

REPORT 3 (1215/12/IM)

RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAMMES - 3RD QUARTER 2010/2011

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on recreation facilities and activities for the 3rd quarter of the 2010/2011 financial year. Community recreation facilities and programmes include the Tawa Swimming Pool and Tawa Recreation Centre.

2. Executive Summary

Attendance for the quarter at Tawa Community Pool was down 1% on the same period for 2009/10.

Attendance for the quarter at Tawa Recreation Centre was down 5% on the same period for 2009/10.

Tawa Pool passed its Poolsafe award with one pending proviso. A new standard has been introduced for water quality and we have consequently employed a contractor to write the Risk Management Plans for our water quality, this will lead to the full Poolsafe Award.

The Holiday Programme attendance at Tawa was considerably down from last year and we are still working on improving these numbers. We are aware a large number of schools, church groups and other places are offering holiday programmes in Tawa.

3. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Tawa Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

4. Background

Tawa Community Pool

Our general attendance is up on last year by 2.8% however attendance for the quarter was 1% below the previous year.

TAWA POOL

Attendance: Actual for 2010/11

Attendance 2010/11	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	Total
Adult Swim	642	696	766	757	778	653	701	784	694	6,471
Child Swim	2,928	3,619	3,773	3,244	3,778	2,584	2,415	3,760	3,668	29,769
Swim Memberships	375	506	444	310	553	384	321	509	486	3,888
Leisure Card	155	162	151	198	184	203	205	232	202	1,692
Under 5's	588	595	742	820	796	966	1,398	1,022	980	7,907
Free Swim	149	165	175	214	188	137	192	182	209	1,611
Free Non-swim	1,547	2,540	2,143	1,825	2,497	1,204	569	2,266	2,606	17,197
Spectators	657	745	854	929	774	1,000	1,617	1,025	946	8,547
Fitness Centre	207	221	183	147	199	135	81	184	141	1,498
Spa/Sauna	33	31	30	37	25	21	31	18	34	260
Schools	695	2,828	3,078	4,044	5,910	1,912	-	1,841	1,800	22,108
Miscellaneous	1	1	0	1	1	7	-	3	-	14
Total	7,977	12,109	12,339	12,526	15,683	9,206	7,530	11,826	11,766	100,962

Attendance: Actual for 2009/10

Attendance2009/10	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	Total
Adult Swim	494	740	607	602	641	438	724	593	583	5,422
Child Swim	2,373	4,002	3,684	3,313	3,932	2,584	2,539	4,136	4,516	31,079
Swim Memberships	480	592	437	392	444	299	250	391	377	3,662
Leisure Card	212	251	235	218	240	201	285	301	232	2,175
Under 5's	701	625	692	994	898	780	1,452	998	951	8,091
Free Swim	94	233	346	260	204	70	75	69	112	1,463
Free Non-swim	1,021	2,757	2,115	1,626	2,187	915	529	1,507	2,748	15,405
Spectators	877	896	806	1,073	859	926	1,629	1,069	995	9,130
Fitness Centre	177	178	115	141	171	94	93	164	233	1,366
Spa/Sauna	36	35	32	40	46	54	58	25	18	344
Schools	2,217	3,808	4,292	871	3,092	1,584	-	1,329	2,696	19,889
Miscellaneous	1	3	2	5	3	101	-	1	1	117
Total	8,683	14,120	13,363	9,535	12,717	8,046	7,634	10,583	13,462	98,143

Our new Team Leader Aquatic Programmes, Jessica Bolwerk commenced with us late in March and previously worked at the Wellington Regional Aquatic Centre.

We had an internal Health and Safety Audit and we were pleased with our performance but will continue to improve systems and processes.

Tawa Recreation Centre

Attendance numbers are slightly down on the same quarter as last year and year to date is behind by 6%. Income is up over 20% from last year.

Numbers (Actual)													
Category	YTD	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	June
Adults	10,783	1,902	1,758	1,549	1,611	1,280	285	542	897	959			
Leisure Card	321	46	52	41	52	31	19	0	39	41			
Children	5,885	1,138	940	701	678	738	380	299	377	634			
Total	16,989	3,086	2,750	2,291	2,341	2,049	684	841	1,313	1,634	0	0	0

Facility: Tawa Rec Centre

Attendance: 2009/10

Numbers (Actual)													
Category	YTD	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	June
Adults	16,566	2,195	1,910	1,817	1,399	1,159	677	745	838	1,215	1,314	1,486	1,811
PTL	462	60	51	56	59	38	0		43	37	31	42	45
Children	8,324	1,107	933	964	731	407	389	336	257	517	776	773	1,134
Total	25,352	3,362	2,894	2,837	2,189	1,604	1,066	1,081	1,138	1,769	2,121	2,301	2,990

Samba Futsal is a new group who have a regular Thursday booking offering football for local children. The Hoop club has also recommenced for the year so it is good to see two programmes running for the local children. The women's netball league continues to have a full league of ten teams.

Community outreach

Denise Clements our new Community Recreation Programmer commenced in March and is a welcome addition to our team with an extensive background in outdoor and community recreation. Denise will spend the next two months creating a directory of local community groups including: schools, ethnic groups, churches, community action, health, sport and recreation and facilities in the northern suburbs. This will then enable us to see where our opportunities lie as well as our strengths and which areas or groups have greatest priority. Our Push Play team had a busy session at Duncan Park in January with over 50 people involved.

5. Discussion

There are no discussion items for this paper.

6. Conclusion

Our new sign for Learn to Swim has been installed on the pool and is visible from the train and Duncan Street.

The basketball league is set to commence again in term 2 and we are working on a promotion.

We have met with Tawa Swim Club to assist with bookings during the closure and we have found some time to accommodate them at Keith Spry Pool. An architect and engineer have been on site at the pool and their report on their findings and recommendations will be available shortly.

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Swim School Programme Manager and Instructors (Tawa Pool),

I just wanted to thank you for your ongoing efforts over the last few years teaching our kids to swim.

During these summer holidays, they have really enjoyed the water – yachting and swimming in the sea near Matiu/Somes Island, kayaking, and swimming at various beaches, rivers and pools. As I watched them swimming around in the harbour in their lifejackets, perfectly happy and confident putting their swimming and lifejacket work to the test, I was really struck by how much we owe Tawa's swimming instructors for the fun we are now able to have in the water. This is the first year as a parent that I have been able to relax (a little!) around my kids and water.

So - thanks - and I look forward to seeing the kids keep developing their swimming skills at Tawa.

Regards, Alex, on behalf of the Craven family



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