
UPDATE ON RECREATION FACILITIES FOR FEBRUARY 2005

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the board on recreation facilities and programme activity for the month of February 2005. Recreation facilities include Tawa Swimming Pool, Tawa Recreation Centre and Linden Social Centre

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Tawa Community Board:

1. *Receive this information*

3. Tawa Community Pool

- Three windows were broken along the railway side of the main pool on the night of Saturday 12 February 2005. This follows a continuing pattern of vandalism over the summer school holiday period. Subsequently all windows have been replaced with polycarbonate material, which is substantially stronger than glass.

The air handling unit located on the roof above the female change room / main plant room was kicked off its brackets on the night of Saturday 19 February 2005. Left hanging upside down over the edge of the building the oil leaked out and the unit was left running resulting in failure of the motor and need for replacement.

Other frustrating behaviour around car park and Grasslees Reserve has been recorded - tap head stolen off drinking fountain, signs knocked down, increased tagging, youths climbing Trans Rail fence and walk across railway line to Tawa College car park, etc. Facility staff are continuing to work with Police and WCC security personnel on these issues.

- The Gold Coast Swimming Carnival was held on Sunday 13 February, attracting a total of 129 people.
- The Loch Ness Swim Challenge is successful swim programme operating across all Wellington City Pools and to date and has attracted 65 participants at Tawa Pool.
- Tawa Swimming Club has taken up a training option at 6am on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. This has relieved some pressure for lane space experienced in the peak sessions on weekdays between 5pm - 7pm.

- The Swim School at Tawa Pool has for the first time ever broken the magical 800 programme participant level for a term. There are currently 816 registered participants in the public learn to swim programme.

Attendance February 2004/05 and Year to Date

	Feb 05	Total YTD
Adult Swim	1,692	10,466
Child Swim	4,469	30,495
PTL	279	1,978
Under 5's	1,313	9,050
Free Swim	217	1,489
Free Non-swim	2,205	15,061
Spectators	1,442	11,056
Fitness Centre	67	549
Spa/Sauna	93	1,326
Schools	970	9,482
Fifties Forward	111	896
Miscellaneous	1	42
Total	12,859	91,890

Attendance – 5 Year Comparison

	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	Variance
July 04	8335	9075	4639	9697	8850	-847
Aug04	9275	9223	8548	9877	9577	-300
Sept04	9229	10289	9489	10584	11152	568
Oct04	9400	10971	9705	10046	13257	3211
Nov04	9260	14266	12158	10692	13460	2768
Dec04	11374	10857	8676	13811	11251	-2560
Jan05	7663	11142	10359	11486	11483	-3
Feb05	11099	11035	10113	14236	11890	-2346
March05	9711	11063	14698	13194	0	
April05	8772	9038	9856	10504	0	
May05	10018	9849	11864	16582	0	
June05	9930	7626	10223	9154	0	
	114066	124434	120328	139863	90920	491

- Attendance is 1,377 down compared to February 2004. It is pleasing to note that Adult Swims continue to increase up 301 up from last year while child Swims remain steady.
- Total attendance is slightly ahead of 2003/04 and on track to reach the annual plan target of 126,000

4. Tawa Recreation Centre

- Facility flyers went out to all the households this month and we have had some positive enquiries and responses. Three birthday parties have been booked from information sent.
- Confirmed bookings for all available preschool classes in Term One have been completed.
- Promoting and marketing of mini ball leagues goy underway in February and advertising for Term 2 Netball league and preschool programmes is also in progress.
- Over 800 people made use of the recreation centres facilities this month.

5. Linden Social Centre

- Tawa Recreation Centre personnel are planning to use the Linden Social Centre for preschool music & movement classes. Classes should commence with 2nd school term.

Community Halls Attendances								
	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Ngaio	2081	2249	2154	2238	1828	1065	705	1600
Khandallah	1314	1837	1135	1625	1937	1399	220	1447
Vogelmorn	830	895	880	694	340	490	150	615
Linden	1805	1893	1450	1418	983	944	1060	878
People total	6030	6874	5619	5975	5088	3898	2135	4540

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