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We all love living here in the Taupō District and we all have the opportunity on Earth Day to get together with friends and continue to look after the place we love.

Earth Day is a global event each year, with more than a billion people in 192 countries now taking part by signing petitions, meeting with their elected officials, planting trees, and cleaning up their towns and roads.

Here in the Taupō District we will be doing the latter, with a litter pick-up event organised for mid-April.

Environmental ranger Shannon Hanson is delighted to be running another pick-up event.

"These events are always popular and every pair of hands helps to look after the place we love. "We're sure these events contribute to our Most Beautiful Large Town achievement from Keep New Zealand Beautiful, and a cleaner district is something we can all be proud of."

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Saturday April 13 9am – 11am

- Meet at Ferry Road carpark
- » All supplies

HOLIDAY

LIBRARY MUSEUM THESE HOLIDAY

The time is almost upon us again, with Taupō Library and museum and Turangi Library opening their doors with fun activities over the school holidays.

There are a few favourites returning in the form of pottery and reading fun, as well as some new, fun activities for children aged between eight to 12 years old. Some of these include the Pumice Valley Whoopee! Band, making bug house creations and you may want to stay for the Lego creations!

Failing that, all is fair in love and rock, paper, scissors, as combatants literally throw down to find a champion.

So if the kids have watched all of the movies and read all of the books at home and you just don't have the wifi for the ongoing device use, get them out of the house to try something new, whether you're in Turangi or Taupō.

Further details can be found at the libraries and museum, by calling a Council office, or at taupo.govt.nz/libraries

AC BATHS' HYDROSLIDE UPGRADE

Our two hydroslides at AC Baths are being upgraded with new tubes, which unfortunately means they'll be out of action for a few months.

The upgrade is a timely one, as the slides at the complex are becoming increasingly popular. The existing tubes have had plenty of use, being 17 years old, and with almost 41,000 slides taken in 2018 alone, with a total of about 475,000 slides taken!

Pools operations supervisor Ryno Nienaber said contractors would be working hard to have the new slides up and running as quickly as possible.

"Although we're sad to have to close the hydroslides to carry out this work, the end result should be worth the wait," Mr Nienaber said.

The slides were closed at the end of March, with work commencing April 1. It is expected the hydroslides will reopen in July, weather permitting.

Thanks for your patience.

MAYOR GREETS UAE BIKERS

A multi-faith group of Abu Dhabi-based Indian expatriates were passing through Taupō this week on their way to Christchurch in the wake of the terror attacks that took place there.

They are on their way south where they will join Friday prayers at one of the two Christchurch mosques attacked by terrorists killing 50 worshippers in a mass shooting.

Taupō District Mayor David Trewavas was on hand at the #lovetaupo sign to greet the riders along with a group of locals, and to hand over a gift on behalf of the people of our district.

The bikers are here to express solidarity with New Zealanders and to spread the UAE's message of upholding the values of peace and tolerance.



WHAT'S ON?

Apr 12-14

Apr 13-28

Apr 18

·	Bruce McLaren Motorsport Park
Apr 13	Taupō Second-hand Bike Sale, Tongariro Domain
Apr 13-14	Ashton Family Circus & Dylan Daisy's Magic Show, Tongariro Domain
Apr 13-14	The Karl Austin Experience, Tongariro Domai

Speed Works Motorsport NZ Championship,

Turangi i-SITE Apr 13-28 Taupō Red Bike Treasure Hunt, Taupō i-SITE

Turangi Blue Duck Treasure Trail,

Apr 13-May 20 Our Garden of Earthly Delights, Taupō Museum

> Charlie Parker with Strings featuring Dick Oatts, Great Lake Centre

Until May 13 Colour My Autumn, Taupō Museum

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