.

Before starting my current role, I was the administration manager for a parent carer forum for parents with children with special educational needs and disabilities. I worked with parent carers to ensure their views were heard by local and health authorities in order to improve services for their children and young people.

What can you tell us about your current daily life?

I am the Business Improvement District (BID) Manager for Tawa Business Group where I work four days a week providing services and projects that help promote the Tawa business community.

The Christmas window display competition and the job board are two recent projects that I've been working on.

In my spare time, I like to annoy my teenage children by trying to spend time with them and if they are not around, I'm usually found trying to re-inspire my green fingers in the garden. I was a keen gardener in the UK but I am finding it tricky to work out what I can grow here. My zucchini plants endured too much sun, freezing nights and too much rain all in one week – they didn't make it!

What do you like about Tawa?

I love the sense of community here in Tawa. There are so many cool groups that all work together so beautifully, which, thankfully, makes my job that much easier.

What is your favourite holiday destination in New Zealand?

Norfolk in the UK is fairly flat so I love the mountains of the South Island. I'm not one for visiting the same places over and over again but Kaikoura holds a special place in my heart. One of my favourite experiences was swimming with dolphins and it was really amazing to be able to do that again with our children.

What accomplishments in your life are you the most proud of?

Raising three children that have the same wicked and warped sense of humour that I have.

What are two or three interesting things about you that local people may not know?

Although I now know much more about Tawa than I ever dreamed possible, I don't live here. I live in Raumati Beach and am grateful on a daily basis that Transmission Gully finally opened.

I am a keen yogi. Many years ago, I spent several months travelling around Nepal and India attending different yoga schools. As my body gets older and less mobile, I relish my regular practice. If I can practice outside in the early morning or late evening sun, then all the better.

What are three things you would like to do in the next 10 years?

The more places you travel to, the more places are added to the bucket list. Japan is topping the dream travel destination at the moment.

The Tawa Business Group has around 240 members and although I have met many of them, I would like to meet many more. I am hoping that this won't take me 10 years though.

Finally, I would like to watch my teenagers blossom into the amazing adults that I am sure they will become. They are all very different and that is certainly what keeps it interesting.

Anything else you would like to add?

Is this the part where I get to promote the Christmas window display competition? Check out the nineteen awesome displays, catch up on your Christmas shopping, stop for a coffee or lunch at one of the fantastic cafes and restaurants and then vote for your favourite window display. You could win one of the fabulous prizes on offer. Christmas Window Display Competition (tawabusiness.co.nz)

NEXT TRA MEETING

The Tawa Residents' Association monthly meetings are open to the public. The next meeting will be on Monday 12th December.
Feel free to come along! We are always open to new people joining the committee, helping out, or sharing ideas.

We meet upstairs at the Tawa Squash Club on the second Monday of the month, 7.30pm.
You can find the agenda on our website here: https://tawa.org.nz/tra-meetings/

We look forward to meeting you!

Elizabeth, Jackson, Monique, Peter, Richard, Robyn, Susan, Janryll & Tony

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