

ISSUE 63  
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# My Hastings

Keep up with what's happening in Hastings District

## Summer is here!

Get out and about in our beautiful district



WAIMARAMA BEACH DAY



TSB CAROLS IN  
CORNWALL PARK



ART WALKS



SUMMER READING



FREE THINGS TO DO



## Jingle all the way down to Cornwall Park!

The annual TSB Carols in Cornwall Park event will be held this year on Sunday 17 December as a perfect lead-in to the week before Christmas.

"TSB is thrilled to be able to sponsor this popular festive event again" said TSB Hastings Service Centre Assistant Manager Jo Robson. "Contributing to the community is something TSB is really committed to, so we love getting involved in events like this which bring together so many people from around Hawke's Bay."

Highlights of the evening include performances from the talented Respect Dance Academy, rising artist Ian Munro and the unfailing entertainers Men in Black. Sing-along carolling to our favourite Christmas tunes led by Youth Orchestra players from the Hawke's Bay Orchestral Society will also be a part of the programme, as well as a visit from Santa Claus.

Bring the family, enjoy the live music, cool down in the splash pad, get your face painted, ride a pony and of course sing some carols. Food vendors will also be there. This free event is not to be missed!

## TSB Carols in Cornwall Park

TSB Carols in Cornwall Park  
Sunday 17 December  
4.30pm to 7.30pm



## Christmas comes to the park

A finalist in the NZ Event Awards for best community event, the ever-popular Hawke's Bay Cox Partners Christmas in the Park will return to Anderson Park, Greenmeadows this year, and promises to be as fantastic as ever! Christmas Carols, live music featuring X-Factor finalist Benny Tipene, Omega Levine and many local artists will take the stage.

"There is an exciting line up of artists for this year's concert, and many people say they can't believe it's still free to enter," says Cox Partners Christmas at the Park organiser and manager, David Trim.

"Now that we are a regional event we will alternate between Hastings and Napier every year. It's a great opportunity to promote unity between the two cities of Hawke's Bay, by having one major Christmas event for the residents of both cities," David says.

Bring your sunscreen, your picnic blanket and get settled in for four hours of free entertainment. Food vendors will be on site along with glow products from the merchandise tent, free face painting and a confidence course especially designed by CrossFit Napier (The Nox).

Gates open at 2pm, children's entertainment starts at 4pm, stage entertainment begins at 5pm and the evening finishes at 9:45 after a unique fireworks display set to music with a narration of the nativity story.

Parking will be available off Freyberg Avenue by gold coin donation, and there will be a 100% alcohol and glass ban. All bags will be searched and alcohol and glass will be confiscated.



## Hastings Fiesta of Lights to shine bigger and brighter

Three new light displays are taking centre stage at the region's largest Christmas holiday event. Fiesta of Lights returns bigger, bolder and brighter in 2017, with an expanded light walk.

"These new displays are delightful", said organiser Te Rangi Huata. "The first is a field of 1,000 LED colour roses set among archways filled with thousands of purple grape lights. Meteor shower is another wow display and, just like the falling stars sometimes seen in the night sky, hundreds of colour LED light tubes imitate that natural phenomena above the light walk.

Other highlights of the festival include diving dolphins, spurting whales, jumping fish and other animal favourites. A spectacular 40 metre wide nativity scene surrounded by angels among thousands of twinkling fairy lights is one of the displays not to be missed. Interactive kids activities and body painting with uv glow designs at no cost by artist Cherie Meerlo will add fun and excitement to the event.

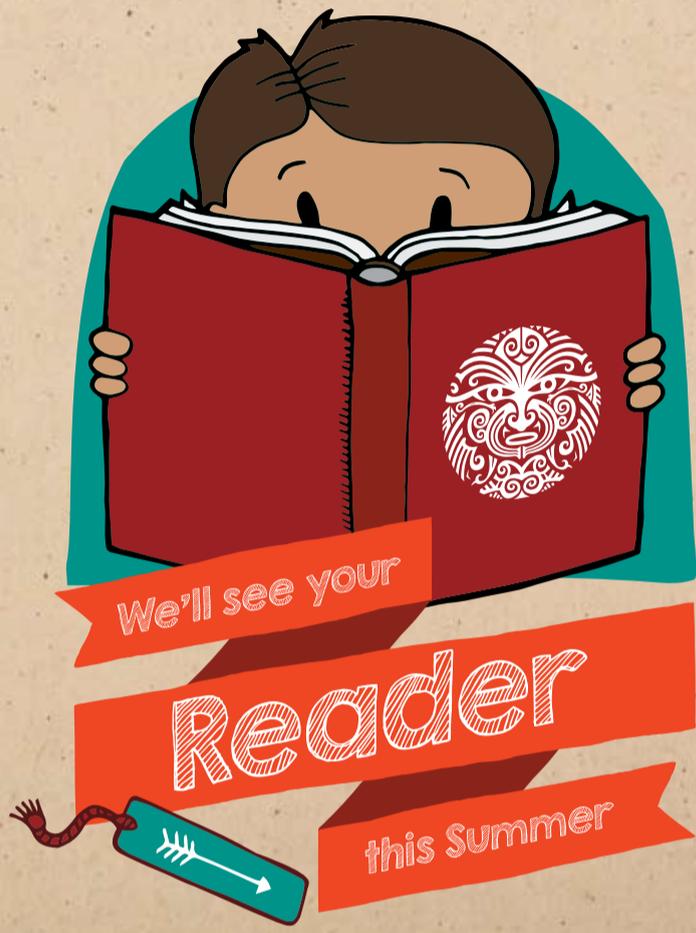
On New Year's eve, gates will open at 8.30pm for a special concert starting at 9pm featuring national performers and local covers band Pulse. Free bouncy castles and slides, food trucks and fireworks.

This event is produced by Public Dreams Charitable Trust, a local group committed to building community through the arts. It is proudly sponsored by Hastings District Council, NZ Lotteries, Eastern and Central Trust, First Light Foundation and NZ Community Trust.



Fiesta of Lights  
16 December 2017 - 7 January 2018 - 9pm to 11pm  
Showgrounds Hawke's Bay, Gate B, Karamu Road, Hastings  
Tickets \$6, Family Pass \$24, under 3 free (EFTPOS available)

# Summer Reading Programmes have kicked off at the libraries



## Summer Sparks

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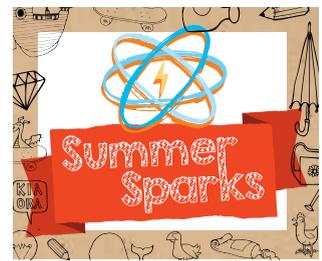
Summer Sparks is aimed at 5-12 year olds to support kids' learning and discovery through fun and innovative challenges and activities. These activities are broken up into themed challenge sets that are fun, engaging and designed to suit a whole range of children's interests. A child can choose any theme to work on, multiple themes or even complete all the challenges and themes should they wish.

Literacy is critical in helping us make sense of our world – in modern times these programmes are designed to take into account, and be flexible with, different types of literacy needs and learning styles. Children will be encouraged first and foremost to have fun! However while having

fun they will have the opportunity to discover and learn about the world around them, practise reading and use other skills sets to help prevent the summer slump in learning.

While there will always be the traditional reading element to our programmes, we will now also focus on other non-traditional forms of literacy and learning styles such as visual, hands on and digital. A good example of this is where a child participates in a coding challenge. In this challenge they will use their reading skills and visual cues to work through a series of problems and write code. This is a fun and easily motivated way for children to use and practise language skills while also learning something new.

To read more or to register, please go to [www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/summer-sparks-way](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/summer-sparks-way).



## #summerfun

Hastings District Libraries' #summerfun reading programme for teens is underway! An engaging holiday programme that sets challenges designed for participants to complete while having fun along the way.

Some of the tasks inspire imagination and creativity such as 'Take a photo of you reading in an odd place' while other tasks aim to encourage teens to become familiar with genres that may be outside of their interests. #summerfun will not only expand the readers' personal catalogue of reading favourites, but offers a calendar of fun events such as a choc-lit quiz, movie night and Quidditch.

Hastings District Libraries have made registering and sharing accomplishments easy for participants. By allowing users to upload and share their accomplishments online and on

social media using #summerfun, those more tech-savvy teens have the ability to complete the reading programme using their mobile device to keep track of their score. Although, to receive prizes, a trip in to the library will be required! For those that prefer face-to-face contact, scorecards can be updated at each library reception desk.

There are tempting prizes up for grabs this year including t-shirts, Prezzy cards and selfie sticks, with the major prize being a tablet. Participants can take part in a silent auction using points scored along the way. This summer reading programme opened on November 27 and teens are still able to register by going to [www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/summerfun](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/summerfun).



## Free stuff to do in Hastings!

There are plenty of free things to do in Hastings this summer – both indoors and out. For those with children, finding entertainment that is fun, free and varied is key. We have so many ways to enjoy summer in our beautiful district, so grab the kids and the sun block and get into it.

Cycling and walking are very popular in Hawke's Bay, and nearly every one of our walks can be planned around a fun hour or so at a playground. Along Karamu Stream there is a really lovely ride or walk suitable for children. There are ducks to feed and plenty of space for a picnic. A short trip up the hill leads to the beautifully revamped Havelock North Village Green, with hours of fun to be had on amazing play gear. Whether your youngsters are into climbing, scootering, water play or swings; they will have a ball.

For older ones, grab some table tennis bats and balls or chessmen, and set up on the tables on the courtyard in front of the historic Havelock North Cricket Pavilion, which sits in all its majesty right next to the playground.

Still on parks, pack the sandwiches and head to one of Hastings' three splash pads. On a hot day they are the best fun, providing safe water play for free. All three are different, from community sized versions in Flaxmere Park and Cornwall Park, to the neighbourhood splash pad in Kirkpatrick Park in Camberley. They are all next to playgrounds, so there is plenty of other things to do once the water play is over.

The fun is not limited to the outdoors, with a huge programme of events running out of the district's libraries over the summer holidays – from "speedcubing" (Rubik's cube races), Quidditch and movie nights, to Christmas craft making, family time capsule creating, and story times.

Quidditch, based on the sport invented for the Harry Potter books, is played as a "real" sport at American

universities, says Acting Libraries Manager Kate Peterson. The rules for the Hastings version will be adapted from those tournaments. "Basically we will be making broomsticks and then heading out into Civic Square for a match. It's a bit like soccer but you use your hands to try and get the ball into one of three goals while riding your broom." The Quidditch night (from 5pm at Hastings Library) is for 13 to 18 year olds.

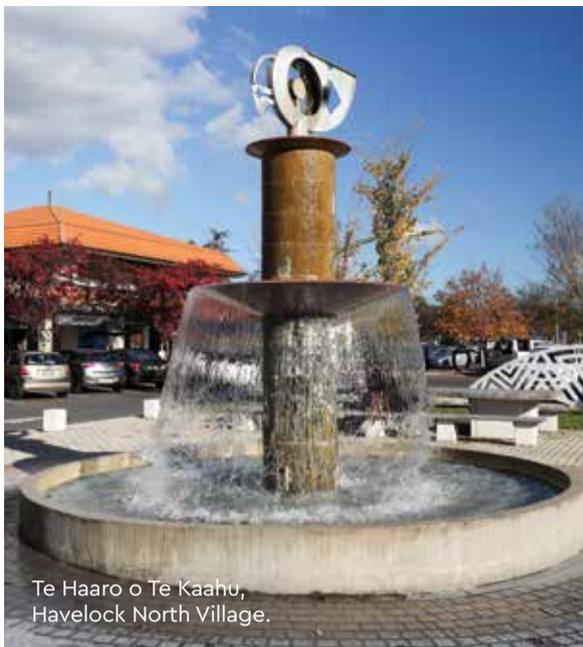
There are programmes run at all three libraries (Hastings, Flaxmere and Havelock North) for all age groups. For the programmes and details see [www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/holiday-programmes](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/holiday-programmes).

Swimming is always a favourite in the summer. Popular family beaches are Waimarama and Ocean, both of which are manned by surf life guards. Waimarama Beach is also perfect for early evening walks and there is a store which reportedly does great takeaways if you haven't taken food out with you.

To find out when lifeguards are on duty, see: [www.surflifesaving.org.nz/organisation/find-a-club/find-a-sls-club-in-nz](http://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/organisation/find-a-club/find-a-sls-club-in-nz)

If you prefer pool swimming, head to one of the district's outdoor facilities: Havelock North Village Pool or Frimley Pool. While they are not free, they are great value for money: \$1 for under-5s; \$3 for 5 to 17 year olds, and \$4 for adults – and you can stay all day. Pack up some sandwiches, apples, water and togs, and don't forget the sunblock. Both pools have playgrounds right next door so there is plenty of gallivanting to be done on the way home, if the kids have any energy left. For more on the pools see: [www.aquaticshastings.co.nz/facilities/frimley-pool](http://www.aquaticshastings.co.nz/facilities/frimley-pool)





Te Haaro o Te Kaahu,  
Havelock North Village.



Paratene Matchitt: HUI  
(Photo credit Richard Brimer)

## Paratene Matchitt: HUI

**Hastings City Art Gallery is thrilled to exhibit Paratene Matchitt, one of New Zealand's most prominent senior artists whose career spans over 6 decades.**

Currently residing in Ahuriri, Matchitt was born in Tokomaru Bay in 1933. He attended Hato Petera (St Peter's Māori College) then went on to Auckland Teachers College. Graduating from Teachers College he moved down south to attend a Dunedin based course in teaching arts and crafts.

Returning to Auckland in 1957, Matchitt began his career as arts and craft adviser for South Auckland Education Board. Opting to pursue Māori art, he attended Māori Arts and Crafts courses at Ruatorea with Pine Taiapa and in 1964 he exhibited alongside many of his peers including Clive Arlidge, Fred Graham and Ralph Hotere. The same year Cliff Whiting and Matchitt completed the maihi (bargeboards), for Ōtākou Māori School in Dunedin.

Together and separately, Matchitt and his contemporaries were formative in the reinvigoration of Māori motifs and the personal/contemporised interpretations of ancestral stories. He is known for combining traditional Māori artforms with those of modernist art. His work also references events from New Zealand's history, particularly the Māori prophetic movements of the 19th century and most specifically Te Kooti Arikirangi.

One of his greatest bodies of work is Te Pakanga, a series of 35 drawings completed in 1974 which

were commissioned by School Publications in Wellington for Katerina Mataira's book Te Ātea. The book, together with Matchitt's striking illustrations are about the perils of war and the path to restoration.

Matchitt is best known for large-scale public sculptures such as the City to Sea Bridge in Wellington (1993) and Auckland's Aotea Centre (1989). Locally, Matchitt's works can be seen in Havelock North 'Te Haaro o te Kaahu' (pictured) located near the site of a natural spring in the centre of Havelock North. The water feature acts as a symbolic link to the Village's past. The top water head of the artwork represents the head of "Kaahu" the hawk, which features in Ngāti Kahungunu lore as a symbol of stewardship over physical and spiritual realms. In Napier the Heritage Fountain: Ngā Puna Wai Whakapapa, outside the i-Site, was designed and constructed in December 1996. Ngā Puna Wai Whakapapa draws on the region's features including Cape Kidnappers, the fishing industry and the Kaweka and Ruahine ranges.

Hastings City Art Gallery is thrilled to present new work in HUI from December 9 to 18 March 2018. HUI is Matchitt's first major exhibition in three years and the gallery encourages locals of all ages to come along for the opportunity to see Matchitt's works up close.

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## EAST 2018 Call for Entries

**Entries are now open for EAST 2018, a biennial exhibition presented by Hastings City Art Gallery, celebrating the Hawke's Bay arts sector. The approach to this iconic exhibition is changing for 2018, with a more tightly focussed curatorial approach and the opportunity for stronger engagement with a smaller group of artists.**

For EAST 2018 we invite submissions, across all art practices, from New Zealand contemporary artists and designers who hold a connection to the Hawke's Bay. Applicants are asked to submit existing works available for consideration, and also have the option to propose a new work. Emerging and established artists and designers are encouraged to apply.

The EAST 2018 guest curator will be Bruce E. Phillips, a Wellington-based arts writer and freelance curator. Phillips is the former curator of Te Tuhi gallery in Auckland and has curated many exhibitions featuring over 200 artists such as Jonathas de Andrade, Tania Bruguera, Tehching Hsieh, Maddie Leach, Santiago Sierra, Shannon Te Ao, Luke Willis Thompson and The Otolith Group.

In the coming months, Phillips will be researching in Hawke's Bay with plans to develop EAST 2018 into a process-led model, where the exhibition will evolve in conversation with the selected artists alongside creative practitioners from within the region.

**To apply, please go to:**  
[www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz/upcoming-exhibitions/east-2018/](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz/upcoming-exhibitions/east-2018/)



The tour commences at 'Ngā Pou o Heretaunga' in Civic Square.



Art enthusiasts keen to learn more about Virginia King's 'Nikau Vessel' on Heretaunga Street.

## Second public art walking tour just around the corner

**After the successful Spring Public Art Walking Tour, Hastings City Art Gallery is pleased to welcome art enthusiasts to the second tour hosted by art student and art gallery volunteer Ella Ayto and local landscape artist John Eaden.**

The second tour will be held in January and following the success of the first, numbers are expected to grow.

Thirteen pieces have been chosen as the focus of the tours – to be held seasonally over the year. They traverse a range of styles, from mural painting and carving, to stencil art, sculpture and stained glass.

The inaugural free event took place in October 2017 and the dozens of art enthusiasts came along for the day. Such a turnout not only signalled that there is a place for these tours but indicated that there is real interest in the artworks that adorn our streets and enhance pride in our town. The fact that it was a typical sunny day was an added bonus!

Tour host John Eaden's 2016/17 work 'Towards the Grand Tour' has been exhibited in the Alcove and Foyer of Hastings City Art Gallery since November. Eaden toured Italy and was able to research locations in the Vatican Gardens and in Padova in the north. Echoes of these works are also applied by Eaden to his landscapes of Hawke's Bay.

**Hastings City Art Gallery is open daily from 10am – 4.30pm and entry is FREE.**

**Tourers should meet at the entrance to the Hastings City Art Gallery for an 11am start. The summer tour will be held on Friday 19 January.**

# Ben Pearce: Life will go on long after money



Ben Pearce, Life will go on long after money, 2017.

A new large-scale work by sculptor Ben Pearce has been installed in the Hastings City Art Gallery. Based on the true story of a man who built himself a get-away on the boulder bank of Nelson's inlet, Pearce's sculpture is a fascinating revisit of the event in which Ben himself played a surprising role.

Pearce completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts in 2003, majoring in sculpture at Whanganui Quay School of Fine Arts and has exhibited regularly in New Zealand and Australia since.

His work has featured in shows discussing sculpture in New Zealand at City Art Gallery, Sergeant Gallery, Suter Gallery and Whakatāne Gallery. He has work held in public and private collections.

His work 'Great Grandfather Clock' won the

2009 Waikato youth award, his work Mergar won the Moly Morpeth Canaday Award in 2014, and in 2016 Stone Age Eight Gauge won the Number 8 Wire Award.

He was selected by Warwick Brown for his collectors guide 'Seen this Century', which features 100 contemporary New Zealand artists.

'Life will go on long after money' will be in the Holt Gallery from 9 December 2017 through to 25 March 2018

Hastings City Art Gallery warmly invites you to the opening of these two exhibitions, Paratene Matchitt's HUI and Ben Pearce's 'Life will go on long after money' on Friday 8 December 2017 from 5.30pm.

## Christmas and New Year Hours

### Rubbish and recycling

No changes to kerbside recycling; all collections will run on the usual days throughout Christmas and New Year

#### Blackbridge Refuse Transfer Station

Mondays: 7.30am to 5pm  
Saturday and Sunday: 9am to 5pm  
Closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day

#### Henderson Road Refuse Transfer Station

Monday to Saturday: 7.45am to 4.30pm  
Sunday and public holidays: 9.45am to 4.30pm  
Closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day

### Recycling Only

#### 7 days a week, 24 hours a day

- Martin Place, Havelock North
- Waimarama Domain, Waimarama
- Pukehemoamo
- Tutira
- Poukawa

### Hastings District Council

#### Hastings District Council Customer Service Centre

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| • Friday 22 December 2017<br>8am - 3pm                     | • Friday 29 December 2017<br>8am - 3pm                |
| • Monday 25 December 2017<br>Closed                        | • Monday 1 January 2018<br>Closed                     |
| • Tuesday 26 December 2017<br>Closed                       | • Tuesday 2 January 2018<br>Closed                    |
| • Wednesday 27 & Thursday<br>28 December 2017<br>8am - 5pm | • Wednesday 3 - Friday 5<br>January 2018<br>8am - 5pm |

Our 24 hour call centre, phone 06 871 5000, will remain open throughout the holiday period.

### Hastings District Libraries

(including Hastings, Havelock North and Flaxmere)

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| • 25 December: Closed                | • Open Sun 31 December<br>1 - 4pm Hastings only |
| • 26 December: Closed                | • 1 January: Closed                             |
| • Open 27 - 29 December<br>9am - 6pm | • 2 January: Closed                             |
| • Open Sat 30 December<br>10am - 4pm | • Open 3- 6 Jan - 9am-6pm                       |

### Aquatic Hastings Pools

**Clive Pool:** closed on Christmas and Boxing Day  
**Frimley Pool:** open 7 days, 10am-6pm, closed  
**Swim Heretaunga:** closed 17 Dec-late Jan for maintenance  
**Village Pool:** closed Christmas and Boxing Day.  
Open 11am-6pm New Year's Day  
**Splash Planet:** closed Christmas Day

### Flaxmere Community Centre & Flaxrock Gym Swansea Road

Closed at 6pm 22 December 2017 and reopen 3 January 2018

### Camberley Community Centre, Kiwi Street

Closed from 22 December to 3 January

### Hastings Sports Centre, Railway Rd

Hastings Sports Centre is closed for maintenance until 5 February 2018.

### Transport

For public transport queries, see: gobus.co.nz or phone 06 835 9200.

# SPLASH PLANET



## SQUIRT'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

**FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER - 10.30AM - 12PM**

It's Squirt's birthday! Come along for a party at Tiny Town with lots of giveaways! There will be face painting and cupcakes to decorate, while DJ Red Alert provides the tunes.

## TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

**FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER - 10.30AM - 12PM**

Join us in Tiny Town for a Teddy Bear's Picnic with candy floss and storytelling by Fairy Rosebud. Bring along your favourite teddy and it will get its own special certificate!

## PIRATE PARTY



**FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER - 10.30AM - 12PM**

We're having a pirate party! Dig for treasure, get a pirate tattoo and bring your togs to enjoy our new Toddler Island.

SPLASH PLANET IS A GREAT PLACE FOR YOUR UNDER FIVES.

**3 YEARS AND UNDER GO FREE!**



3 and under Free • Children under 5/Spectator \$5. Entry includes use of the Toddler Pools & Fantasyland Express Train  
**1001 Grove Road, Hastings • splashplanet.co.nz**

# Little eco warriors

Little eco warriors in Flaxmere are taking up the battle on behalf of the environment, and their efforts have been nationally recognised.

Morgan Educare won the Sustainable Schools Award at the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Awards last week.

While the youngsters are not so much aware of the importance of the award; there is no doubt they are aware of the environment, says centre manager Paula Mihaka. "We've got one young warrior who saw an adult in the park drop some litter and he called him on it. You have a 4-year-old seeing this and knowing it's not right. That's what education about protecting our environment is all about."

"Sustainability is at the heart of what we do", Mrs Mihaka said; from river clean ups and tree plantings, to recycling, vegetable growing and worm farming. The long-term goal is to become a school focussed on permaculture: sustainability and self-sufficiency. "Permaculture is about every time you touch something you try and improve it."

To achieve that, the centre has installed solar panels, upcycled massive tractor tyres to make edible gardens; put in a worm farm to help deal with scraps and to provide a natural plant food; organised for a local pig farmer to take the scraps the worms cannot deal with; put in a compost bin; collects unwanted clothing from staff and whānau to give away at a local market, and recycles all paper products.

Next on the list is the collection of rain water from the roof into tanks, to be used for water play and garden watering. It will not just be any old water play – the

team have come up with a plan for a 'stream' which the children can manipulate using engineering processes; smaller but not dissimilar to the community version in the Havelock North Village Green.

The cost of the system is about \$6500, and the \$2000 prize money from the award will go towards it.

To help raise the rest of the funds, the school is putting together a book called Listen to the Taniwha, aimed at encouraging other children to help look after the environment. With beautiful photos and simple language, it shows the piles of litter the children have found in public places and cleaned up, and how upset the children are that special places are used to dump rubbish.

Their litter clean ups are not limited to the riverside; the youngsters don gloves for their weekly walk to the library and pick up litter on the streets and join primary and secondary students for their monthly clean up in the area around the college. "It is all about educating and raising awareness; starting with our own tamariki who can help spread the message into the wider community as they grow," said Mrs Mihaka, before leading off a snaggle of children to water the vege gardens.

The award was one of three for Hastings. Havelock North won Most Beautiful Suburb, and Hawke's Bay Farmers' Market won Most Sustainable Business Project. Hastings District councillor Henare O'Keefe as Keep New Zealand Beautiful's 2017 Local Hero.



## Water Conservation

It's always important that we use water wisely, especially in the warmer months. We encourage the community to conserve water whenever and wherever possible. Our joint campaign with Napier City Council this year will feature a host of water conservation tips and here are just a few:



### IN THE GARDEN

- Use a timer for garden sprinklers so you don't forget to turn them off.
- Water at cool times of the day; early in the morning is ideal.
- Avoid watering in windy weather, to reduce evaporation.
- Soak rather than spray, every fourth day.



### IN THE KITCHEN

- Scrape dirty dishes rather than rinsing them, and make sure the dishwasher is full before you run it.
- Put the plug in before you wash dishes or vegetables (and don't forget to put vegetable scraps on the garden).



### IN THE LAUNDRY

- Your washing machine can use up to a bath-full of water per load, so either wait till you have a full load, or if your washing machine has an adjustable water level setting, use it.
- Ask about water efficiency next time you buy a new washing machine



### IN THE BATHROOM

- Don't leave the water running while shaving or brushing your teeth.
- Take shorter showers.
- Installing a low flow showerhead can save up to 50 litres per shower.
- Run shallow baths rather than filling the tub right up.
- Check for leaks in your toilet cistern by putting a few drops of food colouring in.
- If you don't have a dual flush toilet, put a brick in the cistern to reduce the amount of water used with each flush.
- Don't use the toilet just to flush away rubbish such as facial tissues - if you can, put it in the bin.



### AROUND THE HOME

- Install covers on pools and spas to lessen water evaporation.
- Park the car on the lawn when washing it.
- Fix leaky taps with new washers - if it still leaks, call a plumber.

If you notice any water leaks in your neighbourhood please call Hastings District Council 06 871 5000 so we can get them fixed as quickly as possible.

## Water Restrictions

A hot dry summer and a high demand on water requires the Council to place restrictions on water use. The nature of the restrictions can vary from Level 1 Conservation through to Level 4 where there is a total sprinkler and hose ban. We have a number of these water restriction signs around our district so please note where the arrow is pointing in your area over the next few months and make sure you contribute to water conservation under the restrictions.



## Hastings District Libraries



**HASTINGS LIBRARY** – Cnr Eastbourne and Warren Sts  
**FLAXMERE LIBRARY** – Swansea Road  
**HAVELOCK NORTH** – Te Mata Road  
**For opening hours please visit**  
[www.hastingslibraries.co.nz](http://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz)



### From 27 November

#### SUMMER SPARKS

READING PROGRAMME 5-12 YEAR OLDS

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### From 27 November

#### #SUMMERFUN

READING PROGRAMME 13-18 YEAR OLDS

#summerfun is a holiday programme designed for teens aged 13 to 18 (years 9 -13). The goal is to complete challenges to win prizes! For details and to register go to: <https://www.hastingslibraries.co.nz/summerfun>

### 14 December

#### MAKE, CREATE, DO

HASTINGS LIBRARY

3:30-4:30PM

For the final session of the year come along and work on Christmas crafts. Suitable for 8+ years.

### 16 December

#### PAINT ON YOUR FEET

HAVELOCK NORTH LIBRARY

10.30-11.30AM

Dance music + sheets of canvas + PAINT ON

YOUR FEET = Celebrating reopening our library! (old clothes are a must)

### 28 December

#### MAKER SPACE – ROBOT CRAFT LAB

FLAXMERE LIBRARY

10:30AM – 12PM

Design and build it out of cardboard and craft bits. All ages welcome.

### 9 January

#### MAKERSPACE CHALLENGE: WOOL!

FLAXMERE LIBRARY

10:30AM – 12PM

Come along and feel inspired to create something amazing using wool and other craft items. The only limit is your imagination. All ages welcome.

### 15 January

#### MAGICAL MAKER SPACE – HARRY POTTER WANDS!

FLAXMERE LIBRARY

10:30AM – 12PM

Come along and create your own Harry Potter Wand in preparation for Harry Potter Book Night on 1 February. Suited for Ages 10+

### 18 January

#### CREATE YOUR OWN SUPERHERO

HASTINGS LIBRARY

10:30-11:30AM

Will they fly, time travel, have x-ray vision or superhuman strength? Only you know so come along and bring your superhero dreams to life.

### 18 January

#### BECOMING BOOKISH WITH KEIRUNGA

HAVELOCK NORTH LIBRARY

1-3PM

Make a booklet using needle and thread with Margot. Best suited for ages 5+

## Hastings City Art Gallery



Open every day from 10am - 4.30pm FREE ENTRY  
 Ph: 871 5095 or E: [hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz](mailto:hastingsartgallery@hdc.govt.nz)  
[www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz](http://www.hastingscityartgallery.co.nz)

### EXHIBITIONS

#### Until 21 January

##### JOHN EADEN: TOWARDS THE GRAND TOUR

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#### 8 December

##### SUMMER EXHIBITIONS OPENING EVENT

5.30PM

Join us to celebrate the opening of two new exhibitions, Paratene Matchitt's 'HUI' and Ben Pearce's 'Life will go on long after money'.

#### 9 December - 18 March

##### PARATENE MATCHITT: HUI

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#### 9 December - 25 March

##### BEN PEARCE: LIFE WILL GO ON LONG AFTER MONEY

Sculptor Ben Pearce installs a large-scale work in the gallery. Based on the true story of a man who built himself a get-away on the boulder bank of Nelson's inlet, Pearce's sculpture is a fascinating revisit of the event in which Ben himself played a surprising role.

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

#### 11 December

##### ART FOR TOTS

10.30-11.30AM

A fun and playful art experience for under-fives and their adults. Koha, booking required.

#### 16, 18, 23, 25 January

##### KIDS DROP-IN ART DAYS 10AM – 4PM



Drop in with your kids these school holidays for some fun and engaging art activities based on current exhibitions.

All day at the gallery for kids and their adults – just drop in and create! No booking required.

#### 17 & 24 January

##### SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

10.30AM – 12.30PM

Looking for something fun to do these school holidays? Book in for one of our fun and creative workshops for kids based on current exhibitions.

For 6 – 12 year olds, \$10 per person, booking required.

#### 19 January

##### PUBLIC ART WALKING TOURS 11AM



Join our Hastings City Art Gallery guides Ella Ayto and landscape artist John Eaden for the second fascinating tour of much loved public art of Hastings. Meet at the gallery entrance in Civic Square.

## Arts Inc. Heretaunga



106 Russell St South FREE ENTRY  
 Ph: 878 9447 or E: [info@artsinc.co.nz](mailto:info@artsinc.co.nz)  
[www.artsinc.co.nz](http://www.artsinc.co.nz)

#### Until 24 December

##### CHRISTMAS ARTS AND CRAFTS BAZAAR

Arts Inc. Heretaunga, 106 Russell Street  
 Mon – Fri 9.30am – 4pm Sat 10am-4pm. This hugely popular annual event offers hundreds of unique, handcrafted items for sale from local Hawke's Bay artisans. It's a great opportunity to find one-of-a-kind objects and artworks that you won't find anywhere else



## Aquatics Hastings



Open every day from 10am to 4.30pm  
 Phone (06) 8715000 or email: [council@hdc.govt.nz](mailto:council@hdc.govt.nz)  
[www.aquaticshastings.co.nz](http://www.aquaticshastings.co.nz)

### 14 January

#### VILLAGE POOL PARTY

TE MATA ROAD, HAVELOCK NORTH

Come along to the Village Pool party! Giant inflatables and pool toys, spot prizes and get your bomb on at the bombing comp!

### 21 January

#### FRIMLEY POOL PARTY

FRIMLEY ROAD, FRIMLEY

Don't miss the Frimley Pool Party! Brand new inflatables, sausage sizzle and spot prizes all day!

## Splash Planet



Open every day from 10am to 5.30pm  
 Phone 06 8738033 or email: [info@splashplanet.co.nz](mailto:info@splashplanet.co.nz)  
[www.splashplanet.co.nz](http://www.splashplanet.co.nz)

### 8 December

#### TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

10.30AM – 12PM

Join us in Tiny Town for a Teddy Bears' Picnic with candy floss and storytelling by Fairy Rosebud. Bring along your favourite teddy and it will get its own special certificate! 3 year olds and under FREE, children under 5/Spectator \$5 – includes Toddler Pools and Express Train.

### 15 December

#### PIRATE PARTY

10.30AM – 12PM

Come along to Toddler Island! Dig for treasure, get a pirate tattoo and bring your togs to enjoy the new Toddler Island. 3 year olds and under FREE, children under 5/Spectator \$5 – includes Toddler Pools and Express Train.



# TSB Carols in Cornwall Park

**17 December**

Cornwall Park, Tomoana Road  
 4.30pm-7.30pm

Bring a picnic, enjoy the live music, sing some carols and get into the Festive spirit. Kids activities, pony rides, food vendors and of course Santa will be there, and more...This event is not to be missed!





## Events & Activities in the Hastings District

### ALL MONTH

#### Every Saturday



##### BLACK BARN GROWERS' MARKET

BLACK BARN VINEYARDS, HAVELOCK NORTH. 9AM - 12PM  
Under a big ring of plane trees the canvas covered market is nestled in the heart of the vineyard. As well as all the seasonal produce, the market is crammed with freshly baked bread, locally roasted coffee, flowers, meat, pickles, olive oil, organic veggies, lavender products and more.

#### Every Sunday



##### HAWKE'S BAY FARMERS MARKET

SHOWGROUNDS HAWKE'S BAY, KENILWORTH ROAD - 8.30AM - 12.30PM

Rain, hail or shine, the farmers markets will go on! Come along and meander the market, taking in the local produce, artisan goods or delectable breakfast options accompanied by sweet tunes by local musicians. [hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz](http://hawkesbayfarmersmarket.co.nz)

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

#### 3 December

##### HASTINGS CHORAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

ST MATTHEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, 200 KING ST SOUTH, HASTINGS

4PM - 6PM DOOR SALES ONLY \$25

A concert of seasonal music, directed by Joe Christensen with Anna Hansen (piano) and guest soloists. Ticket price includes refreshments after the concert.

#### 9 December



##### COX PARTNER CHRISTMAS AT THE PARK

ANDERSON PARK, NAPIER

Family-friendly Christmas event with live music, face painting and fairground rides (fee applies for fairground). Gates open at 2pm, children's entertainment starts at 4pm, stage entertainment begins at 5pm. The evening finishes at 9:30pm with the fireworks display.

#### 9 December



##### "LIGHT THE WORLD" COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK VARIETY SHOW

FLAXMERE PARK, HENDERSON ROAD, 6PM - 8.30PM

Hosted by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, bring your family and enjoy local entertainment. Food stalls, carolling, kids lolly scramble, and more.

#### 9 December



##### ABBEY CELLARS SUMMER SESSIONS

MARAEKAKAHO ROAD, 1 - 4PM

Bring your friends and family along and kick back to chilled sounds of local artists.

#### 14 December

##### HASTINGS TWILIGHT CHRISTMAS AT THE RACES

HB RACECOURSE, FIRST RACE 3.30PM

This relaxing Thursday afternoon is filled with live entertainment, fine food, thrilling thoroughbred action and all the joys of Christmas!

For tickets: [www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz)

#### 16 December - 7 January

##### FIESTA OF LIGHTS

SHOWGROUNDS HAWKE'S BAY, KENILWORTH ROAD 9PM - 11PM \$6 DOOR SALES ONLY

Dazzling light displays scattered along a tree-lined trail are surrounded by thousands of sparkling fairy lights. Entertainment on 31 Dec only includes a delightful mime artist, hula hoop champion Grace Raven and classic hits band Pulse. [www.fiestaoflights.co.nz](http://www.fiestaoflights.co.nz)

#### 17 December

##### HB FABRIC HOARDERS SOCIAL SEWING

KEIRUNGA GARDENS, 11AM - 3PM

This is a group for sewers, dressmakers, quilters and fabricaholics. A friendly, supportive, relaxed and fun environment in which to sew. Suitable for all experience levels. Bring your sewing machine, extension cord, multiway power board and all your supplies along with \$7 for venue hire.

#### 17 December

##### SUNDAY SESSIONS

TE AWANGA ESTATE

12PM - 5PM

Summer in Te Awanga at its finest! Entry is \$5 at the gate, kids under 14 are free. Bring a picnic rug, sit back, relax, and tuck in to the world-famous-in-Te-Awanga pizzas and platters. No BYO, but bring your dance shoes!

#### 21 December



##### HARCOURTS HASTINGS CITY NIGHT MARKET

HASTINGS CLOCK TOWER, RUSSELL ST SOUTH

5PM - 9PM

The Hastings CBD Mall will be transformed for the special Christmas Night Market. There will be Santa, carols and treats for all, as well as your chance to pick up some last minute stocking stuffers, or just have a great night out with family and friends.

#### 24 December



##### CHRISTMAS EVE AT HAWKE'S BAY FARMERS' MARKET

8.30AM - 12.30PM

All your last minute Christmas preparations will be covered, from fresh locally grown vegetables and berries, meats, condiments and nibbles, wine and delightful treats, or the last of your gifts. Listen to live music from Deco Bay Brass Band playing the odd Christmas tune.

#### 31 December



##### NEW YEAR'S EVE AT

##### HAWKE'S BAY FARMERS' MARKET

8.30AM - 12.30PM FREE

Stock up for your evening ahead, show off some of the best produce from the region to your guests with a large choice of cheeses, preserves, meats, breads, salads, vegetables, fruits, beverages and so much more.

#### 1 January

##### INTERISLANDER SUMMER FESTIVAL HASTINGS RACES

HB RACECOURSE

GATES OPEN: 10.30AM

Gather a group of family and friends and get on-course for a day of exciting racing action, live music and free kids entertainment. Pack a picnic or indulge in some of Hawke's Bay's finest fare and wine.

For tickets: [www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbayracing.co.nz)

#### 5 - 10 January

##### SUMMER CYCLING CARNIVAL

The Hawke's Bay Summer Cycling Carnival is a series of events that combines full-on competitive cycling, Elite Road National Championships, and heaps of other cycling events for kids, families and adults. Check out their website for details on each event. [www.summercyclingcarnival.co.nz/carnival-events](http://www.summercyclingcarnival.co.nz/carnival-events)

#### 6 - 13 January

##### NATIONAL GOLF CROQUET TOURNAMENT

HERETAUNGA AND MAREWA CROQUET CLUBS

Croquet Hawke's Bay is hosting the NZ Golf Croquet Championships. Play starts at 8.30am each day.

Spectators welcome.

#### 14 January



##### WAIMARAMA BEACH DAY

WAIMARAMA BEACH, HARPER RD

9AM - 4PM

Great chance for the whole family to relax and enjoy a day out at the beach while raising money for the team at Waimarama Surf Lifesaving Club. Fun competitions, prizes, food stalls and kids activities.

#### 20 January

##### BRIDGE PA WINE FESTIVAL 2018

BRIDGE PA TRIANGLE WINE DISTRICT,

305 NGATARAWA ROAD

10AM - 6PM \$38

Eight Wineries will be connected by Hop On/Hop Off buses to allow attendees to visit multiple wineries and enjoy a wide range of wine experiences. Each winery has different offerings of wine, food, and music.

For tickets: [www.eventfinda.co.nz/2018/bridge-pa-wine-festival-2018/hastings](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2018/bridge-pa-wine-festival-2018/hastings)

#### 26 December - 5 January

##### BLACK BARN OPEN AIR CINEMA

BLACK BARN VINEYARDS, HAVELOCK NORTH, 7.30PM-11.30PM \$20

Moviegoers can relax on grassed terraces in the amphitheatre while enjoying onsite catering or their own picnic. For movies and tickets: [www.blackbarn.com](http://www.blackbarn.com)

#### 24-27 January



##### SE3D SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM

ALBERT SQUARE 9AM - 6PM

Regular visits over this symposium are encouraged as featured sculptors using mediums such as chainsaw carving, Oamaru stone, pottery, wood carving and mixed media sculptors. The finale for the symposium will be an auction starting at 3pm on Saturday 27 January where all works will be up for sale.

#### 27 January



##### JAZZ ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

DAVID PAQUETTE, VILLAGE GREEN 4 - 6PM

Bring along a blanket and picnic while David Paquette takes to the stage with his baby grand piano. A perfect opening act for the summer series, Paquette a regular performer in New Orleans' French Quarter. Paquette has opened for Dr John and Taj Mahal, Bette Midler and the Pointer Sisters at San Francisco's Boarding House.

#### 28 January



##### SUMMER IN THE PARK

NAIROBI TRIO, CORNWALL PARK 3 - 5PM

Don't miss New Zealand's favourite Jazz entertainers the Nairobi Trio who will open the summer in the park series. Formed in March 1989, the Nairobi Trio continue to write and record music and tour internationally. Nairobi Trio are John Quigley on Guitar, Peter Koopman on Double Bass and Richard Adams on violin.

**Summer in the Park**

**Cornwall Park**  
Sundays 3-5pm  
28 Jan-25 Feb

**Jazz on the Village Green**

**Havelock North**  
Saturdays 4-6pm  
27 Jan-24 Feb

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