

He karere tā te Kaunihera ō Taranaki ki te Tonga News from the South Taranaki District Council



We're on the hunt for two new inductees to join South Taranaki's Sporting Hall of Fame.

"South Taranaki has produced some incredible sports people, and we want to acknowledge that," says Community Events Coordinator, Ella Tosland. "We have inducted seven people in the past and are now looking for the next two to join this elite group." A nominee must meet at least one of the following criteria to be considered for the Sporting Hall of Fame.

- Achieved international success by winning Gold, Silver or Bronze at either the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championship or an officially approved elite level event; or
- Been a senior athlete or a significant contributor of a national representative team at an elite international level; or
- Made a significant contribution and distinguished service to elite sport which has brought credit to South Taranaki.

As well as these criteria inductees must have a strong association to

SOUTH TARANAKI Sporting Hall of Fame

South Taranaki and have spent a significant period of their life living in the District. It's also preferred that nominees be retired from elite level sport for at least five years before being nominated.

"Nominations don't roll over from year to year, so anyone who hasn't been chosen from an application in the past is eligible to be nominated for the 2024 round of inductions," says Ella. The South Taranaki Sporting Hall of Fame includes Roger Cox (shearing), Adine Wilson (netball), James Hunter (rugby), Graham Mourie (rugby), Stan Lay (javelin), Graeme West (rugby league) and Michael Campbell (golf).

A nomination form can be picked up from TSB Hub, South Taranaki isite, any South Taranaki LibraryPlus or downloaded from Council's website *www.southtaranaki.com*

Nominations close on Friday 1 November 2024. For more information contact Ella Tosland on 0800 111 323 or email *events@stdc.govt.nz*.

Te Hāwera Community Board Monday 30 September, 11am Normanby Hall, Ketemarae Ro

Normanby Hall, Ketemarae Road, Normanby Pātea Community Board

Upcoming Meetings

Monday 30 September, 4pm Waverley Community Centre, Chester Street, Waverley

Eltham-Kaponga Community Board Wednesday 2 October, 10.30 am

Auroa Memorial Hall, Auroa Road, Auroa

Taranaki Coastal Community Board Wednesday 2 October, 2.30pm Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration Events Centre, 156 Tasman Street, Ōpunakē

Te Kāhui Matauraura Wednesday 9 October, 10am

Environment and Hearings Committee Wednesday 9 October, 4pm

District Plan Committee Wednesday 9 October, 6pm

Policy and Strategy Committee Monday 14 October, 1pm

Extraordinary Council To hear submissions on the Cemeteries Bylaw

Monday 14 October, 11am Extraordinary Council

To make a decision on the preferred option for Water Services Delivery Monday 14 October, 3pm

Unless specified, meetings are held in the Council Chambers, Administration Building, Albion Street, Hāwera.

Central Government increases parking fines

Parking infringement fees are set to increase from 1 October (next week), as central government 'cracks down' on car park misuse.

The fees, which are set by central government and enforced by local authorities, will be increasing for the first time in 20 years to align with inflationary changes.

Disability Issues Minister Louise Upston and Transport Minister Simeon Brown said the changes have also been made to stop people from misusing carparks reserved for disabled people, levelling the playing field and preventing unnecessary disruptions to their day-to-day lives.

In addition, the regulated fees for towage and impoundment will be increasing, as the current fees no longer cover tow-truck operators'



costs, leaving them out of pocket. The changes mean that common infringement fees like overstaying a park for no more than 30 minutes will increase from \$12 to \$20. The most prominent fee increase however, is illegally parking in an area reserved for disabled persons, which will increase from \$150 to \$750.

As of 1 October 2024, anyone who is issued a parking infringement anywhere in New Zealand will receive the increased fee. All Councils are required to use the new fees and

are unable to make any amendments for their own territories. Residents can read the full Government announcement here - **www. beehive.govt.nz/release/government-update-parking-penalties**



Applications for the Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund are now open and close on Tuesday 1 October at 5pm.

South Taranaki District Council Funding Advisor Sara Dymond says applications to the Rural Travel Fund can be made by rural sport club teams and rural school club teams in South Taranaki, whose members are aged between 5 and 18 years. "The fund is available to support those in rural communities with financial assistance for transport so that they can participate in local sports competitions," says Sara.

Further information and application forms can be found online at **www. southtaranaki.com/funding**, at the Council Administration Building, Albion Street, Hāwera, from your local LibraryPlus or by emailing **funding@stdc.govt.nz**



Kids will have plenty to do these school holidays - especially if you've got the latest edition of the South Taranaki Happening Holiday programme. **Find out more by heading online to** *www.southtaranaki.com/happeningholidays*