

Skate park development all go

Centennial Park's popular skatepark in Marton is on track to be extended. In April this year, Pania and Ray Hemopo submitted a proposal to the RDC to develop an extension of the existing skatepark at Centennial Park – part of the ongoing development of the park.

After a successful submission, the proposal was added to the 2017-2018 RDC annual plan and financial assistance, to help fund the extension, was granted by RDC.

From here, Pania and Ray formed a committee of local groups to raise the remaining funds required. A significant amount of planning, including quotes for the first two stages of the project, has been done. The total cost of the project is \$150,000 and, so far, RDC has committed \$50,000 and grants, organised by Marton Lions, have been received from JBS Dudding Trust (\$50,000) and the Lion Foundation (\$25,000).

Local community support will still be needed to complete the final stage of landscaping and will include the need for physical workers, as well as donations of materials from businesses. Parents of children who use and enjoy the skatepark are asked to volunteer their help if they can. The new section of the park is designed for older, more experienced skaters - to free up the original section for younger users and, hopefully, relieve some of the bullying problems younger users have had to put up with.

The skatepark plan includes the extension, as a well as a covered area, seating and barbecues for public use. A drinking fountain will be added to Centennial Park and work is taking place on the nets surrounding the netball courts. A public toilet is likely to be the next addition.

Pania and Ray Hemopo hope the project will get youth out of a sedentary lifestyle prevalent today and encourage families to spend more time outdoors together.

The original skatepark was developed by Marton Rotary and Marton Lions with community fundraising. It has been thoroughly used and appreciated by children and youth who ride there.

Locals who have the skills and knowledge to help with the final phase are very welcome to contact Pania and Ray Hemopo who say, "Many hands make light work".



Local skatepark kids, with the fundraising committee (left) which is well on the way to adding an extension (on the turf under their feet) to the existing skate track.

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Derek and Sue Wing, farmers from Marton, took a trip to Aussie in July and while they were there they caught up with a former local, Jono Lamm and his partner Alex.

Jono works in huge paddocks that recede into the distance. When the Wings arrived, the wheat paddocks were out and canola paddocks were in flower, presenting a vast yellow landscape.

Jono (aka Jumbo) works for a very successful cropping company, Lawson Grains, as well as having a contracting business of his own. He is currently converting a farm at Wongan Hills in Western Australia called St Leonard's, a half hour north of Perth, to controlled traffic farming. He has already completed a very big farm conversion project which leads the sector in Aussie


Everything about the operation Jono Lampp works for is big and he has gained a huge amount of expertise since joining the Australian Company. Jono previously converted a farm called Walyoo, at Danganan, into controlled traffic farming (CTF) – in a move that was a national model, adopted by his employer Lawson Grains. Lawson Grains owns and operates 10 large scale cropping farms covering

Jono Lampp (left) on the job at St Leonard's WA.

88,200 arable hectares across WA and NSW. The company's machinery fleet includes 16 tracked 370 horsepower tractors, 32 John Deere harvesters and self-propelled spray rigs with 36m booms.

Jono converted the first farm into seven paddocks, ranging in size from 19ha to 1450ha, to increase efficiency. CTF required a lot of forward planning. Paddocks were mapped and measured for size and electromagnetically surveyed for soil types for successful fertilisation and then paddocks were marked according to which tramline orientation would make the most efficient runs. Lots more work followed and results are being monitored.

Jono Lampp has made quite a niche for himself and gained valuable knowledge. He says it's unlikely he will return to NZ



Derek and Sue Wing also visited farms at Lake King and Geraldton where Derek's son Jason Wing worked when he was in Australia.



Sue and Derek Wing.

Big machinery is needed for vast paddocks that recede into the distance at Wongan Hills - a farm being converted to controlled traffic crop farming by former local Jono Lampp.



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VIEWPOINT



Unhappy with BNZ

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The bank has been such an important part of this business and of the Rangitikei community for many years.

As one of the oldest businesses still trading in Marton, we have built up a loyal customer base, which includes many current BNZ customers.

Many of our customers are mature; who do not like, or can't understand modern internet banking.

They pay with cheque and prefer the personal side of their banking through the local branch.

The comments made in our store have been of disappointment and even sadness as the bank that has been part of their everyday lives and the local community is to close.

Also some of our customers are farm based who do not have internet coverage at their properties. Now they have to travel to Feilding to do their banking.

It is also a great shame for the business community and the town which now has lost another business and adds another vacant premise to its CDB.

When I attended the official opening of the new updated branch, the BNZ' area manager said in his speech "We are committed to the Rangitikei and we are here for the long haul" This was greeted with rapturous applause. Oh, how things have changed.

I do accept that modern banking has changed, but I still think that there is an important place for a BNZ branch in the town of Marton. (Also sent to BNZ).

Peter Scott, McGruers Ltd, Marton.

Bulls Rose Show 2017

A wonderful rose show from the small township of Bulls, was a great success, considering the weather we have had. Many entrants produced some beautiful Roses. A big thanks to Jan Harris and Helen Scully and team who worked endless hours to achieve this – well done. Not forgetting the delightful cake which was enjoyed by all. Enthusiastic novice entrants keep showing your roses - its fun and we need you all.

Look forward to 2018 show.

Eleana Rose.

Walkway medal

Being a lovely day, I decided I would go for a tiki tour on my mobility scooter, down and through the Forest and Bird walkway that Lions people and helpers have been busy doing up for the public to walk or ride our vehicles.

Well, I have certainly done that. What a wonderful difference you people have made, from what I remember when I last lived nearby. Well done, good and faithful Lions Club members and helpers. You all deserve medals as it's a huge improvement folks.

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Identifying earthquake risks a difficult task

By Belinda Howard

Since the Christchurch earthquake in 2011, building safety has become a high priority. There is a new national system for identifying and managing earthquake-prone buildings, which includes working out which are high priority areas for making sure buildings are made safe.

In Rangitikei, the priority areas have been identified, usually the main streets in the towns, and this has been put out for consultation. Next week, council will be considering the information from public meetings and submissions and making a decision on its policy.

If the priority areas are accepted, people who own buildings identified as quake-prone in those areas will only have a few years to strengthen or demolish them.

The written submissions, which are publicly available on council's website, mostly focused on whether these areas should actually be classed as high priority, since while they might have higher traffic than other streets, they are still very low traffic areas, compared to streets in larger towns and cities. Some submitters questioned how the priority areas had been identified, and what was behind that decision.

There was also concern that making the main street areas high priority could cause financial problems for building owners who would only have half the time they expected, to make their buildings safe and could result in buildings being demolished or abandoned. That was seen as a significant disadvantage for the towns.

If council decides to make these areas high-priority, it will then have 2.5 years to identify the earthquake-prone buildings in those areas, and the owners will then have another 7.5 years to either upgrade them or demolish them. The timeframe for earthquake-prone buildings outside the high priority areas is much longer – up to 20 years in total.

HEALTH SCENE



Whanganui and MidCentral health districts join forces to improve patient care

For the past year and a half, clinical staff at Whanganui Hospital have been able to view a summary of the health information held by a patient's GP, through a Shared Care Record. This has helped the doctors treating a patient to make safe and sound clinical decisions, because they can see a patient's known allergies and health conditions, as well as their current medication.

Online access to the Shared Care Record allows health providers to safely and easily obtain a summary of patient information through a secure connection. Patient information is protected by security similar to internet banking. It can only be accessed by authorised health professionals and access is audited to maintain confidentiality.

Whanganui Regional Health Network has led implementation of the Shared Care Record in the Whanganui region and has recently reached an agreement with MidCentral DHB to form a joint Shared Care Record. There are many instances when patients receive care across the invisible health boundary between the two boards.

"If a patient from a Whanganui regional practices needs to attend the Emergency Department or after-hours clinics in Palmerston North, those services will have access to the patient's General Practice information - a huge support to diagnosis and treatment," says WRHN clinical director and Bulls Medical Centre GP, Dr Ken Young.

"Consumers are increasingly mobile and expect that they will receive the same level of high quality healthcare regardless of wherever they are seen. If a patient is being treated for a significant trauma in the Emergency Department, they might not be able to provide critical health information. Already stressed relatives might find it difficult or impossible to pass on this information. With the Shared Care Record, that stress is removed." Dr Young says.

While this is a new development between our regions, some other areas like Capital & Coast, Hutt Valley and Wairarapa are already successfully operating a Shared Care Record. All 11 GPs under WRHN have implemented a Shared Care Record, which means over 57,000 enrolled patients in our district are participating.

If patients don't want their health information shared in this way, they can opt out at any time by calling 0800 727 664. More information is available from the Shared Care Record website www.sharedcarerecord.org.nz or by contacting the project leader, Karen Veldhoen at WRHN on 06 348 0109.

BITS n' PIECES



White Ribbon Day -between 30-40 White Ribbon bikers are arriving in Marton this Thursday November 23 at the Marton Memorial Hall. Go go along to meet the bikers from 9.30am onwards. White Ribbon Day is Sunday November 25.

Marton Market Day - Saturday November 25, 9am - 3pm. In Broadway and Follett St. Great Market Day specials from many of our local retailers, and over 200 sites selling gorgeous quality product, from jewellery to childrens toys, garden art to furniture - clear your schedules for, invite all your friends and family to join you and make a day of it.

Marton Christmas Parade - Saturday December 2. Starts 3pm. Get your floats registered for the parade through Broadway on December 2. Float entry forms at McVerry Crawford Motors Ph: R Simpson 027 2452910 or C Stantiall 0274472040.

Bulls Christmas Parade - Saturday December 2 -10am start. Float entries from Bulls Info Centre. 06 322 0051.

Taihape Christmas Parades Dec 2 from 12 to 1 pm, so get your group, organisation or businesses organised and enter a float, or even a walking float. For further information email: info@taihape.co.nz or ring 06 3881307

Fix it - last week we attributed a donation of \$200,000 to the Rangitikei College Trust for the mulit turf project. It should have been \$50,00. They wish they could be that generous.

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Hunterville Shaw House Seniors

Following the Annual General Meeting at Shaw House, Edith Bull welcomed Sonia Cameron , one of members to speak to us of her recent tour “The Battle of Passchendaele, The Western Front” centenary commemorative, 10 day tour 2017 Belgium and France. As we listened to Sonia recall her travels through Belgium and France we could tell that she was reliving her experiences of wonder, beautiful scenery, happy moments and very emotional times, as their tour moved along. The tour took them around well-known memorial gardens, made a visit of the Canadian and Anzac Cemetery and a visit to Memorial Passchendaele 1917 with local guides. There was so much history to see and listen to, on this journey, that was interesting but very sad. Sonia, with her daughter Iona were able to lay a wreath in memory of Sonia’s uncle – and others who had lost sons, husbands and grand-fathers.

The Happy Tours

The October and November away trips were the last trips for the year. On October 5 we visited Whanganui Trafalgar Square, the winter gardens, had lunch at the Cosmopolitan Club and finally Simon Rewiti gave us a guided tour and history of the beautiful Putiki Maori Church. A welcome was extended to Ollie and Joyce, while birthday wishes went to Sue, Jean T, Del, Pat, Sandra and Margaret D. The lucky raffle winners were Francis and Les; raffles donated by Jean and Allan. On November 2 we visited the Crosshills rhododendron gardens at Kimbolton. The rhododendrons and azaleas were absolutely beautiful. Many of our members took advantage of the guided tour and buggy ride around the gardens. A welcome was extended to Dianne and birthday wishes went to Agnes, Michael and Neil. Raffles were won by Margaret, Loretta and Jean T. Our end of year dinner at Cooks Bar and Restaurant will be on November 30. Dinner will be served at 12noon. Parking is available at the rear of the building. Early bookings would be gratefully appreciated by organisers and caterers.

Marton Friendship Club

We meet at Morris St every Friday at 2pm – hall open 1pm. Raffles won by Bill, Sheila, Ken, Norrel and Dawn. Our entertainment was The Kings Quartet, a male choir from Wanganui. Their pianist was Lyn Whiteside. This group was a nice formal choir, good listening and good to look at in their dark red shirts and black trousers. First song was King of the Road as well as many others, the popular spiritual Old Man River, many members joining in. Chitty Chitty Bang livened things up then more variety, to finish up How Great Thou Art. Good voices and great harmony. A very balanced performance enjoyed by all. Thank you to afternoon tea ladies Anne and Sheila. A very good attendance and close about 3.30pm. Entertainment next week is Robyn Curtis on keyboard. This lady will have you all dancing to her tunes, so come along. See you Friday 24 Nov 2pm.

Taihape Bridge Club

Handicap Tray 6.11.17; N/S Colin Baird & Mike Cottrell 63.40%, Allison Thomas & Lesley Keuning 60.55%, Amanda Collier & Janenne Oates 58.87%. E/W Jan Rogers & Cushla Coogan 59.75%, Louisa Gordon & Catherine McCartin 55.79%, Marian Cleaver & Diane McKinnon 52.29%. Handicap Tray 13.11.17; N/S Susan Marshall & Mike Cottrell 54.39%, Cushla Coogan & Jan Rogers 51.81%, Catherine McCartin & Louisa Gordon 51.71%. E/W Allison Thomas & Lesley Keuning 64.85%, Fran Robertson & Allan Thomas 59.82%, John Marshall & Coral Thomas 56.54%. Handicap Tray 20.11.17; N/S Michael Anderson & Robin Batley 57.35%, Colin Baird & Mike Cottrell 53.46%, Louisa Gordon & Allan Thomas 49.71%. E/W Celia Bell & Rob Collier 61.45%, Janenne Oates & Amanda Collier 60.15%, Lance Jones & Jeanette Jones 56.42%.

Life membership for china painter



Sue McClelland - recognised for her contribution to the Marton Arts and Crafts Centre.

When Sue was presented with her Life Membership at the club’s AGM earlier this year, she was hugely surprised and delighted. Now it’s time to do more for herself committee life is behind her, but Sue still intends to continue her support at Marton Arts & Crafts and will be around for a long time to come ready to help out in any way she can. Marton Arts and Crafts says, “We have a wonderful facility in our art centre, many communities long for what we have. In the beginning a group of people saw an opening when then St Stephens School closed its doors. It was the 70’s. The committee worked long and hard to bring it to reality and every committee since has continued to work hard to maintain, grow and improve the centre. This work is about fundraising so we can keep fees down and keep our heritage building in good repair, as well as finding the best tutors possible and offering a range of appealing activities. “Our first life member was honoured in 1971 and over the years following, we have had dedicated members who have gone that step further to organise and help move the centre along. Team work always helped and all members contributed in their own ways. “Crafts have changed through the time, with one or two from the start still continuing. Weaving and pottery have been a pretty constant activity.” Other life members through the years, are Alison Millar, Melva McDougall, Shirley Marshall, and Barbara Lee-Jones who is also the centre’s current patron, Joyce Smith, Helen McLachlan, Norma Northover, Isa Simpson, Beth Adkins, Gerry Geurtjens, Margaret Smith, Valda Dixon, and Maureen Velvin.

Successful plant sale



Tutaenui Rural Women were delighted to sell their hall full of plants last Sunday afternoon, raising money to maintain the Adna Poppe Bursary which is available for anyone within the Rangitikei/ Oroua district to apply for, if pursuing tertiary study concerning agriculture. (Contact Dianna on 06 327 8064). Many happy customers clutching armfuls of plants at bargain prices vowed to be back for the next sale. President Jean Coleman and Linda Welch auctioned all remaining plants, after the initial buying time and thank everyone for supporting this very worthy cause. They are a very community minded women's group and you don't have to live in the country to join them for monthly meetings and outings. If you are interested, give Jean a call on 06 327 7014.

Marton Arts and Crafts Centre’s latest life member is china painter and tutr or Sue McClelland. Sue was given her honour earlier in the year but went off on a trip overseas; so now she can tell her story. Sue started out at Marton Arts & Crafts (MAAC) in 1985; attending an Introduction to China Painting with tutor Kathleen Smith from Wanganui. Up to this point, she had tried all sorts of crafts but finally found “her thing” and just kept on painting and learning. Sue’s next tutor was Jean Waldin from Feilding, who took her on a new journey, encouraging her to study and apply for membership of the NZ Porcelain Art Teachers’ Association. Not long after, Jean retired and Sue took over as tutor of the MAAC china painters. In 1986, Sue was asked to stand for committee and was duly elected. Apart from three years when Anna Williams was president, Sue has been on the committee ever since until this year- serving two complete three year terms as president in that time. From her first year on the committee, Sue helped with staging the annual exhibition. She remembers thinking that first time, how she would pull it all together, as Patricia Forsythe and her team had done in the past but as she gained experience, the job did eventually become easier. Apart from tutoring china painting, sue taught the silk ribbon embroidery classes for two years and held weekend workshops in victorian work box; cloth dolls; teddy bear making; watercolour painting and crazy patchwork elephants; Some of the other classes she went to were - Art (watercolour painting); folk art; pottery; patchwork; spinning and glass art along with a variety of interesting weekend workshops. Sue says she has certainly learnt a lot through MAAC. “Nothing ever stays the same and over the years I have seen many changes at MAAC. I have met a lot of people and made some precious friendships.”

FROM THE PULPIT

God’s Greatest gift

He was the son of a carpenter in a remote section of an oppressed nation. He was God’s greatest gift. The heart of heaven wrapped in human flesh. Christmas is the time when families gather together and gifts are exchanged. It is also the time when we remember the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ. In Luke, chapter 2: verses 10 & 11, the announcement is made of the coming of the Saviour for all people. There are two questions in these verses that need to be answered. Firstly, “Who did Jesus come for?” The Bible says that Jesus came for all people. Whether you live in Marton or Auckland, New Zealand or somewhere around the world, you still fall within the category of “all people.” Whether you are a regular church attender or someone who doesn't attend church regularly, Jesus came for you as a Saviour. The second question that needs to be answered is, “Why do I need a saviour?” Everyone of us has, at sometime in our lives, broken one or more of God's laws or standards. We have told a small white lie or taken a pen or something else that does not belong to us, making us a thief and a liar. These small things make it impossible for God to allow us to enter heaven when we die. The good news is that God sent his Son Jesus to pay the price for our sins, so that we can go to heaven when we die. I encourage you to take some time over the next few weeks to ponder the real meaning of Christmas and the gift of Jesus that has been given for all people. A gift given for you.

**Pastor Graham Moore
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MARTON MARKET DAY

2017

SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

9am to 3pm

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Marton Market Day is on this Saturday, 25 November, in Broadway and Marton Park. "This is your party - let your hair down and enjoy!! And be sure to bring your wallets!" says Cath Ash from organisers, Project Marton.

"This is a shopping extravaganza with the very best Christmas shopping all in one spot and great Market Day specials from many of our local retailers, and over 200 sites selling gorgeous quality product, from jewellery to children's toys, garden art to furniture; this is one festival to clear your schedules for, invite all your friends and family to join you and make a day of it.

Marton Market Day is the busiest day of the calendar for the Rangitikei District which welcomes thousands of visitors from as far away as Wellington, the Wairarapa, New Plymouth and Taupo! "This is our day to shine. And shine we do, with classy international entertainment, including the hilarious stunt comic - Joel Fenton, the crazy, wanna-be-superstar that is Vinyl Burns. The rhythmic beats from African drummers Manawataki and Manawatus Samba Ao Vento Brazilian beats will have you dancing in the street, while the well polished performances from our local students will have you tapping your toes and singing along.

"Naturally, there will be plenty of free children's activities in Marton Park with the Rover Scouts team, lead by Cameron Randles and Jasmin Vanderwerf. Join in and have a blast. We are also thrilled to have REACT (Rangawhahia Environmental Arts Centre Trust) joining us; creating memories... and gorgeous pieces of artwork.

CALL IN - Grannie's Grotto in lower Broadway, will be open for the day too, from 10am-2pm...be sure to get your glittery Christmas fix.

RAFFLE - a huge, warm thank you to all the awesome stall holders! We have a massive raffle on the day, with products generously donated by our stallholders - with proceeds going towards local initiatives. Raffle winners end up with a massive, eclectic mix of goodies, perfect for Christmas. Be sure to buy a ticket from the Project Marton site, in the park, or from one of the lovely raffle sellers roving through the crowds.

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Jo Donovan and Malcolm Collier cut the Majestic Theatre's centennial cake.
Photo Allison Bowsher.

Majestic Theatre reaches 100

By Terry Karatau

Grand old lady, Taihape's Majestic Theatre, looked resplendent at 100, thanks to the sterling work of many folk over many years. A large crowd attended the special centenary celebration of the Majestic Theatre recently. Chair of the theatre's management committee, Gail Larsen, opened the proceedings saying that Taihape nearly lost the theatre when it was planned for demolition. "Malcolm Collier and his late wife Pam saved this beautiful old lady." Gail introduced the Arcadian singers who enthralled the crowd with two songs. Ms Larsen acknowledged theatre manager Simone Simpson and the many groups who had voluntarily worked hard over the years raising funds to improve the theatre and do the huge task of getting enough money to "go digital." The theatre now screens recently released movies. Gail said the actual birthday is December 2 but because of that time of year it was decided to hold the celebration earlier. Lifetime member of the Majestic, Jo Donovan and Malcolm Collier cut the cake then Happy Birthday to the Majestic was sung.

First Lilliput Library benefits youngsters



Junior pupils at Taihape Area School, under the guidance of teacher Sue Devaney, have opened a "Lilliput Library" at the school (the box on the right). The first in the North Island. Sue Devaney explained that the idea was first introduced in the South Island by NZ poet Ruth Anison.

"It gives more opportunity for children to read," Ms Delaney said. "The idea is children can take books, read and return them. They may also have books at home that can be added to the library."

The junior children chose the designs and painted them on the book receptacle. The rainbow, to show that reading brings colour into young lives, the gumboots represent Taihape and the hearts show the love of reading. The library already has a number of books ready to read.

FROM THE PULPIT



Moral Materialism

A truly modern affliction, affluenza is endemic in Western societies, encouraged by those who profit from a culture of exploitation and waste. So how do we cure ourselves?

Richard Denniss, in his recent Australian book, shows we must distinguish between consumerism – the love of buying things, which is undeniably harmful to us and the planet, and materialism – the love of things, which can in fact be beneficial. He argues we can still have a thriving economy, while buying less stuff. He says materialism and consumerism are fundamentally misunderstood and, in fact, we should be more materialistic, by taking pleasure in the things we own already. He also argues we should spend money to grow the economic pie, by supporting the things we value most: vibrant communities and rich experiences.

We should cherish the things we own – preserve them, repair them, and then gift or sell them, when we no longer need them. We must foster new ways of thinking and acting that do not squander limited resources.

Bernard O'Donnell
Taihape Minister's Association

Ag chainsaw donation



Bryan Davison and Steve Black (centre) from Marton Outdoor Power Centre with Charlie Duncan (right), holding two Oleo-Mac GS44 chainsaws, generously donated to the Otiwhiti Agricultural Training School, near Hunterville, for use by their cadets. The Oleo-Mac company donated one and the pair from the Marton Outdoor Power Centre donated another. Charlie says the saws are greatly appreciated by the cadets at the Otiwhiti farm school and are put to good use. Future cadets will learn how to care for them, especially after a recent fuel mixup. He says the Ag school has already purchased a mower from the Marton Outdoor Power Centre and it highly recommends their service. The Otiwhiti Agricultural Training School has a role of 11 cadets in 2017, all of them have managed to get local jobs. The roll for 2017 is 16 cadets.

Class of '58 visits Awastone



Some of the Class of '58 getting ready to "hit the water" for rafting on the Rangitikei River. Photo: Terry Karatau.

Every two years for some time now, the Class of '58 (ex-Taihape District High School) get together and celebrate years of camaraderie and friendship. This time, about 30 ex-students, husbands, wives and partners booked out all the local accommodation, arriving in caravans, motor homes and campers at Mangaweka's awesome Awastone, on the Rangitikei River and enjoyed a great weekend.

Most arrived on Friday afternoon, settled in, mixed and mingled and shared a few stories, some a little dubious. The highlight of the reunion was the raft trip down the Rangitikei from Mangaweka to Otara Rd bridge at Ohingaiti.

Five rafts, excellent guides and fantastic scenery. The old classmates enjoyed four hours on the water and an hour at Whitecliff boulders for lunch. A few rapids negotiated and wet bums later, the crew was back at 'camp' and readied for a delicious barbeque dinner and much hilarity. After Sunday breakfast everyone headed towards home. Some took time to call into the Majestic Theatre in Taihape. However, the whole gathering thanked their leader for organising another great time and the awesome Awastone crew for hosting the group.

Taihape Panel

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US Ambassador Inspires Students With Story Of Hard Upbringing And Determination To Succeed

“When I was 18, I wasn’t sure where I was headed or what I was going to do. I had nothing but resilience and basketball that kept me going. I could have wound up in jail or worse, but I had teachers, coaches and friends who believed in me, helped me along the way and showed me that persistence could make a difference in life.” So said US Ambassador to New Zealand and the Independent State of Samoa and former US senator Scott Brown, to a packed hall at the Rangitikei College senior prizegiving ceremony two weeks ago.

Mr Brown outlined his tough childhood where there was very little money around, where both his parents each married four times, and where he moved 17 times by the time of his eighteenth birthday. However, he was determined to change his life around and went on to become a lawyer, a colonel in the National Guard, and then a politician that led to his appointment as President Trump’s man in New Zealand and Samoa.

He identified several key factors that led to his success and he challenged students to make them their own. He encouraged students to follow their passion, “whether it’s in art, or science, or writing, or rock and roll. Don’t let anyone tell you differently—at best, your passion can become your lifelong career, at worst, it will sustain you through dark times.” And he urged them not to ever be afraid of risks. Quoting US poet TS Eliot who observed that “only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go,” he suggested that plenty of people are afraid of success. “It’s easier to just hang around the same places with the same people and never look around the corner. But big dreams bring big results. And yeah, I can hear you saying, big failures. Yeah, sure; big failures. But big failures are in themselves great opportunities. Everyone falls down; you gotta get up again if you want to stay in the race.”

Responding to an invitation to visit the Rangitikei from principal of Rangitikei College, Tony Booker, Brown had spent much of the day touring local areas of interest with Mayor Andy Watson, along with his wife Gail Huff-Brown. He saw it as a great opportunity to learn more about the region and the New Zealand school system. He concluded his remarks to a very appreciative audience by congratulating prize-winners and stating “Rangitikei College is a special place. The teachers here are dedicated to providing you with opportunities—they are doing their best to offer a learning environment that works for each and every one of you. So, you guys are already ahead of the game.

“You have a great school, interesting classes, innovative education and a strong and supportive community to help you, not just figure out where you are headed but also helping you get there... It’s giving you a great advantage and it’s one I hope you all recognize and profit from.”



Rangitikei College Senior prizes 2017



2017 Dux is Jermaine Moke.
He was awarded the Rangitikei College Trust Scholarship.

Proxime Accessit is Kim Gust.
She was awarded the Zenobia Meads Memorial Scholarship.



HONOURS AWARD

Kaleb Ngatoa - Formula First - Competed in the Summer Series and finished 2nd in the Winter Series. Selected and attended the Elite Motorsport Academy. Attended the National Schools in Karting. Competed at the 2017/18 Formula First Summer Series.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Evelyn Harrison, Excellence in Level 3 Science - Peter Harris Bursary prize, Jamie Cranshaw Rangitikei College Tertiary Scholarship, Kim Gust, Evelyn Harrison, Sonny Mitchell, Jermaine Moke, Zachary Scott, Kaitlyn Smyth, Bethany Stanton, Monika Wirihana-Tawake, Jermaine Moke - Rangitikei District Council Scholarship, Zachary Scott, Jermaine Moke - St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church Tertiary Training Scholarship.

CULTURAL AWARDS

Tia Wright - Most Improved in Tikanga Maori - Harding Cup, Te Kopiona Ratana, Leadership Qualities in Maori Culture - Nicholls Family Award.
Monika Wirihana-Tawake - Dedication and Commitment - Kia Puawai Te Kakano Tikanga Maori Memorial Trophy, Contribution to School Music, Nestle Cup.
Riley Boyle - Excellence in Senior Drama - Marton Players Theatre Trophy
Joseph So’onalole and Monika Wirihana-Tawake - Excellence in Sport and Cultural Activities, Thompson Whanau Cup.

SPORTS AWARDS

Jacob Carlyon -2017 Senior Boys Sport Champion - Klitscher Cup, Rangitikei College 1st in Intermediate Boys Athletics Champion, 1st in Intermediate Boys Cross Country Champion, 3rd in Intermediate Boys Swimming, School representative for: Whanganui Secondary Schools Swimming, Whanganui Secondary Schools Cross Country, Whanganui Secondary Schools Athletics, completed the great Lake Forest half Marathon in 1hr 48min, 49sec
Kim Gust -2017 Senior Girls Sport Champion - Gould Trophy, Rangitikei College 1st Place Senior Girls Swimming, school representative for Whanganui Secondary Schools Swimming
Rangitikei College recipient for Most Consistent Senior Netball Player, Winner of E Grade Womens’ Rangitikei Squash Club Champs.

HOUSE SHIELD - Ruahine and Tararua - winning houses for 2017.

A full prize list was posted on November 8, to the Rangitikei College Facebook page.



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MARTON GOLF

Thursday 16 November: B Beck 42 D Angove 41 G Calkin 39 L Wake 38 H Bremner 38 T Arnott 37 R McDermott 37 I Batcheler 37 G Velvin 35 P Connolly 34 D Clark 34 T Hammond 34 I Christison 31. Most golf F Ravn. Saturday 18 Nov: Winter Cup winner: C Bary. Stableford competition: D Green 40, T Calkin 39, B Francis 38, A Stewart 37, T Mischewski 36, CWilliams 36, D Oliver 36, S Duncan 35, G Calkin 35, H Bremner 35, FBH I Wake. Two's: T.Mischewski (6th). Coming events: Saturday 25 Nov, Shootout, 8am tee off. Normal club golf, 11am tee off. Duty: M.Jones. Twilight Wednesday; 4.30 - 6pm tee off.



Above: Adrian Duncan junior champion of champions and Troy Calkin, senior nett winner.

MARTON NINE HOLE GOLF

Wonderful weather and a stunning looking course for the second round of the ACA summer series; Tuesday 21st. Results: 1st division; 1st Jill Yortt 19, 2nd Brian Willis 19 c/b. 2nd division: 1st Mike Moreland 20, 2nd Luke Leersnyder 20 c/b, 3rd Richard Peirce 19. 3rd division: 1st Marg Lampp 21, 2nd Clare Aston 20 c/b, 3rd Gillian Campbell 20 c/b, 4th Jan Cook 20 c/b. Next week is medal, with starters: Neil Powell & Ewen Grant. Cards: Adrian Penning & Bob Barrett. Kitchen: Marg Lampp. Good luck to Tim & Linda Brandon, Louisa Craig & Dave McDougall who will represent us next Friday's champion of champions at Manawatu Golf Club.

MARTON LADIES' GOLF CLUB

Prizegiving 2017. Summer Cup: Erica Clark, runner-up Christine Skou. Summer eclectics nett: Erica Clark, runner-up Allie Bary. Nancy McCormick Cup: Bron Bielby & Helen Wilton, runner-up Chris Ellery & Gill Burne. Jeanette Beilby trophy: Christine Skou. Bessie Fullerton-Smith trophy: Desi Singer. J.P. Openshaw trophy: Pat McVerry. Fay Lumsden memorial: Noeline McDermott. Marshall tray: Rachel Williams, runner-up Helen Wilton. McGruer Cup: Gill Burne, runner-up Leighann Belsham. Gaisford Cup: Marlene Poppe, runner-up Eleanor Bowler. Ann Poppe championship handicap flight: Desi Singer, runner-up Sharon Jensen. Top qualifier - silver: Jenny Ritchie. Top qualifier - bronze 1: Rachel Williams. Top qualifier - bronze 2: Marg Hunt. Top qualifier - bronze 3: Eleanor Bowler. Rhodes Cup - best 2 netts in bronze 3 qualifying rounds - Eleanor Bowler. Mary Turner Cup: Gill Burne. Silver champion: Jenny Ritchie, runner-up Allie Bary. Bronze 1 champion: Rachel Williams, runner-up Christine Skou. Bronze 2 champion: Helen Wilton, runner-up Ros Morrison. Bronze 3 champion: Diane Chapman, runner-up Eleanor Bowler. Fay Pedley Cup Caroline Watson & Noeline McDermott and Di Gilmour & Helen Wilton. Eclectics silver gross: Jenny Ritchie. Eclectics silver nett: Allie Bary. Eclectics bronze 1 gross: Rachel Williams. Eclectics bronze 1 nett: Viv Tattle. Eclectics bronze 2 gross: Leighann Belsham. Eclectics bronze 2 nett: Helen Wilton. Extra day eclectics nett: Leighann Belsham. Extra day eclectics gross: Caroline Watson. Birdie tree - silver: Jenny Ritchie. Birdie tree - bronze: Ros Morrison. Par tree bronze 2: Leighann Belsham. Top scoreboard gross: Jenny Ritchie. Top scoreboard nett: Leighann Belsham. Putting: March: Marg Simpson, April: Marg Hunt, May: Cheryl Rhodes, June: -, July: Viv Tattle, August: Cheryl Rhodes, September: Gill Burne, Marlene Poppe, Christine Skou, October: Erica Clark. Putting Cup: Jenny Ritchie. Stableford Cup: Leighann Belsham. Frae Ona Cup: Leighann Belsham. Par Cup: Christine Skou. Galpin Cup: Rachel Williams. Burne Cup: Jenny Ritchie. Points Cup silver (Crawford Cup): Jenny Ritchie. Bronze 1 (Hirst Cup): Gill Burne. Bronze 2 (Simpson Cup): Leighann Belsham. LGU buttons - silver: Jenny Ritchie, bronze 1: Gill Burne, bronze 2: Helen Wilton. Aotearoa Cup: Bron Bielby. Coronation Cup & gross: Cheryl Rhodes & Allie Bary. Broadway Colour Plus: Christine Skou & Di Chapman.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Wednesday 15 November: competition stableford: Michelle Mossop 48pts, Chris Shem & Rob Giles 46pts, Ash Reed & Pat Pearce 45pts, Bob Pittaway 44pts, Ian MacKay & Lyndon Moore 43pts, Bruce Kinloch, Stu DeBurgh, Brian Francis & Marke Neville all 42pts, Ann Robinson, Ian Whitehead, Bryan Northcott, Bob Wilson, Bill Patene & Judy Cooksley all 41pts, Marty Field, Russell Kane & Peter Young all 40pts. Twos: Michelle Mossop on 16th. Well done Michelle - keep up the great golf. Jackpot holes 6 & 7; Kevin Taylor with 8pts. Lucky draw: Keith Williams. Scores were like the weather - very hot.

RANGATIRA GOLF CLUB

Results, men 4/11/17 par: J Bismark -4, W Guiniven -4, B Lampp -3, D Livingston -1. Ladies 8/11/17: golfer of the year; Jo Alabaster 41, K Byford 37cb, M Young 37, M Walshe 36, M Brennan 36, H Bismark 35, D King 34. Nine hole 8/11/17 stableford; R Florence 22.

HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 14 Nov; summer stableford; R Karatea 29, P Charlesworth 28. Men; L Neumann 29, D Wright 26. Nine hole; D Penfold 23, L Churchill 22, B Hills 22, R Little 21, J Van Loo 20, G James 20, G Burgess 13. Nearest pin; L Neumann. Top Dog winners: ladies; J Stantiall. Men; L Neumann. Nine hole; G Burgess. Summer golf tee time; 9.30am. Saturday 18th; mates' rates Christmas cheer. Stableford: sen men; J Clarke (Hawkestone) 41, M Spackman (H) & G Franks (H) 39, G Burgess (H), M George (Apiti) & P Scott (H) 36, D McKenzie (A),

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D Worsfold (H), M Hawken (Patea), J Stella (H), G Thomas (Taihape) 35. Jun men; M Pickford (H) 46, D Wright (H) & M Porter (H) 44, G Forbes (H) & D Humphrey (Feilding) 42, P Maitland (H) & G Charles (H) 41, N Skelton (H) 40. Women; R Karatea (H) & S Wells (H) 41, J Stantiall (H) 38, L Tipu (H) 36, B Hill (P) 32. Nearest the pins; s/m = R Geary (A), j/m = D Wright (H), w = not struck, V Burke (P) by lot. Long drives; s/m = B Manunui (A), j/n = D Humphrey (F), w = L Tipu (H). Twos; J Clarke (H) #14, G Thomas (T) # 7. Coming events: Tuesday summer golf, 18 holes 9.30am & 9 holes 10.00am tee off. Prizegiving date TBA. Saturday 25 Nov closing day 11.00 am tee off. Visitors and casual golfers play 9 or 18 holes for only \$10. New members pay only \$250 to join. All welcome. Contact Grant; 0210 572 931.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Results 18 November – completion stableford: seniors: Lyndon Moore 41, Liz Kane & Murray Bruhn 39pts, Rob Giles 38pts, Polly Perkins 37pts & Tamati Anaru 36pts. Juniors: Ken Metekingi 54pts, Ann Robinson 49pts, Derek Philipps 47pts, Pire Wehi & Ash Reed 43pts, Neville Berendt & Alan Wix 42pts, Dan Scotson 41pts, Heather Craig & Liz Halford 40pts, Peter Young & Michelle Mossop 39pts. Twos: Neville Berendt, Polly Perkins & Pire Wehi all on 3rd, Michelle Mossop 16th.

TAIHAPE GOLF

Matthew Thomas won the senior champion of champions at Marton that put Taihape only 1 shot away from taking out the Chamberlain shield. Manawatu won the teams' event. However, a checking of the scores for Manawatu gives them a total of 503, which means Taihape should have been declared the winner. The final result has been challenged and is awaiting confirmation. James Fannin had the best net on the day. This is the third time Thomas has taken individual honours. The gross scores were Matt Thomas 75 and 71, Danny Mickleson 87 and 86, James Fannin 88 and 94. Back home, Hamish Rose was again too good, leading the field in, 6 up on par. With a few members cleaning up the trees on 1, 16 and 18, the course was well presented and greens reasonably firm. Rose had 6 pars flying home, 5 up. Ken Cribb came in 3 up, playing the last few holes extremely well. Denis Robertson backed up last week's round, coming in 2 up, in a good even round. Kerry Wells shot 76, aided by birdies on 1, 3, 8 and 14; just having a little difficulty on the 16th, in an otherwise excellent round of 2 up. John Fenemor came in 2 down, displaying some aggressive and rewarding tee shots, despite being 3 down early on in his match with Peter Valentine, his power and precision in the middle of the round, turned the result in his favour and he now meets Koke Cashell in the semifinals. Twos: Kerry Wells (8 and 14), Alan Thomas (14). This Sunday, closing day is scheduled, with a bbq planed at the conclusion of the round.

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RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Notice of Meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings for
December 2017

Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee

Monday 4th at 3.00 pm

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

Tuesday 5th at 11.00 am

Turakina Community Committee

Thursday 7th at 7.30 pm

(Ben Nevis Hotel, SH-3, Turakina)

Audit/Risk Committee

Monday 11th at 2.00 pm

Bulls Community Committee

Tuesday 12th at 5.30 pm

(Supper Room, Bulls Town Hall, High Street, Bulls)

Ratana Community Board

Tuesday 12th at 6.30 pm

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

Taihape Community Board

Wednesday 13th at 5.30 pm

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

Marton Community Committee

Wednesday 13th at 7.00 pm

(Youth Club, Centennial Park, Humphrey St, Marton)

Council

Thursday 14th at 9.30am

Hunterville Community Committee

Monday 18th at 6.30 pm

(Library, Hunterville Town Hall, Bruce Street, Hunterville)

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.

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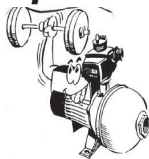
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TAIHAPE RUGBY & SPORTS CLUB
INCORPORATED

Annual General Meeting
to be held at the clubrooms on
Monday November 27, 2017 at 7pm.
Agenda: President's report, minutes read and
confirmed, Treasurer's report, Election of Officers,
General Business.
Supporters and players new and old.
All Welcome



RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Temporary Closure Of Various
Roads To Vehicular Traffic

PURSUANT to Section 342 (b) and the Tenth Schedule
of the Local Government Act 1974, NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Rangitikei District Council, for the purpose
of permitting Project Marton to hold the Marton Market
Day, will close the following roads listed hereunder to
ordinary vehicular traffic for the period as stated.

Roads to be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic on
Saturday 25 November 2017:

7am -5pm

Broadway – from High Street to Hopping Electrical on
Broadway

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CHAPEL



Sunday November 26

10am
Family Worship Service
Speaker:
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Topic:
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CHURCH

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Daniell St, Bulls
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Rangitikei Anglican Parish

WORSHIP SERVICES



Sunday November 26
8.00am St Stephen's, Marton
10.00am St Andrew's, Bulls (Patronal Festival)

Wednesday November 29
10.00am St Stephen's, Marton

Contact: Parish Office 06 327 8398

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

Weekly Masses

Monday - Thursday - Friday
Marton 7.45am Adoration - Mass 9am
Bulls Tuesday Mass 10am
Marton Wednesday Mass and Adoration 10am
Weekend Masses
Marton Saturday Mass 10am - followed by
Reconciliation
Bulls Saturday Mass 6pm
Marton Sunday Mass 9.30am - 2pm Devotions
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MARTON BOWLING CLUB

More apologies for being out of action again last week, but here are some great results. Sunday 12 November: fours moo, Crew Cut, ITM tournament results- 1st: Bruce Bannen's team from Taihape, 2nd: Peter Saywell's team from Marton, 3rd: Wayne Benny's team from Waverley. Monday 13 November: women's Simonsen Cup challenge was played at Aramoho Bowling Club, against teams from: Whanganui, Whanganui East, Laird Park and, the holders of the trophy, Aramoho. Our Marton team, consisting of: Tania George- lead, Jean Coleman- two, Elaine Saywell- three and Joanne Simpson- skip, came away with 3 wins and a draw, plus the trophy! Congratulations on your win ladies, an excellent result! Wednesday 15 November: women's club championship pairs results - 1st: Shirley Wallace & Tania George, 2nd Elaine Saywell and Veronica Miles. Congratulations on your wins also ladies! Wednesday 15 November roll-up results: 1st: Bev Toulman, Russell Gillard, Mickey Neumann(s), 2nd: Murray Coleman & Ray Hardy, 3rd: Peter Saywell & Neil Gardner. Saturday 18 November, men's club championship fours results- 1st: Ray Harding, Kevin Mullany, Murray Coleman, Mickey Neumann(s), 2nd: Russell Gillard, Neil Gardiner, J.D., Tony Stockton(s). Well played everyone.

MARTON CROQUET CLUB

Results - Monday-13/11/17- association - K Fitchett 9 v A Winmill 11, Murray McNae 11 v L McLay 24, D Winmill13 v T Martyn 11, R McLay 8 v G McIntyre 3. Golf croquet - P Hince 7 v L Thompson 6, E Hince, G Thompson 5 v M Vallance 7, M Vallance/E Hince 0 v L Thompson 7, P Hince 3 v G Thompson 7, P Hince 4, 6 v M Vallance 7, 3, G Thompson 7, 4 v E Hince/L Thompson 5, 4. Wednesday 15/11/17 - P Hince 7, 4 v G Thompson 4, 7, J McDougall 4 v E Hince 3. Saturday 18/11/17 - association - G McIntyre 16 v Murray McNae 21, T Martyn/G Thompson 11 v S Johnson/L Thompson 4. Golf croquet - M Vallance/T Clark 7 v M Meek/L Johnson 1, 33 L Johnson 7 v P Hince 5, P Hince 7 v M Meek 4, P Hince 7 v M Vallance 3, L Johnson/Amy 7 v M Vallance/T Clark 3.

Kiwis dubbed 'Call Blacks' after big wins in world duck calling champs

The success of Nelson schoolgirl Holly Irvine and Otago's Hunter Morrow in the world waterfowl calling championships in the United States has been hailed as "an amazing achievement."

Holly, 13, and Hunter, a builder, have been competing in the World Waterfowl Calling Championships in the US state of Maryland.

Hunter, New Zealand's reigning champ, came second in the world champs' open duck division and third place in live goose calling. Holly took out third place in the junior duck calling division.

The world championships, which have been running for 40 years, attract competitors from around the world and large crowds of enthusiastic fans.

Loud applause greeted Holly Irvine's victory and she is vowing to return, with the goal of winning the junior division and being best in the world.

Organiser of the New Zealand championships, Adam Rayner, says it is an amazing result.

"Hunter's placing was the highest ever by a Kiwi, while Holly was the only female competitor and one of the youngest competing at the world championships.

"New Zealanders should appreciate just how big an achievement this is – these two are right up there with the world's best," Mr Rayner says.

"Holly and Hunter deserve high praise for what they have done. A duck caller is a wind instrument and you have to use your tongue and breathing in exactly the right way.

"It's a difficult skill and certainly not one that can be learnt overnight."

Fish & Game communications manager Don Rood describes the results as "brilliant".

"Fish & Game congratulates Holly and Hunter for their terrific success.

"The championships are huge, in the United States and Canada in particular and competition is intense. Winning in such a tough environment, in front of a live crowd, says much about their dedication and skills," says Don Rood.

"They have been great ambassadors for New Zealand on the world stage.

"Perhaps we should dub them the Call Blacks, or perhaps the Black Quacks."

TWO HISTORICAL CELEBRATIONS AT OHAKEA AIR BASE

Three T-6C Texan aircraft land at Base Ohakea after a training flight (below). The first Royal New Zealand Air Force(RNZAF) pilots trained using the T-6 Texan II integrated pilot training system will graduate tomorrow and will do so under a newly consecrated squadron standard (flag). The pilots of 16/1 pilot course will receive their brevets after witnessing the consecration and presentation of a new standard for the re-established No. 14 Squadron. No. 14 Squadron was first formed in 1942 as the RNZAF's first fighter unit, deploying into several theatres, until taking up the role of advanced pilot training in 1972. It was disbanded in December 2001 and re-established with the introduction of the T-6C Texan II trainers in 2015.



Above: Three T-6C Texan aircraft land at Base Ohakea after a training flight.

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