

Mayor sorry for water

Marton’s current discoloured brown water problem is the result of a systems failure. Mayor Andy Watson says he is incredibly disappointed about the current smelly, brown water being experienced by Marton residents and even his household was caught with discoloured washing. “I apologise on behalf of the council,” he says. “It is perfectly safe to drink. It is not a health hazard.” However, many householders are known to be avoiding the water for drinking and washing certain clothes. Marton is experiencing the discoloured drinking water because of a recent systems failure at the RDC Marton Water Treatment Plant at Tutaenui. The mayor explains that it is not a design fault at the treatment plant but came about due to a vast change in the nature of the water entering the plant. The dams were stirred up, causing a lot of unexpected extra manganese in water feeding the plant and

subsequently, entering the water system. Extra chlorine should have been added but wasn’t. The discoloured water is a result of a series of extra flushings through the system to clear the manganese, which is why it has come and gone over the past few days. Mayor Watson says it is slowly improving but it’s a slow process. Some people thought the problem was caused by the stage 3 replacement of Marton water pipes recently begun in Follett St, but that is not the case. The mayor says, “Replacement of nearly 100 year old pipes, at the end of their life, requires flushing but Follett St (work) is not impacting. Not in this case.” He says the flushing process itself does cause displacement in the pipe lines – stirring up anything extra. “It certainly is not good”, he says. “We are looking at why it happened and staff will provide a report, so they can ensure it doesn’t happen again. I am disappointed when we have spent an enormous amount on the treatment plant upgrade.

“We accept that people will have problems with their clothing being discoloured and they can take them to the RDC office and they will provide a treatment pack to alleviate the problem.” Even the mayor’s household

has applied a pack to discoloured washing. Manganese has been an ongoing problem in the Marton water supply for decades but it has never caused a health problem.

Young equestrians add colour to sports



Little angel, Emily Bell (right) on her Christmas tree pony, won the fancy dress section (attracting 12 colourful entries) at the annual Tutaenui Sports on Sunday. It proved to be a very well patronised event at O' Leary's property near Marton, with good numbers in all age groups. Photo Liz Rayner.

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Historic Bulls book



Linda Thorby provided pony and gig rides which added to the occasion. Photos supplied.



The Bulls and Districts Historical Society held a launch in December, for a new book called 'Historical Homes, Churches and Public Buildings' written with help from Keith Scott and Anne Simms in at the Thorby Farm in Brandon Hall Rd, Bulls. Society members say it was an exceptional day weatherwise and a fantastic setting. There was plenty of interest in the launch with about 30 people attending and 20 odd apologies, due to other commitments.

Those attending thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, book sales were plenty and a fabulous afternoon tea was served.

Members of the Bulls and Districts Historical Society say they are especially grateful to Linda Thorby for pony and gig rides and for providing the setting for the day, as well as all the support she gives us at the museum. For more about the book, contact Bulls Museum at 81 High St, Bulls, ph 021 105 1327. bulls.museum@gmail.com

Rangitikei projects in waiting

By Liz Rayner

Apart from a recent funding grant of \$95,000 to Ngati Apa's facility at the former Turakina Maori Girls College in Marton, Rangitikei has not featured so far in recent government regional spending projects in the Whanganui- Manawatu region.

When asked for his thoughts on the matter, Mayor Andy Watson says, "We have number of applications pending for project funding with the fund administered by Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones. I've been in discussions with him on a number of occasions. I am hopeful we will be able to make announcements in the future, for our part of the region, regarding a number of projects."

"I am hoping to get Shane Jones to visit the district in the near future," he says.

A welcome grant of \$95,000 towards establishing an education, training and employment programme at the former site of Turakina Māori Girls' College was announced in December.

Manawatū-Whanganui regional leaders welcomed announcements of over \$48 million from government's Provincial Growth Fund towards a Regional Freight Hub in Palmerston North, improved digital connectivity for the region, expansion of the National Driver Training Centre at Manfield and investment in an Advanced Aviation Hub in Whanganui.

Other announcements made for the wider region included: \$100,000 to investigate FoodHQs development to assist food exporters, \$100,000 to assess alternative land utilisation choices in the Tararua District, \$98,000 towards Katitahi Food & Innovation Factory, \$60,000 towards the Tararua Tourism & Trails Strategy and \$50,000 to investigate education to employment pathways within Horowhenua.

These are added to major roading projects in Horowhenua, Whanganui and Palmerston North.

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Throw a gumboot at Taihape NI champs



Throwing gumboots enmasse in Taihape.

The New Zealand Boot-throwing Association is holding the North Island gumboot throwing competitions at the Taihape A&P Show – Saturday 26 January – at Memorial Park in Taihape. Organiser Liz Mortland says that throwers need to arrive early to get on the leader-board by the end of the Have a Go competitions – starting at 10.30am. The top six women and six men on the leader-board throw off again at 2.15pm in the North Island Gumboot Throwing Championship. The resulting top three men and three women will then form the North Island team, to compete against the South Island team in the New Zealand Championships at the Hilux NZ Rural Games in Palmerston North on Saturday 9 March. Gumboot throwing is for all ages and it is worth a go, because there will be plenty of prizes from Skellerup – for littlies (up to 5 years), children (6-10 years), girls' youth (11-16 years), boys' youth (11-16 years), open women/open men (17-54 years), seniors' women and men (55-90+ years).

On 23-24 March 2019, the Skellerup World Gumboot Throwing Championships will be held in Taihape. Throwers will come from Finland, Australia, Germany, Italy, England and hopefully France, Estonia, Poland, Belgium, Sweden. Come early to get your throw on the leader-board! There is no charge to throw. The Taihape A&P Show will have lots of food and craft stalls, the Big Dig Lucky Dip, wood chopping competitions, Grade A shearing and wool-handling competitions, a petting zoo, free swimming at the Taihape Swim Centre, vintage vehicles, bouncy castle and lots more!



Last year's North Island champions, Curly Troon and Kristin Churchwood with their trophies. Photo supplied by Michelle Fannin.

SKELLERUP 

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Top 3 men and 3 women will form the North Island team to compete in the NZ Gumboot Throwing Championships in Palmerston North on Saturday 9 March at the Hilux NZ Rural Games

Contact Elizabeth 021 0261 6002 - elizmortland@gmail.com

BITS n' PIECES



Marton Country Music Festival - this weekend at Sir James Wilson Park, Marton. Jan 19,20,21 - see pages 5,6,7 for more details.

Ohingaiti & Hunterville Districts 114th Annual Family Picnic Sports Day. Mon 21 January, 8am-6:30pm - McIntyre Reserve, Ohingaiti, 30 Otara Rd. All Ages. Entry \$5 -U12 free. Come along on Wellington Anniversary Day. Plenty of entertainment for the whole family including horse events, dog trialling, speed shear, woodchopping, and free events for the kids.

155th Turakina Highland Games - Saturday January 26 at the Turakina Domain. \$10 entry U15 free. NZ's oldest highland games is a day of caledonian sports and activities - well worth a visit.

Taihape A&P Show - Saturday 26 Jan at Memorial Park, 12 Kokako St, Taihape. Take the family along. A real Taihape country show for all ages.

NZ Boot-throwing Association North Island gumboot throwing competitions start 10.30am at the Taihape A&P Show – Saturday 26 January – at Memorial Park in Taihape.

Marton Junction Axeman's Club - annual woodchopping and sawing timber sports. Saturday 9 February at their club ground, King St, Marton. Free entry, 9am start.

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Forest & Bird end of year update

A grey heron wandering along the lakeside; a sunny balmy evening and good company was a perfect finish to a good year of Forest & Bird activities. We thank the trust board of Dudding Lake for the use of their hall and facilities for our end of year shared meal.

Previously, in November, we had spent time visiting the wonderful new facility being built in the Esplanade, Palmerston North. This, in conjunction with a new bird hospital facility at Massey, will provide a safe environment for skilled veterinary staff to treat injured animals and provide areas for them to be nursed then rehabilitated prior to release. The facility is impressive, showing thought and vision for the future. We were heartened to hear that Dawn Morton (Turakina Bird Rescue) has been consulted on a number of occasions and her skills and dedication are recognised by the team at the Esplanade. This facility will be opening shortly and help to keep it operating to the high standard they wish to achieve, will be needed and valued.

We hope that all people interested in caring for our

environment have enjoyed a very happy holiday and trust that you have had time to enjoy and care for some part of it. In February, we plan to walk the Ohakune Old Coach Rd, for further details please contact Kate Williams 06 327 8697. Leaflets with information about the Forest & Bird reserves in the Rangitikei, are available at the Marton Library, through Kate Williams, or through our website.

Marton Arts & Crafts Centre

The centre of arts, on the corner of Signal and Grey, is getting ready for its enrolment day. It's the time where everyone is thinking... what can I do for the year?

Did you know creativity is great for the mind and body? It's proven that connecting and being creative can aid healing, depression, brain fog and helps aid mindfulness.

This year, the centre has classes in Pottery, Weaving, Patchwork, Drawing, Painting and a fun workshop or two. They kickoff the year with fabulous Kitemaking with Robert van Weers, an international kite designer, then Paint Like a Prealist with Romald Rudzki, continuing with an Introduction to Microwave Glass Fusing with Marion Grinstead, Teapot throwing with Peter Lange and Encaustic Painting with Marion MacPhee. Creativity is community and the centre has some pretty amazing folks, who meet up weekly, or fortnightly, to blend in groups - spinners, crochet and yarn, embroiderers, needleworkers, potters, painters, artists, patchworkers, mosaic & porcelain painters. Call the centre 327 7975, or the secretary@martonartsandcrafts.co.nz. New creative people welcome!

Whanganui River raft race supports diabetes

Diabetes Wanganui will again partner with Plumber Dan to help raise funds for youths affected by diabetes with a raft race on the Whanganui River.

The Plumber Dan Raft Race is on Monday January 21, supporting Youth with Diabetes.

The race starts at the Dublin St Bridge (rafts enter river via motor boat ramp) and finish at Putiki. Whanganui Lions will staff food stands.

There's still time to build rafts. It could be a company team-building exercise, or a chance to build co-operation between management/staff, or have fun with friends or whanau. Rafts can be simple; such as barrels strapped together, or connected large inner tubes (which work well).

Details: Four team members minimum, life jackets required. No powered devices, or polystyrene. \$15 per person. An extra

donation could get a celebrity on your raft – maybe even Mayor Hamish McDougall (highest offer - first choice). Prizes: \$300 "winning team"; \$300 "Creative Costume"; \$300 "Creative Raft." Start time: rafts in water by 11am at Kowhai Park - Dublin St Bridge boatramp. Race begins 1pm, with prizegiving at Putiki.

The Diabetes Wanganui branch receives no government aid to cover the WDHB region. Our volunteers provide support/information to diabetics' families and friends. The branch seeks donations of items eg: \$20 voucher, or something more glamorous. Contact Linda: 027 6340007.

Marton Friendship Club

On January 11 we held an over 50s day - especially for those on their own, or the lonely. Friendship Club is a place to come every Friday. Visitors are very welcome.

January 18 and 25 are Just Friends Days. A chat, some games, or simply relax until about 3pm. This is a new thing for our club and is quite successful - many members are coming along. The official start date for Friendship will be February 1. Your entertainment will be confirmed by then. So come along on Fridays again and have fun. See you there... Marton Friendship Hall on Morris St.

Marton RSA

Wow, we made it into 2019; a great effort by all. Then again, did we put on a bit of weight (that's our secret).

Another Vera Lynn type show awaits us this year; so let's show our support, as we did last year. Anzac Day saw some activity. Last year, we placed a memorial to the NZ Army hat badge and a tree was planted by our mayor and president, plus a general tidy up of the memorial hall forecourt. A memorial, at the entrance of the hall, was dedicated to all service personnel who have served our country since the end of WW2. It may come as a surprise that 56,000 New Zealanders have served our country in conflicts since the 1939-45 conflict.

Our Marton RSA 100 year celebration went off very well – to all involved a great job! That Duncan Hart chap has been at it again. We have a photo of him with his arm around our Gov General. Tut tut Duncan, but then again, he was there to pick up a well-deserved award. A man for this whole town to be proud of. To all our members and community who did such a great job in 2018, a real great thank you. Happy New Year!



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Marton Christmas dinner brought many people together



STELLAR COUNTRY FESTIVAL LINE UP



Julie and Tim Ryan helping out in the community Christmas kitchen.

The annual Marton Country Music Festival this weekend at Sir James Wilson Park will once again feature a stellar line-up of national and international country artists.

They include Noel Flynn from Ireland and the very popular fiddler and musician Marian Burns from NZ, headlining the main Saturday night show.

Marian Burns is one of New Zealand's most iconic entertainers, having shared the stage with the likes of Ricky Skaggs and The Topp Twins. She has played to audiences numbering over 100,000 at Coca Cola's Christmas in the Park. Marian has recently been named a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to Music. International guest singer Irishman Noel Flynn from County Meath, grew up loving country music. The Athboy native, who lived in Nottingham for a number of years before returning to Meath, spent four years as a DJ prior to recording his debut album.

He will also appear in the Saturday night showcase.

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10.00am – Walk Up's begin

5.00pm – Invited Guests Concert – **Band: Los Bandas**

Saturday 19th January 2019 –

9.30am – Walk Up's begin **Band: Los Bandas**

1pm – 4pm – Invited Guests – **Band: Hired Gunz**

4pm – 5.30pm – Dinner Break (entertainment by **Legal Tender**)

5.30pm – 11.00pm ish– Showcase Concert - **Band: Hired Gunz**

Sunday 20th January 2019 - Band: Los Bandas

9.30am – 10.30am – Gospel Walk Up

10.30am – 1pm finish – Walk Up's (finale with Guest artists)



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MARTON COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL



If you are a country music fan or just a live music fan, the locally hosted Marton Country Music Festival is the must-see event of the summer. The festival will be taking place on Wellington Anniversary Weekend, from 18 - 20 January at Sir James Wilson Park in Marton and this year, it's set to be the best to date.

Currently in its 14th year, the festival has grown from strength to strength and is now one of the most anticipated country events around and a huge event for Marton and the Rangitikei District.

People arrive from all over New Zealand and the world. A very large contingent of motor homers make it a top event on their calendar for the year. The event also attracts many people from Marton and the surrounding area.

The Festival is a great chance to experience the strongest voices in the New Zealand Country Music scene and beyond. There's open mic sessions, singalongs and more, so bring the kids for some good ol' fashioned country fun!

The Marton Country Music Festival – is a friendly and welcoming event for all music lovers. It is a gathering of country music enthusiasts who share a weekend listening to, and enjoying live country music. The festival is now quite a huge event.

Over the last 13 years it has become an event that is looked forward to by artists and public alike.

As we move to our 14th year, the enthusiasm grows even greater.

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Marton Country Music Festival convenor John de Burgh is looking forward to the best festival to date.

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Saturday Night Showcase

Allan Dennis, Sharon Miller, Joy Adams, Kylie Austin, John de Burgh, Carylann, Ngarangi & Terina Sadler, Annette & Kim, Monty Gibbins.

Headline Artists

Noel Flynn - Marian Burns



Noel Flynn



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Marian Burns



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For information - John de Burgh 027 290 3103

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HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 1st. The Pavemaster club day. No play due to being New Year's Day. Saturday 5th: Central ITM summer shield round 1 stableford. Men; G Edwards 41, N Skelton 39, M Carroll & G Forbes 37, R McDermott 35, G Bond 34. Two; G Forbes #14. Jackpot #0 not struck. Nearest the pin s/men = G Bond. J/men not struck & jackpots next week. Coming events: Tuesday golf 9.30 am tee off. Saturday 2nd: round summer shield - 11am tee off. January 19th: prizegiving from 6pm; please R S V P. February 23rd: Mate's rates gross & stableford open tournament. Tuesday 8th; Mitre 10 Mega stableford: B Philips 24, R Little 22, R Karatea 20, B Parlane 18, L Neuman 18. Nearest pin; B.Philps. Saturday 12th: Allied Pickfords summer shield round 2 stableford - s/men; G Forbes 44, G Bond 43, D Rohde 39. J/Men; N Skelton 43, A Corbett 42, R McDermott 37, M Porter & P Scott 35. Women; D Todd 33, S Wells 31, A Newton 30. Twos; A Newton #2, G Forbes #5, A Corbett #7. Jackpot #2 struck. Nearest the pin; s/men = D Rohde. J/men = D Todd. Women = S Wells. Coming events: Sunday 27th; friendship shield at Buckley - all members please attend. Visitors and casual golfers play 9 or 18 holes for only \$10. New members please inquire about our membership rates. All welcome. Inquiries contact Grant; 0210 572 931.

MARTON GOLF CLUB

Summer Cup round No 2 - 12th Jan. Another very hot day, course in good condition, along with better playing numbers. Linda Peina topped the day's scoring, with a great round of 44 stableford points, winning her ownership of the remote for next week. Other scores: Ian Bliss Bennett 43, Graham Marshall 43, Campbell Bary 39, Martin Rothman 39, Alan Bates 38, Allie Bary 38, Steve Muir 38, Bruce Craig 37 Terry Hammond 37, Mike Jones 37, Andrew Clark 36, Dave Angove 36. Two's: Greg McIvor & Dave Angove 3. FBH: Ron Win, Adrian Duncan & Les Wake. Coming events: Eagles tournament; Thursday 24th Jan. Contact Peter Skou 06 327 6725, Mike Jones 06 327 6166. Sat 19th, course closed for a wedding. Club day Sunday 20th - round 3 Summer Cup. Club working bee this Tuesday at 9am. Club champs qualifying; Sat Feb 16th (only 1 round). If you can't make this date, sheets in men's changing room for entry.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Saturday 15th December: summer stableford: 10 + of our members entered the Buckley Xmas cheers and a great day was had by all. Results: Murray Bruhn, Alan Wix & Tamati Anaru 40pts, Ash Reed & Michelle Mossop 38pts & Geoff Ingram 36pts. Wednesday 19th December: stableford: Bruce Kinloch 49pts, Bill Patene 46pts, Ron Harris 45pts, Peter Young 43pts, Steve Boyens & Lyndon Moore 42pts, Pat Pearce & Kelvin Burt 41pts, Dan Scotson & Jack Campbell 40pts, Rob Giles, Hone Morris, Geoff Ingram, & Heather Craig 39pts. Twos: Michelle Mossop & Lyndon Moore 3rd, Bruce Kinloch 5th & Geoff Ingram 16th. Lucky draw: Stew de Burgh. 26th December 2018: stableford: Lyndon Moore & Geoff Ingram 40pts, Graeme Stephens 38pts, Bill Patene, Lynne McDonald, & Henry Potaka 37pts, Joe Yorke & Dan Scotson 36pts. No Twos. Saturday 29th December 2018: stableford: seniors: Murray Bruhn 42pts, Kelvin Burt & Tamati Anaru 40pts, Jason Harris & Hone Morris 38pts. Juniors: Bryan Northcott, Stew de Burgh & Jay Jay Boylan 39pts, Ian MacKay, Joe Yorke & Peter Young 38pts. Twos: Peter Thompson 3rd, & Kelvin Burt 12th. Wednesday 2nd January 2019: Peter Young 43pts, Jordan Wells 42pts, Stu Amor 41pts, Geoff Ingram, Jullian Elliot & Bob Wilson 40pts, Al-lek White, Neil Atkins, & Ash Reed 38pts, Dan Scotson, Graeme Stephens, Tony Johnson, Jason Bowles & Peri Wehi 37pts, Joe Yorke & Marty Field 36pts, Clive Robinson, Alan Wix & Jenni Ritchie 35pts. Twos: Peter Young 3rd & 16th, Russell Kane & Marty Field 3rd, & Jordan Wells 16th. Best stableford on 1,15 & 17 = Marty Field 10pts. Lucky draw: Jill Hall. January 5th: stableford: seniors: Murray Bruhn 42pts, Jordan Wells & Geoff Ingram 40pts, Hone Morris & Tim Wales 39pts. Juniors: Stu Amor 43pts, Jay Jay Boylan 39pts, Ian MacKay 39pts, Peter Young & Heather Craig 38pts. Twos: Henry Potaka 16th & Graeme Stephens 3rd. Wednesday 9th January: stableford: Steve Boyens, Bob Wilson, Mike Robinson & Peter Young, Al-lek White 42pts, Bill Patene, Henry Potaka, David Rohde & Noel Crocker 41pts, Matt Brown, Hone Morris & Graham Bond 39pts, Jullian Elliott, Stew de Burgh, Neville Berendt & Bryan Northcott 38pts. Twos: Geoff Ingram - 3rd. Best stableford: 1,4, & 7 - there were too many. Lucky draw; Dan Scotson. Saturday 12th January - Rural Tyres summer stableford: Waitatapia Cup (for 65yrs & over) best nett = joint winners: Hone Morris & Derek Philipps nett 67. Seniors: Hone Morris 40pts, Kelvin Burt & Jason Harris 39pts, Karen Yorke 38pts, & Geoff Ingram 37pts. Juniors: Derek Philipps 41pts, Clive Robinson, & Paul McManaway 38pts, Alan Wix & Michelle Mossop 36pts, Peter Young, Bob Wilson, Ian

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TAIHAPE GOLF CLUB

A cracking sunny Sunday greeted the field for the Taihape Golf Club Danny Mickleson sponsored 2019 shootout. First out, on hole one, was JJ Walker who required two tee shots, after blasting his first out of bounds, then losing to Andrew Sprayer in the chip off. James Fannin also got a case of the hooks on hole two and was also beaten in a chip off by Andrew Sprayer. Briany Bristol had trouble chipping around the 3rd and was

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WARNING: RIVER LEVEL INCREASE FLOW CHANGES IN THE MOAWHANGO AND RANGITIKEI RIVERS

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- ♦ **Wednesday 30 January 2019**

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Notice Of Meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings for
January 2019

Santoft Domain Committee

Tuesday 22 January at 6.00pm
(Santoft Domain, unless wet weather; then meeting will be in the Supper Room, Bulls Town Hall, High Street, Bulls)

Council

Thursday 31 January at 9.30am

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.

Any queries, please phone 06 327 0099 or 0800 422 522

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Whanau, Hapu and Nga Iwi Nui Tonu of Ngati Tamakopiri, Ngati Whitikaupaka, Ngai Te Ohuake and Ngati Hauiti of the Mokai Patea rohe potae called together to hear:

- Reporting on claims progress
- What's coming up and where we are heading



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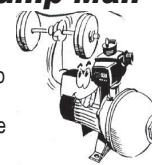


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LARKING,

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January 13th, 2019,
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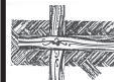


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the next to depart the pack. Jan Thomas was hitting it well but lost her touch around the 4th green and was narrowly beaten by Kevin O'Brien in a chip off. Barrie Randall lost in a chip off to Danny Mickleson on the 5th. Hamish Rose duffed his chip against 5 other players in the playoff on the 6th. Fran Robertson was top qualifier, with 46 points but three putted the 7th to be left behind. Kevin O'Brien found himself stymied behind the tree and took 3 shots to reach the 8th green, before falling from the pack. Ken Cribb made a miraculous chip in, after having some trouble on the 9th, to force a chip off, however could not survive the deciding chip off against Pollard and John Booth. After lunch, John Booth was chipped out by a small margin by Andrew Sprayer on the 10th. Dale Hunt had played well until he was undone on the 11th by Robertson's fine display of green reading. Andrew Sprayer had bad fortune with his ball, hitting the cup and jumping out of the hole on the 12th. Merv Tapp three putted the 13th and then lost in the chip off. Gary Cleaver went long over the 14th green; put himself in a difficult position and then succumbed in a chip off to Gary Thomas. Alan Thomas found tree trouble on the 15th for his third. Denis Robertson was unlucky to leave the group, after being the only player not to have 3 points on the 16th. Gary Thomas ran out of steam on the 17th, with a double bogey. Danny Mickleson was in prime position to play conservative to the tricky 18th pin position; however he also overcooked his approach with Pollard and lost in a chip off. David Pollard was crowned champion after escaping 4 playoffs with a fine display of chipping and cautious golf to claim the Bill Dick trophy. In the 9 hole competition, Hamish Rose won the Smith Cup with 17 points, Paul Renwicks and Fran Robertson both made 15 points, with Renwicks also taking out the longest putt novelty on the 9th in his return to Taihape. This Sunday is the 27 hole Ruapehu Farm Supplies and Taihape Spraying partners tournament. Registration is at 9am. Players can either choose their partner, or be drawn a partner on the morning following registration.

Presidents Pairing Take Honours

The 27 partners tournament got off to flying start, with the first contenders on the starting tee consisting of a new pairing of John Gilbert (vice president) and Merv Tapp (president) who left the field behind by 2 shots. Both players enjoyed the extra run and generous tee positions to shoot a fine 87.0 nett off their 27 holes. Winning the mixed pairs division was husband and wife combination Fran & Denis Robertson with 90.3 nett. Father and son John and Matt Booth played succinct golf for an 88.7 nett. Paul Early and Mike Cranston showed the course was there to be had, with a 91.0 nett. Danny & Diane Mickleson dined out with 91.3 nett. Barrie Randall and Matthew Thomas made 93.0 nett; sponsor Brent Denton and drawn partner came in 5th with 93.7 nett; James Mickleson and Nick McGuinn turned their recent form around to make 96.0 nett; James Fannin and Alan Thomas 96.3 nett and the champions of the previous two years finished in eighth position, with 96.7 nett. There is a dual day event over the upcoming long weekend. Sunday there is a club haggle - ideal for un-played matches to be finalised and Monday is the Wellington Anniversary opening day. Players are asked to bring a plate for Monday's bbq dinner.

MARTON CROQUET CLUB

Croquet has continued to be played, with a good number of players playing each club day. Results; Saturday 22 December - Murray McNae 26 bt David Winmill 19, Selwyn Johnson bt Lyn Johnson and Eila Ogden 12-4, Graeme McIntyre and Lynda Thompson bt Tom Martyn and Gordon Thompson 16-8. Saturday 29 December - David and Annette Winmill bt Murray and Mary McNae 21-18, Tom bt Lynda 22-6, Mary Meek and Graeme bt Gordon and Marilyn 7-4 and were then beaten 7-5. Gordon bt Marilyn 7-4. Wednesday 9 January - Mary bt Brenda Isaacs 7-1 & 7-5, Brenda bt Mary and Annette 7-6, David and Graeme bt Tom and Murray 20-15. Saturday 5/1/19: David bt Murray 26-15, Tom and Lyn bt Graeme and Selwyn 12-5, Annette bt Lynda and Gordon 14-8 and GC Maria and Marilyn bt Mary and Mary 7-4, 7-5 and Marilyn bt Maria 7-2.

MARTON SARACENS CRICKET

Matt Burke Engineering Marton Saracens played Wanganui United in a holiday round, 40 over match at Springvale, on 22 December. Saracens won the toss and elected to bat first. Openers Andrew Spence and Allan Pond put on 47 for the 1st wicket but wickets fell regularly after that, to have the Marton side 80 for 7 in the 25th over. Flint Rodgers and Jayden Lane then added 56 for the 8th wicket and, at the end of 40 overs, the score was 143 for 9. Jayden Lane top-scored with 28 not out. Spence made 25, Pond 17, Thomas Westwood 0, Phil Galpin 7, Robert Daines 6, Mike Jacobs 2, Freddie Lane 3, Rodgers 13, Lachie Burke 1 and Murray Candy was 3 not out. United attacked from the start and reached their target in the 24th over, scoring 146 for 3. Jayden Lane took 1 for 32, Daines 1 for 57 and the 3rd wicket fell to a run-out. Other bowlers used were Candy 0 for 8, Freddie Lane 0 for 23 and Galpin 0 for 25. Jayden Lane took out the Broadway Colourplus player of the day award. Cricket resumed after the Christmas break, on 12 January, with Saracens playing two T20 matches at Victoria Park, Wanganui. The morning match, against Wanganui High School Old Boys began at 10.30am. Saracens captain Allan Pond won the toss and elected to bat first. The opening over was eventful, with Thomas Westwood being dropped off the first delivery, then hitting two sixes in the over. Chris Rayner wasn't so fortunate, as he was caught for 0 from the first ball he faced. Westwood was out for 13 soon after and it was left to Phil Galpin and Freddie Lane to steady things with a 45 run partnership for the 3rd wicket. When Galpin was dismissed for 23, Jayden Lane joined Freddie Lane in another productive stand. Jayden Lane was out for 16, with just 2 of the 20 overs left and, with batsmen hitting out at everything, three more wickets fell in three balls, giving Old Boys bowler Joe Tweed a hat-trick. The hat-trick victims were Mike Jacobs 3, Liam McAleese 0 and Pond 0. At the end of the 20 overs, the score was 105 for 7. Freddie Lane was 40 not out and Lachie Burke 0 not out. The total was never going to be enough to challenge the fast-scoring Old Boys team and, despite Jayden Lane picking up 2 wickets in the opening over, they reached their target in the 15th, for the loss of 4 wickets. Galpin took 2 wickets late in the innings. Rayner claimed 2 catches and Jacobs one. Freddie Lane was the Alf Downs Ltd player of the day and Westwood was adjudged dick of the day. The second match, at 2pm, was against the strong Wanganui Renegades team which won the toss and decided to bat first. Again, Saracens claimed early wickets and, with Renegades at 34 for 4, an upset looked possible. However, an unbroken 122 run partnership took the game away from the Marton team and Renegades finished their 20 overs at 156 for 4. Jayden Lane, Liam McAleese, Aaron Smith and Tayler Burke claimed one wicket each. Catches were taken by Freddie Lane, Lachie Burke, Mike Jacobs and Thomas Westwood. Saracens openers Allan Pond and Westwood gave their side a very good start, with 33 in the first 5 overs, before Pond was dismissed for 24. Westwood was run out for 6 in the next over and Phil Galpin followed for 4. Freddie Lane, Jacobs and McAleese all scored ducks. Jayden Lane made 16 and Rhys Watson 18 (3 sixes!) before Smith and Lachie Burke each contributed 4. Tayler Burke was left 0 not out and Saracens were dismissed for 96, losing the match by 60 runs. Watson was awarded the Evans Henderson Woodbridge player of the day for his entertaining batting and excellent fielding and Westwood was once again a popular winner of the dick of the day title. This Saturday, Matt Burke Engineering Saracens play Wanganui Warriors in the 3rd / 4th place play-off of the holiday round competition, at Centennial Park. The match is due to start at 11.30am.

BULLS BOWLING CLUB

The new year is away, with the men starting the club ch of ch pairs last weekend. Winds started off flukey, then turned to strong for the remainder of the week-end and didn't help the skill set. Two games played Saturday and that night, two Saturday night champions (Gavin Lashlie and Darryl Sydney Williams) unbeaten, as were Rex McGavin and Tony Nicholson. Notable game results included Rex and Tony beating Craig Pedley and Pat Dady 21-4 and Mike Ansell with Don Aiken having a big win. Sunday saw the agony and the ecstasy continue

with, both overnight champions going "boom-boom." In a complete reversal of form, Craig and Pat dumped out Rex & Tony 14-6. The final will be between Mike Ansell with Don Aiken v Craig and Pat, in a one game shootout. Community bowls started last night at 6pm, with teams of four playing every week until the final on March 6. We appreciate that this is sponsored by the McVerry Crawford Group. It's a lot of fun, (each team can have 1 bowler) flat shoes required, cost is \$50 per team. Please contact club with entries. The following finals have yet to be played: 65+ singles and men's ch of ch pairs. The men's handicapped singles were concluded last weekend. The three remaining competitors fronted up with Owen Canton and Scotty McGavin first on and even though Owen had a healthy start, it was hard yakka trying to match Scott's consistency. The result could only go one way. With Owen out of the way, it was up to Merv Smith to have a shot. But the result was inevitable and S McGavin (esq) became our club's men's handicap singles champion 2019.

BULLS COMMUNITY BOWLS

Bowls started last night at 6pm, with teams of four playing every week until the final on March 6; cost \$50 per team. Please contact club with entries. Last Sunday, teams competed in the any gender open pairs. With four teams each winning three games each, it was just down to ends and points, very close. Fourth E Jones, third S McGavin, second O Canton and first A Connelly. Booby prize to J Gear. A great day had by all. Our thanks to Beauchamp Funeral Home for their sponsorship for the day. The committee decided to cancel the RSAA/G Triples on Wed 30 Jan. The Ladies have their ch of ch singles this coming Sat. The men have their ch of ch singles on Jan 26-27. Rodger Homes day was on Jan 10 and proved successful, with Marilyn our organiser of luncheons. This is a social day, which everyone enjoyed. We have been very fortunate that we have received funding from Pub Charity for replenishing our stock of uniform, so this year, we will be stepping out looking brand new, for our 100th year - please contact the club on 322 1284 or bullsbowls@gmail.com and advise us if you would like to attend our centennial next April.

MARTON BOWLING CLUB

Wednesday 19 December roll-up results: 1st Jean Coleman & Ces Allen- 3 wins, 12 ends 26 points. 2nd Joanne Simpson & Bev Toulmin- 2 wins, 10 ends 26 points. 3rd Dave Grant & Ron McDermott- 2 wins, 9 ends 23 points. Saturday 22 December roll-up results: Skips: 1st J.D.- 2 wins, 16 ends 27 points. 2nd Micky Neumann- 2 wins, 14 ends 24 points. 3rd Andy Craegh- 1.5 wins, 16 ends 33 points. Twos: 1st Ray Harding- 1.5 wins, 14 ends 30 points. 2nd Tania George- 1.5 wins, 14 ends 29 points. 3rd Brian Mitchell- 1.5 wins, 13 ends 25 points. Leads: 1st Paul White- 1.5 wins, 13 ends 30 points. 2nd Sharon Pudney- 1 win, 14 ends 22 points. Saturday 29 December roll-up results: skips: 1st Mickey Neumann- 3 wins, 10 ends 21 points. 2nd Ray Harding- 2 wins, 11 ends 26 points. 3rd Kevin Mullany- 2 wins, 10 ends 25 points. Twos: 1st Joy White- 3 wins, 10 ends 24 points. 2nd Josie Bismark- 2 wins, 10 ends 25 points. 3rd Bruce Aplin- 2 wins, 10 ends 20 points. Saturday 5 January roll-up results: skips: 1st Kevin Mullany- 2.5 wins, 12 ends 25 points. 2nd J.D. - 2 wins, 12 ends 16 points. 3rd Brian Mitchell- 2 wins, 11 ends 20 points. Twos: 1st Josie Bismark- 3 wins, 11 ends 26 points. 2nd Paul White- 2.5 wins, 15 ends 21 points. 3rd Wayne Pudney- 2.5 wins, 12 ends 18 points. Wednesday 9 January club ladies' pairs results: 1st Joanne Simpson & Sharon Gordon. 2nd Joy White & Bev Toulmin. 3rd Josie Bismark & Noeline Schollum. Saturday 12 January roll-up results: skips: 1st Warren Hausman- 2 wins, 17 ends 33 points. 2nd Neil Gardener- 2 wins, 13 ends 29 points. 3rd J.D. - 2 wins, 11 ends 20 points. Twos: 1st Tania George- 3 wins, 15 ends 31 points. 2nd Graeme Morris- 3 wins, 15 ends 21 points. 3rd Sharon Gordon- 2 wins, 13 ends 37 points. Leads: 1st Paul White- 2 wins, 13 ends 28 points. 2nd Wayne Pudney- 2 wins, 13 ends 24 points. 3rd Bev Toulmin- 2 wins, 12 ends 21 points. Up-and-coming events: Wednesdays: 16/23/30 January club vet's pairs @ 10 am. Friday 18 January - 3five bowls social competition @ 5.30 pm. Entries extended till 18 January, phone Enid 327 8694. Saturday 19/Sunday 20 January - club men's pairs @ 9 am.

HUNTERVILLE BOWLING CLUB

Saturday 12 January was the day set for the Hunterville club members to play their open singles. The day was sunny and the temperatures high, as the bowlers continued to play through the day to find the winner. Congratulations to Helen King (pictured below) eventual champion of the open singles. The game is played with only "one life" and the bowlers beaten in the first round of the open singles play for the consolation plate. The winner of this competition was Norma Davidson. Congratulations Norma. It was a good day for everyone.



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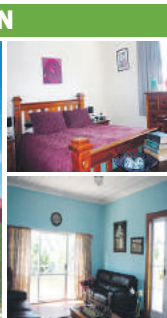


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