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Te Kawerongo ō Bulls

JULY 2026 - ISSUE 236



**BULLS AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY TRUST
PROUDLY PRESENTS**

ART 4 ARTS SAKE EXHIBITION



Exhibition Open to Public

13 to 24 July 2026

**TE MATAPIHI, BULLS
10am to 4pm Daily**



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The Bulls & District Community Trust held its Annual General Meeting recently, where we welcomed Danelle Whakatihi as our new Chair. We would like to thank everyone who attended the AGM and acknowledge the contribution of our previous Chair and Trustees who continue to support the Trust and our community.

We have some exciting events coming up over the next few months, including Arts 4 Arts Sake and the ever-popular Waitatapia Wear-a-Bull Arts. Both events celebrate the incredible creativity and talent within our district and provide opportunities for artists, performers, and the wider community to come together.

We are currently seeking volunteers to help with the setup of both events, as well as assistance on the night of Wear-a-Bull Arts. Whether you can spare a few hours helping prepare venues, assist with event operations, or support our artists and guests, your help would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to get involved or learn more about volunteering opportunities, please get in touch with the me. Community events like these are only possible because of the amazing support we receive from local volunteers. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

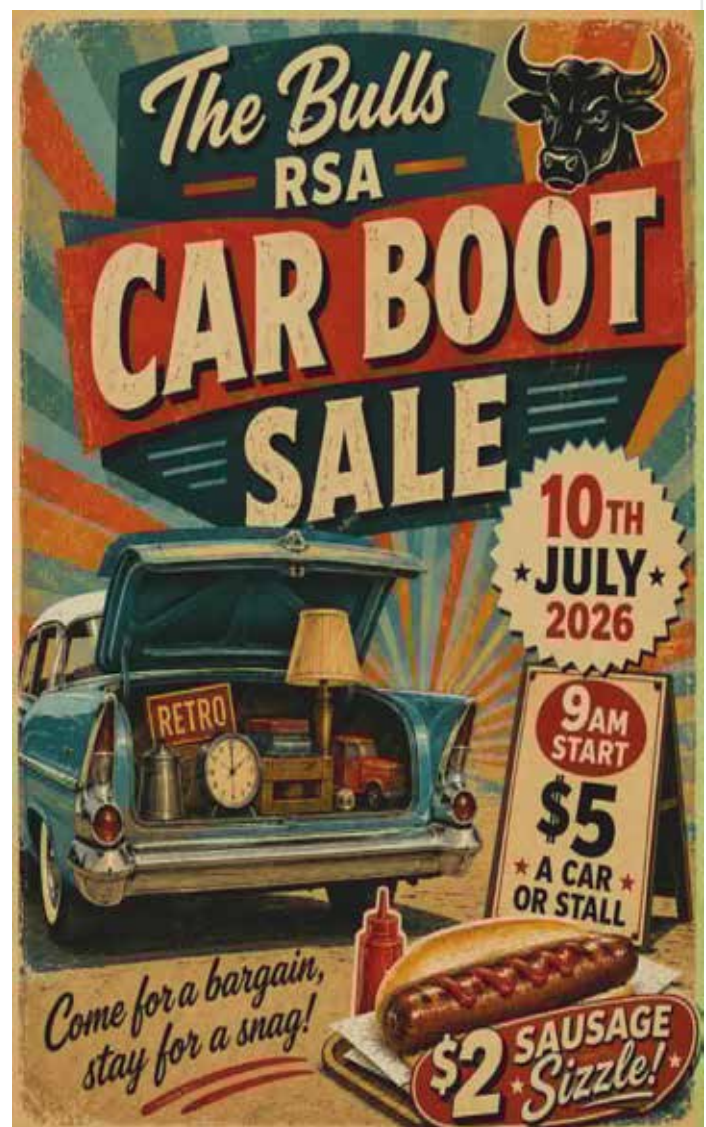
Stay warm and dry, your community Coordinator Heidi Macaulay



Your local Freemasons Lodge is in Marton and has been actively involved in the Rangitikei District since 1880.

We are always willing to consider new members, so if you've ever wondered what we're about, now is your chance to ask!

For more information, you can contact:
Lodge Secretary, Bulls local, Wally on 06 322 1635
or Matt Smith in Feilding on 021 1383187.



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THE STABLES MOTEL – STAY BULLS

A NEW PLACE TO PUT YOUR HOOVES UP

There's a new place for visitors to put up their hooves in Bulls, with The Stables Motel now officially open and welcoming guests.

The motel's day-to-day operations are in the capable hands of Motel Managers Steve and Jackie Clark, who bring their warm hospitality experience, along with strong local connections, and a genuine passion for the Rangitikei.

Located in the heart of Bulls at 10 Criterion Street, The Stables Motel has been designed to offer comfortable, modern accommodation for everyone from business travellers and families to motorhome guests and those requiring fully accessible facilities.

With 15 modern units, dedicated motorhome facilities (with effluent dump station on site), fully accessible accommodation, guest kitchen, complimentary guest laundry and BBQ areas, The Stables Motel has been built with comfort, practicality and inclusiveness in mind.

Steve and Jackie look forward to welcoming both new and returning visitors to Bulls, if you're in the neighbourhood they welcome you to pop in and say Hi. For all bookings or enquiries please visit: www.staybulls.co.nz



COMMUNITY VAN



The Bulls and District Community Trust has a 12 seater van and a community focused approach for those who have transportation challenges. We want to ensure that you, your whanau, or your community groups will get to where you need to go.

There is a cost, please contact to discuss.

For more information and booking enquiries
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email office@bulls.kiwi

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EVENT CALENDAR

JULY

13th to 24 July – ART 4 ARTS SAKE

25th – BULLS NETBALL QUIZ NIGHT

AUGUST

27th – WAITATAPIA WEAR-A-BULL ARTS

29th – BULLS JUNIOR RUGBY TOURNAMENT

TBA – RANGITIKEI TOUGH KIDS

OCTOBER

22nd – SHOCKING PINK FUNDRAISER

NOVEMBER

14th – BULLS ANNUAL ROSE & FLOWER SHOW

DECEMBER

5th – BULLS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Waitatapia WEAR-A-BULL ARTS 27 August 2026

Te Matapihi

6pm

Tickets @ Eventfinda & Te Matapihi



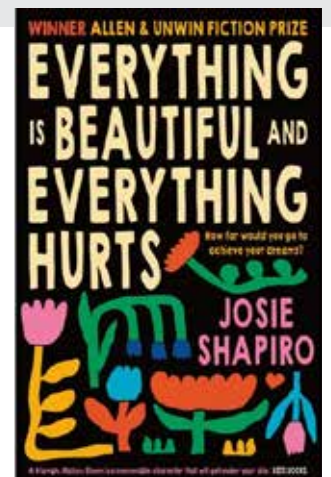
DO-A-BULLS IN AND AROUND BULLS

BOOK NEWS

Everything is Beautiful and Everything Hurts

By Josie Shapiro RRP \$27.99

Mickey Bloom: five foot tall, dyslexic, and bullied at school. Mickey knows she's nothing special. Until one day, she discovers running. Mickey's new-found talent makes her realise she's everything she thought she wasn't - powerful, strong and special. Years later, when Mickey is working in a dead-end job with a drop-kick boyfriend, her mother becomes seriously ill. After nursing her, Mickey realises the only way she can overcome her grief - and find herself - is to run again.



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PĀNUI HAUORA - COMMUNITY HEALTH NEWS



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FLU VACCINATIONS AVAILABLE

Flu vaccinations are now available, and some people may be eligible for funded vaccinations. Give us a call to book your flu vaccination today.

DON'T WAIT – VACCINATE!

Protect yourself, your whānau, and your community. As the seasons change, it's important to take steps to prevent illness. Stay warm, take care of yourself, and keep up to date with your vaccinations.

SCABIES

Scabies is currently circulating in the community, so please remain vigilant. If you develop an itchy rash or small bumps/pustules, speak to your local pharmacist about treatment options. Scabies is highly contagious, and early treatment can help prevent it from spreading.

COUGHS, COLDS, AND FLU

If you are feeling unwell with cold- or flu-like symptoms:

- Stay home where possible.
- Keep warm and rest.
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes, and practise good hand hygiene.

SAME-DAY APPOINTMENTS

Our practice has grown significantly, and demand for appointments is high. We will always do our best to accommodate urgent needs; however, same-day appointments may not always be available.

We appreciate your patience, kindness, and understanding.

PĀNUI HAUORA - COMMUNITY HEALTH NEWS

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For further details contact:
Janet Lewis, Age Concern Whanganui
06 345 1799
saygo@acwhanganui.org.nz

...or just come along & have a go!



Alheimers Whanganui

WE ARE HERE TO WALK ALONGSIDE YOU

If you have a diagnosis of dementia, or care for someone who does, we encourage you to connect with us.

We understand that changes in memory, thinking, or behaviour can feel overwhelming. You don't have to face it alone—our dementia Navigator is here to listen, answer your questions, and offer support in a way that works for you.

Contact Mary on 022 694 4978

DO YOU HAVE AN HOUR TO GIVE PER WEEK OR FORTNIGHT?

We connect older people with caring volunteers for regular, friendly home visits. If you are warm, friendly, a good listener, and can offer around one hour a week – you could make a real difference in an older person's life.

The Visiting Service is available in Marton, Bulls, Hunterville, Raetihi and Ohakune.

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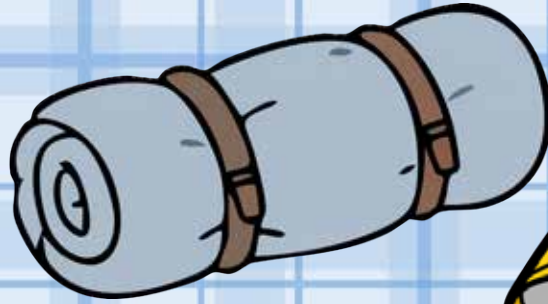
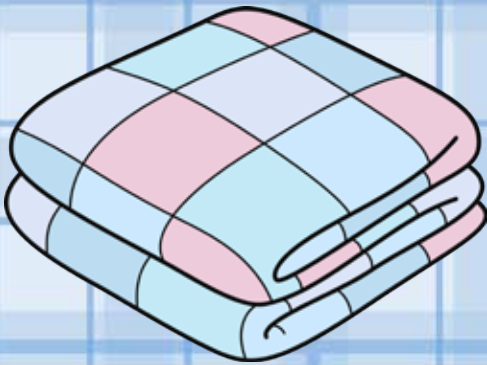
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Te Matapihi - Front Desk Drop Box

COLLECTION POINT

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Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten



We have recently celebrated 100 years of New Zealand kindergartens with a day of festivities. These included an all day disco, face painting and cupcakes. Kindergarten offers play-based, child led learning with 100% qualified teachers. We love being part of something that has been so special for 100 years!



We invite you to our

Playgroup every Friday
11.00am - 12noon
ages 2 to school

When and where

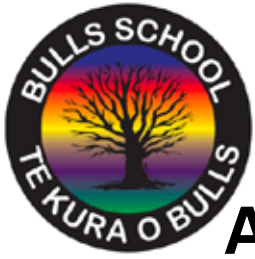
Come and discover for yourself the difference that Kindergarten makes. We would love to show you and your tamariki around.

Phone: 06 322 1466
Mobile: 021 0829 6132
Email: bulls@rka.org.nz

Or pop in and see the team at
30 Wilson Street, Bulls



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Wilson Street, Bulls
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www.ruahinekindergartens.org.nz



Bulls School



A couple of Highlights from this term



Air Playground Exhibition.

Students had a wonderful time exploring, creating, experimenting, and learning through hands-on activities that brought the science of air to life. There were plenty of smiles, laughter, and opportunities to discover something new!

A huge thank you to the parents and whānau who helped with transport. We couldn't provide these valuable learning experiences without your support.



We were incredibly lucky to have House of Bricks all the way from Christchurch! A huge thank you to Rachel, a semi-finalist from New Zealand Lego Masters, for bringing such an exciting and creative experience to our students.

Throughout the day, the whole school rotated through four different hour-long activities:

Racing Cars, Maths Mosaics, Pass the Brick, & Creative Build.

The creativity, imagination, collaboration, and problem-solving shown by our tamariki was incredible to see.

Classrooms were buzzing with excitement, teamwork, and laughter all day long.



“Kia Tū, Kia Kaha, Kia Manawanui” - Stand firm, Be Strong, Be your best.

Kia ora e te whānau,

Wow, it is hard to believe that we are already at the end of Term 2! It has certainly flown by, but we are all amazed at how much we have managed to pack into our weeks of learning, creativity, and adventure.

Room 3 was completely transformed into the chilly Arctic recently! The classroom featured real snow, icicles hanging from the walls, a custom-built snow cave, and even an evergreen pine tree growing right near the whiteboard! They experienced what life is like during a dark polar winter by spending part of the morning in a completely darkened classroom. To finish the day and thaw out, students designed and created their own winter treats during our Hot Chocolate Challenge. After all, how else were we supposed to stay warm?

To focus in on our own New Zealand native biomes, we had 2 special guests visit last week who brought in some native geckos for us to hold. This was a very special experience for our students to see some very special endemic treasures.

Our juniors have been working hard as little scientists, diving into the world of wind energy and aerodynamics. In class, they utilized our 3D printers to create hovercrafts and built balloon-powered cars to test the power of stored wind energy. To celebrate the end of this fantastic inquiry unit, the students made a special trip to Te Manawa museum to test their learning, apply their understanding, and enjoy some hands-on fun along the way! Term 2 Final Weeks To wrap up our incredibly busy term, we are packing in some beautiful Matariki (Māori New Year) celebrations to share kai (food) and reflect together, alongside our highly anticipated cluster cross country event.

Ngā manaakitanga,
Grayson Marsh
Principal – Sanson School



Here we are at July already.

Over the past couple of weeks we have held our school cross country as well as the seniors having quad sports with the cluster for rugby and soccer. I would like to commend everyone who ran in the cross country. Running for many people, let alone children, is not their idea of fun. We were really impressed with the calibre of the runners as well as the sportsmanship and support that was shown between the children. It is always so heart warming to see the students support and encourage their peers. Well done to everyone. Also to those who took part in the quad sports on the last couple of Fridays across in Marton and in Bulls. These kids did a remarkable job and again their sportsmanship came to the fore. Thank you very much to those who came and helped out at both events. Without the support of you as a parent body we can't manage to run all these events and provide the opportunities we do.

Within Te ruma Karearea they have been looking at World War 1 and stretcher bearing. We were lucky enough to have a couple of defense force stretchers loaned to us for a time and the students experienced what it is like to carry people on one. It's not as easy as they first thought. We would like to say a big thank you to Rebecca Smith on base who organised those for us.

Finally, on the 2nd of July we have our whanau soup night and matariki celebration where you can come and make a Matariki lantern here at school. Come along from 5pm till 7pm for a bowl of soup and a piece of cake and have some fun and laughter. We have certainly had a busy term this term and look forward to term 3 from the 20th July.

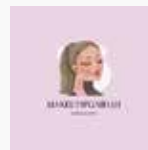
Ngā Mihi
Adrian Burn
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WAITATAPIA WEAR-A-BULL ARTS

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BULLS & DISTRICT FRIENDSHIP CLUB

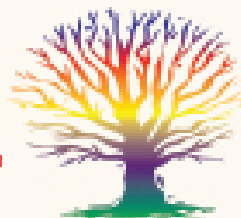
We meet every Friday in our hall on the corner of Daniell and High Streets. Our doors open at 1pm Start Time 1.45pm. Entertainment starts at 2pm with afternoon tea to follow. We also have lovely raffles and a sales table to enjoy. Our committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm.

We always enjoy the friendship of our members and love having the entertainers each week who always lift our spirits and we all go home after a most enjoyable afternoon looking forward to the next get together every Friday. Come along and enjoy great company and entertaining, not to forget the lovely afternoon tea.

Take Care everyone. Kay O'Brien – 027 471 0889

Bulls School presents

Rangitikei Reads



These books are on a journey!
Take me home, read me, then hide me again for someone else to find.
Let's make reading an adventure across Rangitikei!

Share where you found me on Facebook.
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Ngā kōrero hei tiritiri – stories are for sharing



BULLS BOWLING CLUB

HOUSIE

14th & 28th July. 7pm Sharp.
Every two weeks.
All welcome. Supper provided



HAPORI WHĀNUI - COMMUNITY GROUPS

FEILDING ARMY CADETS

Parade nights on Wednesdays during school terms at the Feilding Aerodrome from 6 to 9pm.

For more information contact
simon.dean@cadetforces.org.nz or
brittanybenseman@cadetforces.org.nz

We also have a Support Committee to help with fundraising for the non profit Cadet Unit. Anyone is welcome to join to help.
Contact **chairpersonfeu@gmail.com**

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Te Matapihi Bulls Community Centre
Criterion Street, Bulls

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TE WHAEA AROHA NOA

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BULLS SCOUT GROUP

We are now taking enrolments
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Cubs 8yrs to 11yrs

Scouts 11yrs to 15yrs

Leaders and Adult Helpers over 18yrs
always welcome (police vetting is
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Scout nights are Monday's 6pm till
7.30pm (School terms)

Contact Lynell Arnott at
bulsc@group.scouts.nz



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from 9.30am to 10.30am.

Refreshments to follow

SOUTH RANGITIKEI DOG TRAINING CLUB

Tuesday 30th June will be our last day of training for
this term. Next term will start on the 21st July at
5.30pm at the Bulls Scout and Guide Hall.

FOR ENQUIRIES CONTACT MARGARET ROBINSON
ON 021 0222 8626



HAPORI WHĀNUI - COMMUNITY GROUPS

THE BULLS TOY LIBRARY

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BULLS RSA LADIES



Our Committee Meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month in the Bulls RSA Lounge at 1pm. Our Mid Winter Christmas Lunch at "Delish" was very successful and enjoyed by all. Bulls RSA will be hosting the Wellington, West Coast, Taranaki Districts (WWCT) Meeting. We will have Raffles, Guest speaker, Workshops on a few roles. Lunch will be supplied at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Everyone is very welcome and we look forward to seeing you all there. Please bring a plate for Lunch. Please put this date on your Calendar as Wednesday 22nd July from 9.30 for Morning Tea ready for a 10am start. A flier will follow. Memberships are due. Fees stay the same at \$10 per person. Our Treasurer Margaret Robinson will accept your Membership with pleasure. We hope you are all staying warm and safe.

For further information or enquiries please contact Elizabeth Taylor (Liz) on 027 229 8980 or Lechelle Wilson 027 444 3341



WELCOME TO THE BULLS RSA

55 High Street, Bulls. New members are always welcome.

Come on in and have a look around. Annual Subscription is \$40.

Our opening hours are as follows: Mon closed except for Public Holidays.

Tues-Wed-Thurs 4pm till close. Fri from 3pm. Open Sat & Sun from 2.30pm

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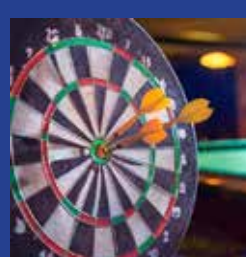
Donations welcome to help with the upkeep and fuel costs.



Our low membership fee of \$40 gives you the following benefits:

– Monthly birthday draw: put your names into the container, if it's your name drawn a \$30 bar tab is loaded to your membership card. Membership Draw: Fri nights between 6.15 and 6.30pm. A second draw on Sat nights between 4pm and 6pm.

Access to all affiliated clubs in NZ – Courtesy Van available – Karaoke the last Fri of the month



RANGITIKEI AT THE TABLE

Decisions about us should be made with us.

WHAT YOU TOLD US

We've received 320 responses to our survey asking residents how we should respond to the Simplifying Local Government reforms. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to have their say on this important topic.

Just accounting for the online responses while the paper copies are still being processed (233 of 320), this is what you're telling us:

- **84.12%** of you think we should put together a **"Head Start"** proposal to Central Government.
- **30.9%** believe that we should look to do a **"Horizons region"** amalgamation, with the next closest option, **"Go Rural"** amalgamation on **27.47%**.
- **45.06%** of you think local voice remains important and would like to see a representative for your town or local area on any future amalgamated council.

Of those who would like to see 'something else' done, (something different to the amalgamation options we proposed), here's what you've suggested:

- *"Put south Rangitikei into Whanganui District Council and Northern Rangitikei into Ruapehu."*
- *"Consider Iwi boundaries and remap this way so that shared governance boundaries match."*
- *"I'd rather push back on Government, amalgamating with other small rural councils will help to ensure there are strong measures in place to protect local representation and ensure communities continue to have a voice."*
- *"All Horizons Councils with exception to Tararua plus Taranaki Councils. This gives us scale and is the absolute minimum we should be looking for in an amalgamation."*

Some of you raised concerns of what the future may hold for our Rangitikei. Some of these are outlined below:

- *"That Taihape will sink even further down the priority list. We already feel like the lost sibling, it feels like it will get even worse if our council area gets bigger."*
- *"Making sure there is regular upkeep and maintenance of our towns infrastructure and assets with a proper maintenance plan that will be efficiently followed with regular community reporting."*
- *"Loss of local identity, but this would be offset by a more efficient and fiscally responsible local government amalgamation."*
- *"The smaller towns and rural communities losing a seat at the table and the bigger centres taking priority."*

Our next steps are to work through all your feedback alongside the facts and figures we have available to come up with a shortlist of options for Council to consider. A reminder that if Council decides to submit a 'Head Start' proposal, this will need to be completed by 9 August.

We'll keep you informed as this work progresses.

www.rangitikei.govt.nz/simplifying-local-government



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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4-19 JULY @ TE MATAPIHI - BULLS COMMUNITY HUB

WEEK ONE

MON
6
July

*Craft-Sew-Mend
with Angela
10am to 3pm*



TUE
7
July

*VR with Matthew
Craft-Sew-Mend with Angela
10am to 3pm*



WED
8
July

*VR with Matthew
Craft-Sew-Mend with Angela
10am to 3pm*



THU
9
July

*VR with Matthew
10.30am - 12pm*



FRI
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SAT
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12
July

WEEK TWO

MON
13
July



TUE
14
July

Slime 10.30am - 12pm

WED
15
July

*Slime 10.30am - 12pm
DIY Origami star session, 1 - 3pm*

THU
16
July

Scrapbooking 10:30am - 2:30pm

FRI
17
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Scrapbooking 10:30am - 2:30pm

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DISTRICT COUNCIL



For more information contact 06 327 0080
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Celebrate Senior Pet Month With Us!

Notes from our Small Animal Vets

With grey muzzles and wise whiskers, our senior pets hold a special place in our families. As they age, regular health checks become even more important. Many age-related conditions develop gradually and can be difficult to detect without regular veterinary check ins.

To help keep your pets happy and healthy, we're offering a Senior Health Package, which includes:

- ✓ Comprehensive veterinary consultation
- ✓ Blood test

This blood test provides valuable insight into your pet's overall health, it helps identify early kidney and liver disease. This can help tailor your pets healthcare as they age.

In general, dogs over 7 years of age and cats over 7–10 years are considered seniors.

Give your golden oldie the care they deserve and help them enjoy many more happy years by your side.

Sleepy Sickness in Sheep

Notes from our Production Vets:

Sleepy sickness/ketosis is the most common metabolic issue we see in pregnant ewes. The energy demands of carrying multiple lambs increases the closer to lambing they get. If feed levels aren't adequate or they meet some sort of stress (e.g. bad weather, yarding for too long) feed intake decreases meaning the ewe needs to mobilise her own stores (e.g. fat and muscle) to meet these demands. Overly fat ewes are most at risk because the amount of fat they can mobilise quickly overwhelms the liver causing ketosis. The ewe will initially go off feed, become slow/wobbly, then recumbent, followed by death. The sooner we see these ewes the better the chance of survival. Prevention via providing adequate feed – often with the addition of daily high energy supplements such as Multifeed nuts close to lambing for high risk ewes is best.

Fibre Fuels Winter Warmth

Notes from our Equine Vets:

With the weather getting colder now, its important to take into consideration what horses need to keep warm and maintain condition: forage based fibre. Horses are hindgut fermenters, meaning that fibre such as hay and grass are broken down in the caecum after the stomach and small intestine extract nutrients. This is the opposite to ruminants, which are foregut fermenters and fibre is broken down in the rumen before moving into the stomach and small intestine for absorption of nutrients. The main way horses keep warm is through the fermentation process, as this creates heat. If they are not getting fed adequate fibre, they tend to feel the cold and lose condition. When grass is scarce in the colder months, its important to feed plenty of hay/baleage/chaff (approx. 1.5-2% of body weight) to maintain condition and warmth. Many horses will also need a cover to protect from the elements, and concentrated hard feed for extra calories. Healthy horses should not lose condition over colder periods when appropriately fed – if you are struggling with your horses condition, please chat to us about a feeding plan.

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PĀNUI HĀKINAKINA - SPORTS UPDATES



BULLS RUGBY FOOTBALL SPORTS CLUB

Dates to put in the calendar:

2026 HOULIHAN CUP	
4 July	Senior Bs Semi Finals @ Bulls Domain of Pain
11 July	Finals @ CET Arena
8 August	Hurricanes U20 Tournament
9 August	
29 August	Bulls Junior Tournament

BULLS HEALTHY BASTARDS SENIOR B team have topped the ladder in round 2 of the Houlihan Cup competition, with 4 wins from 4 and maximum points awarded. As a result the team has qualified to play a home semifinal at the Domain of Pain at 1245 on July 4. This has been achieved regardless of the outcome of the fifth game of the round that has been played at Massey University after this publication went to print.

In this two round competition up to and before the last game, the team has scored 72 tries, with an average of 7.2 tries per game, 466 points for (averaging 46.6 points per game) and 156 points against. A great effort.

We thank our supporters, Dr Dave and all the other sponsors who make our little country club so successful. A semifinal win will allow us the privilege of playing in the final at CET Arena on July 11th, come along and support your team, who represents our club and town with pride and passion.

Well done team!



PĀNUI HĀKINAKINA - SPORTS UPDATES



BULLS RUGBY FOOTBALL SPORTS CLUB NETBALL



Bulls Netball continues to enjoy the 2026 season, with six teams representing the club across the women's and men's competitions.

Our men's team has had a high growth season and will wrap up their campaign with their final game on 30 June. We wish the team all the best as they look to finish the season on a high. In the women's competition, two of our teams are sitting comfortably inside the top four in their respective grades and are well placed as they push towards securing semi-final berths.

Two other teams remain just outside the top four and are continuing to improve each week, with every game presenting an opportunity to climb the ladder as the season progresses. Our social team is yet to record their first win, but the improvement they have shown throughout the season has been fantastic. They are becoming stronger each week and are closing the gap on their opposition, and of course are having a lot of fun! We are confident that a well-deserved win is not far away.

The positive culture, commitment and enthusiasm across the club continue to be a highlight of the season. It has been fantastic to see players supporting one another both on and off the court, and we are excited to see what the remainder of the season holds for all our teams.

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RANGITIKEI GOLF CLUB

Club competitions are currently taking place with the Mixed Dalrymple Cup, Bary Cup and the PY (Peter Young) Challenge, where the current holders are Stew deBurgh and Peter Masters. Next up for this challenge will be Marty Field and Bronwyn Ewens battling it out.

The annual Cockies tournament attracted around 120 players who had an incredible day. The Winner of the tournament was local player Scott Ewens with an incredible round with 45 stableford points taking out the win. A standing ovation was given to Geoff Ingram who created this tournament from scratch decades ago. Geoff is certainly a legend at our club and we thank you for all you have done as you step away for a much needed rest to let others take this over.

The behind the scenes work is done by a small group of people and we would like to thank all of the committee for all the endless hours they put in for others. There are of course other members in our club that put in a lot of unpaid hours, doing gardens, clearing rubbish, cleaning loos, catering, starting and so on. We really appreciate you all.

Memberships are available, so check us out on our website for prices. Social membership is popular for those wanting to come out and have a hit anytime of the year, with no handicap required. It's a whole lot cheaper and you can play basically 365 days of the year unless the course is closed. Any queries please get in touch.



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