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# Devastating **Marton fire**

Owner of Marton Panel and Paint, Ian Gunn, had to stand and watch as his main commercial building went up in flames last Thursday night. It was a heart-breaking experience, as he watched flames destroy the everyday workplace for him and several employees, tools gathered over a lifetime and a number of customers' cars, including rare classics.

Neighbours heard the sounds of cracking and huge bangs as the fire took hold in the building, which contained six cars. A nearby neighbour thought the fire must have started about 9.30pm, as it was well alight by the time he heard it.

Marton Fire Brigade was called out at 9.59pm and proceeded to do an amazing job to contain the fire, keeping surrounding homes safe from the flames, as well as a hazardous goods shed and spray booth on the property. Fire appliances from surrounding districts arrived to support the Marton brigade and set up a well organised assault on the inferno.

The Whanganui Fire Brigade brought their huge ladder and big high pressure hose which quickly dealt to the fire from above. Neighbours were very thankful for the great job firefighters did to keep disaster from their homes.

People reported seeing the fire from as far away as SH1 and many locals gathered to watch the blaze from across the street. Marton Fire Brigade sent out a big thank you to crews from Marton, Bulls, Halcombe and Whanganui for their professionalism at the scene.

It was a tremendous team effort that saw the fire contained and extinguished by 4am. The Hunterville engine supported, by taking up a standby position in Marton.

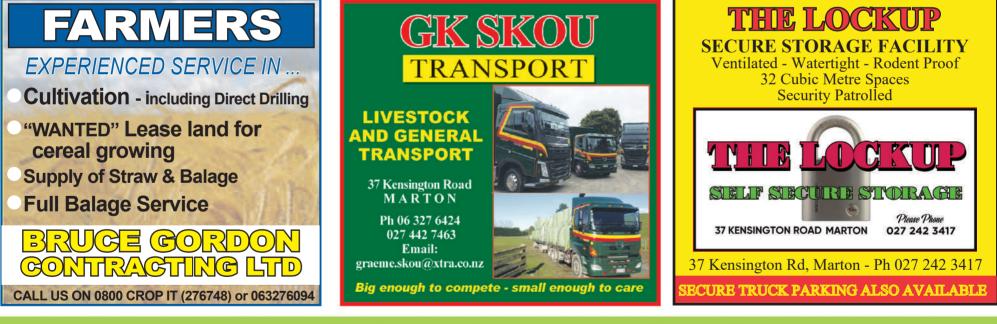
Marton crews later responded to a small flare-up at the site, which they said was perfectly normal for an incident of its kind.



Fighting the major blaze at Marton Panel and Paint. Photos Liz Rayner.



The aftermath, with the remains of cars, showing how close disaster stalked neighbouring homes.



# GST OFF THIS SPRING



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### Haylock Park facts missed says ex councillor

Bulls residents received an information leaflet from the RDC last week, aiming to clarify the facts behind its decision to sell Havlock Park land

Former Rangitikei councillor Graeme Platt, is alarmed that residents still don't have all the facts.

The Bulls Community Council predates the current Bulls Community Committee, formed after the 1989 amalgamation of local authorities in the Rangitikei district.

Graeme Platt says, "Former Bulls Community councillor, Gerald Clark, who was active in the original 1985 decision to buy land, sent a letter to the October RDC meeting. It reads - "The sale of Haylock Park goes against the intentions of Dr Owen Haylock's wishes when he made the donation of \$35,000 towards the purchase of the land for a green area on the western side of Bulls. Previous councils had ensured that residential development had been undertaken with the Aitken subdivision completed, Meads Place and Walker Cres were selling and that with more residents now settling in the area the next stage in the council's town plan was to provide green space and playing fields. As a Bulls Community Councillor, I was tasked with investigating a suitable piece of land in the Johnson St area for this asset to the town. The Council asked that I undertake the investigation due to my association with Clifton House Real Estate. Subsequently, the land owned by the WF Peters Estate and the land owned by PS and CH Dean,



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By Liz Rayner

Mr Beggs

undertaken.

Major construction

paused on Bulls Centre

Construction is being paused at the Criterion St site for the new Bulls Community Centre at the request of Rangitikei District Council's new chief executive, Peter Beggs. "This is a considerable project for us as a council and as a

district. being new to my role as ce, i need to understand the project deliverables and governance and that these align with the expectations of our community and council," explained

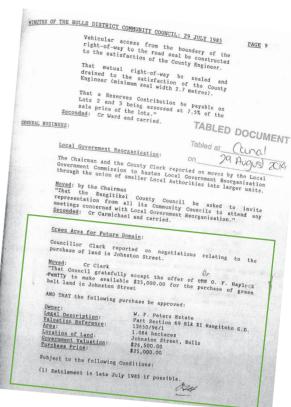
"I have visited the site and spoken to the contractors and

architect. I am pleased with the work undertaken so far and do not wish to cause unnecessary delays, so some work will

continue on site by W & W Construction while this review is

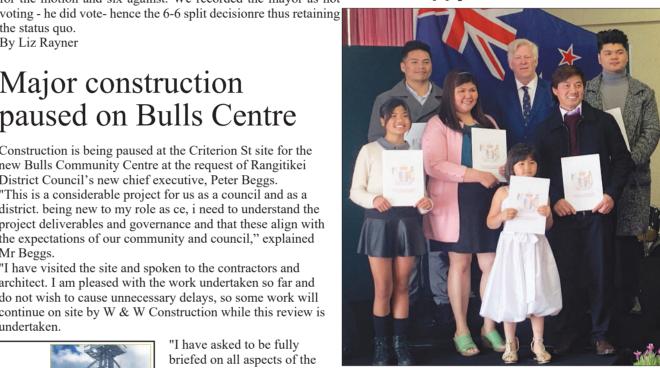






A copy of the Bulls Community Council decision to buy the WF Peters part of the property in 1985.

### Happy new citizens

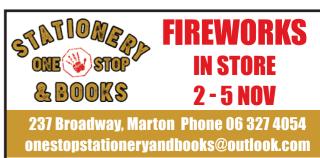


The Cruz family became New Zealand citizens last week at a ceremony at the Marton Living Hope Church. They were sponsored by George London QSM. The father, Ferdee Cruz (right) says the family bought a home in Marton a year ago after coming from the Philipines to live in Wairarapa for about eight years.

The Ohao family also became citizens at the same ceremony.



This Saturday, a house at 18 Walton St, Bulls will be auctioned and proceeds will go towards the new Bulls Community Centre. The house was moved onto the site and refurbished by local volunteers and contractors who donated many hours along with materials and goods. The Auction is at 1pm on November 2.



auction **Saturday** 

"I have asked to be fully

briefed on all aspects of the project, to ensure we deliver

a fit for purpose facility on

assure the community that

council remains committed

facility open early in 2020."

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#### Picnic at Haylock Park

As I sit down and reflect on a successful and enjoyable picnic at Haylock Park there are companies and people I wish to thank for their help. G O'Fee for allowing us to use the leased land of Haylock Park, Farmlands for the barbecue, McVerry Crawford for the events tent, Bulls Four Square for the sausages and bread, Tank Man for attending to the portable toilet, The Kitemaster for providing the kites and offering advice and assistance in getting them off the ground. The park neighbours who cooked the sausages and brought drinks for the kids; the park neighbours who ran hot water to the urn for the tea and coffee for the older folk.

To all the kids and parents, grandparents and local residents who came and enjoyed themselves on the park. Although the day did not start off with the best of weather, it did not deter the hearty folks of Bulls and, that over the day, some 100 people came and enjoyed themselves with the kids kicking balls, flying kites, playing cricket and there were skipping ropes and hula hoops as well. It goes to show that you do not have to spend lots of money to have fun. I found it pleasing to see the residents and families using the park area for what its intended, now they know the actual size. It encourages me to have another similar event in the near future – so watch this space. Thank you one and all. **Bruce Dear, Bulls.** 

### Neighbourhood Support report

Neighbourhood Support reports last weeks police statistics for 21 October to 27 October.

One rural burglary was reported in Princess St Marton. There were 18 burglaries reported in Whanganui as well as one theft from a vehicle in Koromiko Rd.

If you see something in your street that doesn't feel right, or look right, contact police.



**Annual Huntaway Festival** - Saturday Nov 2 - Hunterville business area streets closed for stalls. Family, children, teen races and the big event - the Shepherd's Shemozzle race. Compulsory race registration at 10.30am -12 noon in town hall. Starts with a magician at 11.30am in the marquee. See pages 5,6,7.

**Prayers in the Park-** daily Monday to Saturday from 4 November, 8.30-9am, at Jubilee Pavilion, Marton Park. Join a short time of prayer and worship to start your day.

**Bulls Rose & Flower Show -** Saturday 9 November in the Bulls Town Hall, 12.30-3.30pm. Gold coin entry. Cafe and stalls in supper room open at 10am.

**Rangitikei Rose Society Show** - Saturday 30 November at St Stephen's Hall. Open 12.30 to 4pm. Catalogue of entries available phone 063277240

**Musician Andy Anderson** - Saturday November 9 - performing at Marton Players Theatre. Doors open 7pm. Tickets \$20- door sales.

**Open Mic Night - Taihape Musicians Club**, 7pm Saturday 9 November. \$5 door entry, cash bar, supper included. If you would like to book a spot on stage, please contact 021 0202 9007 or taihapemusic@gmail.com

**Marton Market Day** - Saturday November 23 - free day out in Broadway and Follett St - closed off for over 200 stalls, retailers and entertainment, 9am - 3pm. For more details contact Project Marton 06 327 7633.

**Gardens Galore garden tour**- Sunday 24 November. Hunterville School brings you a self-driven tour of 10 beautiful gardens in the Hunterville/Rangitikei area. Superb shopping and gourmet pre-ordered lunches. Info and ticket registration at www.gardensgalore.co.nz

**Mangaweka Fakes & Forgeries 2019** - Saturday 30 November. A big day out in Mangaweka. Massive book fair in Mangaweka Fire Station. Market stalls in Mangaweka Museum grounds, Yellow Church Gallery and Richard Fuller street gallery.





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#### Marton Friendship Club

Friday 25 October – a messy day, sunshine and wind but despite this, there was a good turn up for lunch. Many

turned up later for the quiz day. Always a lot of fun. Every table had a win. Thank you to John and Deana who organise our quiz. Remember, we have a few baskets to fill up for the popular Christmas raffle that is not very far away. Raffles were won by Anne Ngaau, Jean Turner, Maureen Karl, Jennifer Hawkins and Jean McIntyre. A welcome cuppa to finish the day. This Friday entertainment will be The Good Life Band from Himitangi. This band will keep your toes tapping all afternoon. Don't miss them. Hall open 12.30pm, main programme begins 2pm. Visitors always welcome. See you Friday.

#### Marton Country Music Club

A fantastic day was had on 20 October with our visitors from Wainuiomata. People catching up with folk they haven't seen for a while. On arrival we had lunch. The day's proceedings started earlier than usual as we had a lot of entertainers to get through. There are very good singers in these clubs - people under estimate the talent that is out there. The upbeat songs had people up dancing. We are going to arrange a return visit something to look forward to. As always we thank the band they do a great job. Thanks also to Annie and Betty for organizing the afternoon tea. We always welcome people. You do not have to sing - come along and listen, enjoy other people's company and have afternoon tea.

#### Club days are 1st and 3rd Sunday's, 1pm at our clubrooms, Wellington Rd, Marton.

#### Prayers In the Park - daily through November

Start your day in a prayerful and reflective way, Monday to Saturday, through November, 8.30-9am starting Monday November 4. This will be held at the Jubilee Pavilion (grandstand) in Marton Park and you are welcome to come and listen or join in, for all or part of this time. The meeting will consist of a short reflective service which includes song, prayer and scripture as well as times of silence. Please join me – Sue, Rangitikei Anglican Parish, 021 201 4483.

#### Marton Contract Bridge Club

8-10-19, Charles Pownell Trophy (5): N/S Caroline Watson & Susan Marshall 67.22, Matthew Hughes & Simon Loudon 61.89, Jane Waswo & Christine Skou 50.00. E/W Margaret Shand & Jenny Meads 55.33, John Vickers & John Bligh 54.10, Trevor Ellery & Julie Ellery 51.90. 10-10-19 Vision Experience Optometrist Pairs, Round 2: N/S Jenny Meads & Noeline Poppe 58.33, Doug Cains & Christine Skou 57.81, Kevin Poppe & Wendy Willis 56.77. E/W Pat Davidson & Frances Bertram 61.25, Judith Baddeley & Gill Burne 56.25, Susan Marshall & Joh Bellamore 51.25. 15-10-19 Jensen Electrical Pairs, Round 1: N/S Gail Kirton & Joh Bellamore 60.00, Susan Marshall & Simon Loudon 55.42, Heather Bostock & Trevor Ellery 51.67. E/W Christine Skou & Philip Sullivan 63.33, Jenny Meads & John Bligh 56.25, Sarah Vickers & Jill Willis 53.33. 17-10-19 Vision Experience Optometrist Pairs, Round 3: N/S Heather Bostock & Wanda Jones 61.50, Frances Bertram & Pat Davidson 61.50, Doug Cains & Christine Skou 55.50. E/W Jenny Tamehana & Julie Ellery 54.00, Wendy Pittaway & Jen McPherson 53.00, Susan Marshall & Trevor Ellery 51.50, Noeline Poppe & Jenny Meads 51.50. 22-10-19 Jenson Electrical Pairs (Round 2): N/S Susan Marshall & Simon Loudon 58.33, Gail Kirton & Joh Bellamore 55.83, Trevor Ellery & Heather Bostock 48.75. E/W Sarah Vickers & Jill Willis 65.00, Jen McPherson & Julie Sabine 52.50, Julie Ellery & Jane Waswo 52.50. 24-10-19, J P Henley Pairs (Round 1): N/S Kevin Poppe & Wendy Pittaway 56.50, Joh Bellamore & Heather Bostock 54.50, Monika Lourie & Jen McPherson 52.00. E/W Pat Davidson & Noeline Poppe 59.50, Jenny Tamehana & Beryl Higgie 55.00, Frances Bertram & Susan Marshall 49.50.

# RANGITĪKEILINE **BULLETIN**

#### Bulls Community House – Auction this Saturday!!

The "Community House" at 8 Walton Street in Bulls goes under the hammer at 1pm this Saturday, 2nd of November.

This has been an exciting project, delivered by many dedicated volunteers and businesses throughout the District.

Michael Ford and Tania Osborne from Bayleys Real Estate have given their time and expertise to sell this property. They have held open days over the past few weeks so people can come and see exactly what's being offered with this lovely property.

The house was originally donated by Mike from Central House Movers, with Merv Connelly as the Project Manager. Rangitikei is so lucky to have such generous organisations and businesses who have provided materials and sponsorship. We thank you all very much.

Come along this Saturday – you can view the house from midday and watch the auction from 1pm.

#### Call for Nominations – Community and Reserve Management Committees

Council is accepting nominations for the community and reserve / domain

management committees for the 2019-2022 triennium. There are four community committees in the District:

- Bulls Community Committee
- · Hunterville Community Committee
- Marton Community Committee
- Turakina Community Committee

Council also has two reserve management committees and one domain management committee:

- Turakina Reserve Management Committee
- McIntyre Reserve Management Committee
- Santoft Domain Management Committee

Committee meetings take place approximately every two months.

Nomination forms are available from Council administration buildings, Council Libraries, Bulls Information centre, Hunterville BP and Turakina Mobil. Forms (in PDF) are also available on Councils website www.rangitikei.govt.nz.

For more information about these committees, please contact George Forster on 06 327 0099 or email George.Forster@ rangitikei.govt.nz.

Nominations open Thursday, 24 October 2019 and close at 12pm on Thursday, 7 November 2019.

#### Final Result – Local Body Elections 2019

Elections were held on 12 October 2019 for the Rangitikei District Council Mayor, Councillors, and Taihape and Ratana Community Boards. Voter turnout was 46.79%, being 4,818 votes, which was slightly down on the 2016 election turnout. The first meeting was on 24 October, when the new councillors were sworn in.

Following the resignations of Crs Richard Aslett, Dean McManaway, Soraya Peke-Mason, Graeme Platt, Ruth Rainey and Lynne Sheridan. Six new Councillors were elected, they were: from the Northern Ward – Gill Duncan, Tracey Hiroa; Central Ward – Fi Dalgety, Richard Lambert; Southern Ward – Brian Carter, Waru Panapa.

Returning Councillors are: from the Northern Ward – Angus Gordon; Central Ward – Nigel Belsham, Dave Wilson and Cath Ash; Southern Ward – Jane Dunn.

No election for Mayor was required as Mayor Andy Watson was returned unopposed.

The Taihape Community Board were also elected unopposed, members are Ann Abernethy, Emma Abernethy, Michelle Fannin and Gail Larsen.

The Ratana Community Board members are Charlie Mete, Jamal Nepia, Charlie Rourangi and Lequan Meihana.





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#### Join Bulls and Taihape Subway to help to feed those in need on World Sandwich Day

With food insecurity impacting around 40 percent of New Zealanders and around one in five children living in households without access to enough food, Subway Bulls and Subway Taihape are tackling hunger across the country for the 3rd year, on World Sandwich Day Friday November 1. Subway is inviting the Rangitikei community to join the fundraiser. Every guest who visits Subway Bulls and Subway Taihape on the day and purchases a sub, wrap, or salad will get another one free and Subway will donate a meal through KiwiHarvest. Over 100,000 meals were donated across the country. This year, Subway aims to donate 150,000 meals to KiwiHarvest. Subway NZ Country Director, Chris Churchmichael says he 's impassioned by the prospect of helping New Zealanders in need on World Sandwich Day.

### Targa Rally to pass through Rangitikei Friday

The Targa Rally will pass through Rangitikei tomorrow, Friday November 1. The cars and support vehicles will finish the rally on Saturday, 2 November in Palmerston North.

Road closures throughout the Rangitikei District are in the Classified section of this paper. Near Marton, people often gather at the Cop's Corner at the end of Tutaenui Rd, to see the cars pass by.

The Cop's Corner - Stage 23 starts at 1.35pm at Waimutu Rd heading into Turakina Valley Rd, into Makuhou Rd, Galpins Rd, at its intersection with Tutaenui Rd then into Warrens Rd, Griffins Rd, and Mt Curl Rd.

Cop's Corner is named after a rally cop car, which crashed over the bank during a past rally.

# Great news for pizza lovers



Pizza Hub Bulls owner Priyank Sethi at Pizza Hub Bulls, ready to deliver to lower Rangitikei towns.

In the Rangitikei Junction/BP complex in Bulls you will find a new outlet - Pizza Hub Bulls.

Owner Priyank Sethi says, "We have the best value for money pizzas you will find! We give you great customer service, have four years experience in Pizza Hub and all our staff are fully trained."

Priyank's pizza outlet makes a wide range of pizzas at very reasonable prices. All pizzas are 12 inches in diameter and produce 8 generous slices. There are 35 flavours altogether, from their \$6.50 - Value range up to the \$14.99 - Premium range. Checkout their Facebook page for the full menu (pizzahub bulls).

All pizzas come with a classic base, deep pan or thin 'n crispy base. Stuffed and glutenfree bases are also available (at extra cost).

Priyank adds, "We serve delicious pizza ... from our family to yours! You can place your order by phone or online and we will deliver promptly, to Marton, Bulls or Sanson (charges apply)." Pizza Hub Bulls also sells Country Fried Chicken. BBQ wings, nuggets, tenders and chippies are on the chicken menu. "Visit Pizza Hub Bulls for great value and a wide variety of meal choices," Priyank says.

His family has two other Pizza Hub stores, in Opotiki and Waipukurau.



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### NOV 2 - HUNTERVILLE HUNTAWAY FESTIVAL

# Plenty of Shemozzle action



The Children's Shemozzle race features plenty of obstacles to sort out the fittest

Rangitikei's iconic Hunterville event - The Huntaway Festival, features the 22nd annual Shepherds' Shemozzle this year - a gruelling race for shepherds and their huntaway dogs. The race requires skill, courage, stamina and mental ability as well as Huntaway dog control skills.

The Hunterville Huntaway Festival has grown since the first Shepherd's Shemozzle was run in 1998. The idea was thought up at the local pub by some local folk -Tony Theed, Richard Horrocks and Thomas Powell.

They suggested a run like the Cardrona shepherds' run in South Island. It it was quickly pointed out that Hunterville doesn't have a mountain but Hunterville does have a steep hill, so the event evolved from there. It has developed into a family day, filled with lots of entertainment and fun.

Read details about this weekend's event in the following centre spread.









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HUNTAWAY FESTIVAL



## You'll need grunt in Hunterville

The Huntaway Festival is on this Saturday November 2 in the main street of Hunterville.

As always, it's expected to be hard work and hard case with a cracking pace and gruelling races, plus many other competitions, events, activities and entertainment for all ages.

Late competitors will join those who have entered from the North Island for the action packed 2019 event, coming up on Saturday 2 November. With hundreds of competitors already registered for the Hunterville Huntaway Festival's Shemozzle races, the only question now is, who will have the stamina, courage, mental and physical ability to complete their course?

The cross country endurance races are sure to test ability, skills and strength in every way possible over, under, through and down obstacles.

The Children's Shemozzle, brought to you by Otiwhiti Station Landbased Training Agricultural School, is for 9 to 13 years olds while the Teen's Shemozzle, brought to you by Whanganui Collegiate School and NLA Chattered Accountants, is designed for 13 to 18 year olds, while parents can join them in the Higgins Family Shemozzle.

The Black Hawk Shepherd's Shemozzle is the main race of the day, catering for anyone aged 18 and over. Shepherds will navigate their way around a course, which is roughly 3kms of hills, mud slides, swamps, water obstacles and other obstacles that change each year. "You will get dirty, and I can assure you the food stop won't be very pleasant either"! organisers say.

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The hill country shearing gangs of Rangitikei will have the fleece flying in the big shearing challenge from 5.15pm.

After the Shemozzle races, the Shearing Contractors Challenge, brought to you by Ratima Shearing, will take place in the marquee - a not to be missed speed shearing event.

There will be free children's entertainment for the day, including a bouncy castle, face painting, Ultimate Canine shows, FMX displays, balloons, a magic show and much more.

We will also be holding the big "Bark up" when shepherds ask their huntaways to bark up together - it highlights the need to speak up about rural isolation and rural suicide and ask people to keep an eye on each other and know it is ok to ask for help!

If you've got the grunt for the Shepherds' Shemozzle you can register on the day or enter online, where you will find all the information -



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# SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2019

### **Festival Timetable**

- 10.30 12.00pm TEENS' & CHILDREN'S Shemozzle Pre Race Registration in the Town Hall (compulsory)
- 11.30 12.00pm Free Kids Magic Show marquee
  12.00 12.30pm FAMILY SHEMOZZLE in association with Higgins. Prizegiving to follow.
- 12.20 12.50pm- Ultimate Canine Show & FMX Display
- **12.30 12.50pm** Huntaway Dog Trial sponsored by Bayer. Prizegiving to follow.
- 12.35 12.50pm Assembly and briefing CHILDREN'S SHEMOZZLE competitors in Town Hall
- **1.00 2.00pm** SHEPHERDS' SHEMOZZLE Pre Race Registration in the old vet building (compulsory)
- 12.55 1.30pm CHILDREN'S SHEMOZZLE RACE in association with Whanganui Collegiate School & NLA Chartered Accountants
- **1.30 2.00pm** Ultimate Canine Show and FMX Display
- 1.40 1.55pm Assembly and briefing of TEENS' SHEMOZZLE competitors in Town Hall
- 2.00 2.30pm TEENS' SHEMOZZLE RACE in association with Otiwhiti Landbased Training Agricultural School
- 2.15 2.45pm Ultimate Canine Show and FMX Display
- 2.15 2.25pm Dogs to be tied up
- **2.30 3.00pm** Assembly and briefing of SHEPHERDS' SHEMOZZLE competitors in Town Hall
- 2.55 3.00pm -"Bark Up" Speaking up about rural suicide and rural isolation
- 3.00pm SHEPHERDS' SHEMOZZLE RACE in association with Black Hawk
- 4.00pm Prizegiving for CHILDREN'S, TEENS' & SHEPHERDS' races.
- 4.30 4.50pm Ulitmate Canine Show & FMX Display
- 5.15 7.00pm SHEARING CONTRACTORS Challenge
- in association with Ratima Shearing (in marquee, free entry) 7.00pm -Late -BAND: CHERRY BOMB in marquee

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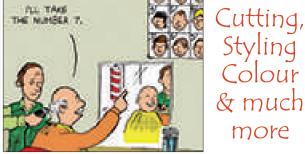
Children's entertainment including free bouncy castle, balloon twisting and face painting, operating from 12 noon until 4pm







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#### Notice of Meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings for November 2019

#### **Taihape Community Board - inaugural**

Thursday 7 November at 5.30 pm

(Council Chamber, Taihape Town Hall, 90-92 Hautapu Street, Taihape) Rātana Community Board - inaugural

Tuesday 12 November at 6:30 pm

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

**Omatane Rural Water Supply Management Sub Committee** Wednesday 13 November at 3.00 pm

(Council Chamber, Taihape Town Hall, 90-92 Hautapu Street, Taihape) **Erewhon Rural Water Supply Management Sub Committee** Wednesday 13 November at 4:00 pm

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

All meetings are open to the public, unless there are specific items which Council resolves to consider 'public excluded'. At least two working days before any scheduled meeting, meeting papers are available online through the Council website, or in hard copy at the libraries in Taihape, Marton and Bulls and the Marton council office.

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

> Peter Beggs **Chief Executive**



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#### SANTOFT HALF MARATHON HUGE SUCCESS

The inaugural Santoft Forest and Beach Half Marathon which was held at Scott's Ferry near Bulls on Saturday 26 October was an outstanding success, for a first time event in a little known coastal location. "The number of entries we received just blew us away! We were thinking we might get 300-400 people to the first one and got quite excited when we reached 700 but to get 925 entries was just phenomenal" said Kym Skerman who is part of the organising team. The Forest and Beach Half Marathon, which also included 10km and 5km distance options, was a fundraiser for South Makirikiri School, which needs to raise \$60,000 to astro turf their tennis courts, to create a year-round playing surface. The success of the event can be attributed to support from the school the community and co-event organisers Gerry and Wouna Le Roux. "We had over 60 parents, teachers and students helping out, which allowed us to put on a very smooth and professionally run event and this was reflected in the positive feedback we received from runners and walkers" said Skerman. The unique factor about this event is that it was a combination of forest and beach running, which provided a fairly tough course. However both the 10km and 5km events were contained in the forest. Taking out the glory in the 21km run was Stewart Milne from Wellington, in a time of 1hr 20mins and the female 21km victor was Cath Braddock from Waikanae Beach in a time of 1hr 39mins. The 10km event saw Josh Smith from Palmerston North win, in a time of 43mins 11secs and Karis Rae from Te Horo Beach take out the female 10km race, in a time of 47mins 52secs. The strength of the young ones was impressive in the 5km forest run, with Poppy Rae winning overall in a time of 20mins 55secs and Ethan Cook first male, in 23mins and 20secs. The course, the volunteers, the sunshine, the band and the family festival vibe generated a plethora of positive feedback, which means the South Makirikiri School team and co organisers Gerry and Wouna Le Roux will be locking this one into the running calendar.



Above: male contestants underway in Saturday's Forest & Beach half marathon. Photo credit - Applied Photography Group (APG)

#### MARTON 9 HOLE GOLF

There was a great turnout of players for our par round last Tuesday. Results: 1st division: 1st Joe Graham +2, 2nd Bryan Hamerton +1, 3rd Brian Short Sq. 2nd division: 1st Luke Leersnyder +2, 2nd Beryl Higgie Sq c/b, 3rd Sheena Marshall Sq. 3rd division: 1st Barry Williams +4, 2nd +3, 3rd Marion MacPhee +2. Lucky card was won by Bob Barrett. Raffle: Roy Powell. Next week's starters are Neil Powell & Barry Florence. Cards: Bob Barrett & Brian Willis. Kitchen: Adrian & helpers.

#### **RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB**

Results from Wednesday 23 October - stableford: Lyndon Moore 43pts, Karen Yorke & Joe Yorke 41pts, Lynne McDonald & Peter Young 39pts, Justin Packer & Julian Elliott 38pts, Pat Pearce 37pts, Geoff Ingram, Dan Scotson & Neil Atkins 36pts. Twos: Pat Pearce & Peter Young - 3rd & Julian Elliott 5th.

#### **RANGATIRA GOLF CLUB**

Results19/10/19. Men - par: D Livingston +3, G Eldridge +3, R Lambert +1. Putts: D Livingston 32, G Eldridge 32. 23/10/19: women: F Rhodes 3rd Rd. Stableford: M McAlley 37, L Worsford 37, D King 37, M Walshe 36. Twos: R Rainey.

#### MARTON GOLF

26/10/2019: stableford: D Angove, 42, S Muir 41, T McVerry 39, M Jones 38, F McVerry 38, T Calkin 37, A Stewart 37, J Ritchie 37, R McVerry 37, P Skou 36, D Green 36, C Bary 35, S Ballard 35, G McLeay 35, T Hammond 35. 3 FBH: G Jongen, D Singer, C Williams. Jackpot not struck. Two's: J Ritchie R McVerry. Coming events: Sat 2 Nov - election of officers @ 5pm - bar committee. Duty: R Ellery. Sun 3rd - duty: R Yorke. Tuesday 12, twlight begins. Sat 16: Downs Group Xmas cheer. Entries to C Williams 0272431193. Duty: M Jones. Bar roster on board.

#### HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 22. 9 hole golf: TRC Toyota bogey competition: Grant Forbes +5, Barry Parlane +2, Greg James, Les Neumann, Ross Little & Gary Burgess -1. Nearest the pin: Barry Parlane. Saturday 26: Feilding Mitre 10 split 12, open mini meat tournament stableford. AM split 12: G Bond 29, G Edwards 26, J Stella & G Forbes 25, S Wells 24. PM split 12: M Spackman 28, R McDermott 27, G Bond 25, M Porter & J Stella 24. Overall points winner: G Bond 54. Long drives: s/men: R Ormsby. J/men: M Pickford. Women: L Tipu. Nearest pins: s/men: D Rohde. J/men: G Edwards. Women: L Tipu. Coming events: Tuesday 9 hole golf - 9.30am tee off. Saturday 2 Nov: tee off from 11am & 9 hole golf: 1pm tee off.

#### TAIHAPE GOLF

The double header Labour Weekend haggle got underway in beautiful conditions, with the course well-groomed during the spring progression. The Potaka and Collerton Cups Sunday round was dominated by Kerry Wells, who secured 39 points to add to his first round of 43, winning the Potaka Cup by a clear 9 points over Merv Tapp. Wells' total of 82 points was to the advantage of his playing partner John Booth who also had an impressive total of 71 points, which put the pairing clear of the Collerton Cup field by 14 over the Dale Hunt and Gary Thomas pairing. In the individual competition, John Gilbert scored 37, Dale Hunt 36 and Gary Thomas and John Booth, 35 points each. Kevin O'Brien was the beneficiary of the chicken run with 44 points. The 10 handicapper shot a remarkable gross score of 73, which included 3 birdies in a very polished performance. There is now a three way tie for best gross of the year, with Denny Thompson and Matthew Thomas also recording 73. Duane Dick followed closely behind with 42 points. John Fenemor made 39 points, Gary Thomas and John Gilbert both 35 and Merv Tapp 34 points. Kevin O'Brien claimed top position in the shootout qualification, with his 44 points. This Sunday, the Apiti Xmas cheer is scheduled for a tee off at 11.30, with players departing from the Taihape BP at 10am. Players who want to support Apiti on Sunday, please contact Danny Mickleson. For those unable to travel, normal haggle will resume, with Kerry Wells on manager's duty.

#### 8-BALL POOL

Two Bulls RSA players were part of the Wanganui representative 8-ball pool team that recently took out the annual 3-way rep match against teams from Manawatu and Horowhenua-Kapiti. The match was played in Palmerston North on 20 October and the 12 man & 4 woman Wanganui side included Bulls RSA's Carole Hunt and Tracey Holdaway. Each player competed in 8 singles and 4 pairs matches during the day and Wanganui finished the event with 87 points, to head off Manawatu on 79 and Horowhenua-Kapiti on 74. Hunt was the best performed of the Wanganui women, with 5 singles victories from her 8 matches. Holdaway won 2 singles and the pair combined to win 1 of their 4 pairs.

#### BULLS BOWLING CLUB

29 Oct - our normal Thursday club day for the ladies, with the Belle Wilson tray being played for, ended being washed out. Saturday Labour Weekend the A/G Woodstock trophy event (north v south) started with the south leading by 12 points over north. The final day is next weekend. On Monday 28 Oct we held an any gender open 2\*4\*2\* - mufti. This was sponsored by Peter Rea's Personal Investment company. The day started off drizzling but not enough to put off 15 teams from playing with the day brightening up in the afternoon. The winners were two of our local players, Owen Canton & Craig Pedley. Raewyn Byers and Pat Dady were second and Helen McNeamie and her partner from Johnson Park were third. A most enjoyable day was had by all. Every Tuesday for the season, the Lladies play in the Elizabeth Walker triples and the men play in the Skogs triples. The ladies are playing for the Baxter triples this Thursday, with the second day of the Woodstock A/G at the weekend. Don't forget our housie evenings, where everyone is welcome. Good bowling everyone:

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#### MARTON BOWLING CLUB

Wed 23 Oct roll-up postponed till Thursday; Thursday cancelled due to the weather! Saturday 26 Oct roll-up results: skips: 1st Andy Creagh- 2 wins, 13 ends 23 points. 2nd JD- 2 wins, 9 ends 18 points. 3rd Dave Grant: 1 win, 9 ends 15 points. Twos: 1st Murray Coleman- 2 wins, 13 ends 25 points. 2nd Josie Bismark- 1 win, 11 ends 26 points. 3rd Neil Gardener- 1 win, 11 ends 18 points. Leads: 1st Tom Porter- 2 wins, 11 ends 29 points. 2nd Joy White- 2 wins, 10 ends 18 points. 3rd Bruce Aplin-1 win, 11 ends 21 points. Up-and-coming events: ladies' club fours postponed. Wed 6 Nov- Jane Winstone tournament in Marton, 12.30 pm. Members a plate please and a \$2 shout. Fri 8 Nov - rnd 1- bowls 3 Five social competition, play starts @ 6pm. (Enquiries/team entries to Enid ph: 06 327 8694, or email: martonbowls.club@gmail.com by Fri 1 Nov.) Wed 13 Nov- club ladies' triples @ 9 am. Fri 15 Nov - rnd 2 Bowls 3 Five social competition @ 6pm. Members don't forget coaching Fridays @ 3.30 pm.

#### MARTON CROQUET CLUB

Monday October 14: association croquet: Tom Martyn and Mary McNae 18 def 17 Robert McLay and Selwyn Johnson, Lynda Thompson and David Harrison 20 def 19 Gordon Thompson and Graeme McIntyre. Golf croquet: Linda Hughes 7 def 2 Colin Burne, Lyn Johnson and Val Hoaijama 7 def 3 Marilyn Vallance and Maria Beamish, Linda And Colin 7 def 1 Val and Marilyn, Marilyn 4 def 2 Maria. Wednesday 16/10 AC: David Winmill and David Harrison 26 def 16 Murray McNae and Gordon Thompson. GC: Graeme McIntyre and Mary McNae 7 def 5 Tom Martyn. Graeme 7 def 4 Tom and Mary. On Saturday Oct 19. Croquet Manawatu-Wanganui held an AC doubles day for the Brighton Mallets. Winners were: David Winmill, Martin and Rosemary Eyles, Levin. Thursday 17/10 AC interclub was won by Marton over Levin by 3 games to 0. Monday 21/10: AC: David Winmill 26 def 21 Murray McNae. GC: Gordon Thompson and Brenda Isaacs 7 def 5 Mary Meek and Lynda Thompson, Marilyn Vallance and Lyn Johnson 7 def 6 David Harrison and Selwyn Johnson, Maria Beamish and Gordon Thompson 7def 6 Lynda and Brenda, Gordon and Lyn 7 def 5 Mary and Val Hoaijama, David 7 def 5 Marilyn. Saturday 26/10 GC: Mary McNae 7, 4, 7 def 5, 7, 5 Marilyn Vallance.

#### MARTON SARACENS CRICKET

After the previous weekend's season-opener was washed out, Matt Burke Engineering Saracens premier 2 side got off to a belated start when they competed in the T20 champion of champions tournament in Whanganui on Sunday. The tournament featured the 3 local teams that won competitions last season (Wicket Warriors - T20, Renegades, Saracens (40 over team) as well as Palmerston North Old Boys - Manawatu P2 winners. Each team played two games. The morning round resulted in PNOB beating Renegades 115 to 102 and Saracens losing by 43 runs to Wicket Warriors. Warriors batted first and a 114 run opening stand, inside 15 overs, set the Indian team up for a very challenging 153 for 6 at the end of their 20. Levi Woolston took 2 for 24 for Saracens, Matt Roberts 2 for 15 and Freddie Lane 1 for 10. Rhys Watson took a catch in the field. Todd Sutton held two catches and effected a sharp run-out, to claim the 6th wicket. In reply, Saracens lost wickets regularly and at 6 for 36 after 11 overs looked to be heading for a comprehensive loss. Jayden Lane and Liam McAleese then shared an entertaining 58 run partnership for the 7th wicket and Saracens finished on a respectable 110 for 8 at the conclusion of their 20 overs. Jayden Lane top-scored with 36 not out and took the Harvey & Calkin Glass player of the day award. McAleese scored 17, Freddie Lane 13 and Sutton 10. Afternoon matches saw PNOB win a close match against Warriors to take the champion of champions title while Saracens claimed 3rd place after a face-off with the Renegades. Saracens captain Thomas Westwood won the toss in this match, elected to bat first and the Marton side compiled 139 for 6 in their 20 overs. Westwood made 26, Jayden Lane 27, Matt Roberts 14 and McVerry Crawford Motors player of the day Levi Woolston finished 57 not out, after coming in to bat in the 4th over. Excellent new ball bowling and sharp fielding from Saracens had Renegades in early difficulties and the Wanganui team never looked like getting near the 140 run target, eventually ending their 20 overs at 98 for 8. Liam McAleese took 1 for 20 for Saracens, Brett Cunningham 1 for 9, Woolston 2 for 7, Todd Sutton 1 for 10 and Roberts 1 for 6. An excellent return from the field saw Woolston claim a run out and Freddie Lane held a catch in the field. This Saturday, Matt Burke Engineering Saracens take on Wanganui United, in the first round of the 40 over competition, at Victoria Park in Wanganui.



Above: Matt Burke Engineering Marton Saracens beat Wanganui Renegades to take 3rd place in the champion of champions tournament at Labour Weekend.

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