

Art Deco 2003

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Hawke's Bay was alive with the sights, sounds and feel of the 1930s as Napier celebrated the 15th annual Art Deco Weekend.

Vintage cars, vintage planes doing breathtaking aerobatics, boater hats, furs, toe-tapping jazz, gramophones — you name it, you would have seen it in the Bay between February 13 and February 16.

One of the biggest events on the region's calendar, Art Deco Weekend attracts thousands from throughout New Zealand and overseas, not to mention locals who seem to have just as much fun.

Hawke's Bay Today photographers were on hand to capture some of the special moments.

NAPIER'S Bronwyn Smith was one of the winners at the Bathing Belles contest held at Napier's Sound Shell.

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ALL ABOARD: The Pea, Pie & Pud Run on JA 1271 steams out of Napier on its way to Ormondville for a Saturday night dinner.

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CLASSIC CAR: The Simkine family from New Plymouth resplendent in their 1920 Rolls Royce. From left, Nadayna, 14, Nyall and Joelene.



WATCH OUT FOR THAT JAILBIRD: Rory Cook, eight, from Napier, has extra reason to go faster in his Soap Box Derby race down Tennyson Street.

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SWIFT SPECTACULAR: The Roaring Forties Harvard aerobatic team fly over the Sound Shell on Marine Parade.



A HELPING HAND: Daniel Watson, five, from Napier, has some help to get going in his Soap Box Derby race down Tennyson Street.

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ROLLING ALONG: This traction engine makes the slow journey from Havelock North to Napier each year, to take people on rides for Art Deco Weekend.

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A PICTURE IN WHITE: Carol Hall, from Napier, caught mid-stroll at the Gatsby Picnic.

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PLAY IT AGAIN: Cornel Waleski, of Napier, aiming to get some toes tapping at Sunday's Gatsby Picnic.



ASPARAGUS ROLL ANYONE? It was proper picnic food at the Gatsby Picnic.



A MARCH OF HONOUR: The Royal New Zealand Navy Band parades the Veronica bell to the Veronica Sun Bay on Marine Parade.



TOLLING THE BELL: Napier Mayor Barbara Arnott rings the Veronica Bell during the ceremonial installation of the bell in the Sun Bay, named in honour of the HMS Veronica.



PICNICKERS GALORE: The Gatsby Picnic, held between the War Memorial Centre and Marine Parade, proved popular once again.

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RIDING IN STYLE: Debbie Franklin, left, from London, and Rachael Walker, Taradale, about to set off on a Napier-Ormondville return trip, the Pea, Pie and Pud Run, on JA 1271 steam locomotive on Saturday.

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A MOONLIT MOMENT: From left, John and Yvonne Banks, and Olga Gray from the Isle of Man, resting at the Tom Parker Fountain after the Restaurant Roll.



TAKE your partners please: dancing to the sound of the Hawke's Bay Jazz Club Big Band at the Soft Shoe Shuffle, held at the War Memorial Centre.

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TUCK IN: Lorraine Levy serves Zoe Bradwell, Napier, centre, at the Depression Dinner.



ELEGANT STROLLERS: Barbara Wells and granddaughter Katie Beswick, 10, both from Hastings, during the Twilight Toe Tap on Emerson Street.



WHICH CENTURY IS THIS? Ron Woods, from Hamilton, may have been dressed 30s style but that didn't mean spurning his 21st century cellphone.