SUPPORTING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS

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Another challenging year is nearly over and we are looking forward to 2014 as we consolidate our good work during 2013.

The move of residential clients into Trust owned properties has been successful with all clients happy and enjoying warm and comfortable homes. I would like to thank our dedicated Trust Board—David Foote, Jim Hassall, Joyce Ellis, Gerry Crosby, Roy Robbins, Lindsey Robbins, Warren Long and Jenny Shattock for their guidance and direction.

I would like to thank the South Waikato Achievement Trust staff and acknowledge their work as well as commitment to providing quality services for the people

who use them.

Finally, I wish everyone a happy, restful and safe holiday season. SWAT—FUND RAISING DINNER held at the South Waikato Event Centre on 21 September with guest speakers Wayne Smith & Dave Rennie. Excerpt below from David Foote - Chairman of the Trust

This year we celebrated our 40th Birthday and what a Memorable Year we have had! The upgrading of our flats in Kent Street and having clients moving into our 'Brand New House' at the same location was a major event for us. (See photos back page)

Following the opening of the house at Kent Street we celebrated with a luncheon at the Cossie Club, where we presented certificates to organisations and people who have assisted us during our 40 years of operation.

It was exciting to catch up with previous Board Members on opening day, as these were the people whom laid the foundation to our original Sheltered Workshop.

The highlight of our year was SWAT 's 'Fund Raising Evening' at the Events Centre, where we hosted the 'CHIEFS' Coaches — Dave Rennie and Wayne Smith.

Although we raised \$7000 for the Trust, the highlight of the evening was the availability of our clients talking and mixing with Dave & Wayne.

We hope to have them in Tokoroa again some time next year!

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!











Above: Reuben and Sharon painting the fence

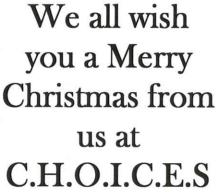


FAREWELL TO TANIA from C.H.O.I.C.E.S

Photo Left: Tania chose to learn long stitch and with staff support managed to complete a beautiful star before leaving us. Tania did well learning the process and picking up the concept of long stitch, what a proud moment for Tania when it was completed and got to take it home.

Above: Angelene folding washing

• ■ this is an important job!















O. Opportunity

I. Independence

C. Challenges

E. Enjoyment

S. Stimulation

Photo Left:

Some of the Clients from C.H.O.I.C.E.S. displaying a Christmas poster that was created by all!

They are all looking forward to Xmas & wish you all a Happy New Year!



MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE RESIDENTS AT CLYDE



PHOTO ABOVE: CLYDE STREET RESIDENTS getting into the Xmas mode. Staff and residents have decorated the Lounge/Dining room area and put up their Xmas Tree. (back row) Carla , Peter P, Lisa, Michael D, Francis, Gary and Joy. (Front row) insert photo of Peter B, John , Alison, Roger and Brett. Hope you all have a lovely Xmas & we'll see you all next year!







LOOKING FORWARD TO THE XMAS BREAK ARE SOME OF THE RECYCLING CREW! THEY ALSO WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A MERRY XMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!







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CREATIVE ART PRODUCTION: THIS YEAR WAS "GREASE"



The lead actors for the "GREASE" production were Theresa Hemming as 'Sandy Olsen' & Micaiah Jacobs as 'Danny Zuko'. They did an outstanding job of portraying the leading character's!

The 'Pink Ladies' were Alison Small, Sheree Putt & Ashlee Cortesi.

Danny's boys (the T-Birds) were Peter Cannon, Ramon Ratu, Jonathan Gates & Caleb Renner!

With the help of Creative Art staff & volunteers, the show was enjoyed by everyone and we are all looking forward to the next show from our talented group of



Seasons Greetings from Packaging

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This year in packaging has been filled with a lot of fun and an enormous amount of work, keeping us all very busy. When you're having fun, time flies! Even the birds have flown above us, finding a hole upstairs to nest and leaving a calling card or two, necessitating careful covering of product.

Our employees have worked to their abilities so should be very proud of themselves, as we have managed to get all of our orders out on time despite some challenging disruptions.

We are all looking forward to a well earned break! See you all back in a month! Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year!

Gail, Chicky, Margie, Nacole (Staff from Packaging Area)



HAPPY 21ST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS for KILA MONGA. She has been attending the Community Participation group at 'Creative Art' in Bridge Street.

She celebrated her 21st Birthday at the Tokoroa Cosmopolitan Club last month with family & invited guests.

'Congratulations Kila'





PINK WALK - SWAT Staff/

Employees

supporting 'Breast Cancer Appeal' with a walk around Lake Moananui held on Friday 18 October.

Photos

Teagan D (New Staff/KINDLING) Trish T (Office)

Edwina (Client/Employee), Rachael (Creative Arts),

Alison (Client/Employee) & Georgia & Sheryll (Staff from CHOICES)









INDOOR BOWLS SUCCESS

Edwina Stewart and Willie Johnson enjoy their bowls and their time & effort is paying off with big wins in Championships and tournaments. Maybe we have a team ready for the Special Olympics. Well done Willie and Edwina and a special thanks to Bill Reinsfield for his support and dedication in helping Willie and Edwina achieve such 'Awesome' results.

Keep it going and good luck.

Submitted by Wanda





Bowls Results

The Earnest Dunstan Trophy - Winners 14th July 2013

Bill Reinsfield Skip (Staff)
Robbie Phillips 3rd (Past Staff)
Jan Eccles 2nd (Past Staff)

Willie Johnson Lead

Tokoroa Club Champs Pairs Winners, 9th July 2013

Bill Reinsfield Skip Edwina Stewart Lead

Champ Triples - Winners 6th August 2013

Bill Reinsfield Skip
Billy Vonk 2nd
Edwinda Stewart Lead
Willie Johnson 2nd





Ho Ho Ho
MERRY
XMAS
TO YOU ALL!



Photo Left: Tua Pirato



Above: Tua's Prize for Golfing win!

Recycling Supervisor: Success on Golf Course

In the recently played '10K Golf Tournament' at Tokoroa Golf Club our Senior staff member Tua Pirato won the 'Ladies Division Shoot Out' and was presented with a lovely 'Silver Diamanté Olympic quartz watch'.

'Congratulations Tua'!



Below: Ashley cooking Chow Mein at one of Creative Art Cooking



Below: Creative Art group on a Farm Visit and John enjoying the visit to 'John Bennett Reserve' earlier this year!





Below: Some of our Clients 'chilling' at the 'Youth Park' enjoying a break from their 'Community Participation Programs' with the **Creative Art group, located in Bridge Street, Tokoroa**. Some of the activities that are offered are brochure deliveries, help in the Community Gardens, attend local exercise classes as well as Aqua exercises at the local pool, Karaoke at the Cossie Club, Music Productions ('GREASE" was this years show) Horse Riding with RDA, art & craft work and also the chance at learning more Cooking Skills.

These programs are offered by our organisation, with well trained Staff & Volunteers who help regularly. Without the help from our community, not all of these opportunities would be available!

RACHAEL & HER TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL & WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU A VERY 'MERRY XMAS' AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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Our (2) lovely Kitchen Ladies, all smiles,
Merry Xmas, see you all next year!



Above & Below: Willie enjoying a game of cricket & Kindling workers enjoying a cool drink at the SWAC Vocational BBQ on Friday 13th December.





Above: Some of the workers in Recycling who work extremely hard all year round are looking forward to Xmas and a break! Merry Xmas from them all!



THE CREW FROM KINDLING AREA would like to wish everyone a

**Merry Xmas & Happy New Year **

The Kindling area Supervisor Teina with staff members Graeme & Teagan have a very efficient team of workers who complete their contract with SOLID ENERGY by completing 7-8 pallets a day. This involves cutting cores into kindling size lengths, making up kindling boxes then packing! They achieve a very high standard of packing which has resulted in the on going contract with SOLID ENERGY! WELL DONE —TEAM!



Below: David Foote giving his speech at the dinner.

NB: To the left of David, Adrian Clarke ex All Black 1958-60 also attended the successful evening!



