

Magical Market Day

Marion's annual market day on Saturday, lived up to expectations, with thousands of visitors throughout the day and hundreds of interesting stalls and entertainment. Early rain did little to dampen the day.

Broadway and Follett St became a bustling market place and Marion Park was bursting at the seams with stalls and entertainment. Visitors browsed more than 230 stalls and were entertained by performers during the day. People came from all across the lower North Island and further afield, to attend the Marion Market Day. Some, who'd returned to attend Rangitikei College's 60th reunion, enjoyed seeing their old town come to life for the day. The many food vendors were kept busy and many local stores had specials for the day, attracting additional foot traffic through their doors.

There were free activities for children, including the circus skills arena but sadly, the weather forced the Highland dancing to relocate to Marion School hall and scheduled skateboarding was unable to go ahead.

There was no shortage of entertainment, with performers Vinyl Burns and Joel Fenton keeping the audience in stitches of laughter and the team from Highly Flammable entertained young and old, as they roved about the market. Organiser Cath Ash, Project Marion co-ordinator says, "Market day is run by Project Marion and is only successful due to the large

number of volunteers who contribute their time and skills and the businesses and groups that provide support, as well as stall holders, many of whom travelled great distances to attend. Project Marion would like to thank the huge student army from Rangitikei College, which helped in the lead up and at the event, while learning a range of new skills, including mapping, scheduling, performer liaison, marshalling and waste management. Also, the Nga Tawa students who assisted on the day, as well as Marion Rotary, Marion Maori Wardens, the RDC parks team, Marion Scouts, Marion Fire Brigade, Rural Fire Brigade, Samoan Methodist Youth and the Samoan Living Hope Church, White Ribbon Riders and all the local businesses - with a very special mention for Mitre 10, Property Brokers, Colourplus, RDC and McVerry Crawford Motors, for their ongoing support. "We are so thankful that so many of our local people and groups join in providing performances on the day, including Richard Munt's music bands from Marion Primary and Marion Junction schools, Sons of Samoa, Exalted from Rangitikei College, Brian Baillie, Samba Ao Vento and Manawataki. Project Marion's Christmas Parade is on this Saturday at 3.30pm and planning for the Marion Harvest Fair on March 31 is well underway. It's not too soon to plan a scarecrow, pumpkin pie or special brew entry."



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Men on stilts - street entertainers Matthew Hall and Alex Komarovsky on market day. Photos Liz Rayner.



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Former pupils marked 60 years

A meet and greet at Rangitikei College on Saturday afternoon attracted a group of former pupils from the schools' early days. They were mostly 1960s pupils from the region, a few from the South Island and one from Brisbane.

They joined tours of the college, lead by current principal Tony Booker and caught up with old friends and old pupils. Rex Millar (pictured speaking to visitors) was instrumental in encouraging people to mark the 60th anniversary of the college opened in 1958 along with Paul and Anne Donaldson. The principal also welcomed visitors along with former pupil Mayor Andy Watson. Groups also caught up for lunch and dinner in Marton.



When I made the decision to contest the Rangitikei seat in May 2011, a few of my friends told me they thought I wouldn't like what I found when I got to Parliament. Well, I can safely say, for the

most part, they were wrong. I have met and worked alongside many wonderful MPs, from both sides of the House. I was privileged to work under an outstanding Prime Minister in Sir John Key and for all too short a time, Bill English. I also played a part in helping a highly competent Government leave New Zealand in great shape following last year's election. As we adjusted to the Opposition benches after Labour, New Zealand First and the Greens stitched together a coalition, I again found myself fortunate to be part of a great team of talented people, led by the experienced and talented Simon Bridges. I was also given a couple of portfolios that are real areas of interest for me - Fishing and Racing - as we build our policy platform for the 2020 election. The other vital factor I encountered on entering national politics was a strong and loyal electorate full of great people who have helped me to effectively represent Rangitikei in Wellington, while at the same time enabling me to offer support for constituents here - whether that's assistance with an ACC claim; celebrating outstanding achievements by individuals and organisations in our region; or visiting a local school. I am humbled by the support and advice (often unsolicited!) I receive and the flow of information about what's going on in and around this vast electorate. Left or

right doesn't matter - we all want the best for our little part of the world.

I appreciate some people may feel annoyed and even a somewhat affronted by events over recent weeks, which National Party leader Simon Bridges, deputy Paula Bennett and president Peter Goodfellow have had to deal with - unfortunately very publicly. I understand this sideshow may have caused doubt, even amongst some of our most ardent supporters. However, it's important to remember it was created by a previous member of the National Caucus, and it was clearly an attempt to undermine our leadership team and the significant work we are doing as a strong, effective and united Opposition team.

The worst aspect of this whole saga is that the expelled member of our Caucus was previously a trusted Parliamentary Whip, which makes the betrayal of our party and Members of Parliament even more treacherous. Party Whips are traditionally the keepers of all secrets; they know stuff about their parliamentary colleagues that no one else does; they have a job which, to be effective, demands complete trust, integrity and confidence.

I said at the start that I have enjoyed most of my time as the MP for Rangitikei. The past month has probably been the most difficult for me. I certainly didn't come to Parliament to play personality politics. I entered national politics following a successful nine year run as the Mayor of Manawatu, with a strong will to serve the people and interests of our region at a local and also at a national level.

I was born and bred in the Rangitikei and I am passionate about our proud history and promising future.

Mortgage advisor in Marton



Mortgage advisor Jarrod Calkin plans to run free homebuyer seminars in Marton early in 2019.

Newly established Marton mortgage advisor Jarrod Calkin offers, "Tailored advice that won't cost you a thing." He can help you to a greater understanding of such things as; first home purchase, building a home, re-financing, fixed rate rollovers, investment property purchase, saving schemes or insurance issues.

Jarrod grew up in Marton. He attended Marton and Huntley Schools and completed his secondary education at Palmerston North Boys' High. He then worked at Huntley School and at Marton's Westpac bank, before his career took him to Auckland and Whangarei. Now, with a young family, Jarrod has moved back to the area and, as a qualified mortgage broker, he's gone out in business on his own, recently starting up Calkin Financial Services.

Jarrod says, "I know first-hand how overwhelming talking about home loans can be. That's why I set up this company. After 12 years working in the business I can provide advice and guidance to anyone with an existing home loan, those looking to get into their first home or those ready to build their dream home."

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Old Post office in good hands



Pictured is the interior of Marton's old post office building was sold last week, to an Auckland couple. They say that they fell in love with its features and the town and they decided to buy it to renovate it. They have already begun work on it- cleaning out rubbish and refurbishing. They will decide on its future use later. They are adamant they will not demolish it and it will not become chocolate factory as some rumours have suggested. They might also hold an open day at some stage for locals to take a look at the old building.

It was originally opened in 1927, by the then Prime Minister JG Coates and was considered the most up to date post office in the Dominion at that time. It closed in 1980.

VIEWPOINT



Letters to the editor must be 200 words. Please provide a name address and phone number.

To the parents of Marton

Tonight at 6.45, I pulled into my driveway, coming home from work. I live only a kilometre from my job but the amount of work I carry home with me each night, at this time of year, makes the car important. I am a teacher. Today, I arrived home 11 hours after I left this morning. I have left work but brought home exams to mark and reports to write. This is my life and it does not bother me, I chose to be a teacher and it is a rewarding career.

I knew, coming into this profession, that my hours would be long and my holidays short, although the world thinks that this is the other way around. I often hear "you are so lucky to have so many holidays, I only get 4 weeks."

Those same people look at me funny when I ask them how many days they go into work during their holidays or how much work they take home with them, to do at home while on break. School may be out for those two weeks that students are so excited about, but more often than not, this teacher is in. Either reorganising the classroom, or preparing resources for the coming term, marking, catching up on administration (they do not tell you about all the red tape at Teachers' College), sometimes even travelling to a 3-day conference of professional development and I am not the only one. That does not bother me, I knew when I became a teacher that I would need to be prepared to put in a lot more hours than 9am to 3pm, Monday to Friday.

Like many other teachers, I am also studying, so, I also have to carve out time for professional readings and to write assignments, as well as travelling to courses. I like this. I share this with my students, so they see that I am still learning and know the struggle they have, trying to balance school and life. I want them to be lifelong learners. It makes sense then that I would still be learning. Again, this does not bother me, I chose to study while teaching.

Like other parents and teachers, I try to support every fundraiser that my students do. I buy products that I have no need for and re-gift them later. I buy chocolates, baking, pies and a variety of other edibles and re-gift them too. In my career I have sponsored students to go on camps, I have fundraised for class trips that I do not get to go on, for students I do not teach, in subjects not my own. This does not bother me. I know that the benefits, to both the student and the school, from these camps and trips are far-reaching and worth every little thing I can do to help.

Like other teachers, I stock up of stationery. I always have students who forget to bring their book or their pen. I hoard magazines and journals to try to encourage reading. I support and encourage my learners in as many ways as I can think of, to try to level their playing field. Sometimes it is enough. This does not bother me. It is a part of teaching.

What does bother me is, every time when our contract negotiation rolls around, teachers are suddenly portrayed as evil, money hungry monsters, endangering the educational wellbeing of your children. The government makes a big show of offering, what on the surface, appears to be, a good offer. The headlines are full of talks of money, but nothing is said of the toxic conditions hidden under the table - conditions designed to make teaching harder, to bury us in more administration work, to take away from our value in the classroom, by increasing class sizes. Ultimately, if we strike, the government sits back and smirks because they know, from experience, that in a strike, teachers do not always have the support of the community, especially if the community only hears about the money.

I did not become a teacher for the salary. You become a teacher for love, not money. However, I also did not become a teacher to be constantly barraged by a government telling me I am not worth it. I became a teacher to be a part of helping young adults realise their worth in a world that does not always recognise it.

So, what I really want parents of my learners to know, is that, if we strike, we are not striking for the money. We strike because your child, that you have given to us for 6 ½ hours a day to teach, is worth it. Helping them reach their potential, is worth it. Making sure that they receive the best education we can give them, is worth it. Opening up opportunities for them, is worth it. Most of all - they are worth it. I will not let any government tell them differently!

Tanya Sherborne. Teacher, Rangitikei College.

BITS n' PIECES



70th annual Rangitikei Rose Show is on Saturday December 1 at St Stephen's Parish Hall. Opens 12.30 - 4pm. Admission \$2 and children free. All welcome.

Taihape Musician's Club - 70's Re-wind Christmas Party. Live bands and disco. Saturday 1 Dec - 7pm till late. 18+ yrs event. Cash bar. \$10 entry. All welcome.

District's Christmas Parades - this Saturday December 1. Bulls starts at 10am, Taihape starts at 12 noon and Marton starts at 3.30pm. See pages 6 to 11.

HEALTH SCENE



Mix of summer messages at Marton's Holiday Safety Day

Water safety, responsible drinking and keeping safe in the sun are some of many summer safety messages being promoted at Marton's Holiday Safety Day, early next month.

These important summer messages will be the subjects of public talks and stalls taking place on Friday 7 December (10am to 2pm) at Memorial Hall, Wellington Rd, which lead organiser and Plunket community support coordinator Heidi Wright says local agencies are keen to be part of.

Along with experts presenting advice on how to stay safe during summer, there will be talks on dog safety, fire safety, skin safety and very importantly - safety around rivers and pools.

"Water safety is one of the key messages of the day," says Rangitikei Health Centre public health nurse Marilyn Archibald. "The number of river drownings in our region is high so it's important to get the swim safely message out there. A total of 105 people drowned in Aotearoa last year and tragically, there have been river and beach drownings in our district during the last four years. This is going to be a hot summer so we want swimmers to take care.

"Responsible drinking as well as vehicle safety are also timely messages with the festive season just around the corner.

"We'll have information about road safety, bicycle safety, driver's licence requirements and the importance of safe use of children's car seats. We also want to make people aware of the dangers of backing vehicles in driveways and the risks of not always being able to see children in the rear view mirror." Another focus of the day is safe infant sleeping which coincides with the 7 December National Safe Sleep Day dedicated to raise awareness about Sudden Unexpected Death in Infants (SUDI). To mark National Safe Sleep Day, representatives from Whanganui Regional Health Network will be onsite promoting Pepi Pods and Wahakura (made of woven flax) plus sharing other tips for safe infant sleeping.

A 'water only' refreshment stand and free sausage sizzle will be onsite at the Marton Memorial Hall for the Holiday Safety Day. Groups taking part in the event include: Whanganui District Health Board, Te Kotuku Hauora, Plunket Society, Surf Lifesaving NZ, NZ Police, Rangitikei District Council, Horizons Road Safety, Whanganui Regional Health Network, Cancer Society Sun Safety, Southern Rangitikei Vet Services, Whanganui Quit Clinic (Smokefree), NZ Fire Service and St John Ambulance.

Widow's Christmas Banquet in Marton - Saturday December 22 at Arahina Training Centre, 457 Wellington Rd, Marton: 11am - 2pm. Limited seats so book now - ph 021 08243379 or 06 327 4009 for lunch, entertainment and spot prizes.

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CLUB SCENE



Marton Arts & Crafts

Our last event for the year is coming up fast. The Artful Christmas Bonanza will be a fun filled day with activities, art and crafts, along with artist and artisan stalls. It's at our Arts and Crafts Centre. Come and visit and enjoy the atmosphere on the day. Members have been busy creating Christmas tree decorations donated for the Christmas tree raffle and Christmas hamper goodies! The committee has asked and they have given. It's all in aid of the arts centre to help us keep the place alive with creativity and the buildings maintained as well as the day to day running of this special place! Information on class, groups and workshops will be available and it is the ideal opportunity to give the gift of creativity to someone you love. We have gift certificates for membership and classes available. All information re stalls to Marion mvbiggles@hotmail.com or Sharon on 06 327 7114 or like us on FB.

Marton Friendship Club

Friday November 23; the entertainment today was so different. For Folks Sake is a band from Palmerston North and their style was all folk music from the Americas, Ireland, Scotland and New Zealand. Their instruments were flutes, guitar, concertina, harp and even the good old spoons. Everyone added to the lovely harmony of the band. Because it was folk music, the tunes were fairly high pitched and fast but very pleasant listening. Irish songs, a NZ folk song called The Wind in the Tussock written by Leslie Van Essen, one of the group. Very nice. Members were up dancing, plenty of clapping and toe tapping. The songs were very different and so we didn't know the words but we all just loved it and hope to see this band again next year. Raffles today won by: Deana Scarbrough, Thelma Lockwood, Sheila Clark and Billy Paisley. Early committee meeting this Friday November 30 – 12.30pm. Hall open 12.30pm – bring your lunch. Main programme starts 2pm.

New subdivision in Marton



Wendy and Mike Maher have created a new subdivision in Marton and are calling for expressions of interest through Property Brokers real estate. They are providing the opportunity to view the properties at two open days on 2 and 9 December, with agent Wendy Wagner (see opposite page for details). Wendy Maher says, "We have lived in Marton for the last ten years in a villa on a two-hectare lifestyle block on Bredins Line, gradually renovating the house and section and then purchasing a neighbouring block of land last year. "Mike and I have grown to love living in Marton and think our location offers the best of both worlds - a peaceful street, with a rural outlook but also a five-minute walk to town. Mike works locally and our children attend a local school and daycare. I have made the most of the close proximity to Whanganui and Palmerston North and have commuted out of town for work. "We explored the idea of subdividing some of our land when the Marton property market took off and sections for sale became sought after. We have since submitted an application for resource consent to the council for an eight-section subdivision, with the hope that construction will begin by the end of summer. We are hoping to attract a variety of people into this subdivision - families who are keen to upsize or retirees who are wanting to downsize, with the section sizes range in size from 500 square metres to 900 square metres. We are hopeful that the location will prove attractive to many, with covenants being in place for the subdivision to help protect buyer investment." You can contact Property Brokers in Marton for more information.

Marton Contract Bridge Club

Tue 20 November. Marton Outdoor Power pairs (R3): N/S J Bellamore & K Poppe 55.42, W Jones & J Sabine 54.17, B Bolt & J Willis and C Skou & J Vickers 50.83. E/W S Loudon & J Bligh 55.83, J Meads & T Ellery 54.58, F Bertram & J Ellery 53.33. Winners of Marton Outdoor Power Pairs J Baddeley & H Bostock. Thur 22 Nov. Hogan Plumbing drawn pairs R2): N/S J Tamehana & S Gruys 62.5, J Meads & K Poppe and N Poppe & M Gordon 58.75, E/W C Skou & J McPherson 59.38, D Cains & M Bartels 57.29, J Baddeley & M Shand 55.73. Winner of Hogan Plumbing drawn pairs: D Cains, runner up S Gruys.

Aiming for high performance, low footprint farms

Through a new DairyNZ project, Canterbury dairy farmers will lead the way in showcasing how nitrogen (N) losses can continue to be reduced in order to protect local waterways. Dairy farmers nationwide will be able to follow the project, called Meeting a Sustainable Future, which will focus on how farmers in Hinds and Selwyn can meet N loss limits and maintain profitable businesses under the Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan (LWRP). The project will build on sustainable farming initiatives many farmers have already begun and an official launch event is being held on a Canterbury dairy farm on Wednesday, December 5. Under the LWRP, Selwyn farmers must reduce N losses by 30 percent by 2022 and in Hinds by 15 percent by 2025, 25 percent by 2030 and 36 percent by 2035. DairyNZ project leader Virginia Serra says the limits are challenging, but the sector is committed to helping farmers achieve them while maintaining resilient businesses. "This project builds on previous N loss research. It aims to give farmers confidence the limits are achievable," said Virginia. "Many farmers have been making changes to reduce N loss for some time and this will continue to build on that." The project will be launched at Farm Systems of the Future field day on a Canterbury dairy farm on December 5. The event will explore the host farmer's high performance and lower footprint and how other farmers are adjusting their systems to reduce footprint profitably. The Meeting a Sustainable Future project will initially involve a few partner farms making changes to reduce N loss and tracking the impact.

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Situated in front of Humblebee Market at 7 Milne St (SH1) in Hunterville, Gourmet Hi-Way is a mobile food trailer providing a wide range of freshly made food and beverages for locals and the passing motorist. Kevin urges customers to, "Try our signature handmade beef-burger with fresh homestyle coleslaw or the Italian coffee, with

a complimentary handmade chocolate or Anzac biscuit." Gourmet Hi-Way has an evolving menu and Kevin and Jane's aim is, "To please everybody's palate!" Jane, a nurse who works nights, helps out at the busy weekend times. Gourmet Hi-Way operates from Wednesday to Sunday, 9.30 to 5pm at present but with plans to extend to 7.30pm Thursday to Saturday, in the summer. Kevin sees Hunterville as, "Being the 'new Taihape' - a place where everyone will stop for food to break their journey." He is very grateful to local tradesmen and, in particular, to the proprietors of Humblebee Market, for their help and support during the planning and setting-up of Gourmet Hi-Way.

Left: Gourmet Hi-Way owner/operator Kevin Westwood outside his SH1 Hunterville food trailer



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The location offers you the best of both worlds, being on the town boundary you can still enjoy the peace and quiet of semi-rural living while being close enough to everything that Marton has to offer. It's no secret that Marton is a wonderful place to live with a great range of local amenities, parks, two supermarkets, two petrol stations, restaurants, cafes and a range of great shops. Marton also offers a great range of schooling at all levels, with Nga Tawa Girls, Rangitikei College and Marton Primary being located just down the road.

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Saturday December 1 will see the Marton Christmas Parade bring a whole lot of Christmas cheer to the streets of Marton. Project Marton is thrilled to be the new host of the Marton Christmas Parade and is looking forward to the fantastic community participation that Marton is known for. A number of community groups have their float planning underway and our canine companions will also be participating on the day.

The parade starts at 3.30pm and travels from Follett St heading towards Broadway, turning right onto Broadway, continuing down Broadway until Morris St, right onto Stewart St, right onto High Street, left onto Broadway, up Broadway to Follett St, where the parade officially ends. It's traditional that many floats continue on to the Edale Aged Care Centre which the residents really enjoy.



While there will not be lollies thrown from the floats, once Santa arrives in Marton Park after the parade there will be a giant lolly scramble so youngsters will still get their sugar fix!

Following the parade, there will be a number of activities for the kids. Immediately following the parade, the "Fastest Kid on the Block" heats will be held at 4.30pm in Marton Park. Heats will include three age groups eligible to represent the Rangitikei at The Cooks Garden Classic. At 5pm there will be a fantastic interactive children's show "Old MacDonald and Friends" at Marton Players Theatre. Entry is just a gold coin each and there might be a visit from Santa. The show is also on Friday at 5pm and earlier on Saturday at 1pm.

Santa and his Project Marton helpers are excited to have you join us for this year's Christmas parade and if you need more information or have any questions, please contact Project Marton on projectmarton@xtra.co.nz or Ph: 06 3277633. To stay up to date, you can follow Project Marton on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/ProjectMarton/> or check out the Project Marton website www.martonnz.com



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The parade begins at 10am through High St. Floats congregate at 9.30am at the Bulls Fire Station, led by the Marton Pipe Band.

High St will be closed, so there will be lots of things to do around town, including a visit to the Bulls Museum.

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The church in the community

Well, there's only 26 sleeps to go before it's Christmas Day - wow!

Still so much to do for families to be ready for this day of festivities that celebrates the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ as a Baby – over 2,000 years ago.

There's also some exciting things happening leading up to the big day that the Taihape community is invited to join in.

+ **Christmas Parade** Sat. December 1 - watch-out for the church float among all the rest. Contact Paul George, ph 06 338 1447.

+ **Christmas in the Park.** Sunday Dec 2 - heaps of fun for the family starts at 3pm at the Rec. Contact Ariana ph 027 240 5123.

+ **Christmas Day Services** - held in all the churches which will have a real family flavour and open to everyone (starting early so it won't get in the way of your family's activities). Services also held every Sunday leading-up to Christmas Day - you and your family are really welcome.

+ **Christmas Day Meal** to be held this year at the Taihape Rugby Clubrooms at 12 noon - an invitation for anyone who wants enjoy a great meal, community sing-a-long, fellowship with friendly people, etc. (contact Gary Johnson, ph 027 446 4498). Donations of food are welcome and can be dropped off anytime during the week at the Information Centre in Taihape!

The local church is doing lots of things in the community - church is not just for Sundays but being 'out there where the people are. For example - the Hobby Hut every Wednesday at the Taihape Scout Hall in Huia St, 6pm to 8pm for par ents and kids , to make all sorts of things out of wood (contact Gary Johnson, ph 027 446 4498) and the Community Playgroup held on Tuesdays at St. David's Hall, Huia St, Taihape (contact Evelyn, 06 388 1447) - that's just a couple among the many.

Jesus Christ in his earthly days spent a lot of time in the community talking and being available to all kinds of people, those who liked Him and those who didn't - he reached out in love to all. The early church was the same - 39 of the 40 miracles in the Book of Acts happened outside the church!

God is real - He doesn't live in church, He lives in people like you and me and He wants that life that He places in us to spill over into our community, making a difference with His unconditional love and acceptance!

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Celebrations will also recognise the now closed schools in the area, including;

-Potaka Road School opened in 1917 on land donated by the Mckinnon family at the junction of Potaka and Toe Toe Roads.

-Lower Kawhatau School was opened to accommodate the children from the Timaru re-settlement scheme - 34 children from eight families attended school there in 1896.

-Records are scarce from Manui School which was situated near the junction of SH 1 and Manui Rd, it was open in 1903.

-Makohine Valley School was situated 9 miles south from Mangaweka. Mr Muirhead who taught school there in 1916 boarded

with Samuel and Harriet Dickinson and their eight children, an orphaned niece and an aged grandfather.

- Kawhatau Valley - Pourangaki School was situated on three separate sites in the valley, each providing the need for schooling and following the settlers as they moved further up the valley. Opened in 1904 the school served the community well, finally closing in 1985.

-Mangaweka Convent was open from 1918 to 1935. It was situated near to the current site of St Patricks Church and staffed by the sisters of St Joseph from Wanganui.

Many children from those schools also attended Mangaweka School.

It is not unusual for second and third generation children to attend the Mangaweka districts schools, with some of them having family members who also taught at one or more of the local schools.

The 125 Reunion Programme from 1 to 3 March 2019, will include tree planting and cake cutting celebrations, with plenty of time over lunch and dinner on the Saturday to socialise and catch up with old friends. Ex pupils, staff, committee and Mangaweka friends are all welcome. Registrations close on 15 December 2018.

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Mangaweka School group photo outside the school, circa 1916, with teacher Miss Edwards on the left.

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Taihape is all set for floats and Santa!

It is an exciting time of the year where we long for warm days, barbecue's and Christmas Holidays and what better way to start the 'silly season' than by having Santa and the annual Christmas parade down Hautapu st in Taihape.

December 1, 12 noon start, the parade will showcase a fantastic mix of dancing elves, over 20 community and business floats of all shapes and sizes. It will be a fun occasion so be there early to secure a spot!

Prizes for the floats are New World vouchers, \$150 for first, \$75 for second and there will be a goody bag for the third-place winners. Bonus feature of the day includes truck and tractor rides afterwards at Memorial Park with Coogan Contracting and Taihape Haulage (koha) and various other fundraiser activities.

"We need everyone involved to make this a great day - from the energy of volunteers and families

to our wonderful sponsors, it all helps" says Eva George, Taihape Community Development Trust Projects and events co-ordinator.

The event has been made possible through contributions from Pub Charity, Rangitikei District Council, Taihape New World, TMS Motors, McDonald's, Greenstone Insurance and Property Brokers.

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Taihape Christmas Parade

SATURDAY DECEMBER 1

Santa has confirmed that he will be at this year's Taihape Christmas Parade starting at midday in the main street Saturday 1 December. There will be over 20 floats, including Santa's ride. Afterwards, there will be a special event at Memorial Park with truck and tractor rides and various fundraisers.

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The affected rate differentials will be re-set as from (14th day after notice).

Michael McCartney
CHIEF EXECUTIVE



Public Notices



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Births

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The flows will be at least 26 cubic metres per second for 9 hours (flows are released Tuesday 9pm to Wednesday 6am from Moawhango Dam). The flushing flow will result in an increased flow in both the Moawhango River (from Moawhango Dam) and the Rangitikei River on the following date:

◆ **Wednesday 12 December 2018**

Please ensure anyone using these rivers is aware of these flow changes

If you have any questions or require further information please contact Chris Ormandy on 07 384 7209 or visit the Genesis Energy Website.



Temporary Closure of Various Roads to Vehicular Traffic

PURSUANT to, Traffic (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Rangitikei District Council, for the purpose of permitting the respective Christmas Parades for the Bulls and Districts Community Trust, Project Marton and Taihape Community Development Trust, will close the roads listed hereunder to ordinary vehicular traffic for the period as stated

Roads to be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic on **Saturday 1st December**

Bulls Christmas Parade
9.30am - 1.00pm
High Street - from Hammond Street to Daniell Street
Daniell Street - from High Street to Wilson Street
Wilson Street - one lane from Daniell Street to Bull Street
Bull Street - entirety

Marton Christmas Parade
1.30pm - 4.00 pm
Follett Street - Broadway to William Street
Broadway - Follett Street to High Street

Taihape Christmas Parade
12.00pm - 1.00pm
Hautapu Street - between Kuku Street and Huia Street
Tui Street - between Robin Street and Kokako Street
Kokako Street - North bound lane between Kuku Street and Huia Street
Kuku Street - East bound lane between Kokako Street and Hautapu Street
Huia Street - West bound lane between Kokako Street and Hautapu Street

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Monday 3rd December at 4.00 pm

Santoft Domain Committee

Wednesday 5th December at 7.00 pm

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

Turakina Community Committee

Thursday 6th December at 7.30 pm

(Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3, Turakina)

Huntermville Community Committee

Monday 10th December at 6.30 pm

(Library, Huntermville Town Hall, Bruce Street, Huntermville)

Bulls Community Committee

Tuesday 11th December at 5.30pm

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

Rātana Community Board

Tuesday 11th December 6:30 pm

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

Taihape Community Board

Wednesday 12th December at 5.30 pm

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

Marton Community Committee

Wednesday 12th December at 7.00 pm

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

Council

Thursday 13th December at 1.00pm

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

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

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

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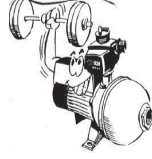
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the pins: 3rd: David Wray, 5th: Pat McCarthy, 12th: Sharee Tatana, 16th: Ross Geary. Thanks again everyone, especially the sponsors. It was a great day. Results Wednesday 21 November: stableford: Neville Berendt 49pts, Karen Yorke 48pts, Stew De Burgh 45pts, Daniel Waho & Jullian Elliott 44pts, Lyndon Moore & Joseph Tapper 43pts, Kevin Taylor & Dan Scotson 42pts, Marty Field & David Rohde 41pts, Kevin Laird & Kelvin Burt 40pts, Ian Whitehead, Geoff Ingram & Pat Pearce 39pts. Twos: Geoff Ingram & Marty Field 3rd, Kelvin Burt 5th & Jullian Elliot 16th. Best stableford on 7th, 9th & 11th = Neville Berendt 10pts. Lucky draw: Lynne McDonald.

TAIHAPE GOLF CLUB

The top 19 players for the 2018 Danny Mickleson shootout got off to a fine start, with the weather storms holding off until an hour after play finished; to see Denise Millner win the Bill Dick trophy with a fine display of golf and concentration. Millner held her nerve to see off the club's top 18 qualifiers. In a hole by hole synopsis, Denny Thompson didn't fire a shot and was the first fallout of the contingent, on hole 1. Jan Thomas was unlucky to find herself directly behind a tree, after hitting a player and unfortunately lost, on a chip off on the 2nd. JJ Walker was in rough form after a tiresome two days prior and went out on the 3rd. A four way chip off on the fourth saw John Gilbert fall from the pack. Kerry Wells had a few too many shots around the green on the 5th. Alan Thomas lost on a 3 way chip off with the Koeke kids on the 6th. Barrie Randall fell victim to a superb chip off by Briany and went out on the 7th. Danny Mickleson fell out again on the 8th hole, two years running. Marian Cleaver was left ruing her opportunity, after 3 putting the 9th. John Fenemor teed off the 10th and drove to the 11th green, 20m away, but could not recover. Briany Bristol gifted the pass to the field, after 4 putting the 11th. Denis Robertson found the river on the 12th. Diane Mickleson was unlucky to be the only person to make 1 point and went out on the 13th. Gary Thomas had a rare shank off the tee on the par 3 14th, to be in an unrecoverable position. Nick McGuinn had played well but was undone on the 15th, with the other contenders all securing 3 points. The defending champion Peter Valentine lost on a chip off on the 16th. James Fannin ran out of energy, leaving his putt short of the hole on the 17th. The top qualifier, Gary Cleaver was marginally left with his drive off the par 5 18th tee. Knowing Millner had an extra shot, a birdie was required but Cleaver could only manage a par against stoic Denise Millner, who won the hole with 3 points. This Sunday is the closing day Alan Cozens memorial. Members are asked to bring a plate for a bbq dinner, following the day's golf.

MARTON SARACENS CRICKET

Matt Burke Engineering Marton Saracens suffered another close defeat, this time at the hands of Wanganui Collegiate, when they went down in the 2nd to last over in Wanganui last Saturday. Saracens captain Justin Lock won the toss and elected to bat first. Rain started at the same time as the match and the Marton side got away to a slow start, losing Lock for 0 in the 3rd over and struggling to find gaps in the field. Thomas Westwood joined Andrew Spence at the fall of Lock's wicket and this pair set about 'getting in'. At the end of the 7th over, the score was 1 for 7. Spence and Westwood had acclimatised to the conditions by this stage, however and gradually lifted the run rate, running well between the wickets and playing some punishing shots. At the mid-innings drinks break (20 overs) they had taken the score to 106 for 1, Westwood having reached his 50. He went 5 overs after the resumption however, with the score at 138, for 57. Allan Pond and Spence added 33 for the 3rd wicket, before Pond was bowled for 11. Phil Galpin made 5, Mike Jacobs went for 0 and Robert Daines for 7. Jayden Lane and Spence then took the team through to the end of the 40th over; Spence reaching his century off the penultimate ball of the innings, finishing 104 not out. Lane was 1 not out and the total, an imposing 223 for 6. Collegiate attacked from the start in their reply but lost early wickets before the middle order took control of the match and made the target seem easier than expected. They reached the required 224 in the 39th over, also for the loss of 6 wickets. None of the Saracens bowlers showed the control necessary to keep the schoolboys in check and opening bowler Lane was the only one to go for less than 5 an over. Vital catches were dropped and the result was a disappointing one for the Rangitikei side, after their solid effort with the bat. Lane finished with figures of 1 for 25, Daines 1 for 37, Tayler Burke 1 for 53, Rhys Watson 0 for 18, Pond 2 for 43 and Lock 1 for 44. Catches were taken by Lachie Burke, Spence, keeper Westwood and Rhys Watson (an outstanding diving effort in the outfield.) Spence was the Matt Burke Engineering player of the day and captain Lock was adjudged 'dick of the day' for taking his team onto the field and leaving the new ball behind...although there was some dispute as to whose responsibility that was! This Saturday, Matt Burke Engineering Saracens play Wanganui United in a T20 clash at Centennial Park.

MARTON CROQUET CLUB

Results Monday 19/11. Association croquet: David Winmill and Lyn Johnson 23 def 22 Murray McNae and Gordon Thompson, Claire Brown 21 def 16 Lynda Thompson, Selwyn Johnson 14 def 13 Robert McLay and Annette Winmill. Golf croquet: Derek Lee and Linda Hughes 7,7 def 3,3 Marilyn Vallance and Wini Edmonds, Derek and Marilyn 7, 7 def 4,2 Wini and Linda. Wednesday 21/11 Assn croquet: David and Gordon 17 def 16 Murray and Lynda, Mary McNae 17 def 11 Annette. Golf croquet: Jenny and Linda 6,7 tied 7,3 Mary Meek and Derek Lee. Thursday 22/ 11 Assn croquet inter club result. Marton 2 wins def 1 win Rose Gardens. Saturday 24/11 golf croquet: Selwyn Johnson and Eila Ogden 7,7 def 3,3 Mary Meek and Annette Winmill, Graeme McIntyre and Maria Beamish 7 def 5 David Winmill and Lyn Johnson, Graeme and Eila 7 def 3 Selwyn and Maria, David and Mary 7 def 6 Annette and Lyn, Lyn and Mary 7 def 6 David and Eila.

CROQUET MANAWATU-WANGANUI

Association croquet interclub competition. Week 2 - a very good win by Levin put them equal on points with Marton but on an inferior net points position. Levin 3, Feilding 0, Marton/Wanganui 2, Rose Gardens 1. Individual results: Robert McLay (M/W) bt Michael Hardman (RG) 26-8; Monica Huisman (RG) bt Claire Brown (M/W) 23-11; David & Annette Winmill (M/W) bt Vince Neall & Nicholas Flood (RG) 20-16. Points to date: Marton 4 (+24), Levin 4 (-1), Rose Gardens 3 (+7), Feilding 1 (-30).

MARTON BOWLING CLUB

Wednesday 21 November roll-up results - skips: 1st Mickey Neumann- 2 wins, 11 ends 17 points. 2nd Neil Gardener - 2 wins, 8 ends 20 points. 3rd Dave Grant - 2 wins, 8 ends 18 points. Twos / leads: 1st Josie Bismark - 2 wins, 9 ends 18 points. 2nd Ces Allen - 2 wins, 9 ends 17 points. 3rd Ray Harding- 2 wins, 8 ends 19 points. Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 November, club men's triples results: 3 teams qualified for the finals, dodging showers and puddles. Winners: Warren Hausman(s), Trevor White & Ray Harding. 2nd: Murray Coleman(s), Brian Mitchell & Russell Gillard. 3rd: Andy Creagh(s), J.D. & Peter Burberry. Congratulations everyone. Up-and-coming events: Wednesday 5 December - club ladies singles @ 9 am. Saturday 8 December - club men's singles @ 9 am. Sunday 9 December - Christmas hams 4s moos tournament @ 9.30 am. Tuesday 11 December - Huntville cakes @ 9.30 am. Saturday 15 December - Christmas party @ 6.30 pm, for all members and guests. Friday 18 January & Friday 1 February 2019 - Marton Bowling Club is looking to run a bowls 3five evening, as televised recently and popular viewing. You can enter your own team, or we can find a team for you to play in. Teams consist of 2 men and 1 woman or vice versa. This is open to anyone, bowlers and non-bowlers alike and will have a 5.45 pm start. If you've always wanted to have a go and you enjoy a social time, come along and have some fun. Entries to Enid 327 8694 by 11 January 2019.

BULLS BOWLING CLUB

Our ladies did very well against a team from Terrace End, last week - both with a win win situation. This week however, the weather has played havoc and games are cancelled. The men have still to finish their handicapped singles, while the team playing in the Hurn Cup, against Northern, was valiant in defeat. Bad luck guys. The ladies pairs have finished, with the final played last Sat. The winners were Anne Connelly & Tania George against Yvonne Moss & Pat Hartley. The main item of interest from the Bulls Bowling Club this week is the hams to be played for on Sunday Dec 2nd. The centennial committee is flat-out selling raffle tickets, which will be on sale at the Xmas parade this Sat Dec 1st. Regarding the centennial, please contact the club on 322 1284, or bullsbowls.gmail.com and advise us if you would like to attend our centennial next April. Good bowling everyone.

HUNTLEY SCHOOL CLAIMS NATIONAL TITLE

Marton's Huntley School has claimed the 2018 New Zealand title for intermediate schoolboy cricket - the NZC National Primary School Cup - undefeated (against big-name schools from the cities) - the only unbeaten team. Also impressive was that it was Huntley School's fourth consecutive year representing CDCA at the nationals and this time they went all the way. After Auckland's St Kentigern had won both their opening matches as well, and with Tauranga Intermediate and final round opponents Breen's, both capable of overtaking them if they lost, it was all on in the fifth and last round in Lincoln, after wet weather had washed out rounds three and four the day before. St Kentigern had entered the last morning in the box seat, equal on points with Huntley but with a massive net run rate advantage. However, the Auckland lads went down to Wellington's Raroa Normal and that left Huntley just needing to win for the title. They had set Breen's a good chase of 160, however, with just 4.1 overs to go in the crunch T20 and the Marton lads were up against it. Breen's middle order was blasting away above the required run rate, with a 50-run stand, for the fourth wicket, posted off just 32 balls. But the very next ball, with his final delivery of the over, allrounder Matthew Florence broke the threatening stand and it set in motion a dramatic flurry of wickets that sealed the title. Harry McVerry struck with all three of his first three deliveries of the next over, to claim the hat-trick, then dotted down with his fourth delivery, before striking again to win the match. All five of his wickets were bowled and McVerry finished with a brilliant 5-10 off just 2.5 overs, which also swept him to the top of the wicket-takers for the national tournament, with seven wickets. Huntley opening batsman Matthew Hocquard, was meanwhile the runaway top run-scorer at this year's Cup, with 243 runs from his three matches, including an unbeaten 72 off 59 balls, to help set up the big total against Breen's. He had shared a 110-run opening stand with Florence in the final game - Florence reaching a half century off 49 balls. A brilliant result for Huntley School, and a great reflection of all the hard work, training, belief and planning that has gone in behind the scenes from all involved. Huntley winning team captain Monty Sherriff says, "It was definitely fun, it's more than the cricket, it's about making friends, meeting new people. It's a great experience and one we will never forget." Team coach Anton Buys adds, "NZ Cricket do an amazing job of looking after us for 3 days - everything is taken care of. We get to play on first class cricket grounds and the standard of competition was very high." Headmaster Sam Edwards says, "The way they played on the field and conducted themselves off the field made us all very proud. For a small school like us to foot it with the big intermediate schools in the country is just outstanding."



Above: a thrilling hat-trick under pressure amid five wickets in the last six balls is an exhilarating way to claim NZ a National Primary School championship!

DHB calls for responsible drinking this festive season

With the summer festive season around the corner, Whanganui District Health Board is encouraging people to drink alcohol responsibly. WDHB alcohol and other drugs health promotion officer Chester Penaflor is urging people to actively encourage their friends and family to drink moderately and to accept that it's not OK to pressure someone to have another drink. "Show support and back your friends who are trying to ease up on the drink this summer," Mr Penaflor says. "If you know someone who is trying to reduce their drinking, please support them. It is socially acceptable to say 'no more' and to not be pressured to have 'another one'. To reduce long-term health risks associated with alcohol, the current recommendation is no more than two standard drinks a day for women, no more than three standard drinks for men, and to have at least two alcohol-free days a week.

"Meanwhile, in pregnancy, there's no safe time, type, or amount of alcohol to drink - that's the message for pregnant women, their partners and their families, who have an important role to play in supporting alcohol-free pregnancies. It falls upon all of us to look after the health of our babies-to-be. The safe-drinking message is also relevant for older and younger Whanganui district residents. Special thought is needed for older adults who tend to experience worse side-effects from alcohol use and for those under 18 years old for whom no alcohol is still the safest option," Mr Penaflor says. "Another important point to remember is: when supplying alcohol to those under the age of 18, you need to obtain consent from that person's parent/legal guardian, or you might find yourself paying up to \$2000 in fines. "When it comes to having a good time, use simple harm reduction tools, such as drinking water in between drinks, or choosing low-alcohol drinks. It helps you enjoy the occasion - and remember it. If you find it hard to stop drinking or to cut back, talk to someone you trust or call the Alcohol Drug Helpline on 0800 787 797."

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