

6. RECREATION AND ARTS TEAM: 2002/03 END OF YEAR REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of programmes, events and activities delivered by the Recreation and Arts Team in the Hagley and Ferrymead wards during the 2002/03 financial year.

This report lists activities funded by the Leisure Unit as well as the Board over this period.

RECREATION AND ARTS TEAM MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

Mission

To enhance the quality of life of individuals and communities in Christchurch by:

1. Raising awareness of the value of recreation and arts as an integral part of daily life.
2. Providing/facilitating accessible and meaningful opportunities for participation by all.

Ultimately

Enhancing the health and well being of Christchurch residents and contributing to Christchurch as a great place in which to live, work and play.

PLANNING FOR 2002/2003 YEAR

When planning activities and services to be delivered, the Recreation and Arts Team considers the following information.

1. Council policies which are relevant to the area.
2. Council and Community Board objectives
3. Metropolitan and local research
4. Networks and knowledge of local area.
5. Available resources – funding, staffing etc.

From this a plan for each Community Board area is prepared, outlining what is to be provided or facilitated over the 12 month period. Our aim is to ensure equitable provision (ie: access for every member of the community to recreation opportunities) and to fill gaps, either by direct provision or by partnering with other agencies.

PARTNERSHIPS

The Recreation and Arts Team actively seeks partnerships in local communities. The Team's approach is to empower and resource local community groups to provide recreation opportunities for their own communities. Therefore the Team enters many grant or contract partnerships to ensure this happens. Part of this relationship may also be providing advice and support to the group to ensure safe, quality programmes are provided. Where no local providers are available the Team will directly provide programmes to ensure that communities do not "miss out".

PROGRAMMES DELIVERED

General Population

Name and description of programme	Numbers (ie total attendances over the 12 month period)
Pilates (Mt Pleasant) (Intro, Level 1 & 2)	1456
TOTAL	1456

Grant Allocation	Numbers
Our Youth Our Community Trust – Term time Community Programmes	9000
Woolston Development Project – WDP Women's Group	378
TOTAL	9378

Children

Name and description of programme	Numbers
Linwood Movers Holiday Programme	952
Bromley Boredom Busters Holiday Programme	456
Phillipstown Pulsators Holiday Programme	645
R.O.O.S.T. Holiday Programme	753
Kidsplay – Redcliffs School	220
Kidsfest – Ticklish Allsorts and Creative Kids	320
TOTAL	3478
Grant Allocation	Numbers
Woolston Development Project After School Programme - Swimming	132
TOTAL	132

Youth

Name and description of programme	Numbers
Linwood Youth Adventures Holiday Programme	243
Phillipstown Youth Adventures Holiday Programme	143
L.Y.F.E. Mural Workshop, Linwood Park	40
Found Object Jewellery Workshop	42
TOTAL	468

Older Adults

Name and description of programme	Numbers
Phillipstown Leisure Club	631
TOTAL	631

Other

Name and description of programme	Numbers
Centennial – Pool Parties	355
TOTAL	355

Community Events Delivered

Name and description of event	Numbers
Movie in the Park – Linwood Park	1500
Over 50's Leisure for Life Expo – Woolston Club	500
L.Y.F.E. 2002 – Linwood Park	6000
TOTAL	8000
Grant Allocation	Numbers
Blue Light Neighbourhood Event	120
Summer Loud Lunch - Sumner	250
Fiji Cultural Education Social and Sports Association – Family Sports Day	80
Friends of Beverley Park Heritage Rose Garden – Neighbourhood Garden Party	100
Friends of Edmonds Factory Gardens – Musical Afternoon & Garden Party	700
Ferrymead Brookhaven Residents Association – Community Christmas activity	40
Bromley Residents Association – Bromley Carnival	3000
Linwood Community Arts Centre – Christmas Event & Inner City Multi-cultural Festival	1100

Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage – Carols on the Green Community Event	120
Shoreline Ministers Association – Christmas Carols Barnett Park	1000
Woolston Development Project – Parents Day	60
TOTAL	6570

ARTS

Name and description of event/project	Numbers
Purchase of Maori Art Work	N/A
Grand Lodge Mural	
Linwood Community Arts Centre – Linwood Artforms	100
Our Youth Our Community Trust – We Can 2003 Art Exhibition	300
TOTAL	400

OTHER

The Community Recreation Advisor provided ongoing advisory and funding assistance to local groups and community organisations during this time. The Leisure, Parks and Waterways study for Hagley/Ferrymead is a major piece of research which was commissioned to identify and assess issues and needs. Once completed this information will assist Council staff and the Board to make planning and funding decisions. A programme to support talented young swimmers from the greater Woolston area was developed. A working party was established to forward the proposed aquatic leisure facility in the Linwood area and there was extensive consultation and action to improve the image and increase the positive usage of Linwood Park.

FUNDING

The partnership between the Leisure Unit and the Board enabled a total of \$113,050 to be invested in the Hagley and Ferrymead wards (\$55,450 from Leisure, \$57,600 from the Board).

COMMENTS

Working collaboratively across the Council, government agencies and community organisations enables greater input and opportunities for participation by residents in a wide range of active and creative leisure pursuits which increases individual and community well-being. Links are created between people, community organisations and resources and bonds are formed creating strong networks that assist and complement each other.

FUTURE AREAS OF FOCUS FOR RECREATION AND ARTS

- Decreasing levels of physical activity and impacts on health
- Ageing population
- Lack of volunteers and impact on sport/recreation clubs
- Decreasing child/youth participation in physical activity
- Increasing ethnic minorities
- Increased demand for local, low cost recreation opportunities
- Increased demand for creative expression opportunities

CONCLUSION

The programmes, events and activities facilitated or provided in the Hagley and Ferrymead wards over the 2002/23 financial year have contributed significantly to enhancing the quality of life of local residents and communities in the area. We would like to thank the Board for its ongoing support of these activities.

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the information be received and Lesley Symington be thanked for her report.