

This community newsletter is sent out monthly on behalf of tawalink.com, Tawa's community website since 2002.

Other sources of online community information in Tawa:

www.neighbourly.co.nz • www.facebook.com/VibrantTawa • www.facebook.com/tawacommunityboard

NEIGHBOURS' DAY IN TAWA COMING SOON!

Everybody needs good neighbours – it's very true! And it's a known fact that streets where neighbours know each other cope better with any disaster/emergency that might befall them!

Between now and the end of March (the official Neighbours' Day weekend) we're encouraging every street or grouping of 8-20 households in Tawa to organise their own get-together.

It's just a matter of inviting nearby households to an event in your street/neighbourhood, rolling out a barbecue (or two), people cooking their own food and mixing together on the day. Alternatively share brunch or get together for afternoon tea. Simple really!

Email info@tawalink.com if you'd like to discuss further and/or obtain a few balloons and name tags, as well as a street advertising sign.



TAWA COMMUNITY GRANTS

The Tawa Community Board has \$15,000 each year to be made available to worthy local causes. The Tawa Community Grants Fund is designed to assist voluntary projects in Tawa.

Grants may be made for charitable, educational, welfare, community development, cultural, recreational, sporting, activity development, equipment or training programmes. Applications close 28 February 2018.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- show that their project benefits residents of Tawa
- not have excess unallocated reserve funds

Preference will be given to projects that will be completed within 12 months.

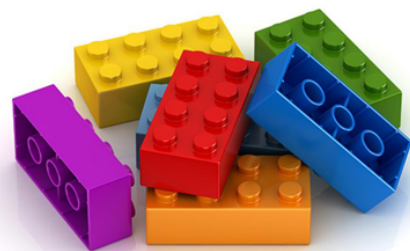
For further details, see <https://wellington.govt.nz/services/community-and-culture/funding/council-funds/tawa-community-grants> or call the WCC grants team on 803 8525.

The Lego Lady & friends present:

Tawa Brickshow

Saturday 27th January 2018

10am – 3pm



20 tables of exhibits: Large playpit : Games

Gold coin entry / under 3's free

Emmaus Centre, St Christopher's
Corner Main Road & Lyndhurst Road, Tawa

Fundraising for Prison Fellowship

With thanks for the support of -

TAWA COLLEGE COMMUNITY EDUCATION

There are nearly 100 classes being offered in Term 1 (with many more to be offered later in the year). Have a look at the website at www.tawacom.ed.co.nz to find one that will interest you. If you can't find one, email Judith Havill at comed@tawacollege.school.nz with a suggestion for a new class.

The classes include:

- DIY, Exterior or Interior
- Genealogy
- Journeys: Exploring Faith in 21st Century
- Starting a Small Business
- Crochet Intermediate
- Morris Dancing
- Abstract Art and Zen Abstract Art
- Cake Decorating
- Japanese Sushi Rolls
- Computer Basics
- Emailing Systems



GOT YOUR 200L WATER TANK YET?

The official recommendation is that we have 140L of water *per person* stored away to tide us over in the event of a major emergency. That equates to 560L for a family of four.

At the very minimum it makes sense for each household to have at least one 200L emergency tank filled with water. If you would like to acquire one locally, please contact Malcolm Sparrow at malcolm.sparrow@wcc.govt.nz – he has a few available for \$110 each. If you'd like an 800L emergency water tank, call David from J & D Property Services at dave.lawn@jdps.co.nz or 021 795 296. He will deliver and install one for \$799.



SUPPORT OUR HANGING BASKETS

QUIZ NIGHT

On Thursday 1st March there will be a fundraising quiz night at The Borough in Tawa. Tickets are a bargain at just \$10 per person (it's been recommended that teams should have a maximum of six people). There will be raffles on the night with prizes generously donated by Tawa businesses.

Tickets are limited, so please contact Fiona on 021 504 103 or email the5wildies@gmail.com to reserve your place. Get your team together to support this worthy cause!

SPONSORSHIP

Another way you can show your support is to sponsor a hanging basket. You may choose to sponsor a basket for six months (\$40), or for twelve (\$60). Please contact Karen, indicating your sponsorship preference, via email – btaylor@xtra.co.nz

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER



WHEN
Thursday 1st March 2018
7-9pm

WHERE
The Borough, Main Rd, Tawa



• RAFFLES • RAFFLES • RAFFLES • RAFFLES • RAFFLES •
\$2 per ticket OR three tickets for \$5

GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER NOW!

TICKETS ARE LIMITED

\$10 per person

Contact Fiona on
Ph. 021 504 103 or email
the5wildies@gmail.com

SPONSORS

These include:

- Unichem Simons Pharmacy
- Salon Savoy
- Paisley
- Twisted Willow Florist
- Haircraft Centre

BENEFITING

The Tawa Potted Colour Committee, in conjunction with Tawa Residents Association, is fundraising to maintain the hanging baskets and develop other flowering projects in Tawa.



SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Have you tried Scottish Country dancing? It is the ballroom dancing of Scotland. You do not need a partner or previous experience, just some soft shoes and some enthusiasm. Tawa Club is friendly and inclusive, you will meet new people and get good exercise for mind and body.

Classes for new dancers start on February 1 at 7.30pm in the Redwood Centre, Tawa Union Church, Redwood Avenue, Tawa. The course fee is \$25 for four classes.

The Club proper starts on 1 March at 7.30pm in the same venue.

We would love to see you there.

Scottish Country Dancing

We are running classes for beginners to teach the social dancing of Scotland, commencing in February 2018.

No experience required
No partner required
Just wear some soft shoes

A course of 4 introductory classes over 4 weeks
Course fee \$25

Classes each Thursday from 1 February at the Redwood Centre,
Tawa Union Church, Redwood Ave, Tawa
7.30pm.

Have fun!
Meet new people
Good exercise for mind and body
Come and have a go

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TAWA MUSIC CENTRE

Group music tuition for Year 1-8 children from 5 years of age
(restrictions may apply as stated in the prospectus).

Classes are held on Saturday mornings at Tawa Intermediate School.

Fees \$70 per half year.

Instruments include: Recorder, Cello, Guitar, Saxophone, Keyboard, Brass, Flute, Clarinet, Piano, Violin, Drums. Music Appreciation and Music Theory are also taught.



Enrolment day is

SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2018

AT TAWA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL HALL

Ranui Terrace, Tawa, from

9.00am to 10.30am

Further enquiries to Marianne Peacocke 233 0541

TAWA MUSIC CENTRE

PROBUS CLUB OF TAWA MEETING

Friendship, Fellowship and Fun in Retirement.

The Combined Club of Tawa is looking at re-affiliating to the Probus organisation.

A Special General Meeting will be held at the Tawa Bowling Club on Monday 19 February at 9.30am.

Anyone interested in joining or re-joining Probus is welcome to attend.

Probus is a worldwide group of clubs for retired or semi-retired folk.

- Make new friends with other retirees
- Hear stimulating guest speakers
- Join a wide range of interest groups
- Benefit from exclusive travel insurance
- Have fun



For more info, please contact Max George on 232 4200 or Kevin Thompson on 238 2191.

GREY MATTERS Fitness Classes



Are you over 50? I created Grey Matters to help YOU.

The purpose of Grey Matters is to help build up your strength, free up your flexibility, boost your balance, and enhance your endurance. In other words, become a fit and independent awesome grown up!

Grey Matters are exercise classes for Boomers who want to get moving, stay healthy, increase their flexibility, re-gain stamina and have some fun at the same time.

Classes will be running in 8 week blocks from the 31st January at Athletes Village, Tawa Junction, Tawa and your instructor will be Julia McHale, a qualified Personal Trainer with many years working in the health industry.

The cost is just \$80.

Book your place or call to discuss your interest with Julia on 027 244 5185 or email at fitnessheavenly@gmail.com.

Hurry, spaces will fill up fast.

PATHWAY NOW OPEN

Te Ara Tawa shared pathway between Kenepuru Station and Porirua is open again (see photo below). However the Porirua City Council website states that it “may close intermittently for future construction works” [to do with the Transmission Gully project].

If you haven't cycled or walked the Tawa Valley Pathway - Ara Tawa, extending from Willowbank in the south to Kenepuru Station in the north, then on to Porirua via PCC's Te Ara Tawa pathway, it's well worth doing!



The photo below showing Transmission Gully progress was taken on 29 December by David Parsons.



SERVICE TO WELCOME NEW VICAR TO TAWA

On Tuesday 30 January Tawa-Linden Anglican Church will welcome their new vicar, Reverend Digby Wilkinson, at a service at 7.30pm at St Christopher's Church. Digby comes to Tawa having been the Dean of Wellington Cathedral. Welcome to Digby and Jane from the Tawa community.

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
put 'Join' as the subject to receive regular updates.

Ngā mihi

Malcolm Sparrow

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This newsletter is emailed monthly to around 1250 Tawa households, businesses, schools, churches and clubs/groups (anyone who has an interest in the community of Tawa).

Some 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.

If you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please send us an email requesting that your name be deleted from our list.

See www.tawalink.com/newsletters.html for back issues of the newsletter.

"Many years ago I resolved never to bother
with New Year's resolutions, and I've stuck
with it ever since."