

SKYCITY QUEENSTOWN CASINO COMMUNITY TRUST

RECIPIENTS LIST 2009

SKYCITY Queenstown Casino Community Trust is proud to support 28 community groups in 2009 with a total distribution of \$80,028.90.

ORGANISATION	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT	GRANT AWARDED
Arrowtown Autumn Festival	The Arrowtown Autumn Festival is an annual community event and this year the organisers aim to include some initiatives that have focus specifically on helping the family. Funds have been awarded to continue with the festival's popular cooking classes.	840.00
Arrowtown Golf Club Inc	Golfing memberships are on a decline nationwide, especially the numbers of junior members. Golf enables a sense of self-esteem and personal achievement in a healthy environment. Funding has been approved to assist with the purchase of equipment and tournament costs for junior golf which will promote the growth of junior membership.	1,500.00
Arrowtown Village Association	The Arrowtown Village Association began installing a CCTV network four years ago which has been extremely valuable in reducing petty crime and assisting Police. Currently, the Arrowtown Community Police Station is manned by volunteers from 10am to 4pm each week day. A grant has been awarded for the purchase of technical equipment to assist this team of volunteers to be more involved in operating the CCTV themselves.	987.80
Arrowtown Village Association	The Arrowtown Village Association wishes to extend its current level of contact with the district's residents. The two main forms of communication at present are the village association website (www.arrowtownvillage.co.nz) and the bi-annual 'Arrow Observer'. Funds have been granted to enhance its website to keep local residents informed of the work and scope of voluntary organisations and to assist these groups in providing their valuable services to the community.	2,000.00
Central & Southern Autism Support Group	One of the parents from the Central & Southern Autism Support Group has built a classroom facility on their property for children with autism to use with their teacher. This special environment will enable autistic children to learn at their own ability level in a hands-on, kinaesthetic way. Funding has been approved to purchase resources for this classroom.	4,177.40
Frankton Kindergarten	The Frankton Kindergarten provides early childhood education to over 140 families in the Frankton and larger Wakatipu areas. The Kindergarten is experiencing a large growth in the number of families wishing to enrol and is currently building an extension to its main building. Funds have been granted to contribute to this extension that will provide room for a specialist meeting area for caregivers and children in need.	2,000.00
Frankton Playcentre	The Frankton Playcentre runs mixed-aged sessions for children aged 0 to 5 years as well as new sessions for 3 and 4 year olds. Funding has been approved for the purchase of obstacle course equipment for the new outdoor area to assist with the development of motor skills and enhance the ability to have fun and be active. This equipment can be put together in several ways, enabling the flexibility to provide different challenges for course participants.	3,176.00

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Happiness House Trust	Happiness House is a community support centre which services the Wakatipu area. Funds have been granted to continue the Mothers and Children Support Groups. There are four groups annually which run for 10 weeks, one day a week, for 3.5 hours. These groups give mothers who are new to Queenstown the chance to socialise, thus reducing experiences of loneliness and isolation.	3,100.00
Hawea Kindergarten	Hawea Kindergarten provides early childhood education and care to children six months to five years. It is a new kindergarten and was under-resourced when opened. Funding has been awarded for the purchase of a playground, 'Junior Geogym', which will develop the children's climbing, co-ordination, balance and upper body strength.	570.00
Queenstown Citizens' Advice Bureau	The purpose of the Queenstown Citizens' Advice Bureau is to ensure individuals are aware of their rights or responsibilities, the services available, and to provide help and advice. Approval of funds has been granted towards the purchase of a photocopier which will be used for copying promotional and training material.	3,275.00
Queenstown Lakes Family Centre	Queenstown Lakes Family Centre exists to build relationships between children and young people, and their parents, caregivers and whanau. Funds have been awarded to send two Family Workers to the Child Protection Studies certificate training. This professional development will enable them to gain skills in identifying and reporting child abuse and neglect.	3,590.00
Queenstown Playcentre	Queenstown Playcentre caters for children from birth to school age and is managed as a co-operative, with parents asked to make a regular contribution of their time for planning and providing for their children's learning experience. The Ministry of Education's requirements state that the Playcentre needs to have one person with a First Aid Certificate for every session that is held. Funding has been approved to provide full Workplace First Aid training to those people who have completed Playcentre Course 2.	860.00
RNZ Plunket Society Southland Area (Inc) Car Seat Rental Scheme	The Car Seat Rental Scheme has a particular focus on the provision of rental car restraints as an affordable and accessible service in Wakatipu. Funds have been granted towards the purchase of infant restraints, child restraints, booster seats and a backing kit. With the difficult financial times, some parents are unable to pay the rental charge; this scheme enables many restraints to be rented at minimal or no charge.	4,684.00
Snow Sports New Zealand Inc	The Remarkables Adaptive Programme was established seven years ago in response to a need for Adaptive Snowsports opportunities to be provided to people in the Wakatipu and Southland regions. Funding has been approved for the purchase of a ski and bindings so that more people with disabilities can experience the freedom of snow sports.	1,509.00
Southern Lakes Arts Festival Trust	The Southern Lakes Arts Festival Trust has established the biennial Festival of Colour, which ran, for the third time, in April 2009. A significant factor in the Festival's success this year was the Aspiring Conversations programme - a mini-festival of ideas, writers and thinkers. This initiative will now be an annual event, being a mini-festival on the years in which the Festival of Colour is not taking place. Funds were awarded to print the 24-page programme.	7,215.70
St Josephs Primary School PTA	In 2009, St Joseph's Primary School implemented a new programme called 'Discovery Time' which enables students to develop new competencies which helps with the transition from preschool to school. Funding was approved for the purchase of resources for this programme.	2,870.70
The Gibbston Community Assn Inc	The Gibbston Community Association is working with DOC, Queenstown Lakes District Council, Wakatipu Trails Trust and NZ Historic Places Trust to develop an 8-km public walking and cycling track along the right bank of the Kawarau River from the historic Kawarau Bungy Bridge to Waitri Creek Wines. Funds were awarded to assist with the erection of Bridge 7, which will be a 12.5m-long timber bridge built to preserve an archaeological site - a deeply incised tailrace leading to the river.	6,500.00
The Queenstown Jazzfest Trust	The Queenstown Jazz Festival has been a fixed part of the Queenstown cultural calendar for the past 30 years. To ensure significant community engagement, this year's festival will have four 'Community Spotlight Stages' in Queenstown Village Green, Earnslaw Park, Arrowtown Green and Remarkables Park. Funding has been approved towards the staging costs for these community stages.	5,000.00
Upper Clutha Women's Support Group Inc	Upper Clutha Women's Support Group supports women and their families who experience any type of abuse or problems in areas such as relationships, low self-esteem, abortion decisions, self-harm and loneliness. A grant has been awarded to assist with counselling fees where subsidies are given due to financial difficulty.	2,000.00

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Wakatipu Abuse Prevention Network Inc	Wakatipu Abuse Prevention Network supports and assists individuals and/or families affected by family violence. In order to address this issue, this organisation believes all parties need to be considered - not just women and children. Funding has been approved to develop group programmes for men within the Queenstown Lakes District. These workshops will be facilitated by men who have knowledge and experience relating to the subject matter and have an understanding of the local issues that impact on families.	1,400.00
Wakatipu Kindergarten	Wakatipu Kindergarten has received funding for a new oven to be used by teachers and parents for baking with families and children. The current oven is over 20-years old and is very slow. The benefits of baking with children include mathematics concepts, fine motor-skills, language and social skills.	1,000.00
Wakatipu Scout Group	Wakatipu Scout Group has been granted funds for the purchase of camping equipment to be used by cubs and scouts so that the youth members can participate in outdoor camping experiences. Scouting provides young people with structure, a controlled learning environment, life skills and outdoor skills.	2,000.00
Wakatipu Senior Citizens	The future goal of Wakatipu Senior Citizens is to be self funding and to achieve this they need to establish the infrastructure for their venue to be attractive for use by groups and organisations. Funds have been approved for the purchase of a hearing aid loop.	4,107.00
Wakatipu Toy Library	Wakatipu Toy Library has received funding for the purchase of new toys, puzzles, DVDs and games for the library. Some of the library's toys are showing signs of wear and tear and it wishes to expand this facility so there is always a good range of toys available.	4,000.00
Wakatipu Trails Trust	The Wakatipu Trails Trust is committed to developing a world-class network of commuter and recreational trails in the Wakatipu Basin for non-motorised transport users. Currently, the Trust is funding the upgrade of a walking and cycling link between Jardine Park at Kelvin Heights and Jacks Point. DOC will project-manage the upgrade, and once completed, will take over the maintenance of the track. Funding has been approved to assist with the purchase of materials to fence this area.	2,500.00
Wakatipu Victim Support Inc	The Wakatipu Victim Support provides a 24/7, 20-minute response time for all victims, whether it as a result of sudden death, accidents, fires, suicides or attempted suicides. Funds have been awarded to supplement the payment for safe emergency accommodation for victims as well as training courses to keep volunteers up to date with skills required for the areas they are dealing with.	2,566.30
Wanaka Community Toy Library	Wanaka Community Toy Library provides a large range of stimulating and educational toys that are not usually available to parents due to financial constraints. Upon reviewing membership records, the committee has become aware of an increase in the number of boys. Funding has been granted for the purchase of toys for boys as stocks have been dwindling due to breakage and age.	1,600.00
Wanakafest Community Trust	The purpose of the Wanakafest is to celebrate local arts, music and sport, promote tourism within the Queenstown Lakes district, and to acknowledge the local talent in the region. This is a four-day festival with activities ranging from free community events to ticketed events. Funds have been awarded to contribute to the equipment hire necessary for this festival.	5,000.00
TOTAL AWARDED		80,028.90

