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## REPORT SUMMARY

**Report to:** Community Services Committee  
**Meeting Date:** 28 July 2011  
**Subject:** Chairman's Report  
**Report Author:** Cr Judene Edgar

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report contains the Community Services Chairman's regular meeting report.

### RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report be received.

### DRAFT RESOLUTION

**THAT the Community Services Committee receives the Chairman's Report RCS11-07-07.**

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## **1. WELCOME**

- 1.1 Welcome to today's meeting. With the annual plan adopted our attention turns to delivering on what is in the Annual Plan and on planning work towards the review of the Ten Year Plan. I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the years' of service of Noel Riley, both as a Councillor and previously to that as a staff member. It is the commitment of people like Noel that makes our community such a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

## **2. SAXTON FIELD**

- 2.1 I attended an excellent presentation by a group of four Waimea College Year 9 GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) students. They undertook research into how Saxton Field meets the needs of youth, particularly Years 7-10 and what improvements could be facilitated. Issues such as overflow parking around peak sporting times, location of toilet and change facilities, signage, drinking fountains and availability of food and beverages were some of the issues that their research highlighted as well as future sporting needs. Staff from both councils plus Cr Maling and myself will benefit from this information when the Saxton Field Working Group meet next month. It was wonderful to see engaged and active youth contributing towards our community.
- 2.2 The Saxton Field Working Group meeting next month will enable valuable discussion and provide important information that will feed into the Ten Year Plan review. There are areas of operation and governance that need to be reviewed in addition to the ongoing planning of future space and maintenance and management of existing facilities and programmes there.

## **3. MOTUEKA RECREATION CENTRE**

- 3.1 The Motueka Recreation Centre is a major asset to the Motueka township and surrounding areas. Managed on behalf of Council by Sport Tasman, they

continue to deliver a fantastic range of services and programmes to meet the broadest possible needs of their community. The good management of the facility is also evident in the additional external funding that they were able to attract towards the upgrade of the facility enabling a long list of works that Council alone would not have been able to afford to be undertaken. It will be wonderful to have these works finally completed prior to their even busier summer season.

#### **4. SOUTH ISLAND MASTERS GAMES**

- 4.1 The South Island Masters Games is being held around the region from 15–23 October. 3,000 participants aged 30+ are expected to attend the nine day sporting festival. Securing this event for 2011 and 2013 was a wonderful opportunity for the region not only in terms of sport, but also recreation, tourism and economic benefit.
- 4.2 Tasman Regional Sports Event Trust are co-ordinating the overall delivery of the Games, but there are also dozens of sports clubs and regional organisations that are working hard to develop and deliver some fantastic sporting and recreational competitions. There is an amazing array of sports and activities for all ages and stages and I encourage my fellow councillors to join in the fun.

#### **5. THE SPORT WITH AN OVAL BALL**

- 5.1 As the criteria around using three sequential words that start with the letters c, r and w (in no particular order) is getting increasingly problematic/bureaucratic, I will avoid use of those words altogether. I will however say that staff are working with various community groups to deliver some fantastic events during late September/October.
- 5.2 Motueka Recreation Centre will be hosting a Fanzone and are developing a wonderful family festival around this. The Fanzone will enable the community to enjoy semi-finals on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 of October and the final on Sunday 23 October for free.
- 5.3 Richmond Unlimited, Nelson A&P Association and Ant Holder (Tasman 7's invitational) are working together with help from Tasman District Council to deliver a brilliant three day Richmond Festival. Sunday 25 September at Jubilee Park will kick off the Festival with a rugby 7's invitational. This will be followed by the Stars & Stripes Block Party on Monday 26 September

commencing with a midday street parade, an afternoon of “American themed” kids entertainment and concluding with a block party at Sundial Square. The Festival will conclude with an All Star Tailgate Party on Tuesday 27 September at the A&P Showgrounds. The free family event will be a pre-game warm up for both local and international supporters.

<b>6. RECOMMENDATION/S</b>
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That the report be received.

<b>7. DRAFT RESOLUTION</b>
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Judene Edgar  
Chair

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