

News from the Friends



What we do

The Friends of Taupo Library raises funds to support the library, and the book trolley is one of our more popular incentives. We also organise events to bring different folk into the library. Currently we have 100 paid-up members. We hope to see you soon at one of our events.

Who we are

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Please note:

The library will be closed on December 25, 26, 27 & 28 and again on January 1, 2, 3 & 4, so stock up on reading material before Christmas!



Summer's here

The years seem to be getting faster, and here we are, nearly at Christmas again. As usual, the Friends have busied themselves with various activities at the Library, organising a great range of events. We have had talks about vintage cars, antiques, books, and a lovely event to commemorate Anzac Day. We want to thank the community for the support you give us each year, and hope to see more of you in 2016.

This year has also seen the Services to the Library Awards given out to some talented young people: Nicola Gebauer, Vincent de Silva, and Michael Denny.

The holiday reading programme (sponsored by the Friends) is about to start. Registration for the programme is from 1 – 18 December, Tuesday to Friday 3.30 – 4.30. A great way to get kids interested in reading during the summer holidays.

And remember to come along to Christmas Carols at the Library on **17 December at 5pm**. This year we have two choirs from Taupo Christian School and Peter Marshall's Taupo Concert Band to help us along. Plus cake and bubbles - a sweet incentive to join us!



2016 Calendar

18 February 7.30pm
Quiz Night with wine & nibbles

17 March 11.30-1pm
Book Talk

21 April 11.30-12.30
ANZAC event

19 May 7.30pm
AGM with guest speaker

16 June
Book Talk 11.30-1pm

21 July
Writing workshop for young
people 10.30-12pm

18 August 5-6.30pm
Power From the Earth

15 September
Book Talk 11.30-1pm

20 October 11.30 - 12.30 pm
Gardening in small & large
spaces

17 November 11.30-1pm
Book event

15 December 5-6pm
Christmas Carols



Looking for reading ideas?

Here is the NZ fiction long list for the 2016 Ockham New Zealand Book Awards:

The Antipodeans by Greg McGee

Astonished Dice: Collected Short Stories by Geoff Cochrane

The Back of His Head by Patrick Evans

Chappy by Patricia Grace

The Chimes by Anna Smaill

Coming Rain by Stephen Daisley

The Invisible Mile by David Coventry

The Legend of Winstone Blackbat by Tanya Moir

The Pale North by Hamish Clayton

Reach by Laurence Fearnley



Christmas Rose Sangria

125g punnet raspberries
100g strawberries, thinly sliced
1 orange, thinly sliced
1 cinnamon stick
1/4 cup (60ml) Cointreau, or orange liqueur
2 tablespoons caster sugar
750ml rose wine, chilled
2 cups (500ml) lemonade, chilled
Crushed ice, to serve

Combine raspberries, strawberries, orange, cinnamon, Cointreau or orange liqueur and caster sugar in a large jug. Cover with plastic wrap and place in the fridge for 30 minutes to develop the flavours. Add chilled rosé wine and lemonade. Remove and discard cinnamon stick. Add crushed ice and serve immediately.

Bookish Fact:

John K. King Used & Rare Books in Detroit has 20 employees, two dogs and two canaries. The bookshop is inside a huge glove factory from the 1940s.