

HFNZ Panui

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Greetings from HFNZ!

Following one of the recommendations in the HFNZ Needs Assessment 2009 to improve the flow of communication to members, HFNZ will now be sending out a monthly Panui by email with news, updates, and event information.

The Panui was trialled last year with Branch committee and National Council members and the positive feedback received led us to decide to roll out this format to all members that would like to receive it.

The Panui is also available on the HFNZ website. If you know anyone who would like to receive a copy, please ask them to drop a quick 'Subscribe to Panui' email to info@haemophilia.org.nz. Of course if you do not wish to receive the Panui or wish it to be sent to an alternative email address, send an email with "Unsubscribe Panui" in the subject to info@haemophilia.org.nz.

Registrations Open for National Young Families Education Camp

Invitations to the National Young Families Education Camp were sent out earlier in January.

The camp is being held at Camp Keswick near Rotorua over the weekend of 9-12 April 2010.

Held every two years, the camp is open to all families with children with a bleeding disorder aged 10 and younger, including siblings. It is a great chance to meet up with other parents facing the same issues, for both parents and children to learn more about bleeding disorders, and most of all have fun together!

Registrations have started sailing in and spaces have begun to fill up. To ensure you do not miss out, send yours in as soon as possible. This also allows HFNZ to secure the best travel deals if needed.

For further information contact your Outreach Worker.



National Young Families Camp
2008



Participants at HFNZ's first hui
in 2009

3rd HFNZ Hui date set

The 3rd HFNZ Hui will take place 13 March at Ako Pai Marae at the Karori campus of Victoria University in Wellington.

Some of the objectives for this 3rd Hui are:

- Discussion and adoption of the Terms of Reference for the HFNZ He Roopu Tautoko
- Election of the Takawaenga (4 Māori Regional Representatives)
- Election of the Māori Representative on HFNZ National Council for 2010 / 2011

All HFNZ members who identify as Maori are invited. If you did not receive an invitation but would like to attend please contact Colleen McKay on 03 371 7477.

Staff Changes

HFNZ are pleased to announce the appointment of Linda Dockrill to the position of Southern Haemophilia Outreach Worker. A qualified social worker, Linda is returning to work after taking time off to raise her family of three. Linda takes up her new position at the beginning of February.

HFNZ also regret to announce the departure of Dawn Howatt from the position of Northern Outreach Worker as of 31 January. Dawn is leaving to take up a new position. HFNZ is currently advertising for a new Northern Outreach Worker and hope to announce her replacement next month. In the meantime, Northern Outreach calls will be covered by the other Outreach Workers. Please leave a message to ensure someone can return your call.

International Haemophilia News Links

Vigorous Athletic Activity May Not Harm Children with Haemophilia [more...](#)

Zinc Finger Techniques Could Be Gene Therapy Breakthrough [more...](#)

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Long acting Factor IX trial advances [more...](#)

Phase II trial for long acting Factor VIII discontinued [more...](#)

Tidbits

News in brief and updates

- **The deadline for all material for the March 2010 issue of Bloodline, including Regional Reports and letters to the editor, is 8 February.** We welcome content from members and ideas for articles as well.
- **Delay with delivery of December Bloodline.** HFNZ apologises for the delay in the delivery of the December issue of Bloodline. It was due to a hold-up in the printing of the Needs Assessment report that was out of the control of HFNZ.
- **Central are holding their AGM** at the Southward Car Museum on Sunday 21 February at 11.30 am. All Central members are welcome. The AGM will be followed by lunch and then a look around the museum.
- **Northern and Midland are holding their AGMs** during their regional camps. Northern's will be on Sunday 21 February and Midland's on 7 March.
- **Southern's AGM** will take place on 27 February in Christchurch. Venue TBA.

Upcoming Events

- **19-21 February**— Northern Regional Camp, Waiwera
- **20 February** — National Council Meeting, Christchurch
- **21 February** - Central Annual General Meeting, Southward Car Museum, 11.30 am
- **27 February**—Southern AGM
- **5-7 March** — Midland Regional Camp, Totara Springs
- **13 March**— 3rd HFNZ Hui
- **27 March**— HFNZ National Annual General Meeting, Auckland
- **28 March**— National Council Meeting
- **9-12 April 2010**— National New Families Camp, Camp Keswick, Rotorua

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