



The Bulls and District
Community Trust

Annual Report 2019 - 2020

“A celebration of our people,
our stories and
our shared vision”

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Chairman's Report - Helen Scully

It is my pleasure to present this report which tells the story of what the Bulls and District Community Trust has accomplished over the past year. We encourage you to take the time to review this report and thank you for the part you played in our success during the 2019/2020 year.



Part of our strategic plan is to create a connected community and support the health and wellbeing of our people. We are continuing to work with our Local Council and the Bulls Community Board with their vision of unifying services into one building. The Trust supports this decision and we see this new space as the 'living room of our community; to be used and enjoyed by all. It was therefore our pleasure to provide taxable receipts for all donations and apply to the Whanganui Community Foundation for a grant of \$300k towards this community building. Our sincere thanks to the Trustees of the WCF for their support of this local amenity which will future proof this space from severe weather and earthquake events which are becoming more common as our climate changes.

Late 2018 we also became the caretakers of the "Bulls in Bulls" and like the A-Bull and James Bull, these amazing life size Bulls have added to the uniqueness and vibrancy of our town. We have encouraged community to take ownership of them and keep them safe, and we don't mind some seasonal 'dressing up' for their health and wellbeing. We also want to acknowledge the Rangitikei District Council for their contribution to the maintenance of these Bulls.

It was with sadness the committee accepted two resignations last year. One was from our Trust Secretary, Annabel Sidey, who was one of the founding Trustees and who tirelessly volunteered her time for 15 years. We will miss her judgement and wisdom especially the historical insight she brought to the Trust. Jan Harris, our Community Development Manager, resigned after working four years with the Trust. Jan was passionate about her role and felt that no problem was too big or small, no crisis was unsurmountable if everyone worked together. She gave her time willingly to empower our Community, raised the bar of our events and inspired confidence with our funders. We thank Jan for her dedication to the Trust and wish her all the best for the future. Our replacement Community Development Manager is Heidi Macaulay who has a BA in Business Management, she is a mother of 5, and also an accomplished horsewoman.

We also welcome a new Trustee, Danelle Whakatihī to the Board. Danelle is a Regional Advisor with the NZ Defence Force, President of the Bulls Junior Rugby and Bulls Netball, Board member at Clifton School and a member of the BCC.

The Trust is working to ensure that Bulls is a great place to live, work, play, raise a family, and own a business in, and we appreciate your input as we shape its future. To date we have had successful grants up to \$1.5million so a big thank you to all our funders, sponsors, volunteers and community groups who help to deliver choice and opportunity to our people. Also, I would like to acknowledge the Trustees (both past and present) for their commitment and work for the Trust.

Thank you all for your support.

Helen Scully

Community Development Co-ordinator Heidi Macaulay

As I reflect on my year as your Community Co-ordinator the first word that comes to mind is *blessed!* I love being a part of our diverse community; celebrating in our successes, supporting our endeavours and relishing in the bonds we make.



The Bull and District Community Trust is a gateway for residents to grow and be a part of something special that others will acknowledge for years to come. Whether it be volunteering, contributing, supporting, facilitating or witnessing our Community. Bulls is a town to be proud of and I am passionate about everyone and everything that we stand for as a community.

Community-Led Development uses the skills and resources of leaders within the Bulls community to bring simple ideas to life. Many hours of planning and developing conceptual plans become a reality when events, programmes, and activities are finally realised.

Groups of energetic and diverse people turn ordinary spaces into extraordinary places where residents come together and celebrate their combined achievement. The power of good effective funding streams enhances residents and communities through participation impacting positive health and wellbeing outcomes for all.

The results of those projects can be seen throughout this report or in the memories of those you talk to. Individuals happily share their stories about the role they played at any one of our co-designed and co-produced events. Without these people, we have very little to talk about. Our work solely hinges on the generosity of others and it's my pleasure to share with you a snapshot of our year along with the stories of those we share the journey with.

Future Planning

With every new year brings an abundance of amazing opportunities, beautiful moments and joyful experiences. With positive actions and attitude we can inspire others to increase their social connection, support health and wellbeing, celebrate our diversity and collaborate with all walks of life.

Some of our many plans for 2021

- Community Concert with the Air Force Band and local talent
- Bulls Domain Upgrade
- Move into the new building and exciting new hall for events and more
- Wear-A-bull arts show returns

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Gumboot Friday: A fun way to raise money for kids mental health (postponed) - 3rd

Easter Weekend: 10th - 13th

Anzac Day Service: Celebrated under Covid-19 conditions





May 2020



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SHOCKING PINK: Breast Cancer Fundraiser - postponed due to Covid-19

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK: Theme is "E Korero ana mātou. E whakarongo ana koutou? We're speaking. Are you listening?" Check out the website for more information. www.arataiohi.org.nz/youthweek - 9th - 17th National Youth Week

PINK SHIRT DAY: Working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting positive social relationships - 22nd



Pink Ribbon Fundraiser

WHAT FILLS YOUR BUCKET

The Annual Pink Ribbon Fundraiser is always a team effort. With members of Scotts Ferry Rural Women, Steady as You Go Exercise Group, Bulls Friendship Club and community volunteers all pitching in, prepping food, setting up the venue and all the tasks associated with each event. As with all our events, partners, volunteers and I provide the resources required to host these functions.

Funder - Department of Internal Affairs Lotteries Grant. This event is a great fit for our Lotteries grant. It promotes community wellbeing and participation; it supports our volunteers and with better access to health promotion events and programmes in Bulls our residents have the tools to make more informed choices.

Comedian Amberly Caldwell along with guest speakers Sue Foley, Kim Gordon and Marilyn Archibald. We cant thank you enough for sharing what fills your bucket with us all.



Nardia Gower & Christin Ritchie RDC



Amberly Caldwell, Marilyn Archibald,
Sue Foley, Jan Harris, Kim Gordon

Very special mention must go to Selica Winiata who generously donated some of her Black Ferns uniforms to auction on the night. You are a fantastic role model, great ambassador for New Zealand Women's Rugby and Rugby in general but most of all a warm caring person.

With kind donations from Trumps, Scullys, Reloved Boutique, That Little Shop in Bulls, Carter Upholstery, Platts Pharmacy, Calkin Financial Services, Intrigue, Sustain-A-Bull Fitness, Bulls Four Square - Brian and Tarnea, we raised over \$1500 for Breast Cancer Research.

The Nuts and Bolts

Attended Evening: 120

Volunteers: 6

Kind Donations: 8

Guest Speakers: 4





June 2020

Matariki
the
Māori New Year

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Men's Health Month

Queen's Birthday Weekend

Bulls & District Community Trust Annual General Meeting: 23rd

Annual Matariki Combined School Concert: Cancelled due to Covid-19

National Volunteer Week: 16 - 22nd



Mission

By drawing from past lessons, we build connections for future generations, harnessing their strengths, hearing their stories, celebrating our diversity.

Vision

Harnessing potential from within.

Strategic Plan

- To co-design, develop and deliver a profile with Key stakeholders, agencies and local government.
- Develop stronger networks with community groups and partnering agencies that stimulate community-led development and community wellbeing.
- Develop a model around social, health, wellbeing, cultural, economic, environment and positive youth development, identifying areas of need with an Action Plan that benefits the Bulls community.
- Work with the Bulls community to promote Bulls as a great place to live, work, play, raise a family and own a business in.
 - Support effective volunteering for the benefit of individuals and the Bulls community.
 - We acknowledge the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles and the importance of Māori as Tangatawhenua.

Key Outcomes	Annual Workplan Events, Activities and Programmes 2019/2020		
Pāpori Social	Monthly Newsletter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bull-it-inn • Connect-a-bull • Welcome packs 	Digital Platform/Social Media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook • Instagram • Website 	Partnering with community service and sporting groups, Bulls businesses, Ohakea Air Force Base and Rangitikei Council to build social cohesion
	Events & Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Community Concert • Arts 4 Arts Sake • Annual Rose Show • Matariki Concert • Christmas Parade/Whanau Day 	Upkeep of Community Assets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • James Bull • Bulls in Bulls • A-bull signage 	Infrastructure support to volunteers and a wide variety of community groups. Consult with all groups to build social capital. Sit on the Advisory Board for the new Community Centre and Bulls Town Signage to ensure transparency and inclusion of all Bulls residents
Hauora Health and Wellbeing	Health Promotion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting Men's Health with Dr Dave Baldwin and his <i>Healthy Bastards</i> posters in urinals around Bulls. • Annual Pink Ribbon Fundraiser • Provide health posters in new Community Centre 	Age Concern and Bulls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seniors • Steady as You Go Exercise group • Online groceries for seniors • RSA welfare Men's Health Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bulls BBQ for mental health • (everyone welcome) • With guest speakers 	Civil Defence Plan for Bulls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase awareness of disconnected residents • Work with Police and Community Reference Group • RSA Welfare Group Connect-a-bull Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Healthy Families • On community wellbeing and suicide
	Community Health News in the Bull-it-inn	Attend Health Networking Meetings	Support Big Brothers Big Sisters to engage with the community
	Community Support and Neighbourhood Patrol Networks	Support volunteers with a record of completed tasks (can be used in their CV)	Identify opportunities for our rural Isolated community
Whanaketanga Taiohi Positive Youth Development	Promote stories from our young residents in the Bull-it-inn. Capture opportunities that promote the talents of our young people at Bulls events	Youth Development mentoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate and support Big Brothers Big Sisters • Work experience opportunities 	Collaborate with our Bulls based Youth Council Representative to lead and target youth engagement in the new Community Centre hub.
	Matariki Concert	Arts 4 Arts Sake Exhibition	Promote and support Bulls Sporting Clubs
	Work with Youth Development Officer from the RDC to promote youth councillors	Bring back the Wear-a-bull Arts Show in 2021 to encourage our young talent	Provide work experience for UCOL students by way of their Internship programme

Key Outcomes	Annual Workplan Events, Activities and Programs 2019/2020		
Taiao Environment	Bulls River Users Group Including Iwi, Horizons, Council, Bulls and Clifton School Green groups and Dept. of Corrections	Continue supporting Bulls School Enviro Group and Clifton School Green Group with their projects	Planting of plants and planning a walkway with picnic spots at the River Reserve
	Ongoing Bull Bags project partnering with local Bulls Businesses designed to reduce plastic in Bulls	Support Corrections with projects that enhance the Bulls landscape	Community Working Bees at the River connecting nature with good mental health promotion
	Complete the entrance way to River Reserve upgrade	Apply for Community Grant Funding from Horizons	Collaborate on upgrade for the Bulls Domain
Ohaoha Economic	Promote A-Bull Branding with our businesses and community	Maintain the Bulls in Bulls Project	Promote Business investment and new business opportunities
	Continue website development and include all Bulls business	Working with BCC on new logo for Bulls Township	Encourage partnerships with local businesses for local events
	Promote Bulls and the wider district on Social Media	Promotion of our events: good events attract visitors to Bulls	Liaise with other co-ordinators to promote events in the Rangitikei

Good fortune is what happens when opportunity meets with planning

Thomas Edison



*Michael O'Byrne
Trust Member*



*Tim Scotland
Treasurer*



*Danelle Whakatihi
Trust Member*



*Annabel Whisker
Secretary*



*Clifford Brown
Iwi Representative
& Trust Member*



July 2020



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The Matariki Concert

Matariki is a constellation of seven stars which appear each year around early to mid June and signifies the start of the Māori New Year.

Matariki and her 6 daughters Tipuanuku, Tipuarangi, Waiti, Waitā, Waipunarangi and Ururangi form the constellation.

In days of old, as the time of Matariki drew nearer Māori would sing and dance into the evening and dine on hangi to entice Matariki to appear. It was believed that a clear view of Matariki was an omen of a good season of food production.

Each year the arrival of Matariki is celebrated with song, dance and feasting in acknowledgement of her blessing.

Matariki is also the time to remember those that have passed on who now gaze upon us from the heavens.

Matariki students and their sweet sounding voices mesmerised the audience. The programme ranges from traditional waiata, chants and kapa haka.



Clifton School



Clifton & Bulls School

The Concert is a collaboration between Bulls and Clifton School Kapa Haka groups, students and the Trust. Funding from the JBS Dudding Trust provides the much needed resources to host this event that empowers our young people, giving them an opportunity to perform in front of parents and extended whanau.

This provides opportunities for our young people to become role models amongst their peers. To learn the cultural significance of Matariki and what it means to Iwi plus bringing our schools together to celebrate Matariki with the wider community.

This festival is a much loved favourite among residents of the Bulls community. Performances are extremely polished and our young people beam with immense pride.

The Nuts and Bolts

Funder: JBS Dudding Trust

Attended Event: 206

Performers: 87

Volunteers:15

Collaboration: Bulls School, Clifton School and Bulls and District Community Trust



Bulls School



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Crafts Alive: Project Marton - 29th & 30th

Horizons Staff Planting: Bulls River Group planting 1000 native trees/kindly donated by Horizons



Art 4 Arts Sake Exhibition 2019

“Art, in its many forms, is connected to the many Communities and Bulls is no exception with the Bulls in Bulls project, Murals, Placemaking projects and the A-bull branding. Art serves to enrich the physical, economic, social and cultural elements of a community. It can start a dialogue, bring people together and creates a sense of belonging.

The exhibition opened for 2 weeks with over 520 people attending, 31 artists took part including local artist Kerry Scoones with her amazing Mosaic pieces. This was the first exhibition that Kerry has taken part in and she sold 5 pieces of art during the exhibition. We had a diverse selection of art including tapestry, quilting, oil painting, photography, pencil art, mosaic, statues and street art just to name a few.



Bull calf painted by our children in a kiwiana theme

Artwork from 3 local primary schools and our local kindergarten certainly added depth to the exhibition. Clifton and Bulls School designed and painted our Kiwiana Bull calf for the exhibition entrance. Providing opportunities for our younger residents to find their passion and build self-esteem is paramount for their good health and wellbeing.



Ryan, 4yrs, sharing her art with fellow kindergarten friends

The Nuts and Bolts

Contributing Artists: 29
Attended Opening: 49
Volunteers: 31
Attended Exhibition: 523
Funders: RDC Creative Communities
Sponsor: Carol Lewis/Re Max
Donations in Kind: Calkin Financial Services, Mitre 10 Marton, Bulls 4 Square

Volunteer Story - Kay Kerr

Volunteering is a worth while thing and I enjoyed doing it. You get to meet a lot of different people from round and about the area. I have volunteered for the following events in Bulls such as, the Bulls Annual Rose Show, The Arts 4 Arts Sake Exhibition and Christmas Parade Raffles.

It's been a wonderful and rewarding experience and I encourage people in the community to Volunteer if they are able. I look forward to helping with the future events in Bulls.



Duane Laursen with his street art



Carol Lewis, Heidi Macaulay and Mayor Andy Watson at opening night



Glenda Park being presented her Bull canvas, kindly donated by Calkin Financial Services

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori
Māori Language Week

September 2020

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Art 4 Arts Sake Exhibition: Open daily 10 to 4pm at Bulls Town Hall - Saturday 5th - Sunday 13th

Māori Language Week: Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori - 14th - 20th Mahuru

Suicide Prevention Work Shop

The community was so gratified to be given a chance to contribute to a strategy that is usually written by the DHB. Lots of rich korero was given to form the strategy from lived experience to just a community wanting to improve the health and wellbeing of others. It was another way to connect the community on a different level and talk about something that people necessarily don't want to talk about.



From this workshop and others within the Rangitikei a draft strategy framework has been produced, from here we will be involved in an action plan.

Participation Feedback

Did you feel your voice was heard? *Definitely*
Did you feel your contribution was valued? *Definitely*
For my first time at something like that it was open and friendly and very inclusive, Jane Russel-Bowen.

The Nuts and Bolts

Funders: Health Families Whanganui Rangitikei Ruapehu
Attended Workshop: 21



Bulls River Users Group

2019 has seen a continued partnering of agencies, Horizons, Rangitikei District Council, Ngati Apa, Ngati Raukawa, Corrections, local primary and secondary Schools and volunteer members from the Bulls community.

The benefits for community are enormous. It provides a great outdoor learning environment for our Schools and Corrections Offenders. It has positive health and wellbeing outcomes for all those that use the area for recreational and fitness purposes, and as the gateway to Bulls it's a great spot for travellers and self-contained campers to rest up for the night. The combined achievements have taught the group to be resilient in its endeavours.

Thanks to the Horizons Planting Programme we will have 1000 native trees to plant in August 2020 with the help of our partnering agencies and volunteers. Horizons also provide funds that support and aid the continued beautification and maintenance done by Sara Blakelock and her amazing crew from the Dept. of corrections.



Clifton & Bulls School Environmental Group



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Mental Health Awareness Month: 5th - 11th

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Bulls Fire Brigade 75th Jubilee: 23 - 27th



Collaborating With Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters Of Manawatu fosters mentoring friendships between caring, reliable adults and local tamariki who, for whatever reason, need extra support to reach their potential.

The Trust is collaborating with Big Brothers and Big Sisters to encourage mentoring relationships in Bulls.

- *Girls in the study with a Big Sister are 4x less likely to bully, fight, lie or express anger than girls without a mentor.*



- *Boys with a Big Brother are 3x less likely than boys without a mentor to suffer peer pressure relaxed anxiety, such as worrying about what other children think or say about them.*
- *Girls with a Big Sister are 2.5x more likely than girls without a mentor to be confident in their ability to be successful at School.*
- *Mentored boys are 2x more likely to believe that school is fun and that doing well academically is important.*

Mentoring Story from our very own

Annabel Whisker - Trust Secretary

I have been a Big Sister for 2 years now. It is one of the most rewarding hours of my week. I make a special effort to catch up with my Little Sister. Often we bake, both for her at home, or for a member of the community who needs a treat, or the teachers at school. We do craft together, catch up on reading and chat about 'life'. Sometimes our hour goes so quickly we both have to hurry up to finish what we are doing so she can get home!



Annabel and her little sister

The special friendship has grown over the last 2 years, we are both relaxed in our catch ups, have a laugh and turn out some delicious treats! My Little Sisters favourite recipe is White Rocky Road, a special family favourite.

I totally recommend being a Big Sister or Big Brother. Once you commit your time the opportunities are endless. It is a really lovely relationship which grows and develops. If one person gives a child some time, many people will notice the difference!



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Bulls and District Community Rose and Flower Show: Date to be confirmed
National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month





Bulls Annual Rose & Flower Show

Celebrating the 142nd Rose and Flower Show in Bulls was the collaboration of the Bulls Rose Show Committee, visiting medal judges and Bulls residents. This event took 6 months of planning and spanned over 3 days. 21 volunteers worked in a wide variety of roles from concept design to delivery of the event.



With long standing show stewards assisting new volunteers to the intricacies of putting on this large event under the New Zealand Rose Society Rules learning opportunities are provided for all.



Roses, floral displays, floral art, sand art, vegetable art, cut flowers, bonsai trees, art and craft stalls and baking filled the Town Hall. This was another successful show with many exhibitors showing for the first time, proving that such community events are well supported.

The Nuts and Bolts

Organising Committee: 6
Volunteers: 21
Business Support: 5
Show Competitors: 91
Number Attended: 250
In Kind Donations: 4
Catered Lunches: 94 Clifton School
Café: Bulls Scouts



*Tim Scotland, Trust Treasurer
receiving his trophy at the
Rose Show*



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Annual Bulls Christmas Parade & Whanau Day: 12th



Bulls Christmas Parade and Whanau Day

This is my favourite event in our calendar year - maybe it's just the time of year when we start off the day with streets filled of happy families and friends gathering to connect with each other and enjoy the many floats that travelled down High Street. Mayor Andy Watson and I were on the microphones keeping everyone informed and entertained in between floats.

Immediately after the parade we travelled to the Bulls Domain for the Whanau day where everyone continued celebrating the silly season with each other. There were many free things to do and enjoy for young and old, including a mechanical bull ride, ice cream, sausage sizzle, obstacle course and face painting. Santa's cave brought children in droves, all super excited to sit on Santa's knee and receive a gift.

The highlight at the Domain was definitely the water sprayer from the Ohakea Fire Tender. There were screams of delight from all the children and their happiness filtered through to everyone.



Bulls Kindergarten



The Nuts and Bolts:

In Kind Donations: Farmland Foods, Magical Memories, Road Runner Manufacturing, Platts Pharmacy, Intrigue, BP, Bulls Subway, French n Sons, Bulls Antiques, Mint Café Bulls, That Little Shop In Bulls, M & A Cullen, N & A Whisker, Cherry Cottage Cupcakes, Bulls Four Square, TDL Automotive, Clean Slate Beauty, Pizza Hub

Bulls Volunteers: 29

Floats Entered: 39

Number Attended Whanau Day: 303

Collaboration: Bulls Fire Brigade, Ohakea Airbase, Bulls Rugby Club, Rangitikei District Council

Funding: Rangitikei District Council Event Sponsorship & Pub Charity



Elmo & Molly



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Wellington Anniversary: 20th





The Bulls Bull-it-inn

The Bull-it-inn is a free monthly community newsletter that provides a published form of information for our readers.

In today's digital world the Bull-it-inn maintains relationships by providing a physical gesture to share highlights, information, insights, up and coming events, club notices and many more articles.

The Rangitikei Golf Club, Bulls Museum, Rural Women, Bulls Rugby Clubs, Bulls Netball, Bulls Football, R.S.A. Ladies, Friendship Club, Bulls Doctors, Bulls & Clifton School, Bulls Kindergarten, Indoor and Outdoor Bowling, Bulls Air Scouts, Rangitikei Area Distance Riders, Tennis Club, Rangitikei District Council, Steady As You Go, Toy Library, Athletics and Bulls Playcentre provide regular articles to share.

The Community Co-ordinator works closely with many volunteers to collate and distribute to over 1300 letter boxes within Bulls and surrounding areas.

The Nuts and Bolts

Delivered Copies: 1320
Uploaded to Bulls NZ Facebook
Email Group: 120
Monthly Folders: 4 to 12
Deliveries: 12
Welcome Packs: 25
Produced by the Trust and 1
Volunteer



Some of our amazing volunteers collating the Bull-it-inn

Rhythm in Bulls - Free Community Concert

Volunteer Story -

The perfect day for a summertime concert with families taking the opportunity to get together and enjoy a relaxing afternoon.

With picnic baskets, rugs, chairs and sun umbrellas in tow, we head on down to the Domain to enjoy a great afternoon of music. Mum, Dad, family and friends all meet at the Domain ready to enjoy the concert while the kids played together happily at the playground or go off dance with their friends.

This year, "The Hipnotics" from Wellington entertained everyone with a great range of classic rock through to easy listening music. There was something for everyone and many enjoyed their time on the dance floor.

The Nuts and Bolts

Number Attended: 361

Volunteers: 7

Collaboration: Bulls Rugby Club, Ohakea Airforce, Rangitikei District Council, Marton Maori Wardens

Funders: Rangitikei District Council and Dudding Trust

In Kind Donations: 2





February 2021



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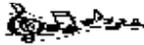
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Waitangi Day: 6th

Rhythm in Bulls: FREE Community Concert - 13th

Valentines Day : 14th

Bess Of Flock House Memorial Day: Remembering Animals in War - 24th



Volunteer Partnerships

As a not-for-profit organisation the Trust cannot undertake the many events, programmes and activities without the Community Volunteers who provide the manpower, muscle and grunt to every task they complete.

Partnerships between individual, business and community service and sporting clubs provide the resources that enables our shared goals to be met.

These partnerships are achieved across a wide range of tasks from financial literacy, work safe requirements to catering staff.

The Importance of Great Partnerships

Partnerships with local business owners are crucial to turning all our shared visions into realities. Their unwavering support of local programs, activities and events allows our programmes to flourish. Partnerships with individuals, businesses and community service and sporting clubs provide the resources that enable our shared goals to be meet.

*strive not to
be a success,
but rather
be of value*

Elbert Einstein

Our Volunteers

Our work solely hinges on the generosity of others. Every year volunteers weave their magic throughout all our events, programs and activities.



Maori Wardens - Welcoming Our Elderly



Lucinda Pretorius - Face Painting

Every volunteer brings their own unique passion and skill set that assists enormously with the development and delivery of our shared vision.



March 2021



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Brain Awareness Week: 16th - 22nd

Purple Day : Epilepsy Awareness - 26th



Thoughtful Planning

The start of a new financial year is a busy one in the office. Operational budgets are set in place for the coming year, funding streams are identified and the workplan is reviewed for the coming year. Funding from external funders is pivotal to the success of all work undertaken by the Trust. Not only do they support our endeavours but their understanding of the complexities around the delivery of our programme to meet current funding criteria is hugely beneficial for our organisation.

During this process, our workplan is referenced across a diverse group of residents, educators, community groups and business owners. This process is vital and provides the workplan with reference points that respond to the information provided. Using our 7 domains, Social, Health, Wellbeing, Environment, Cultural, Positive Youth Development and Economic, I can measure the success of each event, programme or activity. Evaluating data and feedback allows the board and volunteer groups who co-produce, develop and deliver events, programmes and activities to make informed decisions regarding future developments. It is vital information that allows us to track if our workplan is providing the expected outcomes.

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- COGS
- Rangitikei District Council
- J B S Dudding Trust
- Creative Communities - RDC
- Community Initiatives - RDC
- Horizons Community Grant
- Pub Charity

resilience

thriving amid adversity



Butterfly, by local artist Cecilia Dalrymple.



It is my great privilege to share
the story of the trust's
previous twelve months with you
and to those volunteers who
made it all possible, I thank you all.

If you would like any further information about
the Bulls and District Community Trust
please contact the office.

Nga mihi nui
Heidi Macaulay

