

Kawerau District Council newsletter - November 2017



New king of mountain crowned

Wet conditions didn't stop 164 runners taking on Putauaki in the 62nd Kawerau King of the Mountain race last month.

While the field was packed with champions, the day belonged to former Eastern Bay runner Daniel Jones (right), who entered at the last minute after the wedding he was due to attend was postponed.

Daniel led from the start, but Aussie favourites Mark Bourne and Ben Duffus passed him on the way up. An incredible descent saw Daniel make the most of his running talent and familiarity with the mountain to be crowned king in 47:45.

Daniel's win created Eastern Bay history; his father Neil won the race twice in the 1990s, and they're the first father-son pair in the region to each claim the king title.

Ben, who beat Daniel in Pomona in July, finished second, with Mark hot on his heels. Kaya Corporaal was the first junior, making him a runner to watch in future.

First-time entrant Nancy Jiang, from the Waikato, won the queen title in 1:01.17, followed by Emmelie Gulliver and Nic Leary in second and third respectively. Local Jana Longney was the first junior woman.

Overall, 20 runners finished in under 60 minutes.

In the curtain-raiser prince and princess races 132



young mountain runners took to the lower foothills. Bailey Frederickson and Morgan Overington won the prince and princess titles respectively. Local runners took out nine of the top 20 spots. (male and female combined in the prince and princess races).

Congratulations to all finishers. A special mention goes to 81-year-old Tom Bayliss (right), who competed in his last race. Thanks to all the volunteers and safety staff who ensured everyone got home safely, and the Nga Maunga Kaitiaki Trust for its continued support and access to Putauaki.

For full results go to www.kaweraukingofthemountain.co.nz/results.



Commitment to improving water

Water continues to make national headlines. A local government leaders' water declaration has been launched to further reiterate the sector's commitment to lifting water quality and call on the new government for greater action.



Water is a big issue for all of us and the declaration acknowledges this. It outlines key steps for the new government, including working with local councils to meet these costs and develop new tools for funding and financing infrastructure.

We are committed to improving the water quality in our regions, ensuring people who use our water do so responsibly and working with our communities so the costs and priorities for investment in infrastructure to provide a secure supply of water and maintain and improve water quality are clearly understood.

On an events front, Kawerau King of the Mountain was held on October 28. Congratulations to everyone who completed the race and well done to all involved on such a successful event.

People riding motorbikes on public reserves continue to be a problem. We are working closely with the police to minimise risk to the public but need your help. If you see anyone riding where they shouldn't be and causing risk to pedestrians, please contact police immediately so they can take appropriate action.

Economic development initiatives continue to make headway, with ISO Ltd announced earlier this month as the operator for the planned container terminal. More information on this is available on Council's website.

DRAFT BOARD VENUES AND DRAFT GAMBLING VENUES POLICIES Summary of Information

The Kawerau District Council has adopted the above draft policies for commencement of the special consultative procedure. The objectives of the Board venues policy are:

- a) To provide a framework for transparent and consistent decision making about Board venue consents in the Kawerau District.
- b) To contribute to the well-being of the Kawerau community by controlling the number and location of Board venues in the District.

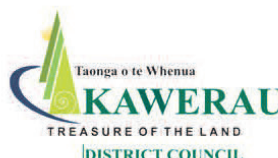
The objectives of the gambling venues policy are:

- a) To provide a framework for transparent and consistent decision making about class 4 gambling venues in the Kawerau District.
- b) To contribute to the well-being of the Kawerau community by:
 - . Reducing the number of class 4 venues; and
 - . Reducing the number of electronic gaming machines.

Copies of the draft policies are available from the District Office, the District Library and Council's website: www.kawerau.govt.nz. Submissions will be considered at the Regulatory and Services Committee Meeting on 12 December 2017. Submitters who indicate a wish to speak in support of their submission will be invited to that meeting.

Submissions close at 12.00noon on Monday 4 December 2017. Please forward your submission to the Chief Executive Officer at:

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submissions@kaweraudc.govt.nz



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Te Wananga o Aotearoa students, from left: Carlos Peri, Lizzie Te Rire, Julia Reuben, Felicity Brougham, Ahi Smith, Shaanea Wilson, Kylie Campbell, Tuhi Reneti and Tatiana Hataraka.

i-SITE team set for busy summer

Kawerau i-SITE staff members are getting ready for summer and they expect it to be a busy season with all the new services on offer now.

One such service is Rezdy, an online booking system that offers its users discounted rates. This system allows people to book tickets for tours with Bay of Plenty companies such as White Island Tours and Tamaki Māori Village.

Kawerau calendars continue to sell well through the i-SITE. These are available for \$10 each.

The new information centre website - Visit www.kaweraunz.com - is now live, and features extensive details on Kawerau, an events calendar, bus timetables and accommodation listings, among other things.

"We're really pleased with it," i-SITE manager Hannah Edwardson says.

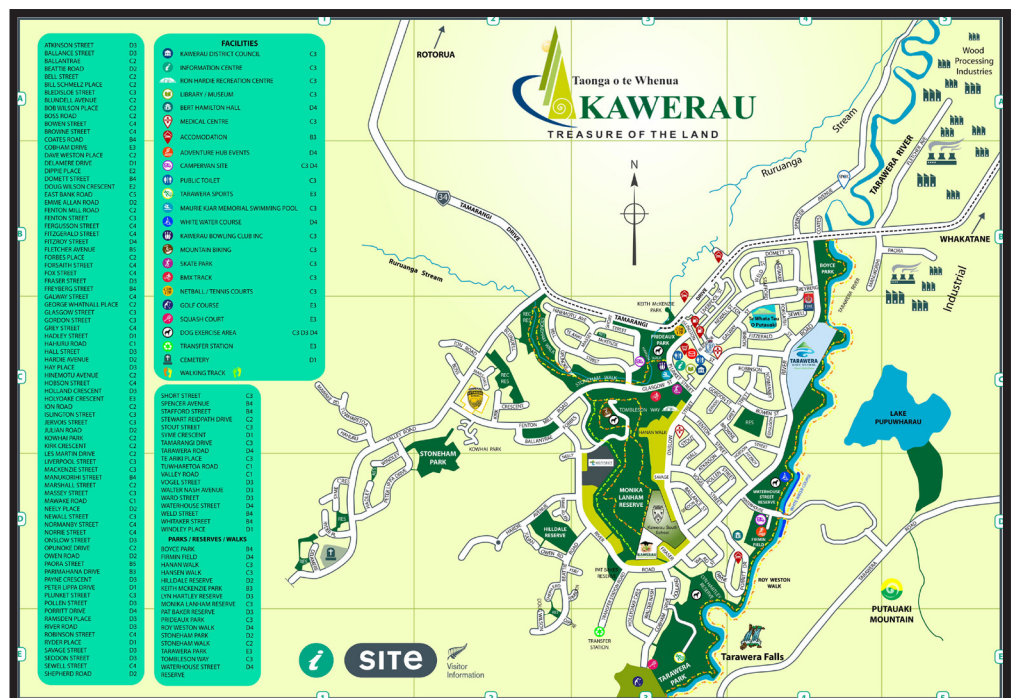
"Matt (i-SITE officer Matthew Joss, who was part of the web development project team) has done an amazing job."

The team has also updated the Kawerau map (pictured). New maps are available from the counter at the i-SITE now.

A group of Te Wānanga

o Aotearoa Youth Guarantee students has helped the i-SITE team this year, completing customer service work experience units at the centre. Youth Guarantee kaiako (teacher) Vanessa Skipper says the students gained confidence and knowledge from their time in the i-SITE and found purpose in being part of a team that serves Kawerau and its events.

The i-SITE is open daily (excluding Christmas Day) from 9am-4pm, with extended hours during summer, starting from December 16.



Survival kits make emergencies easier to deal with

The Bay of Plenty has had its share of natural disasters and further events could happen any time. Therefore it's important to be prepared and know how to cope in an emergency.

Having a well-equipped survival kit is vital. While natural disasters can't be prevented, you can make dealing with them easier by being prepared.

Many disasters will affect essential services and could disrupt your ability to travel or communicate. You may be confined to your home or forced to evacuate your neighbourhood. In the immediate aftermath of a disaster, emergency services will not be able to help everyone as quickly as needed. So it is important you can look after yourself and your loved ones for at least three days in the event of a disaster.

Get your family or household

together and agree on a plan. A functional emergency plan helps alleviate fears about potential disasters and can help you respond safely and quickly when a disaster happens.

In most emergencies you should be able to stay in your home. Assemble and maintain your emergency survival items for your home as well as a portable getaway kit in case you have to leave in a hurry. You should also have essential emergency items in your workplace and your car.

In some emergencies you may need to evacuate in a hurry.

Your getaway kit should include:

- A torch and radio with spare batteries
- Any special needs such as hearing aids and spare batteries, glasses or mobility aids
- Emergency water and easy-to-carry food rations in case there

are delays in reaching a welfare centre. If you have special dietary requirements, ensure you have extra supplies

- First aid kit and essential medicines
- Essential items for infants or young children such as formula and food, nappies and a favourite toy
- A change of clothes (wind/waterproof clothing and strong outdoor shoes)
- Toiletries – towel, soap, toothbrush, sanitary items, toilet paper
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Face and dust masks
- Pet supplies

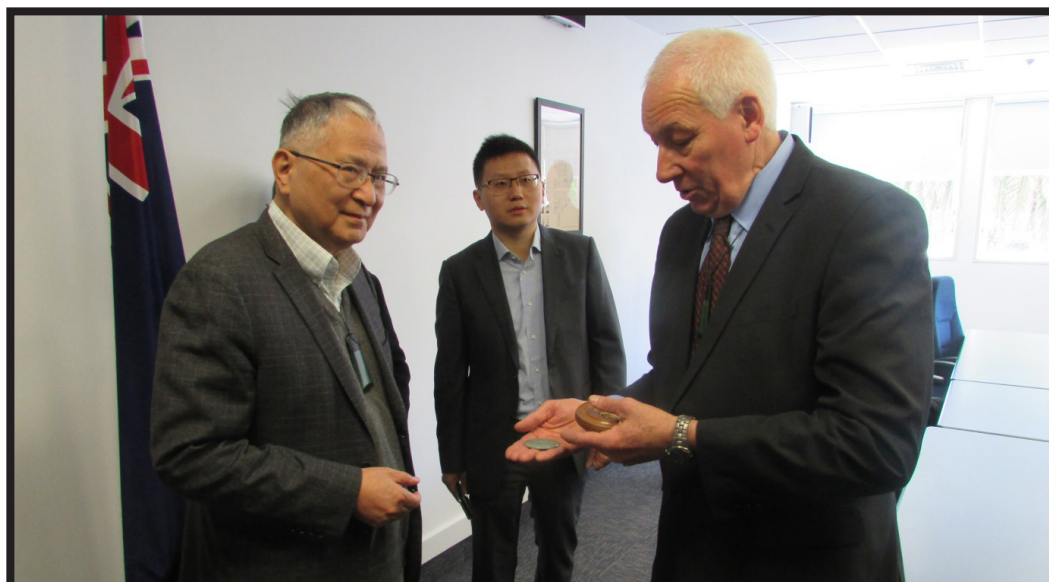
important documents in your getaway kit: identification (birth and marriage certificates, driver's licences and passports), financial documents and precious family photos.

Fenglin Group reps pay a visit

Representatives of the Fenglin Group, which plans to build a particle board plant in Kawerau, were in town earlier this month meeting with industry partners.

The group was welcomed by a local cultural group and visited various sites around town, including Tarawera High School.

Top right: Councillors, council staff and a local cultural group welcome Fenglin representatives to town. Right: Mayor Malcolm Campbell presented Fenglin Group founder Mr Liu Yichuan with a greenstone paper weight.



Operator chosen for container terminal

International port logistics company ISO Ltd has been selected as the preferred operator for Kawerau's planned container terminal.

This selection is a vital step towards the container terminal's completion. Council economic and community development manager Glenn Sutton says the decision wasn't easy.

"It was an extremely close choice between ISO and the other candidate, C3, as both companies were of high calibre and would have easily met the requirements for the role. ISO has high values and an emphasis on community involvement and development that Industrial Symbiosis Kawerau believes will complement and benefit the district."

ISO Limited is an international port logistics company, providing stevedoring, marshalling, warehousing, container-packing, IT and total supply chain solutions to exporters and importers throughout New Zealand, Australia and the US. Its NZ operations include Marsden Point, Auckland, Tauranga, Kaingaroa, Murupara, New Plymouth, Gisborne, Napier, Wellington, Lyttelton, Bluff, Nelson and Timaru.

"Consequently, the company brings a wealth of experience and skills to the operation of the Kawerau container terminal and is well support-

ed by its parent company, QUBE," Glenn says.

Industrial Symbiosis Kawerau initiated the container terminal concept in 2012.

"Once completed, the terminal will provide a cost-effective logistics system for Eastern Bay of Plenty value-added exporters to transport their products to port," Glenn says.

Toi-EDA general manager Francis Pauwels says the terminal will support the Eastern Bay for current and predicted growth.

"This project is positive for the entire Bay of Plenty as business and industry work together to better the region. The overarching strategy is to achieve cost-effective and efficient logistics solutions for current businesses to grow and to attract new businesses into the region. Moving freight is a key component of that, but also extends to UFB coverage, airport links, wharf facilities and safe roading networks," he says.

"The terminal site is owned by the Putauaki Trust and represents fantastic partnerships between Eastern Bay businesses and communities."

The next step in the project will see Industrial Symbiosis Kawerau and involved partners working with ISO on the terminal's design.

Council Christmas/New Year opening hours

- Kawerau District Office and AA Services will be closed from 12 noon on Friday, December 22 and will reopen at 8am on Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

- The transfer station will be closed on Christmas Day only

- Refuse and recycling collections due on Christmas Day will be collected on Saturday 23rd December 23. All collections due on New Year's Day will take place on Saturday, December 30.

- The library and museum will close at 12 noon on December 22, 2017, reopening from 10am to 5pm from December 27-29 and 10am - 1pm on December 30. Both facilities will be closed on December 31 and January 1-2, reopening at 10am on January 3.

- Kawerau I-Site is open 8.30am to 6.30pm daily, but closed on Christmas Day.

- Maurie Kjar Memorial pool is closed from 12 noon on December 24, reopening with normal hours on Boxing Day (December 26).

For any dog, noise or stock control matters, please phone 3069009.

Summer reading set to start

Kawerau Library is charging ahead with the annual summer reading programme. Registrations open on Friday, December 1.

The summer reading programme is for kids from pre-school to pre-teen, and aims to encourage reading for fun.

Librarian Jacqueline Godfery says the theme this year is Wild About Reading. If kids read at least four books over the summer holidays they will reap the rewards.

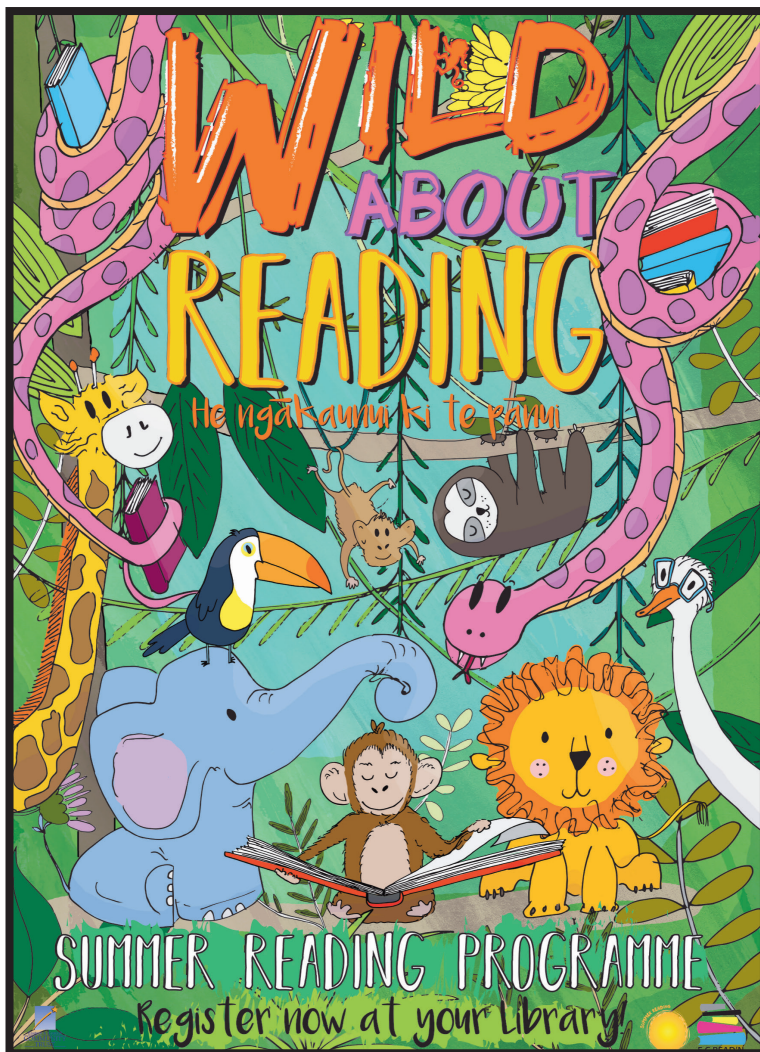
“There are four prizes to snap up as well as increased reading skills,” she says.

“If we can engage kids we can help to ensure their reading doesn’t go backwards over the six-week break.”

Last year 70 children registered for the summer reading programme and more than 100 joined the free school holiday activities.

“This year, activities will run at the library every day between December 2017 and January 2018,” Jacqueline says.

Visit the library to find out more about the summer reading programme and free activities for all ages.



| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| WEEK ONE | | | | | 1 December REGISTER NOW | <p>LIBRARY CLOSED 22 DECEMBER FROM NOON 25-26 DECEMBER 1-2 JANUARY</p> | |
| WEEK TWO | 4 December LAUNCH PARTY | 5 December | 6 December TWELVE CRAFTS OF CHRISTMAS | 7 December TWELVE CRAFTS OF CHRISTMAS | 8 December TWELVE CRAFTS OF CHRISTMAS | | |
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| WEEK FIVE | 25 December | 26 December | 27 December | 28 December | 29 December | | |
| WEEK SIX | 1 January | 2 January | 3 January THE WRITE STUFF | 4 January PAPER PLATE SNAKES | 5 January TREASURE HUNTERS | | |
| WEEK SEVEN | 8 January DIY BUBBLES | 9 January DIY SLIME | 10 January IT'S A WILD WORLD | 11 January ESCAPE ROOM ADVENTURES | 12 January EXPLORE AFRICA | | |
| WEEK EIGHT | 15 January A PICNIC FOR WILD THINGS | 16 January MYSTERY MOVIE | 17 January WILD WHANAU | 18 January SUN CATCHERS | 19 January COMIC CREATORS | | |
| WEEK NINE | 22 January HAND-PRINT ART | 23 January WET N WILD | 24 January DIY PENCIL CASES | 25 January FINALE PARTY | | | |



Museum mystery

The pictured disc was recently donated to the Sir James Fletcher Kawerau Museum and staff would like to find out more about it.

We know it was issued by Tasman Pulp & Paper, but that's about it. If you have any information about why it was handed out or when, we'd love to hear from you.

Please phone Susan Harris on (07) 306 9041 or email museum@kaweraudc.govt.nz.

Changes to Vodafone email addresses this month

From November 30 Vodafone will stop all email services for its customers. As a result, Kawerau library users with an email address listed below should have been asked to let the library know their new email address.

After November 27, any library customer still with a Vodafone email address will have their account blocked until they can provide a new email.

Please let library staff know if you are impacted by these changes.

Thanks to those who have already been in touch.

The affected email addresses are:

- clear.net.nz
- es.co.nz
- ihug.co.nz
- paradise.net.nz
- pconnect.co.nz
- quik.co.nz
- vodafone.co.nz
- vodafone.net.nz
- wave.co.nz

News in brief

Recycling expansion

The contractor who receives the council's recycled material has expanded the types of plastics that are being processed, from grades one and two to 1-7. This will enable more material to be diverted from the waste stream into the reuse stream. So please put any additional grade plastics you may have into the recycling bins for pick-up.

For more information on what can be recycled visit <http://www.recycle.co.nz/recycleit.php>

Retirement accommodation growth plans

Council has resolved to remove the aged care proviso from the recently acquired River Rd reserve's local purpose classification, so development of the land is not limited to elderly care providers. The decision follows a proposal process during which no objections were received. The change aims to help increase the supply of retirement accommodation in the Kawerau district.

Mall door consent

Consent to build a door into Tarawera Mall next to the new public toilets has now been issued. Work will begin.

Long Term Plan

Early engagement on our 2018-28 Long Term Plan

is under way. This gives us the chance to finalise consultation issues with our partners. Members of the community will have a chance to have their say when the formal consultation process begins in March. Phone (07) 306 9009.

Annual report adopted

The annual report and summary for the year ended June 30, 2017 were adopted at the October 31 council meeting. Achievable targets will be reviewed as part of the 2018-28 Long Term Plan process. Copies of both documents are available at Council reception or at www.kaweraudc.govt.nz.

Free computer courses

Kawerau District Library has partnered with the 20/20 Trust to offer locals free computer training. The Stepping up programme offers digital literacy classes for those with basic or no computer skills.

There are 31 subjects on offer, such as computer basics, word processing, emailing, using Google and the internet, and social networking sites. All help build digital skills and confidence. Each module takes two hours. Classes are limited to four participants.

What would you like to learn? Phone (07) 306 9041 or visit the library and tell us how we can help you improve your computer skills.



December events calendar

New World Kawerau Santa Parade

The 2017 Santa parade kicks off at 11am on Saturday, December 16 and leads into Kawerau Christmas in the Park. For more information visit www.kawerauchristmasinthepark.co.nz.

Monthly market, December 21, 8am - 2pm

Kawerau's daytime market boasts plenty of stalls selling hot foods, snack foods, clothing, plants, fresh produce, homemade goods, crafts and homewares.

Upcoming meetings

**Regulatory and Services Committee:
 Tuesday, December 12, 9am**

**Council: Tuesday, December 12,
 immediately following the Regulatory and
 Services Committee meeting.**



Kawerau District Council is on Facebook.

Check out our page for news and event updates.

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