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Heritage Month events this weekend

Whanganui Heritage Month concludes for 2022 this weekend. Following one of this year's highlights – the inaugural Heritage Parade this past Saturday, 22 October – several events are still available during the final few days. Full details at: whanganuiheritagetrust.org.nz

• **Durie Hill History Ramble – Saturday, 29 October from 10.30am**

Explore New Zealand's first modern suburb – Durie Hill, designed in 1920. Learn about the origins of this “garden suburb” and its unique features such as the earthbound Durie Hill elevator. Assemble at the Durie Hill lookout on Blyth Street – please allow one hour. Tickets for this event are \$2.50 from Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Information Centre – for enquiries, call 027 307 5683.

• **Durie Hill Elevator Presents Taonga Pūoro In The Tunnel – Saturday, 29 October from 6.00pm**

Join celebrated composer and performer Rob Thorne (Ngāti Tumutumu) as he performs pieces for Taonga Pūoro (traditional musical instruments) in the Durie Hill elevator tunnel. This event is free – more about Rob Thorne's performances at: www.facebook.com/RobThorneToiPuoro



One of the scenes from yesteryear as featured in Saturday's Heritage Parade – this year's Heritage Month theme has been transport PHOTO: Gayelene Holly

• **Wet Plate Portrait Sessions – Saturday, 29 October-Sunday, 30 October / 10.30am-4.00pm**

Taking place at Sarjeant On The Quay, 38 Taupo Quay, photographer Adrian Cook produces captivating images of his subjects using authentic 19th-century wet plate techniques. Learn about the wet plate collodion process this weekend and book in for a special portrait session of your own! Portrait sessions cost \$150.00 (cash only) and take 45 minutes. Bookings are essential – for more information and to book a time, visit: events.humanitix.com/sarjeant#

Register for Household Hazardous Waste Day

Household Hazardous Waste Day is back this November! If you'd like to get rid of hazardous items like pesticides, solvents, paint, oils, cleaning chemicals and aerosols, the first step is to register with Whanganui District Council by **12 noon on Monday, 14 November 2022**.



For a full list of hazardous items and to register, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/Household-Hazardous-Waste-Day Once you've registered, the council will be in touch with a drop-off location and time between 9.00am and 1.00pm for Household Hazardous Waste Day on Saturday, 19 November.

Enviroschools reach 100!



Brunswick Enviroschool students celebrate their recent vegetable harvest!

Horizons Regional Council celebrated a significant milestone last week with Kakatahi School becoming the 100th Enviroschool in the Whanganui-Manawatu region.

Horizons environmental educator and Enviroschools regional leader Sarah Williams says she is excited to reach this target. “Six years ago when I first took up this role, we had 43 Enviroschools. Through the partnerships we have with our local councils, we have been able to increase participation in the programme to 100.”

The Enviroschools programme engages in a range of environmental sustainability actions such as zero waste, kai/food production, biodiversity and biosecurity and water health and conservation.

Whanganui District Council senior engineering officer, Dave Rudolph, shares the enthusiasm of reaching this achievement. “Whanganui District Council has supported the Enviroschools programme since 2013 and seen numbers grow from four to 15 during this time.

“These programmes provide positive outcomes for the community through educating our young tamariki and their families. Enviroschools complement our council's initiatives and add tremendous value to the Whanganui district,” he says.

For more information, please visit: horizons.govt.nz

Pattillo submissions

Arts Review entries next Tuesday

Submission day for the 2022 Pattillo Whanganui Arts Review is next **Tuesday, 1 November 2022 from 10.30am-4.30pm**.

Entries are open to any artist living in the Whanganui region or an area that links to the Whanganui River including Whanganui, Ruapehu, Rangitikei and South Taranaki. Any student also enrolled at Whanganui UCOL studying towards a degree, diploma or certificate in Creative Industries is eligible to enter. Artists may submit one original artwork in any medium that has been completed in the past 12 months.

For more information, including an online entry form, visit: pattillo.sarjeant.org.nz For any enquiries, please call 349 0506 or email: info@sarjeant.org.nz

CarFit driver safety

Book with Age Concern Whanganui

Age Concern Whanganui has spaces open for a driver safety event taking place in November and December.

CarFit is a 20-minute free safety and comfort check for older drivers that gives guidance on clear lines of sight, correct space to the steering wheel, driver seat comfort and safety, and head restraint and seatbelt positioning. Time slots are available for the morning of **Thursday, 3 November** and the morning of **Thursday, 1 December 2022**.

Bookings are essential – for venue details and to book a time, please call Age Concern Whanganui on **06 345 1799**.

Chromebook course

Register for District Library session

Whanganui District Library is running a FREE session in November for Chromebook users who would like to boost their skills. This two-hour session will cover the basics of using Chromebooks, including:

- understanding how cloud computing works
- getting to know the Chromebook interface
- customising Chromebook settings
- using Google apps such as Google Drive and Google Docs.

To register your interest, please email: rachel@whanganuilibrary.com or call or text Rachel Smith on **027 211 4261**.

Central city road works

• Work begins today, **Wednesday 26 October 2022**, on upgrading the kerb and channel, footpath and vehicle crossings in Victoria Avenue between Dublin and Liverpool streets (on the McDonald's side of the avenue). This is a continuation of the already-constructed kerb and footpath upgrade work in adjacent blocks in Victoria Avenue. This work is expected to take several weeks.

• Maintenance of the road surface in Taupo Quay and St Hill Street (outside Trafalgar Square) begins this **Sunday, 30 October 2022**. This **work will take place overnight from 6.00pm until 6.00am** to minimise disruption to traffic. It is expected to be complete by 6.00am on Saturday, 5 November. Stop/go traffic management and closures will be in place, with detours available. The work will initially take place in Taupo Quay between St Hill Street and Wilson Street, then move into St Hill Street between Taupo Quay and Ridgway Street.

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