## Pānui Hākinakina/Sports Updates BULLS SENIOR RUGBY





The Bulls Rugby and **Sports club is** recruiting for new senior players.

**Bulls Domain 25th** January 2025 11.30am BBQ provided.

Mens Senior B team Mens Senior 3rds. Mens Presidents and we are also looking for interest for a Womans team.

For anymore information please contact John Keay 027 499 9860 or Aaron Third 027 313 3284







Te kawerongo ō Bulls

BULLS **CHRISTMAS** PARADE

## Saturday 14 December

Market Stalls From 9am Christmas Parade 10am **Ouick Fire Raffles** Whanau Day, High St straight after parade till 2pm RANGITĪKEI Free activities for all ages

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**Bulls & District** 

Face Painting Gumboot Throwing Dunking Machine & more Santa's Cave @ Ochre







#### You Herd It Here



Hi everyone! Welcome to the final *Bull-it-inn* for 2024! As we wrap up the year, let's do so with smiles on our faces, love in our hearts, and strength from within.

<sup>8</sup> The 147th Annual Rose & Flower Show was a highlight this year, showcasing breathtaking blooms,

creative floral art, delicious baking, market stalls, and more. A special thank you goes out to the our sponsors for supporting this prestigious event: *Farmland Foods, Matthews Roses, Coffee on the MOOve, Bulls Vegy Man - Allan, Speirs Foods, Heidi Macaulay BAYLEYS, Streetwise* 



Coffee, Vis's Kitchen, La Bull, That Little Shop in Bulls, Scullys, Rangitikei District Council and Platts Pharmacy. We are also very grateful to our volunteers and judges, whose dedication and generosity make these community events Possible Thank you!

On Saturday, 14 December, we invite you to join us for the Bulls Christmas Parade, a beloved tradition that embodies our community's holiday spirit. For years, this event has brought the Bulls community together, thanks to the hard work and enthusiasm of our dedicated volunteers. It has firmly established itself as a cornerstone of festive joy in our town.

Festivities begin early from 9 am. The parade starts at 10 am, delighting spectators with its vibrant energy. The main Street will remain closed after the parade until 2pm for the whanau day, giving everyone plenty of time to embrace the Christmas spirit. Local businesses will showcase their offerings, encouraging festive shopping while spreading holiday cheer.

This year's whanau day after the parade will feature Santa's Cave at Ochre which is sure to be a favorite for the little ones and me to be honest! We also have free activities like face painting, a water dunking machine, gumboot throwing and more, fostering togetherness and spreading joy throughout the day. Let's come together as a community and make this Christmas season truly unforgettable. See you there!

15 February 2025 is the Bulls Fest-a-Bull at Te Matapihi with live music, food stalls, free activities, competitions including relays, gumboot throwing and cooking meet balls. 10am to 4pm, I can't wait!





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#### **FIND-A-BULL**

Are you in the draw to win \$400!! Follow the instructions instore, every time you post and share is another entry so get snapping and posting!! Thank you to our participating businesses below:

Advanced UPVC Windows, Ashrz Beauty, Brittons House Movers, Bulls 4 Square, Bulls RSA, Bulls Tyre Shop, Bulls Café, Central How s, Corrinna Bunning Property Brokers, Esbighs, Intrigue, Keith Hay Homes, La Bull, Little Shop in Bulls Mint Café, Ochre, Find this Bull in participating Bulls Businesses and follow the instructions Physio @ Bulls, to be into win \$400! Platts Pharmacy, WIN\$400 Drawn 14 December @ the **Bulls Christmas Parade** Young Creations 21 Scullys, , Team Lewis, SRVS **TDL** Automotive All of these businesses have a chance for you to wir \$400!!! Every selfie



is one chance to

To our funders, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support: Lotteries. Ranaitikei

District Council, Pub Charity, Whanganui Community Foundation, Catalytic Foundation, Dudding's Trust, COG's and DIA

#### **BULL-IT-INN ENQUIRIES**

February articles or adverts need to be submitted by end of day 24 January to office@bulls.kiwi BULL•IT•INN

# Do-A-Bulls In & Around Bulls **TE MATAPIHI - BULLS COMMUNITY CENTRE** 4 Criterion Street - Bulls 4818 SPECIAL GUEST Entry - \$20 LYNAIRE SIMON Doors Open 6:30pm 7TH DECEMBER (7pm - 11pm) Jazz-Reggae-Top 40-Motown-Old School-RnB





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#### Hapori whānui/Community Groups

#### **BULLS RSA LADIES**

Women's Section Bulls it has been a busy month again for our committee with arranging our Mystery Tour and preparing for our Christmas jobs and functions. Our Mystery Tour was a great success with our roundabout trip to the Christmas Barn near Rongotea. There were 25 of us and we all enjoyed it and every one came home with something for our Christmas Decorations or presents, the food was lovely and plenty to choose from. I think some will be paying another visit.

Our next big thing is the Christmas Deliveries to our widows and widowers before Christmas and then our Christmas dinner which we are planning for the 15th of December. A notice will be going out to all our members about this and we will need to know numbers by the 8th, please let Marie know if you are coming.

We are also hosting our picnic in February, but more about that later.

That will round out the year so I will wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year from your President Catherine and the Committee.





COMMUNITY LEGAL ADVICE WHANGANU

**BULLS** 

**Clinic dates** 

16 January 2025

20 February 2025

20 March 2025

17 April 2025 15 May 2025

19 June 2025

**4 Criterion Street, BULLS** 

Email - office@bulls.kiwi

#### **Do-A-Bulls In & Around Bulls**

7 December Marton Market Day 8 December Marton Christmas Parade 8 December Tangimoana Kid's Fishing Competition

14 December Bulls Parade 10am 14 December Taihape Parade 12noon 3 February Free Breast Screening 15 February 2025 Fest-a-Bull 22 & 23 February 2025 Camp Fest Wear-A-Bull Arts August 2025 Bulls Ball 2025



#### Pānui Hauora / Community Health News

#### BULLS MEDICAL CENTRE

Kia ora from Bulls Medical Centre Ltd.

### Bulls Medical Centre Christmas Hours

Monday 23rd December 8am - 5pm Tuesday 24th December 8am - 3pm Wednesday 25th December Closed Thursday 26th December Closed Friday 27th December 8am - 5pm Saturday 28th December 8am - 11.45am Sunday 29th December Closed Monday 30th December 8am - 5pm Tuesday 31st December 8am - 5pm Wednesday 1st January Closed Thursday 2nd January Closed Friday 3rd January 8am - 5pm Saturday 4th January 8am - 11.45am Sunday 5th January Closed

Hope you have a Merry Christmas and o Happy New Year from all the staff at Bulls Medical Centre



Reminder that Shingles vaccine for 65 year olds is free.

Don't forget to ring and make an appointment to see our lovely ladies.

There is a self-help guideline for coughs colds and runny noses. Please look on Healthify, He Puna Waiora (<u>https://</u> <u>healthify.nz/</u>).

We have very little capacity for same day appointments.

There are other same day options, Practice Plus 0800 772 27587 there will be a cost involved with this service and Nurse Navigator between 10am – 3pm

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#### Hapori whānui/Community Groups

#### SOUTH RANGITIKEI DOG TRAINING CLUB



5.30pm at our Club grounds off Domain Road.

Last day on 17th December Have a great break.

ALL DOGS WELCOME

My contact number is 06 322 1085 Margaret Robinson

# **BULLS AIR SCOUTS**

We are now taking enrolments for 2025 Keas 5yrs – 8yrs Cubs 8yrs – 11yrs Scouts 11yrs – 14yrs

Leaders and Adult Helpers over 18yrs always welcome

Police vetting is required for youth safety



Scout nights are Monday's 6pm till 8pm (School terms) Contact Lynell Arnott – bulls@group.scouts.nz



TE WHAEA AROHA NOA

## Our Lady of Grace

Traditional Mass 1st Sundays 8am (Latin) 10am (Sung) Bulls; 2nd Sundays 2pm Kimbolton 3rd Saturdays 5:30pm Bulls 3rd Sundays 2pm Marton 4th Sundays 2pm Marton

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#### Hapori whānui/Community Groups

# Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten



Kindergartens

Te Půtahi Kura Půhou o Ruahine

We wish everyone a safe and happy festive season. Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten will be closed from Friday 20th December and reopen to Tamariki on Tueday 14th January.

Bulls Kindergarten has been a hive of activity as we have been enjoying the delights of spring! We have learned lots about life cycles by caring for baby chicks that we hatched in an incubator. A generous member of the community donated a big bag of equipment that will support active play. We have had lots of relaxed days enjoying the sunshine in our beautiful outdoor environment.



If you would like your child to experience all that we have to offer at Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten, please don't hesitate to contact us. Phone; 06 322 1466 Email; bulls@rka.org.nz Or pop in and see the team at 30 Wilson Street Bulls. We look forward to meeting you!

#### Pānui Hauora / Community Health News

## Free breast screening is coming to Marton

Look for the mobile clinic at: Stewart Street Surgery, 26 Stewart St from: Monday 3rd February 2025

> Time to Screen BreastScreen Actearca

Free for women aged 45–69 years

Dear Santa, I have been nice all year. Most of the time. Once in awhile. Nevermind, I'll just buy my own stuff.

**ÁTA WHAKARONGO** 

**BE HEARD** 

d 45-69 years

FREEPHONE 0800 270 200

SAFEGUARD YOUR BABY'S FUTURE - CHOOSE A MOCKTAIL NOT A COCKTAIL

As we approach the "silly Season" be mindful about drinking alcohol during pregnancy. Alcohol is not an option if you want to prevent the risk of FASD and ensure the healthy development of your baby. If you drink alcohol during pregnancy you run the risk of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD). These disorders can have a profound and lasting impact on the baby, family, and community. They often lead to educational challenges, social struggles,

and difficulties in daily living due to mental health issues, stigma, misunderstanding.

"Expecting a baby? Embrace this beautiful journey by choosing to avoid alcohol for a healthier future for both you and your little one!



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#### WELCOME TO THE BULLS RSA 55 High Street, Bulls 06 322 0875

New members are always welcome, come on in and have a look around. Annual Subscription is \$40.

Our opening hours are as follows:

#### **RSA Courtesy Van** available, donations

welcome to help with the

- Monday closed except for Public Holidays
- Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 4pm till close
- Friday 3pm
- Saturday/Sunday 1pm



### PERE SISTERS



The Pere Sisters will be at the RSA on New Year's eve, open to the public courtesy of a special license. No hats allowed and tidy dress.



# Council News

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**Happy holidays** everyone!

FROM THE Mayor's Desk

As we head into the festive season myself. **Beth and Councillors** would like to wish vou

all the best for a happy, peaceful holiday time however you choose to spend it. It has been another incredibly busy year and it's important to take some time out to relax and unwind and recharge ourselves for 2025. Stay safe and enjoy the break.

Ngā mihi, Andy Watson, Mayor of Rangitīkei.

#### **Building and Resource Consenting over the Christmas/New Year period**

 Any Building Consents and Resource Consents submitted after 19 December 2024, will not start to be processed until 13 January 2025 due to the Christmas/ New Year Shutdown period. (as per Section 7 Building Act 2004).





The operating hours for our council offices, community hubs and waste transfer stations will be changing over the Christmas period.

- Council offices will be closed from Monday 23 December 2024 and will reopen on Monday 6 January 2025.
- All waste transfer stations will be closed on 25 and 26 December 2024, and 1 and 2 of January 2025. Operating hours may also differ slightly outside of these days.

Taihape Community Hub	Closed 25 & 26 December
Te Matapihi Bulls Community Hub	Closed 25 & 26 December
Marton Community Hub	Closed 25 & 26 December Closed 1 January 2025

If you have an urgent issue to report, please remember you can always call us on our 24/7 phone number 0800 422 522.

www.rangitikei.govt.nz







#### "Kia Tū, Kia Kaha, Kia Manawanui" - Stand firm, Be Strong, Be your best.

Kia ora e te whānau,

It's hard to believe we're nearing the end of 2024! This year has flown by, filled with fun, laughter, and a mammoth amount of learning. We are so proud of the efforts of our awesome students here at Sanson School.

This term, we've loved getting outdoors again and competing with our Te Kawau schools in Ki o Rahi and athletics. The rain didn't stop us from giving things a go and getting stuck in! A huge congratulations to Heath, who competed at the Te Kawau Cluster Athletics competition at Massey. Heath came 2nd in all his races and ended the day as the 3rd-best athlete for his age. Amazing job!

We've also enjoyed getting back into the school pool. We're so lucky to have this facility on our doorstep, and the students love using it every day. A heartfelt thanks must go to all our volunteers who help keep the pool running and do so much behind the scenes. We are truly grateful. If you're still willing to help, please contact me at principal@sanson.school.nz. If you'd like to get a pool key, please contact the school office.

As Christmas approaches, it's a great time to reflect on the incredible year that has been and to start making plans for the new year ahead. We're extremely excited about what 2025 has in store! From all of us here at Sanson School, we'd like to wish everyone a very happy holiday season, a safe and relaxing time with friends and whānau, and we look forward to seeing you all in 2025.

Ngā mihi Grayson Marsh Principal - Sanson School





Welcome • Haere Mai • Talofa Lava • Bula • Hallo • Susadei



We have made it through another year and we can't

believe how quickly 2024 has flown by. I want to say a huge thank you to everyone who has done their part to make Clifton School what it is.

We all have an important role to play no matter how big or how small. The children have had a remarkable year with their efforts and achievements. It has been wonderful to see the many successes throughout the year. They are a credit to themselves as well as their families.

This term we have finished with a range of activities, this included being visited by the White Ribbon ride, our annual cross country, colour run, enviro day and visits to the Bulls friendship group.

Here at Clifton we want to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a wonderful new year. We hope that you all have a wonderful time with family and friends and we look forward to what 2025 holds.

#### Ngā Mihi Adrian Burn Clifton School Tumuaki









#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

#### TERM 4 2024

#### Kia ora koutou

The festive season is almost upon us! What a year it has been. It always amazes me how quickly we get to term 4 and how busy we always make that term! We have had children out and about every week and we've also had lots going on in school as well. It's such a busy but exciting time of year and as we prepare for the many 'end of year' traditions we also take a second to reflect on the year that's been.

To the many members of our community that regularly support both of the kura in Bulls, as well as the amazing Early Childhood Educators, we thank you. Our tamariki are our future and the investment we make in them now will contribute to the kind of community Bulls has now and into the future - so your support, encouragement, patience and guidance are very much appreciated!

We are doing things a bit differently this year and our COMMUNITY CONCERT will be held at the Bulls Scout Hall on Friday the 6th December from 3.30-4.30pm. We would love to see you there to share our end of year

celebration koha with you all. This is a free event, so just come along and enjoy.

Enjoy the summer season ahead, take care of each other and focus on whānau time in the great outdoors. From simple walks around our community to going exploring further afield there are so many opportunities for us to spend time with loved ones that doesn't have to cost a fortune but can add so much to our physical and mental well being - and nature is a BIG antidote to the stresses of modern living.

The staff and students of Bulls School wish everyone a happy and safe holiday,

Ngā manaakitanga, Kim Gordon Tumuaki Bulls Kura.



#### Memor-a-Bull

ALIVE AND WELL IN BULLS The little museum that punches above it's weight

We will be nearing to December when you get to read this last Bull–a-Tin for the year. How time has flown this year.

Congratulations to the organisers of the 147<sup>th</sup> Bulls Rose and Flower Show. A fabulous display of flowers considering the weather not really playing "ball". The judges I spoke to were very impressed with the quality of flowers present. Floral Art section was amazing. Keep up the great work. Did you know this one of the longest surviving rose shows in NZ?

Another event to mention is the Bulls Rugby Club in 2026. What with the Flockhouse event earlier, Bulls can be proud to have such long affiliations with these organisations.

Bulls Racing Club is one of the oldest in the NZ as well. We had a chap in from Central Otago a couple of years back

suggesting their racing club was older than ours, but unfortunately for him, I could prove Bulls was older.

Visitor numbers are climbing still with 4978 for the year to date and 255 for the month with 6 days to go.

A couple from Lincoln, down south, who volunteer in their local museum spoke of their connection with Hilary Haylock, from many years ago. For those of you who do not know this wonderful community minded lady, who sadly passed on a few years ago, Hilary was a founding member and President and Patron of the Bulls and Districts Historical Society for many years.

Quite a few research enquiries are coming in along with book purchases to boot. This week saw a copy of "The Tasman Series" book off to Scotland.

On parade day we shall have our Bar -b -que and usual stalls outside the museum so bring your appetites and support.

As this is the last Bull - a - Tin for the year, we, at the Bulls Museum, wish you a safe and Merry Christmas whether you are travelling or staying home.

PS: We have some great books etc. for Xmas presents, so come on in.

