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150 year celebrations

Marton Memorial Hall Saturday October 5

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Marton naming to be celebrated



Dressed in costumes from the 1860s and walking in Marton's Broadway to highlight the town's coming 150 year naming celebrations on Saturday, from left: Project Marton's Cath Ash, Emma Rose Harwood from Rangitikei College, RDC publicity person Jo Priestly, Mayor Andy Watson and Charly Ward-Berry, chair of the Rangitikei Youth Council.

Little cottage with big role

Preserving and recording the history of Marton has been the mission of the Marton Historical Society for more than 50 years. This Saturday, the society will host celebrations to mark 150 years since Marton got its name.

The Society was formed in 1965 and, for its first 14 years, was led by Ted Calkin.

In 1969, local farmer Bob Smith offered the Society a small farm cottage, built by Frederick Small in 1870-71, which was moved to a site next to Marton Memorial Hall, where it became Captain Cook Cottage – the heart of the current historic village and a time capsule of settler life in the late 1800s.

The cottage opened to the public in 1978 (fully restored, thanks to a huge team of volunteers) after being equipped and furnished with donations from local people. Creating an authentic picture of Victorian settler life was important, with special attention paid to colour schemes and wallpaper. The cottage even features a barometer, originally owned by Frederick Small's son Neil, which sits in the exact spot on the kitchen wall that it originally occupied.

A large part of the funding for the project came from the JBS Dudding Trust and the Marton Lions Club, while local tradespeople donated time and energy to carry out necessary restoration and rebuilding.

Further buildings have been donated to the village over the years, including the old cell block from Marton Police Station

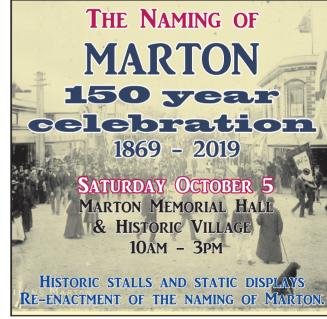
(built in 1897) and a barn from John Morrison's farm at Fern Flats. These buildings have all been restored, and house an ever-growing collection of artefacts from the early days of the district.





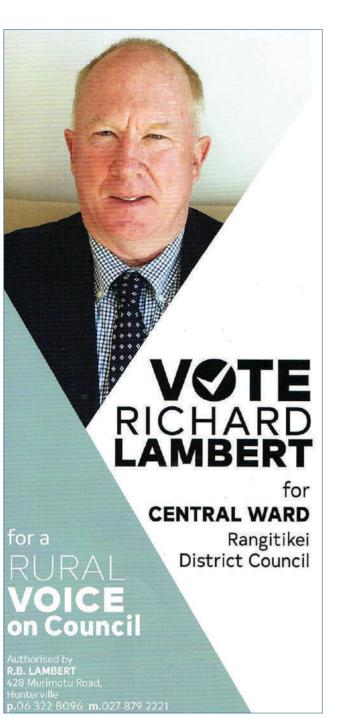












Supporting young national boxer

Marton Christian Welfare Inc, which operates the Marton Opportunity Shop, made a generous and much needed donation, to local Bulls boxer Emile Richardson, to assist with the costs of training and travelling.

Emile says "This donation has helped considerably and I'm very appreciative of the Marton Opportunity Shop's support. It was great to meet three of the committee at the shop and I thanked them and Robert Wilson, who took the proposal to the committee.

"My training has accelerated with the nationals in Hastings coming up and I just spent two and half weeks in Auckland training with professional boxers- one of them was a female world champion. I also got to visit and work out at Shane Cameron's gym and was stoked to receive a pair of boxing gloves from Shane."

Earlier this month, Emile was selected to represent NZ in the elite team, in Adelaide at the Super 8 Australasian Championship. "This was the second Super 8 I have competed in. Australia was a great experience and tough, as we fought



Emile with his 2 Super 8 belts, and the team from Marton Christian Welfare Opportunity Shop: Nicole Corkran, **Emile, Robert Wilson and Shona Manning.**

against some of the top state fighters. NZ competed strongly and I was very pleased with my performance and outcome. There I won the Super 8 Championship belt in the Middleweight Division and NZ won overall. It was great to beat the Aussies." If chosen, Emile will attend a qualifying tournament in China in February. His ultimate goal is reaching the 2020 Tokyo

If anyone in the community is able to help to support Emile with his sporting costs, please contact bronwyn696@gmail.com or text 027 302 2888.

Candidates meet the people in Bulls

Candidates standing for the Southern Ward of the Rangitikei District Council put forward their views at a Meet The Candidates meeting in the Bulls RSA last Thursday night before a crowd of about 70 people. Horizons Regional Council candidates and WDHB candidates also spoke.

All candidates introduced themselves and answered set questions as well as taking questions from the

Voting packs have been sent out to voters in the district and will be counted on Election Day, Saturday October 12.

All voting forms must be at the Rangitikei District Council office in Marton by 12 noon on that day.



RDC Southern Ward candidates from left: Jane Dunn, Bronwyn Meads, Paul Sharland, Brian Carter and Waru Panapa.

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Elect for Central Ward on Rangitikei District Council





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Letters to the editor - 200 words. Include name, address and phone number.

In answer to our MP

Dear sir, you spiel on about the roads in our area but what did you do while in government?

National ran the railways right down, closing some areas altogether.

That action has doubled and even trebled the heavy trucks on our roads, causing huge damage and congestion to our roads. I suggest the solution to our road problem is to upgrade our rail networks, so that the public can use that means of public transport more readily for personal travel and freight.

With a few more buses as well, that would stop the urgent need for more and more expensive roading.

Merv. Smith, Bulls

Successful Ladies Night

McIlwaine Mitre 10 held a M10 Ladies' Night on Thursday 12 September. Rebecca Gray from Mitre 10 says, "It was a great fundraising effort, with \$1,600



raised for the Memorial Park Trust playground redevelopment fund. It was a fantastic, fun-filled evening, well supported by 140 local ladies. A gold coin donation was collected and raffles also raised money for the playground donation. There was a continual run of great giveaways for many lucky ladies who had the winning numbers on the night.

"The evening was supported by sales representatives, providing advice and giving demonstrations throughout the night from Yates, Karcher, Husqvarna, Dremel, BJW Motors and the Marton playground development fundraising team.

"There was a lot of fun when guests made their own kokedama ball or covered pot holders, to take home. For those up to the challenge, there was a bird house making competition which provided many laughs during the evening.

"A wonderful evening was enjoyed by everyone who attended. Thank you to the Mitre 10 staff and everyone who was involved in making this evening so successful, " says Rebecca.

BITS n' PIECES

Marton 150 years naming celebration - Marton Memorial Hall, Saturday October 5 10am - 3pm. You are hereby invited, to a public meeting at 10.30am, to re-enact the naming of Marton in 1869.

Woven Through the Fabric of Time - Marton Arts & Crafts Centre exhibition, 27 September - 6 October. Daily 10am to 4pm with Thursday 10am - 8pm. Guest exhibitors. \$5 entry.

St. Andrew's Turakina is holding it's Kirkin O' the Tartan Service on Sunday 13 October at 2pm. All welcome.

Bulls Rose & Flower Show - Saturday 9 November in the Bulls Town Hall, 12.30 -3.30pm. Gold coin entry. Cafe and stalls in supper room open at 10am.







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Rangitikei Forest & Bird Update

We welcomed Tom Kay, Forest & Bird's regional manager, to our September meeting. He developed a keen passion for rivers while learning and developing his kayaking skills on the Mohaka River throughout his childhood. Ever since, his keen involvement in whitewater kayaking, canoe-slalom racing and rafting have taken him to some of New Zealand's most interesting and exciting rivers, leading him to focus his postgraduate study on the health of these amazing and complex ecosystems. Tom spoke about his thesis project, in which he will be further developing the 'Habitat Quality Index'- a technique for measuring changes in river habitat over time, through the use of drones. He touched on the emerging use of drones in river management and ecology and illustrated their use with photographs and a video taken by the drone, as it flew down the Rangitata River through Erewhon Station in the South Island. Tom had the Massey University drone with him and explained its features to members.

Our October meeting will be held on Wednesday, 9 October, at the Lodge rooms in Huia St, Taihape. Guest speaker will be David Spicer, talking about alternative energy and the work he has been doing on the Chatham Islands. Anyone wanting a ride to Taihape please contact Hugh Stewart 06 327 8064.

Marton Friendship Club

Last week, September 27, Bulls Fire Brigade's team spoke to us on home safety. Jess is their safety officer and their district ranges from Bulls to Taumarunui. She spoke about how fires begin in the home, how to get out and said you should familiarize yourself with where doorways are located, so when smoke alarms go off, you can get out quickly. Advice included: check electric blankets, don't overload plugs.

We learnt that your 111 call will contact all emergency services. Don't be afraid to be a nuisance - let others make that decision. It's far better they come while you're still alive. Be a nuisance to survive. The our older generation was often told not to be a nuisance, be self-reliant. But fires are not the time. Cars, scrub, homes, storms or floods – whatever your emergency, call 111. Stay on the phone if you can. Somebody will come to you. Fire alarms will soon be available for deaf people. They vibrate your bed and set up a flashing light at every alarm point, should smoke be detected. A great deal of useful safety information was given to us, a very valuable afternoon. Thank you to the brigade for their dedication to our district. A lovely afternoon tea was enjoyed. Lots of raffles, won by many. It was a long day but much appreciated.

Entertainer this Friday Oct 4, will be Gail and Barry, musicians from Foxton. Hall opened at 12.30pm for lunch -programme 2pm. See you there.

Marton Contract Bridge Club

24 September, 2019. Petals and Presents handicap Pairs (R2): N/S Di Gilmour & Pat McVerry 61.84; John Vickers & Caroline Watson 59.34; Jenny Meads & Margaret Bartels 58.66. E/W Pat Davidson & Marianne Morland 62.16; Joh Bellamore & Julie Sabine 61.19: Wanda Jones & John Bligh 55,69. 26 September, Broadway ColourPlus handicap pairs (R3): N/S Beryl Higgie & Kevin Poppe 61.22; Doug Cains & Trevor Ellery 61.01; Chris Skou & Wanda Jones 54.67. E/W Susan Marshall & Brian Bolt 67.69; Helen Rowe & Jen MacPherson 66.06: Pat Davidson & Jenny Meads 55.67

Taihape Arcadian Singers concert



After months of rehearsal, Taihape's Arcadian Singers are in fine voice for their concert on October 13. The programme is entitled "A Century of Song "and includes music from Gilbert and Sullivan through to Les Miserables and a few Beatles numbers. The concert opens with a medley from Porgy and Bess. Composed by George Gershwin in 1934, it was the first opera to be written in the jazz style with an all African American cast. Well-known songs include the beautiful Summertime and I got plenty of nuttin'. Gilbert and Sullivan Operas were immensely popular last century with their satirical humour, often at the expense of the ruling classes. The choir will sing excerpts from HMS Pinafore and the Mikado with soloists Paul George and Ray Wesselson. Several popular Beatles numbers follow and the programme concludes with a medley from Les Miserables.

Surely one of the finest musicals of this century, Les Miserables is based on the novel by Victor Hugo and tells of the tragic 1815 uprising in Paris. The Choir will be joined by three young singers Ella, Aria and Jemima in the haunting Castle on a Cloud. Don't miss this outstanding concert which will be held at St. David's Church, Huia St, Taihape on Sunday October 13 at 2pm. The conductor is Helen Gordon with Alison Stewart accompanist and Raymond Seymour compere.

Admission at the door, adults \$15, children free. Afternoon tea will follow.

Rangitikei SPORT SCENE Marton Croquet club The club held an opening
day tournament to begin the
2019/2020 season on Saturday
September 21. It was well
attended by Marton members

as well as a number of visitors from Whanganui. The day began with Association Croquet in the morning, followed by golf croquet in the afternoon. The eventual winners were: AC Senior grade, Malcolm Hutchins (Whanganui) and Junior grade, Eila Ogden (Marton). GC Senior grade, Ken McDowell (Whanganui) and Junior grade David Harrison (Marton). Visitors are always welcome and should you like to 'give it a go,' come along to any of our club days. We are open on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 1pm. Our players will be only to pleased to help you get started, so don't be shy and come along and join us.

Marton Ladies Golf - Results from Wednesday 25 September 12. Ladies started the day with only 9 finishing due to the weather conditions. Points results: Silver: J Ritchie Nett 73, R Williams nett 77, C Rhodes nett 80. Bronze 1: G Jones nett 71, G Burne nett 78, B Bielby nett 78. Bronze 2: D Singer nett 74, S Ballard nett 76. Haggle: G Jones, J Ritchie, G Burne, D Singer. Sponsored balls: S Ballard, R Williams, B Bielby. Two's: A Bary 3rd, J Ritchie 12th. Lucky draw: D Chapman.

Rangitikei Golf Club - Results Wednesday 25 September - competition stableford: Pat McCarthy 42pts, Geoff Ingram, Peter Young & Ash Reed 38pts, Lyndon Moore 37pts, Clive Robinson & Neville Berendt 36pts, Dan Scotson, Ron Harris, Kevin Taylor, & Henry Potaka 35pts. Twos: Ash Reed - 16th. Best Stableford on 1, 2, & 3: Peter Young 9pts. Lucky draw: Noel Crocker. Saturday 28 Sept: Club Charity Par: Seniors: Hone Morris +3, Marty Field -2, Kelvin Burt & Manny Dreliozis - 4, Juniors: Neil Kirker +4, Alan Wix & Alec Benson +3, Kevin Taylor +1, Neville Berendt, Ash Reed, Graeme Stephens & Bronwyn Meads sq. Two's: Hone Morris & Graeme Stephens - 3rd.

Marton Golf Club - 28.9.2019. Don Clark scooped the pool taking away the top prize with a very good score of Nett 65. The weather was windy and cold the greens were still very slick. Scores: D Clark 65, G V Calkin 72, M Arnott 72, B McGinniss 72, T Calkin 72, R Yorke 72, N Belsham 73, D Oliver 73, G Jongen 74, M Rothman 75, DFullerton Smith 75, R Ellery 65, H Bremner 76, D Arnott 76, D Tarrant 76, F McVerry 76, D Singer 76. Two's: only one T Calkin which also got him the jackpot of balls. 3FBH B Pratt, L Wake, A Duncan. Coming events: Saturday 5 October. Stableford competition. Duty: D Clark. Bar: R Ellery P singer. Sunday 6: duty G Marshall. Friday 11, ITM Tradesman Tournament, 11am shotgun start. Entries to ITM and Colin Williams 027 2451193. All players welcome.

Marton Golf Thursday Club - Results 26.9.2019. Freezing cold and very windy conditions didn't stop Steve Muir playing well and topping the scores with a great 40 Stableford points (well done Steve) taking out the top prize. Scores: S Muir 40, D Clark 38, A Stewart 37, D Angove 37, B McGinniss 36, T Arnott 32, R Yorke 31, G Calkin 31, T McVerrry 31, B Craig 30, A Duncan 30, Crunchie: D Pearson.

Hawkestone Golf Club - Tuesday 24 September : Nampara Kennels & Cattery stableford competition; Greg James 23, Barry Parlane 22, Grant Forbes & Les Neumann 18, Gary Burgess 16, Brian Philps 15. Nearest Pin; Rae Karatea. Lion Challenge; Barry Parlane. Saturday 28 Sept: Murrays Irish Public House stableford competition. S/men; R McDermott 38, G Cunningham 37, M Carroll 36, D Rohde 35, G Burgess & G Franks 34. J /men; M Porter 37, D Wright 34, P Weeks, D Todd & N Skelton 33. Women: D Todd & S Wells 30, P Charlesworth. Feilding Scrap Metal two's; N Skelton #2, M Carroll # 14. Jackpot #16 - not struck. Nearest the pins; S/men = Not struck, J/men = Not struck, Women = S Wells. Coming events; Tuesday, 9 Hole Golf, 9.30am tee off. Saturday 5 October - The Tax Helper Gruesome Twosome tournament. Registrations & inquiries contact Grant on 021 057 2931 or email (hawkestonegolf@gmail.com).

Taihape Golf Club -TAIHAPE KNIGHTED KING COUNTRY CHAMPS- By Inthe Rough Taihape took to the road to play in the annual King Country Championships which were held in Taumarunui this year. The ladies team got off to a flying start for their 36 holes on Friday on the par 73 course. Fran Robertson played exceptional golf in both rounds for nett 62 and nett 63. Marian Cleaver made 67 & 73 nett, Lesley Hardwidge 73 & 75 nett and the Waimarino substitute player, Yang Ping Sun, also performed very well shooting 71 & 73 nett. The men's team arrived on Friday evening, to see the ladies team had won the best team nett and set the club up for strong chance in the coveted Pittams Trophy, combined ledies and men's teams' event which Teipane had apply were twice in its 47 years.

ladies and men's teams' event, which Taihape had only won twice in its 47 years. The men were lead out by Danny Mickleson who shot 82 77 83 gross in his three rounds over Saturday and Sunday, which equated to nett 68 63 69 (199). Matthew Booth shot 76 75 74, for net 68 67 66 (201). Alan Thomas shot 78 80 89, for net 66 68 77 (211). John Gilbert 95 100 103, for nett 69 74 77 (220). Taihape men won the team net by 18 shots and after the fantastic start the Taihape ladies made, Taihape won the Pittams by a whopping 55 shots. Danny Mickleson came home the junior gross winner. Matthew Booth the senior nett winner. Alan Thomas the senior Saturday net runner up. The only disappointment of the championships was being the collective under-bidder on Matthew Booth who won the sizable Indian draw. Back home in the haggle, Duane Dick was the top performer with 40 points in a consistent round which included a birdie on the par five 9th. Kevin O'Brien made 39 points, Merv Tapp and John Booth were a distant 3rd equal on 35 points apiece. Also noted was Chris George on 34, Gary Thomas and Dale Hunt on 33, as well as Denis Robertson on 32. For those not able to travel to the Apiti Foursomes on Sunday, the haggle kicks off at 12 noon with Denis Robertson on manager's duty.

Marton Bowling Club - So much for the spring weather; last week wasn't much chop on the bowling green! First to cop it were the ladies playing the Gordon pairs on Wednesday 25. Very cold blustery weather saw us taking refuge in the shelters several times but we persevered until the games were completed. Well done all who participated, it certainly wasn't easy. Results: 1st Sharon Gordon(s) & Noeline Schollum-2 wins, 22 ends 35 points. 2nd Joy White(s) & Rose Plank- 2 wins, 22 ends 31 points. 3rd Joan Black(s) & Bev Toulmin- 2 wins, 17 ends 30 points. The men's Gordon pairs played on Saturday 28 and the weather wasn't too much better; more cold blustery weather! Results: 1st J.D.(s) & Peter Burberry- 4 wins, 30 ends 55 points. 2nd Brian Mitchell(s) & Tom Porter- 2.5 wins, 27 ends 41 points. Coming events: Fridays @ 3.30pm starting this week, coaching for members. Sat 5/Sun 6 Oct- men's and ladies' play-offs, Whanganui, 9am. Wed 9 Oct - ladies' club Handicap Singles @ 9am (names to pavilion B by Monday 7 Oct please).

Target Shooting Marton - Results 30/9/2019. This week was the final shoot for the competition year for indoor shooting, the season has surely raced away with time. Smaller turnout again for the final night but Tony Bayler and Gary Cuff both finishing with very good scores. Tony Bayler 99.06 100.06 199.12, Gary Cuff 98.02 98.06 196.08, Jake Wright 95.02 98.06 193.08, Brent Read 97.05 96.02 193.07, Wayne Hunt 95.04 98.02 193.06, Alan McCubbine 96.01 97.02 193.03, Kayla Gledhill 98.07 94.03 192.10, Allan Wright 97.02 94.03 191.05, Don Hamilton 93.02 98.03 191.05, Samantha Gledhill 95.03 94.04 189.07, Fred de Burgh 91.03 96.05 187.08, Neville Rhodes 94.01 93.00 187.01, Dave Gledhill 94.02 92.01 186.03, John Mills 91.01 92.01 183.02.

JOHN TURKINGTON

for Horizons Regional Council Manawatu- Rangitikei Constituency

My name is John Turkington. I live in the Rangitikei with my wife Angela and two boys, Sam and Tom. Our family is a strong contributor in the local community. I am born and bred in Horizons and am passionate about our region and its future. Horizons region is diverse and thriving, with a proud history of innovation, growth and heritage. I have made our region the focus of my working life, from my first job at the Rangitikei-Wanganui Catchment Board in soil conservation, to positions with Horizons and Ministry for the Environment. In 1993, I started a Forestry and Landuse Management business, which now provides employment for over two hundred people on a daily basis.

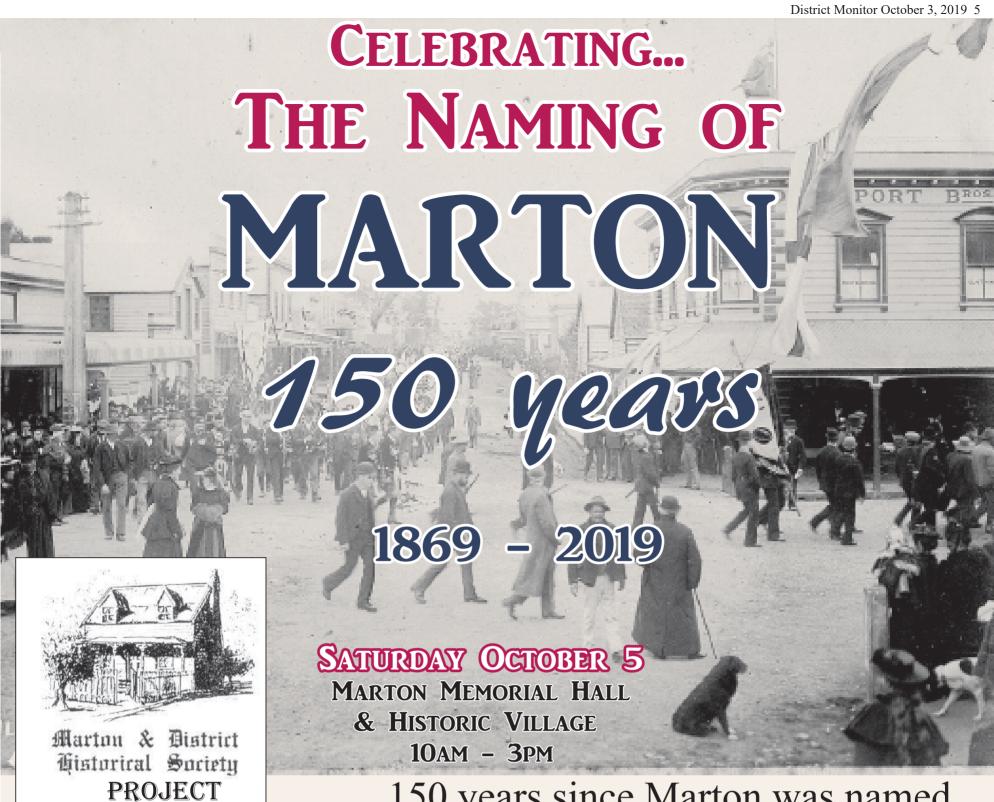
I have a combination of commercial development experience and environmental work experience.

In terms of priorities I see them as:

- 1. Council policies need to be practical and contestable to achieve a balanced outcome.
- 2. Improve educational delivery and understand the regions outcomes in schools.
- 3. Ensure cost efficient delivery of Council's legislative responsibilities.

Life is about balance and so is managing the regions resources for the betterment of all. Good decision-making requires experienced leadership. I believe I have the skill base





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150 years since Marton was named

Marton was not the original name of the pioneer community when it was established about 1865-66. It was only a tiny hamlet and then it took the name of the area, which Ngati Apa, its original Maori inhabitants, called Tutaenui.

The name Tutaenui had several translations that weren't too appealing to local pioneers who preferred to use the one that described the Tutaenui Stream running through the area as 'muddy water,' It referred to the often-yellowish colour due to the clay content.

The first western settlers to Tutaenui came from England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Germany and Prussia. The name didn't appeal, so they debated long and hard about changing it.

A series of public meetings were held but there was so much disagreement and so many names were put forward, that it was decided to have a last meeting on the subject, where the leading citizens of the area (it was not a town at this stage) would propose the new name. The men were Henry Lyon (chemist) and builder Thomas Lambert. Both now have Marton streets named after them. Henry Lyon was to name the name.

The pair had thought it over carefully. They knew October 7 would be the 100th the anniversary of the landing of Captain James Cook and the ship Endeavour, when the English mariner first set foot on New Zealand soil in 1769. They surmised that as a lot of the district's inhabitants came from Yorkshire, Cook's home territory in England, it seemed logical to pick the name of the village where Cook was born, Marton – In -Cleveland. Cook is now memorialised by a statue in Marton's Broadway, erected by the Marton Historical Society under chairman and historian Paul Melody and created by local sculptor Robin Coleman.

There was no argument at the 1869 meeting, held at

the hamlet's tiny courthouse. Henry Lyon proposed the name Marton and on cue, Tom Lambert seconded it. And that was that. Marton was named and ten years later it became an official town and borough.

150 years later, the people of Marton and surrounds, which is home to many descendants of the early pioneers, will hold an historical display at the Marton Memorial Hall and Marton Historic Village in Wellington Rd, to mark the naming - complete with a re-enactment of the 1869 meeting.

Marton & District Historical Society has invited local groups and businesses to set up displays to accompany its own historical displays for the celebration, in and around the Marton Memorial Hall and historic village, starting at 10am and ending at 3pm.

The celebration is a chance to see Marton'history. It will include historic static displays and photographs, historic stalls, the historic village open day, vintage and veteran cars and the re-enactment of the naming

Martonians and descendants are asked to convene at the Marton Memorial Hall at 10.30am on Saturday October 5 to be a 21st century crowd, to rename Marton once again.

Descendants of William Henderson and from the Lambert, Signal, Morris, Beaven, Gibbons, families Poppe, Nitschke, Freidrich families and all descendants of early pioneer families in the area are invited as are all Martonians. The public of Marton is especially encouraged to come along and learn about the interesting 150 years history of the town - named Marton.

Locals are encouraged to decorate their businesses in the one of the eras of Marton 's long history and everyone is asked to dress up for the occasion in vintage gear from whichever era you might still have in your wardrobe.

OIN THE CELEBRATION

First of all, let me say congratulations to the community of Marton on this historic milestone. Our town continues to prosper as large industries eye up Marton and the Rangitikei District as a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Water has been a significant issue for Marton since settlers first arrived here and the town began to grow. Fire was a constant issue with wooden structures and the population craved a pure and reliable water supply. In this feature is an article looking at 150 years of Marton water supply which is great reading and explains why, even today, Council struggles to find a workable and cost-effective solution to Marton's water woes.



I must admit that reading the article was bittersweet. Bitter, because as Mayor I want to instantly fix Marton's water and all of the issues associated with its ageing infrastructure.

Sweet, as I reflect on the moment, after years of significant droughts, when water was turned on at the newly constructed C Dam in 1955, after possibly the worst year of drought Marton had seen; drought so severe the Army was brought in to help supply water to the town.

Imagine that moment when water started to fill C Dam and the pride the men that built it would have felt at such an engineering feat. Imagine how the townspeople felt knowing that a major reservoir would stave off future droughts – which to a large extent it did. The future problem of course being the limited capacity of the treatment plant to process the reservoir water.

Despite ongoing issues with an unreliable water supply, Marton's economic development took off with the opportunities provided by the Marton Railway Junction - the Wellington to New Plymouth Railway and the North Island main trunk railway in the late 1800s.

In 1903 Marton was described by media as the "most important" inland town and land for sale was touted as "far and away the best business opportunity ever offered to the public in the northern portion of the colony".

Over the years, while Marton's water issues continued to steal the media limelight, Council engineers and staff quietly went about their business of creating the backbone of Marton – roads, bridges and public facilities such as a hospital, swimming pool, schools and parks. Our forebears created magnificent buildings such as the White Hart Hotel, Davenport Building, the Advocate and former Courthouse, many of which can still be admired today.

Economic development relied on the early creation of this infrastructure that brought together town and country, and linked Marton with the bigger cities of New Zealand. Economic development remains a key focus of Marton today and while we await the eagerly anticipated Marton Water Strategy 2019, inroads will continue to be quietly made in attracting large investors to Marton and securing our place as a town of foresight, growth and prosperity.

Andy Watson - Mayor of Rangitikei







Making this place home.



In recognition of the renaming of Marton township 150 years ago, Rangitikei District Council looks back at the water situation in 1879 and today. Writer Jo Priestley gratefully acknowledges the support of the Marton Historical Society, Central Archives, Marton Library, Papers Past and DigitalNZ for their knowledge and assistance in putting together this article.

Marton Water Supply 1879 - present day

If there's one element that links present day Marton with its early pioneering days - it's water. Too little water, too much water, and stinky "foul smelling" water capable of killing trout in the reservoir and goldfish in people's backyard ponds as far back as the 1880s. There was a saying in the 1940s that "Marton has the only water supply where you can get food and drink at the same time" as it wasn't unheard of for eels to slither out of household taps, especially when the reservoir was low.

Researching the history of water in Marton one thing was abundantly clear - water soaks up as much time around the Council table now, as it did in the 1880s after Marton became a borough. The central issue has not changed: the cost and vagaries of making bad water good and a lack of a reliable water supply.

There were many complaints over the years about Marton water being "foul and fetid and unsuitable for drinking".

It could also explain why Marton had three thriving hotels by the late 1800s - the Tutaenui Inn (became The White Hart), the Club Hotel, and Marton Hotel.

In Marton, high levels of fluctuating Manganese, seasonal algae blooms and deteriorating pipes are things our current Council has inherited and is grappling with. New technology has allowed some progress, with regards to filtration and treatment but the issue of how to obtain good drinking water is still a thorn in Marton's side. Travel back in time and prepare to be entertained by early penmanship and accounts of events as they unfolded.

Early history

Before Marton became a borough in 1879, residents took their water from a bucket drawn from the Tutaenui Stream. However, as resident numbers rose the demand for a continuous water supply increased. In 1879 there were around 500 residents within the brough boundary of 573 hectares. In 1875, the Rangititkei Advocate reported: "Drinking water a little thickened with human exhalations or odorous of cattle pollutions, should this summer prove worse than the previous one and if the water should happen to become a little thicker, it only needs to be strained through a sock or other handy material. Water with a little "body" is more conducive to health than the pure element, free from any deleterious admixtures, as there is little likelihood of persons drinking to excess of it in hot weather so making themselves ill." . The Marton Borough Council's most pressing business in 1879 was to find a

reliable and adequate water supply as both fire and drought, were restricting the town's development.

"The want of a good water supply at Marton has long been known and, as the population increases, some considerable anxiety is felt, not only in respect to the shortness of supply for household use but also for the safety of the township in case of fire. Suggestions have been offered from time to time, but nothing has been done. However, since the warning given by the late fires and Marton now being able to boast as having an efficient fire brigade, a move has been made in the right direction.

The correspondent was referring to plans put before the borough council by Mr S Ingram and fellow townspeople, for the private purchase of drilling equipment. The chairman recommended that a public company be set up



to manage the purchase and operation of the drilling operation and that it be called "The Marton Well Sinking Company" (1879)

The fire referred to was the "big fire of 1879" which destroyed much of High St, then known as Main St. Firefighting back then consisted of passing buckets of water hand to hand, from the closest water supply. The problem of course, was that there often wasn't a close and plentiful water supply. It was shortly after this fire that Marton's first Volunteer Fire Brigade was formed. Discussions continued about the Marton Water supply at a public meeting held in the town hall on 23 May 1879. The question before the meeting was how to get the "cheapest and most expedient way of procuring a water supply." Attendees of the meeting included the recently formed Marton Well Sinking Company, which again expressed interest in drilling for water. However, the meeting chair, Dr Curl said, "It would be better to get a water supply from some other source than that of sinking a well"....Mr Beaven said he was one of the party which had been out to prospect for water and was perfectly satisfied that an abundant supply of water could be got from a gully on Mr Johnston's land (soon to be the site of A dam), about a mile from the town. He was in favour of procuring water from such a source before boring, as he considered one was a certainty and the other was not.

However, drilling work went ahead with the Wanganui Herald reporting in December 1880 - "Work of immense interest to the township of Marton is now being carried on by Marton Borough Council and is no less than the sinking of a shaft, 6ft by 4ft to a depth of 200ft, to see if water can be obtained. Should the effort be successful, the rise in the value of property would be at once manifest, as the great drawback to the progress of the town is the scarcity of water during the summer months, when the inhabitants are practically at the mercy of every passing shower. From a domestic standpoint alone, to say nothing of the spur the hope for discovery would give to the manufacturing districts, it is to be hoped that the plucky expenditure of public money will be crowned with attendant success.

Unfortunately, the shaft sunk at the corner of Skerman St - Wanganui Rd did not locate water and the depression in the ground created by the shaft

The Wanganui Herald reported on the 3 November 1882 that at a special meeting of the Marton Borough Council, a 32-page engineers report prepared by Mr Marchant, on the water situation in Marton, was tabled.

The report states - "As Marton is upwards of 400ft above sea level, it is hopeless to expect to obtain a supply from springs." The report put forward 3 schemes for consideration, including turning the old gravel pit at the northern end of township, into a reservoir and raising the water by windmill; bringing water in from the upper Tutaenui (5 miles) in totara flumes and tile drains, down to a receiving basin near the town and a suggestion to store water on the land of Messrs Baker and Johnston.

The engineer's report added - "the present population of the Borough is 600...but the growth of population must also be considered, and the provision made for thrice that number, or perhaps 2000, which would probably be the full extent of the requirements of an inland town like Marton."

The mayor recommended that of the 3 options, Mr Marchant's be adopted and the scheme put to ratepayers for approval.

On 10 November 1882, ratepayers approved the "Johnston Gully Scheme (30 votes to 9) and the borough purchased 77 acres of land, 2 miles outside the borough boundary, in the Tutaenui catchment. A reservoir was built capable of holding 16 million gallons of water and the water was piped to Marton town by an 8 inch main pipe. This reservoir was initially known as "the reservoir," later the A dam, after construction of two new dams further upstream. Confusingly, there are many more newspaper reports that refer simply to the "reservoir", the "old reservoir", the "main dam", the "old dam", the "new dam", the "upper dam" and lower dam" which can get very confusing when researching!

The original reservoir had low water pressure and as Marton township grew, particularly with the construction of 2 storied buildings, the water supply proved insufficient and in 1910, the borough council was once again on the hunt for an alternative water supply. The Marton Borough Council was often taken to task by its ratepayers with scathing letters to

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MARTON **JOCKEY CLUB**

Horse racing has been MARTON JUCKEY CLUB conducted in the district since the early 1850s, with the pioneer settlers, the local Maori chiefs and the military, enthusiastically supporting the 'sport of kings'. Racetracks were carved

out of virgin bush and, long before the New Zealand





Awapuni Racing Centre







Racing Conference and racing clubs came into existence, horse racing and breeding was thriving throughout the province.

The Marton Jockey Club started in 1886 and early meetings were held on farms near the Onepuhi Road turn-off. In 1901, the club bought land at Marton Junction, which was developed into the Marton Racecourse. The first meeting was held there in 1903.

In 1980 the club started holding its meetings at Awapuni Racecourse in Palmerston North. The club later joined the RACE group, along with the Rangitikei, Feilding and Manawatu Racing Clubs. It continues to play a leading role in the promotion of Central Districts Racing. RACE

holds 18 days of racing a year at Awapuni and the Marton Jockey Club runs four of these, with the support of many Marton businesses.



A real education since 1896.



Headmaster Charles Mather and Huntley boys at the school swimming dam 1901.

The year is 1896. Education pioneers Basil Wilson and Charles Mather have 12 pupils under their charge. They decide to buy 72 acres of land on Wanganui Road to expand their Marton boys' school.

March 1900, Huntley School officially opens. It isn't quite finished and the boys can only take a bath in private homes around Marton, but enrolments are pouring in from all over the country. Within the year Huntley is home to 19 boarders and 13-day boys. Young Ernest Kemp is one of them, walking to Huntley from the Marton train station, ending a four-day solo journey via train, boat and horseback from Ruatoria. He is just 11.

Adventure is a high priority at Huntley and before too long a large dam is blasted and excavated in front of the school – ideal for duck shooting, swimming and fishing.

A cricket pavilion, gymnasium, concrete swimming pool follow. In the 1960's the school classrooms and boarding houses are completely rebuilt and in 2014 Huntley opens its doors to girls.

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It's a history we can all be proud of.



The history of Marton water continued....

The Manawatu Standard itself wrote on 9 October 1884 -" Marton and its waterworks scheme are frequently used as a metaphor wherewith to point a moral or adorn a tale. The Marton people appear to have made a regular hash of their waterworks scheme. First, they got a loan of some £3000, £600 of which they sunk in the borough well, never having reached water and a further £400 in liabilities, with regard to the present scheme and now they ask the ratepayers to raise a further loan of £1500. When Palmerston goes in for waterworks it should take a lesson by the experience of Marton and avoid landing itself in a fix similar to that which the last-mentioned, unhappy town is now bewailing."

On 3 March 1908, The Dominion newspaper reported that at a special meeting of the Marton Borough Counci, Mr Leslie Reynold's report on the Marton water supply was read. "He advised that after a careful inspection of the whole district... that the only suitable water supply...was from the Rangitikei River or from a potable water supply, at the foot of the terrace near the Porewa stream. He was satisfied that no inland streams or lake water within a radius of 15 miles, offered facilities for a high-pressure supply. With regard to boring for artesian water, he thought this question could be left on one side, as it was very problematic whether water could be obtained by this means in the district. If obtainable at all, it would be at a very considerable depth and cost.

The only method of obtaining a pure Marton water supply from the Rangitikei River was by means of sinking on the river's flank and constructing infiltration galleries, from which the water would be pumped to a service reservoir of 250,000 gallons capacity, some 200ft above the town. The estimated cost worked out at £17,129. If the council didn't adopt this scheme. He advised that the present reticulation be renewed and that residents depend on rainwater for domestic purposes, the reservoir supply to be used in the event of fire... the council agreed that a Rangitikei River scheme was beyond its means and decided to ask Mr Reynolds for further particulars, in connection with the alternative scheme."

On 23 December 1908, in the midst of another summer drought, the Wanganui Chronicle reported - "Public be informed of the necessity of using the water carefully, as the reservoir is now very low. The borough foreman humorously remarked, when asking for instructions about watering the streets, "One day I am assailed with requests to keep down the dust and, when I endeavour to do this, I am chided for wasting the water, which is wanted for more urgent purposes.'

A letter to the editor in the Rangitikei Advocate on 20 February 1909, cites the Marton water supply -"After the fire in Broadway over a year ago, the Marton Borough Council determined to take professional advice about improving the water supply. It was understood two schemes were before them; that of damming up the sources of the Tutaenui and that of pumping water from the Rangitikei. The latter scheme, if carried out, would give excellent drinking water, besides sufficiency of water for every purpose. The former, the dam of which would be at least 300ft above Marton - Mr A Bryce's home in Fern Flats is said to be 300ft above would give force enough to put out any fire; but the water I imagine would not be the best quality for drinking, but probably better than the present

supply. It is understood that finally, neither scheme recommended itself to council; that of the Rangitikei, on account of the expense being beyond our means. One also learns that there was another scheme before Council that of heightening the present dam and laying down bigger pipes. One understands that the pipes have been lying at the reservoir some time. There is a probable objection to the scheme: that the area of the catchment is not big enough to supply water sufficient for the present demands and that for the following reasons: 1.It is said that the water has only overflowed the present dam once in the last five years. 2. Marton inside and outside the borough, has nearly doubled itself in the last five years. 3.A much larger percentage of the houses have the borough water laid on to them than used to be the case and this affects both the amount of water and the force... more water, I imagine, is used at the railway station daily than in the whole of the Marton proper. 5.It would appear from the new pipes lying all this time idle that the councillors themselves are doubtful as to the supply."

This discussion would eventually result in the establishment of B dam or the "new dam" in upper Tutaenui in 1912. Prime Minister Sir Joseph Ward visited Marton on 16 March 1909. One of the burning issues put to him by the deputation was the Marton water supply. The deputation asked him to help fund a water scheme saying, "Owing to the geographical position of Marton, the expense of a suitable scheme was too great a burden for Marton ratepayers."

They suggested the government could assist either by direct cooperation or by entering into a water supply contract for a term of years with the borough, no doubt to offset the cost of supplying water to the railway. The Prime Minister parried and said it would be favourable if council and the railway came to an agreement. Joseph Ward said, "The amount required exceeded the maximum amount that could be advanced by the Government to a borough under the Loans to Public Bodies Act." He mentioned that he had been instrumental in passing a statute that allowed smaller councils such as Marton to obtain loans on a more favourable basis.

The Bay of Plenty Times reported on 12 June 1911 - "A fire this morning destroyed Mrs Bett's boarding-house, containing 23 rooms, also Mr Amer's stables. Practically nothing was saved in the boarding house, the boarders escaping with a few belongings. There was no water in the reservoir and dam - the firemen worked under great difficulties.

In 1910 -1912, the reservoir known as B dam was built in the upper Tutaenui catchment approximately 5 miles from the borough boundary. This dam held 39 million gallons and was connected to the town by an 8 inch main. Dam "A" or "the old dam" was kept in reserve for water shortages and emergencies. Council received a loan of £17,000 to purchase and lay water pipes, mains, services, filters and build a concrete dam and to purchase land for the catchment area for the provision of a waterworks system for the borough.

There was great excitement in the media when it was reported by almost every newspaper in the country that only six months after construction, the new Marton B dam had broken its bank



The collapse of the Marton water supply dam 1912.

The Evening Post reported on 25 October 1912 - "The dam of the town water supply had been carried away. Firebells warned the public and nearly the whole town population turned out, as it was thought there might be a possible danger of a portion of the town being flooded by the sudden rush of water into the Tutaenui Stream. The reservoir is six miles distant and the dam broke at 9.15pm. The water reached Marton at 2am but beyond the sudden rise to the stream, no damage resulted to the town...it was constructed at a cost of £4307 and was taken over by the council six months ago. The wall was damaged to the extent of 20ft at the bottom and from 50ft to 60ft at the top. It will take some thousands of pounds to repair it. In the meantime, the old reservoir (A dam) will be drawn upon for the supply. Councillors are visiting the scene with the consulting engineer this morning. Unfortunately, the White Hart Hotel caught fire on November 14, 1912 during the period when the retaining wall of B dam was being fixed and, because of the absence of water, the hotel was unable to be saved.

On 10 March 1915, a number of fish were reported, presumably trout, found on the banks of the Marton dam and the conclusion arrived at was that "some mischievous and destructive person had used dynamite." However, a police inquiry revealed that dynamite had not been used and it was more likely to have been "the absence of fresh water."

By the early 1940s, water was once again at a premium and increasing demand coupled with an ageing water system and frequent droughts during summer months meant council was again under financial and political pressure to find an alternative water supply. On 19 April 1948, The Gisborne Herald reported that the Marton reservoirs were "almost empty" and the Mayor Mr F Purnell asked for water restrictions and that if rain did not fall before Monday, people in Marton would be reduced to a bucket service. In 1953, after much council debate and several commissioned water reports, work on C dam began. This dam was below B dam and could hold an additional 80 million gallons of water, with new mains pipes to Marton town and 9 miles of new reticulation pipe. There were extensive additions and upgrades to the filtration plant at the same time.

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Four generations, Brian, Jim, Randall and Tom





Next office and buildings



Young Brian McIlwaine in the early timber mill days.



Original company building and vehicle.

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The company is proud to have served the Marton and greater Rangitikei region for over a century. The company is a family business, since being established in 1910 by brothers Tom and Andrew McIlwaine (McIlwaine Bros). While Andrew left the business within the year to go farming, Tom carried on alone until his son James joined the company in 1928. After almost twenty years of hard work through the Great Depression and Second World War James (Jim) became a partner in 1946 and T & J McIlwaine Ltd was formed.

The company initially focused on building then branched out into joinery and stocking building supplies. In 1946, due to being unable to source the appropriate timber for the business, Jim shifted a mill from Wanganui to the Russell Street premises in Marton, Brian McIlwaine, Jim's son, joined the company in 1965 after completing

a Bachelor in Civil Engineering and working for Fletcher Challenge. He was responsible for setting up the Readymix plant in 1967, but sadly Brian was killed in a car accident in May 1984.

Brian's son, Randall McIlwaine, started in 1985 and is the present General Manager. Randall became the fourth generation McIlwaine to enter the family business and was joined by his sister, Rebecca, in 2007.

The business has been a major employer and provider of goods and services in the Rangitikei region. Today T & J McIlwaine Ltd provides a range of supplies and services to the area. A prominent Mitre 10 store gives our customers a wide range of products. It offers all your hardware, trade and garden supplies. The garden centre has a lovely range of plants and includes bulk bins of garden supplies. Being part of the Mitre 10 chain offers the community great products at great prices within our community.

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Marton's Water Supply.....

In another recurring theme regarding Marton Water, still relevant today, the serious drought in the summer of 1958 was compounded by the water capacity restrictions of the filtration system. Despite having 2 significant reservoirs, water restrictions were again in place.

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Demand for water continued to grow and modifications were made to the filtration station culminating in the

construction of vertical settling tanks in 1971, which resulted in much improved treated water. In 1978, C dam was raised by another 3 metres and could now hold 170 million gallons of water, or 772 million litres. The cost of the improvements were \$300,000.

Fast forward to today

Water remains a constant issue before the Rangitkei District Council. The burning question for many today, I would assume is - did our ancestors misjudge the water situation and could they have done things differently or better?

According to the 32 reports commissioned over the past 80 years - with the majority recommending finding an alternative raw water source – the answer is no, they couldn't.

Money was a major issue and with an initially small ratepayer base and large costs, there was no easy solution for decision-makers in the late 1880s and early 1900s. Taking into account several major fires which set the



business district back time and time again, a depression, and two world wars, perhaps Marton did the best it could with the hand it had been dealt.

Over the last century there has been significant progress in technology, particularly with the way we filter and treat our water. Unless there is an issue with fluctuating manganese (which can result in brown, discoloured water from the addition of chlorine to counteract manganese) and the dreaded algae bloom which makes the water smell, most of the time Maron water is drinkable. This doesn't address the issue of

aging infrastructure, some of which has been in place since the first reservoir was built in 1882. Council is currently preparing a Marton Water Strategy which is due before Council shortly. The strategy will consider all possible solutions covering the following aspects: • Raw water source • Treatment • Storage

• Delivery network (ageing pipes that are prone to breaking and leaking). • Cost of each option.

One of the options likely to be considered is whether the Calico Line and Tutaenui production bores should be the primary source of water, instead of the existing reservoir. Bore water (which is different to spring water) may also contain high levels of natural minerals which causes its own issues at the treatment plant.

The government is also looking at how water is managed and provided at a national level. The "Three Waters Review" was established in mid-2017 to look into challenges facing our three waters system – drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater- and to develop recommendations for system-wide performance improvements for local government.

What this means for us locally, is that every decision undertaken by RDC will have to consider the Three Waters Strategy which may impact on the direction RDC takes, after receiving the Marton Water Strategy.





Growing STARS learners and leaders from 1866 - 2019



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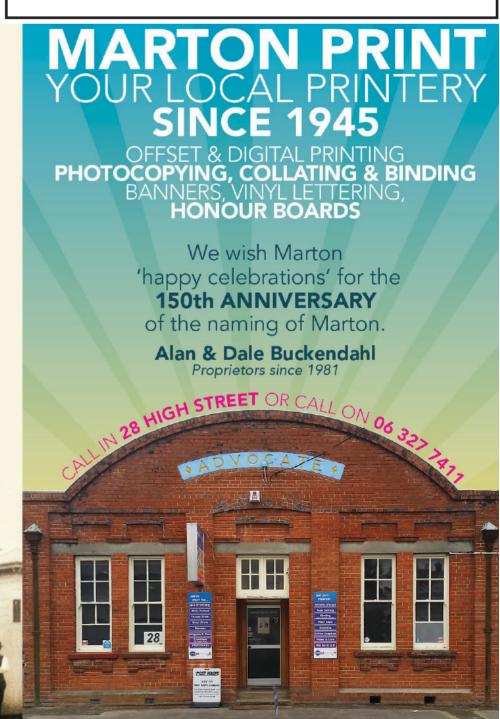
Marton has from its beginnings been well-served by locally produced newspapers. The site now occupied by Marton Print was in the late 1800's occupied by a wooden building purpose built to house the Rangitikei Advocate and Manawatu Argus - a daily paper with distribution north of Hunterville and south to Foxton. Disagreements with editorial comment were at times punctuated by the extreme method of setting fire to the newspapers' home, with at least three major fires resulting. The building is now basically in the same format that it was finally rebuilt for the Rangitikei Advocate, with office space on the street frontage, and a machine room to the rear. The compositors or typesetters occupied the middle portion of the building. The Rangitikei Advocate ceased publication during the early stages of WWII, presumably because of shortages of newsprint and manpower.

Virtually everything had gone by the time Ray Buckendahl was first shown the premises in 1946 to establish Marton Printery. By then Mr. Dekke, a cabinet maker was established in the back part of the building and the front offices were initially occupied by a boot maker and a hairdresser. Ray, who was born in Wanganui and had served an apprenticeship with the Wanganui Herald as a compositor, rented the centre part of the Advocate Building. Eventually there were eight skilled staff, occupying the entire building.

Clients in 1946 included Nga Tawa School, Marton Borough Council, The Ruapehu Lodge No 128, The Marton Sash, Door & Timber Co. Glasgow Electrical and Marton District High School.

Lucretia Earnshaw took up the position of trainee keyboard operator in 1985, coinciding with the installation of the company's first computer driven typesetter and in 2019 is still with the firm as office manager.

Today 74 years on less than 50% of all production is offset the balance is digital. The business has passed from one generation - Ray and Terry Buckendahl, to another - their son Alan and his wife Dale who now own the business. Alan started printing full-time more than 58 years ago. Now he is ready to retire; just needs a buyer for this remarkably robust business!





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The original site of Pilky's Auto, now Robbies Mechanical

In the early 1990s Pilky's moved to its current location in Blackwell St, behind the Marton Library. Once a keen driver at local race meets, Mike used to restore classic vehicles but now doesn't have the time.

He has always supported the local community well, sponsoring various sports clubs, schools and organisations over the years. For a long time a 'one man band', Mike now has helping hand Harre Proctor who he can call in, when he's really busy or has a big job on. Recently that has been often, as the business has been 'flat out'!



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The annual Market Day in Marton 2002. Formerly held in November, it's now staged in December.

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Rangitikei College was opened in November 1958 by the Hon. P. O. Skoglund, the Minister of Education, with a roll of 300. This marked the translation of the secondary department of the Marton District High School, at the time the largest in the country, to full secondary status.







Rangitikei College 1958

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Establishing the business in Marton has opened up additional jobs within the community. We originally started with six staff and have more than tripled that number. There is plenty of opportunity for staff to advance within the business.

I also purchased the local Marton Laundromat in High St, which at the time was a fully serviced site.

This was rebranded under the Burrell's brand with additional sites in Palmerston North and Foxton (opening soon). I then made a radical change and partitioned the building to be able to introduce self-service as well as serviced laundry options available to the community. We also offer an elderly run, which is benefiting many.

The self-service has grown in use, so much so, that I have added additional washers and numerous dryers. These are eco-friendly, super-efficient machines, giving exceptional value for money to users. More recently, this year we changed to a cashless system which is operated by use of a laundry card. With this change we have also decided to close the serviced side, as from 30 September this year, referencing commercial clients via the Station Rd factory. We will continue with the elderly run.

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Some things never change - especially a love of motorcycling. Marton Harley riders and motorbike enthusiasts got together in March 2015 to recreate an historic Marton bikers' photograph taken circa 1920 (top) outside what was then, the White Hart Hotel. The re-enactment" was staged before the former White Hart Hotel was demolished. The modern day bikers are, from right: C Melody, S Gudopp, R Coleman, P Boyle, R Burton, D Webber, D Hodds, B Timmins, L Robb, P Guertjens, Ants, Rocky, C Gibbons, Steven, S Kelly, M Holden and P Wood.

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Evans Henderson Woodbridge – 150 Years

Arther Weston Fullerton-Smith set up a legal practice in Marton in the late 1870s. In 1919 the firm amalgamated with J H Miles & Cook under the title Fullerton-Smith & Co. During the 1930s, solicitors came and went, offices were established in Taihape, Taumarunui and Feilding and when J H Miles left

from Mr Harris. June Klue worked in the Hunterville office for over 25 years. After the death of Mr K A Williams in 1960, the firm took over his practice and, in later years, took over the practices of R M S Jones - Hunterville, Christensen & Stanford - Marton and Rupert MacKay - Bulls.



Marton, he set up the Wellington agency of Fullerton-Smith & Co. With time, these outposts eventually drifted away and becamed independent. In 1949, Tom Evans joined the firm and P B Easther from Wellington joined in 1953. The firm then became Evans & Easther and remained so until 1959, when Rusk Harris joined and the company became Evans Easther & Harris. Late in 1959 the firm acquired the Hunterville practice of L J Thompson and Mr Harris ran that office until his retirement.

John Henderson joined the Marton firm and took over the Hunterville office During the 1970s the practice grew steadily and in 1973 moved its offices from 335 Wellington Road (12 staff) into the two storey building next door at 333 Wellington Road, its present site. There were now four partners, Tom Evans, Rusk Harris, Peter Easther and Vic Goodman. With the departure of Peter Easther and Vic Goodman, Douglas Evans and John Henderson joined the office. When Tom Evans and Rusk Harris retired from the partnership, Douglas Evans, John Henderson and the newly-arrived David Woodbridge became the new partners of the firm and the firm was renamed to its current brand, Evans Henderson Woodbridge. Some of the early members of staff deserve a mention in the growth of the firm - Blanche Morris, typist and de facto staff manager served the firm for over 60 years; Colin Fenwick assistant solicitor in the 1930-40s, Nena Nutt (later Cameron) typist - clerk witnessed some of the signatures to the firms 1919 partnership agreement; Archie Barrington - office boy in the late 1920s, Miss McNeil - accountant and "keeper of the deeds" who was an active staff member in the 1920s. Betty Davis served the firm for over 40 years and retired in 2013. Suzanne Anderson and Jenny Pain are still with the firm and have just celebrated 30 years each. Diane Buchanan will celebrate 20 years next year and Donna Sharp and Kirsten Young both celebrated 17 years service this year.

Douglas Evans retired from the partnership in June 2011 and continued as a consultant until his retirement in 2017. Fenella Devlin joined the firm in 2016, becoming a partner in April 2017. The present staff total is 13.

The firm is strong and continuing to grow. The partnership provides a wonderful platform for its younger staff to learn and grow their experience and

The partners and staff of Evans Henderson Woodbridge would like to thank the people and community of Marton for their continued loyalty and they look forward to the firm serving this region for many years to come.



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When McGruer's in Marton held a sale - what an event that was! There were crowds of people as pictured above in the 1960s.



Lydia Scott, Peter Scott and Marguerite Dallas serving



Douglas and his sister Lydia Scott in the 1960s.

McGruers historic overhead cash system

One feature of the old McGruer's store in the 1940's was the overhead cash transport system, a very familiar sight to shoppers in the old days. Its little cash containers whizzed across the shop, from counter to office and back.

This system stayed in use till 1976 and McGruer's was one of the last businesses in NZ to use one. The system was sold to a cash register collector in Cambridge where it is believed to be still in operation.





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Our History

McGruer's has been well known on the Marton retail scene for just over 102 years and is currently one of the oldest established businesses still operating in the town.

The business first came to Marton in April 1917, when J.D McGruer took over the established business of A.H Sutcliffe in north Broadway, which was another chain of drapery and menswear stores.

The first manager of McGruer's new branch was A.O (Arthur) Scott, a Nelson born man who had received his training in the South Island and was transferred from Napier to Marton. Mr Scott was the branch's only manager, serving in this capacity for 50 years until his retirement in the mid-1960s. He died in 1967. In 1966 the Scott family acquired the business from the McGruer estate and Douglas Scott, who had joined his father in 1936, became managing director. Arthur Scott's daughter Lydia Scott also joined the firm in 1934.

After 27 years trading in the north Broadway shop, McGruer's moved to central Broadway in 1944, taking over the building vacated by the Marton Sash & Door and Timber Company's

hardware business. The Sash & Door hardware shop, which opened in 1923, transferred its operation to Marton Junction. Extensive alterations were carried out at the time to refit McGruer's as a drapery establishment.

One feature of the old McGruer's store in the 1940s was the overhead cash transport system, a very familiar sight to shoppers as its little cash containers whizzed across the shop from counter to office and back. This system stayed in use in the store until 1976 and McGruer's was one of the last businesses in New Zealand to use the 'overhead railway system', as it was known in America where it originated.

In 1963, McGruer's continued to expand by purchasing the premises next door, which at the time was a milk bar. This became their bridal and fabric specialist shop and was run by Miss Lydia Scott until 1980. The business was then consolidated. Miss Scott moved back into the main shop and the surplus building was sold to Bryan Bayley, who turned it into a jewellery store.

In 1976 McGruer's underwent its first major alterations since they entered the building in 1944. These changes turned the store into one of the most modern businesses in Marton at the time.

Douglas Scott's eldest son Peter joined the business in 1970, after leaving college and is still involved today, being the current managing director.

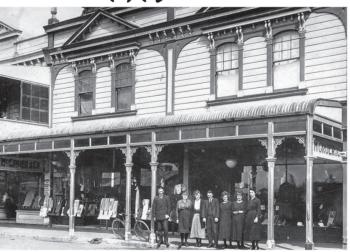
Douglas retired in 1998 after 62 years in the business and Lydia Scott retired in 2003, completing a creditable 70 years at McGruer's.

Peter and his wife Carol purchased the business from Douglas in 1998, when it entered a third generation of Scott

2001 saw McGruer's undergo another refit. The store continues to trade as a traditional drapery business, specialising in Manchester, ladies' fashions, lingerie, babywear, haberdashery, fabrics and Nga Tawa School uniforms. In 102 years, McGruer's has had only three managers, a remarkable achievement. The fact that all three come from

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Rotary Club of Marton - 76 and Still Counting

The Rotary Club of Marton came into being on 23 March 1943.

It has therefore contributed to the community of Marton for 76 years, just over half of the 150 years since Marton took its name.

Initially, the club had six members, led by its first president C.S. Beechey, membership grew but, in the course of its history, membership has been as high as the mid-sixties. The current membership is forty-one and of that number, ten are women. Women first joined Marton Rotary in 1990 and contribute greatly to the life and wellbeing of the club.

Presidents and other officers of Rotary are changed each year. Meetings, or events are held weekly, with dinner meetings currently on Monday nights at Cook's Endeavour Restaurant. Fellowship from 5.30pm is followed by a meal at 6pm. General business is attended to and usually a guest speaker completes the programme by around 7.30pm.

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service. It is a worldwide organisation, with over 1.2 million members, in over 35,000 clubs in 220 countries and geographical areas. It began in Chicago USA in 1905.

There are four avenues of service. Club Service, Community Service, Youth and Vocational Service and International Service. The Rotary Foundation, which all Rotarians support, is arguably the world's largest charity, providing many forms of assistance to people all over the world.



Current president Robert Gunn (left) and his immeidate predecessor Ray Sisley.



Over the past 76 years, Marton Rotarians have made significant and often substantial contributions of time, energy, effort and

money to a huge range of "good causes" locally, nationally and internationally. A few examples of various local Rotary activities over the years include: Running the NZ handicapped sports, raising funds for covering the swimming pool, RAPID numbering all rural properties in the Rangitikei, supporting Edale Home, St John's, the Rescue Helicopter, Wilson Park gates, Calico Line beautification planting, senior citizen outings, and new residents' tours.

The club has sponsored (or supported) numerous young Martonians on overseas exchange programmes, as well as hosting overseas students and thereby promoting and encouraging international understanding.

Many of our local youth have benefited from attending Rotary sponsored events such as Outward Bound, science fairs, youth leadership programmes and Business Week.

The club is as relevant today as it was when it was formed during the Second World War. Its membership is in good heart and is as ready, willing and able to continue to serve this and the wider community as it has in the past.



Marton Bowling Club was opened in 1904 - after much toil, the green facilities in Hereford St were ready for summer opening day. The club is still active and has recently been joined by members of the Marton Ladies' Bowling Club which closed its green at Centennial Park.



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GALLAGHER



The extensive roofline of the Marton Gallagher Fuel Systems premises in Station Rd.

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In 1945 about 12,000 motor lorry foot-pumps were made by PEC for the British Army in India. After the end of WW2, PEC was awarded UNRRA contracts, as the world set about repairing the ravages of the 6-year conflict. They manufactured rice ploughs for China and cultivators for Yugoslavia. By 1949 severe shortages of metal occurred and PEC purchased large stocks of old aircraft from which valuable aluminium was salvaged for the furnaces.

PEC commenced production of Avery Hardoll petrol pumps in the early 1950's and very quickly became New Zealand's leading manufacturer - a position still held today. In the 1970's, PEC

incorporated electronic control systems into its petrol pumps, a move that was likely to have been the first in the world. Rapid growth was experienced in New Zealand and Australia and in the 1980's a partnership with Fisher and Paykel saw worldwide sales of PEC's "Retron" fuel measuring computer.

The Gallagher acquisition of PEC in 1999 resulted in it being split into 3 companies with the fuel pump business remaining in Marton. Heavy investment in new equipment and systems allowed Fuel Pumps to create a new business unit, manufacturing electronic equipment for many NZ based businesses. The years between 2004 and 2010 saw a major uplift in the pump business. Gallagher manufactured fuel pumps were now the dominant brand across both New Zealand and Australia and this lead has been sustained since. More recent times have resulted in large growth in contract manufacturing. We now provide the manufacturing for more than 20 New Zealand and Australian electronic companies.

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A history of Westpac Marton branch

"Home James and don't spare the horses" could well have been the cry of Sandford Cox, Westpac Marton's first branch manager, after visiting Walter Oldfield, one of the bank's first rural customers.

The first settlers had arrived in Tutaenui around 1866 by wagon-and-bullock and later named their new settlement Marton, after Captain Cook's village in Yorkshire.

Although Westpac's Marton branch is not the town's oldest bank – it was the third bank to open in Marton - the branch has seen considerable local history since it first opened as the Bank of New South Wales on 6 March 1906. The bank rented a banking chamber, a manager's office for Sandford Cox and a bedroom and bathroom for his assistant Norman Broderick for £1 per week.

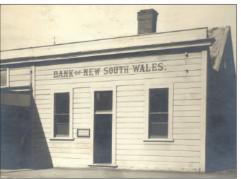
Both Sandford Cox and Norman Broderick were born in New Zealand - Sandford was from Christchurch and Norman was from Timaru. Cox was a banker with 15 years experience, having joined the bank in Christchurch at the age of 18 and worked in various branches as a manager since 1902. After a couple of years, Sanford and Norman were joined by a local man, the 17-year-old Lewis Harris, who took up the position of junior clerk. Sanford's meticulous record keeping shows he handed over £2.17.6d to hire a horse and trap to make his farming customer service visits to South Makirikiri, Heaton Park, Turakina Valley and the Porewa districts.

In the first half-year of business, the little wooden branch provided banking services to 44 customers. The building sat second from the corner of High Street and Broadway. Although Marton had had gas street lighting since 1902, the small wooden bank premises were lit by candles and heated by kerosene.

The bank's first customers were the local auctioneers Gordon and Son, followed by the Zajonski brothers, who were sawmillers and timber merchants and the owners of the local sash and door factory.



BNSW bank and sewerage works 1912



Marton branch 1918

Other first customers were Walter Oldfield, farmer; Joseph Harris, land agent; MP Edward Newman; Joseph Harris, Bank of New Zealand manager, auctioneer and Mayor; and Bishop Octavious Hadfield, who had retired to Marton in 1893 and whose property became the Edale Home for the Elderly; wheat, wool and diary farmers; people working in the horse industry - saddlers, wheelwrights, coachbuilders, livery stable workers, and the horse breeders who toured the district with their Clydsdale and Suffolk Punch sires building up the population of plough horses that were needed to develop the new farms.

In 1908, the original branch building was sold and the bank moved to rented premises owned by R.E. Beckett, paying £78 per annum for its new one-storey wooden building. Early living and working conditions were difficult in the new colony but there was also a feeling of optimism. Cox wrote in 1907 that the "general condition and prospects of the town and district can only be regarded as good". Five years later, the town built a new sewerage system. In 1923, the bank received its first typewriter. Before this, correspondence was handwritten in ink on Japanese tissue paper and copies made by an

intricate process using a screw press.

As the town grew, industry slowly developed, with flourmilling, brickmaking and woolpressing activities. By the mid-20th century there were a wide variety of factories in the town and immediate

Today, this tranquil rural town has grown to over 5,000 people. Over this time the bank too, has means to grow significantly. In 1982, the Commercial Bank of Australia merged with the Bank of New South Wales, becoming Westpac.

The Wanganui Savings Bank (which eventually became part of Trust Bank) opened an agency in Marton in 1963, which was partially shared by Marshall's barber shop. In 1996, Trust Bank merged with Westnac.

In 2012 the branch moved to its current premises on Broadway. The branch currently consists of three staff members who have over 60 years' experience between them. Staff are continuing to work with customers and community to ensure they are delivering best customer outcomes. Westpac continues to support the local rescue helicopter, which saw the branch raise over \$1000 in the months of May and June 2019. This was mainly raised through a book sale and the business wall of fame.

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On 27 July 1924, the branch moved to the corner of Wellington Rd and High St where it was housed in a large two-storey brick building designed by local architect William Thomas Higgins and built by the Marton Sash Door and Timber Company. In addition to the banking chamber, there were two shops, an office, a store and an auction mart. The corner site was known as "Temperley's Round Corner" after a saddler's shop owned by Joseph Temperley.



Marton branch 2006



Marton branch in Broadway 2019



The frist Marton cricket team in 1875. Unsprisingly these fine specimens of manhood had to travel to Wellington to find competiton. They first played on Marton Park, which was in poor condition for the game. In 1924 the Rangitikei Cricket Association purchased 11 acres in Wellingon Rd and laid a pitch, calling it the Marton Cricket Ground and built a pavilion. There were 11 teams in the rangitikei competition at one stage. Marton Old Boys, Porewa and Suburbs were the last senior teams. Suburbs joined the Wanganui prenier competition, winning it on several occasions and their home ground was Centennial Park. Eventually, when the last two Marton cricket teams, Marton and suburbs combined Centennial Park became the home of the Marton Saracens Cricket Club. The Shelton Pavilion was built at the ground in 1980, after fundraising at a major Queen Carnival competition during the Marton Borough centenary in 1979 (pictured below).



Edale's History

Edale resthome was built on property which was once the residence of Bishop Octavious Hadfield, retired Anglican Primate of New Zealand.

The first sod disturbed for the resthomes construction was turned in April 1973 and the cost of the project, including furnishings and equipment, was approximately \$1 million. More than \$120,000 of that total was raised by the people of Marton and surrounding districts. The remainder of the building cost was funded by the Health Department.

A feature of the resthome's surroundings are the grounds, which retain many of the attractive trees planted by Bishop Hadfield when he retired to Marton in 1893. He named his large house Edale and lived there until his death in 1904, at the age of 90.

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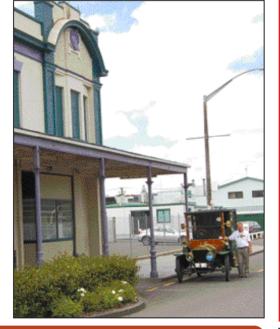


Vero Rally entrants Paul and Bev Hicks drove into Marton in January 19, 2012 in a 1910 Napier. Records indicate the car, a former London taxi, worked as a Marton taxi up to 1921. Coincidentally, the couple parked outside the same White Hart Hotel building featured in a 1921

photograph owned by the Marton Historical

Warkworth resident Paul Hicks bought the car from a Wanganui owner who restored it between 1970-1990. It started its life as a London taxi, many of which could not stand the cobbled city streets. Somehow this vehicle was imported into New Zealand. The Marton Historical Society believe it was owned by either local farmers C C Birch, or RK Simpson, at some time but ended up in the hands of Mark Callinson at Bonny Glen. Paul Hicks bought it with all mechanicals in place, with the exception of the steering box. He found a man in Aussie who was willing to provide the 1910 steering box, but only if he could swap it for two Napier cylinder blocks-fantastically they were the only spare parts that Paul had.

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Golfing in Marton



Marton Golf Club opening day at Santoft in 1958.

Marton Golf Club is over 50 years old.

In 1957, Marton Golf Club acquired the lease of a Crown owned property in the Santoft area, thanks largely to the efforts of Rangitikei MP at the time, Norman Shelton. The land was ideally suited for a golf course, being in the west coast sand belt but it was a virtual wilderness, being liberally covered in lupin, rushes and other undesirable plant species. The 186 player membership of the time put in a huge voluntary effort and by 7 June 1958, opening day, a 9 hole course had been laid out and was ready for play.

By 1996, the permanent 18 hole course, designed by Auckland golf architect Harold Babbage, had been completed and this incorporated some of the holes from the original 9 hole layout and is much the same today.

The first full time greenkeeper, John McKenna, was appointed in 1960. A few holes have been lengthened, greens reshaped and a set of back tees were added in 1998 for championship play. Other improvements have included an automated sprinkler system for tees and greens, installed in 1980 and extended to include fairway irrigation in 1996. The clubhouse was extended in 1972 and in 2008 the carpark sealed. Extensive tree planting has taken place over the years, which has given the course the appearance of being tree lined and provides shelter from the prevailing winds.

As the course has matured, it has become very well regarded in golfing circles for its quality and as a challenging test.

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In 1980 South Rangitikei Veterinary Services (SRVS) was formed by a group of the employed veterinarians. This company contracted to both clubs to provide veterinary services to farmer members and has since been run as any other private business. The present business provides veterinary services at both Marton and Bulls, along with the recent addition of an equine branch in Masterton.

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Marton Football Club team 1893

Organized rugby first came to Marton in 1876 with the formation of the first club with the town's name.

They played against teams from Bulls, Sandon (over the road from Sanson) Feilding and Palmerston North. The Marton club did not last long. After a revival Marton Football Club played through to 1925, mainly in the senior grade though there was a junior team registered for a few seasons. The teams played in red and white hooped jerseys.

Marton Old Boys Rugby Football Club was formed in 1926; fielding just a junior team in a Wednesday competition on Marton's regular half day commercial holiday. They went on to win the senior Wanganui competition in 1980s and wore blue and white.

Marton Athletic Rugby Club was formed in the Marton Junction area in 1913, playing in the red and white hooped jerseys, later gold and black.

In 1990, Athletic and Old Boys rugby clubs amalgamated. Marton merged with the Hunterville RFC for a brief time, to form Pourewa RFC but it only lasted a few seasons then they split and reverted back to their original titles.

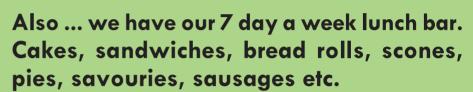
Marton Rugby Club was formed with the players and administrators from both the former Old Boys and Athletic clubs amalgamating to form five teams in the Union grades. Their colours were blue and yellow jerseys.

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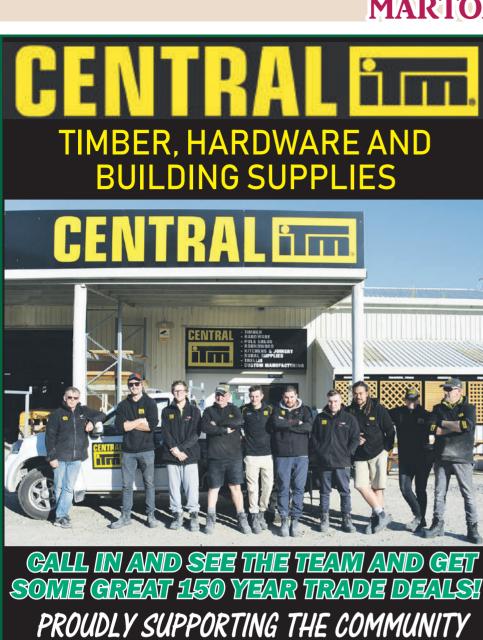
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Former CFO Paul Hudson (right)) was awarded the QSM in 2003 and received a a long service award for fifty years service to the Marton Brigade.

dams were built in upper Tutaenui.







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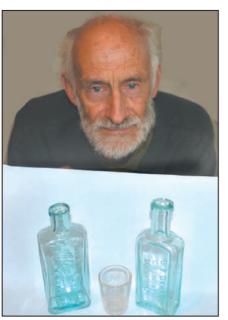
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Old Marton chemist bottles



Marton bottle collector Francis Wilson has a major collection of local bottles inluding relics of chemist shops in the early days of Marton. The bottles, from left: C Williamson's Chemist Marton - the bottle was made in Australia; BF Darby Chemist - bottle made in USA and B Boultbee, MPS Chemist, centre is a measuring cup made in the USA.

These three examples were all dug out of the ground in the Marton area. Francis says, "All chemists used embossed bottles but they were not manufactured in NZ until after the 1929-35 depression, when the technology became available here. Most were the same light blue colour, as those pictured, but H Wilton used a small dark blue bottle and Remington Chemist used a dark green bottle. The first chemist in Marton was Henry Lyon (1880) and another was Dr Curl - in his time, embossed bottles had yet to be mass produced.



Characters from a recital by three dancing Schools in Marton in 1984 - the Christine Jurgens School, Heather School of Dance and Carmen Davidson Ballet School.



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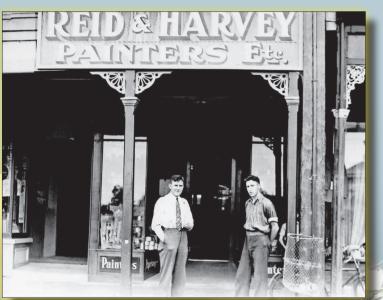
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St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish Marton

Marton's Catholic parish was founded as part of the Wellington Archdiocese in 1903. Prior to this, a visiting priest, Father Timmins, came from Wanganui to celebrate mass for the local Catholics at various places, including the Theatre Royal, above McChesney's furniture shop in Broadway.

The first parish priest was Father Costello and the church was dedicated to St Francis. Presumably because there was some confusion about which St Francis the church was named after, a later parish priest added the name Xavier. Father Costello was followed as parish priest by Father Thomas Connolly in 1910 and by Father Matthew Doolaghty in 1911. Father Doolaghty was responsible for the establishment of the school, St Matthew's, in 1915. The first teachers at St Matthew's School were the Sisters of Mercy.

The first church occupied the section on the corner of Ross and Russell Streets. The presbytery was on the next section up Ross St. In 1916 the next parish priest, Father Cashman, raised funds to buy a two storied house in Russell St, which had been the current manse, for a use as convent for the Sisters. Later the nuns moved up Russell St to a property where the presbytery lawn is now.

The new church was built in the mid eighties.

A new presbytery was built on the section next to the church and a new school was built on the section where the church and presbytery had been.

The parish of St Francis Xavier celebrated its centenary in September 2003. At this time, a grotto and memorial wall, at the rear of the church, were dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes.

St Matthew's School Marton



The Sisters of Mercy came to Marton in 1915, at the request of Archbishop Redwood who had been approached by Fr Matthew Doolaghty, the then parish priest.

While the school was being built, the children were taught in the church. The school opened on 17 March 1916 and was named St Matthew's, after Fr Doolaghty.

The Sisters taught there until the early 70s when St Matthew's became an intergrated school, with lay teachers.

A new school (above) was built in the 1980s.

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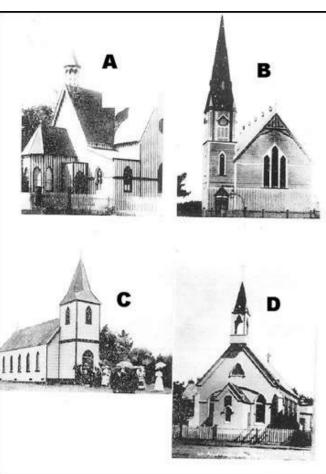


Matt returned to take up the position of Service Manager in 2005, then purchased the business in 2008, changing the name to One Stop Auto Centre.

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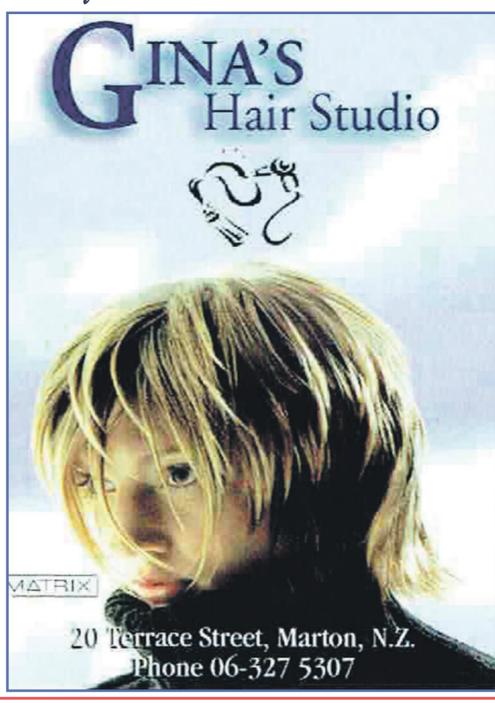


A - St Stephen's Anglican Church in Marton was founded in 1872, when the foundation stone was laid. Ten years elapsed before the church was finally completed. It was named in memory of Major Willis, who died on St Stephen's Day and had contributed to funds for the building. Archdeacon Towgood built a good deal of the interior with his own hands. The parish also established its own church school nearby.

- B Marton Methodist Church was bulit in 1894 with a handsome spire. It is now a derelict building.
- C St Martin Lutheran Church was errected in 1876 and enlarged in 1883. The church orginally taught a day school where pupils learnt the Gernan language and church doctrine.
- D St Andrew's Presbyterian Church was rebulit from a wooden building in 1870 and ran a Sunday school for 100 children.

The grave of early settler Heinrich Goile in Pukepapa Rd next to St Martin Lutheran church.

The church's history is also the history of Marton. Henry and the church arrived in the area in 1860 with Marton's German immigrant community.



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Left: In May 2014, octogenarian Audrey Thomson cut the Marton Friendship Club's 60th Diamond Anniversary cake. The club meets every Friday in the Marton Friendship Hall in Morris St and has seen many groups entertain, like the junior performers (right).

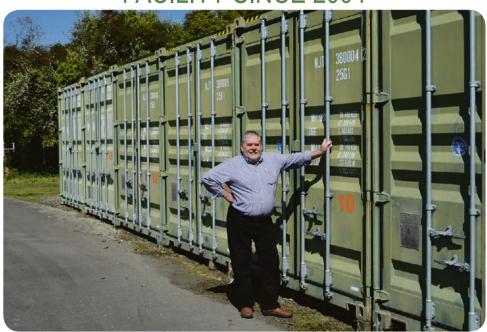


Marton Borough Council built pensioner housing units in Wellington Rd in 1984 and the loan to build them was finally paid off 30 years later in 2014. As a condition of State assistance to build, weekly rentals were limited to a sixth part of the gross weekly superannuation payment for singles, so the original weekly rental was \$65. Flats were added and are now used as community housing.

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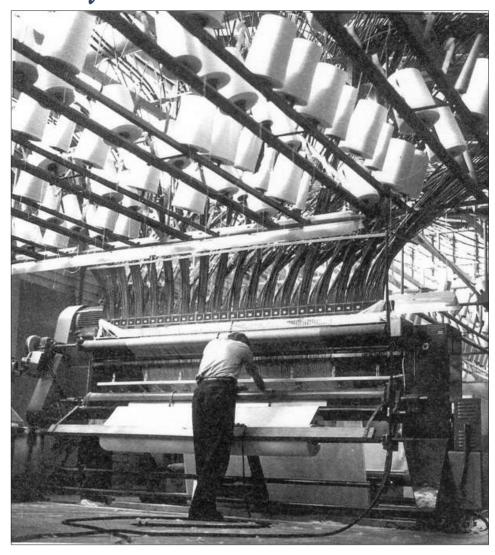
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The firm prospered and grew, enjoying customers from beyond Hunterville in the north to the coast in the south.

With the expansion of State house-building, the staff grew from the original 6 to 10 permanent employees and by 1953 it became necessary to look for a new operational base.

The old maternity home of Nurse Perry, not far from Mr Harvey's residence, was purchased and demolished to make way for a new contracting department and retail outlet on the corner of Ross

George Harvey managed the retail side of the business while Ted Calkin concentrated on the contracting.

In 1959 the firm branched out even further with the addition of a wallpaper showroom and a glazing department. The glazing department covered the Rangitikei area for household and automotive glass requirements.

Mr George Harvey died in 1967 and changes in the company's operation followed. The contracting department was sold in 1970 to Hughes' Decorating Service and Harvey & Calkin began concentrating on the retail side of the business. This included the purchase of the retail shop of J Baker Ltd in 1969 whose premises were in Broadway next to the Presbyterian Church. With this business came the picture framing department and the opportunity to branch into automotive paint with an ICI Dulux Franchise. The shop then traded under the name of Broadway Colour Centre and was managed by Brian Gibbs.

In 1984, with more focus on retail, came the opportunity to purchase the building and yard of Dalgety Ltd next to the old Post Office building in Broadway. This building was obtained and altered to accommodate the Glass Department, with more room for automotive work. The business moved from Cuba St to the new site, along with the picture framing, paint and wallpaper departments, housed at the front of the shop.

With the need for more manpower, for longer shop hours in the paint and wallpaper trade and with the demise of Cobham's Furniture, the opportunity arose to move into curtain fabrics. In 1989, Broadway Colour Centre showroom was extended and doubled in size to be an up-to-date decorating store. Mr Ted Calkin passed away in 1993, after more than fifty years service in the painting and decorating industry. The highlight of his career was being elected president of the NZ Master Painters' Association in the 1960s.

In 1996, there was a split in the shareholding of the company. Humphrey Calkin transferred to Broadway Colourplus, with the eminent retirement of Brian Gibbs. The Harvey & Calkin name stayed with the glass business and was taken over by Les Anderson who had managed the Glass Department for more than twenty years. In 2003, Les took on the local franchise with Smith & Smith. After 50 plus years, Les Anderson retired in 2014 and Troy and Helen Calkin took over the reins of Harvey & Calkin Glass, continuing the proud history. Troy had started as an apprentice in 1983. In 2017, the business moved to Wellington Rd where they have their own shop frontage, giving them greater exposure. Troy and Helen's son, Jordan Calkin, started as an apprentice in the family firm in 2018.



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Turakina Community Committee

Thursday 3 October at 7.30 pm

(Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3, Turakina) Hunterville Community Committee

Monday 7 October at 6.30 pm

(Hunterville Town Hall, Bruce Street, Hunterville)

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Tuesday 8 October at 11.00 am

Bulls Community Committee

Tuesday 8 October at 5.30 pm (Supper Room, Bulls Town Hall, High Street, Bulls)

Rātana Community Board Tuesday 8 October at 6.30 pm

(Ture Tangata Office, Ihipera-Koria Street, Rātana Paa)

Taihape Community Board Wednesday 9 October at 5.30 pm

(Council Chamber, Taihape Town Hall, 90-92 Hautapu Street.

Marton Community Committee

Wednesday 9 October at 7.00 pm (Project Marton Office, Centennial Park, 18 Humphrey St,

Council Meeting

Thursday 10 October at 1.00 pm

Tuesday 15 October at 5.00 pm

(Venue to be confirmed, please check Council website)

Thursday 24 October at 7.30 pm (This is the inaugural meeting for the 2019-22 triennium)

Thursday 31 October at 1.00 pm

All meetings are open to the public, unless there are specific items which Council resolves to consider 'public excluded'. At least two working days before any scheduled meeting, meeting papers are available online through the Council website or in hard copy at the libraries in Taihape, Marton and Bulls and the Marton Council office.

All meetings, unless otherwise specified, will be held in the Council Chamber, 46 High Street, Marton.

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- Environmental health and safety - includes building control, civil defence, liquor licensing and food safety.
- Planning and resource consents, including land use planning and development.

District Health Board

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- · Improving the health and wellbeing of Māori and other groups with inequitable outcomes
- Supporting people with disabilities to be independent.





















Bulls Air Scouts

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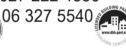
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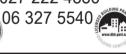


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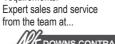
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Public Notices

Form 7, Section 101, Sale & Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

Sublime Opportunities Limited has made application to the District Licensing Agency at Marton, for the issue of an On Licence in respect of the premises situated at 267 Broadway, Marton & known as **Four Doors Down** Cafe

The general nature of the business to be conducted under the licence is a cafe/restaurant. The days on which & the hours during which liquor is intended to be sold under the licence are:

Monday to Sunday 10am to 10pm

The application may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Rangitikei District Licensing Agency at the Rangitikei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton. Any person who is entitled to object and who wishes to object to the issue of the licence may, no later than 15 working days after the publication of this notice, file a notice in writing of the objection with the Secretary of the **District Licensing** Agency, Private Bag 1102 Marton 4741. No objection to the issue of a licence may be made in relation to a matter other than a matter specified in section 105 (1) of the Sale & Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. This is the second publication of this notice.

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Section 101. of Alcohol Act 2012

has made application to the District Licensing Agency at Marton, for the renewal of a Club Licence in respect of the premises situated at 443 Wellington Road, Marton & known as Rangitikei Squash Rackets Club Inc. The general nature of the business to be conducted under the licence is a Squash Club. The days on which &

liquor is intended to be sold under the licence are:

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Section 101,

Sale & Supply of Alcohol

Act 2012 Ohingaiti Truckstop &

Sports Bar Ltd has made application to the District Licensing Agency at Marton, for the issue of a **On Licence** in respect of the premises situated at 2 Onslow

Street (west) Ohingaiti, RD5 Hunterville & known as

Ohingaiti Truckstop. The general nature of the business to be conducted under the licence is a

Diner/Cafe, Sports Bar & Accommodation. The days on which & the hours during which liquor is intended to be sold under the licence

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Six weeks was targeted for the Rustic Steak House renovation. A little over-run, but very close.

Friday October 4 is the chosen day. There'll be a free coffee with any food purchased.

Come along and meet Tyson. You'll recognise him from the TV2 programme My Restaurant Rules where he gives his all to promote the Rustic chain and Waiouru. Tyson is ably assisted by his mum (Denise) as his front of house person.

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BULLETIN

Community and Reserve Management Committees

The current committees (four community committees -Turakina, Bulls, Marton and Hunterville - and three reserve management committees – Turakina, Santoft and McIntyre) are disestablished on polling day for local councils, 12 October 2019. Nominations for the new committees will be invited during the period 24 October to 7 November 2019.

While the current community committees are based on the existing wards, Council previously committed to retaining all four, despite the new ward structure. At its meeting on 26 September 2019, Council agreed that, for the 2019-22 triennium, community committees will be elected by residents on the most recent District electoral roll, who live within the ward that the principal town which the community committee represents, and that people nominated and people nominating them must reside within that area. However, nobody may be a member of more than one community committee.

Marton Memorial Playground Project

During Public Forum on 26 September 2019, Lucy Skou provided Council with an update on the project and the Marton Development Group's request for funding assistance. Later in the meeting, Council agreed to include a provision in the 2020/21 Annual Plan to remedy stormwater drainage in the playground area and commit \$50,000 from the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund for new play equipment. The provision of public toilets is to be discussed at a later meeting.

Council also committed to supporting the Marton Play Trail concept, which will link the various play areas, facilities and parks of Marton. The trail will include street art, games and paint markings and may incorporate the legend of Nga Wairiki Ngāti Apa taniwha, Tuitaeporoporo.

Proposed Amendment to Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw

The three submissions received supported the proposed amendment, so Council adopted this Bylaw. This means that grazing of road reserves outside any property is limited to the immediate adjoining property (unless that property owner or the Council agrees otherwise).

TAB Venue Policy and Gambling Venue

All territorial authorities are required by legislation to have these policies and review them every three years.

Council resolved to roll-over the current TAB Venue Policy for a further three years. This continues the prohibition on establishing separate TAB venues in the District. Council also agreed to consult on the Gambling Venue (Class 4) Policy. This regulates the number of gaming machines (pokies). An amendment to the Gambling Act, since the last review of Council's policy, requires Council consider a relocation clause. For example, if premises with gaming machines burns down, are the machines able to be placed at another site? Because of this, Council is using the opportunity to see whether the community wishes it to continue the cap on the number of gaming machines or to apply a sinking lid.

Details, including the submission form, are on the Council's website, and at the Marton Administration office and libraries in Taihape, Marton and Bulls.

'Haylock Park', Bulls

Late items accepted at the Council meeting included a summary of the results of a newspaper survey conducted by Bruce Dear and a copy of a letter sent to the Council by Franks Ogilvie looking for clarification of the basis for Council's decision to sell part of Haylock Park. Also tabled was a letter from Brice Tamblyn recalling the circumstances around the funding given by Dr Owen Haylock to the Bulls Community Council to assist with the purchase of the area.

Bulls Community House

The auction of the community house at 8 Walton Street will be at 1pm on Saturday, 2 November 2019. Proceeds will go towards the new Bulls Community Centre.

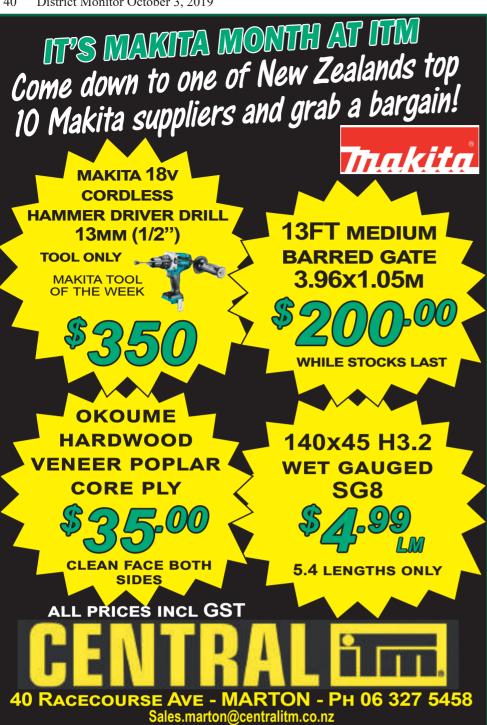
Progress with Assuring the Integrity of Taihape's Water Supply

The Taihape Raw Water Falling Main is an 11km steel pipeline which was built over 90 years ago. It has leaks. A major pipe burst could mean total loss of supply for Taihape. For some years there has been a programme of renewing the pipeline with polyethylene pipes. Council has agreed to ID Loader undertaking further work for just over \$700,000 (GST exclusive).

First Meeting of New Elected Council

This meeting will be held in the Marton Council Chamber on Thursday, 24 October 2019, starting 7.30 pm. It is a public meeting, and will be opened by Council's new Chief Executive, Peter Beggs.







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