

**RECREATION FACILITIES IN TAWA - 2007/08 3RD
 QUARTER UPDATE**

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on recreation facilities and activities for the 3rd quarter of the 2007/2008 financial year. Recreation facilities include the Tawa Swimming Pool and Tawa Recreation Centre.

2. Recommendations

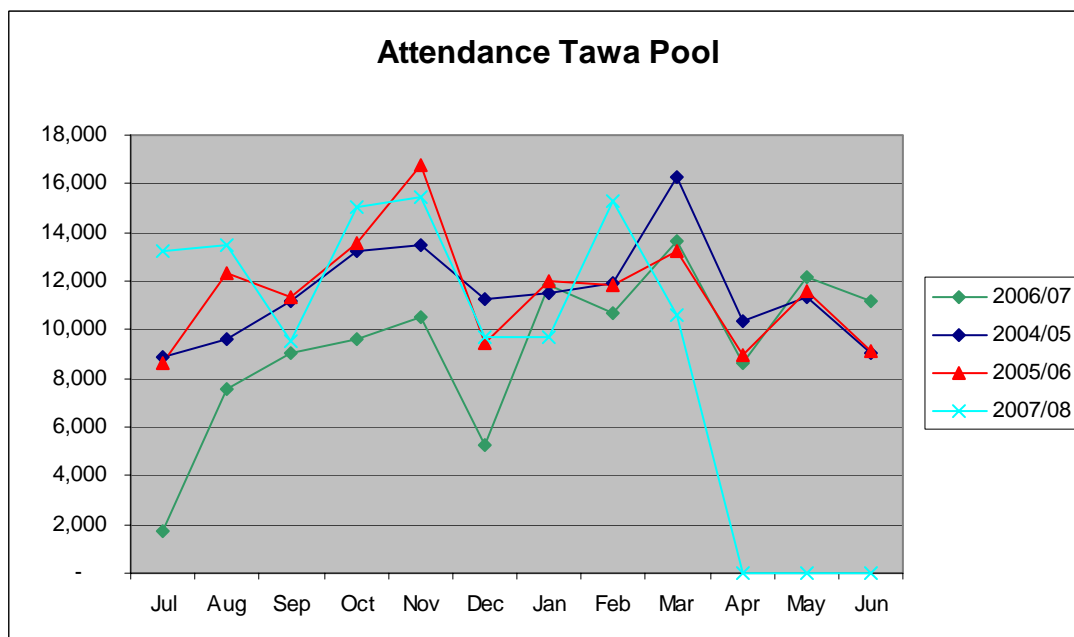
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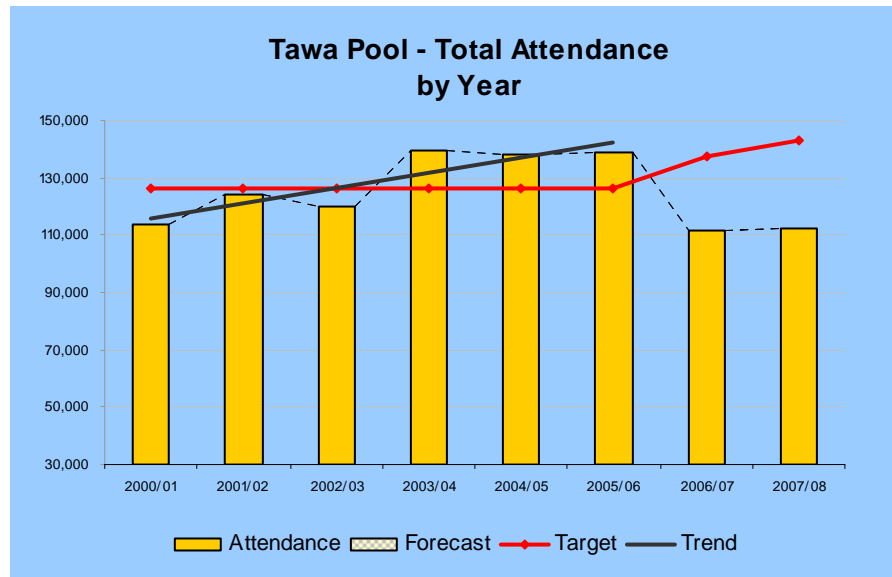
1. *Receive this information.*

3. Tawa Community Pool

Attendance

- Attendance for the 3rd quarter was 35,558 down 619 for the same quarter of 2006/07. The overall year to date attendance (1 July 2007 to 31 March 2008) is 112,056 up 32,268 compared to the same period in 2006/07 and 2,352 ahead of the attendance target set of 109,704. The pool is on track to achieve its 2007/08 annual attendance target of 143,215.





- Last year the pool underwent a scheduled maintenance closure in July and August with some remedial work needing to be continued on the exterior of the building until late November impacting attendances. This was followed with some poor weather in December which resulted in participation levels being slow to return.

Activities

- New starting blocks for the main pool have been ordered and were to have been installed by the supplier Anti-Wave Dibro by the end of the 3rd Quarter. This was not achieved and we are maintaining pressure on the contractor to complete this work as soon as possible.
- We conducted a very successful January School Holiday programme which involved a range of in water and on land activities including the introduction of the new Aquatic Club providing “Learn To” water based skills and fun activities. We received positive feedback on this and have some new ideas for the next holiday programmes.



- Nineteen Tawa Pool operations personnel attended in-house training programmes in the quarter including upskilling in areas of Rescue Response Skills, Customer Service and Comprehensive First Aid Accreditation.
- Major Swim events held during the past three months included the Tawa Swimming Clubs Time Trials and Annual Championships and one of the Gold Coast Swim Carnivals was also held. In the next three months the pool will be host to Swimming Sports for Papakowhai, Churton Park and Tawa Primary Schools.

4. Tawa Recreation Centre

Attendance

| Numbers (Actual) Category | YTD | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Adults | 9,506 | 1,624 | 1,486 | 1,461 | 1,368 | 806 | 424 | 1,041 | 614 | 682 |
| PTL | 360 | 73 | | 66 | 66 | | | 155 | | |
| Children | 5,448 | 849 | 862 | 746 | 937 | 511 | 383 | 378 | 299 | 483 |
| TCC adult | 717 | 71 | 190 | 92 | 102 | 140 | 41 | | 32 | 49 |
| TCC child | 376 | 28 | 140 | 56 | 57 | 76 | 19 | | | |
| Total | 16,407 | 2,645 | 2,678 | 2,421 | 2,530 | 1,533 | 867 | 1,574 | 945 | 1,214 |

**TFC – Tawa Community Centre*

- The Tawa Recreation Centre had a total attendance of for the 3rd quarter of 3,733 which is down for the same period in the previous 2006/07 year. This results from the change of management and operation of the Tawa Community Centre from the Recreation Wellington Business Unit to City Communities who now record these attendances. Customarily good weather also impacts casual participation

indoors at Recreation Centers and this has been evident at all four of the Councils recreation centers during the 3rd quarter.

- The January Holiday programme operated at capacity.
- Planning is underway to develop and after school sports programme for primary school aged children.

Activities

| Brief Description - Current use of Facility | | |
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| Activity | Times of use | Description |
| Hoop Club | Tuesday 4pm – 5.30pm | <i>The Hoop Club meets on a weekly basis and is designed to increase basketball skills for children age 5-12 years.</i> |
| School Holiday Programme | 8.30am-5.30pm daily | <i>Fun filled programmes for 5-12 year olds – Mon 14th January 08 – Friday 2nd February 2008. 45 children non trip days; 35 on trip days trip days</i> |
| Netball League | Wednesdays 6.30pm-10pm | <i>Social Women's Netball includes 10 teams.</i> |
| Porirua Basketball Ass. | Mondays 8pm – 10pm Saturday 9am – 11am | <i>Basketball coaching for U18.</i> |
| Greenacres School Teachers | Mondays 7pm – 8pm | <i>Social soccer.</i> |
| Contenders Boxing Club | Saturday 11am – 12.30pm Extra casual days | <i>Professional pro boxing training for contenders.</i> |
| Laos Community | Sunday 1pm – 3pm | <i>Volleyball tournament training.</i> |
| Ezy Movers | Fridays | <i>Aerobics at the Tawa Community Facility.</i> |
| One off events | | |
| Birthday Parties | 5 Parties | <i>Parties catered for children between 5 - 12 years.</i> |
| Badminton | 4 sessions | <i>Casual</i> |
| Capital City Futsal | 1 session | <i>NZ Squad training.</i> |

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