

**RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAMMES -
 QUARTERLY REPORT 2ND QUARTER 2008/09**

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on recreation facilities and activities for the 2nd quarter of the 2008/2009 financial year. Community recreation facilities and programmes include the Tawa Swimming Pool, Tawa Recreation Centre and the Push Play Outreach Programme (Northern).

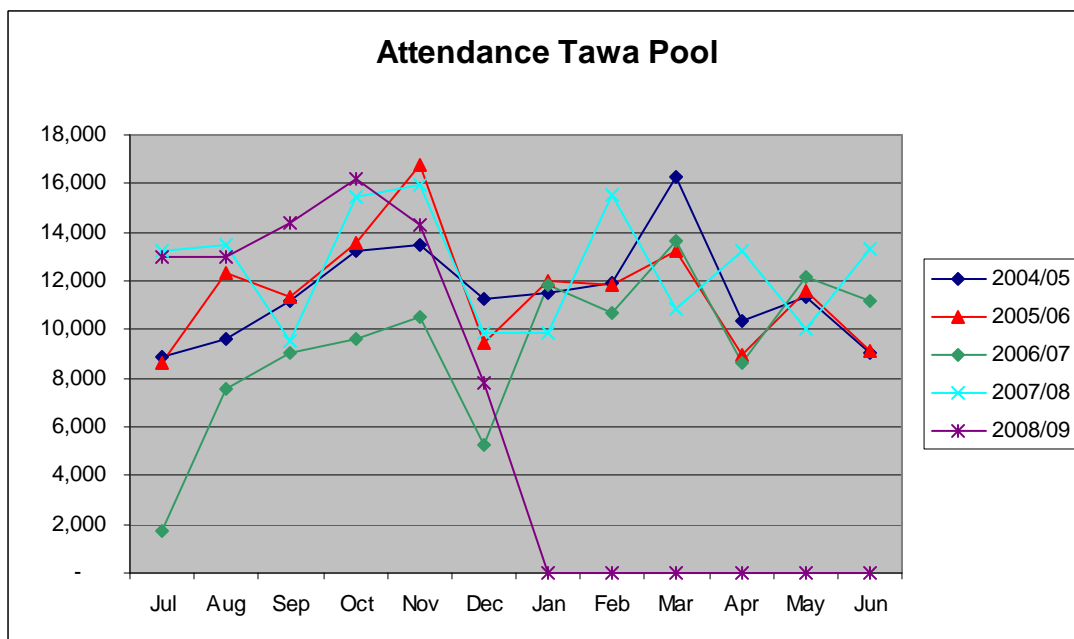
2. Recommendations

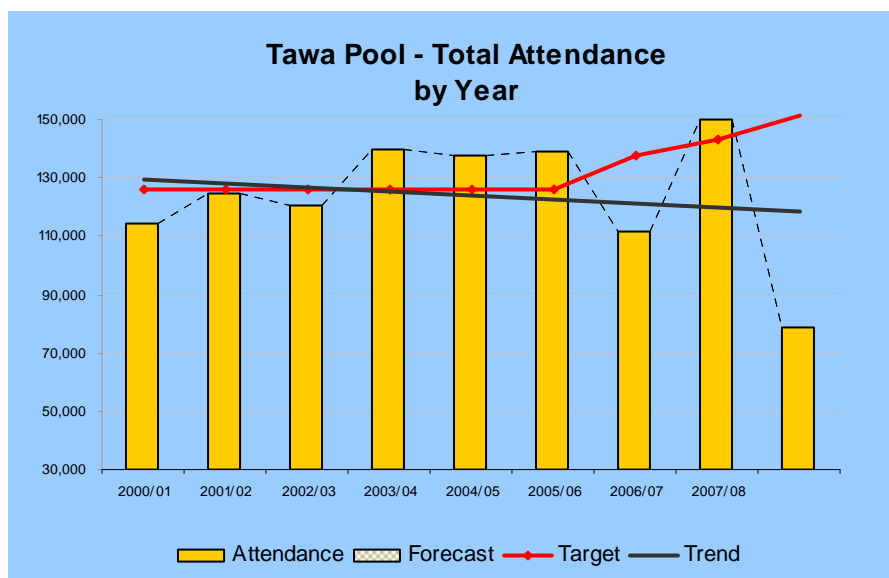
Officers recommend that the Community Board:

1. *Receive this information*

3. Tawa Community Pool

- Attendance for the 2nd quarter was 38,268 which is down 2,955 for the same quarter of 2007/08. Participation traditionally decreases in December when schools use and learn to swim ceases. For the holiday period.



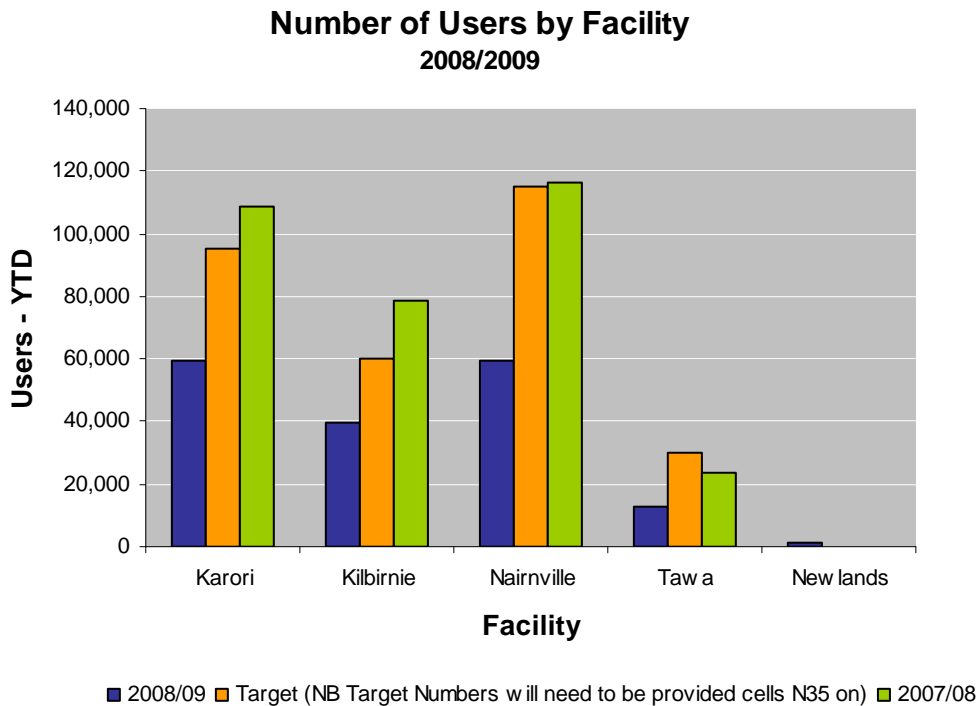


- Attendance year to date to 31 December 2008 was 78,556 which is up on the same period last year by 1,090 and on track to achieve the year end target of 151,000.
- The Women's Run Swim event was delivered on 19 October 2008 with over 200 participants taking part.



- The Tawa Pool swim school programme features the development of critical safety and survival skills as part of the aquatic education programme.
- Tawa Pool will be the venue for the 2009 Kids Kiwi Tri event (one of four) on Sunday February 15th 2009.

4. Tawa Recreation Centre



Tawa (Actual) Category	YTD	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Adults	8,246	2,048	1,627	1,436	1,994	661	480
Passport to leisure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Children	4,528	949	838	782	1,247	382	330
Total	12,774	2,997	2,465	2,218	3,241	1,043	810

- The Centre had a total attendance of for the 2nd quarter of 5,094 which is up slightly (164) for the same period in the previous year. Year to date overall attendance of 12,774 is also up on last year and on track to achieve its target of 30,000.
- The facility Holiday Programme held in October was at 95% occupancy each day. The programme continues to grow in popularity each term.
- Primary School Physical Activity/Fun Sessions were provided for Linden School 3 sessions per month with 78 children participating in each session.
- General brochures for the Recreation centre were completed and distributed to all facilities in November all Recreation centres now promote each others programmes and general information.

- The Term 4 Women's Social League has 10 teams participating and enrolments opened for Term 1 league 2009. This activity continues to be very well supported.

5. Push Play Outreach Programme

- A total 3,347 participants were involved in a range of Push Play Outreach Physical Activity programmes across the city during the quarter. Approximately one third 1,105 were involved in the Northern Suburbs.



Active Kids during Octobers Push Play Festival

- During October there was a focus on physical activity awareness to coincide with SPARC campaign and national Push Play Day in early November. During the month long festival Recreation Wellington coordinated a range of outdoor activity providers who were willing to run low cost 'have a go' sessions and marketed these in a promotional brochure. There were 800 participants in 41 individual activities during the festival.

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