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REPORT SUMMARY

Report to: Community Services Committee
Meeting Date: 31 May 2012
Report Author: Mike Tasman-Jones, Community Recreation Advisor
Subject: **Community Recreation Advisor Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on activities of the Community and Recreation Department to the Community Services Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Community Services Committee receives the Community Recreation Advisor's Report RCS12-05-03.

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1. GRANTS AND FUNDING ROUNDS

Nelson Tasman Trust Power Community Awards

- 1.1 Nominations open for Nelson Tasman Trust Power Community Awards on Monday 23 April. The Awards acknowledge and reward the work of volunteers. Nominations close: Friday 29 June.
- 1.2 Anyone can nominate a voluntary group for the Awards – groups can even nominate themselves.
- 1.3 The Awards cover five categories; Heritage and Environment, Health and Wellbeing, Arts and Culture, Sport and Leisure, and Educational and Child/Youth Development.
- 1.4 Category winners receive \$500, runners-up receive \$250 and the Supreme Winner will take home \$1,500 and an all-expenses paid trip to the TrustPower National Community Awards.
- 1.5 Nomination Forms for the TrustPower Community Awards are available from the Council offices or can also be downloaded from the TrustPower website or can be completed online at www.trustpower.co.nz/communityawards.
- 1.6 The Awards function is on Monday 6 August.

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 1.7 Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund applications are open to rural sports clubs and rural school teams with young people aged between 5-19 years. Funding is to help with travel costs of participating in local sports competition. The Fund has an annual allocation from Sport NZ of \$20,081, the October round

allocation was \$7,000 leaving \$13,081 available for the April 2012 round. There were nine applications received requesting \$27,700.

Community Development Fund

- 1.8 The Community Development Fund is to enhance the identity, vitality and sustainability of the Tasman District's smaller communities. The funding can be used for planning, providing activities, running events or developing services to enhance communities. The fund has an annual allocation of \$20,000, the October round allocation was \$8,450 leaving \$11,550 available for the April 2012 round. There were four applications received requesting \$16,423.

Tasman Creative Communities Scheme

- 1.9 There are three rounds per annum. The next rounds are closing 10 July and 10 November.

Outstanding Community Service Awards

- 1.10 Nominations are being called for the annual Outstanding Community Awards which give well deserved recognition to the outstanding service of individuals in our communities. Nominations close 30 June.

2. RECREATION PROGRAMMES / EVENTS

Senior Expo (Age2Be – Positive Ageing Expo)

23 April 2012, Headingly Centre, Richmond

- 2.1 The fourth Nelson Tasman Age to Be Positive Ageing Expo was held at Richmond's Headingly Centre on Monday 23 April with in excess of 2000 people attending. The event is proving to be a great and popular place to get information on how we can all make the most of our senior years. Its reach across the region is growing as indicated by several busses that were organised to get people to the event including a full bus that travelled over from Marlborough.
- 2.2 The Expo had 60 stalls covering health, social services, recreation and leisure activities. Stalls included volunteer trapping groups, croquet, cake decoration, model makers, bridge, cycling, performance, hearing tests, residential providers. The gardening workshops, the men's shed wood lathe and tai chi club all offered opportunities to have a go and proved popular.

- 2.3 Age Concern organised two seminars that were another great addition and both tested the seminar rooms capacity of 350. The morning seminar was from Dr Suzanne Busch "What really happens to our bodies with ageing, the good, the bad and the ugly..... what you can blame on getting old and what you can't". The second speaker, Dr Matthew Crouchers presentation was 'Looking after ourselves - Mental Health as we Age'. The talk gave practical advice on keeping ourselves mentally healthy as we grow older and ways of looking after each other.

Get Moving, Walk, Run and Cycle Active Communities Project

- 2.4 The first year of Get Moving focused on the establishment of the project. This included establishment of the project steering group, connecting with stakeholders, development of the communications plan, development of the Get Moving brand and website and the roll out of programmes and events.
- 2.5 The establishment of the Get Moving Steering Group included the development of the terms of reference, the programme logic, reporting calendar and the marketing and communication plans for branding Get Moving. Once these structures were developed and in place the steering group focus shifted to implementation of Get Moving.
- 2.6 Connecting with stakeholders was structured around the gathering of information on clubs, groups and activities. This provided a reason for contacting stakeholders and also gave us an opportunity to give them value by raising awareness of what they provide and how the community can access this. This information was used to create the content of the groups on the website www.get-moving.org.nz
- 2.7 The community delivery of bike skills began with training the trainers via the Can Bike Ability Course and the Bike NZ level 1 training. The participants in these courses created a pool of 22 tutors who were then used to deliver bike skills training. This was via entry level activities at events as well as more structured programmes.
- 2.8 The development of the Get Moving brand and the website was focused on increasing the awareness of the range of opportunities available for people to walk, run and cycle for sport, recreation or leisure. The information provided included tips for getting started with walking, running and cycling.
- 2.9 The events programme was rolled out via partnering with community events. The project was officially launched with a series of Family Fun day events in February. The Rabbit Island event was a good example of the activities

including MTB, Bike Skills, Orienteering, guided rides on the Great Taste Trail and Conifer MTB Park. The steering group is clear that events link to other activities and are not “one offs”. The partnering with the orienteering club was a good example with over 100 individuals trying the sport for the first time and the club was able to provide information on how participants can continue to be involved.

- 2.10 The Activator programme which provides a series of weekly sample of different sports is another way that we have begun developing a working relationship with targeted clubs. The introductory session allow individuals to ‘have a go’ in a supported social situation but encourages participants to pathway into activities that they enjoy. It also helps clubs and groups to grow their capability and capacity to meet the needs of novice participants.
- 2.11 The Get Moving project has established itself as a regional walking, running and cycling project. There is a very skilled steering leading the project with a diverse but complimentary skill set. There is strong support for the need for the project and its objectives. The project is well positioned to continue to positively support the development of walking, running and cycling in Nelson Tasman.

Way2Go Active Communities Project

- 2.12 The Victory and Moutere Hills Community Centres have recently taken over responsibility for coordinating the region’s Way2Go project. Statistics collected by the region’s hubs show that over 10,000 people took part in Way2Go activities between January and March this year. There are 12 Way2Go hubs across the region - seven of which are in Tasman and five in Nelson.
- 2.13 The Way2Go project’s focus is to break down barriers to enable individuals to increase their physical activity. It achieves this by connecting with local people, strengthening community networks and providing affordable and accessible programmes specific to an area.
- 2.14 The numbers taking part in Way2Go activities shows the success in making the active choice the easy choice.

Tasman Youth Council, Events, Services

- 2.15 *Youth Week Events* - a busy programme of events across the region has wrapped up, generating positive media coverage for your local young people.

- 2.16 *Youth Volunteer Recognition Scheme* - nominations close 1 June. Minister Jo Goodhew (Community & Voluntary Sector) will be attending and speaking at the celebration evening on 21 June at the New Hub. Mayor Kempthorne is also attending, presenting and speaking.
- 2.17 *The Tasman Band Tour*
Richmond Town Hall, Saturday 2 June, 8.00 pm-11.00 pm
Motueka Memorial Hall, Friday 8 June, 8.00 pm-11.00 pm
Pohara Hall, Saturday 16 June, 8.00 pm-11.00 pm
- 2.18 *Tasman Youth Council* - members from the TYC will partake in a mid-year Hui, based at St Arnaud. The weekend programme will include attending the 'Top of the South Youth Council Forum' in Blenheim which includes neighbouring Marlborough, Kaikoura and Nelson Youth Councils. The forum provides an opportunity for YC's to share ideas and participate in a Ministry of Youth Development run workshop on presentation skills. Also included at the Hui will be a team building workshop, cluster presentations and updates and an adventure to the snow.

3. RECREATION PROMOTION

- 3.1 The next issue of Mudcakes and Roses is out on 1 June.
- 3.2 Boredom Busters Magazine – winter 2012 Edition out 12 June. 160 colouring in competition entries and 72 movie ticket entries were received from the Autumn edition.
- 3.3 Nelson/Tasman Youth Week Brochure – 2000 event listing booklets printed and distributed across the region to promote the youth events, workshops and programmes as part of Youth Week 2012.

4. ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE

- 4.1 Kaka Beak Sculpture - the Motueka High Street corner Wallace Street site preparation work is to begin on 5 June and installation is to be completed on 22 June. The family has suggested that the blessing and unveiling ceremony be held on 30 June. This is a tentative date at this stage so take this as a heads up and I will let you know as soon as this is confirmed by the family.

5. RECOMMENDATION

5.1 That the report be received.

6. DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Community Services Committee receives the Community Recreation Advisor's Report RCS12-05-03.

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