October Then & Now

1st  World Vegetarian Day
    GST comes in 1986
    Day of the Elderly
2nd  Mobile Library promotional visits at Countdown (10.30am) and Matthew Place (1.30pm)
3rd  ExpressIt School Holiday Programme Grand Finale 10.30am hosted by Luke Valentine from Classic Hits
4th  StoryQuiz Heat 2 at 10.30am. Come and watch these talented teams
5th  Friends of the Library Booksale at Kuirau Park 9am - 1.00pm
6th  Toddler Time re-starts—Tuesdays 10.30am, Thursday 1.30pm
10th  Treaty of Waitangi passed into law in 1975
13th  Local Body Elections
15th  LIBRARY WEEK Pass it on, Kia hiwa ra
16th  World Food Day
16th  Jean Batten completes the first solo flight from UK to NZ
17th  NZ’s Biggest Storytime 10.30am
20th  Friends of the Library Booksale at Kuirau Park 9am - 1.00pm
22nd  Labour Day - Library closed and Mobile Library off road
24th  United Nations Day
24th  Reading Round – adult reading discussion group 10.30am
31st  Halloween Fright Night 5.30pm
31st  Lorraine Moller 8.00pm

Coming but date to be confirmed: Wayne Mills, senior lecturer at Auckland University, developer of the Kids’Lit Quiz (now international). He specializes in children’s literature and has particular interest in the literacy development of boys.

Yahoo! Summer days are getting near and if you’re a gardener, the garden is no doubt beckoning. Our gardening range of books is definitely very popular and whether you’re looking for information on specific plants, garden layout or even outdoor furniture you can be sure to find something at the library.

School holidays continue for another week and we’ve had lots of fun watching the talented children performing in ExpressIt. The grand finale hosted by Luke Valentine from Classic Hits is coming up this Wednesday (Oct 3rd) at 10.30am so we’d love to see you. October also heralds LIBRARY WEEK (Oct 15th - 20th), when we will be giving away prizes to some lucky library visitors.

LORRAINE MOLLER is coming to the library on Wednesday 31st Oct at 8.00pm to talk about her life. Lorraine is an inspirational sports legend and her visit will be a must-see. Come and meet Lorraine and get an autographed copy of her book.

READING ROUND
Adult Reading Discussion Group
Next meeting
Wednesday 24th October
10.30am
Come & join us for a cup of tea, reviews and chat!

October 2007 Whirina a Nuku
Who was this beautiful Māori woman? Why does she still fascinate us today, nearly 80 years after her death?

When Paul Diamond first saw a photograph of Makereti in the Rotorua Museum the fact that she had died in England, far from home, intrigued the journalist and historian. His quest to learn more has resulted in Makereti: taking Māori to the world, a stunning pictorial history of the life of this exceptional woman.

The library also holds lending copies of:
- The old-time Maori by Makereti, 1872—1930
- The two worlds of Maggie Papakura by David Andrews.
- Remembering Makereti (an audiobook) presented by Paul Diamond.

A downloadable copy of The old-time Maori by Makereti is available at New Zealand Electronic Text Centre: http://www.nzetc.org/tm/scholarly/tei-MakOldT.html

Paul Diamond has iwi affiliations to Ngāti Hauā, Te Rarawa and Ngā Puhi.

His broadcasting career began with Mana Māori Media in 1997; followed by roles producing National Radio features and as senior reporter for Māori Television.

He is currently a Senior Oral Historian for the Vietnam War Oral History Project, Ministry for Culture and Heritage.

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LIBRARY WEEK Pass It On, kia hiwa ra
15th - 20th October

This year’s theme, “Pass it on, Kia hiwa ra” promotes libraries as community spaces where information of every kind can be passed from one user to another.

On Wednesday 17th October, parents can bring in their children to take part in “New Zealand’s Biggest Storytime” when the book The Grumble Rumble Mumbler will be read simultaneously around New Zealand. We’re hoping to get someone special to read it for us that day.

Recommend your favourite read and go in the draw to win a $25 gift voucher from Palmers Garden Centre. Fill out the form below and bring it into the library or Mobile Library OR copy the information to an email and send it to Library@rdc.govt.nz

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Title: I recommend this book because:

Author:  

Name: (Attach your name and contact details for prize purposes)
HALLOWEEN FRIGHT NIGHT

WEDNESDAY
31st OCTOBER
5.30pm - 7pm

Haunt the library in the scariest, spookiest, most terrifying costume you can create. Hear spine chilling stories that will make you shiver, shudder and JUMP! Then shake off your fears with some delicious demon drink and sweets —that is if you survive!

Come if you dare !!!

Suitable for children aged 7+ and their parents/caregivers

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Isn't it great when you come across a book you just LOVE! Such was the case when I opened “The Victorian Scrapbook” 941.081 OPI compiled by Robert Opie. This is a fascinating nostalgic stroll through the Victorian era depicted by the advertisements, packaging and posters of that time. Much can be revealed about society by the way products were promoted and even the products themselves. Many of the products will be familiar (obviously outliving the Victorian era) and will provoke memories of particular tins and boxes on grandma’s shelves. The book is mostly photographs with limited text which suits my busy lifestyle just fine. But the pictures need no text really, they tell their own stories and it’s a fascinating one at that.

The Esther Glen Award was established in 1944 and is given to the author who is considered to have made the most distinguished contribution to literature for children. The prize was presented to Beckett for his young adult science fiction book *Genesis*: a novel (Longacre Press). The judges described Beckett's book as "one of the most thought-provoking and intellectually challenging novels ever written for older New Zealand children."

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**Get inspired in your garden**

Whether you seriously read each page or just browse the pictures for ideas and inspiration, there’s a horde of books about flowers, shrubs, vegetables, herbs, garden design, furniture and everything else at the library. Here is just a small selection from the shelves.

**The Gardener’s Book of Colour by Andrew Lawson 635.968 LAW**
Hundreds of photos of different colour mixes to suit those who prefer pastels to those who love a bright, bold display. Identification of the plants makes creating your own garden design a breeze.

**The Scented Garden by Rosemary Verey 635.968 VER**
One of life’s great pleasures is the fragrance of flowers in your garden. Over 1,000 plants are detailed with recipes, diagrams, historical references as well as practical advice.

**The Bold & the Brilliant Garden by Sarah Raven 635.962 RAV**
Bring a bit of theatre to your garden with striking combinations of flowers and foliage. Colours are described as intense, strong and voluptuous and by using a lot of annuals and quick growing perennials, a brilliant display can be had in one season.

**Yates Garden Doctor: A dictionary of plant problems from African violet to zucchini 635.0993z YAT**
If your plants are suffering from an ailment, this book is sure to assist in identifying the cause and offering a remedy. Prevent diseases from spreading and ensure you have a healthy, bountiful crop.

**1001 Hints & Tips for your Garden from the Reader’s Digest 635 ONE**

**Weekend Woodworking for the Garden by Cindy Burd 684.18 BUR**
The book claims that if you can saw a piece of wood or drive a screw, you can build any of these 22 projects - in a weekend or less! Planter boxes, shelves, screens and birdboxes are just some of the projects.

**Classic Garden Structures by Jan & Michael Gertley 684.18 GER**
Possibly for the more advanced (or more adventurous) DIY builder, this book details 18 projects including a garden caddy, workbench on wheels or a greenhouse.

*There can be no other occupation like gardening in which, if you were to creep up behind someone at their work, you would find them smiling.* ~Mirabel Osler