



Upcoming Dog Registration Fees

BE IN TO WIN

FOUR \$350 PRIZE PACKS TO BE WON (ONE FOR EACH WARD)

Simply pay your dog registration in full before 31 July and have your email on our file to be automatically included in the draw.

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Upcoming meetings

Te Hāwera Community Board
Monday 29 May, 11am
Ōhawe Hall, Ōhawe Terrace, Hāwera

Pātea Community Board
Monday 29 May, 4pm
Wai o Turi Marae, Lower Kaharoa Road, Pātea

Eltham-Kaponga Community Board
Wednesday 31 May, 10.30am
Taumata Recreation Centre, Preston Street, Eltham

Taranaki Coastal Community Board
Wednesday 31 May, 2.30pm
Ōaonui Hall, 5142 South Road, Ōpunakē

Te Kāhui Mataurura
Wednesday 7 June, 10am

Environment and Hearings Committee
Wednesday 7 June, 4pm

District Plan Review Committee
Wednesday 7 June, 6pm

Unless specified, meetings are held at the Council Chambers, Administration Building, Albion Street, Hāwera.



Join EmpowerYouth!

12 - 24 year olds are being asked to put their names forward to become EmpowerYouth, a committee of like-minded individuals who share two common goals:

- to provide a youth voice for South Taranaki rangatahi through conversations with Council
- to increase youth community engagement

To apply, prepare a two-minute introduction telling organisers why you value your community and what youth voice means to you. Send this, your name, contact number and preferred email address (not your school one) to EmpoweryouthST@outlook.com before Wednesday 31 May.

If you are a dog owner – you need to know of some exciting changes happening this registration period. If we have your email address, please keep an eye out on your inbox as we will be emailing your invoice instead of posting it. Those without emails will get their invoices posted as usual. We also have a competition running this year – if we have your email address and you pay your dog registration in full before the end of business on 31 July 2023, you will automatically go in the draw to win over \$350 worth of goodies as well as your dog registration (of one dog only) refunded on your account. There are four prizes up for grabs, one for each ward, so if you haven't already, let us know your email by 31 July 2023. Find out more on www.southtaranaki.com/dogcompetition to see what is up for grabs and if you are eligible. Any outstanding fees after 31 July will have a 50% penalty applied on 1 August 2023. All dogs three months and over are legally required to be microchipped and registered. If you need to register a new dog, please come in and see us at the Hāwera Administration Building or your local LibraryPlus and we can help you get this done.

If you have any questions, or haven't received an expected dog registration invoice before 30 June 2023, please do not hesitate to contact our Quality Assurance Team on 0800 111 323.

Registration Fees for 2023/24 year

Registration Category	Fee
Urban (town) dog	\$175.00
Urban (town) dog - entire	\$150.00
Selected Owner Policy (SOP) - entire	\$105.00
Selected Owner Policy (SOP) - desexed	\$80.00
Rural - first two dogs (each)	\$68.00
Rural - three or more dogs (each)	\$57.00
Dangerous Dogs	Base Fee + 50%
Disability Assist Dog (<i>Dog Control Act, Schedule 5</i>)	Free

2023 Literary Award Judges announced

Register now for free Adult Short Story and Poetry workshops

The wait is over! The Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards 2023 judges have just been announced. Award organiser, South Taranaki District Council community outreach librarian Katherine Bosworth said it was exciting that all of this year's judges live in Taranaki. "We are so proud of the calibre of judges we've been able to attract to these awards over the last 36 years," she says. "This year is no exception, and it's such a coup that they're all locals too – it's a wonderful thing to be able to showcase some of our local literary superstars."

Short Story judge, **Emma Hislop** (Kāi Tahu), is part of Te Hā Taranaki, a collective for Māori writers. She was shortlisted for the Pikihiua Award, awarded the Louis Johnson New Writers Bursary, a New Zealand Society of Authors Mentorship and was named the Emerging Māori Writer in residence at the Michael King Centre. Her debut collection of short fiction, *Ruin*, was published this year and she is currently working on her first novel. This year's Poetry judge, **Mikaela Nyman**, writes poetry, fiction and non-fiction in English and Swedish. She was a Writer in

Residence for Massey University, Palmerston North City and Square Edge Arts Centre. Her debut poetry collection was shortlisted for the Nordic Council Literature Prize and her second poetry collection is coming in August. She's judged the Given Words National Poetry Day competition for five years. Her debut novel *SADO* ('Shadow/Shadows') was published in 2020. She is a co-editor of the critically acclaimed *Sista, Stanap Strong!* A Vanuatu Women's Anthology and works in collaboration with writers in Vanuatu, Fiji and the Solomon Islands. The judges will be joined by Taranaki Daily News editor **Matt Rilkoff**, who will be judging the True Story section (previously known as the research section).

The judges will be taking free Short Story and Poetry workshops on Saturday 17 June at Te W'anake | The Foundry in Hāwera. Please email librarycontact@stdc.govt.nz if you would like to register. Numbers are limited.