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Planting a living green memorial

About 30 people braved a cool day and passing showers to plant 1000 native trees and shrubs at the Marton B Dam on Saturday

The plants were just some of almost 16,000 funded by Matariki Tu Rakau, a government fund for creating living memorials to service personnel past and present, as part of the One Billion Trees project. The plants were mostly locally sourced and selected to make the most of local conditions.

Marton RSA president Alan Buckendahl says the planting will create an area where people can come to remember family and friends who served with NZ defence forces.

The planting project is being led by RDC staffer Ben Woolston, in collaboration with the Marton RSA, as part of the wider planting project around the B and C dams. Regular planting days will continue in coming weeks and volunteers are very welcome to join in. For details about days and times, contact Ben Woolston at Rangitikei District Council, or keep an eye on RDC's Facebook page.

The planting is being accompanied by a predator eradication effort, with trap lines being regularly monitored and doing their job - as demonstrated by a dead stoat pulled out of a trap on the day.

The event was supported by Mitre 10, Marton New World (which provided lunch) and Rangitikei College, which provided a mobile kitchen to cook sausages and make hot drinks, which were greatly appreciated.

Speaking during the lunchbreak, Mayor Andy Watson said although the area around the dams hasn't been formally declared publicly accessible yet, it's almost certain to be in



Mayor Andy Watson (left) planting organiser Ben Woolston and Alan Buckendahl (right) from Marton RSA, show off the official plaque which will mark the memorial planting.







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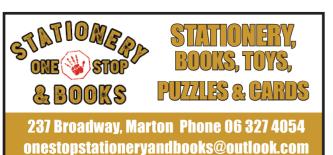


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New community manager for Bulls

Heidi Macaulay moved into her new office on Monday at the Bulls Information Centre taking up the role as the new Bulls community manager.

Heidi has worked part time at the centre since February but officially took over this week. Heidi says she is super excited to be working with the public of Bulls. She is mother of five and a man-child husband, she says laughingly.

She is very used to organising and dealing with people and loves every minute of it. She recently finished her third term on the Clifton School BOT and has spent over 6

Clifton School BOT and has spent over 6 years running a school parents' group. She is also a member of the Bulls' social netball team.

She is in her third year doing a Bachelor of Applied Business Management, majoring in Project Management at UCOL. The new Bulls position works well for her as she is able to use her new job as an internship; ticking boxes for her degree while at work.

Heidi is originally from Taranaki and rode horses competitively in the past. The family moved to Bulls 8 years ago and she found it has a similar country feel.

She says, "This role is perfect for me. I love to be busy; I love to organise and I love working with volunteers and people in general. I like making things work and making people happy."

She also enjoys the creative display aspect of the job like publishing a newsletter and online material as well as event presentation and marketing.

Heidi is currently working on the Arts 4 Arts Sake exhibition on August 16-30. It will be the last time the event is held in the old Bulls Town Hall. The new Bulls Community Centre should be up and running by 2020, so she is also looking forward to occupying a brandnew office in the finished complex – just over the road from the current Information Centre.

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Heidi Macaulay - bringing new ideas and a love of organising and people to Bulls.

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She is also involved in running the historic Bulls Rose Show later in the year but at the same, time Heidi plans to visit businesses and groups in Bulls to gauge what they want for Bulls and then develop some new ideas. Heidi says she is very keen to continue to develop Bulls and says. "My door is always open."

VOTE 2019

Local government nominations open

Nominations have opened for the upcoming Rangitikei local government elections.

Deputy Electoral Officer Blair Jamieson says nominations have

already started coming in. "What we're hoping for is a wide range of people from diverse backgrounds and experiences to be a voice for the Rangitīkei. Ideally, we'd love our council to reflect the diversity of our community – young, old, from every culture and walk of life," says Mr Jamieson.

Rangitikei has new three ward system for this election. The October election will appoint a mayor and 11 councillors - 5 councillors to represent the Central Ward, 3 councillors to represent the Northern Ward, 3 councillors to represent the Southern Ward. Four members will be elected to represent the Rātana Community Board and 4 members to represent the Taihape Community Board.

At the same time, there will be elections for Horizons Regional Council and the Whanganui District Health Board. Two members will be elected to represent the Manawatu-Rangitikei constituency of the Horizons Regional Council. One member will be elected to represent the Ngaruroro constituency of the Hawke's Bay Regional Council and 7 members to represent the Whanganui District Health Board from the whole Whanganui-Rangitikei WDHB region.

Mr Jamieson says diversity within the council chamber makes processes and outcomes stronger. "This is the time for your vote to count. Make sure your voice and opinions are heard by either standing for council or voting when the time comes." Horizons Regional Council is calling for a diverse range of candidate nominees to stand for the regional council now nominations are open. Electoral Officer Craig Grant says local body elections provide the opportunities for communities around the Horizons Region to vote for their preferred

representative on Horizons Regional Council, city and district

Rangitīkei District Council electorate consists of Northern

Ward, Central Ward, and Southern Ward. Full elections details are available on the Rangitīkei District Council website

councils, and district health boards.
Horizons is responsible for managing the region's land, air and water resources on behalf of the communities it serves. This is achieved through following rules and policies outlined in its regulatory document, the One Plan, and through a number of non-regulatory programmes such as Sustainable Land Use Initiative (SLUI).

It also undertakes biosecurity control and biodiversity enhancement, contract passenger transport services, plan regional transport, play an important role in road safety education, work to mitigate the risk and impact of flooding, undertake science, data and monitoring, and lead the planning for and response to natural disasters to help keep people and property safe. Elected candidates make decisions for the community and set Horizons' rates, which contribute towards these programmes.

"The Horizons region is vast, spreading from Ruapehu in the north, to Whanganui in the west, Tararua in the east, and Horowhenua in the south; its communities are hugely varying in their opinions and needs. Having a diverse council will help to ensure those needs are being represented come decision-making time," explains Mr Grant.

"Elected candidates can come from all walks of life and are likely to be effective decision makers and communicators who are able to relate to a wide range of people, good at building relationships and networking, and have good time flexibility and management."

A candidate nominees must be a NZ citizen and be on the parliamentary electoral roll.

Nomination forms, along with information handbooks, are available for download from www.horizons.govt.nz/about-our-region-and-council/elections.

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Nominations close 12 noon, 16 August 2019.

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Dale Pearson Australia.

HEALTH SCENE



A planned free bowel screening programme was in the TV spotlight last week. Māori Television cameras were at Marton's Māori health provider Te Kotuku Hauora where staff had organised for WDHB screening project manager Ben McMenamin to give a presentation. He was speaking to a local audience of more than 100 - mainly kuia and kaumātua - about the dangers of bowel cancer; ways in which the risk could be minimised and plans for Whanganui health region to join the national screening programme later this year.

The TV report featured McMenamin giving a tour of a giant inflatable bowel - stressing the need for a healthy diet, exercise and being smokefree to combat the second biggest cancer killer in NZ. You can view the Māori TV report on: https://teaomaori.news/kaumatua-encouraged-take-bowel-screening-test

The free National Bowel Screening Programme is being rolled out progressively throughout the country. By the end of 2019, Whanganui hopes to be offering free screening to men and women aged 60 to 74 years who are eligible for publicly funded healthcare. Any follow-up tests or treatment, will also be free.

Bowel cancer is more common in those aged over 60, and more common in men. Symptoms include a change to your normal bowel habit that continues for several weeks and blood in your bowel motion. The screening is for people who don't have symptoms of cancer - anyone with symptoms should see their doctor. There is a service available for those considered high risk, due to a family history of the disease, and GPs can refer patients to the Familial Gastrointestinal Cancer Service. The free screening test is quick, clean and simple to do by yourself at home. Those eligible will be sent an invitation letter, a consent form and a free bowel screening test kit, through the mail, within two years of the programme starting in Whanganui.

The test, which should be returned by post, can detect tiny traces of blood present in a small sample of your bowel motion (poo). A positive test result does not necessarily mean cancer is present – it could be another minor condition. A positive test means that further investigation. Further information about the National Bowel Screening Programme is available at

www.timetoscreen.nz or by calling 0800 924 432.

Big changes for biosecurity system

Biosecurity Minister Damien O'Connor last week unveiled big changes to New Zealand's biosecurity system, including new law changes to strengthen animal tracing and details of a Biosecurity Act 1993 overhaul.

"Biosecurity is fundamental to the protection of our environment, our economy and our cultural and social wellbeing.

"I'm having both the biosecurity act and the national animal identification and tracing act (NAIT) overhauled to ensure they meet our future needs.

"The Biosecurity Act is now 26 years old. We're operating in a different world than we were in 1993. Tourism, imports and the rise of online shopping have meant a corresponding increase in biosecurity risk.

"Over the last few years there has been an increase in large biosecurity responses, including Mycoplasma bovis, Bonamia, myrtle rust and Queensland fruit fly.

"As the climate warms, we face a greater threat from exotic insects and pests to our primary industries.

"I have released the terms of reference that define the objectives and structure of the Biosecurity Act's overhaul. The work will be led by Biosecurity New Zealand. They have started working with Māori, industry, and others to upgrade the Act. We will look at every aspect of the act including compensation and funding.

"The Mycoplasma bovis outbreak is the single biggest biosecurity event New Zealand has faced and it highlighted flaws in the NAIT scheme and Biosecurity Act. We're putting that right," Minister O'Connor says.

"We need to learn from the bovis experience and have better pieces of legislation as a result of it.

"I have been working with Biosecurity New Zealand and NAIT Limited, which manages the NAIT Scheme, to fix it and make sure it is fit for the future. Earlier this year, I announced a package of suggested changes to NAIT and cabinet has now agreed to them. "This week I will introduce an amendment bill to Parliament to improve NAIT the changes we're making will take New Zealand a step closer to having the animal tracing scheme we need to keep our primary sectors and economy safe."

All New Zealanders will have an opportunity to have their say. Dates for formal consultation on the Biosecurity Act will be announced later in the year and the public will have another opportunity to give feedback on the changes to the NAIT Act when the bill is in select committee.

More information about the overhaul of the Biosecurity Act and the NAIT Act is available on the MPI website.

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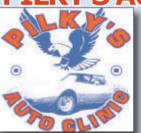
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Diploma Piano Recital Sunday July 28, Marton Friendship Hall at 2pm. Four pianists perform Mozart, Chopin, Schubert, Rachmaninovand Debussy.

LIFE Unlimited Hearing Therapy offers free independent hearing tests at the Rangitikei Health Centre in Marton. Please phone 0800 008 011 for an appointment time. (This service is funded by the Ministry of Health to anyone over aged 16 and over).







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You can find us in Morris St, visitors welcome. Friday 19 July – it was so cold outside it was a pleasure to come into a heated hall. Hall open at 12.30pm, programme begins at 2pm. The Unity Singers will be our entertainers this week. A choir of about 15 singers, very capable. Don't miss them. They do many shows at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North. Raffles this week were won by Tari Ruscoe, Anne Ngaau, Frank Lockwood, Dawn Evans and Jennifer Hawkins. A quiz was the day's brain teaser. Always a lot of fun and growing in popularity. The trip to Terrace End Beneficiaries birthday last Monday in Palmerston North was most enjoyable; raffles, birthday cake and good music. Home time was about 3.30pm. Don't forget our own Friday afternoon. See you all there.

Marton Contract Bridge Club

Results Tues 16 July - Bulls Physiotherapist pairs (R2):N/S S Marshall & F Bertram 56.5; J Waswo & C Skou 52; P Sullivan & J Bligh 49: E/W J Baddeley & S Loudon 71.5; J Vickers & J Ellery 54; J Meads & C Watson 53.5. Thurs 18 July - Trevor Harris trophy pairs (R1): N/S D Cains & M Lourie 54.58: B Bolt & J McPherson 51.25; P Saywell & T Ellery 50.83: M Bartels & S Marshall 50.83: E/W P Davidson & G Burne 56.67; J Baddeley & J Ellery 55.83; C Skou & N Poppe 55.42.

Turakina WI

On Monday 22 July, 9 members met at the home of member L McLean enjoying the comfort of a warm home and the usual potluck lunch prior to getting down to relaxed meeting. H Thomson read the motto - "The gull that flies the highest sees the farthest." Roll call was 'Someone you admire and why' - mothers really came out on top, how they manage to complete all their daily tasks as well as the sewing, gathering, helping others, preserving, working other jobs and so on, all to make sure their families are taken care of and given the best in the circumstances. Others that came out tops were the local church minister, parents of special needs children, daughters that have had such strength in fighting ill health, fathers and very special friends.

A WI survey, gathering information to help and strengthen our organisation was completed. J Marshall gave a talk on her recent 14 day holiday in Samoa with her sister. Hikes, seeing the sights, mingling with the people and their way of life, along with the wonderful relaxing warm waters. The August Meeting (Monday 26 August) will be back in the Turakina Tennis clubrooms

Competition results- Garden Gem: 1st Pat Perry, 2nd = Joan Marshall & Lewanna McLean, 3rd = Hazel Thomson & Gay Manning. Floral: Lonely Flower Posy. 1st G Manning, 2nd = J Marshall & L McLean, 3rd = J Gillam & P Perry. Cooking: Fruit Loaf – no nuts. 1st = J Marshall & L McLean, 2nd H Thomson & P Perry, 3rd G Manning.

Marton Music Society



Diploma Concert performers, from left: Alma Leung, Advina Wu and Leah Bronn.

This Sunday July 28, the Marton Music Society will feature advanced piano and flute students in a Diploma Concert at the Friendship Club Hall at 2pm. Reaching diploma level as a musician requires eight to ten years of musical study on the chosen instrument and this recital will feature four very dedicated and talented young pianists as well as a flute player. The concert will open with Alma Leung from Nga Tawa performing a movement from the delightful Mozart Sonata K311 as well as the Nocturne in A flat by Chopin. Pianist Advina Wu will also perform a work by Chopin, the Etude in C sharp minor, as well as Poulenc's Novelette. Rachmaninov's Elegie Opus 7 will be performed by pianist Rebcca Nesdale. A flautist will be playing works by Bozza and CPE. Bach, who was one of JS Bach's sons, as well as a lively sonata by the British composer York Bowen. The concert will finish with Leah Bronn performing a piano sonata by Schubert. This is an opportunity to hear advanced students performing music ranging from baroque to modern, including several wellloved items. All are welcome and afternoon tea will be served afterwards. Admission is by donation.

Federated Farmers questions register

Federated Farmers has misgivings about the practicality and cost of a firearms register on the second round of proposed Arms Act amendments. The proposals feature a range of tighter controls on firearms ownership and licensing and Fed Farmers rural security spokesperson Miles Anderson anticipates support for many aspects of the changes. "When firearms are used irresponsibly or illegally in NZ, it is often farmers who suffer the consequences through the theft of livestock, poaching of wild animals or the risks of dangerous behaviour. Hopefully, some of these proposed changes will help to prevent that," Anderson said. But registration of firearms is contentious. Fed Farmers has previously opposed the compulsory registration of all firearms, based on the complexity and cost of this process, questionable safety benefits and the likelihood of success. "We haven't had a firearms register in NZ for almost 40 years. The successful re-establishment of one now would require a considerable investment, both economically and socially. We are very interested in how the police propose to practically manage common activities such as the loaning of firearms between two licensed individuals," Anderson said. As with any issue, Fed Farmers will consult with its members before submitting.

Fed Farmers will also have things to say about some of the earlier amendments to the Arms Act. Since the initial changes in April, the current pest management criteria have been proven to not work for those farmers and land managers who still need semi-automatic centrefire rifles for pest management. "Pest animals can be found in very high numbers on some private land and the right tool is needed to control them humanely and effectively," Anderson said. "Continued access to these firearms, under strict controls, is essential for both our primary industries and indigenous biodiversity. We will use the second round of consultation to re-visit this important issue with the select committee.'

FROM THE PULPIT

'Kane - Able and Victorious'

I was one of the many who stayed up to watch the World Cup of Cricket, played at the 'home' of cricket, Lords in London and, I might add, kept staying-up because it looked like our 'team', under captain Kane the Magnificent was going to pull-off an incredible upset over the home favourites England!

After it was all over and we had not 'made-it', with all sorts of controversy attached, it was a real credit to Kane Williamson and all the team, including support staff for the way in which they handled themselves under extreme pressure - not just in the final but right through the event!

One writer said that Kane's face had the same expression no matter whether NZ looked like winning or losing - a philosophical look that accepted the good with the not-sogood. I was 'gutted' for them but they kept a 'good-face' on which showed a great attitude.

My daughter Leeann, who lives in Christchurch, sent me an e mail on the Monday just after lunch which read, "My condolences Dad - cricket can be a very cruel game (I'm so pleased the Silver Ferns made-up for that last night beating the Aussies)."

The reality is that life can be a very cruel experience for many people, even unfair for many people - it's hard to work out and can be beyond our ability to understand or keep in perspective. We need to remember 'it's only a game' and it's not so much who won but how you played the game that counts - reminding ourselves about our best example. The Lord Jesus Christ kept his 'game-face' on no matter what that's why we can trust him for he knows all about the good, the bad and the unfair and when we are tempted to 'spit the dummy.' He gifts us with abilities that we wouldn't have if He were not around!

Look at what the writer in the Book of Hebrews in the Bible said in chapter 4: verses 14-16 - "Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the Heavenlies, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses but we have one, who has been tempted in every way, just as we are - yet was without sin. Let us then, approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time

So, he has already won us the victory despite what has happened or is happening. All we have to do is claim it, on the authority of his word. As Philippians chapter 4 verse 13 says, "Now, I can do all things, though Jesus Christ who gives me strength." He has already proved that, no matter what (pain, loss, grief, rejection, pressure, even death), whatever life throws at you, with His help, you can be, more than a conqueror. Please read soon - Romans 8: 31 to 39. Remember - Jesus loves you and so do we.

Pastor Llew King

St David's Presbyterian Church, Taihape





Youth Parliament is a non-partisan process, which was first held in 1994 to celebrate the 20 year anniversary of the lowering of the voting age to 18. The first Youth Parliament involved young people coming to Parliament for an education day.

Twenty five years later and Youth Parliament has evolved into a six month tenure programme, rather than a one-day affair. The ninth Youth Parliament

which was held last week as around 140 young New Zealanders came to Wellington to experience Parliament as Youth MPs and Youth Press Gallery members. My representative and Rangitikei Youth MP William Wood has made a significant contribution

since he was selected earlier this year. I think it is fitting that he should report on his experience in the Parliamentary precinct last week...



Rangitikei Youth MP William Wood (standing) has made a significant contribution since he was selected earlier this year. He reports below on his experience in the Youth Parliament last week.

"Youth Parliament was an experience like no other, showcasing the life of an MP in all sorts of different ways. Not only were we presented with the official side of politics, such as getting to be a part of a Select Committee and presenting a speech to the House but we also witnessed the more cutthroat side of politics as well. There were a number of passionate, rhetoric-fuelled speeches amidst clashes of ideas and ideals and a Climate Emergency Bill was passed. Despite this, I can assure you politics need not fear for its future as, although we as Youth MP's sometimes disagreed on how to achieve a better future for New Zealand, we are all aiming for one.

"Engaging with some of the country's most dedicated young political minds was a fantastic experience. Discussion outside the debating chamber was just about as intense as discussion inside it, with Youth MPs arguing all sorts of different ideas and viewpoints on a vast range of topics

"Personally, the event meant a lot to me. I sincerely hope I was able to make the Rangitikei proud. I tabled the Rangitikei Youth Charter, passing it into the official Parliamentary Hansard record and ensuring the youth of the Rangitikei electorate's voices are heard. Alongside this I was one of three recipients of a New Zealand Business and Parliament Trust Scholarship, which was a huge honour. For my presentation on how the government can better enable businesses to deal with a specific issue - I tackled intergenerational poverty and was awarded a scholarship. Although, the real prize was knowing that my policy suggestions were being taken seriously by a range of government officials.

"My experience in the chamber was nothing short of incredible. Thanks, must go to Ian for giving me this amazing opportunity and to the multi-party steering committee of Youth Parliament 2019 for the hard work they put in to make the event as positive as it was. I'm happy my tenure as Rangitikei's Youth MP hasn't finished yet. From here, Ian and I will be running another Rangitikei Youth Forum, following which we will pass on suggestions to local councils for consideration.

"If you're keen to be a part of the forum or you have any questions, please contact me via the Rangitikei Electorate Office in Feilding, phone 06 323 7253. Thank you."

William Wood.

Alzheimers and Ballentynes fashion show

Alzheimers Whanganui is holding a Fashion Parade fundraiser on Thursday September 5 at 7pm, at Ballentynes Fashion Central, 111 Victoria Avenue Whanganui.

"As a not-for-profit organisation, with no guaranteed income, we rely on our community to help us raise funds needed to maintain our support services and to meet the growing need for these services in the Whanganui, Rangitikei, Waimarino communities.

"Please show your support for this wonderful community organisation by purchasing a

ticket for yourself and a friend."

Tickets are \$15 each and are available at Alzheimers Whanganui 5/136 Victoria Avenue or can be ordered by phone: 06 3458833 or email Sharon: admin@alzheimerswhanganui. org.nz

Tickets are to be presold and will not be available on the night, so be in quick.

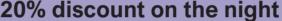
There will also be a 20% discount for items purchased on the night. Alzheimers Whanganui would like to thank Ballentynes Fashion Central Whanganui for its support.





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Taihape locals on top with farm skills

Taihape is tops when it comes to gumboots but when it comes to farming skills it has few locals who are tops nationally and internationally

Sheree Alabaster, of Taihape was part of the 2019 Allflex New Zealand Shearing and Woolhandling Team. She and NZ Woolhandling team mate Pagan Karauria, of Alexandra, maintained New Zealand's stranglehold on the world champion woolhandling team title by winning the title at the world champs in Le Dorat, France on July 4 - 7.

Karauria was third in the individual final won by Aled Jones, of Wales, and Alabaster was fourth. The teams win was Alabaster's 4th World title, after individual and teams wins in Norway in 2008 and a team win in Wales two years later.

Taihape farming couple Anna and Brian Coogan also came out on top with their ewe management. They are the overall winners of the 2019 New Zealand Ewe Hogget Competition. They were awarded their prize at a function in Christchurch last month.

They farm 330ha near Taihape and will host a field day at their farm later this year.

The Coogans won awards for their Romney breed and its flock performance, as well as being overall winners of the annual competition. They received \$8000 in prizes, a plaque and a medal. Competitors provide five years of business figures and they were judged as a having made the best possible use of their land.

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Marae plans for the future



Ngati Hauiti at Rātā Marae take an big step towards future development with RDC support.

Planting day for water quality

forces at a Colyton planting Manawatū green and help improve water quality.

Players from the Turbos and Cyclones will be digging in ,alongside Manawatū Rugby management, Higgins and put over 1,000 native plants in the ground.

Horizons freshwater manager Responsiveness Framework. create a riparian margin along again in the future." the upper Mangaone Stream,

a tributary to the Manawatū River. "This will help reduce soil run-off into the stream and establish a rich habitat for native aquatic life," he says.

"The plants will be spread across two properties through an area both landowners have fenced off to exclude stock thanks to 50 percent funding from Horizons. With a combined planting and fencing area of nearly 1.5kms, they have made a solid contribution to improving water quality.

Higgins, as sponsors of Manawatū Rugby, have provided planting tools for the day.

"We have a huge planting season each winter – with over 160,000 plants going in this year alone – so many hands make light work of projects like this. We know the landowners also appreciate the help and everyone involved can walk away knowing they've had a positive impact on the environment

"For anyone else who has a stream fencing or riparian planting project in mind and would like to learn more about Horizons' freshwater grants, please get in touch with our freshwater team by ringing 0508 800 800."

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Last Friday, Rangitīkei District Council formally handed over Marae feasibility plans to Ngāti Hauiti of Rātā Marae as part of Council's Maori Responsiveness Framework.

Rangitīkei District Councils' strategic advisor for Mana Whenua, Lequan Meihana, says the feasibility study (that included architectural design and process mapping) was the result of eight months intensive work between Ngāti Hauiti, RDC, architects and planners.

"This is a significant step forward for building and strengthening the relationship between Manawatū Rugby, Higgins RDC, iwi and hapū. The focus of this Marae Feasibility Plan has been around the necessary contractors and Horizons infrastructure and design improvements for Rātā Marae, as well as the physical and cultural Regional Council are joining centre of Māori identity and mātauranga.

"It also seeks to act as a foundation document, providing the groundwork for Rātā Marae to day on August 4 to keep apply to Te Puni Kōkiri for funding under its Oranga Marae programme, for the building work to be carried out in the future."

> Mr Meihana says one of the key goals of the Marae Feasibility Plan is to strengthen the ability of marae to pass on their ancestral knowledge of whaikorero, karanga and local matauranga, tikanga and kawa to descendants.

Neville Lomax, speaking on behalf of Rātā Marae said, "The plans that have been developed have been on display around the marae. Everybody has been really appreciative and pleased with what the plans will allow us to do in the future." Horizons freshwater staff, to Council strategy and community planning manager, Blair Jamieson, noted that staff have

received nothing but full support from Council's elected members, not only for this process, but for showing leadership in and working with iwi/hapū in the development of RDC's Māori

Logan Brown says the plants "We (RDC) would like to acknowledge Murali Bhaskar and Emily Bolam of Boon Team are funded by a Horizons Architects and Cam Twigley of BTW Company Planners and Surveyors for their amazing work freshwater grant and will and professional contribution throughout this journey. We look forward to working with them

Horizons Regional Council notifies proposed plan change 2

Horizons Regional Council has notified its proposed plan change 2 (PPC2) on Monday.

Horizons strategy and regulation group manager Dr Nic Peet says PPC2 addresses current issues within the One Plan's nutrient management policy and rule framework.

"The proposed plan change seeks to provide a workable framework for intensive land use - allowing a pathway for existing farmers and growers in target catchments to apply for resource consent and for the Council to see greater progress towards environmental improvement," says Dr Peet.

"The proposed plan change is focused on existing intensive farming land use and includes the recalibration of Table 14.2 cumulative nitrogen leaching maximums (CNLM) with the most up to date version of Overseer.

"The plan change affects existing intensive land users (dairy, intensive sheep and beef, commercial vegetable growing and cropping) in specific catchments.

"However, anyone with an interest can participate in the process by making a submission. Submissions should indicate whether they support or oppose all or some, of the aspects of the plan change and include information to support their

"Submissions must be received by 21 October 2019. Submitters will then have an opportunity to present their views or evidence, to the panel of commissioners at a

All PPC2 documentation, including submission forms, can be found on Horizons' website www.horizons.govt.nz

Winter Gardening by Wally Richards

ROSES AND HOW TO KEEP THEM BEAUTIFU



Roses are a most popular garden plant in NZ, with most gardeners having one or several specimens growing as bush, standards or climbers. For some gardeners they are featured plants - the only ones really well cared for.

You can have perfect or near perfect roses if you work with nature rather than against it.

Natural products will promote healthy roses. Chemical products designed as rescue remedies and rose foods, will remove the natural balances, causing both insect pests and diseases to run rampant.

In the spring, when the new season's growth appears they are perfect and will remain so, with a little help from a number of natural, health promoting products. If on the other hand, we apply rose fertilisers or Nitrophoska Blue we knock back the vital soil life (micro organisms and worms) because of these product's acidity

If we then apply chemical rose sprays, we damage the natural immune systems of the plants, causing greater problems, as well as further harming the soil life.

Our poor roses become targets for both insect pests and diseases, as these are the cleaners of nature, taking out the weak, sickly plants. Roses are not easily killed but will remain sickly looking for the rest of the season. The situation becomes worse when we need to water, if our tap water contains chlorine - use pure water. To have really healthy roses, you need to supply all the minerals and elements that the plant needs. Feed the soil life and the micro organisms that live on the plants. Control any insect pests that sap the vitality and ensure that they have ample moisture and a suitable sunny spot to grow in.

Make a hole twice the size as needed and mix a good compost with the soil removed (half and half). Use this to line the base of the hole to the right height, place the Ocean Solids, Unlocking the Soil etc on top of this along with the rose. Back fill with the same mix.

If you have a heavy clay soil then ensure the base of the hole and sides are rough, not smooth and apply two or three handfuls of Gypsum to the clay base before the mix. This extra preparation work gives the new rose a great growing area for root establishment.

Ensure that in either method of planting (open ground or containers) that the soil is kept moist for the following 12 months while the root system is establishing.

Do not cut flowers off for vases during the first season, but you can dead head without removing foliage. It's most important that a new rose has as much foliage as possible to gain energy from the sun while establishing. You can enhance the energy production by spraying the foliage with Vaporgard every 3 months which protects the plant from UV damage. (It makes the leaves a darker green and shiny, also added protection against pests and diseases). If you use Vaporgard then you will need to add Raingard to the other sprays on the 2 weekly cycle. With new roses it is very important that the roots never become dry.

What to do with your existing roses?

Cut all bush and standard roses back to half and remove any dead wood and spindly canes. Then spray with potassium permanganate at quarter teaspoon per litre of water and the soil underneath. Leave till about end of July and then do your proper pruning and spray the wounds with liquid copper as you go. Don't prune or cut on damp cool days as this can let Silver Leaf disease into the rose. Pick a warm sunny day when the air is drier.

In the spring, place the unlocking of your soil, ocean solids, blood & bone, animal manure, etc, on top of the soil around the base of the rose and cover with a good compost.

Use the natural sprays and products suggested for the new roses. If you avoid the use of any chemical fertilisers and sprays as well as any chemical herbicides, anywhere near the roses and follow the above natural programme, the health of the roses should greatly benefit and you too will be healthier for not using the chemicals. A number of gardeners that have followed my natural advise with their roses and other gardens phone me up to tell me how great their gardens are.

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Zajonskowski family timber yard in Marton. Johann and Maria Zajonskowski, two sons and four daughters arrived in Marton in 1874. Johann was a builder and set up a High St business in 1890 on the site of the current PGG Wrightson. In 1892 his sons John and Joseph built a new mill and timber factory in Wellington Rd (pictured) - it was on the the site of the former Pacific Chenille and Supertex, now occupied by the Rangitikei Country Music Club and a bookseller. The Zajonskwski family developed a large building and building supplies business. Many of Marton's first large buildings, churches and mills were built by the family. In 1907, they sold to Major RA Wilson from Bulls. It was to be the beginning of the Marton Sash and Door Timber Co. which later became MSD Speirs Ltd.

Stormy weather and the effect on trees

Generally, trees can withstand abnormal weather conditions, providing they are healthy. Unfortunately, trees grow a lot quicker in NZ and therefore are not as stable as their counterparts in the northern hemisphere. The digging of trenches for

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on stability and longevity.

Similarly, concreting near a

tree's cut roots can cause issues

with tree health. Lime from

cement leaches into the soil and contaminates the area a tree needs to draw nutrients from. Arborists can advise people on the potential risk of having a large tree and whether its showing signs of decline or completely healthy. It may be a tree is located close to a house or over a road or powerlines. Some large trees can weigh up to 10 tonne and can cause significant damage if they fail. Arborists' are trained to check tree health from roots to leaves. Years of observing how and where 🖡 different species do or don't do well, means an arborist can help you decide the right tree for the right spot. Certain trees are more susceptible to failing than others and sometimes, removing weight from a tree can lessen the chance of it failing. Arborists specialise in the care of individual trees. They are knowledgeable about the needs of trees and are trained and equipped to provide proper care and advice. If you have large trees on your property that you would like advice on, ring Beaver. Their head arborist will schedule a time to visit you

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TAIHAPE GOLF

A strong turnout on a sunny Sunday greeted the second of three Mortland par rounds. It was the 16 handicapper James Fannin who shone through with +4. His round included six pars and a two on the sixth hole. With Fannin on the cusp of the seniors' division, this could upset some of the lower handicap competitors another good performance in the final Mortland round in two weeks' time. Hot on the tail were JJ Walker, Kevin O'Brien, and Alan Thomas, who all came in on +3 apiece. Gary Thomas recorded +2. On square were Danny Mickleson, Gary Cleaver and Kerry Wells. Nick McGuinn came home on -1, Duane Dick -2, Peter Valentine managed -3, as did David McGuinn and Denny Thompson. This Sunday, the zones team travels to Apiti to take on neighbours Rangatira, in the much anticipated quarterfinal. The local haggle provides a good opportunity for players to progress their matches before a busy schedule over the next two months. Duty manager this Sunday is Kerry Wells. The Taihape Golf Club extends its thanks to the Four Regions Trust for its contribution towards new carpet and re-polishing the stunning rimu dance floor in the clubrooms. Many groups, individuals and businesses use Taihape Golf Club's clubrooms. It's the club's aim to continue to upgrade the facility for the benefit of the community.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Wednesday 17 July - stableford: the day was dedicated to Bob Wilson, who has just turned 90years old. He won the player of the day and was presented with a gold trophy. Results: Steve Boyens 40pts, Pat McCarthy 38pts, Rex Wilson & Bronwyn Meads 36pts, Ash Reed, Ron Harris & Al-lek White 35pts, Nigel Fairless 34pts, Kevin Taylor, Dan Scotson & Pat Pearce 33pts & Tony Wilson 31pts. Twos: Pat McCarthy 5th & 16th, Jullian Elliott & Peter Young 3rd, Pat Pearce 16th. Best stableford on 11, 12, &13 was Ash Reed - 8pts. Lucky draw: Lynne McDonald

MARTON GOLF CLUB

Thursday club 17.07.2019. Steve Muir is the Crunchie Kid no more - having won the last two Thursday competitions - 41 points to follow his 42 last week. Well played Steve. Scores: S Muir 41, B Beck 37, H Bremner 35, D Tarrant 35, P Simpson 35, B Mc Ginniss 34, A Stewart 33, G Calkin 33, P Connolly 31, R Yorke 30. New Crunchie man this week: D Clark. Sat 20 July - a good number of players braved the winter weather to play in the stableford competition, with the scores being impressive, considering the conditions. Ron Win's 42 points won him the Cook's Bar voucher. He was closely followed by Aron Bremner with 41 points and Greg McIver, Richard Ellery and Colin Williams with 40 points. Other results: Pete Skou, Troy Calkin 39, Rick McVerry 38, Tom Bliss-Bennett, Mike Peina, Glen Jongen, Stu Duncan 37, Nigel Belsham 36. Twos: 3rd Jayden Hunter, 6th Ron Win, Rodger Yorke, 17th Richard Ellery, Graham Marshall, Terry Hammond. 4FBH: Russ McDonald, Phil Simpson, Linda Peina, Craig Skou. Sat 27 July duty: Terry Hammond. Bar: Erica Clark & Caroline Watson. Sun 28 duty: Graham Marshall.

RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Results from Saturday 20 July - TRM Spouting stableford: Tamati Anaru & Ron Harris 38pts, Jullian Elliott 37pts, Geoff Ingram 35pts, Peter Young, Alec Benson & Michelle Mossop 34pts, Lynne McDonald, Jordan Wells, Polly Perkins & John Luckham 33pts. Twos:Peter Young & Geoff Ingram - 3rd.

HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 16 July: Kelly Footwear. No play due to weather conditions! Saturday 20 July: Mates' Rates Insulation bogey competition: a few hardy souls braved the weather. Congratulations to Matt Carroll & Pam Charlesworth who took out the Mick & Eileen Woods memorial trophies. S/men: M Fagan +1, D Rohde, G Cunningham, D Worsfold. J/men; M Carroll +4, G Edwards, P Maitland, N Rackham. Women; P Charlesworth. Feilding Scrap Metal two's; P Maitland #2, D Worsfold & N Rackham #7, G Franks #16. Jackpot #7 struck. Nearest the pins; s/men = D Rohde. J/men = G Edwards. Women = P Charlesworth. Taimui challenge; Bondy & Pete lost to Matt & Norm. Next challengers: Rex & Dave R. Coming events; Tuesday 9 hole golf, 9.30am tee off. Saturday 27 July, AGM and captain's trophy - teeing off after AGM.

8-BALL POOL

Both Rangitikei sides had comfortable victories in division 2 of the Wanganui Pool Association inter-club competition on 17 July, moving them into the top two places on the ladder. Bulls RSA hosted St John's Wahine and held an 8-4 lead at the conclusion of singles matches. Winston Holdaway, Paul Wild and John Fraser each won both their matches. The locals then stretched their lead in the pairs, winning 7-2, for an overall 15-6 victory. Holdaway & Bob Bligh won all three of their clashes. Marton travelled to Wanganui where they played Club Metro. Stephen Lewis, Ray Butler and Ross Marshall each had two wins for Marton, which held a 7-5 lead after the singles rounds. The visitors then took out the pairs 7-2, with the Lewis/Allan Pond combination winning all three of their games. Marton won 14-7 overall and sit top of the table, with 2 wins and a +17 games differential. Bulls also has 2 wins, with a +9 differential. The two Rangitikei sides clash again on 31 July (at Bulls) in a match that could well decide who goes into the 14 August semi-finals as top qualifier.

MARTON HOCKEY CLUB MEN'S TEAM

The Marton Hockey Club bounced back, in almighty fashion, at the weekend, after its big loss the week prior. The lads lined up against Marist, with a full-strength team, after missing multiple players for the past few weeks. Marton was first to put points on the board, courtesy of a nice strike by Flynn Kowalewski. Kowalewski would strike again, just 5-minutes later, before Marist scored its only point of the game, in the final minute of the first quarter. Kian Belk added to Marton's tally, before half time, to lead 3-1 heading into the break. A scoreless third quarter was compensated for by two more brilliant goals from Kowalewski, early in the final quarter, before Xavier Death finished the game with one last goal for Marton. The final **Public Notices**



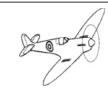
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score was a 6-1 win for Marton. 3-MVP points were awarded to Xavier Death for his immense work rate, while Kowalewski's dangerous goal-scoring game got him 2-MVP points. Kian Belk was awarded 1-MVP point and dick of the day for missing an open goal and injuring the goalie in the warm-up. You can follow the Marton Hockey Club's progress on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MartonHC.

St Francis Indoor Bowls

Tues 23 July - this week we played the final of our club championship pairs. Lyn Phillips and Andy Creagh beat Ray Harding and Rose Plank, in a very close game, to take the championship for 2019. This week, Robbie Tait won the raffle. Next week will be another normal club night. Last weekend a 2-4-2 pairs competition was held in Palmerston North and Kevin Mullany and Lyn Phillips got a runner-up prize.

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We look forward to seeing you at one of the Supplier Briefings.

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Notice of Meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings for August 2019

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Thursday 1 August at 7.30 pm

(Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3, Turakina)

Bulls Community Committee

Tuesday 6 August at 5.30 pm

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

Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub Committee

Wednesday 7 August at 4:00 pm

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

Taihape Community Board

Wednesday 7 August at 5.30 pm

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

Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Thursday 8 August at 9.30 am

Policy/Planning Committee

Thursday 8 August at 1.00 pm

Hunterville Community Committee

Monday 12 August at 6.30 pm

(Hunterville Town Hall, Bruce Street, Hunterville)

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

Tuesday 13 August at 11.00 am

Rātana Community Board

Tuesday 13 August at 6:30 pm

(Ture Tangata Office, Ihipera-Koria Street, Rātana Paa) **Marton Community Committee**

Wednesday 14 August at 7.00 pm

(Project Marton Office, Centennial Park, 18 Humphrey St, Marton)

Youth Council

Tuesday 27 August at 5.00 pm

Audit/Risk Committee

Thursday 29 August at 9.00 am **Finance/Performance Committee**

Thursday 29 August at 10.30 am

Council

Thursday 29 August at 1.00 pm

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

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

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Game Bird Habitat Stamp photo competition

Fish & Game New Zealand and the New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Trust are running a photo competition to select a winning image to be used on the Game Bird Habitat Stamp.

"The Habitat Stamp is traditionally launched on 2 February each year, in acknowledgement of World Wetland Day," New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Trust chairperson Andy Tannock says.

"The paradise shelduck has been selected as the game bird species to feature in this year's photo competition.

"This is the first photo competition we have run to select the Game Bird Habitat Stamp.

"Calling all photographers! Do you have any beautiful, special, quirky, interesting, or simply stunning photos of our beloved paradise shelduck?"

"This is your chance to have your photo forever immortalised on a Game Bird Habitat Stamp.

"Not only do you get the glory of having your photo on a stamp, the winner will also receive a complimentary full season 2020 Fish & Game New Zealand game bird licence."

By chance, rather than design, the paradise shelduck was also the first species to appear on the Game Bird Habitat Stamp when it was launched in 1994. It featured again in 2004.

The Game Bird Habitat Stamp programme plays a vital role in the protection, enhancement and creation of game bird habitat in New Zealand. Funds from the sale of game bird hunting licences and stamp collection products support projects that protect and enhance wetlands and game bird and other wildlife habitats.

"Wetlands are vital for wildlife because they provide valuable habitat for species," Mr Tannock says.

Funding for the Game Bird Habitat Trust comes from the \$4 Game Bird Habitat Stamp which is affixed to every game bird hunting licence issued by Fish & Game New Zealand. New Zealand Post also sells the stamps to the general public. Around \$100,000 is raised each year.

The competition is open to anyone. Further information is on the Fish & Game New Zealand website at: http://fishandgame.org.nz/competition.



Tough new rules to clean up water welcomed

Fish & Game New Zealand welcomes next month's release of the Government's plan to halt decline in water quality and improve rivers, lakes and streams.

"Environment Minister David Parker announced on World Environment Day that the Government will release a new freshwater national policy statement and new national environmental standards for consultation this year," Fish & Game chief executive Martin Taylor says.

"Kiwis expect to be able to swim, fish and gather food from their rivers, lakes and streams. A recent nationwide poll conducted for Fish & Game by Colmar Brunton shows that over 80 per cent of Kiwis are concerned about water quality.

"This gives the Government a once-in-a-generation opportunity to tackle an issue Kiwis are deeply concerned about.

"Minister Parker also announced funding of \$750,000 that will help iwi in Whanganui, Gisborne and Omapere improve the health of their local waterways.

"Fish & Game welcome any funding that will improve the health of our waterways.

"However, it's time we all acknowledge that intensive agriculture - particularly dairy - has been increasingly damaging our waterways for 20 years. That's why in December 2018 the public ranked it as their number one issue.

"Dairy farming has only been able to do this because regional councils have failed to live up to their statutory requirements to protect the environment for future generations.

"It's time we all worked together to deliver better water quality for all New Zealanders. Kiwis will have their say on tough new rules designed to clean up our freshwater this year - this can't come soon enough."

Bulls boy boxing in Thailand

Boxer Emile Richardson was selected to represent NZ at the King's Cup in Thailand. He left with a team of 11 to compete in the annual international boxing tournament in Bangkok.

He says, "I have been training pretty hard, building up to this - sometimes twice a day. "The team recently met in Auckland and had a three day camp, which was gruelling. It was fantastic to come together with the other athletes and build up to Thailand together and bond. Some of these elite athletes I had travelled with to Europe. Some of the young women in our team are an inspiration and they are really shaking it up internationally. My world ranking goes slightly up and down, depending on my competitors overseas. I am currently ranked number 22 in the world.

When the Bangkok tournament ends on July 29, he is looking forward to the next challenge on home soil, in Hastings, at the NZ championships.

Emile says, "I am very appreciative of my local sponsors Dr Dave Baldwin, International Healthy Bastards, John Keay, the Meads family and Ruapehu Masonic Youth Trust which recently gave me a donation for training gear which has been put to good use. Thanks to all those people. The sport is one thing but being able to get sponsorship and funding is a challenge. Huge costs are required for training, travelling, sports psychologist, sauna, food and nutrition, training gear. Even a proper mouth guard is an expense.

"Many sponsors don't fund individual sport, so my mum, Bronwyn Meads is continually trying to find those who can donate.

If anyone in the community would like to support Emile's journey to the Olympics 2020 and beyond - please contact 0273022888. To follow Emile now: emile@realdeal on Instagram.



Above: Bulls boxer Emile Richardson (left) in action.

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