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A comedy written by Phil Ormsby and directed by Mike O'Regan

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REACHING RANGITIKEI READERS

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Crafts before your eyes

Crafts were being created before your eyes at the Crafts Alive interactive crafts exhibition held over the weekend in Marton Memorial Hall.

Organiser Gillian Futcher was pleased with the varied stalls which differed over the two days. The working craft stalls included carpet maker, retiree Les Collis. Artist Sam Lewry invited people to make their own felted soap, Anita Holdaway displayed her paper flower making skills, woodturner Eddie Hall made custom wooden rings and there was the work of knitters and others.

Proceeds raised from the event will go Marton Players Inc.



Right: Marton potter Lindsay Hopping on his potting wheel - making bowls of his own design.



The colourful stall of retiree Les Collis from Marton. He's been a hobbyist carpet maker for 40 years. He makes full size mats, along with small wall hangings and churns through a considerable amount of wool in the process.



Anita Holdaway of Turakina Creatives with her paper flowers and designs, including lined handbags, cushions and sewing crafts - she has been designing and making for about a year.

Last Meet Candidates is Bulls - 26 Sept

VOTE 2019
LOCAL ELECTIONS

There's a chance for voters to assess their local ward candidates in Rangitikei District Council elections at meetings planned for Marton, Bulls and Taihape.

The Bulls meeting appeared as being scheduled on Sept 6, in our paper last week but it's actually being held on Sep 26. Here are the dates for the three relevant ward meetings.

Southern Ward Meet the Candidates Evening is on 26 September 2019: 7pm. Bulls RSA. Organiser: Rural Women NZ.

Central Ward Meet the Candidates Evening - 20 September 2019 - 7pm in the Rangitikei College Hall. Organised by Lions Club of Marton.

Northern Ward Meet the Candidates Evening - 23 September 2019 - venue to be advised. Organised by Taihape Rotary Club.

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Urgent - sign up your historic stall for Marton 150 years celebration

Marton Historical Society needs local groups and businesses to sign up their stalls for the coming 150 Year Marton Naming Celebration on Saturday October 5, in and around the Marton Memorial Hall and historic village.

Pat Hayman from the Historical Society was in charge of the project but sadly she has suffered a major health problem and can no longer carry out the role. Groups intending to participate in the event are asked to contact Project Marton by next Tuesday 10 September – email projectmarton@xtra.co.nz or phone 06 327 7633.

The idea is that groups present the history of their organisation with a display. Marton Historical Society is very keen to make the day a success so any support will be valuable to the event. The celebration will include historic static displays and photographs, historic and static stalls, the historic village open day, vintage and veteran cars and an enactment of the naming of Marton meeting.

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.

For further enquiries contact Sharon McKandry, Cath Ash or Liz Rayner.

Descendants of early Marton families are encouraged to come along to the naming ceremony at 10.30am on the day.

Those families names include Henderson, Signal Beaven, Follett, Lyon, Gibbins, Morris as Poppe, Nitschke, Meyer, and Friedrich families but all locals are welcome to join in the celebrations.

AT THE COUNCIL



New chief executive for RDC



Rangitikei District Council has appointed Peter Beggs to be its new chief executive for a five-year term, starting 21 October 2019.

He will start a week after the Local Government Election after which a new council is due to take office. Beggs was CE of Antarctica NZ from 2013 until he was dismissed in August 2018, after a six-week investigation of his electronic communications revealed misconduct serious enough for him to be fired. He had been operating a private consultancy in Christchurch since.

Mayor Andy Watson has said he is satisfied with the process council undertook before hiring Peter Beggs and says he was asked a lot of searching questions about what happened and the council was completely happy with the situation.

“Peter brings to the Rangitikei an unusually high level of expertise as a chief executive in a number of different sectors. He has proven, dynamic relationship-building skills within the business sector, as well as with community organisations, professional bodies and individuals,” says Mayor Watson. “We were impressed by his very clear understanding of the drivers for the Rangitikei and his enthusiasm to lift its profile.

“The Rangitikei District has ahead it of some exciting new challenges, with the building of new community /civic centres, waste water plants and welcoming new businesses to our district. We see the opportunity to achieve a dynamic approach to customer services from the use of new technologies.

“Council sees Peter as being able to succeed in these challenges; we are confident that he will very quickly become a strong and informed advocate for the Rangitikei and redefine and promote the advantages of visiting, living and doing business here.”

Mayor Watson also acknowledged the work of the current CE. “In appointing Peter, Council acknowledges the substantial contribution made by Ross McNeil who has been Council’s chief executive since March 2013. Ross has laid the foundations for a number of key projects which, when completed, will make a real difference to lives in the Rangitikei.”

Projects finalised

The current council's second to last meeting was a chance to make several final decisions on outstanding projects.

Haylock Park - Bruce Dear spoke at the pre council public forum on Thursday to present a petition and letters from former councillors Gerald Clark, Carlene Carmicheal and members

of the Haylock family to keep all of Haylock Park in Bulls, instead of selling it, to help fund the new Bulls Community Centre and open up land for housing developers. The public gallery was filled with Bulls supporters and he outlined the history of the land and told council about canvassing Bulls people and the lack of knowledge of the area and the sale. Councillors later made the decision to sell part the land but retain the already mown section for public use.

Historic Mangaweka Bridge

Councillors decided to retain the historic Mangaweka Bridge and support the setting up of a trust to maintain and raise funds for the ongoing maintenance and promotion of the bridge for local tourism. Manawatu District Council also has to make a similar decision, as the bridge spans the boundary between the councils. Cr Richard Aslett said the dollars add up (to keep it) and the public wants it. It makes sense for walking, cycling and tourism potential in front of it.

New loo

Centennial Park will soon sport a bright new public toilet in the rose garden. Councillors moved to spend \$193,353 on installing a much-needed public loo - a new generic RDC design, similar to the recently installed Mangaweka facility. The front will be covered with anti-graffiti covering, decorated with kowhai – the new council symbol. The new toilet will service the many sports people active at Centennial Park and their supporters as well as skatepark users and passersby.

District Plan change

Councillors also moved to appoint an independent commissioner to hear submissions regarding the change to the District Plan - to rezone land to industrial, along SH1 near Marton (between Wings Line and Makirikiri Rd).

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VIEWPOINT

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

Rates questions
 Honesty and transparency seem to be in short supply for Horizons chairperson Bruce Gordon, candidate for the Horizons Regional Council
 Horizons chairperson Bruce Gordon patted himself on the back last week as he lauded an average 4.88% rate increase, slashed from 5.05% by chopping a \$75,000 freshwater grants programme. This last second unexpected programme cut was initiated by Gordon to the dismay of several councillors. It is a credit to Horizon staff's integrity that following Gordon's announcement they quickly announced a more transparent picture of the real rate increase.
 I live in Feilding and recently received a rate demand from Horizons anticipating about a 5% increase.
 I was surprised that the actual increase was well above 5% - in fact over 10% and said he was lucky it was that low!
 I was shocked to learn that for some Palmerston North properties, the rate demand increased by more than 14%.
 If Palmerston North and Feilding have the majority of ratepayers in the region how can the increase average out to 4.88%?
Leslie Pillow, candidate for Horizons Regional Council.

Selling park
 I'm sorry. For the residents of Bulls, our council decided on Thursday 29 August 2019, to confirm the sale of the bulk of leased land at Haylock Park to a developer. We tried hard to save the park but at the end of the day, the councillors must have felt that a housing development was more important than retaining what could have been a good, safe, green area. I would like to publicly thank Bulls councillors, Jane Dunn and Graeme Platt for all the help they have given me in obtaining information and for their assistance with the guidelines in my presentation to council. They were also helped by other councillors. They know who they are. Thank you.
 If you feel strongly one way or the other, may I suggest you send a letter to the editor and perhaps work together with neighbours, or per street, so as to enable the paper to accommodate your letter and any others.
 I am currently checking that all legal procedures have taken place correctly and will be getting a legal opinion on to ensure the council got it right.
 The survey currently being undertaken is STILL ESSENTIAL as it will give an accurate indication of the wishes of the residents. Please fill it in and place it in the boxes at the places on the voting form. Assistance is required to collect voting forms on the Haylock Park survey. Contact John or Marilyn: 06 322 1924.
 As a final farewell for the park I am considering a "PARTY IN THE PARK THAT COULD HAVE BEEN."
 More information will follow.
 Thank you for all your support and encouragement.
Bruce Dear, Bulls.

Thanks
 Crafts Alive organising team wish to thank everyone in the community for your generous support. So many creative people are willing to share their skills and passion to inspire others.
 We apologise for the misprint re the gold coin door entry. There are always costs to run events and this event was only free for under 12's. Profits will be given to Hunterville St John. A special heartfelt thank you to all who helped in any way especially to set up and take down the event. Organising an event requires a huge amount of effort in all aspects so any assistance is greatly appreciated. Marton is so blessed by Cath Ash's (Project Marton) tireless enthusiasm and work ethic. Thank you so much Cath for your massive knowledge and input. With many new artists excited to join, Crafts Alive 2020 is already rolling so make a date now for 29-30 August.
Gillian Futcher - Marton.

HEALTH SCENE Together we can protect against cervical cancer

A woman's best protection against developing cervical cancer is to have regular cervical screening.
 Kylee Osborne, health promotion officer at the Whanganui DHB Public Health Centre says "all women who have ever been sexually active should have regular cervical screening from the age of 20 up to 70 years.
 "Cervical screening, like all screening is not 100 per cent effective, however screening can reduce a woman's risk of developing cervical cancer by 90 per cent."
 In the Whanganui region, the "Smear Your Mea" campaign is being supported with free screening during the month of September, which is also Cervical Screening Awareness Month.
 Every Monday in September, between 5pm and 6.30pm, the Outpatients department at Whanganui Hospital will provide free cervical screening. No appointment needed.
 The National Cervical Screening Programme recommends that women screen every 3 years as the best way of finding and treating abnormal cell changes and preventing cervical cancer. Women who have previously had abnormal results may need to be screened more regularly.
 If you're unsure about when you last had your cervical smear, contact your family doctor or practice nurse.

Join the Marton Clean Up

Tidy up your street during the Keep Marton Beautiful cleanup week.
 Collect bags from Broadway Colourplus and pick up rubbish in your area. Full, official bags are accepted free at the Marton rubbish transfer station in King St, during the week.
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 Thank you Marton.

BITS n' PIECES

Murder By Chocolate - A Marton Players comedy on stage three more nights only - September 5, 6, 7 at 7.30pm. Bookings at Ray White in Broadway Marton - ph 06 327 7343. Adults \$15, seniors and students \$12 and children \$10.
Marton Mitre 10 Ladies' Night - Thursday 12 September, 6-8pm. Save the date ! More details soon.
An evening with Arthur Tompkins - a leading world authority on crimes involving art. His subject is Plundering Beauty During War. Nga Tawa Celebration Centre - Saturday September 14 - 5-7pm. \$25pp. Tickets from the Nga Tawa office.
Rangitikei Go Bus service - runs to Whanganui on the first Thursday and to Palmerston North on the third Thursday of every month. Catch a rid - Go Bus.
Taihape 125 year celebrations - 13 to 15 September.
The Mudder - Saturday September 21 - Rangitikei Farmstay.. Enter at www.themudder.co.nz
Naming of Marton- 150 year celebration - October 5, Marton Memorial Hall.

Woven Through the Fabric of Time - Marton Arts & Crafts Centre exhibition, 27 September - 6 October. 10am - 8pm. Guest exhibitors - glass artist Carmen Simmonds, woodturner Michael Walker, weaver Laurence Gatehouse. \$5 entry.

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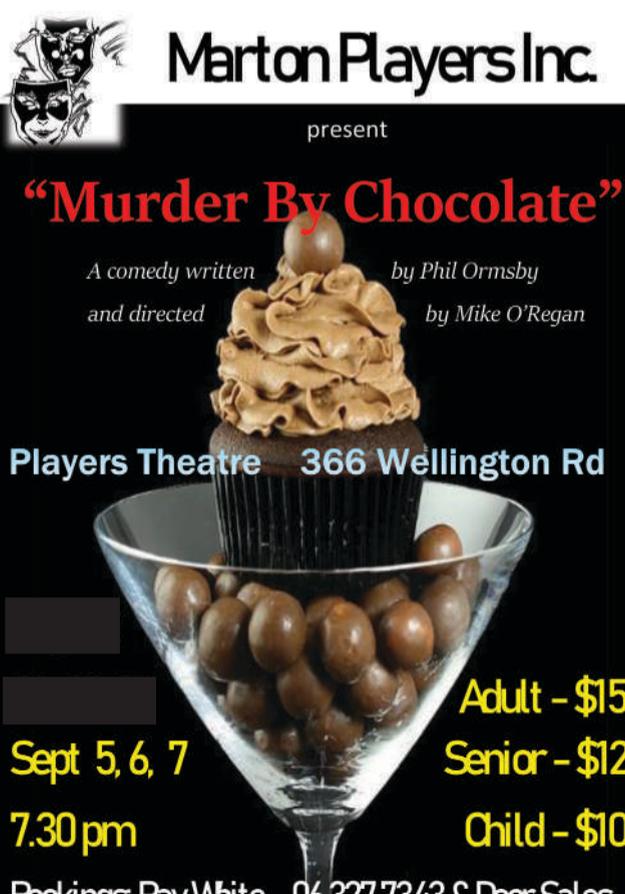
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Rangitikei Forest & Bird Update

At our August meeting members were entertained by a delightful Vet Student from Massey University who spoke about her life experiences. Annie Page lives life to the full and working with birds is her passion. She grew up on the Otago Peninsula and has taken the opportunity to go to the sub Antarctic islands, has been on Peter Blake's boat doing ocean research and earned a place in a team of vets spending time in Rhodesia removing horns from rhinos. As a wildlife guide on the Otago Peninsula, Annie spent many hours with royal albatross and through her brilliant photography, she showed us the various stages of their life cycle. Fly strike is a big problem for these birds so prevention is a major task. Once an albatross is ready to take flight it jumps off the cliff edge as their wings are too long and heavy for a normal take off. They then spend 7 years at sea before returning home to Otago to breed with their life-long partner. Sea lions and yellow eyed penguins also came under Annie's guidance and we learned of the poor hatching rate and chick survival of these penguins. This month we shall be hearing from Tom Kay, who will be discussing his work using drones for monitoring the quality of river habitats. We meet next Wednesday, 11 September, at 7.30pm in the Milne Room.

Shed owners, volunteers and Marton Lions Club members gathered in Broadway before a dinner to thank participants of the Men's Shed tour.

Earlier this year Marton Lions hosted their second tour of Men's Sheds in the district.

The sheds displayed everything from art to vintage machinery and cars to World War II planes, and offered a glimpse into the interesting world of men's private spaces in the district.

proceeds from the tour allowed Lions to make a \$2000 donation to the Rescue Helicopter.

The 14 shed owners and the volunteers who made the tour possible were thanked last week with an invitation to a special thank you dinner during the monthly Lions Club meeting. The tour this year, featured 15 sheds, up from 8 last year, and allowed the Marton Lions Club to make a \$2000 donation to the Rescue Helicopter.

Organiser Steve Carkeek also acknowledged Higgins Contractors, who sponsored the maps and printing costs for the weekend.



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Real Life Therapy by Shirley Henderson

What's your Superpower?

There's been a big swing in movies lately, redoing the old comic books where heroes have superpowers. I remember these from my childhood and how cool they were. I wonder what we would consider our own superpower to be. Do you believe you have an ability that is unique and special? My experience has been that humans are so multi-layered and busy that we sometimes lose the ability to take stock and appreciate just how unique and special we really are. I ask my clients, "What do you dislike about yourself?" then - "What do you like about yourself?" Often the answer to the first question flows immediately but the second question can be followed by silence and obvious discomfort. Do we think we are being conceited to state our good qualities out loud...or do we just not see it? If I then ask, "What would your best friend say were your good qualities?" I usually get a response and visible relaxation. Why? Because the client is not stating their own opinion. I wonder why we can't see our strengths ourselves? It's called mind-set. Mind-set is cultivation of a positive self-image that supports a person to be and achieve at their optimum. Part of this is to believe that we are worth the effort. If we don't believe we are worth it, we keep ourselves from developing the mind-set that will make us feel worth it! How about we make this start? Tell yourself that your superpower is being 'the awesome person that you already are'!

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In Mangaweka on Daffodil Day, organiser Viv Eames, (right) hands local man Josepha (left), the last remaining offerings from the Mangaweka Daffodil Day charity stall watched on by helpers Kay Button and Margaret Noble. Viv Eames said "We had marvellous support from the locals, both bringing baked items and purchasing them which helped raise a healthy amount for the Cancer Society- thanks everyone."

Right: Pam and Peter Boerboom volunteered for a stint in Broadway, Marton on Daffodil Day to support the work of the Cancer Society. The Rangitikei Branch of the Cancer Society raised \$9000 on Daffodil Day.



Volunteers were out in force on Daffodil Day

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RANGITIKEI LINE BULLETIN

District Plan Change

On 22 August 2019, Council gave formal public notification of its proposal to rezone approximately 217ha of rural land near Marton, as industrial. This follows a period of informal public feedback in July. The area affected by the zone change lies between Wings Line, State Highway One, Makirikiri Road and the Main Trunk Railway. Submissions close 5pm on Monday 23 September 2019. A commissioner will be appointed to consider all submissions and expert evidence.

Proposed new Marton Civic Centre

Council received a further update from WSP Opus on the proposed relocation of the administration building and Marton Library into the three heritage buildings on High Street/Broadway, Marton – Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams. More work needs to be done to finalise the various design options and clarify external funding sources, particularly for retention of heritage features.

Proposed amendment to Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw

Council approved consultation on a proposed amendment to the Stock Droving and Grazing Bylaw which would clarify that grazing of road reserves outside any property is limited to the immediate adjoining property owner (unless that property owner, or Council agrees otherwise). Details, including how to make a submission, are on Council's website, and at the Marton Council office and libraries in Taihape, Marton and Bulls.

Johnson Street/Walker Crescent Block, Bulls

The Public Forum, at the start of the August Council meeting, included the presentation of a petition with 273 signatures from people asking the Council to stop the sale of any part of the block of land between Johnson Street and Walker Crescent (known locally as Haylock Park) for residential development; and for the Council to undertake further consultation with the residents of Bulls. Later in the meeting, Council considered the circumstances by which the land had come into Council ownership (including its legal position), as well as the previous consultation about the proposed sale of properties which Council owned in Bulls (to help fund the new Community Centre on Criterion Street) and town-planning considerations (i.e. the need for recreation/green belt areas in Bulls). The Council was satisfied the proposed sale of part of the block was lawful and had been well signalled to the community over a number of years, and so decided that the area available for sale will be 1.6143ha with the balance of 3,124m2 being retained for public use (which is roughly the same land area as the existing mown part of the block).

Mangaweka Bridge

Following consideration of a report from the Roding Manager, Council resolved to retain the existing Mangaweka Bridge as a walking and cycling facility (a decision mirrored by the Manawatu District Council) and to support the setting up of a Trust to raise funds to contribute to its ongoing maintenance and promotion.

Proposed new facilities on Taihape Memorial Park

Council has accepted a Memorandum of Understanding negotiated with Clubs Taihape as the basis for proceeding with this project, both in terms of design and of finding external funding. It is hoped construction can start in June 2020.

New toilets at Centennial Park, Marton

Council has approved the construction of a Permaloo prefabricated toilet block at Centennial Park, near the rose garden. The toilet will be installed in March 2020, and is the same design as the Mangaweka toilets, it will have two unisex units with disabled access, and a vinyl wrap-around featuring the Council's brand.

New Bulls Community Centre

Work on the new Centre is steadily progressing. Highlights during the past month include ducting for water supply and power across Criterion Street; progress with exterior wall framing and sheathing for all floors; and progress on the internal stairway. Quotes are being sought for the town square, car park, bus lanes and bus parks.

New Chief Executive

Council has appointed Peter Beggs to be the new Chief Executive. Peter starts on Monday 21 October 2019. In making this decision, Council acknowledged the substantial contribution to the Council and the District by Ross McNeil during his term as Council's Chief Executive, 2013-2019.

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ST FRANCIS INDOOR BOWLS

Sept 3: we had a good turnout at club this week. We played three games, with four teams getting two wins and a loss. After a playoff between the skips, the winning team was Shirley Wallace and Erin Peddie. Jennifer Hawkins won the raffle. Next week will be another normal clubnight, so we hope to see you there.

MARTON BOWLING CLUB

Well, spring is here! The weather is lovely and it's bowling time again. Yay! Our working bee on Saturday was well attended and lots of pre-season jobs got done. Twenty enthusiastic helpers enjoyed the sunshine, a catch-up and a very fine spread! Don't forget opening day is this Saturday, 7 September. Polish those bowls and bring along a neighbour, friend (prospective new member) for a fun afternoon in the fresh air and sunshine. If you haven't played before and would like to try, come along. You are most welcome. Spare bowls and a selection of pre-loved shoes and clothing are available. Enjoy half-price fees in your first season. Kick-off at 1pm as usual - members whites and a plate for afternoon tea please. See you there!

BULLS BOWLING CLUB

This is our first report for the season - a short one, as the time off has been a time of relaxing. Our winter season is about to finish, with the any gender greenkeeper's trophy played every Wednesday afternoon at 1pm - turning into the Flying Doctor's trophy every Wednesday afternoon in the summer. As our opening day is looming, the greens are looking pretty good - everyone needs to polish up their bowls and make sure that everything is shipshape. The programme is underway, tournaments decided and all we need now are bowlers, new & old - all welcome, for 1pm Sunday 15 Sept (our opening day). Our housie has been running all season & we would like to thank all those who have helped run it - it's much appreciated.

RANGATIRA GOLF CLUB

24/8/19; men - medal: J McAlley 70, B McAlley 70, S Martin 71, R Wilson 71, D Graham 72, Z Guiniven 72, C Renshaw 74, J Cooper 74. Putts: S Martin 28. 28/8/19; women: D Howie 3rd rd- par: R Rainey +3, N Martin square, L Gordon -3, B McAlley -3, M McAlley -3, H Bismark -3, M Walshe -4. Twos: R Rainey. 28/8/19; 9 hole stableford: P Ross 17, S Russell 13, T Doorey 12, D Gregory 12.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Wednesday 28 August - stableford: Neville Berendt 43pts, Joseph Tapper 42pts, Geoff Ingram 41pts, Lyndon Moore 40pts, Ash Reed 39pts, Rex Wilson & Ray Morris 37pts, Dave Wishnowski, Steve Boyens & Peter Young 36pts, Marty Field & Neil Atkins 35pts, Dave Fitzpatrick, Alan Wix, Derek Philipps, Jullian Elliott, Jason Bowles & Brian Francis 34pts, Warren Jordan & Clive Robinson 33pts. Twos: Lyndon Moore, Stu de Burgh & Dave Wishnowski - 3rd & Dave Fitzpatrick - 5th. Best stableford on 16, 17 & 18: Neville Berendt 9pts. Lucky draw: Lynne McDonald. Saturday 31 August: Rural Tyres stableford: Kelvin Burt 41pts, Joseph Tapper 39pts, Pire Wehi, Geoff Ingram, Neville Berendt & Hone Morris 36pts, Ash Reed & Peter Young 35pts, Lynne McDonald, Alan Wix & Stu de Burgh 34pts. Twos: Derek Philipps 3rd & Bronwyn Meads 12th. Riverside mug was competed for - north vs south of Rangitikei River; won by south (33pts).

TAIHAPE GOLF

The third golf trip of a very busy 2019 saw 12 members head off to sunny Napier for some fine weather golf. After a relaxing ride over the "Annie" to the Napier Golf Club, they were joined by ex-local Richard Millner for a round on his new home course. Making the most of the fine overhead and firm under foot conditions was Denis Robertson, who came in with 38 points. The big hitting Nick McGuinn was one back on 37 and the consistent Kevin O'Brien managed 36. Duane Dick and Hayden Tapp came in with 35 points each. After a very thorough debrief on Friday night, which necessitated changing social establishments, Saturday saw the crew head off to the immaculately presented Hastings golf course. With the tees well forward and plenty of run, the scoring was expected to be hot but the lightning fast greens caused problems for some. Kevin O'Brien was all class, shooting a 78 off the bat for 42 points, with Diane Mickleson also performing exceptionally well, scoring 40. Danny Mickleson and John Gilbert had 37 and Duane Dick and JJ Walker 35. Nick McGuinn had a two on the 4th and Danny Mickleson managed a two on the 8th and an eagle 3 on the par 5 17th. After a night of supporting the Napier RSA Club and some rather suspect action on the pool table, the team was almost ready to depart for Feilding, on Sunday morning, when they had to evacuate the Masonic Hotel, due to the fire alarm going off. Three fire engines arrived

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Rangitikei Environment Group Old Man's Beard Control

The Rangitikei Environment Group is seeking expressions of interest in two positions of Team Leader for the 2019-20 summer season, commencing late October and continuing for 26 weeks. The area to be covered extends from Waiouru to Bulls and ideally, the teams would be based in Taihape and Marton. The focus would be on the control and eradication of Old Man's Beard, with some blackberry and other weeds. Vehicles and equipment supplied. **For more information about these positions, or to apply, contact Marian Cleaver at marian.robert@xtra.co.nz or phone 063880056.**



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Death Notice

GALLAGHER, John James (Paddy) of Marton. Peacefully at Wimbledon Villa Rest Home on Sunday 1 September 2019. Aged 86 years. Dearly loved husband of Lorna. Cherished father and father in law of Maureen (deceased) and Craig, Sean (deceased) and Sharron and Fiona and Peter (U.K.). Beloved Grandad of Adam, Kate, Erin; Grace and Noah. A funeral service was held in Palmerston North on Wednesday. **BEAUCHAMP - FUNERAL HOME -**

Public Notices

Grey Power Rangitikei
 Tuesday 10 September
 Netball Hall, Totara Street.
 Guest speaker: Mayor Andy Watson.

Te Puna O Te Aroha AGM
 85 Hendersons Line, Marton, 10am, 12 September 2019. Karakia. Mihimihi. Chairperson report. Secretary report. Treasurer report. Election of Officers.

Public Notices



Public Notice

At its meeting on 29 August 2019 Council adopted the proposed amendment to the Stock Driving and Grazing Bylaw 2013 for public consultation. The amendment proposes that a farmer may only graze the road reserve adjacent to their property. If a farmer wants to graze the opposite side, they must ask the owner or Council for written permission. Consultation runs until midday 16 September 2019. Submission forms will be available from Council libraries in Marton, Bulls, Taihape and the Council's administration building in Marton. The form will also be made available via the Council's website. For further information, please contact George Forster: George.forster@rangitikei.govt.nz or 0277390943.



Administration of dog control policy and practices 2018/19

Under Section 10A(3) of the Dog Control Act 1996, the Council is required to give public notice of its annual report on dog control policy and practices

At its meeting on 29 August 2019, the Rangitikei District Council adopted the report required by section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996. The report covered the 2018/19 financial year.

Number of registered dogs in the District	4961
Number of probationary and disqualified owners	Nil
Number of dogs classified as dangerous under section 31	3
Number of dogs classified as menacing under section 33A	20
Number of dogs classified as menacing under section 33C	15
Number of infringement notices issued	70
Number of prosecutions taken	Nil
Number of dog-related complaints	1050

A full copy of the report may be obtained from the Marton Council Office (46 High Street, Marton) Bulls Library (73 High Street, Bulls) and Taihape Service Centre (90-92 Hautapu Street, Taihape) by phoning 0800-422-522 or by going to www.rangitikei.govt.nz

Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

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Rangitikei Environment Group Inc

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
 Taihape Service Centre
Tuesday 17 September 2019 at 10am
 Agenda:
 Chairperson's report
 Financial Report
 Election of Officers
 General Business
 All interested persons are invited to attend.
M E Cleaver, Administrator



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and, after 15 minutes or so standing out in the street, it was deemed a false alarm and the departure time of 8.30 was achieved. The third round at Feilding coincided with the twice annual inter club. The expected rejuvenating cavalry of seven or eight reserves from home, who hadn't tortured their constitutions for two nights, did not eventuate. Only three fresh faces arrived. It wasn't enough, with Feilding (whose average score of 32.7 was not that great) easily accounting for the weary Taihape team, whose average score of 30.5 was not up to the mark. Kevin O'Brien and Alan Thomas (one of the day travellers) were the best of a bad bunch and the only two to play to handicap, with 37 points each. John Gilbert worked hard for his 35 and Matt Bomber Booth had 34. Hayden Tapp had 33, aided by a two on the 17th and John Fenemor also had a two on the 2nd. A further debrief at the Station Hotel in Hunterville followed, where it was decided that scheduling an inter-club for the third round of a weekend away was probably ill advised and should be avoided in future! The team arrived home a little weary but had had a very enjoyable fun filled few days and were very appreciative of the efforts of organiser and van driver Danny Mickleson. This Sunday the club champs & Keith Evans' finals are scheduled, alongside the 11:30 haggle, with John Fenemor on manager's duty.

HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 27 - Nampara Kennels & Cattery, Top Dog stableford: Greg James 23, Grant Forbes 20, Dave Rohde & Barry Parlane 18, Les Neumann 17, Gary Burgess 16, Rae Karatea 14. Nearest pin: Joy Stantiall. Lion challenge: Barry Parlane. Saturday 31 August; Murray's Irish Public House hidden 9 holes stableford competition. S/men: D Rohde 20, R McDermott & G Bond 19, G Forbes & G Cunningham 17. J/men: P Maitland 19, D Worsfold jnr 18, M Pickford 17, D Todd 16. Women: L Tipu 20, S Wells 18, P Charlesworth 16. Feilding Scrap Metal two's: D Rohde #16. Jackpot #14 not struck. Nearest the pins: s/men: not struck. J/men: D Wright. Women: S Wells. Coming events: Tuesday 9 hole golf - 9.30am tee off. Saturday 7 September; captain's day - teeing off from 11am & 9 hole, golf 1pm tee off. August month end nearest the pin jackpots to be struck. Sunday 15 September: Bush & Scrubs cups finals: 10.30am tee off. Visitors and casual golfers play 9 or 18 holes for only \$10. New members - please enquire to hawkestonegolf@gmail.com about our membership rates. All welcome. Other enquiries; contact Grant: 0210 572 931.

MARTON GOLF

Saturday 31/08/2019. Club patron and long serving member (over 50 years) Tim McVerry headed the field home, finishing up 6 up on par, to take out the top prize. Scores: T McVerry +6, A Duncan +5, D Cark +4, R Yorke +2 S Duncan + 2, N Belsham + 2, M Rothman + 1, A Fleming + 1, R Win sq, G McLeay sq, T Bliss Bennett sq, G Calkin sq. Two's: only 1 by Jacob Hughes on the 12th, winning him the jackpot of 20 balls. 2FBH: T Hammond, T Mischewski. Coming events: working bee Tuesday, 9am. Saturday 7 September: stableford. Duty: D Arnott. Bar: M Peina & S Duncan. Masters' Cup - 4th round Adobe Motel shootout, round 19. Vouchers: Rangitikei Tavern. Sunday 8: Huntley School tournament - course closed. Duty: R Yorke. Friday 13 September: ladies' greensome tournament. Results McVerry Crawford tournament 01/09/2019. Men's div: 1 K Field 43, G Jongen 38, J Calkin 36, H McDonald 36 c/b. Men's div 2: T Hammond 39, B Collett 39, R Yorke 37, R Win 37, C Skou 36, R Fryer 36 c/b. Men's div 3: T Buss Bennett 42, B Beck 42, S Muir 39, P Skou 37, G Thomas 36, A Fallaver 35. Ladies: A Bary 39, C Watson 37, A Fleming 35, P McVerry 35, S Ballard 35. Nine holers: L Craig 19, L Hammerton 18, B Crawford 17. New golfers: H White. Nearest to pin: ladies 0-18: J Christie. Men's 0-12: D Arnott, 13-23 C Skou. Long drive: ladies 0-18: C Watson, 19+ A Bary. Men's 0-12: S Mellis, 13-23: C Skou, 24+: B Lamp. Twos: M Peina, D Tarrant, C Skou, J Adkins, K Field.

MARTON LADIES' GOLF

Results from Wednesday's par competition points: silver: 1st R Williams, 2nd A Bary, 3rd C Rhodes. Bronze 1: 1st B Bielby, 2nd S Jensen, 3rd G Burne, 4th C Skou. Bronze 2: 1st D Chapman, 2nd D Singer, 3rd S Abraham. Haggle; div 1: 1st B Bielby 1D, 2nd R Williams 2D, 3rd S Jensen 2D, G Burne 3D. Div 2: 1st D Chapman - all square, 2nd D Singer 2d, 3rd S Abraham 4D. Sponsored balls: C Skou, A Bary, E Bowler. Lucky draw: N McDermott.

MARTON THURSDAY GOLF

30/08/2019: very cold and windy conditions for the old fellas to play their stableford round, plus very fast greens. Only one player managed to match his handicap (quite significant) with Dave Angove taking out 1st prize, with 36 points. Scores: D Angove 36, M Rothman 34, B Craig 32, B Beck 32, Mike 32 (all in the money) B Craig 31, D Tarrant 31, T Hammond 30, R Yorke 30, G Calkin 30. Crunchie bar was taken out by a new player: G Huijs (well done Gary, not everyone gets a prize on their first day).

MARTON 9 HOLE GOLF

A good turnout of players on 3 September, in great conditions. Results: 1st division: 1st Jill Yortt net 29, 2nd Brian Short net 30, 3rd Bryan Hamerton net 35. 2nd division: 1st Clare Aston net 35, 2nd Richard Peirce net 36 c/b, 3rd Ewen Grant 36. 3rd division: 1st Adrian Penning net 31, 2nd Marion MacPhee net 34, 3rd Jan Cook net 38. Raffle winner: Luke Leersnyder. Lucky card winner: Brian Short. Next week, play will be at 9.15 Wednesday. Starters: Sam Atkinson & Richard Peirce. Cards: Roy Powell & Tim Brandon.

Medals for The Mudder

The Mudder is returning to Rangitikei Farmstay on Saturday 21 September, 2019. This filthy, fun filled event has been run by Andrew and Kylie Stewart on their Rangitikei sheep and beef farm for the past four years. This year sees a renewed focus on the relationship between exercise and mental health under the catch phrase, "move your body, shift your mind." For the first time, the focus will be on having fun and all entrants will receive their very own Mudder medal to take home. "We wanted everyone to have something to take home, to remind them of our event and what they've achieved," says event manager Andrew Stewart. "Many of our previous entrants have told us that The Mudder has inspired them to start, or re start exercising and that is very satisfying and inspiring for us, as event organisers." Again, everyone is encouraged to dress up and there are some great prizes for the best dressed. Entries start at just \$10 for kids. Parents and their children can do the 3km course together and the team challenge is perfect for groups of friends, or workmates. With 3km, 5km and 8km course options, there is something for everyone and all levels of fitness. The only things you have to turn up with are the right attitude and a willingness to smile. This year, there will be new obstacles on the course, which won't be revealed until the big day but there will be more of a focus on the upper body and some rope work. Once again, there will be live music at the event HQ, while entrants are enjoying post event food and beverages. "We are always striving to improve The Mudder, to reward our loyal Mudder family and encourage new entrants. Feedback from previous years has proved to us that entrants love what we're providing and if we can inspire people to start an exercise plan, through The Mudder, that's the greatest reward we can hope for," Andrew Stewart says. For more information: www.themudder.co.nz.



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August 22 Solution

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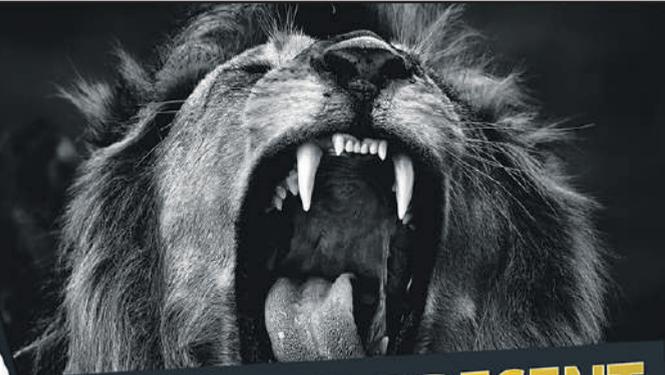
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CENTRAL WARD - MEET THE CANDIDATES EVENING

Where: Rangitikei College Hall, Bredins Line, Marton

Date & Time: Friday 20th September, 7pm.

Local Government Election Ward: Central - being the merger of the former Marton & Hunterville wards

Marton Lions Club warmly invite the public to the '2019 Meet the Candidates Evening' as part of the Local Government Elections for Rangitikei District Council as well as Horizons Regional Council (for Manawatu-Whanganui).

As voters you should be aware that those who get elected to represent you are responsible for determining the programmes and activities that both Council's undertake, which at the end of the day is reflected in your rates.

It is very important that voters take the time to meet those who seek to represent you for the next three year period!

For this election, the Rangitikei District Council seeks 5 Councillors to represent our ward with a total of 9 Candidates standing. For Horizons Regional Council we fall under the Manawatu-Rangitikei Constituency, who seek election of 2 Councillors, with a total of 6 Candidates standing.

Drinks and refreshments will be provided.

The night is also being supported by members of the:



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Property ID: M1374



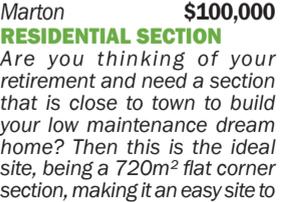

3 Kapuni Street, Marton
EASY CARE SECTION
Morning coffee on the front terrace, overlooking your private sun drenched garden. Sumptuous meal from your well-appointed kitchen & cosy evening in front of the fire, in the large combined lounge & dining room. 3 double bedrooms. Bathroom with bath, toilet & vanity, plus shower in the laundry. Fully fenced compact section, with easy care gardens & carport. Realistically Priced to Sell at \$225,000.
Property ID: M1372




44 State Highway 3, Turakina
ESCAPE THE CITY RAT RACE
Located on State Highway 3, in the heart of Turakina, with the potential to be used as a country retreat, or an artist's studio or shop. 3 bedrooms, plus lounge and kitchen with breakfast bar. Bathroom and laundry, with toilet and shower over bath. Separate lounge at the rear of the dwelling. Private rear section, with large 6 car garage/workshop. Section of 1,012m². Realistically Priced to Sell at \$235,000
Property ID: M1375




10 Purnell Place, Marton
JUST MOVE IN AND BE COSY FOR WINTER
Extremely neat, warm and tidy 1970's brick home with aluminium joinery. Decorated in modern colours, with plush carpet. 3 bedrooms with wardrobes. Separate lounge that opens into the dining room and kitchen. Cosy logfire heating. Bathroom with shower, bath, and vanity. There is also a single garage, plus woodsheds and a covered verandah across the rear of the house. Fully fenced 650m² section. Realistically Priced to Sell at \$265,000.
Property ID: M1369

Marton
RESIDENTIAL SECTION
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Property ID: M1315