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2022

Meet the candidates

Thursday 15 September, 6.30pm and 7pm. Find out more by visiting...

www.southtaranaki.com/vote2022













FREE FAMILY EVENT!

FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER | 6 - 9PM KING EDWARD PARK, HĀWERA

Friday Night Fever will take over Hāwera's King Edward Park for South Taranaki's annual fire and light festival, Elektra.

Get the family together and stroll through the park strewn with lights, groovy discoballs and flower power – for one night only.

We'll make sure the crowds are well fed with a range of food trucks camping out between the stage and the lantern filled trees, entertained by the famous graphic poi and fire shows from Highly Flammable and treated to the musical stylings of Mitch and his Guitar on the main stage.

This family-friendly event has plenty, especially for the kids as well. Don't miss the 'Glow Zone', featuring fabulous glow in the dark art by South Taranaki Creative

Space and Art with Kerryn Kids. These pieces of artwork were created by our very own tamariki here in South Taranaki. The evening will begin with a circus play zone, where children can learn skills including spinning plates, juggling, hoop, and poi with Circus in a Flash Entertainment.

"We encourage families to come down and have a picnic tea (or buy something from one of our food trucks) and see what Elektra has to offer," says Events coordinator Emma Vennell.

Elektra – King Edward Park, Hāwera, Friday 23 September, 6pm – 9pm

Entries closed for Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards

This year's Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards entries have officially closed and now it is time for the judges to read each entry and narrow down the finalists and winners.

"We have seen an increase in entries this year, which is promising for future years if the trend of budding writers and poets continue to bloom in the Taranaki region," says Katherine Bosworth, South Taranaki Community Outreach Librarian.

167 entries were received across all categories (Open Poetry – 83, Open Short Story – 37, Secondary School

Short Story – 12, Secondary School Poetry – 20, True Story – 15) and the finalists will be announced on 3 October.

"Last year we had 148 entries, the year before 124 and 131 in 2019. So, it's great to see the numbers have increased this year," she said.

Notably the True Story Category (formerly known as the Research Category), has also seen a significant increase in entries this year.

"The judges have a difficult task ahead of them. We wish the best of luck to everyone who entered,"

Katherine added.

The list of finalists will be announced on Monday 3
October on www.southtaranaki.com/rhm. All finalists
will be invited to attend the Awards evening on
Wednesday 19 October at TSB Hub in Hāwera.
The Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary
Awards are celebrating their 35th year with judges
Airini Beautrais and Robert Sullivan and sponsors
Lysaght-Watt Trust, Normanby & District Lions Club and
Taranaki Daily News.



Green waste stickers now available

Stickers are now available for the Council's green waste kerbside collection service, which runs from 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2023, says South Taranaki District Council Works Delivery Manager Herbert Denton

"Stickers can be purchased at any time during the year and the price reduces each month, so you only pay for the months you use," says Herbert. "Gold card holders can also enjoy a discount of 20% when you come to purchase the sticker," he says.

The Council's green waste collection is a fortnightly green waste kerbside collection service that urban residents (and rural residents on collection routes) can opt into.

"You can sign up for this service by visiting the Council's administration office in Hāwera, South Taranaki i-SITE Visitor Centre or any LibraryPlus facility throughout the district and buy a sticker that goes on the front of your 240L wheelie bin," says Herbert.

Green waste bins that do not display the new sticker will not be collected from 1 October. The sticker costs \$130 if you buy it before the new subscription year begins.

You can currently buy a 240L bin for \$87 and have it delivered to your door within five working days if you don't have one.

For more information go to **www.southtaranaki.com/greenwaste** or call us toll free on 0800 111 323.

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Clean Up New Zealand Week + Zero Food Waste Challenge

Get your friends, whanau, school, business or local community group together to participate in New Zealand's largest clean up event and to make a positive impact in South Taranaki.

Clean Up New Zealand week kicks off on World Clean Up Day on September 17 and runs until September 23.

Council will do its bit by waiving the transfer station fees when you drop off whatever you collect, but you need to register your group before Wednesday 14 September at **www.southtaranaki.com/cleanupnz** if you are interested.

"It is fantastic to see so many community groups, schools and businesses wanting to do their bit for South Taranaki and take part in Clean Up NZ week," says South Taranaki District Council Environment and Sustainability Manager Rebecca Martin. "It takes a bit of planning for a clean-up to be successful. When you fill out your registration form, you will see we are asking

groups to separate the waste before dropping it to the transfer station so we can recycle as mush as possible." So get your groups together, fill out the registration form and

Want to do even MORE?

let's Clean Up South Taranaki and New Zealand!

Overlapping Clean Up New Zealand week, is the inaugrual Zero Food Waste Challenge, running September 19 - 25. All you have to do is challenge yourself, your household, your work to create zero food waste!

There are many amazing prizes to be won, so sign up before Thursday 15 September at **www.zerofoodwastechallenge.**

Upcoming meetings Extraordinary Environment and

Extraordinary Environment and Hearings Committee

To consider a resource consent application Wednesday 14 September, 9am Theatre Lounge, Albion Street, Hāwera

Extraordinary Council

To make decisions on applications to the Community Initiatives Fund and to approve unbudgeted expenditure for the decarbonisation of the Hāwera Aquatic Centre Monday 19 September, 9am

Audit and Risk Committee Wednesday 21 September, 1pm

Unless otherwise specified, meetings are held in the Council Chamber, Administration Building, Albion Street, Hāwera

Application Period Extended for Natural Environments Fund

The application period for the South Taranaki District Council's Natural Environments Fund has been extended. The application form can be found online at *www.southtaranaki.com/NEF* and applications will be accepted until 5pm on Friday 14 October. Applicants are encouraged to direct any queries to *envirosus@stdc.govt.nz*.

...Speaking of a Zero Waste Food Challenge...

Eltham - Kaponga Ward,

Te Kūrae and Te Tai

Tonga Māori Wards

Venue: Eltham Fire Brigade,

27 London Street, Eltham

Organisation: Eltham Lions Club

Date: 15 September 2022, 7pm



Don't miss award-winning waste education and motivational speaker, Kate Meads at her Foodlover's Masterclass in Hāwera.

The Foodlovers Masterclass aims to save attendees hundreds of dollars a year in wasted food. If your fridge is bursting at the seams, or you just don't get why your bread keeps going mouldy, this masterclass is for you!

Kate works with councils across the country to deliver more than 100 workshops a year. She combines her 15+ years' experience and extensive knowledge with a healthy dose of personality and humour to help make tackling New Zealand's waste issue a lot less daunting.

Tickets are \$19 and come with a free goodie bag with \$120 worth of waste minimisation tools. Go to www.katemeads.co.nz to book tickets and learn more about how we can care for our environment.

Foodlovers Masterclass - Wednesday 28 September, 6pm, TSB Hub. Tickets are limited.

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Meet the Candidates

Te Hāwera Ward, Te Kūrae and Te Tai Tonga Māori Wards

Organisation: Hāwera Business Professional Women and Normanby and Districts Lions Q&A session followed by meet and greet with South Taranaki District Mayoral candidates and candidates for Council, Regional Council and Te Hāwera Community Board.

When: 15 September 2022, 6.30 pm

Venue: Community Centre, Albion Street,

Hāwera

Keep an eye out on your letterboxes!

You should receive your voting documents between 16 - 21 September!



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