

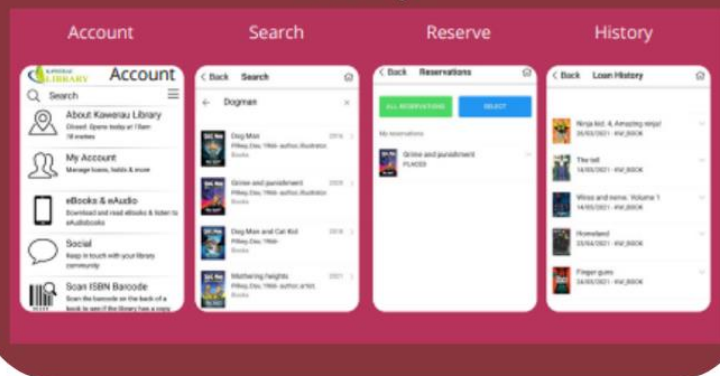
Final Thoughts

Reading Gives Us
Someplace To Go When We
Have To Stay Where We Are
– Mason Cooley



KAWERAU LIBRARY APP

Our library app allows you to access your account from your device. You can renew your books, see what you currently have out, place reservations and search our catalogue. If you are out and about and see a book you like, you can scan the ISBN barcode through the app to see if we have it in the library.



Name this painting and win a book.

We have 2 books up for grabs to anyone who can name this painting and artist.



If you visited the library last month you would have seen our sticker board. It worked just like paint by numbers but with stickers. It turned out to be pretty popular and was completed faster than I thought with people contributing to the piece everyday. If you would like to see more activities like this send through your thoughts to melodie.emery@kaweraudc.govt.nz

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LIBRARY**
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August / Hereturikōkā

Kawerau District Library & Sir James Fletcher Museum

What's On

Heart Foundation

10am - 1pm

Tuesday 5th August

The Book Club meets

10.30am - 12pm

Every first Thursday of
the month

National Poetry Day

Competition closes

Wednesday 20nd August

Operation Wrapped in

Remembrance

from now until November
11th

Billy Mc Queen Exhibition

Museum Gallery

On now

Library Hours:

Monday - Friday

10am - 5pm

Saturday

10am - 1pm

Sunday

CLOSED

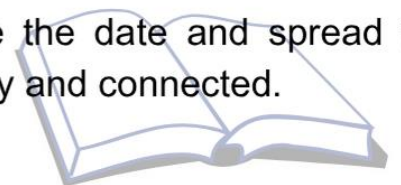


Kia ora and welcome to another exciting edition of the Kawerau Library and Museum Newsletter!

Last month's *Night Library* event was a roaring success, bringing warmth and laughter to a chilly winter's night. It was heartening to see so many whānau brave the cold to explore the library after dark - a rare and magical experience! We had free sausage sizzles pulling in the crowds followed by sweet treats like cupcakes and fun face painting for the tamariki. With all the best parts of the library on show, the night truly came alive.

If you missed out, don't worry there's always something happening. Be sure to follow our Facebook page to stay in the loop with upcoming events and latest news, including the winners of our Winter Reading Programme (congratulations if that's you!) Big thank you to everyone who attended and all the volunteers for the night. Looking ahead, we're thrilled to welcome back Angela from the Heart Foundation this month. She'll be offering free blood pressure checks, so save the date and spread the word. Let's keep our community healthy and connected.

See you in the library!



Last Months Highlights



Night Library



What's happening at the library?



Free BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

The Heart Foundation
is back to give free
blood pressure checks

When: 10am - 1pm
Tuesday 5th
August



Calling all poets.

Does your pen speak what your heart feels?
Now's your time to shine!

To celebrate National poetry day on
August 22nd

Kawerau Library will be having a poetry
competition.

Open to all ages and abilities.

Open theme, but extra points if you highlight
reading or Kawerau.

Prizes are :

- ★ **First place** \$50 NW card with goodie bag and poem published in The Echo
- ★ **Second place** \$30 New World card
- ★ **Third place** \$20 New World card

Entries need to be in by
Wednesday 20th August.

Winners will be
announced on poetry day.

Submit your original
poems no more than 30
lines to the library front
desk or email it to

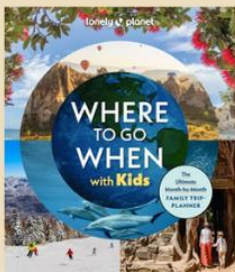
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Congratulations

To all our winners of the winter
reading competitions. We had so
many entries, and our 5 winners
were drawn on the 1st and will be
contacted by staff. Also, we had our
adult reading competition and our
book nook competition winners
who had some beautiful entries.

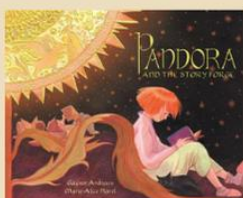
So, enjoy and thank you for
participating Kawerau.





Lonely Planet

Discover 300 unforgettable travel experiences for families with kids and teenagers in this ultimate trip planner for every month of the year! From spotting throngs of penguins on South Africa's Boulders Beach in January to seeing Hong Kong's dazzling festoon of lights at the city's seasonal Winterfest in December, Where To Go When With Kids is the comprehensive trip planner of inspiring month-by-month adventures to spark your family's curiosity and create memories to last a lifetime.



Gaynor Andrews

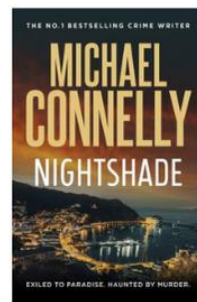
Pandora is an explorer, a collector of words (even ones that misbehave). Once she has the words she needs, she watches them flower and then forges them into the most magical stories. Friend to all the story-starved children, Pandora knows a secret: once read, a story unfurls in your heart. Enter her world and you'll never see words in quite the same way again

August Featured Titles



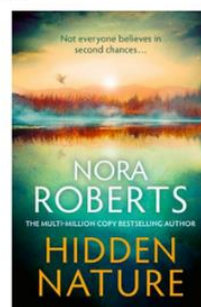
Vanya Insull

Vanya has built her reputation on simple, delicious, never-fail recipes. She knows what works in the kitchen when it comes to feeding a family and how to whip up the perfect dish for every occasion. Following on from the runaway success of Everyday Favourites and Summer Favourites, Everyday Comfort Food celebrates the colder seasons, with warming winter meals and nostalgic treats to keep the whole tribe happy,



Michael Connelly

Detective Stilwell of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's department has been exiled. Once he manned a mainland homicide desk; now internal politics have relegated him to a low-key post, policing rustic Catalina Island. He's beginning to think he could get used to it. It's all business as usual in his new territory, following up drunk-and-disorderlies and petty thefts, until Stilwell receives a report of a body found wrapped in plastic at the bottom of the harbour.



Nora Roberts

Frustrated and bored, injured cop Sloan Cooper is looking for anything to distract her from staring down the barrel of months of slow, painful recovery. When a woman mysteriously vanishes without trace from a supermarket car park, Sloan knows there is more to this case than meets the eye. As she begins to investigate she quickly uncovers similar cases across three states. Men and women, old and young-all with seemingly nothing in common.

Museum News



On 17 March 1960, the Civic Theatre opened in Kawerau Town Hall, ushering in a new era for local entertainment. Boasting a widescreen and stereophonic sound, the gala opening featured the Australasian movie premiere of *A Dog of Flanders* (a sentimental tale of a boy, his grandfather and a dog, who also played the canine lead in the Disney film *Old Yeller*).

Beyond cinema, the Town Hall's stage became a vibrant hub for the arts, hosting everything from the New Zealand Opera Company and New Zealand Ballet Company to local school functions and amateur musical and dramatic performances. A part of this rich history is currently highlighted in the Kawerau Museum exhibition 'A Day in the Life of Kawerau', on show in the Jellicoe Court windows. The flourishing local arts scene saw the formation of the Kawerau Theatrical Society in 1956, followed by the Music and Drama Society in September of the same year. An offshoot, the Kawerau Players, emerged in May 1958. Over the decades, these groups brought numerous productions to the Civic Theatre, drawing talent from across the country.

KAWERAU ON STAGE

One such memorable production was *Joseph And The Amazing Technicolour 'Dreamcoat'*, which captivated audiences over seven evening performances in April and May 1979. The musical starred national talent Derek Metzger in the lead role of Joseph, an actor gaining significant recognition and recently honoured with the NZ Entertainment Operators' Association's Rising Star Award. This photograph from the Kawerau Museum collection shows local favourite Barry Findon in full flight as the Pharaoh – a role well-suited to a man celebrated for his Elvis Presley cabaret performances.



WORDS OF THE MONTH



mischievous

adjective: mischievous

causing or showing a fondness for causing trouble in a playful way.
"mischievous children"



haututū

(noun) misbehaviour, mischief, naughtiness.

Ka pai anō pea ki te whakarērea ngā tamariki kaha te whakakuene, te tangiweto, te haututū rānei ki te kāinga.
Perhaps it would be best to leave children that are demanding, cry a lot or are misbehaved at home

Weird Word Origins That Will Make Your Family Laugh

Phony is a word that means "fake" or "made up." But we aren't making up this unusual origin story for the word. Although the exact origins of phony are unknown, it's likely the word comes from an old con known as the fawney rig. Fawney is from an Irish word for "finger ring," and rig, an old term for a "trick" or "swindle."

Here's how it worked: the swindler would "accidentally" drop a piece of cheap jewelry in front of their mark, or target. Then, they would pick it up while expressing relief that they hadn't lost such a valuable ring, pretending it was worth a lot (as if made of gold). If they were lucky, they'd sell it to the mark for much more than it was worth. By the 20th century, the spelling of the word was eventually modified from fawney to phony and came to refer to anything fake or counterfeit.



What's happening at the library?



Would you like to knit, weave or
crochet for a veteran?

In acknowledgment of 2025 being 80
years since the end of World War 2,
75 years since beginning of Korean
War, 65 years since end of Malay
Emergency and 50 years since end
of Vietnam War, we invite you to knit,
weave or crochet a scarf for a
veteran.

To let them know they haven't been
forgotten, they are wrapped in
remembrance and their service is
appreciated.

Scarves can be any ply, any pattern
and any colours

Project on now finishing November
11, 2025

Completed scarves can be dropped
into

Kawerau Library – 27-29 Jellico
Court, Kawerau



Book Club



Books

