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THURSDAY 22nd OCTOBER, 6.30PM
TE MATAPIHI, Criterion Street, Bulls

Fun Murder Mystery Event

\$25 per Seat or Book a Table of 8

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Supper provided, bar available

Bring a mask!

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Spot Prizes

**Thank you to all our amazing sponsors and supporters that
make this fabulous fundraiser happen!**

CREATIVITY SHINES AT THE 2026 WAITATAPIA WEAR-A-BULL ARTS

What a night! The 2026 Waitatapia Wear-a-Bull Arts was a fabulous celebration of creativity, talent and imagination, with an incredible collection of designs taking to the runway.

From start to finish, the evening was a huge success. It is almost impossible to choose just one highlight. Seeing the creativity, skills and confidence of our designers and models, and watching their creations come alive on stage, was pretty special.

Our judges were blown away by the calibre of this year's entries, which made their job incredibly difficult. The attention to detail, clever use of materials and stories behind the garments showed just how much thought, time and effort had gone into every creation.

SUPREME AWARDS

Grand Supreme: Zoe Waldman – designer and model of Salvaged Sovereign

Reserve Supreme: Daisy Viviani – Awatapu

College – designer and model of Bloom from the Blue

Textile Award: McKenzie Cameron – designer and model of Fragments of Blue

RECYCLED AWARD

1st: Zoe Waldman – Salvaged Sovereign

2nd: Jo Melville – modelled by Paetyn Macaulay – Warrior Mermaid

YOUTH – ONE OUT OF THE BOX

1st: Emmi Webb – Quibli's Shields of Fire

2nd: Abigail Van Wyn – Domino Effect **One Out of The**

3rd: Charlie Williams

Highly Commended – Evelyn Cookson & Lydia McNie

TIME TRAVELLER

1st: Sloan Rogers – Deeds Not Words

2nd: Rebecca Hart – Live Aid

3rd: Cameron Mark & Eleanor Murrow – Coronation Sweetheart



One Out of The Box Section Winners with a representative from Mitre 10 Mcilwaines



Grand Winner Zoe Waldman with sponsor Hew Dalrymple

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PLASTIC

- 1st: Zoe Waldman** – The Salvaged Sovereign
2nd: Daisy Viviani – Bloom from the Blue
3rd: Rebecca Hart – Hydration Fairy

PAINTED KIMONO

- 1st: Beckett Cameron** – JJK
2nd: Mason Cookson – Mason's Pepeha
3rd: Natalie Hale – The Secret Garden

The Painted Kimono section was particularly special for our judges. Each creation was incredibly personal and really pulled at their heartstrings. The garments took on another dimension when they appeared on stage and truly came alive under the lights. Well done to everyone who entered this beautiful section!

ALL ABOUT THE JEANS

- 1st: McKenzie Cameron** – Fragments of Blue
2nd: Julie Sabine – Round & Round
3rd: Maria Gomes Dos Reis & Ashleigh Weir – The Cut
Highly Commended: Michelle Brown – Spring Awakening



*McKenzie Cameron All About Jeans
Winner & Textile*



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THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING SPONSORS

An event like Wear-a-Bull Arts simply wouldn't be possible without the fantastic businesses, organisations and individuals who get behind us.

A huge thank you to Waitatapia Farming, John Turkington Forestry, KiwiTech International Limited, APB Electrical Ltd, Heidi & Lucy Real Estate, Central House Movers, Watson Integrity, Bulls Motel & Holiday Park, Scullys, Rangitikei District Council, Coffee on the Moove, Country Chic Reloved Boutique, Platts Pharmacy, Mitre 10 Mcilwaine, La Bull Café & Bar, Manawatu Audio & Electrical, Stitch-a-Bull by Jenny, 4 Square Bulls, Tricklebanks Ltd, Intrigue and Suze Redmayne.

Your generosity and support helped make this fabulous event possible, and we are incredibly grateful to each and every one of you. Every year Wear-a-Bull Arts continues to learn, grow and evolve – and we certainly have no plans to stop! Planning is already underway for next year, with the new sections being released here for 2027:

YOUTH

From the deep – Dive beneath the surface and let the ocean inspire your creation!

OPEN SECTION

Down the garden path – A costume based on flowers, plants and insects found in the garden

Opposites attract – A costume based on opposites, night and day, black and white, big and small etc

Magical creatures – Create your own magical creature

Hats Off – A costume where the hat takes centre stage.

Another extra large thank you to all our volunteers without you all I could not do this! I am forever grateful x – Heidi

A huge congratulations to every designer and model who stepped onto the runway, and a heartfelt thank you to our sponsors, judges, volunteers, supporters, families and everyone who came along on the night. You all played a part in making the 2026 Waitatapia Wear-a-Bull Arts such a fabulous success. We can't wait to do it again next year!

FAIR & OPEN DAY - ST THOMAS CHURCH

Saturday 7th November from 10am to 2pm. St Thomas Church

Crafts, knitting, model train layout, refreshments

Gold coin donation. Historic Church open to view



The 149th BULLS Rose & Flower Show

Saturday 14 November 2026
Te Matapihi, Bulls Community Centre

Open 12 to 3.30pm
Gold Coin Entry

Lunch Open 12 to 2pm
Plate \$12.00

Are you available to volunteer on the day? 
Email office@bulls.kiwi

EVENT CALENDAR

OCTOBER

22nd – SHOCKING PINK FUNDRAISER BREAST CANCER

17th – MANGAWEKA MEGA – FUNDRAISER FOR MANGAWEKA SCHOOL

NOVEMBER

14th – BULLS ANNUAL ROSE & FLOWER SHOW

DECEMBER

12th – BULLS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

FEBRUARY 2027

20th – BULLS FEST-A-BULL

2026 DAFFODIL DAY IN BULLS

The Bulls community has once again shown generosity, with Foundry Gym members completing a 24-hour ride-a-thon for Cancer Society New Zealand's Daffodil Day. From 6pm one evening to 6pm the next, riders took turns on stationary bikes, pedaling non-stop for 24 hours. The event united gym members, families, and supporters behind a cause affecting many New Zealand families.

Foundry Gym thanks everyone who helped. Together, Bulls has made a real difference for New Zealanders affected by cancer. Well done to all on a fantastic community effort.

Wow, Bulls—we blew our Daffodil Day target out of the water! Together, our town raised \$6,340.25. What an achievement! A huge thank you to the businesses, schools and childcare centres that contributed, and to everyone who donated to this wonderful cause. Bring on next year! We're already looking ahead: if you could supply wild daffodils for us to sell on Daffodil Day, please get in touch with me, Heidi, on 027 848 9125. Happy Daylight Savings everyone



NGĀTI PAREWAHAWAHA BUILDING RESILIENCE

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā iwi e tau nei, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Greetings everyone. My name is Clifford Brown, and I am the Chairperson of the Ngāti Parewahawaha Marae Committee. I have been asked to provide a brief update on behalf of Ngāti Parewahawaha for this month's Bull-it-Inn.

Ngāti Parewahawaha Marae has a long and proud connection with the Bulls community. These relationships were strengthened through the many years of planning, fundraising, and construction that led to the opening of our wharenuī in 1967. Community support played an important role in that achievement, and those connections remain valued today.

For this article, I thought I would share some of the work the marae has been undertaking to strengthen our resilience for the future and to support our community during a Civil Defence emergency or other significant event.

Some of the improvements completed at the marae include; upgrading our electrical systems, including the ability to power key parts of the marae using a large portable generator; installing solar panels; providing Wi-Fi capability across the marae complex; upgrading kitchen facilities; replacing all mattresses; and refurbishing our ablution facilities. A significant step forward is the planned installation of a solar battery storage system through the Community Resilience Programme. This will allow the marae to store energy on-site and continue operating during power outages and emergency events, strengthening our ability to support both marae members and the wider community.

We have also recently participated in community discussions about emergency preparedness and the development of a Civil Defence Welfare Centre at Te Matapihi. These conversations highlighted the importance of every household being prepared before an emergency occurs.

Three key messages stood out. Be ready to look after yourself with enough food, water, medication, and essential supplies for several days. Make a plan with your whānau so everyone knows what to do and how to stay connected. Stay informed through local radio and official emergency updates.

There is a wealth of Civil Defence and emergency preparedness information available through the Rangitikei District Council website under the Services section. Being prepared helps keep you, your whānau, and your community to be safe when emergencies occur.

Ngā mihi nui,

Clifford Brown – Chairperson

NGĀTI PAREWAHAWAHA MARAE COMMITTEE



BULLS MEDICAL CENTRE

BULLS MEDICAL CENTRE LTD IS OPEN EVERY SATURDAY FROM 8.00AM TO 11.45AM FOR EMERGENCIES

SCABIES

Scabies is currently circulating in our community, so please remain vigilant. If you develop an itchy rash or small bumps/pustules, please speak to one of our nurses or with your local pharmacist about treatment options. Scabies is highly contagious, and early diagnosis and treatment can help prevent it from spreading to others. For helpful information about scabies, treatment and self-care, please visit [Healthify](#).

INFLUENZA, COUGHS & COLDS

If you are experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms, please help protect those around you by:

- Staying home where possible.
- Keeping warm and getting plenty of rest.
- Drinking plenty of fluids.
- Covering your coughs and sneezes.
- Washing or sanitising your hands regularly.

It is not too late to get vaccinated! Flu vaccinations are now funded for Tamariki aged 6 months to 5 years. Please call our reception team on 06 322 1222 to book an appointment. [Healthify](#) also provides helpful information on managing cold and flu symptoms and caring for yourself at home.

RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS

Please let our Reception team know if you have any flu-like or respiratory symptoms.

Covid-19, RSV and Influenza A are currently circulating in our community.

If you have respiratory symptoms, please follow these precautions:

- Please wear a mask at all times.
- Follow the advice and instructions provided by our triage nurses.
- Please remain in your car in the car park until a member of our team advises you to come inside.
- You will be assessed and treated in our respiratory clinic.
- Please be aware that a nurse charge may apply for a respiratory phone consultation.

SAME-DAY APPOINTMENTS

While we will always do our best to accommodate urgent health concerns, same-day appointments cannot always be guaranteed. We appreciate your patience, kindness and understanding as our team works hard to provide the best possible care for all our patients.

Thank you for your continued support of Bulls Medical Centre.

PĀNUI HAUORA - COMMUNITY HEALTH NEWS

Thank you to Lamberts Business Systems for supplying all printing solutions for the Bulls and District Community Trust

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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

Steady as you go

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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!

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. For more information please contact Heidi at Age Concern on 06 345 1799 or 021 0273 2901.

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Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten



At Ruahine Bulls Kindergarten, Water For Life has been a focus of our Enviro Schools learning. We have been growing our understanding of the water cycle and looking at ways we can conserve our use of water. We brought water, water life and rocks from a local stream into the kindergarten, creating an opportunity for hands on place based investigation.



We invite you to our

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11.00am - 12noon
ages 2 to school

When and where

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Wilson Street, Bulls

Ruahine Kindergartens early learning Bulls
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www.ruahinekindergartens.org.nz

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Email: bulls@rka.org.nz

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



Bulls School



As we come to the end of Term Three, we take a moment to reflect on all the wonderful opportunities and experiences our students have enjoyed throughout the term.

From ski trips, Pae Tamariki, the Book Fair, Cultural Festival and Pasifika Fusion, to Quad Sports, Bikes in Schools, the Jump Jam competition, Tough Kids, and our Good as Gold School Showcase, our students have certainly had plenty of opportunities to learn, grow, challenge themselves and celebrate their achievements.

These experiences would not be possible without the support and encouragement of our wonderful parents, whānau and wider school community. Thank you for the time, energy and support you have given throughout the term—we truly appreciate it.

As we welcome Term Four, we look forward to another exciting term filled with learning, opportunities, celebrations and plenty more great things happening across our school.

Thank you for a fantastic Term Three, and we wish everyone a safe and relaxing break. We can't wait to see you back for Term Four!



Another end of term and all the children have walked out with big smiles on their faces. It has certainly been a very full on term with events and performances and the children are well deserving of a breather, ready for the final term of the year.

The Children have been working very hard on exhibits for Show day and the market Evening on the 22nd October. There will be a White Elephant stall at this event so if you have things you no longer want or need and are willing to donate it to this stall we will happily take it off your hands during the first week of school.

The Market evening will commence at 5pm. Classes will have their items out for sale as well as food and drinks stalls, bouncy castles and performances from the children. It will be a great evening with a lot of fun. It has been great watching what has been happening in the classes in preparation and many of the children are looking forward to being able to show off their crafts and work to you.

One highlight of this term was two of our senior bands performing in Rockshop BandQuest at the Regent. Both bands did a fantastic job and a huge thank you needs to go out to Mrs Sheila Beckers for the many many hours that she puts in for these children.

We hope that you all have a good break—if you have one—and we look forward to seeing you here at Clifton School on the evening of 22nd October.

Ngā Mihi
Adrian Burn - Clifton School Tumuaki
rincipal@clifton.school.nz





Council News

OCTOBER 2026

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Open for consultation

Control of Dog Bylaw and Draft Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy

We're reviewing the rules for dogs in Rangitikei, and we want to know what you think.

Most of our current dog control rules would stay the same, but we're proposing a few practical changes following feedback from our community and a review of the existing Dog Control Bylaw and Policy. Some of the proposed changes include:

- Clearer rules around keeping dogs under control, including making sure the person responsible for a dog is capable of controlling or restraining it.
- Clarifying when you need to carry and use a leash while out with your dog.
- Requiring people to carry a suitable bag when taking their dog into a public place, so there's no excuse for leaving dog poo behind.
- Changing the rules around picnic areas, so rather than dogs being prohibited, they would be allowed provided they are kept on a leash.

We're also reviewing where dogs can exercise off-leash and where they are prohibited.

Whether you own a dog or not, if you use our parks and public spaces, we'd like to hear from you.

Kōrero mai – Have your say! Read the proposals and submit your feedback through our website. Submissions close 5pm, Friday 16 October 2026.

www.rangitikei.govt.nz/consultations



Community event held at Rangitikei College.

Wero accepted and delivered!

Kotahi Mano Ngā Poi – the 1,000 Poi Challenge saw schools, early learning centres, businesses, community groups and whānau across Rangitikei take part in a poi performance to celebrate the start of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori.

The wero (challenge) was originally set to get 1,000 poi swinging in unison for more than two minutes across our district. Funding was obtained by Rangitikei District Council through the Te Reo Towns Activation Fund, with the money spent on supplies for schools and community groups to make poi.

More than 1,500 people registered to take part across the district, including Clifton School and Whare Kura Morehu ō Ratana.

A community event was hosted at Rangitikei College in an attempt to set an "unofficial world record", with over 600 people attending to take part. Combined with all those who took part at their own kura and mahi, it's estimated that over 1,500 people took up the wero.

Kotahi Mano Ngā Poi was made possible through funding from Te Reo Towns, with support from Sport Whanganui, Te Kotuku Hauora and Te Rūnanga o Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa.

Whatever that final number turns out to be, one thing is already certain – when we asked Rangitikei for 1,000 poi, the district delivered a whole lot more.



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HAPORI WHANUI - COMMUNITY GROUPS

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

CONGREGATIONS LUNCH

Members of the congregations of St Andrew's Bulls and St Thomas's Sanson enjoy a fellowship luncheon at La Bull in August.



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Saturday 28 November 2026

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**Clinic dates 2025 - 19th June
Te Matapihi Bulls Community Centre
Criterion Street, Bulls**

To book a one hour appointment
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or email claw@claw.co.nz

HAPORI WHĀNUI - COMMUNITY GROUPS

AMITABHA KADAMPA MEDITATION CENTRE

**Our small friendly group meets at 7 to 8pm
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We have finished for the term. Next term will start on
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at our grounds at the Bulls Domain.

FOR ENQUIRIES CONTACT MARGARET ROBINSON
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Invites everyone to join us for a

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on the first Sunday of every month
starting from 1st February 2026
from 10am to 10.30am

Refreshments to follow

NEW APPOINTMENT AT ST ANDREWS

Erica is training for Priesthood in the Anglican Church and will be taking services at St Andrew's with reserved sacrament from now on.

Erica's appointment brings new life to St Andrew's and we look forward to seeing support for her from Bulls anglicans and for anyone who welcomes a time of traditional, peaceful worship with great music at the start of their week.



Erica Hickford-Page, her husband Travis and their children (from left) Rossi, Tamara, Xavier & Layla

THE BULLS TOY LIBRARY

Contact: admin@bullstoylibrary.co.nz. FB: @Bullstoylibrary

St Andrews Anglican Church Hall, 198 Bridge Street, Bulls. Hours: Tues 3pm to 5pm and Sat 9:30am to 11:30am

Why join us? Play is really important! Playing is the foundation of learning for children.

MEMBERSHIP

12 months, 4 toys - \$75, 12 months, 6 toys - \$90, 12 months, 8 toys - \$105

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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. Please Feel Free To Share Any Constructive Feedback Or Suggestions. Your Input Helps Build A Better Club. Palmerston North's 80th Birthday Celebrations Was "Well Received By Everyone". Our Coffee Gathering At The Woolshed Was Enjoyed By All.

Dates For Your Calendar:

Sunday 27th September Is Our Very First Awards Day And Will Be An Annual Event Going Forward. 10.30am In The Carter Room At The Bulls Rsa.

Wednesday 14th October Is Our "Social-A-Bull" Afternoon To Be Held At The Parish Of Our Lady Of Grace. Daniell Street, Bulls. Support Our Sales Table! Donations Appreciated: Jewellery, Baking, Books, Plants, Puzzles, Fruit & Veges Etc. Items Can Be Dropped Off To Any Committee Member Or Bring To The Church Hall On The Day By 12noon. Entertainment Will Be Just Jammin. Members Please Bring Two Plates For Afternoon Tea. All Welcome And Bring A Friend.

Please Stay Warm And Take Care. 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.

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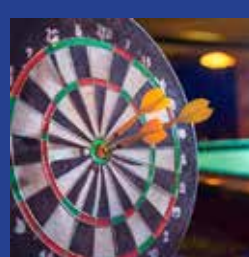
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Our low membership fee of \$40 gives you the following benefits:

– 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





Creating Calm When Things Get Loud

Notes from our Small Animal Vets

Fireworks, thunderstorms and other loud or unexpected noises can be frightening for both dogs and cats. Some pets may hide, shake, pace, pant, vocalise or try to escape, while others show much more subtle signs of anxiety.

If your pet struggles with loud noises, creating a safe den can give them somewhere secure to retreat when things get overwhelming.

Choose a quiet area of the house and create a comfortable space using a crate, covered bed or cosy corner. Add familiar bedding and favourite toys, close curtains to reduce flashes of light, and use background noise to help soften sounds from outside. Most importantly, allow your pet to choose whether they want to use their den and make sure they can access it before the noise begins.

If you know fireworks or thunderstorms are difficult for your pet, planning ahead can make a big difference. Your veterinary team can also discuss additional anxiety support if needed.

Setting Young Stock Up Strong

Notes from our Production Vets:

Weaning is a significant change for lambs and calves, so good management around this time can help keep them healthy and growing well.

Before weaning, young stock should already be eating enough quality pasture or supplementary feed to support themselves without relying on milk. Reducing stress is also important, with good access to feed, clean water and appropriate shelter helping make the transition smoother.

Parasites can have a big impact on young, growing animals, affecting appetite, weight gain and overall performance. Drenching may form part of your weaning plan, but it's important to use the right product at the right time.

Monitoring parasite burdens, understanding which parasites are present and checking that your drench is still effective can help avoid unnecessary treatments and slow the development of drench resistance.

A well-planned weaning and parasite management programme can help set young stock up for continued growth.

When Spring Grass Becomes Risky

Notes from our Equine Vets:

Warmer weather and spring rain can mean rapidly growing pasture across NZ. While all that green grass looks great, it can bring challenges for horses, particularly those prone to weight gain or laminitis.

Laminitis is a painful condition affecting the sensitive structures within the hoof, and lush spring pasture can increase the risk in susceptible horses and ponies. Careful grazing and weight management can therefore be especially important at this time of year.

October is also a good time to check your horse's Body Condition Score (BCS). BCS looks at fat coverage across areas including the ribs, neck, shoulders and tailhead, helping identify gradual weight gain that may otherwise go unnoticed.

Keep an eye on your horse's condition as the grass changes, and watch for signs of laminitis such as reluctance to move, short steps, hot hooves or shifting weight.

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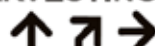
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