

2010 WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME

3 January - 7 February



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10 December at
the Whanganui
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2010 WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME

Please read What to Bring about food and clothing and other important information overleaf which applies to everything in the programme. Unless otherwise noted, bookings are essential for all events. Most trips leave from the Riverboat Centre on Taupo Quay in Wanganui with en route pick-ups available for many bus trips.



1. Hipango Park

SUNDAY 3 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

We will travel up the Whanganui River on the MV Wairua to Hipango Park reserve which was once a popular destination for school, church and works picnics. Some tables are

available for your BYO picnic lunch otherwise bring rugs to sit on and a jacket for the river trip. Note there is a steep walk uphill from the jetty to the Park.

DEPART 10.00AM FROM WAIRUA JETTY;
RETURN 5.00PM
ADULT \$50 CHILD \$35

2. The River Road to Jerusalem



WEDNESDAY 6 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

On this trip up the Whanganui River Road we will stop at historic places en route including Kawana Mill, our morning tea stop. At Jerusalem (Hiruharama) we will learn the story of Mother Aubert and the establishment of the convent before having our BYO picnic lunch in the gardens by St Joseph's Church.

DEPART 9.00AM; RETURN 4:30PM
ADULT \$20 CHILD \$15



3. Bushy Park Night Spotting

FRIDAY 8 JANUARY
WHANGANUI FOREST AND BIRD

Bushy Park is the closest ecological island to Whanganui. See what can happen to birds and insects when pests

are excluded. We start with a barbecue (supplied) then enjoy the wetland and forest. Free bird chorus. Bring your own torches.

DEPART 7.00PM; RETURN 10.30PM
ADULT \$17.50 CHILD \$10 FAMILY \$30

4. History Tour of Castlecliff

SATURDAY 9 JANUARY
PROGRESS CASTLECLIFF AND LOCAL RESIDENTS

Check out where early Wanganui townfolk went when they took an excursion trip by train or tram to the beach. Visit historic sites of what was once a busy port. Afternoon tea provided at the historic Duncan Pavilion.

DEPART 1.30PM; RETURN 4.30PM
ADULT \$10 CHILD \$7.50
INCLUDES AFTERNOON TEA

5. Whanganui River Bank Walk

SUNDAY 10 JANUARY
FRIENDS OF THE WHANGANUI RIVER

Maritime historian Geoff Potts has previously taken walks on the Whanganui River's western bank. Today he guides us along the eastern bank from Landguard Bluff to opposite Port Castlecliff, looking at gun emplacements, old wrecks and manmade efforts to shore up the bank. Wear sturdy footwear and be prepared for the occasional scramble around logs.

DEPART 1.00PM; RETURN 4.30PM
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2



6. Evening Talk

MONDAY 11 JANUARY
COTTAGES, VILLAS AND BUNGALOWS

Many people are interested in researching the history of their house or perhaps a home that belonged to their family years ago. Local historian Wendy

Pettigrew shares her knowledge of local resources to guide you in your quest for information.

TIME: 7.30PM AT DAVIS LECTURE THEATRE,
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY



7. Whio on the Retaruke

TUESDAY 12 JANUARY
BLUE DUCK LODGES

We travel by bus across the volcanic plateau via Raurimu to Whakahoro where we join local farmer and conservationist

Dan Steele at Blue Duck Lodge and go whio spotting. We take a tour along the Kaiwhakauka Track and learn about settler history in the Mangapurua Valley, whio conservation and farm life. Bring sturdy footwear.

DEPART 7.00AM; RETURN 6.00PM
ADULT \$75 CHILD \$35



8. Green Belt Walk

THURSDAY 14 JANUARY

Follow little-known tracks along the face of St John's Hill from Victoria Park to Mt St Joseph's on this walk led by the very knowledgeable Colin Ogle. Hear about some notable native and exotic plants, local history and visit a new Wanganui

wetland. Involves some hill walking so wear sturdy footwear. Bus back to car park.

MEET 2.00PM AT VICTORIA PARK, PARSONS ST,
ST JOHN'S HILL; DURATION 3 HOURS
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY



9. Manawatu Gorge Walk

FRIDAY 15 JANUARY
FRIENDS OF THE WHANGANUI
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HORIZONS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Enjoy the Manawatu Gorge on this popular walk over the newly-upgraded track.

About 4-5 hours including BYO lunch stop. Creeks, lookouts and shady native bush create a relaxed nature experience. A Horizons' representative will outline work being done to enhance the Gorge's biodiversity. Average level of fitness required. Wear sturdy footwear.

DEPART 8.00AM; RETURN 5.00PM
ADULT \$20 CHILD \$15



10. Cape Kidnappers

SATURDAY 16 JANUARY
WHANGANUI FOREST AND BIRD

A day out with the majestic trans-Tasman gannets on the Hawkes Bay coast. View them at close range nesting, calling and

diving at the largest mainland colony. Tractor-trailer transport. Bring warm clothes and sturdy footwear.

DEPART 7.00AM; RETURN 7.00PM (APPROX)
ADULT \$80 CHILD \$40

11. Marton Heritage Walk

SATURDAY 16 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

A chance to discover why central Marton has more registered buildings than Wanganui. John Vickers will share his enthusiasm for Marton's heritage buildings on this walk finishing with afternoon tea in the church hall (gold coin donation).

MEET 2.00PM AT ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH,
MAUNDER ST, MARTON
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY

12. Kapiti Island

SUNDAY 17 JANUARY
WHANGANUI FOREST AND BIRD

Kapiti Island is a 20 minute launch ride from Paraparaumu. You will learn the Kapiti story from farm to forest and marine sanctuary and enjoy the abundance of native birds on this pest-free island. May involve 3-5 hours walking on beach and lowland trails; if active and fit, you can climb the steep 521m Tuteremoana.

DEPART 7.00AM; RETURN 7.30PM
ADULT \$110 CHILD \$75



13. Transforming the Land

MONDAY 18 JANUARY
HORIZONS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Whanganui River Road identity and national dog trialist Donald Wickham has been transforming the land that has

been owned by his family since the bush was cleared more than 100 years ago. He's working with Horizons and enjoying the rewards of innovative and sustainable land uses in this tough country. See his champion sheep dogs in action and enjoy a BYO afternoon tea on the homestead lawn.

DEPART 1.00PM; RETURN 5.30PM
ADULT \$10 CHILD \$8



14. All About Birds

MONDAY 18 JANUARY
WHANGANUI REGIONAL
MUSEUM

For 7-12 year olds: Meet Dawn Morton and one of the live birds she has saved and explore the world of bird rescue and rehabilitation.

TIME: 1.00-2.00PM AT DAVIS LECTURE THEATRE,
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
GOLD COIN DONATION TO BIRD RESCUE. NO
BOOKING NECESSARY

15. Evening Talk

MONDAY 18 JANUARY
THE CHATHAMS: ISLANDS ON THE EDGE

The Chatham Islands enjoy an amazing biological diversity, with many unique plant and animal species. Vivienne McGlynn, DoC native plant specialist based in Palmerston North, will show photographs from her recent visit to the Chathams and talk about the wildlife and plant conservation challenges faced on New Zealand's eastern outpost.

TIME: 7.30PM AT DAVIS LECTURE THEATRE,
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY

16. Wanganui Collegiate School

TUESDAY 19 JANUARY
WHANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL MUSEUM

Founded in 1854, Collegiate is Wanganui's oldest surviving business and has a number of historic buildings. Richard Bourne will introduce the history of the school with a tour of the Museum and Archives followed by a guided walk taking in "Big School", the Chapel and various buildings along "The Drive".

MEET AT 2.00PM AT SCHOOL MUSEUM, LIVERPOOL
STREET (CHAPEL ENTRANCE); DURATION 2 HOURS
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY



17. Lake Rotopounamu/ Te Porere Redoubt

WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY
FRIENDS OF THE WHANGANUI
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Rotopounamu (greenstone lake), near Turangi, is noted for its bush and prolific bird life. Enjoy an easy 2 hour walk around the lake. Also the opportunity for a swim. Commentary from Tongariro Natural History Society members. On the way home we call at Te Porere Redoubt, the site of the last battle of the New Zealand wars. Reasonable footwear recommended.

DEPART 7.30AM; RETURN 6.00PM
ADULT \$30 CHILD \$20

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18. Digital Photography Tricks for Kids

WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM

This children's digital photography workshop with photographer Leigh Mitchell-Anyon will cover the basics of taking good photos. Bring your own camera (including charger and batteries) and experiment; Leigh will show you a few tricks to give your photos that something extra. You will take home a print of your favourite photo. Bring your own morning or afternoon tea.

SESSION A: FOR 7-12 YEAR OLDS: 9.00AM-12.00PM
SESSION B: FOR CHILDREN AGED 12 AND OLDER: 1.00PM-4.00PM
BOTH AT WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
CHILD \$12

19. Ohakune Coach Road

THURSDAY 21 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

From 1906-1908 coaches transported rail passengers from Ohakune to Raurimu, pending the completion of the Main Trunk Line. Errol Vincent will lead our 3.5km walk along the Coach Road from Ohakune up to the recently restored old Hapuawhenua Viaduct. A walk suitable for all the family, but bring warm clothing.

DEPART 8:30AM; RETURN 4:30PM
ADULT \$25 CHILD \$15

20. Dog Aversion Training

FRIDAY 22 JANUARY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Help keep our kiwi safe - join DOC staff at Gordon Park, cnr Kaimatira Rd and No 3 Line, Wanganui East to get your dog trained in kiwi aversion. Dogs will be taken through the process of building an aversion to kiwi when they come across them in the wild. Dogs must be on a lead. Takes approximately 30 minutes.

PHONE HELEN AT DOC TO BOOK 06 349 2100
COST PER DOG \$5. PROCEEDS TO "BNZ SAVE THE KIWI TRUST"



21. Spiral Train Ride

SATURDAY 23 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

This special trip celebrating the Main Trunk Line takes us up to Taumarunui to join the Overlander and ride the train

south, through the world-famous Raurimu Spiral and over the Makatote Viaduct to Ohakune Station. We will have lunch at National Park Station where you can buy food at the café or bring your own.

DEPART 8.00AM; RETURN 4.00PM
ADULT/CHILD \$66 INCLUDES TRAIN FARE



22. Twin Taranaki Beaches

SUNDAY 24 JANUARY
WHANGANUI FOREST AND BIRD

A trip for the whole family. Bring your togs, explore the Patea and Waverley beaches which have their own charms

and enjoy a barbecue (supplied).

DEPART 3.00PM; RETURN 700PM
ADULT \$12 CHILD \$5 FAMILY \$25

23. In Taylor's Footsteps to Putiki

MONDAY 25 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

Celebrate Anniversary day with an afternoon walk with Wendy Pettigrew & Huia Kirk to Putiki along the riverbank, following in the footsteps of our early settlers from merchants Taylor & Watt to missionary Richard Taylor. Visit St Paul's Memorial Church and have afternoon tea in the church hall.

MEET 2.00PM AT RIVERBOAT CENTRE;
RETURN 5.00PM
ADULT/CHILD \$10 INCLUDES AFTERNOON TEA



24. Bridge to Nowhere - Mangapurua Valley

TUESDAY 26 JANUARY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Travel the River Road by bus to Pipiriki where we will catch a jet boat and make our way up the mystical Whanganui River to the Mangapurua Landing. From there a short 45 minute walk into the Bridge to Nowhere where we will have lunch and learn more about the history of the bridge and the failed settlements of the Mangapurua Valley. Bring warm clothing for the boat ride and sturdy footwear.

DEPART 8.00AM; RETURN 6.00PM
ADULT \$135 CHILD \$90



25. Rangitikei's Architectural Heritage

WEDNESDAY 27 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

This bus trip led by Wendy Pettigrew (with a pick-up in Marton) will take us to places not normally open to the public. We will see the work of some of our most famous architects including Natusch and Clere as well as Wanganui's own Clifford Newton Hood. BYO picnic lunch in the grounds of Westoe.

DEPART 10.00AM; RETURN 4.00PM
ADULT \$20 CHILD \$15

26. If Brick Walls Could Speak

THURSDAY 28 JANUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

Join local historian Wendy Pettigrew for this early evening walk around town when we will uncover more of the social history behind our heritage buildings. Finish with refreshments in a local café.

MEET 6.30PM AT MAJESTIC SQUARE OUTSIDE INDIGO CAFÉ. DURATION 1½ HOURS
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY



27. Matiu/Somes Island

SATURDAY 30 JANUARY
WHANGANUI FOREST AND BIRD

This island is a gem in Wellington Harbour that is home to sea birds, kakariki and re-introduced tuatara. There is historical interest too as the island was once a quarantine station. Bring a warm jacket; a short ferry ride is involved.

DEPART 6.45AM; RETURN 7.30PM
ADULT \$50 CHILD \$25



28. Bird Watching for Kids

SATURDAY 30 JANUARY
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM & BIRDING WHANGANUI

A celebration of World Wetlands Day for children 8 years and older. Learn about identifying birds in Whanganui, firstly at the Museum with a close up view of local birds and their features followed by a bird watching expedition to the Whanganui River estuary with telescopes and binoculars. Children will need transport and must be accompanied by their parent/ caregiver. Bring binoculars if you can and your own afternoon tea.

TIME: 1.00-3.00PM AT WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
FREE. NO BOOKING NECESSARY

29. Family Bike Ride

SUNDAY 31 JANUARY
GREEN BIKES

A chance to get out & about on your bikes (children need an adult companion). After meeting at the Green Bikes depot we'll head off down Bedford Avenue and then follow the river cycle/walkway before crossing the Dublin Street Bridge. In Kowhai Park, upstream of the bridge, there will be fun bike events, cycle safety checks & advice, plus a supplied barbecue (with vegetarian options). Cycle back to the start or to your home.

MEET 3PM AT GREEN BIKES DEPOT, HEADS ROAD (NEAR BEDFORD AVE); ENDS APPROX 6.00PM
FREE. NO BOOKING NECESSARY

30. Duneland Restoration at Tapuarau

MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Travel to Waitotara and hear about the history of Ngaa Rauru Kaitahi. From there travel to Tapuarau (Hawken's Lagoon Conservation Area) and take a 20 minute walk through the farm to the estuary, stopping off to look at the farmer's efforts in maintaining wetlands. Hear DOC staff and locals talk about the significance of Tapuarau and the restoration work taking place. Sturdy footwear needed.

DEPART 9.00AM; RETURN 3.00PM
ADULT \$15 CHILD \$7

31. Evening Talk

MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY
ALONG THE SILK ROAD

Darryl Ware, broadcaster and trainer, will share his experiences and images of travelling along the fabled Silk Road from Moscow to Tashkent and Samarkand, into Western China then along the Karakoram Highway into Pakistan and India.

TIME: 7.30PM AT DAVIS LECTURE THEATRE,
WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY



32. The Road to Springvale

TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

Local historian Wendy Pettigrew leads this bus trip through the Rangitikei and beyond Taihape to the historic village

of Moawhango. We travel on to the Springvale Bridge over the Upper Rangitikei then return to Erehwon Station for our BYO picnic lunch and a chance to learn about farming in the high country. Bring a warm jacket and sensible shoes although only short walks are involved.

DEPART 8.00AM; RETURN 6.00PM
ADULT \$36 CHILD \$25

33. Coast to Coast

THURSDAY 4 FEBRUARY
HORIZONS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Travel from Tasman Sea to Pacific Ocean and home in one day on a trip which has been a favourite for years. Grant Cooper from Horizons Regional Council will be our guide as we travel from the Manawatu Gorge through Pongaroa to Akitio, a delightful southern Hawke's Bay beach community. Learn about the land formations and the history from 70 Mile Bush to coastal sheep stations. Return via Weber and Dannevirke. There is time for a swim at Akitio during the lunch break.

DEPART 8.00AM; RETURN 6.30PM
ADULT \$38 CHILD \$28

34. Kaurapaoa Valley

SATURDAY 6 FEBRUARY
FRIENDS OF THE WHANGANUI RIVER

The Kaurapaoa Valley is quite close to Wanganui but seems a world away. Esther Williams will share her stories of living in the valley and we will have a barbecue lunch (bring your drinks) in the garden of Jill Mayo, a long-time resident of the Valley. Later we visit a covenanted private forest reserve with carpets of kidney ferns under gnarly black beech trees and the district's only known NZ Sandalwood. We also view the impressive gorge the Kaurapaoa Stream has carved into the soft papa country.

DEPART 10.00AM; RETURN 6.00PM
ADULT \$21 CHILD \$16



35. History on the Headstones

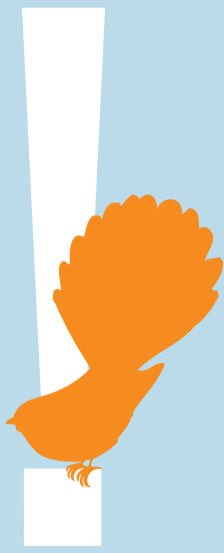
SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY
NZ HISTORIC PLACES TRUST

Your chance to become a Cemetery Detective at Heads Road, one of New Zealand's oldest public cemeteries.

Wendy Pettigrew will introduce the history of the cemetery, then you can take part in a quiz (with new questions if you came last year) to discover our local history as written on the tombstones of our ancestors. Fun for all with cold drinks and cookies available.

MEET 2.30PM AT GUYTON STREET ENTRANCE,
HEADS ROAD CEMETERY. DURATION: 2 HOURS
ADULT \$4 CHILD \$2. NO BOOKING NECESSARY

BOOK NOW AT THE RIVERBOAT CENTRE



Avoid disappointment by booking early. Bookings are now open at the Whanganui Riverboat Centre, 1A Taupo Quay, Wanganui. Office hours are 9am-4pm, Mon-Sat and 10am-4pm Sundays and public holidays. The Centre will be closed on Christmas Day.

You can telephone the Riverboat Centre on 06 347 1863 to ascertain whether there is still space on the trips you wish to book for, or to make telephone bookings (see below).

Please note that bookings cannot be made at the Department of Conservation Office in Wanganui.

BOOKING & PAYING FOR TRIPS



Please note:

- Child fares apply to all who are still at school in 2010.
- The trip price includes any boat or train fares, entry fees or koha for marae, church or historic home visits or contributions to host organisations.

AT THE RIVERBOAT CENTRE

Payment may be made in person by cash, cheque or EFTPOS. Please note we do not have Credit Card facilities.

POSTAL BOOKINGS

Postal bookings accompanied by a cheque made out to the Whanganui Summer Programme Trust should be sent to us at PO Box 402, Wanganui 4500. Please state clearly which trips are being booked along with the name of each participant, the age of any children and your address and contact telephone number. It is recommended that you provide a second choice of trip as some events book up quickly. You will receive confirmation of your booking by post.

TELEPHONE BOOKINGS

If you have access to on-line banking facilities, you can book your trips by telephone provided you send the payment the same day by direct credit to our bank account, no. 02 0792 0041299 00. When paying on-line, be sure to note your surname, the trip number and number of places being booked, eg Smith Trip5 x4. Confirmation of your booking will be sent to you once we have verified that your payment has been received by our bank. We will be happy to communicate with you by e-mail if you give us your e-mail address.

WAITING LISTS

We operate a waiting list system for popular trips. No payment is required until such time as a place becomes available on the trip.

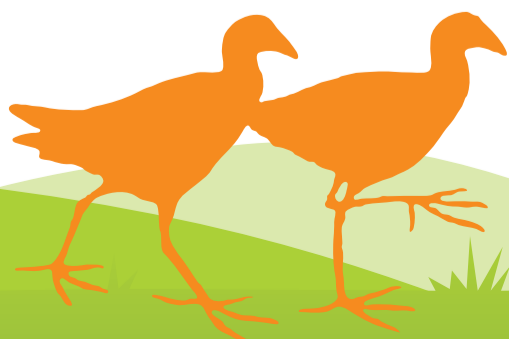
TRIP CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

We reserve the right to cancel trips due to weather or other factors beyond our control. Kapiti Island trips may be cancelled due to wind and adverse weather affecting the boat crossing. The boat operator will make this call. In the event that a trip is cancelled we will endeavour to phone you prior to the event. In such cases a full refund will be given.

If you need to withdraw from a trip let us know as early as possible. All such cancellations will be subject to a 10% deduction to cover administrative expenses. If your cancellation is received three working days before departure a full refund will be given less 10%. Refunds in cases of late notification will depend on the resale of your seat(s) to those on the waiting list.

HOW FIT DO I NEED TO BE?

Some trips do not involve long walks, eg most trips organised by the Historic Places Trust or the Kaurapaoa Valley event. However, other trips may involve walking on sandy beaches, through grassland or uphill. The trip description will note any special requirements but do check with us if you are unsure whether your level of fitness will suit your preferred trip.



WHAT TO BRING?

All trips can be subject to rapidly changing weather. You need to bring:

- Sunhat and sunscreen.
- Water and other drinks as required.
- Food for the duration of the trip. For a full day trip bring your lunch as well as morning & afternoon tea; just bring your afternoon tea for trips leaving after lunch. If any food is being provided as part of the event this will be noted in the trip description, eg beach barbecues. Some trips allow for a snack stop on the way back, so you may want to bring money for ice creams, etc.
- Any medication you require including insect repellent.

For all trips where you will be venturing away from the bus for much of the day make sure you have:

- Solid footwear (not jandals).
- Warm, waterproof jacket. This is especially important for trips involving boat rides.
- A small day pack to carry all your gear.

EVENING TALKS

These will be at the Davis Lecture Theatre, Whanganui Regional Museum, Watt Street, Wanganui. Talks cost \$4 adult, \$2 child with payment made on the night; no bookings are necessary.

SAFETY

Guides and leaders on your trips are experienced at taking parties on Summer Programme trips including bush walks and tramping expeditions. There will be trained first aiders and first aid kits on hand. The guides will have a cell phone although coverage cannot be guaranteed. Please advise us in advance if you have any medical conditions, including allergies to stings, etc. During the course of the day, if you are experiencing any difficulties, please let us know so we can act quickly to ensure your safety and comfort.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Having trouble thinking of a suitable gift for Christmas? Why not send friends and/or family on a trip to a special place by booking them on a Summer Programme event. We can arrange to send them notification of their booking on your behalf.

TRANSPORT

For bus trips we normally use a 45-seater air-conditioned bus on hire from Transit Coachlines. Once again, Ridgway Lythgoe will be our driver for all the bus trips.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM?

All bus trips depart from and return to the Whanganui Riverboat Centre on Taupo Quay. There is all-day free parking in the neighbourhood and public toilets in the Riverboat Centre and nearby at Pakaitore/Moutoa Gardens (not open early morning). You must report to the trip leader who will wait by the bus to tick you off the list. All efforts are made to return by the advertised time but delays are possible, so try to avoid making other commitments close to the return time.

Some events, such as guided walks, have different departure or meeting points as noted in the trip descriptions.

It may be possible to arrange for the bus to pick you up en route, eg in Marton, Sanson, Raetihi, Ashhurst or Himatangi depending on the trip destination. Please ask what arrangements are possible for the trip you wish to go on.

Please note that bus trips do not depart from the Department of Conservation in St Hill Street.

WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME TRUST

The Whanganui Summer Programme is now coordinated by a Trust set up in 2008 to take on this role formerly undertaken by the Department of Conservation. The founding trustees are Ian Bell, Wendy Pettigrew and David Scoullar. The Trustees would like to thank all who have been involved with the 2010 programme:

- The partner organisations who have arranged the trips. Contact details for all these organisations are overleaf. Many of the organisations have been involved with the programme since its inception some 20 years ago so are very experienced at running the events and are keen to share their knowledge with the participants.
- Horizons Regional Council for their financial support which has enabled the programme to go ahead and for their involvement in a number of events.
- Cohen's Business Equipment who have provided the Eftpos facilities and cash register.
- The Wanganui Chronicle who continue to publish the programme and give details of forthcoming events in the newspaper during January and February.
- The Trustees of the Whanganui Riverboat Centre who welcomed the Summer Programme to its new base in 2009.
- Kiwiwebs for hosting our website, accessed via www.wanganui.com the central website for information about the Wanganui area.

We hope you enjoy the 2010 Programme. Feedback on this year's programme will be welcome; just contact the Whanganui Summer Programme Trust at PO Box 402 Wanganui or c/o the Whanganui Riverboat Centre.



2010 WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME PARTNERSHIP



Department of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Whanganui Area Office, **ph** 06 349 2100

DOC Whanganui Area Office would like to acknowledge the work of the Whanganui Summer Programme Trust in organising the programme for 2010. The collaborative input by many organisations, community groups and sponsors is a great community effort.

FRIENDS OF WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME

This informal group was set up in 2008 by David Scoullar to organise a number of trips that would otherwise not have been included in the programme that year and has continued to develop its trips for 2010.



FRIENDS OF THE WHANGANUI RIVER

Contact Dawn Bramley, Secretary,
14 Ward Street, Wanganui, **ph** 06 343 7977.

GREEN BIKES

Contact Jonah Marinovich,
email mailjonah@yahoo.co.nz.



NEW ZEALAND HISTORIC PLACES TRUST, WHANGANUI BRANCH

Contact the Secretary, PO Box 402, Wanganui 4500 or visit www.historic.org.nz for membership information as well as the on-line Register of Historic Places.

PROGRESS CASTLECLIFF

Contact Graham Pearson, **ph** 344 1012.

WHANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL MUSEUM

Liverpool Street, Wanganui

For information about the School Museum and Archives, visit www.collegiate.school.nz (see "About WCS" for "Museum & Archives" page).



FOREST & BIRD

WHANGANUI FOREST & BIRD

Contact Val Benson, PO Box 4229,
Wanganui, **ph** 06 345 0723.



WHANGANUI REGIONAL MUSEUM

PO Box 352, Watt Street, Wanganui 4540, New Zealand

Ph +64 6 349 1110, **fax** +64 6 347 6512,

email info@museum.queenspark.org.nz,

website www.wanganui-museum.org.nz

Hours Monday to Sunday 10.00am - 4.30pm

Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday

Free for local adults and all children.

FUN FINDING AND MAKING ACTIVITIES

Organised to enable children to explore the Museum. Available daily throughout the school holidays from 19 December 2009.



WAIMARIE

Whanganui Riverboat Centre Museum
"Home of Paddle Steamer Waimarie"

1A Taupo Quay, Wanganui 4500

Ph / fax 06 347 1863,

email riverboatswanganui@clear.net.nz

website www.riverboats.co.nz

Open Hours

9.00am - 4.00pm Weekdays & Saturdays

10.00am - 4.00pm Sundays



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It's great to see the Whanganui Summer Programme will be back in 2010, starting the year with a busy and diverse range of accessible trips, talks and walks that showcase our region.

Horizons Regional Council is delighted to be lead sponsor for the 2010 programme and to be directly involved in several events. We welcome opportunities like this to work with volunteers and other organisations who are passionate and knowledgeable about our environment to introduce people to our region's wonderful wildlife and natural habitats, along with its history and culture.

This 2010 programme offers a fantastic choice of activities for all age-groups and levels of fitness. We're pleased that Horizons staff will be directly involved in events such as the walk on the Manawatu Gorge track, where we have been working in a very successful restoration partnership, the ever-popular Coast to Coast bus trip, and a visit to a farm that showcases innovative approaches to sustainable hill country land use.

Please take this opportunity to get out and explore your region as part of the well-run and affordable Whanganui Summer Programme.

Michael McCartney
Chief Executive