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JUNIOR SOCCER

All Juniors please register through the Raglan Junior Soccer Club:

http://www.raglanjuniorsoccer.co.nz

Registration for the 2017 winter season opens on 20th February and **closes on 3rd March**. Fees will remain at **\$65 per player** this year. Second children will also be \$65 and then \$45 for every child thereafter.

Those families with players being graded will be notified of the trial details when registrations close. Families will then bring all players to the **Team Briefing Day and BBQ on 26 March** at the Rugby Club on Park Drive to be put into teams and organise coaches, managers and referees.

GET2GO

Hamilton Event: 22 March 2017, Hamilton Gardens

What is the Senior Get2Go?

The events are 3 hours in duration and are a mix between orienteering and rogaining, with some mountain biking and mystery activities thrown in to keep you on your toes. They are organised by Hillary Outdoors with the expert assistance from the local outdoors enthusiasts. Your teams goal is to navigate to as many checkpoints and complete as many mystery activities as you can and then make it back to the finish line before the clock ticks down to zero.

Part of the course may follow a set route and have compulsory checkpoints and part will have optional checkpoints to visit in any order. The navigation isn't super hard, so as long as you have a general understanding of how to read a map you will be fine. You also need someone who can tell the time as you can't afford to be late back to the finish, because as soon as the 180min time limit is up you start getting penalised points.

We will give you a specially prepared map with all of the checkpoints/routes and mystery activities marked on it and you will score points for the ones you find/complete inside the time limit. The team with the biggest score at the end wins. There will be some cool spot prizes and giveaways, so get your team together now and start planning. If you live in a region that neighbours one where an event is being held, we have timed the events to allow for travel to/from the venue that should fit nicely into a school day without the need to find accommodation...etc, unless of course you are really keen and want to do all 4 events!

Who is it for?

The Senior Get2Go is for any students in years 11-13. The events will be suitable for all levels of experience and getting involved and participating is what it is all about. You certainly don't need to be an elite athlete, or even and athlete at all to join in the fun. If you have taken part in our Junior Get2Go Challenge (for year 9 and 10 students) this will be the perfect 'next step' into adventure racing. It will also be a great training opportunity for anyone taking on our Hillary Challenge 6hr Adventure Races being held in June. A maximum of two schools may join together to form a team (this applies to ANY school and includes single gender and co-ed schools joining together).

This is for teams of 3, let me know if you're keen!

For more info:

http://www.hillaryoutdoors.co.nz/seniorget2go/

WAKA AMA

Belated congrats to **Sean Dillon** who paddled with the Whaingaroa Whanau Hoe Waka Club Open Men's Team at the **2017 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals at Lake Karapiro**, 17-21 January. Sean's team made the final of the 1500m and semi-finals for the 500m.

In the *James Bhutty Moore-morial 32km Race* in early Feb, Sean received the **Inspiration Award** for being the youngest paddler in the race. Well done Sean! Best of luck for your upcoming events!

It was great to see our new paddles get blessed and make their first journey in the water last week. Many thanks to Sean Ellison for blessing the hoe for us, and also to Tai Paddles for your beautiful mahi. We'll be entering 3 teams and some singles into the following event, the teams have been out in the water training for this event, go hard guys, such a great event to be a part of. We are also fundraising for this comp so please support our fundraising efforts! Thanks in advance for your support Raglan Area School community.

Te Wānanga o Aotearoa National Secondary School Waka Ama Championships 2017

Venue: Tikitapu - Blue Lake, Rotorua **Date**: Tue 28th Mar - Fri 31st Mar 2017

Distance: Sprints

MOUNTAIN BIKING

I would like to start taking students, with the help of parents, for lunchtime mountain biking sessions beginning on 14 March. Please contact me if you would to be part of this.

For anybody (juniors & seniors) wanting to get involved please register your interest if you haven't already.

There is also the option for secondary school students to compete in the WBOP Secondary Schools Mountain Bike Championships in Te Miro, 12 April.

Coming Up for Seniors:

1 March	Ki-o-rahi North Waikato Cluster Module, Nga Taiatea
11 March	Waka Ama Sprints, Regional Secondary Schools, Lake Ngaroto, Te Awamutu
22 March	Senior Get2Go Challenge 22 March, Hamilton Gardens
28 March	Te Wānanga o Aotearoa National Secondary School Waka Ama Championships 2017