



COMMUNITY NEWS WITH TAUPO DISTRICT COUNCIL 23 MARCH 2018

# **WASTE** MINIMISATION

Time to ditch your old computer? Update your old school i-pod? Taupō District Council is on a mission to help us all do this responsibly.

E-waste is a global issue and we want to introduce a service to help us all dispose of our electronics in a more environmentally responsible way. The initiative aims to provide the opportunity for us all as a community to recycle these products with a view to preventing 30 tonnes of e-waste going into landfill each year.

This is just one part of our new Waste Minimisation Plan and we want your feedback!

This plan is reviewed every six years with a view to protecting our health and to safeguard the Taupō District.

We all have a responsibility to look after the place we love, and you can help by sharing your thoughts, whether it be kerbside collection, the promotion and education of waste reduction or simply picking up after ourselves.

## HOW TO HAVE YOUR SAY

- Online taupo.govt.nz/consultation
- Email wasteminimisation@taupo.govt.nz
- Long Term Plan Consultation Meetings
  - Mar 24 Our Customer Service Centre 46 Horomatangi Street 12pm - 2pm
  - Mar 26 Turangi Library 4pm - 5pm
  - Mar 29 Our Customer Service Centre 46 Horomatangi Street 12pm - 2pm
  - Mar 29 Taupō Library 10am - 11am

Submissions are now open and close April 16, 2018 at 5pm.



## TREE PLANTING AT CONTROL GATES RESERVE



'Looking after the place we love' has become a catch-phrase around our Taupō District and Greening Taupō are taking practical steps to do just that.

Greening Taupō was formed as a partnership between Project Tongariro, the Department of Conservation and Wairakei Golf and Sanctuary who all believed a collaborative organisation could take conservation to the next level in the

Taupō District Council is joining with Greening Taupō with a focus to improve the district environment for people and native wildlife.

There was a focus on environmental education during the recent Music in the Reserve event at the Waipahihi Botanical Gardens. One particular booth was based around litter and recycling. Children made flowers out of plastic bottles and straws, and decorated a rainbow trout with bottle caps, all of which were picked up around Taupō. All kids who participated went home with "It's Not OK to Litter" temporary tattoos.

This weekend there is an opportunity to lend a hand to plant trees at the Control Gates Reserve alongside the . Waikato River and help make Taupō even greener. Bring your gumboots, a spade and wet weather gear if it looks like rain! There are some spades to share and there will be some

#### **COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING**

Control Gates Reserve Saturday March 24, 10am – 12pm



## **MARK VETTE:** BOOK TOUR

Ever frustrated with your dog's behaviour? Come and listen to Mark Vette at the launch of his new book, Dog Zen and explore his principles of dog rearing at Taupō Museum.

When talking about dog training and it's only a matter of time before the name Mark Vette comes up in

Mark has been involved in the legendary Toyota 'bugger' campaign, taught his dog Reggie to drive a Mini and has mastered the rehabilitation of damaged dogs in the globally top-rating TV series 'Purina Pound Pups to

Whether you have a dog, or are just an animal lover, don't miss the opportunity to glean some ideas in an entertaining 90 minutes at Taupō Museum.

#### MARK VETTE 'DOG ZEN' BOOK TOUR

Taupō Museum Today, March 23 5pm - 6.30pm

## WHAT'S ON?

Mar 23 Mark Vette Dog Zen Book Tour, Taupō Library

Mar 24 Ironmāori Taupō-Nui-A-Tia

Mar 24 Greening Taupō Community Planting Day,

Control Gates Reserve

Until Apr 2 Dog Show, Taupō Museum

Until Apr 9 Translated into Paper, Taupō Museum

For more information on Taupō District events visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com

#### ROAD CLOSURES

All road users are advised of the following road closures this weekend:

#### MARCH 24, DURING IRONMĀORI EVENT:

- » Lake Terrace from Ruapehu Street to Tongariro Street: 6.30am 1pm.
- » Tongariro Street from Lake Terrace to Heuheu Street: 6.30am 1pm.
- » Ferry Road from the Yacht Club to Tongariro Street: 6.30am 1pm.

A detour will be in place via Heuheu Street and Ruapehu Street.



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