

Community Co-ordinator Report

Learning



Driver Licence Training:

- The collaboration between Mangakino and Moving Mountains continues with a new driver licence course that started in February. The majority of the participants are studying their learner licence this time around, theory training is being held in the boardroom at the Mangakino library. 3 of the new group are ready to take their test.
- The Mangakino Area School is in a time of positive restructure and change and is currently under the management of MOE. Anyone in the community that has questions or is interested in the future of the school is welcome to make an appointment with the acting Principal Mr. Richard Schumacher.

Earning

- For the first time in a number of years all of the town center shops are full!
- Art & Soul opened an art co-operative at Labour weekend this has a core group of 7 local artists that volunteer their time in the shop which is open every day. The invitation is open for more local arts/crafts people to join up either full time or as a guest.
- The laundromat is open 24/7 and is well used by locals and visitors alike there are now vending machines both food and gaming available to fill in your time.
- Reliable staff skilled and unskilled are still hard to find but local businesses are utilizing social media and local advertising avenues with a focus on employing locally where possible.

EGLT - Mangakino Business After Five (BA5)

- There have been two BA5 get togethers over the summer. One was a shared dinner before Christmas hosted by the Mangakino Hotel. And Gary at the Bus Stop Café hosted the March BA5 which included TDC community Consultation on the LTP, Waste Minimization and Representation Review. There was also the opportunity for community consultation before the BA5 in the Mangakino Town Centre.
- Even though these BA5 Gatherings are sometimes small we are slowly getting engagement from business that have been hard to reach in the past.

Destination Great Lake Taupo (DGLT)

- Updating of information on www.greatlaketaupo.com is ongoing.
- An onsite meeting in Mangakino is set for April to discuss DGLT's contribution to Mangakino / Whakamaru and more specifically the visitor desk and information space located in the library.
- Supported alongside Waikato River Trail at the DGLT booth for the IronMan Expo.

Accommodation

- There is a wide variety of accommodation options now in town including Airbnb, Holiday Homes, Lodge style with shared facilities and hotel style with ensuite bathrooms.
- The demand for accommodations is growing with many visitors from overseas the Mangakino Hotel estimates that 75% of Hotel Guests are international Tourists. Main reasons for staying in Mangakino are:
 1. Cycling
 2. General Tourist stop over used as a base for Taupo, Rotorua, Waitomo

3. It is central
 4. Good midway stop for flights mainly for Auckland.
 5. Cheaper than Rotorua
- The Tour Aotearoa in February / March created a huge demand for accommodation and food providers locally, with 600 registered riders (and approx. 100 unregistered) that all had to come through Mangakino - it is a great opportunity to capitalize on this event. There were many requests for showers and laundry facilities. The Bus Stop Café opened for longer hours to accommodate for the increased demand and were also proactive in advertising their availability on the tour face book page.
 - Feedback via WRT has been “very positive about Mangakino. Business owners need to be congratulated for their hospitality and service. The next tour is in 2020.”
 - There is still a steady demand for contractors needing accommodation and this is usually covered between Mangakino & Whakamaru.
 - A local couple from Mangakino own a motel property in Tokoroa and they are very proactive on sending the overflow our way when they are fully booked.

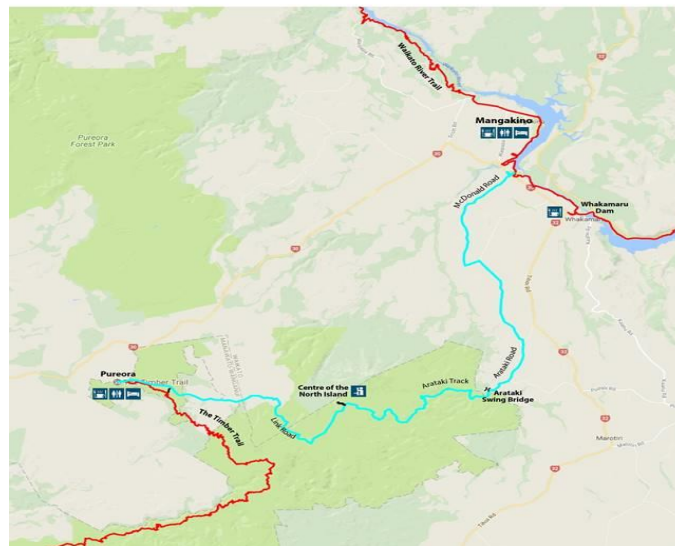
Waikato River Trails

- WRT counter at the Mangakino Golf Course has registered from 1 Jan – 20 Feb 2018

Waikato River Trails	Total traffic for the analyzed period	Daily Average	Busiest day of the week	%
Pedestrians	2128	43	Saturday	47%
Cyclists	2399	48	Saturday	53%

- MBIE Funding has been granted to extend the WRT into Atiamuri Village, this work will commence in the spring and be completed by November 2018.
- A heartland ride link between Timber Trail and Waikato River Trails has been approved. Local roads will be used to link the two rides. A signage plan will be developed and implemented. This will be completed this year.

Centre of the North Island - Heartland Ride



- The trail in the Waipapa dam area has been identified as a priority project by New Zealand cycle trails and MBIE. The steps in the area are unsafe and difficult. A grade 1 alternative has been identified which includes 1900 m of new Trail on the western side of lake Arapuni and a 105m suspension bridge over the Waikato

River. The project will be a big improvement and make the area much more accessible. The project should be completed this winter.

- Taniwha 2018 will be taking place on November 3rd. The 2017 event attracted an increased number of participants from 2016. We are hoping to sustain or grow from last year.

Resource Storage Shed

- Mangakino Central Charitable Trust (MCCT) has the ongoing management of the Storage facility and all space is currently hired out.

Healthy Well & Forward Focused



Mangakino Cosy Homes

- Permanent rentals are thin on the ground and this is a nationwide discussion/issue.
- The Mangakino Cosy Homes project assessed 43 homes in 2017. One of the key areas identified during this process was the need to draft proof some homes that were assessed. At the agreement of the tenant or homeowner if identified a second visit was arranged with a starter pack that enabled a room to be draft proofed with V Seal on the front and back door, an internal door draft stopper, bubble wrap for the windows, two LED bulbs, a mold remover kit and a humidity reader so households can monitor the moisture in their homes and make changes to keep their homes drier and healthier.
- As community education and upskilling are key focus areas of this project there were also a number of free community workshops, including how to fix and plaster a hole in a wall, replacing broken glass in a wooden window frame and energy saving options.
- The Mangakino Health Services are leading the Cosy Homes Project and in additional support of this project a firewood trust fund bank account has been set up, this is to give locals the opportunity to save money during the year for purchasing wood for winter.
- A home energy survey is currently available at the doctor's office when you complete the survey you will receive two LED light bulbs that have been funded through the KCE Heartland Community Fund.
- There is an ongoing positive discussion with The Lines Company to formalize a partnership with the Mangakino Cosy Homes project, this would potentially include funding for further home assessments.



Vibrant

- Early in the summer it was identified that there was the potential for an accident involving a cars & boats v Swimmers at the jetty on the lakefront. A give a little page for a "floating boardwalk" has been very successful and along with a number of community consultation opportunities with all effected parties a plan has been decided and currently a boardwalk and bomb tower that can be attached next to the current pontoon have been ordered.
- Some local businesses feel that this has been one of the busiest summers in town and at the lakefront in recent years
- It has been another vibrant summer with many events including the Christmas Parade, Wakeboarding, the Taniwha, Rowing, Ski Racing.

- The opportunity to join in on regional events like Waitangi Day in Taupō are supported with free bus transport from Mangakino/Whakamaru.

Social Media

- The Mangakino Community Facebook page currently has 1531 likes with 1535 followers. This continues to be the best way to get information quickly out to the community.
- There is a growing number of messages requesting historical information and connections with past friends/family.

Mangakino.net

- Updating current listings with a more vibrant look is ongoing. A change to highlighting the direct link to the business / community page you are viewing is working well and less spam requests are being sent back to the web site host.

October 2017 to February 2018 stats for the Mangakino website are:

- 3631 visits (highest month January)
- 2578 new visits
- 5520 Unique Page Views
- Top countries:
 1. NZ & Australia,
 2. USA & Mongolia
 3. Canada & UK
 4. South Korea

Notice Boards

- Community notice boards are updated regularly including the monthly community calendar which lists local and districtwide events.

Easter Event & Raft Race

- The 2018raft race was a success with 18 rafts competing there were estimated to be around 200 people attending.
- 40 – 50 people attended the Easter Service at the lakefront this is building each year with people coming specifically for this location and service. There is early planning for this to become the main church service at Easter with a smaller evening service being held at St Pauls on the Saturday.



Upcoming events:

Ceramics Workshop

Have you ever wanted to try ceramics?
Well now is your chance!

Kathy will be running 3 - 4 week course that will cover all the basics of clearing the greenware, painting your own design & glazing right through to the finished product.

Starting
Thursday 10th May
@ 7.30pm

Total cost \$35.00
includes 1 plate & mug

Call into Art & Soul
to register your interest



**Due to the high demand
Kathy is now offering a
second set of workshops**



25TH ANNUAL PIG HUNTING COMPETITION

25 YEARS

\$1000 FIRST PRICE

PRICE DIVISION
*HEAVIEST - 9TH
*LADIES/JUNIORS
*BEST HOOKS

**HANGI & STUBBY
FOR ALL LEGAL
HUNTERS**

**ENTRY FEE \$30
JUNIORS \$5**

MAY 5 & 6 2018
MANGAKINO DISTRICT SERVICES AND CITIZENS CLUB

COME AND JOIN US IN OUR SILVER YEAR OF PIG HUNTING
ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 4TH MAY 2018 8PM
WEIGH IN CLOSSES SUNDAY 6TH MAY 3PM SHARP.
JUDGES DECISION FINAL

JUNIORS UP TO AGE 15:

MANGAKINO DISTRICT SERVICES & CITIZENS CLUB
• Environment & Sustainability
• Community of People & Places
• Quality & Value for Money
New Members Welcome - Join Today
177 HANOVER STREET, HANOVER, NEW ZEALAND

ALL ENQUIRIES
THE CLUB 0778828335
LYN 0778828479
OR 0272740933

Example of Cosy Homes Support:



Mangakino Firewood Bank Project

Plan now for a warmer & drier winter 2018

Whanau are already paying into the firewood bank account:

02 0464 0214891 002
ref: Initial & Surname
To start making your payments now.

**If you have any questions please contact
Charlene at Mangakino Health Services**

HOME ENERGY SURVEY

Energy Efficient Light Bulbs (LED)

HOW MUCH POWER?

COMPARE THE COSTS

HEALTHY HOME TEMPERATURE

MOISTURE & HUMIDITY

Pick up a survey from Mangakino Health Services or the Library

COMPLETE THIS SHORT 2 MINUTE SURVEY AND RECEIVE 2 FREE LED BULBS

LED BULBS SPONSORED BY THE KING COUNTRY ENERGY HEARTLAND COMMUNITY GRANT

Examples of advertising over the Summer:

MANGAKINO BUSINESS AFTER FIVE
BA5

ENTERPRISE MANGAKINO

MANGAKINO Discover tranquility



THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER
MANGAKINO HOTEL – 5.30PM ONWARDS
NIBBLES, TEA & COFFEE SUPPLIED
BYO BEER & WINE

Please RSVP to Lisa at mclmangakino@gmail.com or 0274 914 194

MasterCraft
BOARDS N' BBQ'S
GROMS WAKEBOARD COMPETITION
17th March 2018 - Mangakino NZ
Email gromcomp@hotmail.co.nz
for more details




**LAKE MARAETAI FLOATING BOARDWALK
COMMUNITY MEETING
@ MUCKYS BACKYARD BAR THURS 14 DEC 6PM**

*Some people are unsure of what we are doing and
have some concerns..
come to the meeting to find out more*



END OF SUMMER CATCH UP

**MANGAKINO BA5
@THE BUS STOP CAFE**

TAUPO DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL BE ATTENDING FOR
CONSULTATION ON THE LONG TERM PLAN, WASTE
MINIMIZATION & REPRESENTATION REVIEW


**21ST MARCH 2018
START 5.30PM**

Please RSVP to lisa@greatlaketauco.biz or 0274 914 194

**THE MANGAKINO CHRISTMAS EVENT & FLOAT PARADE
IS ON TOMORROW!**

Float Parade starts at 11.30AM

**\$5 WRISTBANDS
FOR UNLIMITED RIDES**
RIDES FOR ALL AGES.
PLENTY OF FOOD.
TAKE A SELFIE WITH
SANTA IN HIS CAVE.
REMEMBER YOUR SUNBLOCK
AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES
IF YOU ARE GOING ON
THE WATER SLIDE



SANTAS WORKSHOPS
PAINT YOUR OWN CERAMIC CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT OR GIFT

**Saturday 16th
December**
11.00am - 2.00pm
All Welcome




Art & Soul



**MANGAKINO OFFERS A
24 HOUR ATM SERVICE.**

Next Payments and 4 Square are pleased to announce the upcoming installation of a long awaited 24-hour access ATM at Mangakino 4 Square. Next Payments is a leading premium ATM provider that services all of New Zealand. The ATM at Mangakino will accept all major bank cards, including international cards.

Mangakino 4 Square is a proudly Kiwi supermarket, servicing the local community.

The 4 Square have partnered with Next Payments as both ATM companies are part New Zealand owned and operated.

Be sure to visit Mangakino 4 Square and their new ATM, the activation is Tuesday 7th of November 2017!

Examples of new website images and layouts:



WOULD YOU LIKE TO GAIN YOUR LEARNER, RESTRICTED OR FULL LICENCE?

GET A FORMAL DRIVING LESSON WITH A REGISTERED INSTRUCTOR

A CAR IS AVAILABLE TO SIT YOUR DRIVING TEST.

WE PAY FOR THE LICENCE

We need 10 committed people to hold this free course.

EACH PROGRAMME HAS A SET OF CRITERIA.

CHECK WITH US TO FIND OUT YOUR ELIGIBILITY.

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST CALL INTO THE LIBRARY WITH YOUR PASSPORT OR BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND YOUR CURRENT LICENCE IF YOU HAVE ONE. LISA WILL SEND THE INFORMATION THROUGH FOR YOU OR EMAIL MCLDMANGAKINO@GMAIL.COM

YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE.

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION IS FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY @3PM DON'T MISS OUT!

Community Event Invitation

Ahea: Friday 17th November 2017

Ki Hea: Te Awhina (Bowling Green)

Te Wa: 7.30pm

Te Utu: \$20.00

Costs includes entry, Kai & Complementary Drink
Tickets Available form Marae Trustees'
Mangakino Community Agency
Mangakino Library



Pouakani Marae 5th Birthday Celebration