

Tuesday, 8th March, 2016 @ 7.30 p.m.

Sound and Vision Centre, Palmerston North City Library,
George Street, Palmerston North

**“We call this a crisis:
The Younger Generation's Perspective on NZ's Freshwater Issues”**



Speaker: Marnie Prickett, Spokesperson, Choose Clean Water Tour

Five young New Zealanders spent a month on the road this summer documenting the human cost of polluted freshwater around the country and collecting signatures for a petition to strengthen the legal protection of our rivers & lakes. The Choose Clean Water tour created 25 short films of the personal stories of Kiwis' relationships to their waterways, which together form a powerful and moving call to urgent action for freshwater. Marnie will speak on the findings of the tour, share the stories of the New Zealanders met & filmed (short films & so far unseen footage), and present the next generation's view on what must happen to protect what we love. Come and hear how we can be part of a better freshwater future for New Zealand and sign the petition.

All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated

Forest and Bird Manawatu hosted Te Apiti - Manawatu Gorge Walks

March, 2016

Sadly, F&B Manawatu Branch organised Manawatu Gorge walk have now ended, but there is still a chance to experience a hosted Gorge Walk this year.

We are providing hosts for the Manawatu Walking Festival on the Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th March. 19th March is the shorter Tawa Loop, especially suitable for children and the 20th March is the whole Gorge walk.

To book - please visit their website mwf.org.nz



Have you ever wanted to know about the geology or history of the Manawatu Gorge along with other information?

Each walk will have two hosts from Forest and Bird, who will enlighten your gorge experience with fascinating geological, botanical, ornithological and even entomological titbits - plus some fascinating history of the area. You will be able to enjoy the panoramic vistas while eating your lunch. Discover a landmark of awe-inspiring legend, geographical magnificence, and cultural wealth.

The Tawa Loop is about 4 km. walk, and the whole gorge track is about 10 km.

Information: You need to have moderate fitness with good walking shoes and poles (if you normally use them), as the first half is a steady uphill climb.

Don't forget your raincoat, water, lunch, camera and some money for that coffee at the end (if you do the whole walk)

F&B MARCH TRIP

This month we are joining the Manawatu Leaders River Accord event on:

Sunday 13 March 11am - Federated Farmers Farm Open Day

Experience a working farm in action, find out more about environmental initiatives underway and learn more about stream inhabitants with Horizons' freshwater scientists.

Enjoy a free family day out:

- WHERE: at the McKellar Family Sheep and Beef Farm Dairy Farm, 'Woodchester' at 222 Lees Road, Feilding.
- Pack a picnic to share with your family and friends.
- If it's a hot day pack your swimmers!
- We will not be car-pooling to this event, if you wish to attend, please make your own way there. Or
- Catch the free bus that departs from the Square in Palmerston North at 10.30 am returning at 2pm.