



# LIONS YOUTH CAMP TARANAKI NEW ZEALAND.



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Come and make friends with young people from around Aotearoa, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands. Experience what Taranaki has to offer youth from Mountain, land, and sea.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2026.**



## **Vertical Horizon**

Everett Road  
Inglewood.

**Cost: \$600.00**

Numbers are limited. Get in quick. Age range is 12–16-year-olds.  
Applications close 7<sup>th</sup> August 2026.

## CAMP TARANAKI PROGRAMME:

The following is a sample program. This is the first time Camp Taranaki is being held, so program may be altered to suit time of year.

<b>Sunday Day 1:</b>	Day:	Arrival/Registration/Orientation
	Night:	Official Dinner Welcome/Games
<b>Monday Day 2:</b>	Day:	Activities at Camp
	Night:	Lions/Leo's information night
<b>Tuesday Day 3:</b>	Day:	Activities at Camp
	Night:	Quiz night
<b>Wednesday Day 4:</b>	Day:	Te Popo Gardens/Mountain Trek
	Night:	Lake Rotokare Dinner & Night Walk
<b>Thursday Day 5:</b>	Day:	Waitara day/ Beach big dig & more
	Night:	Games night
<b>Friday Day 6:</b>	Day:	Mini golf/Service activity & pools
	Night:	Farewell dinner & Disco?
<b>Saturday Day 7:</b>	Day:	Pack up and goodbyes.

Whaia e Kie Ki te iti Kahurangi,  
ki te tuohu koe, me maunga teitei

Seek the treasure you value most dearly:  
if you bow your head,  
let it be to a lofty mountain

# CAMP TARANAKI INFORMATION:

## CAMP RULES:

Camp rules apply in accordance with Lions Youth Exchange policies.  
Internet reception is not available @ camp but will be available during days activities at times.

## CAMP LOCATION:

On March 24th, 1978, the Everett Road Christian Campsite was officially opened. 'Vertical Horizon Adventure Centre' was then established in 2002 and has developed into a well-known adventure centre in Taranaki and beyond.

Vertical Horizon is set on 30 acres of park like surroundings against the natural beauty of the popular Everett Park Scenic Reserve. Take advantage and escape for a few days in this peaceful, comfortable and characteristic setting.

## APPLICATION & REGISTRATIONS:

Forms can be requested from your District Youth Exchange Chairperson.  
Forms must be signed by sponsored Club and send directly to NZ Internal Youth Exchange Coordinator  
Camp Taranaki accepts youth aged between 12-16 years @ 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026.  
Once application has been accepted into the Camp a letter of confirmation will be sent. And Sponsored Club invoiced for Camp fee.  
Forms must be handwritten clearly in **Black** pen and a clear head photo must also accompany the application.  
Would be great to have a Lion Member from each District attend.  
Any enquires must be sent to: [md202.interyouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz](mailto:md202.interyouthexc@lionsclubs.org.nz)

**We look forward to your attendance at  
Camp Taranaki 2026.**

**POSSIBLE CAMP OUTCOMES:**

- To provide opportunities for participants to explore new outdoor activities and challenges in a safe and supportive environment
- To boost self-esteem, personal motivation, and resilience
- To develop tolerance amongst group members and to recognise the strengths of all
- To be involved in personal and group decision making
- To encourage an awareness and respect for the outdoor environment, flora, and fauna
- To enjoy the outdoors and feel positive about self and group achievements
- For youth to experience what another part of Aotearoa, New Zealand has to offer.

**DAILY SCHEDULE:**

7:30am	Duty group reports to Kitchen – cooks' breakfast
7:45am	Ring bell to call everyone for breakfast
8:00am	Serve breakfast when everyone is present
8:30am	Make lunches - Duties, clean up
9:00am	Assemble for days activities
4:30pm	End of daily activities
5:00pm	Duty Group reports to Kitchen to prep evening meal
6:30pm	Serve Dinner
7:30pm	Evening Activities
10:00pm	Participants into Cabins
10:30pm	Lights out

**ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE COOKING AND  
CLEANING DUTIES DURING THE WEEK.**



## **NZ INTERNAL YOUTH EXCHANGE CAMPS POLICY:**

Youth applying should be between the ages of 12 to 16 years. Programme information and application forms are available from the Lions District Youth Chairperson.

### **Objective of the Programme/Camp:**

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### **Qualifications:**

All Youth must be 12-16 years of age at time of exchange or camp.

### **How to apply:**

Contact your local Lions Clubs for information. If they are unable to provide the information, contact the District Youth Chairperson. Applications must be signed by the endorsing Club and District Youth Chairperson and sent directly to NZ Internal Youth Exchange Coordinator. Forms must be handwritten clearly in **Black** pen and a clear head photo must also accompany the application. Invoices for payment will be sent by Multiple District Head Office and should be paid by at least 10 days before Exchange/Camp commences. Should a cancellation be made following payment and before the event, a cancellation fee will apply.

### **Travel Instructions:**

Those flying to the exchange or camp should book flights to the closest airport to the destination. The camp organiser will work with local Lions Club members and will ensure youth are met at the airport and transported to camp and return at the end of stay.

### **Medical Emergencies or sickness:**

All youth must have provided written permission from their parents for any necessary medical or surgical treatment to be arranged by Lions Clubs Hosts. Any costs requiring advanced payment, or a billed payment should be the ultimate responsibility of the youth's parents. If any emergencies arise, the consent and direction of parents and local Lions Club should be sought immediately. If the expenses are advanced by the host Lions Club or the host parents to meet any such emergency or illness, the Club and family must report the cost to parents immediately, detailing the cost and asking for reimbursement.

### **Hosting:**

It is also a requirement for all adults, aged 18 years of age and over involved with the youth through transportation, hosting and activities to be Police vetted and complete a Police vetting form and provide specific identification as required (Consent to Disclosure form).