

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



This is our final issue for 2017. We have enjoyed bringing you news, views and information throughout the year. Thanks to our advertisers - for making the weekly miracle of the Rangitikei District Monitor possible.

Thanks also, to the many regular club and sport contributors. Your efforts are well appreciated and well read. Thanks to our delivery runners, throughout the district, for getting the paper to 6000 letterboxes! Special thanks to photographer Terry

Stillman and Taihape reporter Terry Karatau and to Belinda Howard for her editorial contributions.

The team at Rangitikei District Monitor.. Liz Rayner, Krystal Dalley, Allan Pond, Hamish White and all our many delivery staff, wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our office is closed from Friday 22 December till 15 January 2018. See you in the new year. Our first issue for 2018 is January 18.



Carols reflect true meaning of Christmas



Elijah and Jessica Groube (front) admire the Christmas tree at St Stephen's Anglican Church (with Joanna Matthews celebrating in the background) at the Festival of Carols.

Last Sunday, those gathered at the Marton church to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, were enthralled by performances which included young children singing solos and reading messages. Chris Corser played the flute, Cecily Shaw sang the opening carol and Caitlin Arthur played violin. Robyn Peirce was choir director, supported by a joyful church choir and accomplished organist Margaret Thompson.

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Aidan says thanks to everyone

Aidan Terpstra was assaulted on 19 February 2016, which left him with a severe brain injury.

Aidan has lived through three episodes where it was unlikely that he would survive. Additionally, his parents were told that Aidan wouldn't walk, talk or even be able to eat independently. However, through his sheer determination, guts and will power plus the amazing support from many, Aidan has proved all those predictions wrong.

Aidan and his parents Bronwyn and Jim Terpstra, have a few words for the many people who have supported them so far, in their often tiring family journey ...

"We would like to thank all those many people and businesses who supported us after Aidan's assault. We would also like to apologise for the length of time it has taken for us to acknowledge your help. Aidan had name suppression, which was in place for the court case, so we were unable to act until recently.

There have been just so many people who have helped to make this nightmare of a journey easier to bear. Initially, when the assault happened, the world seemed black but we have learnt there are so many good people – more good than bad.

It is difficult to thank everyone who has helped us both when the assault happened and currently, but we hope we cover everyone: our family and friends, neighbours, Marton Christian Welfare, St Andrew's Church, the staff at Stewart Street Surgery and Marton Pharmacy, Huntley School, the quilting ladies, ACC, our support staff, our workplaces for showing compassion, in allowing us time to spend with Aidan and to all the individuals who helped in so many different ways, please accept our heartfelt thanks. Aidan's life and our's were destroyed on that night. Aidan had worked hard, was in his last year of his electrical apprenticeship, had just bought his house, with his partner of five years and was a competitive mountain biker. Jim, Daniel and I went through the hell of not knowing if he was going to survive and then not knowing how he would be if he did. Without the support we received we couldn't have managed" Bronwyn says.

"Aidan, after spending over a year in hospital and a rehabilitation unit, is now at home and is doing amazingly well. In the early days when we were told the worst we held on to our faith in God, hope and the belief in our strong boy. We are so proud of him; he has constantly proved those negative predictions wrong and continues to astonish everyone with his progress. We still have a long journey ahead of us but the future holds promise," Aidan's mother says.

Once again, many, many thanks to you all. We wish all a wonderful Christmas and a very happy and blessed New Year from Aidan, Jim, Bronwyn and Daniel."



Aidan at home at Onepuhi Rd, standing with his parents.

Deferral of Manawatu Gorge decision welcomed

Local government and businesses across central and eastern NI welcome the NZ Transport Agency's deferral of its decision on the preferred option for replacing the Manawatu Gorge route, pending further detailed work to understand the relative benefits of the options.

Palmerston North mayor Grant Smith says while it's important to confirm an alternative route as fast as possible, given the immediate economic impacts of the gorge road closure, the decision on an alternative route presents a unique opportunity to deliver more than just a traditional roading solution.

"We fully support the conclusion they have reached, that further work is needed to assess the four shortlisted options, including the extent to which those options would respectively contribute to unlocking the economic potential of the whole central and eastern North Island region," says Mayor Smith.

Representatives of the eight local authorities that have an interest in the option that is ultimately selected, will continue to work with NZTA as it undertakes further assessment.

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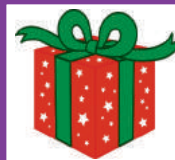
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Santa passes through district

Santa has been out and about in the Rangitikei District recently, showing up at local Christmas parades. He only has one to go in Hunterville on Friday. He says it was a very busy time visiting the three Rangitikei towns but he's used to it at Christmas. While he was here, he also checked out the behaviour of the

all lovely children in the district and he told the editor of the Rangitikei District Monitor that - so far, he found mostly well-behaved kids with only couple of slightly naughty ones but he says, they still have a few days to pull their socks iup. Left is shot of Santa passing through Marton.

McKelvie Memos

MP for Rangitikei



Christmas is a time for family, fun and enjoying summer and the great outdoors. It is also a time of year that puts a great deal of pressure on many of our families and, with this in mind, we all need to keep an eye out for our neighbours. The early summer drought has certainly put pressure on many farmers and associated agribusiness workers and contractors.

The pressure caused by the extraordinary commercialisation of Christmas can be detrimental too. We seem to have moved away from traditional celebrations that involved getting together with family and friends - and giving a little.

For many of us, Christmas is a chance to reenergise and take a break from the weekly grind. Though we should also take time to remember those who don't get a break at this time of the year - the people who keep our hospitals, our many essential services and our shops open, and the members of our armed forces who are stationed overseas. Nor should we forget the true meaning and spirit of Christmas, whatever our personal beliefs. As an eventful political year comes to an end, I'd like to thank all who have helped me in my role as your Member of Parliament. I'm looking forward to a break to recharge the batteries with next year promising to be every bit as busy as we hold the Labour-Green-NZ First government to account from the Opposition benches.

I hope you manage to have some time out this Christmas and an opportunity to catch up with family and friends. Please stay safe these holidays - whether it is on the roads, under the sun or in the water - and all the best for a happy, healthy and prosperous 2018.

Message from Mayor Andy



Rangitikei Mayor Andy Watson Looks Back at 2017

At this time of the year, I like to reflect on some highlights from the year. While it's been a busy, rewarding year, I want to outline a few below.

In October, I was given the honour of investing a Queen's Service Medal (QSM) to Mrs Te Kune Blackmore, a kuia of Parewahawaha marae at Bulls. Her official citation recognised her contribution to governance and preserving and passing on knowledge of tikanga. She also taught traditional weaving, both voluntarily in the community and formally. She also held positions on a number of other groups, for a number of years. Normally this honour is bestowed by either the Queen or the Governor General of New Zealand. I was asked to do this locally because the recipient was unwell.

We had another well-known Marton local receive a Queens Birthday honour - Mr Duncan Hart. Duncan is a true gentleman and someone I have the greatest respect for - his contribution to his country and community is outstanding.

We celebrated the opening of the new sports complex at Rangitikei College - this achievement is symbolic in how our schools and community can combine with Council to make things happen.

The Marton centennial courts project - this facility now hosts cricket games and a skatepark project is underway, with \$150,000 of external funding being secured, in a partnership with Council. My congratulations go to the contributors to this complex, in particular the Saracens Cricket Club, the Rayner family and Felix Bell, whose determination has seen this project get underway.

The Hunterville Town Hall has had a total renovation, to a magnificent standard. Thanks to the committee and community this facility now can host national level events, like the shemozzle.

There are a number of iconic events that were held across the district during the year. Each of these had its own special feature and fantastic turnout.

So, looking ahead to 2018 ...

We look forward to progressing the new Bulls multi-purpose complex, to become a reality. This is still pending final confirmation from Council.

Next year, Council produces its next 10 year plan. There are a number of large projects that need to be started including wastewater, stormwater, Mangaweka Bridge and our town centre developments. These projects will take a few years to be completed and will benefit our current and future generations. We also need to address our infrastructure, water quality, economic growth as well as our earthquake prone buildings - it will be an exciting long term plan.

Finally, I want to say thanks to a number of you - to the staff and councillors I have the privilege to work with; to the huge number of community groups who have invited me and our councillors to be part of their planning of events across the

district; and to all residents in our district - Beth and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and safe travels in the holiday season. See you in 2018.

Andy Watson

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Entertainment last week, was our annual concert created by a few members. John Scarbrough our organiser and stage manager. An Elvis lookalike welcomed all, starting with Wendy and Sheila, singing an English ditty from their childhood in London. Next, came Deana and Audrey, who became mother and son (Henry) who was sick from eating green and yellow eels, saying "I just wanna lay down and die." Then came Derek - a bedraggled homeless man, entertaining with newspaper. He began to read, "oh woe is me, life was so tough, much better in Marton than Auckland. He quipped, "At least I'm a celebrity in Marton! Billy and Frank came next with Donald Where's Your Trousers? Judith, Melva and Rosa played carols on guitar and keyboard. Rosa sang Silent Night in her own language. The final item was carols which everyone sang. Father Christmas gave gifts to all members. A very successful day. See you next year!

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Turakina WI - Members enjoyed a special Christmas potluck lunch, prior to the final meeting of the year. Thanks was given, by president Pat Perry, to all who made our November meeting another success - with congratulations also coming forward from our visitors who attended. Business for early 2018 was attended to. The Turakina Highland Games on 27 January being our big fundraiser and first on the list. Nominations were taken for the 2018 committee for our AGM in February. Afternoon tea completed the meeting with Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year. Competitions: Floral - design with a Christmas theme -1 Lewanna McLean, 2 Jacqui Gillam, 3= Gay Manning & Joan Marshall. Handcraft - a Christmas cracker-1Lewanna McLean, 2= Pat Perry & Gay Manning, 3 = Joan Marshall & Jacqui Gillam. Garden gem -1 Jacqui Gillam, 2 Hazel Thomson, 3 Joan Marshall.

Christmas Fiesta at St Andrew's Presbyterian

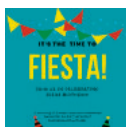
This year, St Andrew's Presbyutrian parish is doing at least one of its Christmas services a little differently

"We wanted to find a way that we could invite the Marton community to come and join us in celebrating Jesus birthday," says Phil Warner, minister at St Andrew's, "but in a way that people would feel comfortable and enjoyable."

So, instead of our morning Christmas Eve service, on Sunday 24 December at 9.30am. We are inviting people to come and join us for coffee, tea, pancakes and pastries in the church hall.

People will be invited to sit around tables, chat, do some fun activities and enjoy refreshments.

Interspersed though the morning, will be the chance to sing carols, as well as enjoy some short skits and videos. St Andrew's is a family-friendly church, so all family members are welcome. Even if people haven't been to church for years, this a chance to come and enjoy a great morning of celebration and fellowship. St Andrew's will also have the usual 11pm candle service and a family service at 9am on Christmas Day (in company with the Samoan Congregational church). "Come, bring your family and join our party at the St Andrews Christmas Fiesta," says Rev Warner.



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God Coming To Us



It is hard to imagine a more innocuous and secretive intervention by God in human history. An intervention that was necessary, if He was to enter into this history at all, than the conceiving of a child by His Divine grace in the womb of a woman. Rather than a blaze of glory, this was the way God chose to act.

Key to our belief in and our understanding of this, first of all, is that woman herself, the Virgin Mary. Any such claim for the fatherhood of her child would ordinarily be dismissed. But such a claim coming from her, even though normally so ridiculous and outrageous, was not to be so casually passed over.

In the event, Mary made no such claim, at least not at the time. Joseph, her betrothed, came to learn of the child by way of an appearance of an Angel in a dream. But he also had a knowledge of and love for Mary. The message of the Angel would not be inconsistent with whom he knew Mary to be.

Joseph is forever a model for, first of all, a love for the Virgin Mary and thereby our coming to a belief in and understanding

of, how God intervenes in human affairs. God works through the cooperation of those He calls out to, which in fact is us all.

God wants to enter into our lives in a way that always respects who we are and how we are made. And when He does, He rather completes us, enriches us and makes us whole. Such is the gift of our finally sharing a life with Him.

May we all be renewed in that great grace again this Christmas - each one of us, personally and in our families and communities.

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THE WATER SAFETY CODE

Now that summer is here, we encourage anyone planning to swim to familiarise themselves with the Water Safety Code's four simple rules.

1. Be prepared

- Learn to swim and survive.
- Set rules for safe play in the water.
- Always use safe and correct equipment and know the weather and water conditions before you get in.

2. Watch out for yourself and others

- Always pay close attention to children you are supervising when in, or near, water.
- Swim with others and in areas where lifeguards are present.

3. Be aware of the dangers

- Enter shallow and unknown water feet first and obey all safety signs & warning flags.
- DO NOT enter the water after drinking alcohol.

4. Know your limits

- Challenge yourself within your physical limits and experience.
- Learn safe ways of rescuing others without putting yourself in danger.

SWITCH TO WATER

November saw Whanganui DHB supporting the New Zealand Dental Association's *Switch to Water* campaign which challenged the public to drink water only for the 30 days in November in the hope it encouraged participants to carry on doing so once the challenge ended.

WDHB board members Stuart Hylton and Dame Tariana Turia took on the challenge to show their support for any effort that discourages Whanganui residents from consuming sugary drinks – and particularly children. They say anything that will help cut the level of decay in the teeth of Whanganui residents is a good move.

Because Whanganui children have one of the highest levels of tooth decay in New Zealand, we challenge all adults in our region to set an example year-round by rejecting sugary drinks in favour of drinking water only. Please consider setting a good example for our children to follow.

WHITE RIBBON DAY

Another campaign our DHB supported in November was White Ribbon Day. We thank the men in our organisation who talked to staff, visitors and patients interested in finding out what the White Ribbon campaign stands for and what sits behind the campaign's tagline: *'I will stand up, speak out and act to prevent men's violence against women and children.'*

We also thank the many people in our Whanganui community who not only supported White Ribbon Day, but who throughout the year, support those hurt by family violence.

BEST WISHES

We wish you all a very happy, safe and peaceful Christmas and holiday season.



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Bull bags for Bulls businesses

If you are shopping in Bulls, you will come across the town's new Bull bags. They are not attached to a bull - they are a handy tote bag, for use instead of plastic bags. A Bulls shop owner, Amanda Street, needed bags for her shop and came up with the idea. The Bulls & District Trust used the services of designer Holly Norris, who illustrated and designed the Bull bags. Then the team sold the idea to local businesses. Community co-ordinator Jan Harris says the response has been amazing. Businesses have put in big orders since the concept took off. Business owners can use them as customer bags, or sell them to customers - whichever they choose. The project is ongoing, so money made from businesses purchasing the bags will be used to keep a supply available. There are two handy sizes of the new Bull Bags and they make great souvenirs for visitors to Bulls. The trust held an early morning breakfast last Friday to launch the bags and businesses now have them on hand, in time for Christmas. The black and white Bull Bags feature a bull with its cuts of meat named after local Bulls businesses participating in the project.

Cool drink in Marton



Centennial Park Dairy in Marton has recently installed a new "Slushy" machine. Slushy is a frozen carbonated drink that comes in a range of flavours.



Bulls people involved in the Bulls tote bag project and business owners holding their illustrated Bull Bags - a new feature at Bulls businesses.

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Nga Tawa students give back

Each year, students at Marton's Nga Tawa School undertake service as part of their special character school ethos - it's one of the key ways they express their Anglican faith and school values. This is often in support of a number of charities, but 2017's leadership group decided they'd like to form a relationship with a particular charity that aligns with their values and support them for the entire year.

Head of Chapel and Service, Eden Aschebrock and her Year 13 members of the student council put the wheels in motion to meet with their local Women's Refuge branch - Women's Refuge Whanganui. Women's Refuge promotes leadership that influences the prevention and elimination of domestic violence in the Whanganui region. Their staff and volunteers work hard to provide safe spaces, advocate for safe homes for families, encourage safe change and, most of all, respect and validate women's stories, experiences, decision-making and strengths. Staff at Women's Refuge Whanganui were able to inform the girls of their focus areas and most importantly, how they can help and what they may need. Sanitary items and teenage girl clothes were high on the agenda, cementing Eden's decision to support them.

"Teenage girl clothes were something we had an abundance of. Not only could we donate clothing but any designer brand clothing we gifted was able to be sold at Women's Refuge market stalls for a profit," said Eden.

Nga Tawa and Women's Refuge Whanganui have created a fantastic collaborative relationship. Women's Refuge staff have spoken in Nga Tawa's school assembly and were responsible for introducing the Loves-Me-Not pastoral programme to Nga Tawa. Resourced by The Sophie Elliott Foundation and NZ Police, Loves-Me-Not uses a whole school approach and a one-day workshop for Year 12 students to explore healthy relationships and the sometimes difficult subject of relationship abuse and consent.

Nga Tawa students have had a busy year supporting Women's Refuge Whanganui - organising a fundraiser per term. They raised funds at a school mufti day at the beginning of the year. In association with wacky tie day, the girls collected three big boxes of sanitary items to donate. They delivered 20 boxes of clothing from their clothes drive and, this term, the Year 9 and 10 students at Nga Tawa were busy putting together Christmas gifts and cards to help make someone else's Christmas this year.

After a rewarding year, Nga Tawa and Whanganui Women's Refuge hope to build on their relationship next year and into the future.

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Santa was in Bulls



Father Christmas aka Santa, was in good form at the recent Bulls Christmas parade and almost took one of the black bulls, standing around the town, with him to pull his sleigh but he thought it might confuse Rudolph and his friends.

Winning trolls



The colourful trolls on the Marton Christmas parade's best school and kindy float - Mill Street Kindy

Drinking water work programme established

Horizons Regional Council, in partnership with territorial authorities and MidCentral Health drinking water assessors, recently commissioned a stocktake of water supplies in the Horizons region, to prioritise actions for minimising the risk of contamination.

Horizons natural resources and partnerships group manager Dr Roygard says the recent inquiry into contamination of Havelock North public water supply highlighted areas for improvement in the management of public water supplies throughout the country. "There are a number of different organisations with responsibilities for managing and monitoring potable drinking water in NZ. "Maintaining and supporting a continual flow of information

between organisations is key. Horizons is working to ensure that this communication is well-established and the relevant relationships between these organisations are maintained. A workshop with all parties was held in late September."

Last Tuesday, a presentation was made to the chief executives of the region's territorial authorities, which included a draft programme of work for the next six months.

Horizons chief executive Michael McCartney says that valuable lessons have been learnt from Havelock North. "While we are unaware of any incidents in our region, there is no room for complacency," says Mr McCartney.

"It is critical that our communities have safe drinking water."

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These are common symptoms that take place when asthma is getting worse. You may have a reliever inhaler on hand, but what if the attack is severe and a reliever inhaler isn't working?

In New Zealand, it's very common for children below the age of 15 old to be admitted to hospital for the treatment of asthma. In 2015, over 3,500 children in this age group were admitted to hospital and some of these will have had a potentially life-threatening attack.

The way to manage asthma better and avoid preventable hospitalisations, is by having a plan. An Asthma Action Plan tells you what to do when asthma improves or gets worse, and the amount and type of medicine required.

"It is important for children with asthma to have an up-to-date Asthma Action Plan to help ensure their condition is well managed. Well managed asthma, reduces the risk of suffering from an asthma attack," says Letitia O'Dwyer, chief executive for the Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ. 'My Asthma,' a new app we developed, is a beneficial tool to assist with asthma management in children and adolescents. The app has just been updated with a customisable Child Asthma Action Plan, to be completed with a health professional and saved to a smart device such as a mobile phone.

The digital Asthma Action Plans can then be accessed at anytime through the user's smart device and easily shared by email, to other contacts such as caregivers, teachers and sports coaches.

"My Asthma' app helps to ensure that action plans are available to anyone looking after a child with asthma, so they know what to do if asthma symptoms worsen," says O'Dwyer.

The free 'My Asthma' app was launched on World Asthma Day, 2 May 2017 and is available to download in Google Play or Apple App Store.

RANGITIKEILINE

BULLETIN



Centennial Park development

Council has agreed to enter into a contract with RICH Landscapes for the design and construction of the Marton skatepark extension. More than enough funding is now in place to enable the project (as currently envisioned) to proceed, but it was acknowledged that the scope/cost of the project could change (increase) as the design was progressed and finalised. On that basis Council confirmed that the upgrade could only proceed at a rate that matched confirmed funding. Acknowledging the role of the Rotary Club of Marton, Council confirmed that a MoU would be needed with Rotary to enable it to provide the funds to Council to approve and release to RICH Landscapes (as work was undertaken).

Detailed design is targeted to be completed by the end of March with construction starting in April.

Rural non-potable water supply policy

What was previously known as the rural water supply policy has been retitled to ensure understanding that the water provided by the rural water supply schemes is not treated and is thus correctly regarded as non-potable. During the year the policy was reviewed by each of the scheme sub-committees: Council agreed with the suggested changes. These make explicit that each property owner connected to such a scheme must provide for on-site storage, to report loss of water and to allow reasonable access to the operation of the scheme network for people engaged for that work.

Public transport to/from Marton

Council considered a report which showed a consensus of dissatisfaction from Whanganui and Partners and the Central Economic Development Agency with the level of public transport services between Marton and Palmerston North/Whanganui. It agreed to work with Horizons Regional Council to undertake an investigation to show the current level of demand for such services,

Taihape raw water falling main – stage 3

A contract for stage 3 of the Taihape raw water falling main upgrade is to be let during January. This is for a new pipeline 651 metres in length, replacing a steel pipeline which has had a number of serious leaks in the past – a major issue as this is the sole water supply feed to Taihape. The estimated maximum cost of the work is \$1.25 million.

Because of the urgency attached to getting this work completed during summer, Council agreed to delegate the decision to the Chief Executive, with a report back on that decision to the next meeting of Council.

New Bulls Community Centre

Council will be reapplying to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund when it next opens with a greater focus on how the new Bulls Community Centre is being designed to cater for greater tourist numbers stopping in Bulls. In addition, an application will be made early in the New Year to the capital fund administered by the Whanganui Community Foundation.

Better bus parking facilities at Ratana

The provision of bus parking bays at Ratana Paa together with kerb and channel work and footpath extension will receive a subsidy from the New Zealand Transport Agency and additional funding from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment is awaiting final confirmation. This project will be completed in February.

A positive report from the New Zealand Transport Agency's investment audit

New Zealand Transport Agency considered Rangitikei's roading network to be in good condition and well managed, highlighting the increased focus given to drainage and the good working relationships with contractors. The asset databases were found to be largely complete and accurate.

Three-yearly revaluation of the District

Quotable Value (which undertakes the revaluation) reported the results to Council's meeting on 14 December 2017. Rangitikei has the largest increase of all councils in the Horizons region.

The capital value of Rangitikei farms has increased by 18.4% (with little difference between hill country and lowland plains) but the capital value of residential dwellings has increased by 24% - highest in Marton (31%, with higher increases in the lower valued properties) and lowest in Hunterville (19%).



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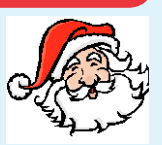
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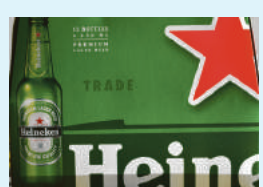
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NEW COMMANDER AT RNZAF BASE OHAKEA

Command of Royal New Zealand Air Force Base Ohakea changed hands recently and is now firmly under the charge of a leader who is no stranger to the operational military base.

Group Captain (GPCAPT) Nick Olney handed over control to Group Captain (GPCAPT) Shaun Sexton, in front of the Air Component Commander Air Commodore Darryn Webb and several hundred members of Base Ohakea personnel.

Under the command of GPCAPT Olney since 2015, Base Ohakea has completed several operational milestones including the introduction into service of the A109, NH90 and T6-C Texan II; the opening of the new pilot training facility; the re-establishment of No. 14 Squadron and the opening of the RNZAF Tūrangawaewae

Base Ohakea also hosted the 2017 Air Tattoo, in celebration of the RNZAF's 80th anniversary. "It is always a privilege to be given the opportunity to lead people and it has been a special privilege to lead a group of people who demonstrate such a high level of professionalism and who make such a positive impact regionally, nationally and internationally," said GPCAPT Olney who is heading to the Centre for Defence Strategic Studies in Australia, to embark on

a Defence and Strategic Studies course.

As a pilot in No.3 Squadron based at Ohakea, GPCAPT Sexton completed numerous New Zealand and overseas operational tours in Antarctica, Bougainville, East Timor and Solomon Islands flying the UH1H Iroquois.

In May 2008, GPCAPT Sexton became the project officer for the NH90 Introduction into Service. In October 2010, he was appointed Commanding Officer of the Helicopter Transition Unit, the entity charged with the introduction into service of the A109LUH (NZ) and NH90 (TNZA) helicopters at Base Ohakea.

Most recently, he was commander of the New Zealand Defence College prior to taking up his new position.

"To be able to continue to build on the strong operational framework, already established at Base Ohakea, is an exciting prospect and I am very appreciative of the huge amount of work Ohakea has achieved under GPCAPT Olney. I'm looking forward to continuing the strong and positive relationships we have with our neighbours and the wider region."

Horizons seeks feedback Regional Land Transport Plan

Horizons Regional Council is seeking feedback from the region's communities on the draft review of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015-25.

This follows a refocus in strategic priorities for the region's land transport needs looking forward to 2025.

Horizons transport manager Phil Hindrup says the public can have their say from 15 December to 31 January 2018.

"We're after feedback on whether communities agree if Council has captured the transport and roading issues facing the region, whether the priorities are reflective of what the region needs to focus its investments on, and whether the priorities have been ranked appropriately," he says.

"Under the Land Transport Management Act we are required to review the plan every three years. However, this review also provided the opportunity to tie priorities into two existing work streams."

"These include the Accelerate25 Manawatu-Whanganui Economic Action Plan which outlines the strategy for unlocking economic growth in the region. The other is Accessing Central New Zealand, which leads on from Accelerate25, by focusing on a number of connected strategic projects to plan and implement a cohesive, resilient and connected transport network to, from and within the region."

Mr Hindrup says some of the key priorities in the proposed plan will be of high interest to communities.

"This includes planning, design and construction of the Manawatu Gorge alternative; construction of the Otaki to north of Levin section of the Wellington north corridor expressway; and a range of projects associated with the Accessing Central NZ programme designed to improve connectivity and safety as well as cater for population growth.

"For this reason, we recommend people take a look and let us know what they think."

The new strategic priorities have been ranked one to five, in order of importance as follows:

1. Effective and efficient road maintenance and delivery.
2. Improved connectivity, resilience and the safety of strategic routes, to and from key destinations, linking north-south and east-west while factoring in demographic changes and impacts on land use.
3. An appropriate network of tourism routes.
4. An integrated walking and cycling network.
5. Effective, accessible and affordable multi-modal transport networks.

The full draft review of the Regional Land Transport Plan is available to read online at www.horizons.govt.nz.

Submissions can be made online, via email or through Facebook.

www.horizons.govt.nz/publications-feedback/current-consultation-transport@horizons.govt.nz

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Exchange of the patu signifies the change of command of RNZAF Base Ohakea from Group Captain Nick Olney (right) to Group Captain Shaun Sexton.

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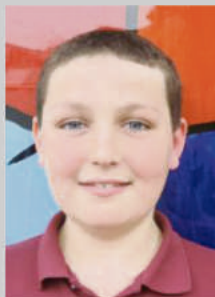
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2017 Year 8 Dinner, Station Hotel, 12 December

PICTURE PARADE HIGHLIGHTS of 2017



Our school band played several gigs and a number of students learnt guitar, bass guitar, drums and keyboard each week



This team won the Wanganui – Manawatu – Horowhenua EPRo8 interschool competition!



Our robotics team did well at the regionals in Palmerston Nth and in early December travelled to Rotorua for the nationals



Our ten student leaders attended the National Young Leaders Conference in Rotorua back in May

PRIZEGIVING RESULTS 18 December 2017

CLASS CERTIFICATES

Room 1 (Mrs McIntyre, Year 0/1): Citizenship, Susan Legner; Effort, Alexis Walker; Progress, Levi Kingston; Achievement, Heidi Robb

Room 2 (Mrs Hatfull & Miss Viles, Year 1/2): Citizenship, Baeleigh Gray; Effort, Milly Weston; Progress, Ben Ramsay; Achievement, Neko McDougall

Room 3 (Mrs Tracey Spencer Year 2/3): Citizenship, Greer Flower; Effort, Sophie Duncan; Improvement, Jack Richardson; Achievement, Teagan Collins

Room 5 (Mrs Sonja Cavey, Year 3/4): Citizenship, Madeline Duncan; Effort, Harry Weston; Improvement, Cordel Court; Achievement, Emma Livingston

Room 6 (Miss Cheryl Gray, Year 5/6): Citizenship, Pirikahu Marino-Maangi; Effort, Maia Ballard; Improvement, Joshua Kingston; Achievement, Josh Keenan

Year 6 Room 7 (Mr Shane Smith): Citizenship, Zara Weston; Effort, Nina Ballard; Improvement, Sam Livingston; Achievement, Iris Collie

Year 7 (Mr S Smith Rm 7 & Mrs Colleen Dalley R8): Citizenship, Cameron Robb; Effort, Lucy McIntyre; Improvement, Makayla Harris; Achievement, Alec Murray

Kapa Haka (Whaea Lisa Rewiti, Y1-8): Ngaia Trophy for Best All Round Student: Hine Marino-Maangi

SPEECHES

Year 5 (McConachy Cup) Zeta-Rose Nydegger-Monks; Year 6 (Karl Bismark Memorial Trophy), Iris Collie; Year 7 (Fraser Cup) Euan Gower; Year 8 (G W Agnew Rosebowl), Hayden Robb

SPORTS AWARDS

Athletics: Junior girl, Savannah McDougall; Junior boy, Ben Sanson; Intermediate girl, Lara Watson; Intermediate boy, Matthew Florence; Snr girl, Eden Goodwin; Snr boy, Ben Black

Cross Country: Junior girl, Charlie Cook; Junior boy, Oliver Bunn; Intermediate girl, Lara Watson; Intermediate boy, Matthew Florence; Senior girl, Eden Goodwin; Senior boy, Hayden Robb. Outstanding effort, Phoenix Whiteside

Swimming: Junior girl, Savannah McDougall & Tegan Murray; Junior boy, Evan McIntyre; Senior girl, Lucy McIntyre; Senior boy, Alex Legner

Tennis: Girls, Haana Kilmister; Boys, Matthew Florence. Mixed doubles, Latisha Roore and Matthew Florence

Table Tennis: Girls, Haana Kilmister; Boys, Matthew Florence

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MAJOR AWARDS

Head Girl acknowledgement 2017: Haana Kilmister

Head Girl and Boy for 2018: **Lucy McIntyre and Euan Gower**

Fair Play in Sport (Keryn Swainson Memorial Cup): **Jade Guiniven**

Attitude, Achievement in Sport - Boys: **Matthew Florence**

Attitude, Achievement in Sport – Girls: **Eden Goodwin**

Excellence in The Arts (White Family Cup): **Nikita Graham**

Excellence in Mathematics (Leary Cup): **Harry Cherrie & Alex Legner**

Excellence in English (Dalley Cup): **Zoe Nydegger-Monks**

Effort/Determination (Rhonda Agnew Memorial): **Eden Goodwin**

Pride & Service (G Meldrum Memorial): **Latisha Roore**

Character & Conduct (Lewis Cup): **Haana Kilmister**

Runner Up to Best All Round Pupil (Forrest Award):

Alex Legner

Best All Round Pupil (Forrest Award):

ZOE NYDEGGER-MONKS

PICTURE PARADE HIGHLIGHTS of 2017



All 175 students took part in the trip to Rata Marae in early December and participated in cultural activities for the day



Matthew Florence led his team to an interschool softball title recently



'The boys' posing in front of the Blue Lake on the Tongariro Crossing during the Year 7/8 camp last month



We have 5 cricket teams playing each week. These players took out trophies in the hardball grade recently

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Drivers “look out for your mates” this festive season

Road safety charity Brake is reminding everyone to plan their travel and, if driving to events, make sure the designated driver stays sober. Brake's Not a Drop, Not a Drag campaign urges drivers not to drink any alcohol or take any drugs, before getting behind the wheel. The charity also urges family and friends to speak out and, if necessary, stop a loved one drink or drug driving.

Figures show that in 2015, alcohol and/or drugs was a factor in 88 fatal and over 1,100 injury crashes resulting in 90 deaths and over 1,500 injuries. Research shows that drinking any amount of alcohol can affect your driving.

Caroline Perry, Brake's NZ director says: “As a charity that supports people bereaved and injured in crashes, we witness the suffering that drink and drug driving inflict and appeal to everyone to help put a stop to it. Drink and drug driving deaths and injuries are cruel and needless, ending and ruining lives and leaving behind traumatised families to pick up the pieces. “If you're driving home from celebrations this festive season, especially if you're a designated driver, it's vital you take your responsibility for people's safety seriously. It's a proven fact that even small amounts of alcohol or drugs inflate your risk of crashing. So, even if you feel okay after a drink, the reality is that if you get behind the wheel you're putting yourself and others in needless danger.”

Drivers with just 20-50mg alcohol per 100ml of blood, are at least three times more likely to die in a crash than those with no alcohol in their blood. This is because even small amounts of alcohol affect drivers' reaction times, judgment and co-ordination. Alcohol also makes it impossible for drivers to assess their own impairment, because it creates a false sense of confidence and means drivers are more inclined to take risks and believe they are in control when they are not.

Brake's key messages on drink driving.

- Never drink alcohol if you're driving.
- Never drink if you're driving early the next morning.
- Plan ahead and make sure you can get home safely by using public transport, booking a taxi, or having a sober driver who sticks to soft drinks. Don't accept a lift from someone who's been drinking.
- Take responsibility for others: never buy a drink for someone who is driving, speak out to friends who plan to drink and drive and if you're hosting a party, help your guests plan a safe way home before the party starts.

Brake is calling on members of the public to play their part in making roads safer, by signing Brake's Pledge at - www.brake.org.nz/pledge; to make a personal commitment to use roads safely and sustainably and help reduce the lives lost needlessly on our roads.

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TAKE A BREAK
Take a break from driving at least every two hours.

POWER NAP
Nap for no more than 20 minutes for best effect.

DRIVE AT NATURAL TIMES
Drive during times that you're usually awake.

STAY HYDRATED
Drinking water helps keep you alert.

CHECK YOUR MEDICATION
Be sure they won't affect your alertness on the road.

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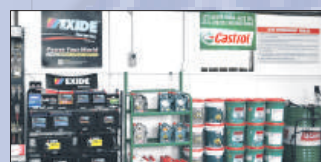
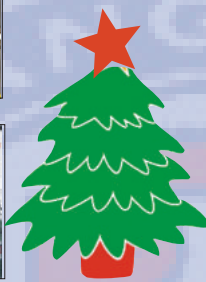
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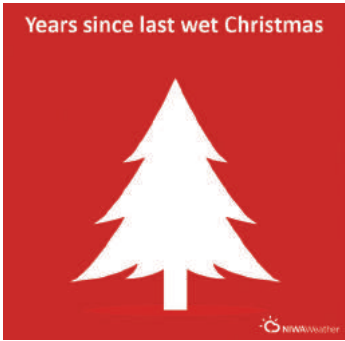
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If history is anything to go by, Wellington and Christchurch are the main centres most likely to experience a dry Christmas Day, while Auckland and Hamilton are the least likely. That's according to a new climate study undertaken by NIWA meteorologist Ben Noll. Mr Noll analysed data from the last 30 Christmas Days and discovered that the capital city and Christchurch have both experienced just four wet Christmas Days over that period – an average of one every 7.5 years. What's more, Wellington hasn't suffered a wet Christmas since 2002 – or 15 years – the longest streak of any main centre. Meanwhile, rain has dampened Christmas Day in Auckland and Hamilton on 11 occasions, in Tauranga eight and Dunedin six, during the last 30 years. "That might come as a surprise to some people," Mr Noll said. "There's a perception that Christmas in New Zealand is more often soggy than dry. "We call Christmas 'wet' if 1mm or more of rain falls in the 24 hours beginning at 9am on December 25 and ending at 9am on the 26th." Looking further back in time, Christchurch holds the dubious distinction of experiencing the wettest Christmas Day on record of any main centre. Back in 1909, a whopping 59.7mm fell.

Santa picks his sunny spots

Santa is sending a sunny Christmas Day – but only to the North Island. NIWA forecaster Seth Carrier says sadly, southerners will be dodging the rain next Monday, as a front works its way up the island. "In the lead-up to Christmas, it looks like the weather will mostly cooperate for last-minute gift buying and outdoor activities," Mr Carrier said. "Christmas is looking mostly dry, apart from the odd nuisance shower. Temperatures will bounce back to well-above-average levels nearly everywhere too, with the exception of the lower SI. Mr Carrier says sea temperatures remain well above average around NZ, with low 20s found in the upper NI. Combined with dry weather, beaches from the Coromandel Peninsula, north to Cape Reinga, will be ideal for a holiday splash.



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The same nuisance front affecting the SI on Christmas Day, looks like it will continue its trek up the country on Boxing Day. "This may leave parts of western and northern NI warm, wet, and humid, while the mid and lower SI turns drier and cooler," Mr Carrier says. "It's a little uncertain how quickly this weather-maker will depart around the 27th, but at this stage, we expect things to turn better during the final days of the year as high pressure once again asserts its dominance. Heading into New Year, the high may give way to a front advancing into the Tasman Sea, allowing rain to streak onto the western South Island first and then eventually into the North Island during the first few days of 2018.

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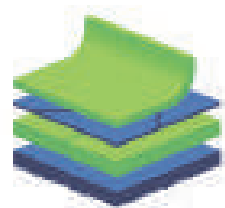
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26/12	CLOSED	9am - 5pm	CLOSED	9am - 5pm
27/12	10am - 5pm	9am - 5pm	9am - 5pm	9am - 5pm
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25/12 Xmas Day	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
26/12 Boxing Day	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
27/12	7.30am - 11.30am	8am - 11am	2.30pm - 4.30pm	2pm - 4pm	CLOSED	7.30am - 11.30am
28/12	7.30am - 2.30pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
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30/12	8am - 4pm		9am - 12noon	2pm - 5pm	CLOSED	8am - 3pm
31/12	8am - 4pm	8am - 4.30pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	10.30am - 1pm	8am - 3pm
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