

Proudly NAPIER

February 2020

*Napier, a great
place for young
people!*

More details inside



*Deputy Mayor Annette Brosnan with daughter
Holly at Te Kōhungahunga Atawhai*



WORD FROM OUR MAYOR *Kirsten Wise*

Welcome to the February edition of Proudly Napier.

This month we highlight some of the things Napier currently offers children and young people, and ways in which we are looking to expand those offerings.

These include the recently opened Te Kōhungahunga Atawhai, or Parents and Caregivers Room, and Children's Day this Sunday, which involves several of our facilities.

The 2020 Youth Council met for the first time earlier this month. Our youth is our future and I'm looking forward to spending some time with them and gaining an understanding of what is important to them, ways we may be able to help and what their vision is for our beautiful city.

Another young person I will be spending some time with over the next year is Harlem-Cruz Ihaia. I will mentor this remarkable young wahine who is an early childhood teacher, te reo speaker, and former Miss Universe New Zealand, among other things, through the rangatahi leadership programme Tuia.

I have met a range of people of all ages through my Town Huddles, which began last year and I would like to thank everyone who has taken the time to come along to one of these.

I have enjoyed being out and about and meeting the community. This is your chance to share your ideas with me, get an update on what Council is working on, and give us some feedback.

I would like to remind you that we have another five lined up between now and the end of March, in Greenmeadows, Maraenui, Westshore, Tamatea and Taradale.

Lastly, I encourage you to attend Saturday's big Super Rugby game at McLean Park, in which the Hurricanes are taking on the Sunwolves. This is the first time this Japanese team have visited our region, so please give them a proper Hawke's Bay welcome.



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Te Kaunihera o Ahuriri

WE ♥ YOUNG PEOPLE!

Young people are important to our city.

With a third of our population aged 24 or under, we need to think about what we are doing to cater for them. In turn, we want them to engage with us. We need to ensure that their ideas are sought to help shape Napier's future.

Napier Youth Strategy

The Council has a youth strategy which prioritises six key objectives that young people have helped shape; to ensure young people are thriving, have opportunities to participate and take the lead, have plenty of options for learning and employment, get involved in the community, and have plenty of chances to have fun.

Napier Youth Council

Every year up to 18 youth are selected for Napier's Youth Council. They're usually high school age, but it's open to anyone up to the age of 24. Aside from giving city councillors and staff a chance to find out what youth need and want, it's an opportunity to develop their own skills and take on leadership roles.

YOUNG PEOPLE QUICK STATS.

31%

Of Napier's residents are 24 yrs or under

What wards do our young people live in?

38.6%

NELSON PARK

32.9%

ONEKAWA/TAMATEA

26.9%

TARADALE

24.9%

AHURIRI

STATISTICS FROM ID.COM.AU

What do we offer young people?

Napier Libraries run a range of free programmes and activities for all ages!



Splash pads and basketball court on Marine Parade



The 'Tools for the Teenage Years Guide' is full of facts and where to go for help. Find it at napier.govt.nz



Napier Youth Council gives young people an opportunity to get involved and have their say



Our Anderson Park Destination Playground opened in July 2018. We have 27 playgrounds across our city!



Annual Youth Development grants to help young people achieve their goals and dreams.



Fun community events for all!



Free interactive fun for all ages at MTG Hawke's Bay!



SUNDAY 1 MARCH

CELEBRATE Children's Day

Great offers and cool activities

National Aquarium of New Zealand

FREE ENTRY for one child when accompanied by one paying adult (children aged between 3-14 years).

Par2 MiniGolf

FREE ENTRY for one child when accompanied by one paying adult (children aged between 3-14 years).

Napier Libraries

FREE SESSION 'Dive into Books' from 1pm-2pm at Taradale Library and join Seaweed Regional Co-ordinator Jake Brookie to learn about what lives in the sea! Enjoy lots of fun facts and activities.

Bay Skate

Entry for two children for the price of one (children aged 4-17 years).

MTG Hawkes Bay

FREE CHALK ART WORKSHOP on the forecourt (10am-1.30pm). Artist Michele Jung will talk about working with chalk, techniques and materials to use to make footpath chalk art 'pop'. Suitable for ages 9+. Registrations essential through Eventfinda.

Napier Aquatic Centre

FREE ENTRY for one child when accompanied by one paying adult (children aged between 3-14 years).

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te kōhungahunga atawhai a space to care for young children

Napier's latest parents' and caregivers' room is open!

Located in Ocean Boulevard, it is a sanctuary for parents and caregivers of young children. It features private feeding spaces, a play area for young children and changing facilities.

The project was spearheaded by Deputy Mayor and Napier City Councillor Annette Brosnan, who is mum to two pre-schoolers.

Caregivers of young children are also reminded that there are changing facilities at the Soundshell Toilets on Marine Parade.



COURTSIDE with a Councillor



Richard McGrath - Councillor

It's been nearly six years since Richard McGrath became a Napier City Councillor.

Richard won a by-election in August 2014 for an at large seat. In last year's elections he confirmed his place on Council once again by becoming the highest polling candidate in the Onekawa-Tamatea ward.

This term his roles include sitting on the Joint Waste Futures Project steering committee, Omarunui Joint Refuse Landfill committee, and Napier City Pilot Trust, and working with the 2020 Napier Youth Council.

By far his biggest focus will be on his Child Friendly City portfolio.

"This idea has come from overseas, where Councils also manage police and health budgets and so on. That doesn't happen here, so we're working out what this could mean for Napier," says Richard.

Running a child friendly "lens" across Council decisions, for instance, to see how they will affect some of the most disadvantaged and deprived children in Napier.

Seeking feedback from primary school aged children, and finding ways for the youth councillors to share their perspective on, for example, the driver licensing regime, with elected councillors are also ideas that merit further exploration.

Water will continue to be a top priority for Richard, along with prioritising family related facilities such as parks and playgrounds.

His sons are now aged 13 and 15, and Richard can more often than not be seen transporting them to and from sports practice.

"Napier's awesome. It's not too big and has most things a big city can offer."

What's something people may not know about you?

After finishing my nursing studies I worked at Tomoana Freezing Works. When the season finished, I worked at summer camps in America. I did this for three years.

What's your favourite coffee?

I don't drink coffee, I prefer juice.

Are you a dog or cat person?

Cats. A few years ago our family went to the SPCA to get one but came home with two.

WHAT'S ON - See what's happening in your city

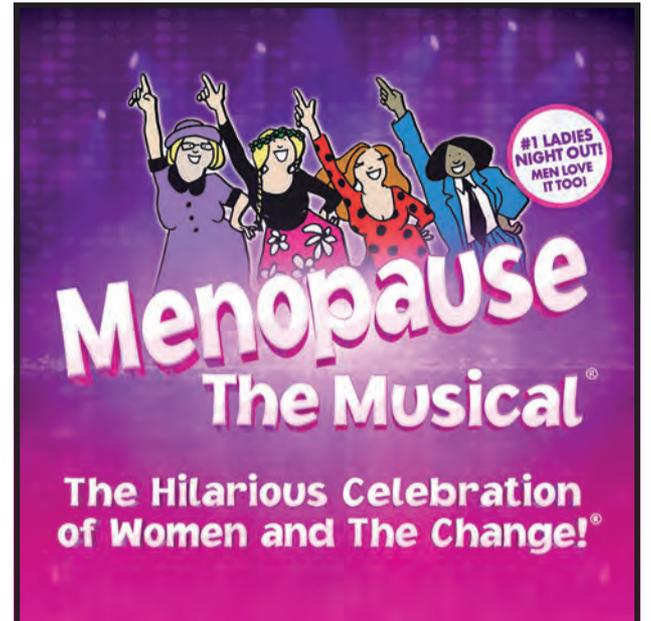


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Menopause The Musical

#1 LADIES NIGHT OUT!
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The Hilarious Celebration of Women and The Change!

Menopause | Fri 20 March, 7.30pm

Inspired by a hot flush and a bottle of wine, Menopause The Musical® is a celebration for women who are on the brink of, in the middle of, or have survived "The Change".

This sidesplitting musical parody set to classic tunes from the 60s, 70s and 80s will have you cheering and dancing in the aisles!

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NAPIER NIGHT

FIESTA

▶ **13 MARCH**

Clive Square,
5:30 - 8:30pm

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