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What's Coming Up?

- **E-Day, 6 November, Stratford Transfer Station.**
- **Red Nose Day has returned! And it is being held on November 19.** Support the cause and buy red nose day apparel from Paper Plus or Shell Service Stations. For more information go to www.curekids.co.nz.
- **Stratford Christmas Parade, 26th November, 6.30pm.** This years theme is 'A Walt Disney Christmas'. For more info contact Erin Self on 765 6099.
- **Stratford A&P Show, 27-28 November 9am-4pm both days.**
- **Jack Johnson Live at the TSB Bowl of Brooklands, 28 November.** Tickets from www.ticketmaster.co.nz.
- **Country Music Supporters Travel Group** are heading to the Opunake Country Music Club on **21 November**, pick-ups begin 11.30am, depart Stratford Information Centre 12noon, Eltham bus Stop 12.10. Contact George Worsley on 765 7622 after 7pm, cost \$10. 00.
- **Mayoral Reception, Saturday 11 December.**
- **Citizenship, Wednesday 15 December.**
- **Christmas Gifts for the less fortunate are being collected up until the 21 December.** Contact Council for more information.
- **School Holiday Program, 17 - 28 January.**
- **Whangamomona Republic Day, 22 January.**
- **Camp Quality, 18 - 23 January.**
- **Mayoral Bike Challenge! Friday 11 February.** Contact Gemma on 06 765 6099 for more information.
- **Summer Nights Music Concert, Friday 18 February.** Enjoy an evening in King Edward Park listening to a live band before Summer draws to an end!
- **Children's Day, Sunday 6 March.**

Did you know?

- Community House at 52 Juliet Street (next to the Anglican church) is set to be officially opened in January!
- Council's Community Development Officer Kate Whareaitu will be taking Maternity Leave next year and we are happy to welcome Jessica Brocas to the role while she is away. Please feel free to come meet Jess at the Council.
- The Community Services Team love to hear about your own events and ideas about community events. Come in and see us at Council!
- That Taranaki's own Michael Self is the new face of LOTTO!



TARGA RALLY



Some of the photos from last week's Dunlop Targa Rally, Wednesday 22 October. Stratford District Youth Council and Stratford High School Netball team put on a carwash for the cars involved.

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LESS THAN 2 MONTHS 'TIL CHRISTMAS!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE

With Christmas approaching fast it is that time of year to think about the fortunes that life offers and remember that not everyone is as privileged or has as lovely a Christmas as others.

Every year Stratford District Council puts up their Christmas tree and invites the community to donate gifts for the less fortunate children or elderly in the district. We welcome anyone to take part by placing gifts under the Christmas tree in the foyer of the Council building. Gifts will be accepted up until Tuesday 21 December 2010 to allow distribution prior to Christmas Day.

If you would like any more information about this donation please ask for Kate Whareaitu at the Stratford District Council Office.

Did you know that you can view the Community Newz & Viewz online, at www.stratford.govt.nz



A Note from PJ ...

Oh where has 2010 gone? It only seems like yesterday we were celebrating another successful Children's Day and Mayoral Bike Challenge with over 200 children at the TSB Pool in March and now the Team is busy planning the Mayoral Reception (11 December) and various Christmas activities. Our Council Christmas Tree never fails to be absolutely loaded with generous gifts from the community for those less fortunate and it has been my pleasure for the past 20 years to work with local social services and the Mayor to see that the gifts are distributed to those in need. Thank you to those who give so much.

Highlights for the Community Services Team in 2010 would have to include the conclusion of the feasibility study for the "Focus on Youth - Youth Centre" project. This has now been taken up by the Youth Trust and PAC (Youth Works) who together with the Youth Council will make the Youth Centre concept become a reality for our young people and wider community in the foreseeable future. The Community House, on Juliet Street is scheduled to be officially opened mid to late January and will provide a much needed home for local and regional social agencies and community support groups who provide their services within our community. A really positive and forward thinking project. The new Health Centre too, is looking good as it nears completion and again will bring together a number of health services for the betterment of our community. So, what a year for progress.

Add to this the "bridging the gap" community forum; several positive ageing forums; the Area 201 Nesian Mystik concert; Stratfords of the World and Baldricks Big Day Out; the establishment of another before and after school care facility for children; and Community Patrols and security camera monitoring by the Safe Trust and Stratford Police - (to name a few activities) and we can see where the year has gone.

And 2011? Well the Community Services Team look forward to working closer with our community addressing concerns and issues around well being. So if something is niggling you - please give us a call. We might be able to help. Merry Christmas to All
PJ :)



CHRISTMAS FUN!

Stratford Christmas Parade

This year's Christmas Parade is being held on Friday 26th of November at 6.30pm. The theme is 'A Walt Disney Christmas'. Registrations for floats close on the 17 November 2010 so if you haven't already please fill out the registration form on the following page. For any further info contact Erin at the Council. Don't miss out on another memorable Christmas Parade this year!



Shop Local this Christmas and go in the draw to WIN a 'Shopping Spree' by spending a minimum of \$10 in participating Stratford stores.

Listen to MORE FM during the first two weeks of December when they will draw 10 finalists who then need to be onsite for the major prize draw during the More FM breakfast show on 14 December. Each finalist will be given a key opening the 'cracker' of prizes!

Stratford Lights Up Comp

The Stratford Business Association will again be running the Stratford Lights Up competition with the Stratford Press. The registration form will be in the Stratford Press in the beginning of December with judging being on ei-

ther 11 or 12 December depending on weather. For more information on entering the competition contact Erin Self on 06 765 6099.

Santa's Cave

Don't Forget Santa is coming to town again and he will be residing in his Cave at RJays on Broadway throughout December leading up to Christmas. Hours will be published in the Stratford Press and in store. The Cave decorations are always a lovely sight to see and the kids get to let Santa know what they want for Christmas! Take your whole family along for a visit!



Stratford District
in the heart of Taranaki

STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL CHRISTMAS HOURS

OFFICE

Closes Noon Friday 24 December 2010
Reopens 8.30 am Wednesday 5 January 2011
Phone (06) 765 6099 - All Departments (24 hour service)



LIBRARY

Friday 24 December 2010 - 9.00am - 5.30pm
Saturday 25 December 2010 - **Closed**
Sunday 26 December 2010 - **Closed**
Monday 27 December 2010 - **Closed**
Tuesday 28 December 2010 - **Closed**
Wednesday 29 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 5.30 pm
Thursday 30 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 5.30 pm
Friday 31 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 5.30 pm
Saturday 1 January 2011 - **Closed**
Monday 3 January 2011 - **Closed**
Tuesday 4 January 2011 - **Closed**
Wednesday 5 January 2011 - Normal Hours Resume

Normal Hours:

Monday to Friday - 9.00 am - 5.30 pm
Saturdays - 9.00 am - 12.00 noon
Phone (06) 765 5403

INFORMATION CENTRE

Saturday 25 December 2010 - **Closed**
Sunday 26 December 2010 - 10.00am - 3.00pm
Saturday 1 January 2011 - 10.00am - 3.00pm
Sunday 2 January 2011 - 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

All other days:

Monday to Friday - 8.30 am - 5.00 pm
Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays - 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Phone (06) 765 6708
Fax (06) 765 6709

Vehicle & Driver Licensing

Friday 24 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 4.30 pm
Saturday 25 December 2010 - **Closed**
Sunday 26 December 2010 - **Closed**
Monday 27 December 2010 - **Closed**
Tuesday 28 December 2010 - **Closed**
Wednesday 29 December 2010 - 9.00am-4.30 pm
Thursday 30 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 4.30 pm
Friday 31 December 2010 - 9.00 am - 4.30 pm

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Sunday 2 January 2011 - **Closed**

Monday 3 January 2011 - **Closed**

Tuesday 4 January 2011 - **Closed**

All other days:

Monday to Friday - 9.00 am - 4.30 pm

Saturdays - 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

TSB POOL COMPLEX

Saturday 25 December - **Closed**

Public Hours

Monday to Friday - 11.00am - 6.30pm

Saturday - 9.00am - 6.00pm

Sunday and Public holidays - 11.00am - 6.00pm

Lane Swimming

Monday to Friday - 6.00am - 8.00am, 12noon - 1.00pm, 5.00pm - 6.30pm

Saturday - 9.00am - 6.00pm

Sunday and Public Holidays - 11.00am - 6.00pm

Fifties Forward

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 10.00 am to 11.00 am

Aquarobics

Tuesday and Thursday - 10.30 am - 11.30 am

User Groups

6.30pm - 9.00pm weekdays

Private Hire Available

Contact TSB Pool Complex, Page Street, Stratford

Phone (06) 765 6275

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

Red Lid Bins

All domestic collections will remain unchanged over the Christmas and New Year period.

RECYCLING COLLECTIONS

Green Lid Bin

All recycling collections will remain unchanged over the Christmas and New Year period.

CORDELIA STREET TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station will be closed Christmas Day (Saturday 25 December 2010)

Open all other days during the following hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Wednesday - 10.00am - 1.00pm

Weekend and Public Holidays - 1.00pm - 5.00pm



**Catch the Stratford District Council
Elected Members at the A&P Show on
27 & 28 November - Site no.2!**
**A perfect opportunity to meet the new
Councillors and find out more about what
Council is all about... SEE YOU THERE!**

TRADE GRADUATIONS

On Thursday 4th November the Trade Graduations, a Mayors Taskforce for Jobs Initiative, was held at the Stratford District Council Chambers and hosted by Mayor Neil Volzke. A big congratulations goes out to the following people for graduating in their respective trades.

- National Certificate in Support of the Older Person** - Ellen Burnett, Sandra Kretschmar, Esther Malone.
- National Certificate in Automotive Engineering Level 4** - Jason Pepper
- National Certificate in Carpentry Level 4** - Todd Rooney, Michael McKinley, Reuben Lett, Obed Moffit, James Morresey.



Left: Photo of the 2009 Trade Graduates.

SONNET COMPETITION

Congratulations to the winners of the recent Sonnet Competition, Young Poet Section.

- 1st place : Shae Parsons (12 yrs old) for her sonnet 'Missing Pieces'.
- 2nd place: Jessica Lambert (11 yrs old) for her sonnet 'My Haven'.
- 3rd place: Rebekah Hutchinson (12 yrs old) for her sonnet 'Love?'.

Thank you to everyone for entering, we encourage you to get on board again next year!

FOOD BANK

The Stratford Food Bank drive is on Monday 6th December with pick up time from 6pm. People are encouraged to donate what they can by leaving donations at their letterboxes by 6pm and the Food bank along with Stratford Police and Stratford Fire Volunteers will collect the goods. For more information contact the Stratford food bank on 06 765 8054.

**Do you get nervous when it comes to asking for money?
Would you like some big bucks for your organisation, but you're unsure who to ask or how to ask them with the best success?**

You will want to hear from

Marc A. Pitman a.k.a The Fundraising Coach

Marc Pitman is a professional fundraising coach based in the United States and he really knows how to make money! Author of 'Ask Without Fear', he is a recognised expert who has helped raise millions of dollars for non profit organisations at every end of the scale. From schools to universities, from hospitals to hospices, from community theatres to churches – Marc has a down to earth approach to raising funds and it is completely relevant for groups here in New Zealand.

In his workshop you will discover:

- The 4 simple steps for 'Asking Without Fear'
- The most common mistakes non-profits make when asking for money
- What really motivates people to give – and give to YOU
- Tools for giving every ask the best chance of success

Marc is only speaking in 4 New Zealand regions and SOUTH TARANAKI is one of them.

When: Tuesday 16th November, 9.30am – 12.30pm


Where: Upstairs Lounge (Lounge 2), TSB Hub, Camberwell Road, Hawera

Cost: \$35 / person


PLUS Kerri Tilby (author of The Seriously Good Guide to Fundraising and guest speaker at the JAG Funding Expo held in Stratford in September) will be available to work with participants after the session at no extra charge.

For more information, a registration sheet or to secure your space phone Tracy on 07 571 8819 or email tracy@exult.co.nz.





SBA
STRATFORD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION
Presents....



A 'Walt Disney Christmas' Parade

FLOAT REGISTRATION FORM

Name Business/Organisation: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

We want to enter a float in the Christmas Parade

To register drop off or send before **WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2010** to:
Stratford Business Association, P O Box 320 Stratford District Council,
Miranda Street, STRATFORD, Attn: ERIN
or alternatively ring Erin on 06 765 6099

Christmas parade – Friday 26 November! 6.30pm
Don't miss out!



**GET ON
THE BUS!!**

Get on the bus with the Stratford District Youth Council
and go see **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows!**

Friday 19 November

Tickets available from the Information Centre

Only \$3 Each!

For more information contact Kate
on 06 765 6099



COMMUNITY GROUP PROFILES

The Taranaki Flyer Society Inc.

We are ready to accept new members to help in any way with the restoration of this old engine or just to see it grow!

All are welcome to come and see what we are doing every Sunday at The Old Railway Goods Shed at Celia Street from 11.00am-3.00pm.

We are well on the way in the restoration of the old Steam Engine AB745 that once used to pull the Train from Wellington known as **The Taranaki Flyer**.

What we want now are more members to assist us to get this engine running again to pull trains for people to ride on again, in and around Taranaki and other Places. We believe this is achievable as others have done it so why can't we?!

For any questions please contact:

Harry Hessel

Chairman and Project Manager
Phone 06 754 6695

Peter Hancock

Treasurer
Phone 06 755 1255

Some photos of The Taranaki Flyer. From left to right: 1. The Flyer when it was derailed in Hawera in the 50s, 2. & 3. Working on The Flyer, 4. What the Flyer is destined to look like!



If you want your Community Group profiled in the Newz & Viewz contact Gemma on 06 765 6099.

Central Taranaki Rural Women

Central Taranaki Rural Women has eight branches within the region. These include Kohuratahi, Lowgarth, Mahoe, Makahu, Midhirst, Skinner Rd, Stratford and Toko.

Rural Women New Zealand (RWNZ) are involved in education, health, land use and social issues and are very well respected nationally by the Government for their input within these areas.

We are a philanthropic organisation and not just for people living in rural areas, a lot of our members are urban as well. We are a great organisation for friendship and fun while doing great things for the community.

For further information on becoming a member of one of the above branches or to be an individual member contact Joyce Orr, phone 06 762 8851 or email joyce.orr@clear.net.nz.

Camp Quality is back!

Camp Quality is a week long camp that is dedicated to bringing fun, hope and happiness to children between the ages of 5 and 14 who live with cancer. Last summer Stratford was host to Camp Quality and they loved it so much they are back again this summer! The camp is being held in Stratford at St Mary's Diocesan School from 18 -23 of January 2011.



Many people offer their support to Camp Quality by becoming a companion to one of the kids involved in the camp. If you wish to help Camp Quality you can become a staff member and help with activities or if you wish to donate to Camp Quality you can become a 'Friend of Camp Quality' by supporting their work financially with one-off donations or by being a regular donor.

For more information on helping with Camp Quality and what they are all about you can visit their website at www.campqualitynz.org.nz, Wellington and Central Area.

Some of last year's campers in their awesome costumes at the Duck Race hosted by Stratford District Youth Council.



Stratford Positive Ageing Group

invites you to
Legal Morning Forum

with

Justice of the Peace, Solicitor, Celebrant & Senior Sergeant Darin Haenga

To be followed by a light Luncheon

Thursday 11 November 2010
War Memorial Centre
10.30am - 12noon.



Register with the Stratford District Council on 06 765 6099 or by email to eself@stratford.govt.nz by 9 November 2010

