



Having fun: Napier City Council Planner Fleur Lincoln, left, PiPi Pizza staff members Noel Simmonds and Bever-Leigh Maximo, and Design Cuisine's Andrew Poppelwell

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Word from the Mayor

Bill Dalton



We recently hosted a delegation from our sister city Tomakomai in Japan. Celebrating 35 years of sisterhood, I thoroughly enjoyed showing our guests around our city. From an exhibition opening at MTG Hawke's Bay featuring a selection of treasures from their city, including paintings and rare pieces of jewellery, to a dinner at the Hawke's Bay Club, it was a great opportunity to strengthen our ties with them and showcase Napier.

As we head into the Christmas season, there's lots going on. Don't miss the new and improved Christmas Parade and Festival this Saturday. To top it off, there will be free

parking in the inner city. You'll find more details about the Parade inside.

The team behind the inaugural Hawke's Bay Summer Cycling Carnival are busy planning another great event for our city, made more exciting with the recent announcement that some of New Zealand's biggest names in cycling will be racing in the Big Save Elite Nationals, including Greg Henderson.

I was delighted to attend the recent reopening of the refurbished Napier Library. It's looking great and the queue of people waiting outside proved what a loved facility it is.

Take care as the silly season gets into full swing.



Introducing

Georgina King

Napier City Council Senior Landscape Architect Georgina King is an “ideas woman”. She struggles daily with having so many of them and not enough time!

In less than a year at Napier City Council, Georgina has made a big impact on urban design and open space redevelopment projects in Napier.

“Recent projects I have been part of include the redevelopment of Marineland, creating new cycle pathways around the city, and planting along the Ahuriri beach boardwalk,” Georgina says.

I enjoy creating interesting places and spaces for people to enjoy for years to come - whether it is a special city design project or enhancing an existing area with interesting planting. I have a very satisfying job!”

As if she wasn't busy enough, Georgina has taken on the role of Acting Reserves Asset Manager. This important position involves strategic planning of Napier's reserves network, working with other Council staff in maintaining and enhancing our current open spaces and instigating a comprehensive Management Plan of our city's trees.

Since gaining a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture at Lincoln University, Georgina's work has taken her all over the world. A career highlight – so far – has been working in Pittsburgh and Toronto in the late 1990s.

“I was involved in large scale waterway enhancement and urban design projects which gave me an excellent foundation to build on when I returned to New Zealand.

“It's great to be part of the Napier City Council right now as there are some really exciting new initiatives being explored and I am enjoying being part of it all.”



Napier City Council Senior Landscape Architect Georgina King



NAPIER NOW Advent Calendar 1st-24th December 2015

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Project Update

Taradale Stormwater Upgrade



Left to right: The work crew - Charlie Watson of STMS with Napier City Council workers Buster Waerea, Jayden Loader-McLean, Steve Katene, James Karauvia, Jason Renita and Ashley Maaka

The Taradale Stormwater Upgrade project, involving the installation of a concrete box culvert section and the establishment of a large diameter pipeline system to alleviate flooding issues that have occurred in the Taradale and Greenmeadows areas, is making good progress.

The concrete box culvert section along Perry Crescent is near completion with work expected to be finished in early 2016. A new pipeline has been successfully installed from Perry Crescent to Guppy Road, while finishing touches are being carried out at the intersection of Tait Drive and Guppy Road.

Works will extend down Guppy Road until late next month when they will then be suspended, along with traffic restrictions, during the Christmas and New Year periods.

Construction of the pipeline is expected to start again in late January with similar traffic management schemes in place.

Both the Napier City Council and the contractors would like to express their gratitude to residents and drivers in the area who have been understanding and patient with the disruptions – even delivering them the odd scone for morning tea!

Fiesta Fun

In Napier

Looking for something to do on Friday 11th December?

Why not get some friends and family together and head to the Soundshell?

The second Napier Night Fiesta gets underway at 5pm that day. There will be ample opportunities to sample some of the region's best food, boutique beer or cider, or indulge in some wine tasting. There will also be live entertainment and a special activity for kids.

Vendors include Pipi Pizza, Design Cuisine, Monsier Macarons, Orcona, Indigo and Haralds Breadworld.

Inspired by some of the feedback to the Napier City Council's evolving City Vision plan, the three hour long Fiesta will be held once a month – the next is scheduled for 8th January – through to March 2016.

The Soundshell has been chosen for its superb seaside location and proximity to the city centre, says Council Planner Fleur Lincoln.

The Fiesta is one way of making Napier's centre livelier and encouraging people to use it in a positive way.

City Vision, a work in progress, includes looking at opportunities for creating more vibrancy in the city centre and surrounding areas. The chill-out area Urban Oasis on Market Lane and child friendly Pop N Play on Emerson Street West have both come from City Vision discussions.

To find out more about the Napier Night Fiesta, go to www.facebook.com/napiernightfiesta

NAPIER NIGHT

FIESTA

Delectable Food
Fine Hawke's Bay Wine
Live Music

Meet your friends,
bring your family and picnic rug.

THE SOUNDHELL
MARINE PARADE
5-8pm

NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
20	11	8	12	11
2015	2015	2016	2016	2016

Outdoor Dripping Taps

Free Fix!



One dripping tap can waste up to 200 litres of water a day! In an effort to save water, if you have an outdoor tap that needs attention we will come and fix it for free. Free? That's right!

To book our plumber, just phone 06 843 1844 from **November 25, 2015**. Please note, the offer runs for a limited time.

What's On

MTG Free Entry
Open Day

MTG Hawke's Bay has free entry from 10am Saturday 28 November. Events include an artists' talk by Sara Hughes and Gregor Kregar, the creators of the artwork *Pin Wall*, in the education room. They will also speak about their artistic process and some of their other major works.

There will be a range of children's activities – including a new activity trail, craft activities and an origami table that build on the objects and art on show. Don't forget to check out the new staircase display of decorative arts.

It's also a last chance to catch *Treasures of Tomakomai*, celebrating Napier's sister city ties with the northern Japanese city. This runs to Sunday.

Visit www.facebook.com/MTGHawke'sBay or www.mtghawkesbay.com for more details.



Pin Wall, pictured above

Tis' The Season

Christmas Parade and Festival

Join in the Christmas cheer in the Napier CBD this Saturday with the Christmas Parade and Festival from 1pm.

If you're hoping for a glimpse of the man in red, he'll be the one in a funky new sleigh somewhere among the 40-odd entrants in the parade, which starts at 1pm from the Soundshell, and heads down Emerson Street to Memorial Square.

Napier City Business Inc manager Zoe Barnes is looking forward to seeing parade participants on the day including marching teams such as the Supergrans, dance groups, and the Drones and Sticks Pipe Band.

The Festival also includes activities at Memorial Square from 1-3pm. There will be a stage set up to showcase talented local musicians and dancers. There will also be a free sausage sizzle by New Zealand Police, an inflatable obstacle course, and a craft market. Regular Saturday Urban Food Market stallholders will also be part of the fun.

For updates, go to www.facebook.com/napiercity

There will be an opportunity to meet Santa on Saturday 12 December, when Santa's Grotto will be open in the CBD between 10am and 2pm.

Now Available Online

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