

14. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
REPORT OF 19 MARCH 2003**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Wednesday 19 March 2003.

The meeting was attended by Peter Laloli (Chairperson), Ishwar Ganda, Mike Mora and Bob Shearing.

An apology was received from Lesley Keast.

**1. COMMUNITY EVENTS UPDATE**

Jacqui Leask, Community Recreation Adviser, reported on the outcome of three events, Carols at Westlake, Westside Party in the Park and Riccarton Community Carol Service, staged in Riccarton/Wigram Wards in December 2002. These events were supported by Board Project Funding.

Community events initiated by community groups and involving large planning committees are seen as vital in building strong relationships across the community, and with commercial and non-commercial organisations. The events focussed on bringing the family together prior to Christmas to relax and take time to re-evaluate the meaning of Christmas in a non-commercial 'free' environment.

These community events helped communities to build pride in their community and promote the services and activities available to people living within that community. There was strong support for these events from the local community i.e. sponsorship, free product/services, and through the number of people attending the events.

Another strong focus of the events was the inclusion of multi-cultural groups living in the area, who participated in the event through performance. This focus helps to improve peoples' understanding and awareness of the community in which they live.

The Committee congratulated Council staff and the volunteers involved in the running of these events. It was **agreed** that a letter of thanks be written to the three organisations who led the events.

The information was **received**.

**2. OLDER ADULTS RECREATION PROJECT FUNDING SCHEME**

It was reported by the Community Recreation Advisor, that the scheme was set up using funds from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board project funding. A total of \$7,950 was allocated to groups operating in the Riccarton/Wigram Wards that were currently providing or wanting to provide recreation/arts opportunities for older adults living in the Ward.

It was noted that funding criteria had been developed from the findings of the 2001 Christchurch Older Adults Recreation and Arts Needs Analysis conducted by Sarah Wylie. The emphasis for the project funding was to increase the number of older adults living within the Riccarton/Wigram wards participating in recreation and arts opportunities.

The following table lists the recipients of grants:

<b>Name of Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Funding Requested</b>	<b>Amount Granted</b>
Hei Hei Broomfield Community Project	Establishment of new craft group	525.00	525.00
Faith and Light NZ	Bus for disabled elderly and their caregivers	1290.00	1000.00
Halswell Prebbleton Anglican Parish	Equipment ie stove, pots, tables, games	1432.95	100.00
One Main South Road Residents Group	Equipment ie Petanque set	39.99	39.99
Broomfield Wanderers	Trip to Greymouth	1207.00	900.00

Name of Group	Project	Funding Requested	Amount Granted
SeniorNet Garden City Inc	Equipment upgrade	1000.00	500.00
Canterbury Fiji Social Services	Trip to Hanmer Springs	1830.00	1500.00
Riccarton & Districts Highland Pipe Band	Advertisements in Older & Bolder newspaper	469.13	469.13
Riccarton Floral Art Circle	2x Floral Workshops	700.00	700.00
Riccarton Dance Club	Assistance to support groups running costs	300.00	300.00
Avonhead Baptist Church	Bus Trip assistance	150.00	150.00
Holmes Park Croquet Club Inc	Line Marker	450.00	100.00
Hornby Community Care Centre	Promotion of new Tai Chi Class	415.61	415.61
Riccarton Racecourse Bowling Club	Promotion for new members and new equipment	917.00	750.00
Riccarton Recreational Centre for the Elderly	Signage for promotion of Centre	500.00	500.00
Total		\$14,606.68	\$7,949.73

The Committee **received** the information.

### 3. SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

The following school holiday programmes were delivered by the Christchurch City Council Leisure's Recreation and Arts Team in the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board area from July 2002 to January 2003.

#### 'Riccarton Rippers'

Based at Riccarton Primary School, a one week programme catering for a total of 40 children aged 5 – 10 years. This programme was funded by the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board and contracted to the YMCA and run three times yearly.

#### 'Hei Hei Hoppers'

A one week programme catering for 45 children aged 5–10 years. This programme was funded by the CCC Leisure operational budget and runs four times yearly. The YMCA had full responsibility for the management and planning of the programme in consultation with the Community Recreation Advisor.

#### 'Hornby After School Programme – Holiday Programme'

Based at the Hornby After School programme premises at Hornby Primary School. A one week programme for 20 children aged 5-11 years, with one week programmes offered in July, September, and a three day programme delivered prior to Christmas. This programme was funded by the Riccarton Wigram Community Board.

#### 'Sockburn Supersonics'

Based at Sockburn Primary School. This changed from a one week programme in April 2002 to a two week programme in July and September 2002 for 40 children aged 5 – 12 years. This programme was funded by the CCC Leisure operational budget. In April 2002 the programme was contracted to the Sockburn Oscar programme to manage in consultation with the Community Recreation Adviser and the Holiday Programme Manager.

#### 'Hornby Youth'

A one week programme for youth aged 10-13 years. Due to the outdoor adventure content of the programme and the subsequent increased health and safety risks, this programme only caters for 18 youth per day per programme. The programme was run in July and September/October school holidays.

This programme was funded by the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board and contracted to the YMCA who had full responsibility for the management and planning of the programme in consultation with the Community Recreation Advisor.

### **'Wharenui Funtime'**

This programme was based at Wharenui School and contracted to Affinity Child and Family Services, a new trust set up by Riccarton Community Church to deliver the Wharenui after school and holiday programmes.

Christchurch City Council Leisure contracted the Affinity Child and Family Services to run three one-week programmes in July, October 2002 and January 2003. The maximum numbers on this programme were 20 and the age group is 5-12 year olds. Affinity Child and Family Services have full responsibility for the management, planning and enrolments for the programme in consultation with the Community Recreation Advisor.

### **'Hillary Crescent Development Project'**

Based at the Waimairi Community Centre. There were two programmes provided, one for 5-11 year olds and one for 11-17 year olds. The programme normally runs for 2-3 days during the holidays, sometimes over a weekend for the older age group.

However to successfully access the Ministry of Social Development Funding the programme has been extended to 5 days per week beginning from April 2003. The Hillary Crescent Development Project has full responsibility for the management and planning of the programme in consultation with the Community Recreation Advisor.

Registrations are taken from Hillary Crescent. On average 80% of the families, which access the programme, hold a Community Service Card. This programme is funded by the Leisure operational budget.

The information was **received**.

#### **4. YOUTH COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS**

Last year the Community Board introduced a separate Youth Community Service Award Scheme on a trial basis for one year.

After discussion it was **agreed** that the Youth Community Service Award Scheme would continue to be run separately from the Community Service Award Scheme in September/October, with presentations being made to the recipients of awards at the place of their voluntary work.

#### **5. NEXT MEETING DATE – WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

#### **6. BUS TOUR**

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Committee visited the following sites of interest:

- Hansens Lane Reserve, possible site for a new Riccarton facility
- Salvation Army Centre Hornby, to view building alterations funded by the Board
- Te Kohanga Reo, Gregory Avenue, who have been granted funding by the Ministry of Education to replace the existing building
- Hei Hei Community Centre/Hornby Toy Library

#### **Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the report be received.