

SOUTH WAIKATO ACHIEVEMENT TRUST

Supporting People with Disabilities to Achieve Their Goals

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SWAT's financial year has changed from March 30 to June 30, this was to align ourselves with MSD Funding.

It has been a busy start to the financial year, all vocational units extremely busy.

Kindling and firewood sales have gone through the roof as winter has been so cold.

Packaging have had some large orders from Simcro as well as Holdfast.

Our new business unit eWaste has surpassed expectations as we are processing eWaste locally as well as receiving 20 tonne a month from Rotorua Council and depots in Hamilton and Te Awamutu.

Lastly, it was a sad day on Friday, 18 September as we farewelled a popular and loyal member of our staff, Teina Pakutoa. I would like to wish Teina a long and enjoyable retirement and the good news is that Teina will be coming in from time to time as a volunteer. SWAT is a very hard place to break all ties with!

HAPPY LAWN—MOWING

Say Hello to the 'NEW LAWNS' team for this year! Glenn and Robbie will be doing all the lawns for SWAT. This entails all the SWAT residential homes/Flats, Clyde Street residential site & Thompson Street /Flats and Office areas. Also the lawns at our 'Special Needs Centre' CHOICES!



Our two **CHAMPION BOWLERS** came 2nd at the 'SPECIAL OLYMPICS' held in Tauranga earlier this month. Edwina was presented a "GREAT SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD" for her efforts. Congratulations!

William Johnson & Edwina Stewart play bowls at the Tokoroa Club on Tuesday's with a staff member and then attend outside tournaments with Mark Nicholson - Clients Advocate!

C.H.O.I.C.E.S.

Team Leader: Trish Dixon

We would like to welcome two new staff members Arorangi and Latoya to our team, new staff, new ideas **Photo right:** Sharon very proudly shows off her art work

that she and her support staff completed.

How exciting it was when she saw herself on the swing in her poster.

Photo Left:

COOKING CLASSES
Joy, Angelene,
Timothy & Sharon



Packaging: Team Leader Gail Bomford

We have had some staff changes recently, with 2 staff resigning and 2 new staff joining us. Thank you to Susan and Nacole for their contribution to Packaging and welcome to Tracey and Donna.

We have work to keep us from having idle hands, we thought you might be interested in following a Simcro process! We have snapped off a few photos to give you all an idea of what we do for one of our jobs in Packaging. On average we can process 10,000 units a week, thanks to our willing workers!



Checking Valves:

Edwina and Fiona check each valve before it goes on to the next step!



Tubeing: Michiel attaching the Cap onto the tubing with a special jig!



Capping: Roberta and Allan pressing the spikes onto the Caps!



Spiking: Jonathan & Alison placing the Caps onto the tubing!



Coiling: Dougal, Edwina and Melanie coiling the tubes ready for packing!



Packing the Coiled Tubing: William & Brenda packing the finished product into plastic bags.!

At the Community Gardens:

Garden Shade & Seats

Thanks to the following organisations and people, we now have our 'Solid Bench Seats with shade'.

S.W.D.C.—Community Development Grant

Waiariki Polytechnic—Carpentry Course

Tokoroa City Lions

Glen Maj and Sam Cowell

Their generous support in community projects is very much appreciated and our organisation (SWAT) is able to develop further with on-site programmes.



FAREWELL/RETIRED: TEINA PAKUTOA worked in our Kindling & Recycling areas)

The Achievement Trust has lost a very popular staff member! Teina has been with the Achievement Trust for 16 years and is going to be missed by all staff and clients.

We had a farewell lunch in the Kindling area and the workers from Kindling/Recycling were invited!



Photo above: Senior Staff members farewell Teina
Richard (eWaste) Russell Ensor (General Manager)
Bruce (Maintenance) Teina and Graeme (Maintenance)



Photo Above: Jason, Michael, Ryan, Tiana, Crystal & Brett have known Teina for years and will certainly miss him!

Photo Below: Dean, Teina, Ethan, Roger and Phil wished him good luck in his retirement!



Photo above: Teina and Trish T (Office)
An excellent team leader & friend, time to enjoy the fishing, golf and trips home to Raro!



Photo Below: Graeme, Pauline, Marilyn, Robbie, Teagan and (photo Insert right) Glenn wished him well!



Photo above: Teina & Tua:

- : When I needed help, you were there to help
- : When I'm discouraged, you encouraged me
- : When work gets so hard for me, you show me the easy way to do them.
- : I need advise you, gave me advise
- : Respect 'THE BOSS'
- : Don't work for yourself, work for the clients
- : So many things you have taught me, having trust in me, that I am the one to run our new baler back in 2005, and to get me to where I am today.

Can't thank you enough: God Bless

Kia Manuia - Tua Pirato (Team Leader-Croad Place, Recycling)



CREATIVE ART: cnr Bonaly & Bridge Street, Tokoroa

Team Leader: Racheal Campbell



Photo Left: A group of budding artist busy working on their projects for the 'Community Spring Festival' which is to be held on 30th September at the 'Tokoroa Community Gardens'. They made 'Gift Bags' using paint which was sponsored by 'RESENE'. These can be purchased from the 'CREATIVE CORNER' at the Spring Festival!

This will be a 'FUN DAY' for all ages with activities and performers to entertain. Our group will be supervising the 'CREATIVE CORNER,' cooking sausages and performing.



Photo Above:



Photo Left:

Jonathan donated one of his art-work to be auctioned at a recent YMCA fund-raising event!

Micaiah collecting old/used coffee beans from the local 'ROBERT HARRIS CAFÉ' here in Tokoroa.

The coffee beans are taken to the Community Gardens and put into the compost bins!



EPILEPSY WAIKATO COMMUNITY MEETINGS

NEXT MEETING 13th OCTOBER at 10:00 - 12:00

At CREATIVE ART

CALL CREATIVE ART FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Epilepsy Tokoroa Group Fundraiser.



Tokoroa District
Lions
'Onesie Walk' to
raise funds
for the Epilepsy
Waikato
Tokoroa Group.