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Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre opening its doors to the community!



A blessing of the facility was held on Monday 10 October, led by Ngāruahine, Ngāti Ruanui and Ngāti Maru. Photos: Supplied by Ngāruahine.



We're excited to welcome our community to the first official splash at Wai O Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre at 1pm on Thursday 13 October 2022. With the first 100 Stratford District residents to receive free entry on opening day.

District Mayor Neil Volzke will open the facility to the public on Thursday, and says it's a day he knows the community has been eagerly waiting for.

"We want to open Wai O Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre in style, and we can't do that without our community. Whether your style is an elegant dive or a manu bomb, this is your chance to make waves and be part of history," he says.

There will also be dry walk-through sessions for community members to view the facility and see what it offers, without needing to whip out the togs. The dry sessions will be held on Wednesday 12 October from 4pm-6pm, and on Monday 17 October from 11.30am-1.30pm, and will not interrupt normal pool use.

"When the idea of a new pool was introduced as part of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan, it was very clear that this is what our community wanted," says Mayor Volzke.

"We're extremely proud of the result and can't wait to see people using and enjoying it," he says.

The new centre has more than double the capacity of the old complex, and is home to an 8-lane 25 metre competition pool, 20 metre programme and hydrotherapy pool, learn to swim pool, toddler pool and a zero-depth splash pad, kitted out with a range of interactive water toys.

"Wai O Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre is a first-class facility that has something for everyone. It will be enjoyed by not only Stratford residents, but by people right across our region," says Mayor Volzke.

Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre Opening week hours

- Thursday 13 October, 1pm – 4pm
- Friday 14 October, 9am – 4pm
- Saturday 15 October, 9am – 4pm
- Sunday 16 October, 10am – 4pm

Normal opening hours start from Monday 17 October 2022. Visit stratford.govt.nz for more.

Calling all handy people. Stratford Repair Café needs you!

We're searching for skilled volunteers to help repair broken belongings in Stratford's first ever pop-up Repair Café.

The Stratford Repair Café will be open in late November 2022 at the Stratford War Memorial Centre.

Peter McNamara, SDC Waste and Water Education Officer, says to get in contact if you're handy or crafty and can volunteer a day to help your fellow Stratford District residents. We need wood, metal and leather workers, bike and furniture repairers, people who can repair computers and basic electronics, an electrician, upholsters, knitters, crafters, and sewers, and general handy people.

"Share your skills with your community," says Peter. "Let's repair the belongings people love and need, and save our environment at the same time."

People who want to volunteer, or who need more information, can contact Peter by calling 06 765 6099 or emailing pmcnamara@stratford.govt.nz

NZ ARMY STRATFORD OPEN DAY

Military Vehicles • NZ Army Personnel • Field Cooking • Free BBQ



FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER
12.30 - 2.30pm
Stratford War Memorial
Centre car park
Free family event!

Public Notices

Weed spraying on rural roadside berms

Stratford District Council will carry out weed spraying on rural roadside berms in the below areas from Thursday 13 October 2022.

All rural roads west and east of State Highway 3

Any berms that are well maintained, or defined as a "No Spray Zone" by the property owner, will not be sprayed.

This work will take around 8-10 weeks to complete, weather permitting.

If you don't want your road frontage sprayed, please contact us on 06 765 6099.

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Director Assets



Bike Park Party a wheel success!

We had an incredible turn out for the Bike Park Birthday Party. Thank you to our partners and the Stratford District community for making the event so special!

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for party pics. Maybe you'll spot yourself!

We're very happy to announce the winners of our bike party giveaways. A big thanks to Torpedo7 for the prizes!

\$200 Torpedo7 voucher winner

• Oliver Bosson-Hart

Bike helmet winners:

• Kaden Hodson Engelberger • Snow Reyn • Zylan Wells • Willa Hiri • Kailey Cameron

STRATFORD SCARECROW TRAIL

28 OCTOBER TO
13 NOVEMBER 2022

Entries close next week!

Visit Stratford.govt.nz/scarecrow for details.

Library and Visitor Information
Phone 06 765 5403
Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
Saturday 9.00am – 12.00pm
Sunday & Public Holidays Closed

Transfer Station
Phone 06 765 8500
Monday – Friday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday 10.00am – 1.00pm
Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm – 5.00pm

Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre
Phone 06 765 6275
Monday – Friday 6.00am – 6.30pm
Saturday 7.00am – 5.00pm
Sunday and Public Holidays
10.00am – 5.00pm

Glockenspiel
Performs Daily at 10.00am, 1.00pm,
3.00pm and 7.00pm
12 October 2022