

Whanganui the centre of attention!

Following Whanganui's success in holding the Downer New Zealand Masters Games in February this year, the Whanganui War Memorial Centre has been named as a finalist



in the Support – Best Venue 2021 category in the 2021 New Zealand Event Awards.

The Whanganui War Memorial Centre's forecourt hosted the Games Village (pictured) during this year's Downer New Zealand Masters Games, and the centre's main hall was also a venue for several sporting events.

Whanganui District Council chief executive, Kym Fell, says, "This award nomination is a great encouragement in these times and provides a strong motivation for our Venues & Events team to continue providing innovative and flexible solutions for events that exceed our customers' expectations."

To book a venue at the Whanganui War Memorial Centre, please email: events@whanganui.govt.nz or call 06 349 0513. More information at: www.whanganuivenues.co.nz

Temporary Durie Hill bus

The Durie Hill elevator will be out of action for the next few weeks because of an electrical motor failure. The motor has been sent to Auckland for specialist diagnostics and repair. In the meantime, Tranzit Coachlines will operate a FREE temporary shuttle service for Durie Hill residents.

Service information

Timetable effective from Monday, 26 July 2021 until the Durie Hill elevator reopens.

Monday to Friday (not including weekends and public holidays): 8.00am-9.30am / 2.30pm-4.00pm

Please note – the shuttle arrives about every 10-15 minutes. This is a FREE service – bicycles and scooters can be carried on the shuttle's cycle racks.

Collection and drop-off points:

Blyth Street, Durie Hill – Top elevator entrance area Anzac Parade – Bottom elevator entrance area





Winners in the 2021 New Zealand Event Awards will be announced at a gala evening event at the Toitoi - Hawke's Bay Arts & Events Centre in Hastings on **Thursday**, 30 **September 2021**. For more information about the awards, please visit: www.nzea.co/awards

Storyteller at the Alexander Library next Thursday night

Kapiti author and storyteller, Linda Hansen (pictured), will present *Peacemakers of these Islands from Rēkohu and Parihaka to the Nobel Peace Prize* (2017) *and Beyond*, a real story told live, in the Alexander Lounge at the Alexander Library Te Rerenga Mai o Te Kāuru, Pukenamu Queen's Park, at **6.30pm**



next Thursday, 5 August 2021 – light refreshments will be available from 6.00pm.

Hear tales of Rēkohu, Parihaka and more including a nod of respect to women's suffrage, Princess Te Puea and Norman Kirk plus New Zealand's very own nuclear-free story. To book a place, contact learning and discovery librarian, Esther Newrick, at: esther@whanganuilibrary.com

Rural rubbish bag stickers

Low Cost Bins will continue the rubbish bag collection service within Whanganui's inner rural areas with their WHITE STICKERS from 1 August 2021 – these stickers are available from local supermarkets and dairies. For inner rural areas on the existing bag collection routes, place your rubbish bags out as before but remember to use a white sticker from 1 August. For more information, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/rural-rubbish



Te Pūwaha public hui

All welcome to attend on 10 August

Te Pūwaha, Whanganui's port revitalisation project, is hosting a series of community events to share project plans, answer queries and listen to community aspirations for the project. A community engagement hui will be held at Duncan Pavilion, Rangiora Street, Castlecliff Beach, from **5.30pm on Tuesday, 10 August 2021**. For more information, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/port Te Pūwaha is a partnership involving Whanganui iwi and Whanganui District Council, Horizons Regional Council, Q-West Boat Builders, Whanganui District Employment Training Trust and central government.

Dog registration fees

10% discount ends this Saturday

A reminder to Whanganui dog owners that this **Saturday, 31 July 2021** is the final day to receive a 10 percent discount on your dog registration fees. Full dog registration fees will apply after Saturday. To pay your dog registration online, please visit: www. whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-registration

Flood resilience project

Horizons Regional Council is holding a seies of meetings with Anzac Parade residents and property owners this weekend on building flood resilience in the area. Sessions will take place between **Saturday, 31 July and Monday, 2 August 2021**. More information available at: www.horizons.govt.nz/anzac-parade

Online parks survey

Whanganui District Council is looking into community use of the many parks, reserves and connecting walkways in our district. Have your say on managing and developing these important public spaces via an online survey before **midnight this Sunday, 1 August 2021**. For more information and to complete the survey, visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/parks-reserves-survey

Winter tree programme

Whanganui District Council is implementing its winter tree removal and replacement programme in several areas around Whanganui. The focus of the work is to replace existing trees in various locations due to poor shape and condition. Details at: www. whanganui.govt.nz/winter-tree-programme

Council meetings

Upcoming August meetings		
Council Meeting	1.00pm Tuesday 3 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Youth Committee	4.00pm Monday 16 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street

Agendas: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas Livestreamed council meetings: www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings