

THREE KEY PROJECTS COMING TO MANGAKINO!



Some exciting projects are coming to Mangakino later this year.

THERE ARE PLENTY of exciting projects happening across our district at present, and the northern end of the rohe is no exception.

Mangakino has some great projects in the wind too, providing some new and vibrant assets to the community.

The picturesque lakeside community has plenty to offer, with three key projects on the way to add more value to the area.

They will start this year with development design of the lakefront area in the form of a new toilet block and playground. The current facilities are getting older, so new ones will be added, along with giving the playground a bit of an upgrade too.

With recreation in mind, a basketball court will also be added to the site where the old Mangakino town hall used to be, providing any budding NBA stars with

somewhere to work on their game.

Lastly, a footpath is to be installed on Wairenga Road, so pedestrians can safely navigate their way down to the RangīAmokura Te Kohanga Reo or the Mangakino District Service and Citizens Club.

Mangakino/Pouakani councillor Kirsty Trueman is excited to see some development around the area.

“Through the Annual Plan process our community has requested some changes and it’s great to see things are progressing,” she said.

“We look forward to seeing the work get underway. It’s great to see investment being made in our beautiful part of the district to benefit locals and visitors to Mangakino.”

No firm start dates for these projects have been finalised, but all are expected to begin this year.



BIG WEEK ON TONGARIRO!

AFTER EXTENSIVE PREPARATIONS involving the installation of street lighting and underground services, the realignment of road shoulders and the installation of kerbing, channelling and new footpaths, the final construction phase of the new roundabout on Tongariro Street is underway.

It will be a very busy week for our contractor, with some sizeable concrete pours being carried out in the coming days, so there will be some road closures when these are underway. We’re nearly over the finish line with this intersection folks, so thanks for your patience and please continue to follow the guidance of the team.



BETWEEN THE COVERS AT TAUPŌ LIBRARY

COME ALONG AND chat with others about the books you have been reading, share book recommendations, and hear about books that others have enjoyed.

Between the Covers is a free book chat group open to adults of all ages. There is no need to register, just come along and be ready to share your thoughts on your latest read. You may want to bring the book you have been reading with you.

Between the Covers is held from 2pm to 3.30pm on the first Friday of every month at Taupō Library, upstairs in the Hone Tūwhare room.



PRE-LOVED ART SALE RETURNS TO TAUPŌ MUSEUM

IT’S TIME TO fall in love - with a new-to-you artwork at Taupō Museum.

Taupō Museum’s popular pre-loved art sale is returning again to the museum’s main gallery and it’s an incredible opportunity to pick up some limited edition or pre-loved original artworks that need a new home.

Over 100 artworks from paintings, numbered prints and ceramics by artists such as Val Raymond, Arthur Dagley, Gary Tricker, Tracey Tawhiao, Rai Hamon, Brett Taylor, Susan Skerman and Peter Wallers have already been received and will be for sale.

If you’re looking for an original or collectible artwork to brighten up your home, bach or office, this is the opportunity for you!

The exhibition is open to everybody to view, not just prospective buyers. There are some striking artworks on

display, from a range of artists.

Exhibitions officer Kerence Stephen said there have been a number of the pre-loved art sales, previously known as Second Hanging, that have been held at Taupō Museum over the years, and they are always popular with visitors.

“This is a great opportunity to see what artworks are out there looking for a new home.

“We’ve had art come in from people downsizing or who have art that no longer fits their décor and who want to sell it on to someone who will love it as much as they have,” Kerence said. “It’s a way to keep quality art in circulation and able to be appreciated by someone new”.

The Pre-Loved Art Sale opens on Saturday 9 April and runs until 6 June. Taupō Museum is open seven days from 10am to 4.30pm (closed Good Friday). Entry is free to children and district residents with proof of address.

