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Taihape Community Development Trust - *November 2023*

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Register now for the Taihape Christmas Parade

The elves are dusting off their boots, the reindeer practicing formation flying and the grand old man is getting his suit pressed.

Yes, Christmas is just around the corner. Taihape's Christmas Parade is a favourite moment where we can all enjoy the excitement of a parade, whether as a proud parent watching a child on a float or a child beaming with excitement as they wave to the crowds.

You're invited to be a part of our Christmas Parade. Simply email admin@taihape.co.nz, phone 06 388 1307 or call into the Taihape Information Centre to collect a registration form. You can download a registration form from our website www.taihape.co.nz/events.

Registrations close **5pm Thursday 23 November 2023**.

December Talk UP Taihape in colour

We plan to go all out with our December issue of Talk UP Taihape, where we will celebrate a year of goodwill and acknowledge the hard work of our community and local groups. If you want to advertise in colour, contact admin@taihape.co.nz. First come, best dressed. Colour advertising rates (all rates include GST). The deadline for content is 12 pm Friday 8 December 2023.

Rates for colour issue (including GST)

Full A5 page	\$75.00	Half A5 page	\$45.00	Quarter A5 page	\$25.00
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Volunteer at Taihape's Community Christmas Luncheon

The Trust hosts a Community Christmas luncheon on Christmas Day for those in our community who find the festivities overwhelming. Show Taihape's true nature by donating to the Community Christmas Luncheon. Volunteer to help with cooking and food preparation, decorating, and serving on the day. You can also make a cash donation to 03-1525-0072634-00 with your name and Lunch as the reference.

To find out more about how you can be a part of this important event, email admin@taihape.co.nz or ring 06 388 1307.

Daybreaker feedback, a busy events season ahead...

On Friday 27 October I attended the 2023 Daybreaker Rally post event function, and I was very proud to hear the speakers thank Taihape for its hospitality. Our people, our businesses and our town made such a good impression we can expect to see future events come our way. Thank you to everyone who played their part in making the day, including our Spring Fling such a success in the eyes of our visitors.

The events season has well and truly started, with Taihape, Mangaweka, Hunterville, Bulls and Marton all buzzing with things to do. New Zealand is on show, and aren't we doing well.

The Mangaweka Sharing Shed is open for business, and well done to Lauren and the team, and thank you to the Rangitikei District Council for grant funding. It's great to see so many people offering produce and support on social media, and the Trust was delighted to support this initiative.

The Trust is busy with our Christmas Parade and Community Christmas Luncheon and we are well into organising Gumboot Day 2024. Registrations for Gumboot Day will open soon, so mark your calendars, scrub up your gumboots and plan for yet another amazing day in our amazing town.

Ngā mihi

Pania Winiata

Project and Events Coordinator

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27 JANUARY 2024—GUMBOOT DAY

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FROM THE Mayor's Desk

Kia ora koutou, last month saw the running of the 25th anniversary of the Shemozzle. The beauty of the event is that I can use the name "Shemozzle" and virtually everybody in the Rangitikei would know what I'm talking about. I have never seen so many people at the Shemozzle or any other event at the same time in the number of years I've been involved. The turnout was well into the thousands of people with, I think, in excess of 650 competitors spread across the various age groups and the shepherds Shemozzle race. It was a real thrill to be there, the weather was stunning and I got to talk to so many people from outside of the district who had travelled to this event because they'd heard about it on the national grapevine. The committee that organised it absolutely deserves full credit – it is professionally run and they had the resources to deal with any event that played out during the day.

Recently, there has been a lot of local talk around the speed and road restrictions on State Highway 1 just south of Utiku. The slumping of the road is certainly not a new event, it has been ongoing for decades. What is new is the increasing risk of a major earth movement which could cut State Highway 1 and the main trunk rail line off for an extended period. Waka Kotahi are under urgency working on the business case for both reforming and/or replacement of the section of road and a "Plan B" in case of failure. Our concern is that if there was to be a major closure of State Highway 1 that our roading network would not support a diversion locally and any diversion would probably need to be State Highways 3, 4 or potentially State Highway 2.

There has also been a lot of discussion in Taihape around the rebuild of the Taihape Area School. It is in the public arena that the Ministry of Education and School Board have asked Council if we can work with them to provide a site for the temporary relocation of the school for a period of what could well be a couple of years. It is important to note that this request has been driven by the Ministry and Board and at the moment we are not in the position to engage with the user groups of the park for instance, however we will not make any decisions without consultation with the community user groups. Our principal driver is to support education in Taihape – we intend to do all we can to make sure that the rebuild of the school is on track and that the school community is supported in any way we can.



Increasingly, I as Mayor have been asked to spend time in Wellington as part of a small select group of Mayors to sit on roading, the Future of Local Government and an interface with the new Government. While unfortunately it takes time away from some of the local Council issues it is incredibly important and certainly increases our chance of assistance from the Government. National Council's most recent meeting recommended providing regular formal updates from LGNZ to member councils. I will be providing four-monthly reports to Council on these matters. These reports provide progress updates on strategic goals and are designed to help ensure all Elected Members are across LGNZ's work and able to give feedback.

Ngā mihi, Andy Watson, Mayor of Rangitikei.



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Taihape Playground Group

The Taihape Playground Group is on a mission to raise funds to improve the playground facilities at the Memorial Park grounds. Approximately \$1.2 million is needed to refurbish existing equipment and provide new facilities. Alongside the fundraising, planning is up to the design stage, with the Group meeting in November to consider concepts for equipment and costings.

The Taihape Community Development Trust manages the financial and grant funding needs of the Group.

“We know how important it is to let the Group’s members concentrate on their activities without having the day-to-day administration of such a project get in the way,” says Charity Davis, chair of the Playground Group committee. “Having specialists look after our financial records, and grant funding applications is greatly appreciated.”

The Trust provides expertise and resources that can find new ways to build awareness and support for the hard work of volunteer groups such as the Taihape Playground Group.

Brekkie break fundraiser a hit

Take one community trust eager to welcome visitors, a savvy chef, teams of hungry motorsport lovers and a worthy community cause. Mix together with a dash of creative marketing and you get the 2023 Daybreaker Rally NZ Taihape Brekkie Break.

Teams were invited to order and pay online for a hot breakfast snack that was delivered to the service park.

The Taihape Playground Group and TCDT provided volunteers to ensure the meals were packaged in their orders and handed out with a minimum of fuss.

Feedback was full of words like ‘yummy’, ‘great idea’ and ‘see you next time’.

Part proceeds from the brekkie break go to the Taihape Playground Groups’ fundraiser for a new playground for our tamariki.

Events Calendar

- Open now** Fakes & Forgeries Exhibition 2023,
Yellow Church Gallery, Mangaweka closing 3 Dec
- 18 Nov** Open Mic Night, Taihape Musicians Club,
Kuku Street, Taihape
- 26 Nov** Andy Warhol Screenprinting Workshop, \$25 per person
Yellow Church Gallery, Mangaweka
- 2 Dec** 12pm Taihape Christmas Parade, Hautapu Street Taihape

Save the date

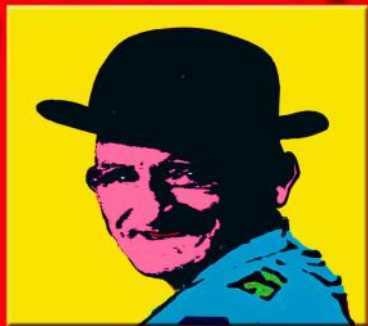
- 27 Jan** Gumboot Day

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ANDY WARHOL Screenprint Workshop

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Taihape Neighbourhood Support

The new 2023/24 committee is Lynda McKnight-Wilson (Chairperson), Gary Johnson (Deputy Chairperson), Peter Kipling-Arthur, Alex Kilner, and Win Houghton. Elizabeth Mortland was again elected Secretary/Treasurer. A Police person also attends meetings whenever possible.

Community Patrol

A public meeting was held on 26 October to assess the need and interest in forming a Taihape Community Patrol. Representatives of the Marton Community Patrol, local Maori Wardens, and local police attended. There is interest in forming a Steering Committee, and establishing a Taihape Community Patrol. For further information contact Elizabeth Mortland on 021 0261 6002.

Tamper-proof number plate screws

More than 30 vehicles had tamper-proof screws fitted to their number plates on 28 October. Thank you to the New World for setting up a lane for the day. Several locals have had their number plates stolen in recent months and now feel more secure. Watch for more dates to get tamper-proof screws on your number plates.



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We regularly have new vacancies available. You can find more information on our website [Kimi Mahi Mai Find a Job https://findajob.ms.govt.nz/](https://findajob.ms.govt.nz/)

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Taihape Contract Bridge Club meets every Monday 7pm
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Taihape Older and Bolder contact Betty Tierney 06 3880978 or 0211000065

Taihape Freemasons meets every 3rd Thursday 7pm
contact Greg 0274887555 or Stu 0273743145

Taihape Friendship Group meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 10am contact Karen 027 240 2593

Taihape Garden Club meets every 1st Thursday at 7pm
contact Cate McCartin 021988024

Mainly Music for babies to pre-schoolers Thursday 9:30am to 11am at St. David's, contact Jessica Baird 021 143 1591

Taihape Museum open Sundays 11am to 2pm contact Frances McKeown 021 0880 5952

Taihape Men's Group meets the 2nd Friday of the month at 1pm
contact Warren Couper 06 388 0199

Taihape Walkers Group meets every 3rd Saturday
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The Koha Shed Taihape open Mondays 9.30 to 12.30 and Wednesdays 10.30 to 1.30, contact Beryl Kawau 027 265 9414.

Taihape Rotary meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 5.45pm, Rustic Steakhouse, contact Theona Ormsby 021 122 2792

Taihape Spinning Group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday 10.30am to 3pm, contact Jenny Abernethy 06 388 1620

Sustainable Taihape sewing and working bees contact Vanessa Witt 020 410 31577

Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble is a new community band based in Taihape, contact Kathy 021 689 005

Te Roopu Oranga for Tai Chi/Sit Fit for Kaumatua 65+ Tuesday 2pm to 3pm and Thursday 10am to 11am Hospital Cafeteria, contact Mokai Patea Services 06 388 1156

Taihape and District Women's Club meets every 1st Wednesday at 1.30pm, contact Viv Tantrum 06 388 0635

Whānau Hobby Hut meets every Wednesday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm, contact Gary Johnston 027 446 4498

Mahjong Group meets every Monday in the back room of the Presbyterian Church at 1.30pm. New members welcome. Contact Betty Tierney 06 3880978 or 0211000065



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Contact Frances for more information taihapemuseum@gmail.com
www.taihapemuseum.wordpress.com

Remembrance service 5 December at St Margaret's Church

Providing a Remembrance service gives space and time away from the hype of Christmas and an opportunity to experience a sacred presence amidst our lives which are sometimes awkward, uncomfortable and messy.

You are welcome to join us at this short service on Tuesday 5th December at 6.00pm at St Margaret's Anglican Church, Huia Street.

All are very welcome.

Save the Date!

GUMBOOT DAY



**Saturday 27 January 2024
Memorial Park, Taihape
10am to 3pm**

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Gardening in Taihape

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Spring was certainly a mixed bag for us resulting in a late garden. To cap it off there were a couple of heavy frosts which played havoc with early plants. Surprisingly, residents of nearby Mangaweka have a slightly milder climate and one garden at least, grows a number of citrus and other desirable s. But double flowered pink cherries are just past their peak to be continued by flowering apples, malus, and a host of others. Here in Taihape the Taiwan cherry, *Prunus campanulata* is the first to flower. Its masses of carmine red flowers are heaven to tuis and other honey hungry birds; this results in many seedlings popping up in our gardens. Up north in Kerikeri, this cherry is so successful it has become a weed.

Labour weekend, just past, seems to be the traditional time to plant vegetable gardens. A tempting array is now available in the shops - pumpkins, marrows, tomatoes and corn to name a few. Buy them now but keep them somewhere close by before planting out, sheltered from any cold weather still to come. Seedlings in the shops will have come from warmer climates and will not be acclimatized. Growing your pumpkins and the like from your own saved seed is rewarding and a fun thing to do but remember they will not come true to the parent. The bees will have been busy.

Annual weeds are happy. Taihape is home to many perennial weeds also. *Convolvulus* is one of the hardest to get rid of and pulling has little effect. Another commonly seen in gardens is a dead nettle- (*Lamium galeobdolon*.) It is said this makes a lovely ground-cover. Be warned, left to its own devices, its a thug, a dreadfully invasive weed and can cover a hectare in twenty years. Get rid of it now if you plan to live that long. We wont mention 'old mans beard' but pull it out if it pops up in your garden; it does just that, regularly in mine.

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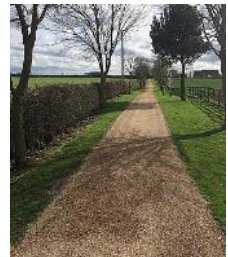
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Colour edition—December 2023

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Films coming up at the

Majestic Theatre

5c Tui Street Taihape

“Cinemas are where memories are made”

THE CREATOR (M) 133min

7pm Friday 10th Nov FINAL

KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON (M) 206min

7pm Sat 11th Nov, 7pm Sun 12th Nov, 7pm Fri 17th Nov

DUMB MONEY (M) 104min

4pm Sun 12th Nov, 4pm Sun 19th Nov, 4pm Sun 26th Nov

**HUNGER GAMES: The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes (M)
157min**

7pm Sat 18th Nov, 7pm Sun 19th Nov, 7pm Sat 25th Nov,
7pm Sun 7th Dec

THE MARVELS (M) 105min

7pm Fri 24th Nov, 7pm Sat 26th Nov, 4pm Sun 3rd Dec

NAPOLEON (TBC) 157min

7pm Sat 2nd Dec

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