
REPORT 5
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**PARKS, SPORT & RECREATION - UPDATE ON
RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAMMES. 1ST
QUARTER 2012/2013**

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on recreation facilities and activities for the 1st quarter of the 2012/2013 financial year. Community recreation facilities and programmes include the Tawa Swimming Pool and Tawa Recreation Centre.

2. Executive Summary

There is no attendance data for the pool as it is closed for maintenance. Attendance for the quarter at Tawa Recreation Centre was up 12% on the same period for 2011/12.

The official opening date for the pool has been set for Saturday 17th November. The Mayor will reopen the facility and a pool party will follow with competitions, pool inflatable fun, prizes for the best dressed disco (70's) outfits and weather permitting, roller blading in Grasslees Park and face painting in the skate park. Also some staff from Parks, Sport and Recreation Business Unit will be consulting with the community in Grasslees Park on the development plan for the park.

The railway crossing path was opened in late October and will present a good opportunity for offering access to both Tawa College and Tawa Intermediate School.

3. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Tawa Community Board:

- 1. Receive the information.*

4. Background

The Recreation Centre had four large bookings at the Centre during the period. These included two church groups, the Girl Guides and a Martial Arts tournament. The large functions can elevate the attendance figures as seen especially in August and September.

Facility: Tawa Rec Centre
Attendance: 2012/13

Numbers (Actual) Category	YTD	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Adults	4,919	1,636	1,372	1,911									
Passport to leisure	103	33	45	25									
Children	3,478	1,101	1,384	993									
Total	8,500	2,770	2,801	2,929	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TARGET	25,000	3,300	2,800	2,800	2,100	1,600	1,000	1,080	1,138	1,770	2,120	2,300	2,992

Attendance: 2011/12

Numbers (Actual) Category	YTD	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Adults	15,260	2,059	1,212	1,530	1,691	1,081	498	692	683	731	1,441	1,711	1,931
Leisure card	435	49	42	38	19	29	21	8	45	50	34	40	60
Children	8,923	969	785	705	618	706	642	341	329	418	773	1,191	1,446
Total	24,618	3,077	2,039	2,273	2,328	1,816	1,161	1,041	1,057	1,199	2,248	2,942	3,437
TARGET	25,000												

The July school holiday programme had a higher number of WINZ customers which is probably a reflection of the economic situation.

Interviews were held for an Operations Team Leader for the pool and Janine Laumua has been appointed to the position. Advertisements have also been run for Lifeguards but we have been disappointed with the quality of applicants for the full time positions. We will need to re-advertise for full time staff in the new year.



October 2012 water in the pool

Community outreach

Our staff ran Ki-o-Rahi lessons at Tawa Intermediate with a very positive response and we will return in term 4 to run further sessions. Ki-o-Rahi is a Maori ball game played with a ki (a small round ball) and is played in a circle. Several staff were involved with 'Spring into Tawa' and we were able to display a slide show of the pool as it nears completion. Again we have offered support for Redwood school for their duathlon in November.

5. Discussion

There are no discussion items for this report.

6. Conclusion

It is with some excitement we approach the reopening of the pool. A number of staff will be engaged to clean and set the pool up for operations. The senior staff are contacting previous customers and we look forward to running five weeks of swimming lessons prior to Christmas. We hope the 70's disco party will bring plenty of visitors on our opening day.



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