

# New design skatepark opens

You can "mongo but don't "snake" on the fantastic new look Marton Skatepark. That's according to MC Kyle Hamilton, at last Saturday's reopening of the newly designed park (by Rich Landscapes and a local committee) which is being hailed as the best new design in NZ..

Skateboarders and scooters, big and small, waited in anticipation as the formal speeches and acknowledgements took place before they were set free on the new layout.

Saturday was the culmination of four years work by initiators Rei and Pania Hemopo, who led the charge to complete the project. Their son BJ Hemopo spoke first, saying he felt an enormous sense of pride and responsibility for the new look park. He says he grew up while his parents fought to build a skatepark circuit.

Mayor Andy Watson thanked the Hemopo family for presenting the district council with a plan for the park that it couldn't refuse. He thanked Rotarian Andrew Shand for driving the project. He says Ngati Apa provided accommodation for McMillan Builders who undertook the new construction.

Pania Hemopo acknowledged a previous attempt to add to the park by skater Roma Strong. She says there are still plans to add toilets, seating and barbecues to encourage families to use the area.

She thanked committee members for their work. Pania says, "It is built so kids don't sit at home watching social media. They can come to the skatepark.We have amazing riders in Marton."

Rotary president Ray Sisley said, "The quality of the initial proposal was so good we couldn't ignore it. With Pania's vision and the Rotary brand power, we were confident."

After a few demonstrations by guest skaters, the first local scooters and skaters to officially use the park were 5 and 6 year olds.



The first locals to officially use the re-designed skatepark in Marton were 5 and 6 year olds. They were followed by a host of expert skaters and scooter riders who took part in afternoon competitions. Liz Rayner photo.



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### Glittering 2019 Youth Awards [arton Memorial All of the nominees present were invited to stage for applause. Regional Growth Fund (the youngest in NZ to receive a grant).

It was a glittering black and gold night at the Marton Memorial Hall last Thursday evening for the second Rangitikei Youth Awards sponsored by John Turkington Forestry Ltd.

Guests were treated to music from singer - Jessamy and evening supper, before hearing from MC Aaron Mulligan and Reihana Hemi who did and great job of acting as MCs. Seventy six entries were received this year compared to 19 in 2018, indicating the growth of the event in the district.







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\*Offer applies to Colourplus 4 & 10L size variants. Colourplus UltraCare white base only Tinting charges extra. Offer ends 9th June 2019 or while stocks last. All of the nominees present were invited to stage for applause. Mayor Andy Watson congratulated all taking part and thanked major sponsors Angela and JohnTurkington. He also thanked Nadia Gower who took the role of council's Rangitikei Youth liaison, 12 months ago and has worked extremely hard to promote and enhance the annual youth awards.

Guest speaker Liam McLeavey from Massey University told youth to be proud of their achievements and said the awards highlight the amount of potential in this community. He says he is from Horowhenua and joining a youth council changed his life for the better. He is currently running an education to employment company, funded by a \$50,000 grant from the





so don't let failure stop you."

also helped set up the event.

generosity.

Most of the entrants in the 2019 Rangitikei Youth Awards on stage.

Left: overall winner Alyce Turner. Back: MCs Reihana Hemi, Aaron Mulligan and organiser Nadia Gower.

Alyce Turner won the overall Outstanding Youth winner sponsored by The Downs Group -Alyce was responsible for the formation of the Rangitikei College Rotary Interact Group.

Bridget Bone won the Leadership section sponsored by Marton Rotary. Bridget is head girl of Nga Tawa Diocesan School and has been exemplary in all aspects of her life, academic sports and culture. Having self-leadership has seen her gain nothing other than excellence in study - all of which has seen her achieve scholarships from Auckland and Otago Universities.

Jodie Daines was runner up - Dux of Rangitikei College and who demonstrated consistent leadership and avid support for junior hockey.

**Daisy Power won the Eco Warrior sponsored by River Valley Tours.** Daisy is a founding member of the Nga Tawa Enviro Group created in 2015 when they first embarked on becoming an Enviroschool.

Runner up was the Rotary Interact Group of Rangitikei College.

### Onyx Lye won the Youth in Sport award sponsored by Hautapu Pine

Onyx's exceptional sporting achievements include Manawatu regional boxing champion, Auckland regional boxing champion, Central NI regional Champion, Tongan Champion, Western Australian Champion, Queensland Golden Gloves Champion, NZ Golden Gloves Champion, ANZAC Super Series Champion and NZ Champion. He finished the year the #1 ranked junior boxer in NZ across all weight divisions.

**Georgina Bryant** was runner up. Georgina stood out for her contribution to her own sporting success, along with support for other young people in sport. Georgina is a national and international representative in triathlon, making the World Triathlon Championships in 2018 for the 16-19 age group team and has qualified again in 2019 to attend the World Champs in Switzerland in the Under 19 team.

### Jacob Carlyon won the Giving Back award sponsored by The Downs Group.

Jacob has a passion for sport, exercise and wellbeing, and has worked to share that passion with others. He voluntarily ran trainman programmes at Rangitikei College weights room. Since leaving school, he has become a qualified personal trainer at the Rangitikei Gym. He is a volunteer firefighter and gave back the most when he resusitated a member of the community.

It came about because he saw a need to link students to jobs.

He also said, "You learn more from failure then from success,

John and Angela Turkington also took the stage. John

acknowledged the sponsorship of Fortuna Forest Products

from Auckland who were keen to sponsor local projects.

All the sponsors mentioned below were thanked for their

Members of the newly established Rangitikei Youth Council,

Sophie Ward was the Youth for Youth winner sponsored by Marton New World. Following Sophie's experience on a 10 - day Spirit of Adventure voyage, she returned to Rangitīkei College with a plan to send a group of 10 Year 10 students on a shorter five day trophy voyage.

Tia Wright was runner up. Tia has been an outstanding role model for success in the arts and music.

Rotary Interact Club of Rangitīkei College won the Youth Group award sponsored by Fortuna Forest Products. This group has made a huge contribution to the community. Volunteering for the Rotary Club of Marton at fundraising events and for Project Marton and volunteering for Shed Tours with Lions Man Shed day. Club mmebers also won individual awards. **MaD - Youth Group was** the runner up. MaD is an anagram for Making a Difference. This recently formed group is already making a difference in their hometown of Taihape and across the district. They have been involved in replanting at the rear of Taihape Memorial Park alongside RDC and DoC.

### Todd Sutton won the award for Youth in Apprenticeship sponsored by Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa

Todd started his apprenticeship in 2015 and is employed by Richards Construction Ltd. Thoughout his apprenticeship Todd's attitude has been of the highest standard, always well prepared and has excellent communication skills. He finished in the top 10 in 2018 Apprentice of the Year.

**Jacob Davison** was runner up. He started at Alf Downs Electrical as 'Friday Boy' a traditional role in the company that allows a newcomer to demonstrate their work ethic before earning a trade apprenticeship.

### Shawn Bonner won the Youth in Employment section sponsored by Fortuna Forest Products.

During his employment at Hautapu Haulage, Shawn proved his stamina, politeness and work ethic to stick to a job and do it to the best of his ability. When he turned 21 he successfully gained his initial class 5 HT license and patiently perservered until the age of 25 when he was able to sit his full truck and trailer licence. **Jacob Carlyon** was runner up. Jacob found his passion for Physical Education while at Rangitīkei College and through his last year, started training as a personal trainer at UCOL; completing his certificate after finishing college.





# National award for Rangitikei Hockey



Black Sticks team including local Olivia Shannon (Waituna West) in the centre, holding the NZ Hockey Gold Membership Award given to Rangitikei for the biggest increase in player numbers in NZ. Olivia's first hockey rep team was Rangitikei.

Rangitikei Hockey Association won a national hockey award at the recent Hockey NZ annual awards.

The local group won the gold award for the highest percentage increase in hockey players out of the 32 associations throughout the country. In the 2018 season, the association experienced a 25% in player numbers.

Kathy Norman CD Community Hockey coordinator says, "The increase is due to the good work done to promote hockey and by offering opportunities to play. "Having the turf at Rangitikei College is a fantastic facility for families in the district.

"It has attracted 6-a-side hockey games back from Feilding and I have run holiday programmes there. It is well presented and excellent to play on under lights at night.

New turfs at various schools throughout the district have also contributed to the increase in players and the joining of extra local school teams such as James Cook School, which has become fully involved in the competition. Taihape teams have also joined in the last two years and teams also come from Oroua.

Hockey NZ CEO Ian Francis says, "Hockey NZ, at its annual awards dinner in April, recognised the three associations (with

more than 100 members) who had the biggest (gold), 2nd biggest (silver) and 3rd biggest (bronze) growth in the 2018 winter season. This year, it was fantastic to recognise one of our smaller associations, Rangitikei Hockey Association, with the gold award. Rangitikei is a youth focused hockey organisation which has done an amazing job driving the growth of hockey in the local community, by providing quality experiences which resulted in 25% growth. Hockey NZ would like to thank all those people involved in driving hockey in Rangitikei and providing the opportunity for young people to experience our great sport." Teams in the Rangitikei competitions include young players from schools in Marton, Bulls, Taihape, Hunterville and a cluster from Oroua. The Rangitikei Hockey Association represents hockey players from Year 1 to Year 8.

# A Single Mum's Journey



Jo Drower and daughter Jess at the launch of Jo's book A Single Mum's Journey. Story and photo Belinda Howard.

Former Martonian Jo Drower (formerly Sherwin) chose Marton Bible Chapel to launch her new book, A Single Mum's Journey, last Sunday, because the Chapel has been so important to her story.

In 2003, Jo and her then husband were living just outside Marton when their marriage broke down. Jo, who had already lost both parents and had a breakdown that year, found herself alone with two small children. It was a tough time, and to add to it, she was in her first year of university study.

Marton Bible Chapel offered Mainly Music sessions, and Jo took the children to those and, to Sunday school classes. One day she found herself "sitting in the pews weeping"



Letters to the editor - 200 words. Include nar

#### address and phone number Lovely ukuleles

On Sunday 26 May I attended a concert put on by the local ukulele ladies. A lovely concert, absolutely delightful. Were also entertained by some other musicians and after that, had a sing song for the audience, followed by very nice afternoon tea. I am sure the people present thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. We must continue to support

these talented people. Sue Gruys, Marton.

After 21 years delivering the Rangitikei District Monitor, the Sutton family from Marton has called it a day. Seven of the family have been runners at one time. Thanks everyone for your diligent work. We will miss you.

Another longer-term runner, Lesleigh Westwood from Bulls, sadly passed away recently. She was a runner for over 15 years. Another recent runner, Faith Wilson, also sadly passed away a couple of weeks ago. Liz Rayner - Editor

and after a couple of years of resisting, she embraced Christianity.

"This place has such a beautiful family environment," she says. She also acknowledges the amazing support of the Tutaenui Playgroup mothers. "They were amazing and they're such a special group.'

Jo's journey led her to Wellington and a new relationship with her now-husband Pete Drower. The couple married in 2013 and Pete has supported Jo in her desire to complete the book she started writing in 2010.

"Writing isn't as easy as it looks," Jo says, but the discovery of a supportive writing mentor made a huge difference.

Coming back to Marton for the book launch was clearly an emotional decision for Jo, who is full of praise for the community that embraced and supported her in the difficult days and the people who made a difference

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# **BITS n' PIECES**

Give Glamour - ball gown sale - Saturday June 1 at Centennial Park Shelton Pavilion, 12 - 3pm. Proceeds to Plunket and Youthline.

Rangitikei Country Music Awards - Rangitikei College Satuday and Sunday- June 1 &2.

Nga Tawa student Lili Calitz - at the recent NI Weightlifting Championships set a NZ Under 15 record. Lili snatched 37 kg, clean and jerked 53 kg, at a 46 kg body weight.

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#### Marton Friendship Club

Morris St Hall 12.30pm Friday 24 May. Another fun day. Entertainers were a Palmerston North ukulele group of nine. Wonderful music and voices. A pleasure to listen to. Sweet Sweet Memories, Bye Bye Happiness, Hey Good Looking and more real toe tapping stuff. Many up dancing. Last song, the ever popular Now Is The Hour, always a nice finish. The group had a cuppa with us and sat and talked to our members. Raffles won by: Ken Rankin, Frank Lockwood, Dawn Rowna, Anne Ngaau and Shelia Clark. A lot of our members were away sick, hope to see you all back soon. Our fun days are for everyone, visitors welcome. Membership is still growing, so come along and join in the friendship. This Friday is a fundraising day; Dutch Auction - so do come along and support your club. See you there.

#### Funding for Local Families with Irlen Syndrome



Another generous grant from the Sir Thomas and Lady Duncan Trust for Irlen support was announced last week.

Irlen support facilitator Prue Deighton says, "This funding will ensure that locals can access help for their family members who are experiencing Irlen symptoms."

Irlen Syndrome is a hidden but significant barrier to learning. When untreated Irlen Syndrome can have a negative effect on behaviour, the ability to

sit still, reading and comprehension, attention to tasks and concentration all of which causes strain and fatigue. Individuals can experience a variety of physical symptoms including headaches, migraines, nausea, dizziness, stomach aches, fatigue, exhaustion, irritability, fidgetiness and anxiety. Irlen Syndrome can also affect attention span, concentration, motivation, productivity, and classroom performance. Therefore, some individuals with undiagnosed problems of Irlen Syndrome might be considered to be underachievers. Other individuals have been misdiagnosed with behavioural or attitudinal problems or as having ADD, hyperactivity or learning disabilities.

Irlen Syndrome can run in families. It can be easily corrected, over time, by wearing individually prescribed Irlen filters. Irlen Syndrome is not a visual problem, rather it is a perceptual problem which effects visual processing. Some children may need glasses for vision while others may have no need for vision support – all are able to be helped if they are being troubled by Irlen symptoms.

"This new grant provides funds which are available to subsidize the costs for any child or adult who needs Irlen glasses, but whose family may be unable to afford the full cost", says Prue.

For more information with no obligation – contact: Prue Deighton 06 327 8185- email: prue.irlen@gmail.com

### Marton Scout Group



Our Group have had, fun filled team building exercises in which our Cubs, Scouts and Venturers were learning strategies and planning by building towers from raw spaghetti and marshmallow. Deciding on what shape is the strongest.

Ben, a Venturer and Thomas a Cub, worked well together and built one of the largest constructions the Group have ever seen. Check it out at: www.facebook.com/martonscoutsnz Two weeks ago Alan Buckendahl President of Marton RSA, presented committee members and helpers with a framed appreciation award along with tickets to see Vicki Lee at the Marton Players. This was in recognition of the hard work and effort they put in each year for the ANZAC refreshments. This was truly appreciated by our hard working committee members and they enjoyed a fun filled evening with Vicki and her Pearl Cindy.

Our group and committee are still hard at work fundraising. You may have seen our Whittakers chocolate bars in a few shops in Marton or been tempted to buy them from our youth members. Thank you for supporting us. We continuously raise funds to maintain and run our hall in Cuba St, Marton. FACT: Half our youth members at 1st Marton Scout Group are girls.

## T Kitset car group came for weekend



T Cars parked at Ratana Temple. Photo supplied.

Members of the T Car Club NZ kitset car club visted the dsitrict recently. The group drive homebuilt fibreglass body vehicles that are largely built in their own garages. Eighteen members stayed in Marton a couple of weeks ago, heading off for a rally over the weekend.

Ted Bretherton, T Car Club president says, "The tour and get together for the annual T Car Club members Autumn Amble weekend rally and get together was held in Marton in May.

Car club members are from throughout the NI, from Rotorua, Hamilton, Hawera, Raetihi, Feilding to Wellington in the SouthThey arrived on a Friday afternoon, filling both motels and pring, they started out on a tour arriving at Ratana around 10am

ate at Cook's Restaurant for an evening meal. Saturday morning, they started out on a tour arriving at Ratana around 10am for a look through the Temple and with an interesting history talk about the forming of the area and the Ratana church and finishing with a blessing and a "waiata."

The tour continued through back country roads for a lunch break at Hunterville. After lunch, they visited a local knifemaker, who showed us the making of various types of knives, both hunting and the different types used in the kitchen, with a number of sales to members. They continued back to Marton, for a break then an evening dinner. Sunday morning, they brunched at a local cafe before departing back home. Ted says it was another interesting tour and get together for members. The T Car Club was formed about 30 years ago by the first T Car kit car builders, following a get together in Taupo. The club

has continued over the years with annual rallies, normally in February, and many other weekend get togethers in different parts of the country throughout the year. We have many members today, including some with different types of cars. Next year's

annual T Car rally will be the 30th anniversary and based at Raetihi/ Ohakune in the central NI in February.

Rangitikei Country Music Awards reach 7 years

Queen's Birthday Weekend will be the seventh year Rangitikei Country Music Club have been hosting the annual awards held in the Rangitikei College Hall in Marton.

The concept of these awards came from an idea by Phyllis Alexander Robson, to expose the talent of singers and musicians in the area. Together with Les Robson, Bronwen and Ken Newman, brought the idea came to fruition in 2004, by trialing different events under the name of Howdy de Doo.

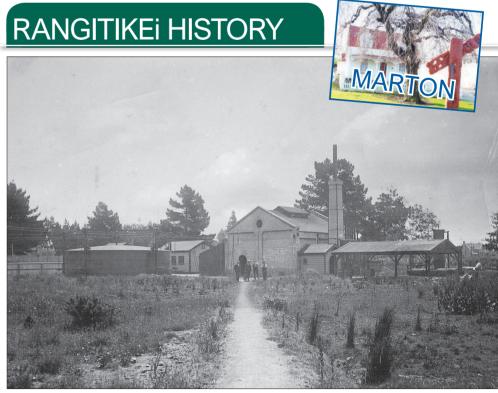
The event grew in popularity to the point whereby contestants were being turned away.In 2012, Rangitikei Country Music Club took over the running of the awards.

It's a three day event. It starts with a meet and greet at the groups clubrooms on Friday night followed by the first day of competition. On Saturday, is the Diamond section for those who have previously placed in awards. Janice Colhune, Gordon Fletcher, Arthur Pumipi to name a few - all top singers - are entering in the Diamond section.

Sunday, is for entrants who have never been placed in awards - all very talented entertainers. Over six categories in five minute slots, 80 contestants each day. They will woo and delight you with their talent.

Each night there will is a concert, starting at 6.30pm, where the top three in each section will entertain. Trophy placing s will aslo be revealed. Also, there is a top guest artist each night. The weekend winds up on Monday with walk ups and a barbecue lunch and farewell to visiting country music friends.

The convener of the Awards this year is Delia Carter. To run this event entails a lot dedication and commitment by a very good team of people who all have a job to do and come together as one which will make theses a very successful Awards. It's a cheap day out at \$5 it would be nice to see some locals there.



It was no more kerosene lamps and candles once the Marton Gasworks was opened on 15 August 1902 by Mayor JJ McDonald. It was marked with a ball and festive supper. Gasworks continued to be profitable till December 1924, when an electric power service arrived in Marton. By the 1940s, the losses climbed for gas and the gas system was old by then. The end came for the gasworks in 1955. The site pictured is now where the Marton Historic Village is situated in Wellington Rd. Natural gas came to Marton in 1980

#### Entertainment coming up at Marton Players Marton Players will host musician Christine White



on June 8 at 7.30pm Christine White (pictured) is a singer-songwriter/ performer/composer with an honours degree in Sonic Arts composition from Victoria University. She has performed extensively in NZ as a soloist, in the duo Taniwha (with Hinemoana Baker) and with the tour Voices of our Ancestors. She has also composed for theatre and film. It's a special fundraising as Christine has generously offered ticket fees as a donation to Marton Players Inc. Door sales are just \$15 to ensure everyone can afford to support the show.

Some new lighting equipment is next on the list for the theatre to offer visiting acts more lighting variety.

A play with local actors will be presented in August -September, directed by Mike O'Regan and more touring bands will feature.

## **Join the Pink Ribbon Breakfast**



Marton's Club Hotel is hosting a Pink Ribbon Breakfast for the second year running, to raise funds for lifesaving research into breast cancer. This year's event will be held at 10am, Sunday 2 June, in the Club Hotel Restaurant.

Owner Jasleen Singh is hoping for a "great turnout" of local people. "To raise as much as we can for this very worthy cause. We have had great support from business sponsors," adds Jasleen. "They have donated some wonderful items towards our raffle, the auction and the 'goodie bags' that all who come along will get to take home.'

Sponsors include; Go Ahead Hair Design, NZ Yoga Centre, Kama Corner, Serene Senses, Ward Furniture, New World Marton, Wholesale Liquor, Cooks Bar, Club Hotel, Marton Print and District Monitor. 20 percent of the takings from the breakfast will go to the Breast Cancer Foundation. Guest speakers at the event will include Mayor Andy Watson, a motivational speaker from Palmerston North and a breast cancer survivor. There will also be a silent auction, a raffle, table games and a prize for best dressed. Tickets for the breakfast cost \$25 and can be purchased from the Club Hotel or Cooks Bar.

Jasleen says, "Come along to our beautiful dining room, enjoy a delicious, leisurely breakfast, be entertained and informed and show your support for this very worthwhile cause!"

#### **TV Medium Kelvin** Cruickshank will visit Marton in June.

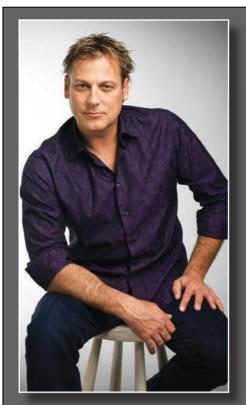
Kelvin Cruishank says, passing on messages from people who have died and are in spirit, is what he was put on earth to do.

However, since the incredible success of TV show Sensing Murder, he has had such great demand from people on this side, wanting private readings, that it is just not physically possible for him to do them anymore.

He has found the best way to be able to put people in touch with the loved ones they've lost and also help them understand how the afterlife works - is through his live shows, Kelvin Cruickshank Live.

When you go to his live shows he says, "Please come with an open heart and an open mind." Kelvin tries to read for as many people as possible but what happens on the night he says, is up to spirit, not Kelvin. If there is a lot of expectation from the audience it can create a barrier." So his advice is relax, chill out and enjoy the show and you never know - it could be your loved ones who show up.

""And even if they don't, hopefully the evening will open your eyes to the fact those we've lost, are now in the white light and their spirit lives on, " he says.



# Kelvin Cruickshank Live !

## **Coming to Marton** by popular demand

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# Museum prize winner museum Society



Pippa Oswald shows her prize-winning drawing, certificate and Paper Plus gift card with Frances McKeown of the Taihape Museum.

# Outside the Box Myths of love

There are many love myths floating around. However, there are four that we all recognise in some form (Russ Harris, "Act with Love", 2009, pp 10-13).

Myth 1: The perfect partner - Somewhere out there in the big wide world, waiting for you and only you, is a man or woman that is the perfect fit for you. What a shock it is then when you meet the seemingly perfect partner and after some time, inevitably, start noticing his or her imperfections?

Myth 2: You complete me – this is the core theme of romantic comedies – someone out there will complete you, make you feel whole. This attitude will only increase your neediness and will keep you from experiencing yourself as whole.

Myth 3: Love should be easy - how difficult can it be to share your life intimately with someone with different thoughts and feelings, different family backgrounds and friends, with different standards of cleanliness – without even considering kids? A good relationship requires

complex skills such as good communication, acceptance of differences, and compromise.

Myth 4: Everlasting love – if you define love as an emotional state, there is no such thing as everlasting 'love'. However, when love is defined as a decision to act lovingly towards your partner, then the idea of a deep and meaningful love relationship that lasts past the intoxicating first blush of infatuation becomes a very different prospect.

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Museums from Bulls, Hunterville, Mangaweka and Taihape had their annual Rangitikei Heritage Weekend earlier this month. All reported an excellent turnout.

The theme"Sports Clubs and Personalities" saw exhibitions in each museum featuring cups, shields, trophies and all sporting paraphernalia, along with stories and photographs of local sports personalities of yesteryear.

Taihape Museum & Historical Society's comprehensive exhibition included a 'draw us a picture' competition for school children with the winners decided by public vote. Pippa Oswald of St Joseph's school was placed first in the 0 - 6 years group with her drawing of the museum building. The other two winners came from Moawhango School - Maria Melbourne, 7 - 11 years, with "Rose Cottage" and Brooke O'Hara, 12 - 14 years, with "Taihape". Photo and story by Terry

Photo and story by Terr Karatau

## A cuppa with Neighbourhood Support



Members of the Taihape Neighbourhood Support group at afternoon tea with some of Taihape Police.

Taihape's Neighbourhood Support group met recently at the Taihape police station to 'shout' on duty staff an afternoon tea to thank them for their great work in the community and give a belated acknowledgement of the extra stress police were put through following the Christchurch tragedy.

Taihape Neighbourhood Support is now registered as an incorporated society. Elizabeth Mortland, spokesperson for the group, said this gives them an opportunity to seek funding that will help grow the membership base and further serve the community.

Ms Mortland said, "The Taihape group has 222 members and more street groups and rural groups are being set-up but we still need to spread the word and involve more town and country people.

Neighbourhood Support are soon to roll out a new logo nationwide. It is thought this will give the group a stronger presence in every community.

As the colder months arrive the message from the local group is - " Be prepared for winter - know your neighbour's limitations and help to keep them safe."

The group's chairman Michael Andrews says, "people must be prepared for emergencies. In times of crisis, people must be prepared to look after themselves for at least three days and be aware it could be seven days before help is available, especially in rural areas."

The Taihape group includes; Michael Andrews, Ann Abernathy, Frances McKeown, Ray Seymour and Elizabeth Mortland.

For more information on the Taihape Neighbourhood Support group, contact any of the members listed or call Elizabeth on 021 0261 6002. Photo and story by Terry Karatau.

### Horizons' councillors adopt Annual Plan

After considering 57 submissions and hearing from nine submitters, Horizons regional councillors have adopted their 2019-20 Annual Plan.

The Annual Plan outlines the work Horizons will do in the year ahead, to manage its land, air and water resources and what it will cost. "The average rate increase across the region

is 4.88 per cent and will vary depending where people live and the level of service they receive," says Horizons chair Bruce Gordon. "The submissions made to Council covered 115 points and commented on many of our activities, although the majority of submissions focused on activities outlined in the consultation document.

"I'd like to thank those community members who took the time to consider Council's direction and share their thoughts through the process. It was heartening to receive the feedback, as it leads to robust discussions around how to achieve the best balance for our region's communities and their requests.

"Council's work programmes for the upcoming year are primarily business as usual, with minimal changes to what was outlined for year 2 of the 2018-28 Long Term Plan. Cr Gordon says Horizons

consulted on a 4.72 percent

average increase. However, a change to passenger transport activities saw this change to 4.88 percent.

"Council will introduce an increased level of service for Levin to Palmerston North passenger transport. Total Mobility programme, which provides subsidised taxi transport for those with mobility difficulties, will receive further funding to keep up with demand."

Cr Gordon also reminds ratepayers that each rate invoice will be different.

"It is important to note that each district has a different set of valuations on which your rates are calculated. For example, your property may have had an increase or reduction in value, or specific district rating inputs, such as an urban passenger transport rate, or special river protection rates.

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#### 8-BALL POOL

Marton travelled to Castlecliff on Tuesday 21 May and, playing 'one short', had to default 2 singles and 3 pairs matches, so was 0-5 down before the contest began! The Rangitikei side won just 3 of the 10 singles matches played; Ross Marshall winning both his clashes and Stephen Lewis one. Castlecliff then won 5 of the 6 pairs games completed, to take out the match: 17-4 overall. Graham and Ross Marshall recorded the only Marton victory in the pairs round. Bulls RSA played St John's Tane at the St John's Club. They trailed 3-9 after the singles. Carole Hunt (1) and John Fraser (2) winning matches for Bulls. The pairs round was closer, St John's winning it 5-4. Bulls' Alastair Stewart & Winston Holdaway won 2 of their 3 pairs games. Fraser & Paul Wild won 1, as did Hunt and Tracey Holdaway.

#### ST FRANCIS INDOOR BOWLS

Another good night of bowls last week. We played two games of 10 ends and the only team to win both its games were Ray Harding, Andy Creagh and Jennifer Hawkings. Kevin Mullany won the raffle. This week, we played two games of pairs and the team of Rose Plank and Erin Peddie was the only one to win both games. Robbie Tait was the winner of the raffle. Next week will be another normal club night, so see you all there.

#### **BULLS BOWLING CLUB**

The Scribbler thought it was the last report for the season the other week. However, I was informed that there was a grievous omission!! The esteemed person doing the stirring and complaining felt that, as this was the only prize he had won all year, he was due a mention. Therefore, as promised to be rectified: the dubious honour of winning the stirrer's paddle belongs to Bruce Robertson, our longest serving member and bar manager. That wasn't hard to win Bruce, so well done. Our celebrated stirrer wishes to bestir all current members and possible/prospective members to get on down to the BBC at 18 Criterion St, Bulls on 16 June; 1.30pm sharp, to put their votes into committee decision making at the club AGM. Members to provide something salubrious for the after function.

#### MARTON MEN'S HOCKEY CLUB

The opening match of the second round of the competition was played on 25 May. The Marton Hockey Club men took to the field against Massey in Palmerston North. It was a closely contested match, ending in a two-all draw. Andrew Mason received 3 MVP - points for his incredibly strong game in defence. Flynn Kowalewski received 2 points for an impressive game, including scoring one of the team's two goals. The team's ever impressive goalie, Grayson Belk scored 1 point for another superb game in the goal! The boys next game takes place this Saturday at 5:15 at the Twin Turfs in Palmerston North against Massey. You can follow the Marton Hockey Club's progress on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MartonHC.

#### TARGET SHOOTING MARTON

Results 27/5/2019. Another good score from Mat Read this week, including a very good 100.7 but not good enough to get top spot on the night, as he was edged out by Tony Bayler on the inner count. Neville Rhodes had one of his best shoots in a long while and got himself over the 190 mark. Dave Gledhill shot a very good 98 on his first round but wasn't able to follow through on the second, while club A graders fight for top positions on the ladder board. Matthew Read 97.03 100.07 197.10, Tony Bayler 98.07 99.07 197.12, Don Hamilton 98.07 98.04 196.11, Fiona Mills 97.04 98.05 195.09, Gary Cuff 99.05 96.02 195.07, Neville Rhodes 97.06 96.04 193.10, Kayla Gledhill 96.02 96.02 192.04, Barry Nelson 94.03 97.03 191.06, Brent Read 92.01 99.03 191.04, Samantha Gledhill 94.03 96.04 190.07, Dave Gledhill 98.03 92.00 190.03, Fred de Burgh 96.05 93.01 189.06, Allan Wright 93.02 95.04 188.06, Alan McCubbine 94.04 94.01 188.05, John Mills 93.01 95.03 188.04, Wayne Hunt 95.03 92.03 187.06, Jacob Harris

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Public Notices



### Notice of Meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings for June 2019

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Tuesday 11 June at 11.00 am Bulls Community Committee Tuesday 11 June at 5.30 pm (Supper Room, Bulls Town Hall, 87 High Street, Bulls) Rātana Community Board Tuesday 11 June at 6:30 pm (Ture Tangata Office, Ihipera-Koria Street, Rātana Paa) Taihape Community Board Wednesday 12 June at 5.30 pm (Council Chamber, Taihape Town Hall, 90-92 Hautapu Street, Taihape) Marton Community Committee Wednesday 12 June at 7.00 pm

(Project Marton Office, Centennial Park, 18 Humphrey St, Marton) Santoft Domain Management Committee Wednesday 12 June at 7.00 pm (Supper Room, Bulls Town Hall, 87 High Street, Bulls) Turakina Reserve Management Committee Wednesday 12 June at 7.00 pm (Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3, Turakina) Assets/Infrastructure Committee Thursday 13 June at 9.30 am **Policy/Planning Committee** Thursday 13 June at 1.00 pm **Turakina Community Committee** Thursday 13 June at 7.30 pm (Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3, Turakina) **Hunterville Community Committee** Monday 17 June at 6.30 pm

(Hunterville Town Hall, Bruce Street, Hunterville)

Youth Council Tuesday 25 June at 5.00pm

Audit/Risk Committee

Thursday 27 June at 9.00 am

Finance/Performance Committee Thursday 27 June at 10.30 am

Council

Thursday 27 June at 1.00pm

All meetings are open to the public, unless there are specific items which Council resolves to consider 'public excluded'.

At least two working days before any scheduled meeting, meeting papers are available online through the Council website, or in hard copy at the libraries in Taihape, Marton and Bulls and the Marton Council office.

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

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

Michael Hodder Acting Chief Executive

#### **Community Legal Advice**

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#### St Matthew's School Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected: IERU Faiao Pelasio, LEALOFI Imakulata, SEFILINO Matina.

Signed P K Sullivan Returning Officer

### TASKER, Kathaleen Mavis (nee Whakaue)

Unveiling



The Whanau wish to invite family and friends of Kathy's to attend the unveiling of her headstone at Aramoho Cemetery, Whanganui. Service will held at 11am on Saturday 1 June 2019.

#### Public Notices

#### Turakina School Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the closing of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected: Vinnie Collins, Louise O'donnell, Ian McFarlane

Tina Duxfield Returning Officer

#### Marton Junction School Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

HANCOCK Tony, CANDY Murray-James, KAREHANA Steven, FOSTER-MATOE Junita, KARATAU Graham.

**Declaration of Staff Election Results** At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected: GUDOPP, Robina.

Signed Wendy-Kaye Snowden Returning Officer

#### Pukeokahu School Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent & Staff Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was fewer than the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected: Miranda Aylward, Stacey Buchanan, Kylie Gilbert, Janey Harrison.

Signed Carol Gilbert Returning Officer

#### Mangaweka School Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected: CANT Manaka, GORDON Petrina, WILLIAMS

#### Marione Declaration of Staff Election Results

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# **CHURCH SERVICES**



Rangitikei SPORT SCENE

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#### TAIHAPE GOLF CLUB

The Sunday haggle was dominated by the long hitting John Fenemor, with an impressive 42 points, in semi Jekyll and Hyde performance. The 27 handicapper went out strong, with 24 points on the front nine, which included a birdie on the toughest hole of the course, followed by three consecutive three pointers, from holes 10 to 12. What could have been a personal best was spoiled by 9 points on the final six holes, for a 92 off the stick. Nick McGuinn came in second, with a solid and consistent round; scoring on every hole, for 42 points. Kevin O'Brien played steady golf for 40 points. JJ Walker, on similar par to the victor, went out with 15 points and came home with 25, for an overall 40 point display. Securing joint 5th equal place was Merv Tapp, Duane Dick and Kerry Wells, for 37 each. Twos were recorded by JJ Walker on the 12th, as well as Dale Hunt and Kevin O'Brien on the 14th. This weekend is the monarch's celebratory long weekend, with a double header of competition for Sunday and Monday. Sunday is the first round of club champs qualifying, combined with the 1st round of the Wilson medal. Duty manager is Jimmy Mickleson. Monday is the chicken run, with Denis Robertson on duty.

#### MARTON 18 HOLE LADIES' GOLF

Wednesday May 22. LGU medal: 1st McGruer qualifying. Silver: J Ritchie 72 on countback from, R Williams 72 on countback B Bielby 72, A Bary 76, M Simpson 77. Bronze 1: S Marshall 70 on countback S Jensen 70, G Burne 71 on countback A Fleming 71, C Skou 73. Bronze 2: E Bowler 70, S Abraham 71, H Wilton 76. Sponsored balls: B Bielby, J Ritchie, C Skou. Twos: J Ritchie 6th and 12th, M Simpson 12th. Lucky draw: R Morrison. Wednesday 5 June: LGU medal & putting: Mary Turner & Cheryl Rhodes Cup, McGruer 2nd qualifying. Starters: S Ballard, L Belsham. Duty: L Belsham.

#### MARTON 9 HOLE GOLF

The weather held for our stableford round played Tuesday 28. Results: 1st division: 1st Bryan Hamerton 20, 2nd Brian Short 19 c/b, 3rd Neil Powell 19 c/b. 2nd division: 1st Barry Florence 21, 2nd Adrian Penning 20, 3rd Janice Hatrick 16. 3rd division: 1st Tom Trotter 15, 2nd Judy McConachy 14, 3rd Jan Cook 12. Lucky card: Roy Powell. Raffle winner: Janice Hatrick. Congratulations to all winners. Next week's starters: Janice Hatrick & Brian Short. Cards: Mike Morland & Sam Atkinson. Tee off time will be 9.30.

#### **RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB**

Results 18 May - Alan McNeil - par. Seniors: Tamati Anaru +1, Lynne McDonald, Polly Perkins, Jordan Wells, Hone Morris & Marty Field -1. 67 Karen Yorke & Peter Thompson -2. Juniors: Ash Reed sq, Dan Scotson -1, Ian Mackay & Peter Young -2. Twos: Jordan Wells & Jay Jay Boylan on 3rd. Results from Wednesday 22 May: stableford: Neil Atkins 40pts, Heather Craig, Bob Pittaway & Joseph Tapper 39pts, Kevin Taylor, Rex Wilson & Raewyn McMahon 37pts, Steve Boyens, Dan Scotson, Pat Pearce & Martin Rothman 36pts, Michelle Mossop, Ash Reed, Henry Potaka & Dave Rohde 35pts. Twos: Martin Rothman 3rd, Steve Boyens 5th, Joseph Tapper & Heather Craig 16th. Best stableford on holes 6,7,8: Joseph Tapper 10pts. Lucky draw: sponsored by Steve Boyens: Joe Yorke. Saturday 25 May: Central House Movers medal: seniors: Tamati Anaru nett 70, Ron Harris nett 71, Murray Bruhn & Marty Field nett 72. Juniors: Noel Crocker & Peter Young nett 74, Peri Wehi nett 75, Joseph Tapper nett 75. Twos: Alec Benson 3rd, Marty Field 16th.

#### HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 21st. Rome Hair Salon medal competition. Barry Parlane 33, Rae Karatea 35, Grant Forbes, Greg James & Dave Penfold 36. Two: Joy Stantiall No 14. Nearest pin: Rae Karatea. Saturday 25th. Mates Rates Insulation round 2 black jacket stableford competition. S/men: G Forbes 45, A Baker 40, G Franks 39, G Bond 38, J Stella, D Rohde & A Corbett 37. J/men: M Carroll 44, M Pickford 37, D Wright & L Walters 36, G Edwards 35. Women; P Charlesworth 35, J Stantiall 31, S Wells 30. Feilding Scrap Metal two's: D Wright & G Franks #7, G Stanton #16. Jackpot #2 not struck. Nearest pins: s/men: D Rohde. J/men: not struck. Women: P Charlesworth. Taimui challenge: Toddy & Spike lost to Matt & Sooty. Next challengers 8/6/19: Bondy & Dave R. Coming events: Tuesday golf 9.30 am tee off. Saturday 1st: Queen's Birthday multiplying stableford competition. Saturday 8th: club champs qualifying round 1; teeing off from 11 am. Sunday 9th: Transport Cup at Rangitikei; 11am tee off and all members please attend. 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 CLUB

Thursday club: 3/5/19; R Yorke 40, M Jones 38, T Hammond 38, D Angove 34, B Beck 34, P Simpson 34, S Muir 33, D Tarrant 33, T McVerry 33, B Craig 31, M Rothman 30. Crunchie bar: R McDermott. Saturday 25 May was a busy day on the course, with our club championships, a large visiting group and our club day. Thank you to our club captain Colin, all the caddies, umpires, bar helpers and especially, our greenkeepers Shay & Jayden. Club championship results: ladies silver: winner: Jenny Ritchie. R/up Barb Pratt. Ladies bronze 1: winner: Chris Skou. R/up Susan Marshall. Ladies bronze 2: winner: Ros Morrison. R/up: Gaylene Jones. Ladies bronze 3: winner: Marg Hunt. R/up: Eleanor Bowler. Men's senior: winner: Darren Oliver. R/up: Troy Calkin. Men's intermediate: winner: Greg McIver. R/up: Rodger Yorke. Men's junior A: winner: Glen Jongen. R/up: Mike Jones. Men's junior B: winner: David Green. R/up: Graham McLay. Club stableford: Craig Skou 41, Linda Peina 40, Nik Maas 39, David Green, Bruce Poppe 37, Anne Fleming, Glen Jongen 36, Rick McVerry, Campbell Bary, Mike Peina 35. 5FBH: Tony Mischewski, Nigel Belsham, Desi Singer, Martin Rothman, Bryan Cameron. Coming events:

There is still time to enter our Queen's Birthday tournament Sat 1 June: 9x9x9; 10am start, Sun: 18 holes 6x6x6; 11am start. Play both days, or one day. Entry fee \$20 per person per day. Entries to Colin: 0272451193.

Right: Marton Golf 2019 club champions. Back, from left: G Jongen (junior A) G McIver (intermediate) D Green (junior B) D Oliver (senior). Front : R Morrison (br 2) C Skou (br 1) M Hunt (br 3) J Ritchie (silver).





MARTON CROQUET CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

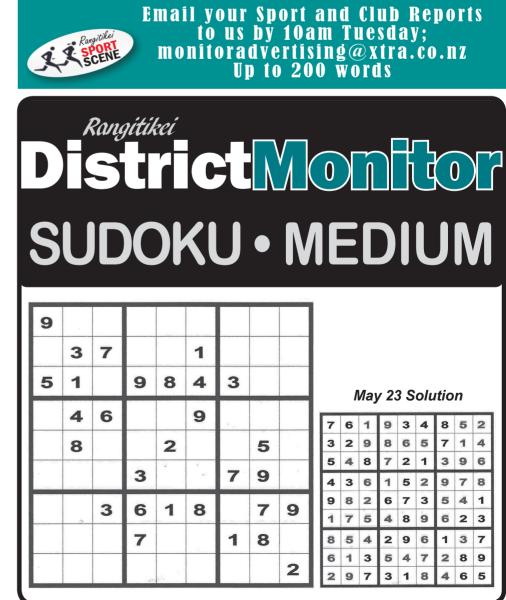
Above: the 2018- 2019 season winners from left: Linda Hughes, Lynn Johnson, Marilyn Vallance, Selwyn Johnson, Krina Fitchett, David Winmill, Murray McNae.

#### **Swimmers**

A month ago, the Marton Swim Centre closed its doors for the season. For the hardy little Marton group of Kiwi West Master Swimmers this ment we had to train at the Kiwi West Pool in Palmerston North under Nick Slattery's supervision. Last weekend, a strong local team of 12 Kiwi West Master Swimmers participated at the 37th annual fun swim meet in Levin, organised by their master swimming group. Friday evening saw the long- distance heats of 400m, 800m and 1500m. I took on the 1500m - first time competing after 31 years. I finished with a personal best and a happy smile on my face! Saturday afternoon was another story, as the short distances and sprints were on. Kiwi West Master Swimmers participated in all heats and most of us beat their own personal bests. Yes, we had fun and we can get real noisy in support of our swimmers. So, if any of you would like to join us, to improve on fitness or strokes, don't hesitate to get in touch with us. (Kiwiwestmasters@ gmail.com) We are a friendly bunch of crazy swimmers, at all levels and ages.



Above: Kiwi West Masters-Marton (from left): Sandra Leuba-Sewell, Helen Stafford, Hassan Zolfeghar and Nick Slattery.



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