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Celebrating Suffrage 125 years - Whakatū Wāhine

Nearly 125 years ago, a couple of Tutaenui women got into a horse drawn cart with steel rim wheels and visited homesteads in the Tutaenui area - canvassing for signatures on a petition to give women the vote.

The women were Rachel Thomas from Kalymai farm, who was the driving force to collect signatures and Agnes and Ruth Galpin. The women covered as far as Fern Flats and Leedstown and included Marton. The following year, a similar journey took place; gathering more signatures. Only women signed the petition. No men were recorded.

On September 9, 1893 their journeys were justified when the governor, Lord Glasgow, signed a new Electoral Act into law. Because of this landmark legislation, New Zealand became the first self-governing country in the world in which all women had the right to vote in parliamentary elections.

Last Sunday, Tutaenui Rural Women celebrated 125 years since NZ introduced votes for women. Members and guests gathered at the Tutaenui Hall for a potluck lunch. Many donned hats like those women would have worn 125 years ago and wore purple, the colour of the

Women's Suffragette movement and the 2018 NZ colour of the year.

The names of the first women who signed the Tutaenui petition were read aloud and included many well-known family names, with descendants still living and voting in the district. Author of a book about Tutaenui, Jeanette Galpin, displayed photographs and a diary, written 125 years ago by her forebear, Agnes Galpin, describing her journey gathering signatures.

Jenny Spence, from Marton-based Homemade Rhubarb Pie home help service, was the guest speaker. Jenny was head of the Wanganui Alzheimers group and worked in health. She spoke about her work and about labels hiding the person behind the name, as well as the strength of building community and personal relationships.

The Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui is showing works from its permanent collection which celebrate women. Open to the public from this Saturday - 125: Celebrating Women - is timed to acknowledge the 125 year anniversary of the women's suffrage movement in NZ.



Reading the history of Tutaenui women's suffrage, from left: Linda Welch, Jeanette Galpin and Jean Coleman examining Agnes Galpin's historic diary that includes tales of gathering signatures in all weathers and over a wide area around Tutaenui and Marton.

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Tender let for Bulls Community Centre

Construction of the Bulls Community Centre is all go after the tender to build the centre was awarded at the August meeting of the Rangitikei District Council.

Council awarded the contract for the Bulls Community Centre to W&W Construction from Whanganui; subject to final negotiations.

Mayor Andy Watson says, "After three years of consultation, discussions with the community and planning, finally we can push the go button on the Bulls Community Centre project and move it forward, after final negotiations with the successful tenderer."

"There will probably be people on site next month and, after about 15 months of construction, we might be using it by December 2019."

He says the key lesson from the process is that the longer a project is delayed the more the cost goes up.

"We are finally doing what we set out to do. Thanks should go to Cr Jane Dunn, who along with others, has put an enormous amount of time and effort, before she became a councillor as well as strongly supporting the project in her role on Council. Council set five strategies that underpin the Bulls Community Centre. The aim is to create people places, enhance travellers' experiences, provide a safe and engaging pedestrian experience, reinforce Bulls as a destination, slow traffic and create a safe environment."



Artist's impression of the new building at the Bulls Community Centre site.

Students achieve at NZ Dance competition



Thirty-one of Miss Viles' Hunterville School hiphop dance students represented their school at the regional dance competition all day on Friday at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North.

The students participated in rehearsals, dance workshops, and on stage performances, as well as watching a very wide range of dance talent and performances by other primary and secondary dancers.

The junior group, Year 3 to 6, was second runner up and the seniors, Year 7 and 8, were first runners-up in their section.

"We are so fortunate to have the dancing talent, dedication and free time which Alecia offers our students, giving a different arts aspect to our programmes," says Hunterville School acting principal Colleen Dalley. Hunterville School Photo.

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The Mudder this weekend

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AT THE COUNCIL



Progress has been made with the sale of property at 37 Kensington Rd. An offer has been received for the land and Council will now negotiate on the sale. If the sale goes ahead, a local business will have the opportunity to expand its operations and will also put significant work into tidying up a piece of land that has been vacant for several years.

The Animal Control bylaw is up for review and public consultation will happen soon. Council has proposed bringing in a permit system for beehives in urban areas, and is also considering a small investment in a cat de-sexing programme.

Council has agreed to Hunterville Community Committee's request to demolish the old Hunterville Fire Station, which is in a very poor state. They also agreed to Taihape Community Board's request to investigate whether there are any policy tools that could be used to help with the problem of unoccupied buildings in the Taihape town centre. There are a number of buildings that are empty and messy, and community efforts to work with the often absentee landlords have so far not been successful, so the Board has asked Council if it can help.

Council acknowledged the assistance provided by Horizons Regional Council and Horowhenua District Council after the sudden death of George McIrvine. Both councils made staff available to help with the financial work needed for the Annual Report and the Long Term Plan. Both those documents have been delayed but will be completed shortly.

The past 12 months have been kind to rural New Zealand. Prices in almost all sectors are at very good levels, with lamb, venison and kiwifruit being the stand out performers. Dairy, beef and forestry are also performing well, as is reflected in the country's export receipts.

The outlook for the next year is encouraging too, which is positive for our provincial towns and all businesses servicing our expansive and diverse agricultural sector. The other great positive about this comparative buoyancy in the sector is it enables farmers to bring maintenance up to date and get on with managing some of the environmental challenges we face.

The management of the *Micoplasma bovis* outbreak is settling down and the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) appears to have it in about as good a space as could be expected. The fact there have been no unpredicted outbreaks of the disease to date is very encouraging for the cattle industry in New Zealand. By 'unpredicted outbreaks', I mean the NAIT system has enabled MPI to trace all outbreaks, including those in the beef sector, back to the source. The elimination of this debilitating disease is a very ambitious and expensive challenge for the cattle industry and the Government, but it is also hugely important and will be worth every bit of effort if achieved.

The other big challenges facing rural New Zealand and the

New role supports economic development

By Belinda Howard

Rangitikei District Council is taking a step towards building economic growth in the District by recruiting an advisor for economic development.

The new role has come about as a result of feedback in both the annual residents' survey and the recent consultation for the Long-Term Plan.

"As a result of the Long-Term Plan consultation, Council has put aside \$200,000 a year for economic development for our District," strategy and community planning manager Blair Jamieson says.

Jamieson says the role will focus on promoting the District to potential businesses and residents and on supporting existing businesses, as well as attracting new businesses and residential developments.

Council also wants the new advisor to be a contact point for businesses to communicate with Council, and for Council to communicate with businesses.

"This is a strictly amateur-free zone," Jamieson says. "We're looking for someone with real-world experience, someone who is practical and not just theoretical."

Supporting existing business in the District will be important and Jamieson says building good support networks and possibly setting up business hub facilities are also on the agenda. There will also be a lot of collaboration with regional business support networks, such as Whanganui and Partners and CEDA.

"The advisor will be looking at everything Council does, from infrastructure to services and providing advice from a business perspective, to make sure what we do in every area supports the economic growth of the District."

farming and tourism sectors in particular relate to preserving and protecting our beautiful landscapes and the environment in which we live and operate our businesses. We have made much progress over the past few years. While the initial years of the Horizons' One Plan were somewhat contentious it is now reasonably well entrenched and accepted. I am confident the agricultural sector will continue to adapt and effectively manage what is a pretty big challenge for us all.

The burgeoning tourism industry is facing significant challenges to the environment it operates in and some of our more beautiful tracks such as the Tongariro Crossing are really under pressure - as are the facilities in small towns on our more popular tourism routes. In the South Island, they're feeling the heat too, with almost 950,000 visitors to Aoraki Mt Cook National Park in the year ended March 2018. The growth in the number of

camper vans and freedom campers travelling around New Zealand is creating huge demand for more facilities. So too is the cruise ship industry, with the increasing number of ships visiting our shores, putting pressure on our ports and the infrastructure of the destinations they visit. The burgeoning number of tourists visiting this part of the world is good for New Zealand, as is a thriving agricultural sector but protecting our environment and maintaining our infrastructure is vital for the ongoing success of both enterprises.

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BITS n' PIECES



Marton Players Theatre - open stage music at Marton Players theatre, this Friday night, September 14 - 7pm, BYO, gold coin entry. Spectators and musos all welcome.

Open Day at the Marton B & C dams - part of Conservation Week this Saturday, 15 September - 9am - noon. See the Marton Water Reservoir B and C, situated at the northern end of Tutaenui Rd, over the bridge on Galpins Rd. If you want to plant a tree - take a spade as well as your boots. Contact Ben 0275345698 for more info.

Taihape Rotary - As part of World Clean Up & Spring Fling; Clean Up Taihape! All welcome. Sat 15 September. For details contact Taihape Rotary on 027 487 5222.

St Andrew's Church Annual Fair, Broadway, Marton to be held on Saturday, 29 September 2018, in church hall, starting at 9.30am. Something for everyone. Stalls include: books, new and used clothing, brick-a-brac, face painting, sweets, drinks, morning teas, raffle draws and a whole lot of other things.

Rangitikei Country Quilters - after a three year gap will be holding an exhibition of their work in the Event Centre at Nga Tawa school from 10am to 4pm on Saturday Oct 6 and 10am to 3pm on Sunday Oct 7.

Marton Broadway Marching Club reunion - Saturday 13 October. The 70+ year old club is planning a full and varied programme, starting at 11am. It will be held at the Nga Tawa Event Centre. Contact Sue Webber.

Marton Country Music Festival - it's time to start booking things and registering for a camp/motor home site - powered sites are limited - first in first served. The 2019 Festival is shaping up to be a goodie. Registrations are now up on the website and we will start to update the artists info as well. Register for the Festival at martonfestival.nz/register

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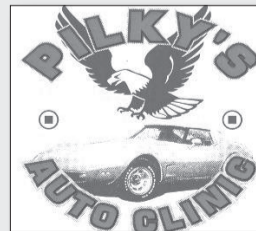
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Rangitikei Country Quilters

Rangitikei Country Quilters will hold their monthly meeting this Saturday 15 September at 1.30pm at the Marton Arts and Crafts Centre.

Our guest speaker will be either Owen, or Jeanette Holdaway from Wanganui Sewing Centre and they will be bringing a selection of stock for you to purchase, so don't forget your purses!

There will be our usual block of the month, fabric strip swap, raffle, Show & Tell and an update on any new books that have been purchased for our extensive library.

A reminder that our exhibition at Nga Tawa is only three weekends away and that your quilts for the exhibition need to be handed in at this meeting. Please make sure that a hanging sleeve is attached.

The meeting will conclude with afternoon tea and a chance to catch up with old friends and perhaps meet some new. New members are always welcome and we look forward to meeting you. Come for a visit and see if quilting is something that you would enjoy.

Marton Contract Bridge Club

Results Tue 4/09 Cooks Bar pairs (R2) N/S J Bligh & T Harris 63.75, J Meads & K Poppe 55.42, M Morland & H Bostock 49.58. E/W D Cains & J McPherson 58.33, F Bertram & W Willis and J Ellery & C Ellis 51.67. Thur 6/09 Henry Gaisford rosebowl (R5), N/S S Marshall & P Davidson 55.0, H Bostock & J Baddeley 53.5, J Ellery & J McPherson 53.0. E/W J Meads & M Shand 62.0, H Rowe & G Burne 54.5, N Poppe & W Pittaway 46.0.

Marton Lions Club

Report from board meeting; 4 September 2018. Our president opened the meeting with a reminder that Christmas is only 15 weeks away and he likes his Christmas cakes.

He thanked members for the Hunterville trip and indicated the Whanganui Lions have invited us to visit them. The seat at the doctors' surgery is nearing completion. The walkway is also nearing completion, with mulch to be laid when the weather improves.

We are looking forward to the report on the Spirit of Adventure Trip by the pupils from Rangitikei College. All members are on the lookout for new members as an on going project - please help where you can. Please assist with raffle in Countdown and New World.

The progress report re the skate park was discussed. Meeting with Vincent Green to be actioned regarding Rangitikei College Rotary. The Yellow Pages project should be confirmed in October. Distribution should commence in November. Hi-vis vests with the Marton Lions logo are underway. Turakina School has indicated they may have trees to be removed or pruned.

Sponsorship and scholarships for teachers and pupils in the Marton area was discussed. The speech competition venue was confirmed. Te reo and Samoan speeches were confirmed for 2019. Visits to Bulls School and South Makirikiri were confirmed for next week. The president concluded our meeting thanking and acknowledging members for the many different activities we are involved in within the Marton community.

**Marton & Districts Historical Society
Influenza Epidemic 1918**

Looking back 100 years to 1918, Marton was experiencing the (Spanish) influenza epidemic. Mayor FC Wilson quickly called a meeting and an emergency committee was formed. Many offered their services: doctors, nurses and citizens as helpers, to care for the sick. The Marton Druid's Hall (where St Francis Indoor Bowling Club is now) was a quarantine hospital, with Mrs Kitcat as matron. The Salvation Army Hall (now Marton Players) was set up as a morgue for those who passed away. The Patriotic Shop was used for medical supplies, food and all requirements for patients being nursed in their homes. The Technical School in High St was where all type as of food was delivered and volunteers prepared means to be delivered by the Salvation Army. Inhaling chambers were set up at the Marton Railway Station, in public buildings eg; hotels, theatre and library. All schools were closed and fumigated. By mid November, at the peak of the epidemic, serious cases in hospital were numbered at 35 - 28 treated and 17 passed away.

The epidemic was gradually dying out in December and public buildings were reopening for Christmas. The children did not return to school until February 1919. There are many local stories about wonderful work done by doctors, nurses and volunteers and the strain it took on their families and the sad stories of family losses.

Marton Arts and Crafts

Marton Arts and Crafts enjoyed the atmosphere of the Crafts Alive event this year. With a steady flow of interest, we managed to inform folk about the centre. It was great to see our members being creative - painting, drawing, throwing pottery, painting china, crocheting, backed up by displays from quilters, artists and tutors. On Sunday afternoon, the centre was a hive of activity. The pottery class was firing the gas kiln and afternoon tea was in progress... creativity throughout the whole centre. Marvellous.

Currently we have just gone into our holiday break. However, do pop by on Wednesday for quilting group and Friday for pottery in the studio.

As always, the classes are doing a lot with their projects. In Term 4, we have bag making, pottery, quilting and painting. All these rely on numbers to start, so if you happen to be contemplating going to a class, be in quick.

The Artfull Christmas Bonanza is happening on December 9. Expressions of interest are being taken now from stall holders. Please email secretary@martonartsandcrafts.co.nz; call the centre 327 7975 or, for classes and workshops contact Belinda on 327 4215, or email president@martonartsandcrafts.co.nz for more information.

Marton Friendship Club

Last Friday 18 members travelled to Levin Senior Citizens & District Club and were entertained by the Unity Singers. Raffles were won by four of our members- the main one (which is always huge) was won by Rosa Velvin. A lot of our members don't always get out of Marton a lot, so the day was rewarding for them. Our weekly Friday raffles were won by Melva, Jean E, Dawn R, Rosa and Audrey. We were entertained by Gillian and Carlene. They began with Choo Choo Sugar Town and sang many more. Their harmonizing was lovely to hear. It was also committee day, so the men did the afternoon tea. Thanks team. This week's entertainer is Liz Davies. Our hall is at Morris St. Visitors are always welcome. Open 12.30pm - bring your lunch - programme starts at 2pm.

**St Andrew's
Church Fair
this month**

Make sure you keep Saturday 29 September free so you can enjoy the atmosphere of our annual fair.

This will be an event held in the church hall, from 9.30am. There will be the usual stalls, including a plant stall, morning tea, face painting, sausage sizzle, cakes and jams etc. A new thrill this year will be several draws of a spinning jenny.

The plant stall will have an emphasis on home grown and local garden plants. Our congregation has many talents and the products of those will be on display for you to buy. Our organising committee has done an amazing job revamping the annual fair and has been busy for months organising this fundraiser, all that is needed now is you. See you there to enjoy the heaps of goodies on sale.

**Nuisance calls
plaguing consumers**

Seven out of 10 consumers in the past year, have been on the receiving end of unwanted phone calls from companies selling everything from pay TV to vacuum cleaners.

An unlucky 30 percent are getting nuisance calls at least once every fortnight, a Consumer NZ survey has found. Consumer NZ chief executive Sue Chetwin said people are fed up with answering the phone to sales reps pushing products.

"Not surprisingly, most people who get these calls aren't happy about it. Four out of five said they disliked receiving these calls and wanted them to stop."

The survey also found 59 percent of consumers had been phoned by a charity asking for a donation in the past year.

Ms Chetwin said the majority who get these calls want charities to stop phoning. However, consumers' options for stemming the flow of unwanted calls are limited.

"While there are the industry-run 'Do Not Call' and 'Do Not Mail' registers, our findings show these schemes are falling well short of the mark," she said.

"The schemes are voluntary and only some companies use the registers, so there's nothing stopping others from hounding you. They also won't stop scammers."

"Across the Tasman, the government stepped in and set up an official Do Not Call register. It's illegal for any company to call a number listed on this roll. In May 2018, a double-glazing company was fined A\$25,200 for calling numbers on the register.

"Consumer NZ wants a similar register established here", Ms Chetwin said.

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Daffodil Day



Checkout assistant Lesley Morton was one of the colourful staff at Marton New World. Most dressed up in yellow for Daffodil Day.



Along with many others, Daffodil Day volunteers Kate Williams and Anne Fowler helped the Cancer Society raise funds last Friday. Volunteers turned out all over the district and the country.

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"We are specialists in difficult tree removal," says Bryce. "We can get into places where you can't take trucks or cranes... so it's all manual." Bryce adds, "Fifty percent of our work is doing tricky removals and the rest is ornamental pruning of amenity trees and residential work - reducing and shaping trees and letting in more light." The team at Beaver Trees is big on 'customer service'. Their focus is on offering excellent workmanship and working together with clients to make sure they are happy with what they get. Bryce encourages Rangitikei residents to, "Cut out the voucher on this page and get us to come down and give you a free appraisal for work you need carried out."

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Wedding Styling & Bridal Boutique in Marton

The old Marr's Jewellers premises on Broadway in Marton is now the home of Jen Britton's bridal boutique and wedding styling business, 'Wild Rose'.

With time on her hands after leaving a previous employment, Jen offered to help a cousin with preparations for her wedding and found she was quite good at it! She demonstrated a 'styling flair' and discovered an uncanny knack for 'making something out of nothing'!



Jen Britton and Jessie Smith with one of the beautiful wedding dresses at 'Wild Rose'

Open since the beginning of August, Wild Rose sells wedding dresses and accessories, on behalf of past brides (and grooms if they will part with their suits!) as well as stocking NZ bridal designers. Jen says, "We can outfit everyone in the wedding party and if we don't have what you want, we will get it for you."

She saw a gap in the market, particularly in the Manawatu-Wanganui area and decided to do her best to fill it.

Jen and her assistant Jessie Smith do wedding planning as part of their service. They will consult with you if you are planning the event yourself...or organise the whole thing, if that's what you prefer.

Earlier this year, Jen planned and organised Jessie's wedding and when Jen needed help with the new venture, Jessie 'came on board' helping out in the shop at busy times. Jessie loves working with the dresses. "Jessie and I work very well together and I see her as

someone who will grow with the business," says Jen.



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Focus on farming and the land

Managing in mud – protect animal welfare



Wet and muddy conditions are to be expected on farms at this time of year, with slow pasture growth, and rain when feeding winter crops. The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is reminding all pastoral livestock farmers to ensure animals are well cared for on crops and pasture and seek advice if they need to.

“We recognise that this time of year brings many challenges and managing stocking densities, pasture, break feeding on crops and minimizing soil damage are just some of these. But farmers must be vigilant not to compromise animal health and welfare during these challenging months of the year,” says MPI’s director of Animal Health and Welfare, veterinarian Dr Chris Rodwell.

“New Zealand’s codes of animal welfare generally require livestock to have access to areas free of surface water and mud, and appropriate protection from adverse weather. Rest and lying time is important to the health and welfare of livestock; not just feed availability and body condition of animals.

“Welfare issues may not be immediately obvious,” adds Rodwell. “Amongst a number of issues, prolonged time on mud can also cause distress and discomfort, bring on significant and painful animal health issues such as lameness and mastitis and reduce production and resistance to disease.” MPI recognises that the use of winter crops, as a source of good nutritional support to pasture and other feeds, during winter is an important part of livestock feeding in New Zealand extensive farming systems. However, there is a point where animals are adversely impacted by muddy paddocks and MPI continues to receive complaints.

“We urge farmers to seek expert advice and follow good practice to avoid problems. There is some really good advice available from vets and your sector groups. Spring is stressful for people and animals alike – don’t add to your stress with animal health issues caused by mud,” Rodwell says.

Independently nominated candidates for Fonterra board

Peter McBride, Jamie Tuuta and Ashley Waugh have been announced as the Independent Nominations for the 2018 Fonterra Farmer Directors’ election.

The three candidates were nominated by the Fonterra Board after being recommended by the independent selection panel. Their nomination was supported by the Shareholders’ Council. The election process includes two nomination options: Independent Nomination and the Self-Nomination.

Self-Nomination meaning farmers can stand as a candidate for the Board with the support of 35 different shareholders, is now open. Nominations close on Thursday, 20 September 2018.

The full list of candidates for the Fonterra Board of Directors’ Election, including the Independent Nomination Process candidates and any Self-Nomination Process candidates, will be announced on Monday, 24 September 2018. Voting packs, containing candidate profiles, will be mailed to eligible shareholders on Monday, 15 October 2018. Shareholders can vote by internet or post, using the first past the post, majority system. Voting closes at 10.30am on Tuesday, 6 November with the results being announced later that day.

Views sought on new fungicide to protect arable crops

The EPA is calling for submissions on an application by Bayer NZ Limited to approve a fungicide called Vimoy Iblon for use in NZ to protect cereal crops.

The fungicide’s active ingredient, isoflucypram, has not yet been approved in any country.

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Hawkestone Golf Club

Tuesday 4th Darlington Drilling Manawatu. A miserable day - unfortunately, no golf was played. Saturday 8th PGC Wrightson Real Estate left vs right. S/men; R Early (Apiti) 39 by lot from G Franks, G Cunningham 38, M Cranston (Apiti) & G Stanton 35, G Bond, J Bielski (Apiti) & J Stella 34. J/men; M Porter 38, M Pickford 36 by lot from P Maitland 36, B Hantz 34. Women; D Todd, S Wells, K Henderson (Apiti), L Tipu. Twos; G Cunningham, R Early (Apiti), M Pickford #16 & jackpot #7 not struck. Club day nearest pins; S/men #11 J Stella. J men #14 B Hantz. Women #14 K Henderson (Apiti). August nearest the pins jackpots struck; s/men J Stella; j/men M Pickford; women S Wells. Taimui challenge; Grant & Spike bt Joby & Larni. Next challengers Bondy & Pete. Left vs right drawn. Nine holers; G Burgess snr nett 34, B Parlane 36. Feilding Scrap Metal Bush Cup final; congratulations to Glenn Stanton & Diane Todd who were victors over Joe Stella & Larni Tipu. Consolation stableford; Men = G Cunningham 37, G Forbes 36, M Carroll 31. Women = P Charlesworth, S Wells. Coming events: Tuesday golf 9.30am tee off. Saturday 15th: Lovelock Cup 11am tee off. Visitors and casual golfers play 9, or 18 holes for only \$10. New members: 1st year pay only \$250. All welcome. Contact Grant; 0210 572 931.

Marton Golf Club

Sunday Sept 2: the McVerry Crawford Motors tournament was held with a big field playing for stableford points. Ladies div 1: C Rhodes, J Ritchie 37, A Bary, J Hall 33, B Bielby, E Henrick 32. Ladies div 2: V Jones 35, D Singer, C Ellery 34, G Jones 31, A Fleming 30. Men's div 1: Remy 47, J Hughes 43, S Melis, A Duncan, B Mananui 37, R Shaw, M Peina 36, R Geary, N Pearson, T Calkin 35. Men's div 2: G Marshall 39, C Bary, C Murphy 38, T Hammond 35, R Ellery, A Duncan 34, P Singer 33, T Shannon 32, T Mischewski 31. Men's div 3: B Gunn 39, M Tapp 38, A Stewart 37, B Lampp, R Peters 36, I Gunn, J Lahey, P Connolly 34, B Poppe, P Simpson 32, J Rainey, D Angove, S Muir 31. Nine holers: B Florence 22, I Grant 15, R Powell 14. Non-golfer: A Fairburn. Twos: 6th T Shannon, C Skou, 12th J Hughes, C Bary; 17th N Maas, B Lampp. closest to the pin: ladies div 1: B Pratt Ladies div 2: A Fleming. Men's div 1: M Peina. Men's div 2: R Lambert. Men's div 3: S Muir Sat Sept 8: Billy Beck took out the medal round and the Rangitikei Tavern voucher with a nett 68. Other results: Dick Fullerton-Smith 69, Shirley Ballard, Graham Marshall, Darin Arnott, Pete Skou 70, T Mokeu, Colin Williams 71, Campbell Bary 72, Allie Bary, Linda Peina, Josh Logan 73; Les Wake, Aron Bremner, Rob Peters 74; GV Calkin, Pete Singer, Stu Duncan, Brian Hausman 75. Twos: 3rd - Calvin Field, 17th, Jarrod Calkin. 4 ball jackpot struck. Duty: Sat Sept 15 - Dave Angove. Bar: Troy Calkin, Darren Oliver. Sun Sept 16 - duty: Darin Arnott. Coming events: Ladies greensome foursomes - Friday Sept 14. Entries to Jenny Ritchie 06 327 4504.

Rangitikei Golf Club

Saturday September 8: Central House Movers - par. Seniors: Geoff Ingram & Murray Bruhn +3, Rob Giles +2, Luke Kleinschmidt +1, Hone Morris & Rex Wilson sq, Tamati Anaru -1. Juniors: Bill Ward +2, Kevin Taylor & Chris Shem +1, Kevin Laired, Jackson Drelozios & Russell Kane sq, Nepia Andrews, Jay Jay Boylan, Mike Ancell & Michelle Mossop -1. Twos: Jay Jay Boylan 3rd.

Taihape Golf Club

The Cascade Cup was contested in sunny conditions between Rangatira, Taihape & Waimarino on Sunday. Due to heavy rain during the week, hosting the event was swapped to Waimarino Golf Course. Taihape was flawless; amassing 236 points with the six best of its eight players, 18 points clear of hosts Waimarino (218) and Rangatira (211). Leading the team home was last year's captain, Barrie Randall with 44 points; Chris George 41 points; Gary Thomas 39 points; James Fannin and Merv Tapp with 38 points. Alan Thomas had 35 points and winning speaking duties was Peter Valentine with 32 points. Taihape's reserve players joined in the Waimarino hagggle, Matthew Thomas shot 70 off the stick, for 42 points; after falling in the water on the 17th. Gary Cleaver struck the ball well for 41 points. Duane Dick played maverick golf for 38 points, which included 6 birdies. The notable performance, over the weekend, was Denny

Unveiling



Thomas (Tom) Tasker Unveiling

The late Kathy Tasker and family invite all to the unveiling of Tom's headstone on Saturday 15 September 2018 at 1.00pm at Aramoho Cemetery, Wanganui. "Tom didn't tell us how to live; he lived, and let us watch him do it."

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Road to be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic on **Saturday 15 September 2018**

Outback Road - Taihape, 3.00pm -7.00pm

During the period of closure, if and when appropriate, provision will be made for ordinary vehicular traffic that would otherwise use the road.

Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

Thompson being selected to join the Manawatu Whanganui men's Shand Cup team to be played in early November. This Sunday, the final of the zones competition against Hawkestone is to be played at Rangitikei and, at home, the second of three Potaka stableford rounds is scheduled.

Marton 9 Hole Golf

A good field played in our stableford round on September 11. 1st division: 1st Tim Brandon 22, 2nd Dave McDougall 20. 2nd division: 1st Sam Atkinson 20, 2nd Mike Donlon 16 c/b, 3rd Lyn Shaw 16 c/b. 3rd division: 1st Judy McConachy 21 c/b, 2nd Wendy Ng 21 c/b, 3rd Jill Bryant 18 c/b. Next week's competition is medal & putting. Starters: Mike & Marianne Morland, cards: Sam Atkinson & Richard Peirce. Kitchen: Adrian Penning.

Rangatira Golf Club

29/8/18: ladies' day. Spoon: J Ross. Bracelet: R Rainey 75, C Gregory 75cb, D King 76, M Walshe 77, J Griffiths 77, M McAlley 77. Putts: L Gordon 33. 29/8/18; 9 hole nett: N Travis 35, R Florence 35, D Gregory 35.

St Francis Indoor Bowls

We had another great night of bowls again this week. Six teams played three games of 2-4-2 pairs, with three getting two wins and a loss. After a playoff, the winning team was Kevin Mullany and Bev Shand. The raffle was won this week by Lyn Phillips. With only two more weeks before the season's end, next week will be a ladies versus men competition. Then, on the final night, we will have a game of bowls, followed by presentation of the cups and prizes to all championship winners with a supper afterwards. We hope to see you all there.

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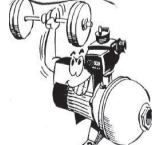
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Te Māngai Pāho launches “elegant” Pepeha App

Utilising the hashtag #Imiriona, the Māori media funding agency, Te Māngai Pāho, is employing social media to promote the use of te reo Māori.

Last weekend, Te Māngai Pāho launched The Great Te Māngai Pāho Video Challenge to promote te reo Māori. This week, the second part of the campaign includes a Pepeha Challenge where people will be asked to share their pepeha (tribal saying) and the release of a Pepeha App to help beginning learners of te reo construct their pepeha.

Te Māngai Pāho commissioned the Hahana team to make a series of eight videos that explain pepeha and show a range of people learning, or reciting their respective pepeha. They then challenge a variety of other people to share their pepeha. The series of videos aims to encourage Māori and non-Māori to participate in the pepeha challenge.

To support this initiative, Te Māngai Pāho has commissioned Kiwa Digital to build the Pepeha App. The simple yet elegant app is a tool to help te reo Māori learners construct a pepeha, assist with pronunciation and help them publish when they are confident to share.

The Pepeha App was launched on Monday September 10.

Te Māngai Pāho CEO, Larry Parr, said the #Imiriona campaign was the first significant initiative by the agency to use social media as a tool to promote te reo Māori.

“The number of people being exposed to information that is disseminated by social media channels is too big to ignore,” Mr Parr said and added, “We are pleased and excited by the initial response to the Te Māngai Pāho Video Challenge.”

“#Imiriona provides the opportunity to build an online audience that we, together with our partners, can take on a te reo Māori learning journey. It is consistent with our strategy to shift people from zero, to passive, to active speakers of te reo Māori and aligns with the Government goal of having one million Kiwis speaking some Māori by 2040.”

The #Imiriona campaign complements other Māori language promotion activities taking place during the month, particularly Mahuru Māori, Māori Language Day, and Te Wiki o te reo Māori.

Family legacy inspires new chief of Air Force

Aircraft have played a constant role in the life of the new Chief of Air Force, Air Commodore Andrew Clark.

Previously the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF) Air Component Commander, Air Commodore Clark took over the top air force role at a change of command ceremony this month. Air Commodore Clark replaces Air Vice-Marshal Tony Davies who has been promoted to Vice Chief of Defence.

An Air Force career was almost inevitable for Air Commodore Clark, whose early years were dominated by Blenheim airfields at Omaka and Woodbourne.

“Omaka Aerodrome was close to home and it had a fascinating collection of private aircraft. One of my most memorable childhood experiences was being taken up in a Tiger Moth at Omaka.”

Air Commodore Clark also had a connection to the air force through his father.

“My father had joined the Royal New Zealand Air Force as a boy entrant back in 1956, initially as an aircraft mechanic. Later he got his pilot’s licence and left to fly Bristol Freighters and Argosies for Safe Air, which was based at Woodbourne.

“He died when I was six years old, but I’ve maintained a lasting passion for aviation ever since. Later on my step-father was a supplier in the RNZAF, so that probably helped as well.”

Air Commodore Clark



Air Commodore Andrew Clark took over as the new Chief of Air Force this month.

attended Blenheim’s Weatherlea Primary School and then Bohally Intermediate before his family moved to Bulls in the Rangitikei District. He went to Palmerston North Boys High School for four years and his final high school year was spent at Christchurch Boys High.

“It’s a great honour and a privilege to be asked to be a leader in an organisation that is a great New Zealand institution”, Air Commodore Clark said.

“It is an organisation of talented and committed New Zealanders who do so much for our country, for the region, and across the world; an institution that has been so much a part of New Zealand’s history and nation building and in which thousands of New Zealanders have previously served.”

Air Commodore Clark joined the RNZAF in 1986 as a navigator and, through his early

career, served operationally on Orion aircraft; instructed aircrew in Australia and New Zealand; provided support to the Chief of Air Staff and had the role of Operations Flight Commander, No. 5 Squadron, supervising P-3K2 Orion surveillance aircraft.

He was later a staff officer, HQJFNZ at Trentham; project manager (P-3K2 Orion introduction into service) and commanding officer, No. 5 Squadron. He served operationally in the Middle East.

In his more recent career, Air Commodore Clark has held a variety of operational and strategic positions, including as Assistant Chief of Air Force – Strategy from 2009 to 2011, Director of Strategic Commitments from 2012 to 2013, Director of Defence Intelligence from 2014 to 2015 and as Assistant Chief – Capability from 2016 to 2018.

Cost of power leaves many consumers in the cold

The Electricity Price Review’s initial report, released this week, backs up Consumer NZ’s research that shows rising power prices are leaving many households struggling to pay their bills.

Consumer NZ head of research, Jessica Wilson said access to affordable power was a basic consumer right, but the electricity system wasn’t delivering this.

The Electricity Price Review’s report shows consumers had faced significant increases in power costs since 1990. Residential prices rose 79 percent, while commercial prices dropped 24 percent.

Ms Wilson said the rapid rise in residential prices had had a major impact on low-income consumers. “While the number of electricity retailers had increased, households finding it difficult to meet costs, often had limited choice of retailer. They also paid more because they missed out on prompt payment discounts, or were forced to change to a pre-pay meter,” she said.

Consumers on pre-pay meters pay for power in advance and incur fees each time they top up. Consumer NZ’s survey research shows close to one in five consumers experienced financial difficulties paying for power in the past year.

It also found that 14 percent were charged overdue fees; 13 percent borrowed from family, or friends to pay their bill; 8 percent took out a loan to pay their bill.

The impact of rising prices can also be seen in disconnections for non-payment of bills. Last year, 25,317 people had their power disconnected, because of unpaid bills - up from 19,106 in 2015.

Ms Wilson said the Electricity Price Review’s final report, in May 2019, needs to recommend changes to ensure consumers get power at a fair price.

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