



# COMMUNITY NEWS

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*This community newsletter is sent out monthly on behalf of tawalink.com, Tawa's community website since 2002. More regular community updates are available if you join more than 2750 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 OCTOBER.

## FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS THIS SATURDAY



Blood pressure check October 2014. Pass mark achieved.

The Big New Zealand Blood Pressure Check is taking place this Saturday, 1 October.

Tawa Rotary – with the support of New World Tawa – will be assisting Tawa Medical Centre and the Stroke Foundation with the 2016 Blood Pressure Awareness Campaign. Free blood pressure tests will be available at New World Tawa on 1 October between 10am & 2pm.

As it states in Wednesday morning's *DomPost*, "People are encouraged to get their blood pressure checked every six months, especially those aged over 35."

## HELPING WITH "SPRING INTO TAWA" ON SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER

More volunteers are needed to help out as marshals at Spring into Tawa on Saturday 15 October. There will be a training briefing on the previous Saturday.

Duties are minimal – primarily to be present at an assigned location to provide direction and information to people who ask, and to keep a watch-out for potential Health & Safety issues. Also to set up and clean up.

If you can fill one or more of these time slots please let Stacey know asap at [spring.into.tawa@gmail.com](mailto:spring.into.tawa@gmail.com):

8.30 - 10.00am including set up

9.45 - 11.15am

11.00am - 12.30pm

12.15 - 1.45pm

1.30 - 3.00pm including clean up

Thanks on behalf of the Tawa community!



## ASSISTING WITH A FLOAT AT THE CHRISTMAS PARADE

It's been suggested that 'Neighbourly' (the community website) includes a float in this year's Christmas parades in Johnsonville on the morning of 3 December and in Tawa on the same afternoon.

Local helpers are needed to put together the float. Neighbourly will cover the expenses of a basic float and send appropriate signage. At the minimum it may involve simply securing signage to a trailer and riding in the float in the parade!

Unfortunately the Neighbourly team don't have staff in Wellington so are unable to be of practical help or manage the float. However they're hopeful that members here might be interested in organising this and being part of the parade! If you would like to assist, please contact Malcolm at [info@tawalink.com](mailto:info@tawalink.com) or on 027 232 2320.



## THE MAYORAL FORUM

The "Tawa Community Mayoral Forum" took place last Monday evening at the Tawa Community Centre with seven mayoral candidates taking part. Organised by the Lions Club of Tawa, this 40th (and probably final) public meeting at which they've spoken, drew an audience of 95-100 people.

Someone estimated the average age of those present at 38 years old, but we suspect it was somewhat more than that! Whatever the case, most came away somewhat better informed regarding the various candidates' aspirations.

The photo at right shows one of the candidates, Deputy Mayor Justin Lester, in action.



## HAVE YOU VOTED YET?

As at the end of Wednesday 28 September, only 13.11% of the 32,365 electors in the Northern Ward of Wellington (Tawa, Churton Park, Johnsonville, Newlands, Paparangi, Grenada Village, etc) had voted for a new mayor and local councillors, etc. You can vote for as many or as few candidates as you wish!

There is still adequate time, but your papers need to be in the mail by Wednesday 5 October to ensure they reach their destination by midday on Saturday 8 October when voting closes. Alternatively you can take them in to the Mervyn Kemp Library or any other Wellington city library.



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