

Dinner at the Lake – Summer 2025/26 🌅

We're back for another magical summer on the lakefront! ✨

Dinner at the Lake runs every Thursday evening from December 18, 2025 – February 12, 2026 (8 nights total – closed on Christmas Day).

Please note: we may continue to the end of February if conditions are perfect!

What to Expect

- 15–20 food trucks & stalls, all beautifully lit with fairylights and festoons ✨
- Live music from local musicians 🎵
- Seating areas with tables, chairs, beanbags, and picnic rugs 🪑
- A licensed pop-up bar 🍹
- The unbeatable lakefront vibe of Northcroft Reserve 🌊

📍 Where: Northcroft Reserve, Taupō

🕒 When: Thursdays, 4:30 – 8:30pm

💰 Cost per night: \$229 (GST & power included)

Key Dates

- Dec 18 – Opening Night (with Market Central Christmas Market)
- Dec 25 – No event (Christmas Day)
- Jan 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- Feb 5, 12 – Waitangi Weekend & Season Finale 🎉

Vendor Applications

We're looking for a wide variety of delicious, high-quality food vendors.

When you apply, please include:

- Your full menu
- The dates you can commit to

This helps us balance food styles and make sure every event has a great mix.

Essentials for Vendors

- ✓ All stalls must use fairylights/festoons – it's part of the magic ✨
 - ✓ Gazebos must have floor mats and be securely weighted/pegged
 - ✓ Keep the reserve looking beautiful – no rubbish, no storage outside your stall/truck
 - ✓ Vendors are responsible for removing their own waste
- (Full vendor requirements and T&Cs will be provided once you are accepted.)

👉 Apply now to be part of Dinner at the Lake 2025/26 and help us create another unforgettable summer of food, music, and lakefront vibes. 🌅

– Kaz & the Dinner at the Lake Team