



## Settlement Support (Rotorua)

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**"If you have an event or something of interest that you would like to include in the newsletter, please send it to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month."**

**This newsletter focuses on highlighting local providers of services relevant to migrants and newcomers, upcoming events and items of interest.**

## Settlement Support Local Network Meeting

**Friday, 30 Oct 09, 12 noon – 2pm  
3rd Floor, 1136 Arawa St, Rotorua**

Settlement Support invites government agencies, community/sport groups, and employers to attend.



### Guest speaker:

**Judi Altinkaya  
Director Settlement Support  
Dept of Labour**

Judi has worked abroad and in NZ on a range of migrant initiatives. The Settlement Support initiative was developed and implemented under Judi's leadership.

The updated Welcome Pack in booklet and CD format will be available.

### This is your opportunity to:

- Find out more about Settlement Support
- Get to know one another face to face
- Find out what local support is available for migrants
- Suggest how local settlement can be improved

**A light lunch will be provided**

Confirm your attendance, by Friday, 23 Oct 2009

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## Labour Weekend

**24- 26 Oct 2009**

Labour Day commemorates the struggle for an eight-hour working day.



Samuel Parnell

New Zealand workers were among the first in the world to claim this right when, in 1840, the carpenter Samuel Parnell won an eight-hour day in Wellington.

Labour Day was first celebrated in New Zealand on 28 October 1890, when several thousand trade union members and supporters attended parades in the main centres. Government employees were given the day off to attend the parades.

The date, 28 October, marked the first anniversary of the establishment of the Maritime Council, an organisation of transport and mining unions.

Early Labour Day parades drew huge crowds in places such as Palmerston North and Napier as well as in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. Unionists and supporters marched behind colourful banners and ornate floats, and the parades were followed by popular picnics and sports events.

What the Liberals did do was make Labour Day a holiday. The Labour Day Act of 1899 created a statutory public holiday on the second Wednesday in October, first celebrated in 1900. The holiday was 'Mondayised' in 1910, and since then it has been held on the fourth Monday in October.

# What's On in October 09

## Australasian Firefighter Championships

16-18 Oct 2009 From 10 am  
Village Green, Lakefront Rotorua



New Zealand will host the Australasian Firefighter Championships for the first time.

The event will comprise 30 teams from Victoria, Queensland, New South Wales, the Northern Territory and South Australia, as well as selected NZ teams.

The championships feature the waterway challenge, a hose-running competition that has been a great tradition for firefighters throughout Australia and NZ for more than 130 years.

## U & I Can Cook Thai

Sat 17 Oct 2009  
10.30am – 1.30pm or 2.30 – 5.30pm  
RAVE, Hinemaru Street, Rotorua



U and I can cook THAI with Royal Thai Cuisine Chef Tina Pornsirichaivatana at RAVE (Exhibition Kitchen Room).

Learn to cook 3 dishes: Prawn Toast, Chicken Phad Thai and Green Chicken

Curry. Assist in food preparation and enjoy the meal

Registration fee \$25 incl. ingredients (3-hr class).

Limited space. Maximum 8 students per class.

Contact RAVE on 07 348 9008 or [office@rave.org.nz](mailto:office@rave.org.nz)

## Coast 2 Kaimai's Explorer Train travel in is back in the Bay!

Sat 17 Oct 2009  
Te Wananga o Aotearoa  
324 Malfroy Road,  
Rotorua



An excursion combining Coach and Chartered train travel.

Coach: Rotorua-Kawerau,

Train: Kawerau-Kinleith (Tokoroa),

Coach: Kinleith-Rotorua.

Via Pacific Coast Rail, Tauranga Harbour and Kaimai Tunnel.

This is a rare opportunity to travel the stunning rail from Kawerau to Kinleith.

Visit Tourism Rotorua's i-SITE visitor centre to place your booking today. Tel: 07 348 5179

There are a strictly limited number of tickets

Cost: \$107 each (optional lunch \$12.20)

## U & I Can Cook French

Sun 18 Oct 2009  
10.30am – 1.30pm or 2.30 – 5.30pm  
RAVE, Hinemaru Street, Rotorua



U and I can cook FRENCH with Japanese French Haute Cuisine Chef Hiroyuki Teraoka at RAVE (Exhibition Kitchen Room)

Learn to cook 3 dishes: Supreme de Volaille au Camembert et Prosciutto (roasted stuffed chicken with camembert and prosciutto), Cuisse de Volaille au Vinaigre and Tarte au Poire (pear tart). Assist in food preparation and enjoy the meal.

Registration fee \$25 incl. ingredients (3-hr class).

Limited space. Maximum 8 students per class.

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## Soundshell Market

24-26 Oct, 2009, From 9am - 3pm  
Stoney Point, Spencer Road, Lake Tarawera



Especially for Labour Weekend., and a chance to get some early Christmas shopping done....a three day market...some of the biggest and busiest days at the Lakefront.

Indoor and outdoor stalls....plenty of parking..free entry to the public..a place to spend heaps of fun filled time...and have a cup of tea as well....

## Lake Tarawera Spring Fair

Sunday, 25 Oct 2009, 10 am – 3pm  
Stoney Point, Spencer Road, Lake Tarawera



Country fair in a beautiful location - arts, crafts, woodwork, pottery, jewellery, target golf game, donkey carts and horse rides, bouncy train, cakes and produce, white elephant stalls, refreshments.

Variety auction starts 11.30 am.

Lots to see and do for everyone. Shop early for Christmas.

## A Pink Walk

Wed, 28 Oct 2009, 5 – 8pm  
Village Green, Lakefront Rotorua



The Pink Walk is a fun family event which takes place annually, with entertainment and food available from 5.00pm.

This 3.4 km walk around the scenic Rotorua Lakefront, sees the Rotorua community decked out in amazing "hot pink" dress-up in support of breast cancer. The walk concludes with spot prizes and continued fun on the Village Green. This event is run by the Rotorua Breast Cancer Trust as an event to promote breast cancer awareness.

Cost: \$5, children under 13 years – gold coin donation

Pick a registration form at the Rotorua District Council Front Reception, 1061 Haupapa St, Rotorua.

Entries taken on the day but prior registration advisable

Contact Dell Gee on 07 345 6557



### Want to get active, but not sure where to start?

Get Active, Stay Active has all you need to know about fitness programmes and recreational activities in and around the Rotorua region to help get you active.

We have all types of activities listed; anything from aerobics, aqua or water activities, bowling, children, croquet, cycling, dance, frisbee, low Impact, easy moving, mountain biking, pilates, running, seniors, sport, tai chi, walking, yoga and youth based programmes - it's all right here.

Pick up the latest booklet from

- City Focus, Tutanekai Street, Rotorua
- Convention Centre, Fenton Street, Rotorua
- Public Library, Haupapa Street, Rotorua
- Any Countdown supermarket

### New Daylight Saving Lakefront Walking Group

Take advantage of warmer weather and longer daylight hours by enjoying a walk at the lakefront.

The Green Prescription Advisor, with the Family Lifestyle Coach from Sport Bay of Plenty are starting a BRAND NEW walking group around the lakefront.

No fitness required, it's FREE and perfect for the whole family! Join us at the Village Green on Tuesday 20th of October at 5pm (weekly after that).

For more information on the walk, contact:  
 Melissa Gordon, Green Prescription Advisor or  
 Holly Douch, Family Lifestyle Coach at Sport Bay of Plenty on 348 4125.

## WALKTOBER – OCTOBER 2009

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>28 SEPTEMBER</b> • Walktober Launch Evening for Organisers/Leaders	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 	<b>1 OCTOBER</b> • Walktober Launch! - Walk to Work & Stepping Up Fitness Challenge • Arthritis NZ Orange Appeal Walk • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group • Fordlands Moving Forward International Day of the Older Person - Spring Fling	<b>2</b> • Dogs at the Racecourse • Our Story Through Public Art • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Redwoods	<b>3</b> • Nordic Walking Workshop	<b>4</b> • Mt Ngongotaha Bush Walk • Whaka Village Walk • Eastern Okataina Walkway
<b>5</b> • GRx Walking Group – Redwoods • Green Team Walkers	<b>6</b> • Heart Support Group • Walk 'n' Talk • Glow Worm discovery Walk • Plunket Walking Group • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Centennial Park	<b>7</b> • Springfield Strollers	<b>8</b> • Redwoods Adventure Hike • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group	<b>9</b> • Nordic Walking Beginners Class (4 week course) • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Okere Falls	<b>10</b> • Ekiten • Lake Rotohokahoka	<b>11</b> • Mt Ngongotaha Bush Walk (Postponement Date) • Sulphur City Strollers • Whaka Village Walk • Rotorua Heart Support Group
<b>12</b> • GRx Walking Group – Redwoods	<b>13</b> • GRx Easy Aqua • Heart Support Group • Walk 'n' Talk • Plunket Walking Group • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Puarenga Stream	<b>14</b> • Nature Tots • Springfield Strollers	<b>15</b> • Out and About • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group	<b>16</b> • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Okareka Walkway	<b>17</b> • Nordic Walker Get Together • Bandanna Campaign	<b>18</b> • Sulphur City Strollers (postponement date) • Whaka Village Walk • Marching • Waimungu Valley • Discover the hidden treasures of Okataina
<b>19</b> • GRx Walking Group – Redwoods	<b>20</b> • GRx Easy Aqua • Heart Support Group • Walk 'n' Talk • Redwoods Adventure Hike • Plunket Walking Group • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Blue Lake	<b>21</b> • Springfield Strollers • Tot Trot • Tikitapu Nature Walk	<b>22</b> • Glow Worm Discovery Walk • Aqua Walk • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group	<b>23</b> • Wow, Wonderful Walks! - Mount Ngongotaha	<b>24</b> • Xterra Trail Challenge	<b>25</b> • Whaka Village Walk • Tikitapu Nature Walk • Rotorua Heart Support Group
<b>26 Labour Day</b>	<b>27</b> • GRx Easy Aqua • Heart Support Group • Walk 'n' Talk • Lake Tarawera Walkway • Plunket Walking Group • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group	<b>28</b> • Pink Walk • Nature Tots • Springfield Strollers	<b>29</b> • Fordlands Moving Forward • Rotorua Cross Country Walking Group	<b>30</b> • Heart for Heart Sake	<b>31</b>	<b>1 NOVEMBER</b> 

There are plenty of walks so find one that suits you and join in.



# Are you prepared for an emergency?

## “Get Ready Get Thru”

New Zealand has had several environmental emergencies recently. It is a timely reminder to check how prepared you are, if a disaster were to happen while you were at home, work or in the car.

Due to its location and environment, New Zealand faces many potential disasters. In some cases, such as a weather related or volcanic disaster, there may be time for a warning.

But an earthquake or a tsunami close to land could strike without warning.

**“Be prepared to cope on your own for up to three days, or more.”**

The Get Ready Get Thru website gives information about

- the main environmental hazards in NZ
- how to be prepared before a disaster
- what to do when disaster strikes.

[www.getthru.govt.nz](http://www.getthru.govt.nz)

## Earth Quake Commission

From the EQ-IQ website find out

- The environment risks in our region
- How to quake safe your home.  
Are your ornaments, pictures, mirrors, tall furniture, hot water cylinders, appliances and TVs are secured appropriately?
- The impact of earthquakes on the average home.

[www.eq-iq.co.nz](http://www.eq-iq.co.nz)

## Radio Stations

The following radio stations will carry information and advice in an emergency.

Classic Hits	97.5 FM
More FM	95.9 FM
News talk ZB	747AM
Radio Live	91.9FM
Radio NZ	101.5 FM / 1188AM

## Checklists

These checklists tell you what you need to do to get ready.

- [Household Emergency Plan](#)
- [Household Emergency Checklist](#)
- [Getaway Kit](#)
- [First Aid Kit](#)

## Volunteering

### Rotorua Emergency Response Team

#### Headquarters

Rotorua Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) is a group of volunteers who assist in the ‘Headquarters’ of the Civil Defence operation for the Rotorua district. They are responsible for the Planning & Intelligence, Operations, Logistics, Welfare, Public Information and Communications. This involves anything from making a cup of tea to operating a two-way radio, to map reading and so on.

Full training will be given in everything.

#### Rotorua Emergency Response Team

The Rotorua Emergency Response Team (RERT) is one of many volunteer emergency response teams in NZ.

#### What does RERT do?

RERT provide an emergency response to the Rotorua area and may do, if required, to the wider Bay of Plenty Civil Defence region. In a local event the team may be split to form a large pool of leaders who can assume command of spontaneous and trained volunteers. They also work alongside the other Emergency Services in a response situation.

#### Being a team member:

Volunteers must be committed and dedicated to be selected for team membership. Regular training is essential to ensure they maintain their skills to the highest level possible. Members will be required to complete NZQA National certificates and other recognized qualifications.

To join the Rotorua Emergency Response Team contact the Council's Customer Centre, 1061 Haupapa Street, Rotorua  
Tel 07 348 4199

#### For More Information

Weather updates - [www.metservice.co.nz](http://www.metservice.co.nz)

Updates on earthquake, volcano, landslide and tsunami hazards - [www.geonet.org.nz](http://www.geonet.org.nz)

District Council emergency information - [www.rdc.govt.nz/Services/CivilDefence.aspx](http://www.rdc.govt.nz/Services/CivilDefence.aspx)

## Get Ready Guides

These guides tell you what you need to do to get ready.

- [Caring for sick or vulnerable people](#)
- [Caring for pets and livestock](#)
- [First Aid Kit](#)
- [Storing water](#)
- [If you are in your car](#)

# Western Heights

# Market Day

Brookland Road Shopping Centre  
Saturday 17 October 2009, 10am - 1pm



- \* HEALTH & WELLNESS STALLS \*
- \* LOCAL SCHOOL PERFORMANCES \*
- \* KAPA HAKA & MUSIC GROUPS \* GRAFFITI ART \*
- \* FACE PAINTING \* SAUSAGE SIZZLE \*
- \* CAR BOOT SALE \* CLASSIC CARS \*

**... Freebies & Heaps More ... So Come & Join Us!**

Contact: Steve McGuire on 348 4522 or 027 592 1322  
For Health Stalls contact: Chris Campbell on 027 640 3020  
or email [cwiremu@gmail.com](mailto:cwiremu@gmail.com)



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**Ken Brown Drive**  
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**Te Rapa, Hamilton**

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**Philippines Food, Cultural &**  
**Trade Fair**  
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OKERE FALLS STORE

# BEER FEST

19th - 25th October

2009

Labour Week

ROTORUA

## TICKETS

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE LIBRARY STORE OR OKERE FALLS STORE FROM 1ST SEPT

## PRICES

Mon - FRI - FREE ENTRY

SAT OR SUN - \$25 } includes a stein

SAT & SUN - \$40 } 2 DAY PASS

LIMITED TICKETS

Wine-o Pass - \$15

## BUS

TO AND FROM TOWN EACH DAY

## HOURS

Mon - FRI, 5 pm } 10 pm

SAT - 12 noon

Sunday - 9 am



FOR MORE INFO

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## LABOUR WEEKEND

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# Back Page News

## SPACE: Supporting Parents Alongside Children's Education



The SPACE programme is for (mainly) first time parents with newborn babies. Sessions run weekly at a Playcentre or suitable community venue, for 3-4 terms extending through the first year of the child's life.

### Facilitators:

The Rotorua SPACE Team are keen to meet with people who are interested or could be interested in facilitating a SPACE group or groups.

If you have a background in; Health, Education, Community Social Work, please phone us.

The role is suitable for someone wanting to work on a part time basis.

### Volunteer Support:

We also need Support People for our Facilitators and assistance with various tasks to support our programmes.

### Vacancies at SPACE sessions in Rotorua:

We welcome any of your parents with young babies join us

Tuesdays from 12.30-2.45pm at Rotorua Community Link, 1207 Pukuatua Street, Rotorua.

Friday afternoon at Koutu Playcentre, 35 Taharangi Street, Rotorua

### For further information, contact:

Gina on 3479747 or

Lynn Benfell, Rotorua SPACE Convenor

Tel: 07 357 4565 Email: [wivitma@hotmail.com](mailto:wivitma@hotmail.com)

[www.space.org.nz](http://www.space.org.nz)

## Rotorua Community Link



### Are you searching for a job?

Rotorua Community Link provides

- Access to a computer with template CVs and covering letters
- A printer
- Use of a telephone

These facilities are FREE and available to everyone.

No questions will be asked about your immigration status.

Go to Rotorua Community Link,

1207 Pukuatua Street, Rotorua.

Once in the building, look to the right to see the computer suite.

## Changes to Driving Laws from 1 November 09



### Use of Mobile Phones While Driving

It will be illegal for drivers to talk or send text messages on handheld mobile phones while driving from 1 November 2009.

Drivers using handheld mobiles would be liable for an \$80 fine and 20 demerit points.

The ban will not cover hands-free devices or two-way radio, and there will be an exemption for 111 calls made in emergency situations.



### Use of Headlights

Motorcyclists and moped riders to use headlights during daylight hours.

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