

Super 20th Shemozzle

A huge crowd of locals and visitors turned up for the 20th anniversary of the Huntaway Festival Shepherds' Shemozzle on Saturday.

It was Angus McKelvie who beat the race's very big number of entries to win the 20th Shemozzle. Angus won by several minutes over the rest of the field and won the premier event for a second time. The various shemozzles contested on the day lived up to their collective name. In the big race, it was thrilling to watch the mayhem of dogs and shepherds all covered in mud, wet and slippery and dressed in old sacks. Mud featured early in the race.



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It's a mud storm; as runners in the Shepherds' Shemozzle splash into the swamp at the bottom of the Hunterville hillslide; before descending to town. Left: the children's shemozzle faced the same challenge. Photos by Terry Stillman.



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Angus McKelvie carries his dog over the finish line to win the 20th Shepherds' Shemozzle on Saturday.

He was several minutes ahead at the finish line with no sign of his competitors. His fitness level is due to the fact that

he won the Tough Guy and Gal challenge in Rotorua in August and trains and competes regularly in such events. Angus also won the Shemozzle race a couple of years ago.

He is the son of Rangitikei MP Ian Mc Kelvie and acts as stock manager for the familiys'Tangimoana farm. His wife also competed in the Shemozzle race and was placed fourth in the women's section.

Singaporean ambassador visits





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to NZ Bernard Baker and his

wife, were hosted in Rangitikei

by Mayor Andy Watson. The

ambassador was familiarising himself with what the district has to offer in preparation for a

possible influx of Singaporean

He says a decision will be made in March regarding

the possibility of long term deployment of Singapore

Airforce personnel with NZ

The ambassador was delighted

with the lifestyle in the district

and with the schools, in

particular Nga Tawa School. He visited Huntley School

and Nga Tawa during his two day visit and watched

the Shemozzle races at the

Hunterville Huntaway Festival.

Airforce personnel.

at Ohakea.

The Annual Bulls Rose Show Celebrates **140 Years** Saturday 11th November **Bulls Town Hall** Doors open from Noon to 4.00pm Prizegiving 4.00pm Demonstrations, Café and Stalls open from 10.00 am Schedules available from Platts Pharmacy, Bulls Library & **Bulls Information Centre** Contact Jan Harris 0211745951 Flowers: Jillybud Wedding Flowers Photo Image: Valley Studios, Pohangina







Shemozzle . He was on deck on Saturday, tending to the pig on a spit - just one of the jobs he has done at the event



The Marton Walkway- ongoing vandalism

For over 50 years, S Marton Lions Club has supported our local schools financially, with such projects as Kiwican, Duffy Books, speech competitions and many more activities. Individual students have been helped to attend Outward Bound, Outdoor Pursuits and many sports tournaments.

The Marton Walkway (behind Marton Memorial Hall) is another ongoing project that Marton Lions members spend a lot of hours and money on; beautifying it for the enjoyment of the public.

The Lions Club is extremely disappointed that a few people ruin their good work by pulling out newly- planted plants, push over trees and wreck seating in the walkway (an ongoing problem).

To those irresponsible people - please channel your energy into doing something useful and worthy of recognition. Vandalism is crime and nothing to be proud of! Think about it!

RW McDonald, president –Marton Lions.

Turakina Market's been around a while



Turakina Beach's Market Day at Labour Weekend was a chance for local bach owners and residents to catch up and raise some valuable funds to maintain the town hall. Bill Sewell from Palmerston North makes wooden children's toys. He has been bringing his stall to the Turakina Labour Weekend Market for many years but says this year is likely to be his last. His colourful creations have been very popular over the years and use a safe paint finish for its children. The annual October market has been going so long no one can remember when it started but is over 30 years ago at least.

Jeweller closes after long history



Marr's Jewellers in Marton closed its doors for the last time last Friday night as the building has sold. The business has been a part of Broadway streetscape in Marton for generations. Joy Stantiall (nee Hardyment) closed the doors at 5pm on Friday, after a lifetime of working in the same shop. She started work there 59 years ago, straight from college, for Chas Marr. Twenty years later, she took ownership of the business, when Chas died and has carried on continuously until last Friday.

Joy and husband Jim Stantiall owned both the business and the Hilton Building it occupies. The couple once lived in the large flat behind and above the shop and later their daughter's family occupied it.

The Hilton Building has been on the market for eight years and has now sold to a buyer from Miramar who will live there but there is no indication as to the future of the two ground floor retail spaces. The secondhand shop located next door, also closed on Friday.

Joy still has the original, handwritten building specifications for the Hilton Building which was commissioned by FG Hilton Esq in 1902. It is a fascinating read. They had to type it out because the script is almost indecipherable. It must be one of the few sets of specs in existence, for the main street buildings in Marton, as much information was destroyed in a fire at the

Marton Borough Council - eliminating the archives Joy says her first job was to address an envelope to Mr Hilton for the shop rent. She remembers hectic Friday night shopping when Marton retailers were open until 9pm.

Jim Stantiall opened a specialist china shop in the premises next to the jeweller, in the 1980s, for several years which later integrated into jewellery shop.

Joy says she will carry on an engraving service from home and is very grateful for the support from Marton people. She says, "The public has been good to us."

Vision for Edale presented at AGM

Edale Aged Care Centre held its AGM recently. The public was invited to attend the meeting, where they heard an accountant's annual report from Rodgers and Co. and the CEO of the Masonic Village Trust gave a presentation on "a vision for Edale." (The Masonic trust is looking at merging with Edale). Michael Ambrose, head of Edale's auditors, complimented the Board on making some critical decisions to ensure Edale's future viability - the results of these decisions are reflected in the improved annual accounts.

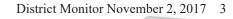
Mr Ambrose also acknowledged the positive way in which Edale staff have embraced the decisions, enabling the high level of care given to residents to be maintained. Warick Dunn CEO of Masonic Villages Trust gave some

villages, between New Plymouth and Wellington. He said that being a charitable trust, their philosophy is very similar to Edale's and the operation of each village relates to the needs of the community each village serves.

history relating to the establishment and growth of its 11

He said that should the decision be made to merge, the Trust is keen to see that Edale expands to meet the ongoing needs of the Rangitikei and that a liaison board continue to provide support to Edale and keep the link to the Community.

Dudley Brown was re-elected chair of the Edale Trust Board at the meeting and .Michael O'Regan re-elected deputy Board chair.





Gigantic Book Fair - Broadway, Mangaweka -10 am November 4. No Eftpos. Info from adorrian@xtra.co.nz **Bulls Rose Show** - celebrates 140 years - Saturday 11 November. Bulls Town Hall. Show opens noon to 4pm. Schedules from Platt's Pharmacy, Bulls Library and Bulls Information Centre.

Mangaweka Fakes & Forgeries - Saturday Nov 4. Irene's Christmas Fayre, Mega Book Fair, and separate Mexican Art exhibition. For info re art exhibition etc -www.freewebs.com/mangawekagallery.

Marton Museum and Historical Village - open on Saturdays, fortnightly, 1-3pm. Starting this Saturday Nov 4. Usual entrance fees apply.

Tutaenui Rural Women Plant Auction - Sunday 12 November, doors opening at 12 noon, Tutaenui Hall on Jefferson's Line, 6 kms north of Marton. Fantastic plants. **Marton Market Day** - Saturday November 25, 9am - 3pm.

In Broadway and Follett St. 200 stalls, street entertainers, retail specials, live music.

Pop Up Gallery (PUG) - go visit the PUG Creative, 3 Follett St, Marton. You can purchase the work of local artists. Open Wednesday to Saturday.

Leaders send joint Manawatū Gorge submission

A submission in support of NZTA's Manawatū Gorge option four has been made by Horizons regional leaders through Accelerate25's lead team facilitator Michael McCartney.

He says based on the information currently available, and in order to meet the submission timeframe, the lead team acknowledges that NZTA's option four alignment is the best solution. "While further details and analysis of the proposal is needed, the southern Manawatū Gorge replacement route shows closer connection to Palmerston North and key freight hubs. "Option four is also preferred as it will directly connect with the regional freight ring road which central government announced funding towards last year and forms part of the Regional Land Transport plan. Perhaps the most important thing our respective communities will note is that option four includes significant funding from central government. The other three options would require a substantial ratepayer contribution."



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BNZ Marton closing -17 November

Changing customer needs in Marton have led to the decision to close the BNZ Marton store permanently from 3.30pm on Friday 17 November, 2017.

"Every day we are grappling with the fact that the banking world is changing rapidly. The reality of banking today is that 89% of our transactions are made using our digital channels," says BNZ Retail Regional Manager Kim Watson.

"We are constantly reviewing the locations of our store network, to make sure we are focusing investment in the areas where we can best serve the changing needs of our customers," Mrs Watson says.

"A decline in demand for in-store banking services at the Marton store reflects the fact that our customers are increasingly choosing BNZ's digital channels to fulfil their everyday banking needs," she says.

The nearest BNZ store is BNZ Feilding - 25 minutes' drive away at 29 Manchester Square, Feilding. Also, BNZ Wanganui is 30 minutes' drive away at 124 Victoria Avenue, Wanganui. A BNZ ATM will remain in Marton.

BNZ says it is working closely with the three affected staff in Marton on redeployment and redundancy options.

They says BNZ customers will be informed of the decision over coming days.





Marton RSA

Once again it is time to thank the people of Marton and further afield for their wonderful support of our sale of raffle tickets. I was very surprised to receive a phone call from a buyer from Auckland wanting to know the results - goes to show our tickets get very far afield. This year, the proceeds will be going towards repairs and maintenance of our monuments. Thanks to Jim Stantiall for his ongoing help in selling tickets, a great job Jim. Again this year Go Ahead Hair Design did a fantastic job in selling tickets - a big thank you to Graeme Hendra, Penny and the staff for a great effort. Thanks go to all shops that sold tickets. When ringing a prize winner I struck a really surprised lady (I will not name). I was firstly accused of making a prank call to her, but when she realised I was serious, this lady informed me she had never won a prize of any kind in her life. That in turn, made both our days and to the lady considered, if you read this, enjoy your prize.

Marton Friendship Club

We meet at Morris St every Friday at 2pm – hall open 1pm. Raffles won by Bill, Tari, Billy, Anne and Thelma. Special raffle was donated by Les Collis and won by Pat Simpson. Entertainment was provided by John White and band who began with Rock n Roll dancers from band members. This was in memory of Fats Domino known worldwide for his jazz and rock n' roll music. He gave a lot of pleasure even in this little country of ours. Songs like Happiness and Begging To You. Robin and Anne sang Cool Water and Don't Worry About Me. The band played numbers from ABBA, all well known by club members who just love to join in. this one of our very good local bands who always draw a good attendance. Shake, Rattle and Roll was last item and many rattled and rolled until afternoon tea. Next week, we will be entertained by The River Folk, a Wanganui band. Also for those who like to dress up for Melbourne Cup day, put on your race gear and fancy hats and let us see how you look. Committee meeting 12.30pm Friday November 3. See you all there – visitors welcome.

Rangitikei Country Music Club

Our previous club day was another great day. We had a lineup of 32 entertainers, with another half dozen selected to do another item. After recuperating for some months it was nice to have Gay Lewis back with us. In hospital is Ann Gardiner and Don Boyd has not been well for several weeks now. We wish them a speedy recovery. Member Elaine Holden, a participant in Entertainer of the Year recently, unfortunately came down with the flu so she couldn't sing at her usual high level. Elaine was placed second in the songwriters division. Sue TeRangi and Gillian Bailey also gained places in recent awards. Marlene White was overall winner in the Wanganui internal awards - well done girls. Rangitikei Country Music Club presents a high level of entertainment, so for \$4 you could come and enjoy the entertainment plus get a lovely afternoon tea. Club days are the first and third Sundays at 1pm, 421 Wellington Rd, Marton. For more information - ph Gloria 06 327 7994 or Glynis 06 327 6626.

Rural Women Plant Sale

It's that time of year again when Tutaenui Rural Women holds its special Plant Auction. This year its on Sunday 12 November with doors opening at 12 noon, at the Tutaenui Hall on Jefferson's Line - just 6 kms north of Marton. They have a fantastic array of plants sourced from some of Rangitikei's magnificent gardens with old and new treasures. They have decided to price plants ready for purchase immediately, only auctioning what remains at 2pm. Proceeds from sales go towards maintaining the Adna Poppe Bursary, which is available for anyone studying tertiary education related to agriculture in any way, providing they reside in the Rangitikei Oroua Province. The It has supported students in the past, attending agricultural colleges as well as university. Anyone wishing to obtain an application form for the Adna Poppe Bursary can contact Dianna Stewart on 06 327 8064. Applications close January 30, 2018. You can contact Jean 06 327 7014 or Linda 06 327 6507 to find out more about Rural Women and their amazing plant sale and auction.

Marton Contract Bridge

Results Tue 24/10 Jensen Electrical Pairs (R2) N/S M Bartels & C Skou 56.25, K Poppe & J Vickers 55.83, J Bellamore & M Moreland 54.58. E/W S Marshall & H Rowe and J Baddeley & D Cains 53.33, S Vickers & J Willis 52.08. Thu 26/10 J P Henley Pairs (R1) N/S S Marshall & C Skou 57.08, G Burne & F Bertram 55.0, J McPherson & S Thackery 51.25. E/W H Rowe & D Hanna 63.33, E Saywell & J Ellery 53.75, M Gordon & P Davidson 53.33.

Taihape Music Club

After a series of recitals by professional artists - John Wells organist, Antony Peebles pianist and Christopher Hutton cellist, the Taihape Music group will present a concert by local performers. Always a popular event, it will be held in the Women's Club Tui St on Thursday November 9 at 7.30 pm. Those taking part include piano students of Helen Gordon and Ava Woolaston, sopranos Susan Benson, Clare Grattan, Colleen Deighton and bass Ray Wesselson. Myra Fleury will entertain with Christmas themed items on piano accordion and harmonica. Noted pianist Helen Gordon will play solos by Bach and Chopin. Admission at the door is \$10, with members and children free. Supper will be served.

Marton Women's Institute

Our last meeting ran overtime, with guest speaker; district councillor Lynne Sheridan talking about her passion for projects in the community. There were so many questions and ideas aired. Lynne shared the new developments at Marton Park and the Tui Trail. Members talked of kowhai trees in their areas and the numbers of tui they attract. Other native birds are becoming more common in Marton now. We are excited about the new plans for this popular town area and hope that summer weather will encourage families to make good use of the park. Our next meeting is on Monday 6 November, 1.30pm at the Friendship Hall. Thank you for taking an interest in our WI and the time to read our report. Come along and join us to learn something new and enjoy our company. Contact Jean 327 6460 or Gillian 327 7352.

Taihape Bridge Club

Results: Clark Cup 16.10.17: N/S Frances Loader/Janenne Oates 55.58%, Coral Thomas/Celia Bell 51.98%, Cate McCartin/ Robin Batley 51.59%; E/W Ross Gordon/Lynette Collier 65.87%, Louisa Gordon/ Wendy Totman 57.54%, Allison Thomas/Marian Cleaver 56.35%. Clark Cup P 30.10.17: N/S John Platts/Michael Anderson 60.71%, Wendy Totman/Louisa Gordon 57.54%, Judith Hintz/Allan Thomas 55.95%; E/W Ross Gordon/Lynette Collier 63.49%, Janenne Oates/Frances Loader 59.13%, Allison Thomas/Marian Cleaver 57.14%.



What's the ALTITUDE of your ATTITUDE?

Some years back, a group of newspaper reporters was interviewing a famous athletics coach in the USA and one of their number, after a headline, asked this question, "What are the three main qualities in an athlete in order for them to reach their full potential and become a champion?

The coach waited, then he replied, "The three main qualities would be, (then he paused) er...attitude, attitude and er... ATTITUDE."

Not the answer expected but it says something powerful to us.

We all have choices in life and we choose whether to be positive or negative in our attitude and that choice determines whether we rise to become a champion in life or whether we become just one of the 'also-ran's' - settling for mediocrity. We all know what it's like to be around people with negative attitudes, for it tends to pull us down to those levels if we allow it. And we know what it's like to be around people with positive attitudes, because they lift us up to the rarefied air of fresh forward thinking and responding - making a real difference in us and our situation.

Of course, we have to be careful not to ignore reality, just by being positive, as they say, 'to be so heavenly-minded we are of no earthly-use.' The right attitude does not just happen, it's a CHOICE we make each day about ourselves, our family, our friends, our community - dare I say it, even the government.

(I hear there is a real spike in red lipstick and teeth-whitener sales, lol) but the ALTITUDE of our ATTITUDE depends on many things - an attitude of gratitude; having a humble and thankful response to life and others, no matter what it or they throw at you!

Believing the best. Looking for the opportunity to encourage. Refusing to put others and ourselves down. Putting a stop to the 'shame-and-blame-game. Being willing to admit we got it wrong and asking others to forgive us, especially those closest to us and not giving up - no matter what!

Way back, a guy called Paul sent a letter to people like us; in a Church a long way from Taihape, in a place called Philippi and this is part of what he wrote: (Philippians 2: verse 5 – the Bible) "Have the same ATTITUDE as that of JESUS CHRIST." When you look at His responses to what happened in His life you have to say "What a CHAMPION!!" - but it wasn't all easy. Not everyone liked Him. In fact, some hated Him enough to kill Him. Life wasn't always fair and there wasn't always an easy answer to the 'why' questions but look at HIS attitude? Kind, loving, caring, compassionate, commending not condemning, giving the best advice no matter to anyone and much, much more!

"Well, we say, Jesus had an unfair advantage. He was the Son of God with so much more ability."

But the reality is that we CAN be like HIM - it's not our ABILITY but our AVAILABILITY to Him. Asking Him to HELP us to be like Him. INVITING Jesus to be a part of our lives and FILLING us with His love!

The RESULT will be a tremendous LIFT in the ALTITUDE of our ATTITUDES and 'your' WORLD will know!

Pastor Llew King,

St. David's Presbyterian Church, Taihape.

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WDHB implements new role to support its work around falls prevention

Occupational therapist Nicole Jordan has a new role; as a member of the WDHB's falls prevention team and, as a lead agent (funded by ACC) responsible for supporting community strength and balance programmes for the elderly; to ensure they are evidence based and can make a difference.

Ms Jordan says ACC, WDHB

working in partnership to help elderly residents prevent falls, because "we know how debilitating they are for those who have them and we recognise that it makes sense for all parties to work together; to help people strengthen their legs and improve their balance to

and community agencies are

"Besides causing harm, pain and suffering, falls have a huge impact on a person's overall quality of life and their confidence and ability to mobilise independently." Ms Jordan says ACC and the WDHB want to see any groups who offer communitybased exercise classes for the elderly to be able to show that they have the ACC tick of approval - proof that their exercise regime is promoting the right exercises to help improve an older person's strength and balance.

"I'm looking forward to meeting with those offering physical activities for the elderly," Ms Jordan says. "It's widely accepted that, from the day we're born, we need to exercise.'

remain active.

Beauty in Bi

Originally from Palmerston North and returning home after a 6 year stint in Melbourne, beauty therapist Alanna Tong (pictured right) was working as a live-in au pair on a Bulls dairy farm when she discovered an opening in the market and decided to open her own beauty salon in Bulls. Alanna earned her Diploma in Beauty Therapy in Melbourne; graduating top of her class. She then worked in (and managed) some of Melbourne's most prestigious salons, for more than five years.

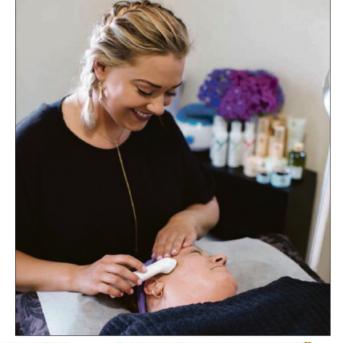
Moving back home in February to spend more time with family, Alanna has opened her 'Clean Slate Beauty' salon in the 'Inspire By Vicky' premises at 149 Bridge St, Bulls. She works alongside a hairdresser and a nail technician. Her salon offers; facials, massage, waxing, makeup and tinting... with more treatments envisaged.

Her aim is to make client visits as comforta-BULL and pain free as possible - using only the finest botanically based ingredients, sourced from around the globe. She uses organic wax - delivering superior results and

the gentle wax provides a nurturing and skin conditioning treatment for extra client comfort... even on the most sensitive skins. Alanna also has her own health and wellness company - offering services which she incorporates into her salon. This provides an amazing opportunity to help people create an additional income by consuming and recommending products.

The salon is currently open late night Wednesdays and Thursdays and during the day Thursdays and Fridays. From 14 December, 'Clean Slate Beauty' will be open fulltime.

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Real Life Therapy by Shirley Henderson

'For the Love of Tattoos'

I've got tattoos. They are significant to me and I really like them. Considering I've paid money, gone through pain and adorned my body permanently - I should say .. "I love them!" The truth is, I did love them at the time. Now... I'm not unhappy that I have them but I'm used to them. In fact, I don't really see them; they are just there and part of my everyday. Once, I would look at my ankle and be - "Wow! That's amazing! You really did that! That's a bit out there for you!" Now – not so much.

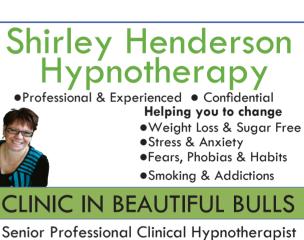
What's that saying .. "familiarity breeds contempt"? Maybe a bit strong, but my point is that... like my tattoos... it's easy to take stuff for granted.

And this is where the idea of being mindful and grateful comes from. Sometimes I think: "Yay! It's a new day!" Sometimes I think "It's a new day ... yay" – you know what I mean. I absolutely believe in being positive. I also absolutely believe

that sometimes, being positive can be downright negative! Yep, I said that!

Bear with me while I explain. Being positive when your world is behaving positively ... is easy. Being positive when your world is behaving badly is hard. When things are hard and you feel compelled to be bright, happy, positive and all things to all people, it can lead to exhaustion, burn out and stress upon stress.

So, here's what I think. It's ok to be un-positive....for a wee while. If you're not feeling it - recognize it, accept it and then (and this is the important bit) make yourself move on. It doesn't have to be this 'upbeat, positive, happy, see the glass half full person' – it just needs to be the caring, kind, gentle, tattoo loving person that was there all the time.



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Mangaweka Fakes & Forgeries Local successes this weekend

Don't miss the Mangaweka Fakes and Forgeries this Saturday November 4. It's the 10th anniversary of the event which seems to be going from strength to strength and this year there is even more to see and do.

There will be the annual Fakes & Forgeries exhibition plus activities in town with the Mangaweka Museum open for a trip back in time and the Papa Cliff Cafe open for coffee and meals. There are plans for some live entertainment in the evening. There will be at least one



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new large, outdoor painting to be revealed as part of the ongoing 'Mangaweka Masterpieces' open air and walk around art display. Irene's 'Christmas Fayre' in the Village Hall will be an extravaganza of stalls offering exciting Christmas presents,

home baking, knitwear, furniture and other locally and nationally produced wares. Have a day in Mangaweka on Saturday... it's worth the trip.

The Wanganui Rugby team won the Mitre 10 Heartland Championship, Colin Meads

Cup for the third time in a row on Saturday. They soundly beat Horowhenua Kapiti 30-14 in Levin.

O'Leary Brothers' horse -Who Shot The Barman - is set the run in its fourth Melbourne Cup next Tuesday. The horse won the Moonee Valley Cup on Saturday increasing its chances in the Melbourne Cup. His trainer Chris Waller, has trained him for the last three Melbourne Cups. The O'Leary's will be present in Aussie to watch Who Shot The Barman run first hand.

Kaleb Ngatoa has won his first two championship races for the new season - see right.

Great start to season for Kaleb



Marton teenager Kaleb Ngatoa has kicked off his 2017-18 Hi-Q Components NZ Formula First championship campaign in almost perfect fashion; taking two wins and establishing the championship lead on October 22.

Ngatoa's weekend started off qualifying on the front row, setting the second fastest time behind Chris Symon.

Drama for the leader allowed Ngatoa to slot into the lead of the race, where he quickly built up a gap to the battle pack behind him. It was déjà vu for Symon in race two, the school teacher's race was hampered by a similar issue and this time he was unable to select fourth gear. Ngatoa backed up his win in race one with third, while Hendl-Cox came across the

line fourth.

From the outset in race

three, two packs emerged

again. However, on lap two, congestion into splash

allowed Ngatoa to break away from the field leaving Chris Symon, Callum

Crawley, Liam Foster and

Reece Hendl-Cox to fight for second. Ngatoa took the

win and subsequently the

championship lead. Callum

Crawley trails Ngatoa by just eight points in the

championship, with Liam

Foster sitting 35 points behind

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Annual Report for year ending 30 June 2017 adopted

The Annual Report is Council's major accountability statement to the community. Council's Audit Director has a legal obligation to provide an opinion on this report, and this was done at Council's meeting on 5 October 2017. The opinion was 'unmodified' meaning that the report is a fair reflection on what actually happened and that the information presented complies with relevant statutory requirements and standards - and that there were no issues of concern which needed to be highlighted.

Council's major achievements during the year include being reaccredited as a building consent authority, completing the concept design for the proposed new Bulls community centre (and making a successful application for a lotteries grant of \$500,000), and progressing the pre-feasibility study for a Tutaenui rural water supply (co-funded by the Ministry for Primary Industries). Delays in some major capital projects meant a significant underspend in capital work of \$18.4 million, so there was no need to borrow during the year.

A Summary Annual Report has also been prepared and will also receive an unmodified opinion. Copies of the full Annual Report

document and the Summary will be available on the Council website and in the Council libraries shortly.

Taihape Swim Centre Contract Awarded

The contract for the Taihape Swim Centre was awarded to West End Aquatics Ltd by the Rangitikei District Council at their meeting on 12 October 2017. Trevor Nicholls and his team from West End Aquatics have been successfully running the Marton Swim Centre for the past five years. Trevor said he will be looking locally for employees to work at the Swim Centre. He intends to continue the Swim for All programme, and will approach local schools and early childhood centres to encourage both students and teachers to take part in these swim programmes.

Commissioned by the Council, the Taihape pools filtration and heating systems have been undergoing a major upgrade over the past few months, and painting of the small pools is due to start, it is expected this work will be completed soon but may slightly delay the planned opening date of the Swim Centre. A confirmation of the opening date will be provided as soon as it is known.

Questions on Rates Rebates?

One of our staff will be available to talk to if you have any questions about rates rebates, Marilyn will be at the Taihape Council building on Tuesday 14 November, Bulls Library on Wednesday 15 November and Marton Library on Thursday 16 November. Members of the public are welcome to come and speak to Marilyn about rates rebates.

Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017

Council now has the ability to enforce parking related matters throughout the Rangitikei. The Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017 was created to deal with parking and traffic related issues happening throughout the Rangitikei that Council did not have powers to address. Examples are too many vehicles parked outside residential properties, misuse of disability parks and sale of vehicles on roads. Now, when such issues arise, Council has the ability to use the Bylaw if the issue cannot be solved through discussions with those involved, and enforcement action is needed. Council officers will be able to start enforcing the Bylaw from 6 November 2017. Sections of the Bylaw related to the use of heavy vehicles are not yet approved (or enforceable), and will be reconsidered at a later date.

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RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

29 October - competition - medal: Kevin Taylor nett 65, Stu Amor nett 66, Derek Philipps & Manny Drelozis both nett 68, Peter Young & Ash Reed nett 69, Martin Field & Ron Harris both nett 70 and Tamati Anaru nett 71. Two: Martin Field on 5th. Thanks to all the green fee players.

HAWKESTONE GOLF CLUB

Tuesday 24th. Stableford; R Karatea 35, L Neumann 34. Nine hole; G Burgess 21, R Little 19. L Churchill 18, B Hills 18, G James 17, B Philps 17, D Penfold 14. Nearest pin; L Churchill. Saturday 28th. The Tax Helper club day stableford odd hole double up: snr men; P Scott 64, J Stella 53, G Franks & A Baker 50. Jnr men; N Skelton 68, D Wright 65, M Carroll & M Porter 63, D Todd 62. Women; P Charlesworth 62, R Karatea 56, S Wells 54. Twos; D Wright #5. Jackpot #5 struck. Nearest pins; s/men struck = Joey, j/men struck = Phill Thompson. Ladies; Rae K. Coming events: Tuesday golfers 18 holes; 9.00 am & 9 holes; 10.00 am tee off. Saturday 4th club day & Bush Cup final; 11.00am tee off. Visitors and casual golfers play 9, or 18 holes for only \$10. New members pay only \$250 to join. All welcome. Contact Grant; 0210 572 931.

TAIHAPE GOLF CLUB

An excellent turnout competed in a stableford round, whilst the ladies contested the final of the club championships. The course was a little dryer, although the 4th fairway was soft in the lower lying areas, as were a few other isolated areas. However, with the tees and aprons to the greens all mowed and the greens superbly presented, there was little excuse. In addition, the chip and run became a preferred option around the greens, as well as most players enjoying their winter handicap - a good number played close to or better than handicap. Denise Millner was too strong for Lesley Hardwidge in the silver division. Diane Mickleson held on over Ngaire Bond in the bronze 1, whilst Marian Cleaver won the last hole to defeat Fran Robertson in the bronze 2. Hamish Rose made a bold showing in his first outing for several years, scoring 45 points, which included 9 pars in a nothing but an impressive display. On 40 points, were Peter Valentine and Merv Tapp. Valentine's round included back to back birdies on 12 and 13 - flying though the back nine in 39. Merv Tapp was superb in the first 6 holes and in the last 3 holes but came unstuck on the longer holes in the middle section. Duane Dick registered 38; coming home in 36. On 37, was Denis Robertson; 36 Danny Mickleson; 35 Kerry Wells; Briany Bristol and Alan Thomas; 34 Gary Thomas and Richard Millner. 2's - Gary Thomas (14), Danny Mickleson (8), Peter Valentine (12), Duane Dick (17). There are a number of matches requiring urgent attention. Stratson - Matt Thomas vs Denis Robertson; John Fenemor vs James Mickleson. White Cup – Matt Thomas and John Fenemor vs Nick McGuinn and John Gilbert Joblin - John Fenemor vs James Fannin. Due to Apiti Xmas cheer, closing day will be delayed to the end of November

MARTON GOLF CLUB

30 October: Lee Ann Belsham 43 N Belsham 41 A Duncan 41 S Duncan 40 R Ellery 39 A Stewart 39 B Wingate 39 R McDermott 38 H Bremner 38 D Angove 38 B Cameron 38 T Calkin 37 G Marshall 37 B Pratt 37 P O'Connor 36 R Yortt 36 D Arnott 36 G Calkin 36. Two's: 6th T Calkin B Beck; N Belsham 12th; N Belsham 17th; P O'Connor. FBH: G Mcleay G McIvor. Coming events: Sat 4 Nov - stableford competition. Duty K Field - election of officers, 5pm. Sunday 5 Nov - club championships (men) 8.30am. Junior A G Marshall v A Duncan 8.45. Intermediate T Arnott v R Yorke. 9am Senior T Calkin v D Arnott 10am. Junior B B Beck v G Calkin. Saturday Nov 11; Down's Group christmas cheer, 11am tee off. Entries still being taken; contact club captain: P Skou, 06 327 6725. Marton Thursday Golf: D Angove 42 H Bremner 41 B Craig 40 B McGinniss 40 I Batcheler 38 G Calkin 37 R McDermott 37 C Murphy 36 B Cameron 36 T McVerry 35 P Connolly 35 P Simpson 35 B Beck 34 F Ravn 34 G Velvin 33. Most golf: T Hammond.

MARTON NINE HOLE GOLF

Fewer players than usual competed in our medal round, played 31 October. Results for the day were: 1st division: 1st Neil Powell nett 33. 2nd division: 1st Sam Atkinson nett 34, 2nd Roy Powell nett 35. 3rd division: 1st Mike Donlon nett 37, 2nd Barb Crawford nett 39. Lucky card winner was Brian Willis and raffle winner Marg Leersnyder. Next week is our AGM; starting at 9.30am. Prizegiving will be followed by lunch and then the Kapiti ladies will join us to play hidden teams. Starters: Barry Florence & Neil Powell. Cards: Bev Davis & Roy Powell. Kitchen: Jean Duncan & Marg Linklater.

MARTON CROQUET CLUB

Results 23/10/17 - association - T Martyn, D Winmill and Murray McNae played 2 games, 1 lawn. T Martyn 52, D Winmill 46. Golf croquet - A Winmill 5 v M Meek/M Vallance 7. Wednesday 25/10/17- association - L Thompson 5 v T Martyn 13. Golf croquet - G Thompson /P Hince 7 v E Ogden/E Hince 6; S Johnson 6 v L Johnson 0: S Johnson/ E Hince 7 v L Johnson/P Hince 6: L Thompson 4 v T Martyn 7. Thursday 26/10/17 Marton played Rose Gardens interclub golf croquet and Marton won. Saturday 28/10/17: the lovely weather and no wind attracted a good number of players. Results: L McLay 26 v Murray McNae 11: E Ogden/A Winmill 6 v L Thompson/S Johnson13: T Martyn/Mary McNae 18 v D Winmill/L Johnson 9. Golf croquet - M Meek/G Thompson 3 v M Vallance 7: P Hince/T Clarke 1 v L Hughes/E Hince 7: M Meek/M Vallance 6 v G Thompson 7: P Hince/M Vallance 7 v E Hince/T Clarke 2: T Clarke M Vallance 4 v P Hince/E Hince 1: L Hughes 5, 5 v G Thompson 7, 4.

CROQUET MANAWATU-WANGANUI

Golf croquet interclub competition. Week 1: it was a busy start to the season, with both Wanganui and Feilding having big wins. Marton 5, Rose Gardens 3. Individual results: Terry Klein & Neil Coates (RG) bt Lynda Thompson & Lyn Johnson (M) 7-3; Selwyn Johnson & Gordon Thompson (M) bt Chris Reay & Dennis Quinn (RG) 7-1; Klein & Reay (RG) bt L.Thompson & S.Johnson (M) 7-6; G.Thompson (M) bt Quinn (RG) 7-6; L.Johnson (M) bt Coates (RG) 7-3; L.Thompson (M) bt Klein (RG) 7-6; Reay (RG) bt S.Johnson (M) 7-6; G.Thompson & L.Johnson (M) bt Quinn & Coates (RG) 6-5. Rangatira 2, Feilding 6. Wanganui 7, Levin 1. Points to date: Wanganui 7 (+21), Feilding 6 (+7), Marton 5 (+7), Rose Gardens 3 (-7), Rangatira 2 (-7), Levin 1 (-21). Association croquet interclub competition. Week 2: Levin 3, Feilding 0. Individual results: Bob Eyles (L) bt Janice Coleman (F) 13-11; Lois Molloy (L) bt

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David Harrison (F) 13-12; Hayden Barrett & Rosemary Eyres (L) bt Sandra Haycock & Fiona Francis (F) 13-12. Week 3: Feilding 1, Marton 2. Individual results: Fiona Francis (F) bt Gordon Thompson (M) 12-8; Lynda Thompson (M) bt David Harrison (F) 13-12; David & Annette Winmill (M) bt Sandra Haycock & Janice Coleman (F) 20-16. Rose Gardens 1, Levin 2. Individual results: Margaret Troup (L) bt Melva Jones (RG) 21-19; Max Charlton (RG) bt Bob Eyles (L) 20-9; Ted Anderson & Judith Hunt (L) bt Shirley Rees & Michael Hardman (RG) 17-16. Points to date: Rose Gardens 6 (+86), Marton 6 (+19), Levin 5 (-22), Feilding 1 (-83).

CRICKET

Marton's Centennial Park will play host to development teams from Taranaki and Horowhenua-Kapiti on Sunday (5 November). The Central Districts' Cricket Association has chosen Marton's picturesque ground, with a quality wicket, as a central point for the teams to meet. The one-day match will start at 11am. Players will play in white clothing, with a red ball, and should be great entertainment for those wanting to see 'future Black Caps' perform.

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RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL ADOPTION OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING BYLAW 2017

Pursuant to section 22AE of the Land Transport Act 1998 the Rangitikei District Council gives notice that Council adopted the Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017, with the exception of section 16 (use of heavy vehicles) on 26 October 2017. The adopted sections of the Bylaw will come into force on 6 November 2017. The provisions related to section 16 (use of heavy vehicles) will be reconsidered by Council at a later date.

Further information

Copies of the Bylaw are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website www. rangitikei.govt.nz or you may request a copy to be emailed or posted to you by calling 0800 422 522. If you have any specific questions, please contact Katrina Gray, Senior Policy Analyst/Planner.

> Ross McNeil **Chief Executive**

CLIFTON SCHOOL (BULLS) BOARD OF TRUSTEES' ELECTION

Nominations are invited for the election of two parent representatives to the board of trustees. A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters. You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form). Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 17 November 2017 and may be accompanied by signed candidates' statements. The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 1 December 2017.

Kerry Robson **Returning Officer**



PUKEOKAHU SCHOOL **BOARD OF TRUSTEES** CASUAL VACANCY FOR AN ELECTED TRUSTEE

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative. The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held. Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to: Courtney Moyes **Board of Trustees**

Pukeokahu School

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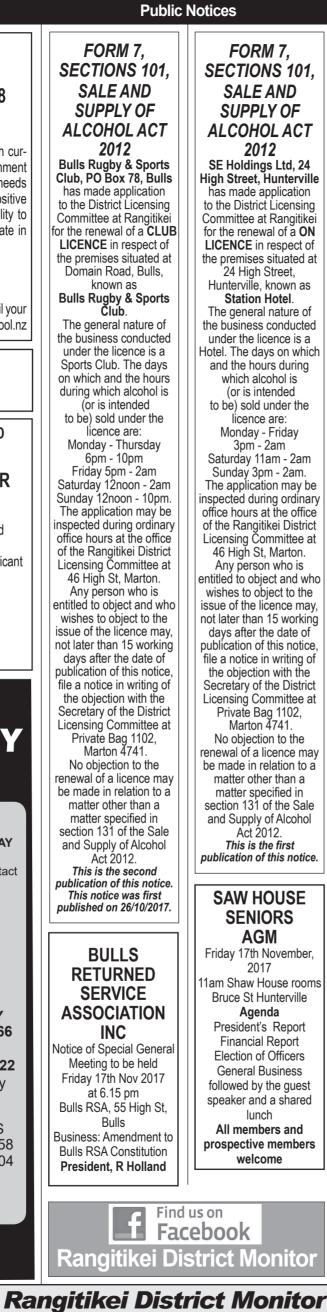
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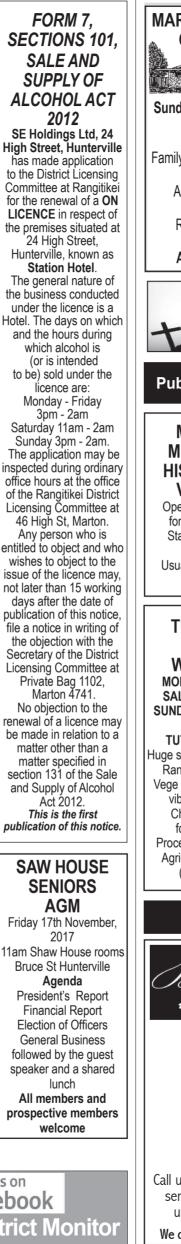
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MARTON SARACENS P2 CRICKET

Central ITM Saracens suffered a 116 loss to Wanganui Renegades at the Nga Tawa ground on Saturday. Renegades were put in by Saracens captain Andrew Spence and compiled 202 for 9 in their 40 overs. Vern Kohi was the outstanding Saracens bowler; taking 4 wickets for 29. Allan Pond took 2 for 32, Phil Galpin 2 for 35 and Mike Maher 1 for 25. Dave Woolston finished with 0 for 39 from his 8 overs and Michael Thompson 0 for 40 from his eight. Eight very good catches were taken, although another 4 went down. Andrew Spence and Thompson took 2 each. Kelly Kumeroa, Ronan Spence, Pond and Woolston, one each. Woolston's catch was a brilliant diving effort at 1st slip. Kian Belk's ground fielding and returns to the wicket were a highlight. The Marton team's reply never got going and wickets fell regularly. Woolston made 4, Maher 6, Galpin 17, Andrew Spence 14, Thomas Westwood 12, Kohi 3, Kumeroa 0, Pond 1, Belk 9, Thompson 1 and Ronan Spence was left not out...for the 2nd week in a row - this time on 4. Vern Kohi was the Active Physio player of the day. This Saturday, Central ITM Saracens take on Wanganui Tech at Victoria Park.

New Zealand Representation For Local Cricketers

Two Marton Saracens' cricketers will represent their country on the field over the next few months. Senior (or veterans) cricket is taking off around the world and New Zealand Cricket has joined the cause in recent years, promoting events that encourage cricketers to play on longer than they otherwise might have. The past two seasons has seen the holding of a national over 60s provincial tournament that has culminated in the naming of a New Zealand representative team to compete in Australia's annual veterans' tournament. Marton's Allan Pond, who played for Central Districts, was selected in last year's team that competed in Perth and will be travelling 'across the ditch' again this year. NZ is sending an A and a B team to this year's Australian event, to be held in Canberra from 19-23 November. Pond is a member of the A team which will be captained by former New Zealand test player Ewan Chatfield. The 'over-age' concept has now filtered down to over 50s and Saracens' Andrew Spence is one of a 14 man NZ squad to take on Australia over 50s in three ODI matches, in Nelson, in February. Following that series, a team will be selected to represent the country in the inaugural over 50s world cup, to be held in Sydney towards the end of 2018.





BULLS BOWLING CLUB

The Bulls Bowling Club ladies last week completed their 2016/2017 handicap pairs, held over from last season. After some very competitive games. Skip Yvonne Moss and partner Jean Parris came out the winners. Congratulations to both winners and players. The ladies played their second day of the aggregate for the Belle Wilson tray with some more play to come. The weekend saw men north of Curl's Bridge battle with men from the south for the first of three days play, to decide the annual winners. Saturday had the north really on the ropes, with no wins but one draw, from a very competitive afternoon of bowls, on one of the hottest days so far. The big leveller seemed to be the lack of wind. Having adjusted to playing against the wind for so long, playing without it was very challenging. No doubt, next time, there will be some serious play. Sunday saw the mixed pairs played, (Wilson trophy), with another good start to the day; the games were completed before the rain came in about 4pm. Winners, unbeaten, was the team of Gay Baxter and Warren Hausman - congratulations to them. Next week sees the start of the interclub tournament, with three teams entered from Bulls - wishing them all the best. Enjoy the company at Bulls Bowling Club .Open 1pm. every Wednesday (weather permitting) and 4pm Friday evenings. Other times by request; allowing sufficient time for the greenkeeper to prepare the playing surface.

MARTON BOWLING CLUB

Apologies for no results last week, as I was away but here's a bit of a catch-up. Tuesday 17 October- feet first (2 bowls) moo tournament results: 1st- Graeme Morris, Mike Aldworth, Tony Stockton(s), 2nd: Sharon Gordon, Tania George, Micky Neumann(s), 3rd: Heather Johnston, Betty Broome, John Reyland(s). Wednesday 25 October- Kessing Cup challenge- congratulations and good luck to our Marton team; they defeated Dury Hill and hold the cup until the next challenge from Gonville, Sunday 5 November. The members of the winning team are: Tony Stockton, Andy Craegh, Micky Neumann & Kevin Mullany.



Marton Bowling Club winners of the Keesing Cup challenge. From left: Micky Neumann, Tony Stockton, Andy Craegh, Kevin Mullany.

NZ Triathlete training at Marton

NZ triathlete, Ryan Sissons has been training at Marton's heated, 50metre pool lately. He joined the Kiwi West team in training under coach Andrew Nicholls from the Nicholls Swim School last week.

Ryan, aged 29, represented NZ at the London and Rio Olympics and is on track for the Commonwealth Games on Australia's Gold Coast next April. He also competed in the Glasgow Games in 2014.

Ryan says he has a lot of respect for Andrew as a top level coach and he needs him to improve his swimming - his weakest triathlon discipline.

Ryan is based in Cambridge and trains at the High Performance School where the country's top triathletes and bike riders train.

He has swum at the Marton pool before, during a training camp, when he was younger. He says the Marton pool has perfect lane space. As a solo athlete, he finds it better to train with other swim squads, so he does his swim training with mainly specialist swimmers.

He has been competing in triathlons since he was 18 and turned professional at 21. He is a fulltime athlete, funded by High Performance Sport NZ. He says London was great and Rio was spectacular. After the Commonwealth Games, his next long term goal is the Tokyo Olympics in 2020.

The Nicholls Swim School attracts top swimmers and athletes and coach Andrew Nicholls says Marton is very lucky to have the 50m pool. He says it's the only 50m pool (except for New Market in Auckland) without a bulkhead; which alters the length of the pool. Marton is a clear 50m swim.



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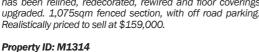
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