

CONGRATULATIONS

Peter Rutherford received his QSM at Government House last weekend.

Congratulations Pete from all of us - a very proud and honourable moment for you and one that was well deserved.



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WANTED

900 Q would appreciate baskets suitable for planting flowers and any old pieces of garden art/ornaments that could be restored as part of our Winter and Spring projects. Please drop off at the admin office, 726 Queen St. *Maria Julian*

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For the Trust farm 4 weaned calves. Donations appreciated. Phone Matt Flude 027 2430135 or email info@suplife.org.nz



Barry Bashford helps look after things at the Trust farm and in his spare time loves the challenge of his rubix cube.

Congratulations to **Terry Dwyer** seen here receiving the Life Styler Worker of the Month award for April. Terry received this award for his constant work at being an ideal Life Styler - always pleasant and polite. Well done Terry



CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Hello everyone – it's hard to believe we are nearing the end of autumn and winter is at our doorstep and I am completing my first year as CE.

A highlight of the month has been the announcement from the Government in regards to a \$2 billion pay equity settlement for care and support workers. This is great news for us.

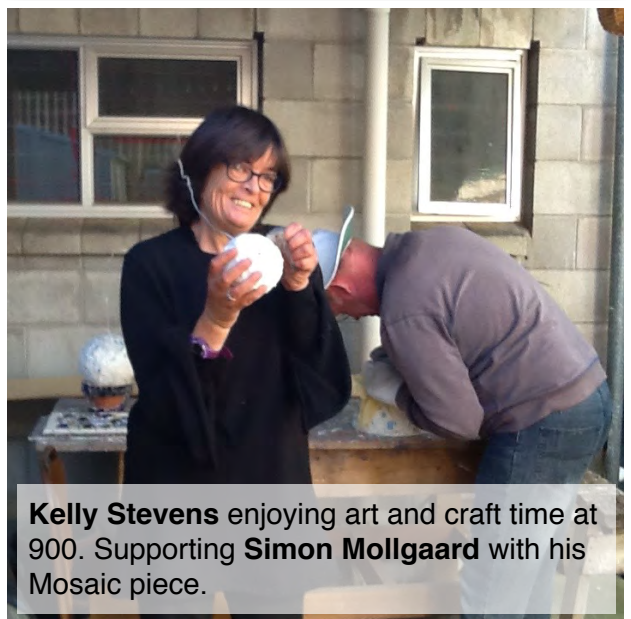
Historically support workers in the disability sector have been paid at a rate far below what it should be. Our staff deliver comprehensive supports which require a broad range of skills, abilities and outlooks. Finally support work will be rewarded and recognised for the important and valuable work it is. We all look forward to further information from the Ministry of Health as to the process it will put in place to support the governments new initiative.

Internally a new project the Trust has undertaken is the training of a group of Life Stylers to be Advocates. This group has been meeting every Friday for the last four weeks with Vanessa Foster from Progress to. Vanessa is running a five week course to teach those Life Stylers who were interested in advocacy the necessary skills to be able to advocate for themselves and for others.

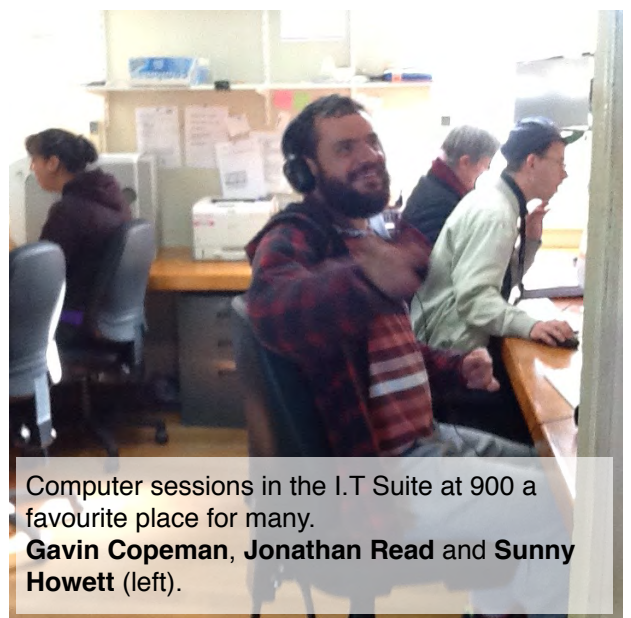
Also there have been five staff engaging in the Bronze Medallion training for their Royal Life Saving Qualifications. This will be a great resources for us in the summer months. It will allow us to support more water based trips through summer in a safe manner.

There have been many changes over the last 12 months and the next 12 months will be equally as busy as the Trust morphs into the future.

Samantha Lee
CE



Kelly Stevens enjoying art and craft time at 900. Supporting **Simon Mollgaard** with his Mosaic piece.



Computer sessions in the I.T Suite at 900 a favourite place for many. **Gavin Copeman, Jonathan Read and Sunny Howett** (left).



Greetings to you all
 I really enjoyed myself at the Fun Day at the farm. I helped Loreen & Melissa with the BBQ & setting up the food.
 Thanks to everyone who helped out that day.
 From John Harrod



Special Olympics



On the weekend of the 29th and 30th of April **David East** competed in the Special Olympics Annual Golf

Tournament held at Tauhara Golf Course under Mt Tauhara Taupo. David played nine holes on both Saturday and Sunday against a strong field of keen golfers. David achieved a third place bronze medal. Happily we missed most of the heavy rain that was forecast for the Sunday, our accommodation was the very

lovely Chelmswood Motel with spacious rooms and thermal pool overlooking the beautiful Lake Taupo.
 Murray Thomas



Dean Waitere test driving the very latest in Trust transport.
 The Adult Trike was kindly donated by Arthur from Recycle - a local community group that makes "new" bikes from donated spares.



WHAT'S ON *calendar*

MAY 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	2 MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	3 WEDNESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * 9-12 MOSAIC * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	4 THURSDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * BEACH CLEAN	5 FRIDAY'S * 1-4 DVD's * 1-2 BAKING/ JULIA * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	6 9am to 12noon THAMES MARKETS 12noon POLLEN ST 9am COMPUTER/LITERACY SKILLS 3pm 900 QUEEN 4pm LET'S TALK 7pm 868 3851	7
8 MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	9 TUESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * 3pm BOWLS	10 WEDNESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * 9-12 MOSAIC * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	11 THURSDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * BEACH CLEAN	12 FRIDAY'S * 1-4 DVD's * 1-2 BAKING/ JULIA * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS 	13 9am to 12noon THAMES MARKETS 12noon POLLEN ST 9am COMPUTER/LITERACY SKILLS 3pm 900 QUEEN 4pm LET'S TALK 7pm 868 3851	14 
15 MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	16 TUESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * 3pm BOWLS	17 WEDNESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * 9-12 MOSAIC * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	18 THURSDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * BEACH CLEAN	19 FRIDAY'S * 1-4 DVD's * 1-2 BAKING/ JULIA * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	20 9am to 12noon THAMES MARKETS 12noon POLLEN ST 9am COMPUTER/LITERACY SKILLS 3pm 900 QUEEN 4pm LET'S TALK 7pm 868 3851	21
22 MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	23 TUESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * 3pm BOWLS	24 WEDNESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * 9-12 MOSAIC * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	25 THURSDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * BEACH CLEAN	26 FRIDAY'S * 1-4 DVD's * 1-2 BAKING/ JULIA * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS	27 9am to 12noon THAMES MARKETS 12noon POLLEN ST 9am COMPUTER/LITERACY SKILLS 3pm 900 QUEEN 4pm LET'S TALK 7pm 868 3851	28
29  9am ROLL CALL * Dr Hennessy with flu injections MONDAY'S * 9:30 WORX * MUSIC MON * KARAOKI * UKELELE CLUB	30 TUESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS * 3pm BOWLS	31 WEDNESDAY'S * 9 EXCERCISE * 10-3 WORX * 9-12 MOSAIC * ART & GAMES * 9:30-11:30 COMPUTERS * 1-2:30 COMPUTERS				