

# TAWA COMMUNITY BOARD COMMITTEE 11 AUGUST 2011

**REPORT 3** 

(1215/12/IM)

# RECREATION WELLINGTON - RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAMMES. 4TH QUARTER 2010/2011

# 1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on recreation facilities and activities for the 4th 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 up 1% on the same period for 2009/10 and is up for year end.

Attendance for the quarter at Tawa Recreation Centre was up 20% on the same period for 2009/10 and is up for year end.

Recreation Wellington was restructured into areas at the commencement of the year and is now well established with a northern area covering all suburbs from Tawa to Ngaio.

## 3. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Tawa Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

# 4. Background

# **Tawa Community Pool**

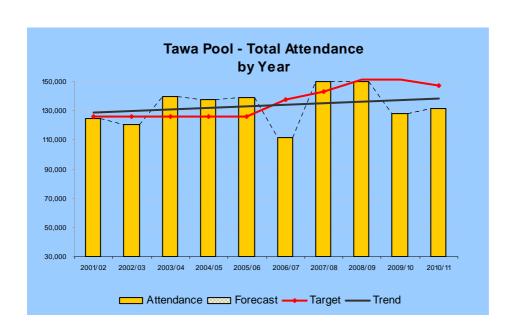
Attendance for the  $4^{th}$  quarter was 30320, an increase of 401 against the same quarter of 2009/10. Year end attendance was 131,192 which is also ahead of last years attendance by 3220.

The Learn to Swim programme had an occupancy of 79% with 665 children enrolled. In addition to this 2101 local school children attended swimming lessons during the  $4^{\rm th}$  quarter, this is up 563 on last year for the same quarter. Our yearly school attendance has increased from 22,304 to 27,195 and this is a very pleasing result mainly due to increased levels of customer service for the schools.

Considerable effort by the pool team has seen savings in utility costs due to vigilance with the pool covers being used every night.

Tawa Pool attendance 2010-2011

Attendance	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	Total 2010/11	Total 2009/10
Adult Swim	642	696	766	757	778	653	701	784	694	649	698	690	8,508	7,416
Child Swim	2,928	3,619	3,773	3,244	3,778	2,584	2,415	3,760	3,668	2,593	3,211	3,157	38,730	42,343
Swim Members	375	506	444	310	553	384	321	509	486	336	512	458	5,194	4,937
Leisure Card	155	162	151	198	184	203	205	232	202	182	163	232	2,269	2,744
Under 5's	588	595	742	820	796	966	1,398	1,022	980	848	929	851	10,535	10,392
Free Swim	149	165	175	214	188	137	192	182	209	140	198	274	2,223	1,770
Free Non-swim	1,547	2,540	2,143	1,825	2,497	1,204	569	2,266	2,606	1,411	2,527	2,098	23,233	22,296
Spectators	657	745	854	929	774	1,000	1,617	1,025	946	856	865	715	10,983	11,402
Fitness Centre	207	221	183	147	199	135	81	184	141	106	173	129	1,906	1,817
Spa/Sauna	33	31	30	37	25	21	31	18	34	34	34	66	394	433
Schools	695	2,828	3,078	4,044	5,910	1,912	-	1,841	1,800	1,216	1,770	2,101	27,195	22,304
Miscellaneous	1	1	0	1	1	7	-	3		-	1	7	22	118
Total	7,977	12,109	12,339	12,526	15,683	9,206	7,530	11,826	11,766	8,371	11,081	10,778	131,192	127,972



#### **Tawa Recreation Centre**

Attendance was achieved this year and the quarter was up from 7412 to 9034 which is a considerable increase.

Attendance	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June		2009/10 YTD
Adults	1,902	1,758	1,549	1,611	1,280	285	542	897	959	2,019	2,178	1,873	16,853	16,566
Passport to leisure	46	52	41	52	31	19	0	39	41	26	34	38	419	462
Children	1,138	940	701	678	738	380	299	377	634	862	958	1,046	8,751	8324
Total	3,086	2,750	2,291	2,341	2,049	684	841	1,313	1,634	2,907	3,170	2,957	26,023	25,352

There has been an increased demand for facility bookings for volleyball, Samba Futsal and large community functions as well as retaining all regular customers.

We have also had an increase in birthday party bookings but the holiday programme continues to sit below target.

The women's netball league continues its success running with a full number of teams every term.

# Community outreach

Our Community Recreation Advisor has been working with Redwood school to develop a fund raising duathlon. Ultimately we will offer this as a triathlon to the primary schools. Denise has also made contact with a Tawa walking group, the Lions and several pre-schools. She is keen to establish ways to contact residents who have no transport to find a way to get them to activities on offer at the Community Centre, Linden Social Centre as well as the Pool.

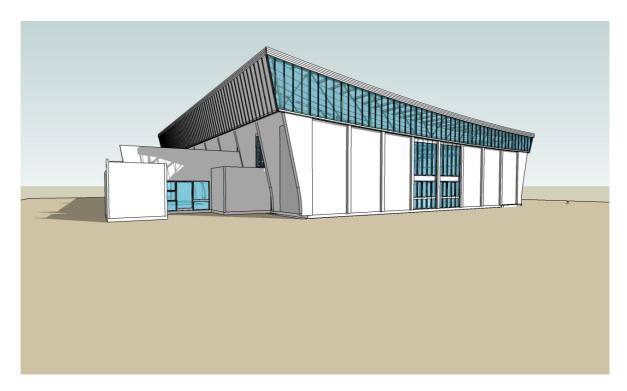
### **Tawa Pool refurbishment**

Tawa Pool closure commences in October with work to include:

- Roof replacement
- Air handling system
- Mezzanine and balustrade
- Learners and toddlers filter
- General remedial maintenance

The closure will be a primary focus and we aim to keep Tawa residents and customers informed of the progress via emails and newspaper articles. We intend to keep Friday afternoons at Keith Spry Pool just for Tawa 'Learn to Swim' customers.

Also during the closure we are pleased that the work on the bridge over the railway tracks will be undertaken.



Architect's impression of Tawa Pool

# 5. Discussion

There are no discussion items for this paper.

# 6. Conclusion

There have been considerable challenges this year with other swim schools opening locally and we have noticed a drop in our 'Learn to Swim' numbers. On the other hand Tawa Recreation Centre has had increased bookings due to the high cost of hiring Te Rauparaha.

The emphasis on engagement with the community will be a focus going forward with a view to creating new opportunities in the Tawa area.

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# **Supporting Information**

# 1) Strategic Fit / Strategic Outcome

Example: The policy supports Council's overall vision of Creative Wellington – Innovation Capital. The policy supports Council activities as a facilitator of recreation partnerships and provider of recreation services. Agreement to the policy will contribute to Council meeting the outcome of offering a diverse range of quality recreation and leisure activities (see outcome 7.1 Recreation Opportunities).

# 2) LTCCP/Annual Plan reference and long term financial impact

Example: The project is contained in the Council Plan # CX651. The changes indicated here will lead to an increase in capital expenditure in the coming year. Operational expenditure to cover. 0.5FTE is anticipated for each subsequent year.

# 3) Treaty of Waitangi considerations

Example: The proposal is to be located on a site that Mana Whenua regard as important. The site is the former shoreline and waka used to moor there prior to reclamation. The Tenths Trust has been approached and considers the proposal an appropriate use of the land.

# 4) Decision-Making

Example: This is not a significant decision. The report sets out a number of options and reflects the views and preferences of those with an interest in this matter who have been consulted with.

## 5) Consultation

## a) General Consultation

Example: All affected parties have been identified. The effects of this work are confined to the street and surrounding neighbourhood. It is proposed that consultation be targeted to the local neighbourhood. We propose a letter box drop and to hold a meeting with the residents. Council is not required under legislation to consult on this matter.

#### b) Consultation with Maori

Example: Mana whenua have been provided with a draft of the policy. Their comments were limited to the timing of the project. These concerns have been noted and are covered in section 3 of the report.

**6) Legal Implications** *Example: Council's lawyers have been consulted during the development of this report.* 

# 7) Consistency with existing policy

Example: This report recommends certain measures which are inconsistent with some existing WCC policy, such as ....... These measures are recommended despite this inconsistency because......