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Raetihi hub plan into next phase

The 40-page report on community consultation on the proposed Raetihi Service Centre was presented to the Ruapehu District Council on Wednesday, where councillors received the report and had a brief discussion on funding for the project.

The next stage is to develop a design brief for expressions of interest for a business case.

It was explained that the Hub, as proposed, would be a joint venture between RDC, Uenuku Charitable Trust as well as potentially other agencies such as government organisations.

The consultation, facilitated by Cathy McCartney, followed two options being put to the community in the 2018 Long Term Plan – to renovate the centre, or to build a new centre at a different location.

“The feedback was fairly split on the options,” councillors were told in the agenda report on the consultation report.

“Council was then approached by Uenuku Charitable Trust (UCT) with the idea of a joint administration/community service.”

The consultation has taken place from December 2020 and June 2021 and was affected by the Covid lockdowns.

Key Themes

Consultation shows that people feel that: Raetihi lacks a hub; There is a lack of public/civic spaces that enable the community to come together; there is a need to showcase Raetihi and tell the stories of its diverse and colourful history.

The town also needs: a dedicated youth space with programmes and activities; a functional kaumātua space; a creative space where activities can take place for all ages; a welcoming accessible community space for everyone to come together.

Uses

The Community Hub would address a number of community needs from a place where people can come together; to offering training opportunities; a one-stop shop that could be used by government agencies; a banking hub – including the ability to support and up-skill members of the community to access financial assistance; hot desk office spaces; a one-stop place to come and easily access advice and information.

Some groups raised the potential for operating out of the Community Hub including: REAP; Raetihi Promotions; Raetihi Information Centre; Waimarino Budget Service; Toy Library; Play Group.

It was seen that there is a need for displaying taonga and having cultural and creative activities.

Location

Several potential locations were identified, and varying views were expressed: on the corner of Seddon Street and SH4. The views suggested this would provide an welcome entry to the town from both highways.

Another view was that it would be good to face the hub towards the maunga and be a gateway.

Other views: maintain the facades of the empty shops – demolish the back of the buildings and build new, thereby maintain the heritage look of Raetihi; build to the Wellness Centre and create a link; build by the theatre to enable it to be incorporated.

Recommendations

The report includes recommendations including: undergoing comprehensive analysis of potential sites; the project

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Christmas fun with a difference



Raetihi's Christmas Carnival went ahead on Saturday, working to pandemic rules, with lots of fun to be had for families, including a giant Jenga puzzle taken on by Isla and Briley, paintball with Kenzo and dad John Futi; Santa's Grotto with Skyla and her sister Sofia (seated) who was Santa's Little Helper.



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Raetihi hub plan into next phase

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steering group (PSG) give consideration to the relative priorities and gather detailed information for future use and functions of the community hub; including identifying physical space requirements.

Further consultation with key stakeholders should be undertaken in relation to the priorities for required community hub spaces.

PSG should commence the development of a design brief and continue discussions with the key stakeholders, and keep the community informed about key decisions and progress with the project.

Other points raised in the consultation included:

- Bring the Toy Library into space
- Develop a space to showcase local artist's work; Hang and create exhibition that can change out - students/art/ things to make, temporary
- Events that bring in the country communities; building open - with spaces - where shape; Something that can be used for sport, a multi-purpose space
- Finding office space - retro fit rather than new build; hot desks for work - cubicles for people to work; a work hub - creating facilities - structure for an industrial centre
- Hub needs to bring in the public - tell the whole story - not just the settler stories; Design a permanent display - in the open; History boards; Concern a new building will take away from the historic aspects of Raetihi; incorporate the museum; museum open all the time
- Huge need for an appropriate space for confidential work

Letters

Smart cemetery

A concerned citizen called to tell me that the Ohakune Cemetery had had a tidy up.

Thank you, Ruapehu District Council, for your prompt action - a tidy-up for Christmas for those families visiting. Merry Christmas.

Bruce Thompson

- Library - warm space, be able to sit, school holidays programmes
- Look at the old buildings - land banking is an issue
- Main road would be a good location:

bring both sides of town together - best views of the mountain - orient to north towards the mountain; Courtyard framing the mountain; plaza space - trees water feature and sound stage

- Opportunity to create a space where people can use - warm/accessible/ hold a meeting of any sort/ is just one space
- Place for the community to come together - community has lost the ability to do that
- Rae-

tihi history; develop a space that is appropriate and satisfying, for the community

- Sad if the hub distracted from the theatre
- Sound-shell - needs cover plus an area for musicians to leave their gear (college students have a band)

- The space to be the keeper of the knowledge - a place Raetihi residents want to go to search archives and local history
- Young people coming together/relaxing/hanging out; a need for young people to hang out. Youth space; youth services; bigger place for young people; no-where for counsellor to work with young people.

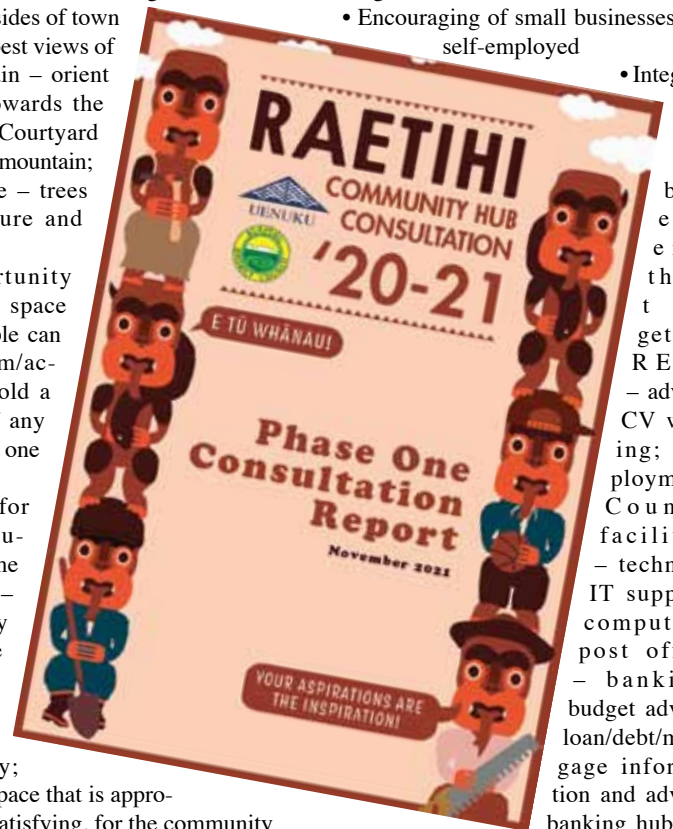
Community members were asked what was their single most important thing:

- Commercial hub in town - encouraging of retail
- Conference meeting rooms - screens; projectors; commercial kitchen - for cater-

ing or cooking classes/ health conscious; budgeting; recipes

- Depicting timber being the gateway to Whanganui River, access to awa and maunga
- Encouraging of small businesses and self-employed

• Integrate



bring everything together; REAP - advice; CV writing; employment; Council facilities - technical IT support; computers; post office - banking; budget advice; loan/debt/mortgage information and advice; banking hub; in-

formation centre; community hub for groups

- Provision of spaces for a wide variety of industry training providers to host industry training courses
- Safe environment
- Sharing the diverse farming stories from around the district
- Uenuku - pride of town.

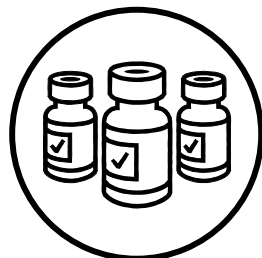
There were several references to the proposed upgrade to the Raetihi pools, which is seen as a critically important part of the social well-being in Raetihi.

"The community love the pool however, many expressed frustrations at the lack of action over the years."

The full report is available at www.uenuku.iwi.nz

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Whanganui Regional Health Network



Ian McKelvie MP for Rangitikei

Season's Greetings to you and my best wishes for a happy healthy and prosperous 2022.

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IanMcKelvie.national.org.nz



Authorised by Ian McKelvie, Parliament Buildings, Wellington.



Iwi setup mobile covid response teams

Te Ranga Tupua Iwi Collective have setup four mobile covid response teams operating within the Whanganui, Rangitikei, Ruapehu, and South Taranaki regions, following successfully securing funding from Te Arawhiti – the Office for Māori Crown Relations as part of the Government's Māori Communities Covid-19 Fund.

The first session for the Ruapehu van was held on Friday and again in conjunc-

tion with the Raetihi Christmas Carnival on Saturday.

The mobile units are led by the experienced teams from iwi health providers, Te Oranganui Trust in Whanganui, Ngā Waihua o Paerangi Trust in the Waimarino, Te Kōtuku Hauora Ltd and Mōkai Pātea Services who together deliver a team in Rangitikei. Tupoho Iwi and Community Social Services will also deliver a welfare

function in Whanganui and across the rohe.

"Our providers have been working tirelessly throughout the entirety of the Covid-19 response to provide support to our whānau no matter the need. Our teams are working six days a week at present in an effort to reach as many people as possible in the lead into the holiday period and before the country opens up," says Elijah Pue, operations lead for Te Ranga Tupua.

"Our teams have hit the road – heading directly to the people, to the areas where there are barriers to access, where people are uncertain and where there is a need for that extra bit of support. We will share a cuppa, have a kōrero with our whānau and provide them with the information they need to be prepared, particularly now that Covid-19 is present in our community.

"This is a 15-week rapid response rollout, which has the main goal of increasing vaccination rates across our rohe.

In doing so we are also understanding and responding to their needs – regardless of which side of the fence they sit on. The ora of our whānau is top priority so doing anything we can to support them is paramount."

The rapid response effort is led by an operations team who actively work with our providers to ensure deployment is informed by the needs within each community. Elijah Pue (Ngāti Rangī) has been appointed operations lead alongside Danny Broughton (Ngāa Rauru) logistics and procurement lead, Chris Kumeroa (Global Risk Consulting) data and intelligence lead, and the team from Tukua Storytelling Studio who are providing communications support.

Information on the times, dates and locations of the mobile teams will be available at through the normal provider channels and promoted across Te Ranga Tupua entity platforms.



Raetihi's Roger Feickert sits for a photo at the mobile vaccination clinic in Raetihi on Saturday. He has received his booster shot so is now well-protected from Covid-19.

Pride of Place Fund

Applications now open!

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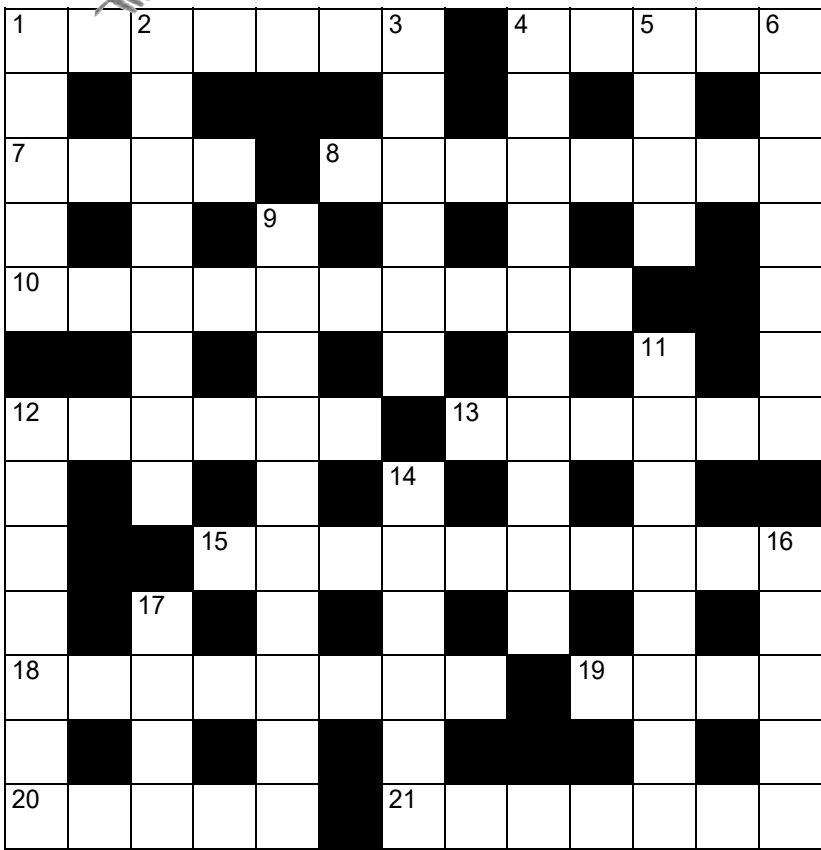
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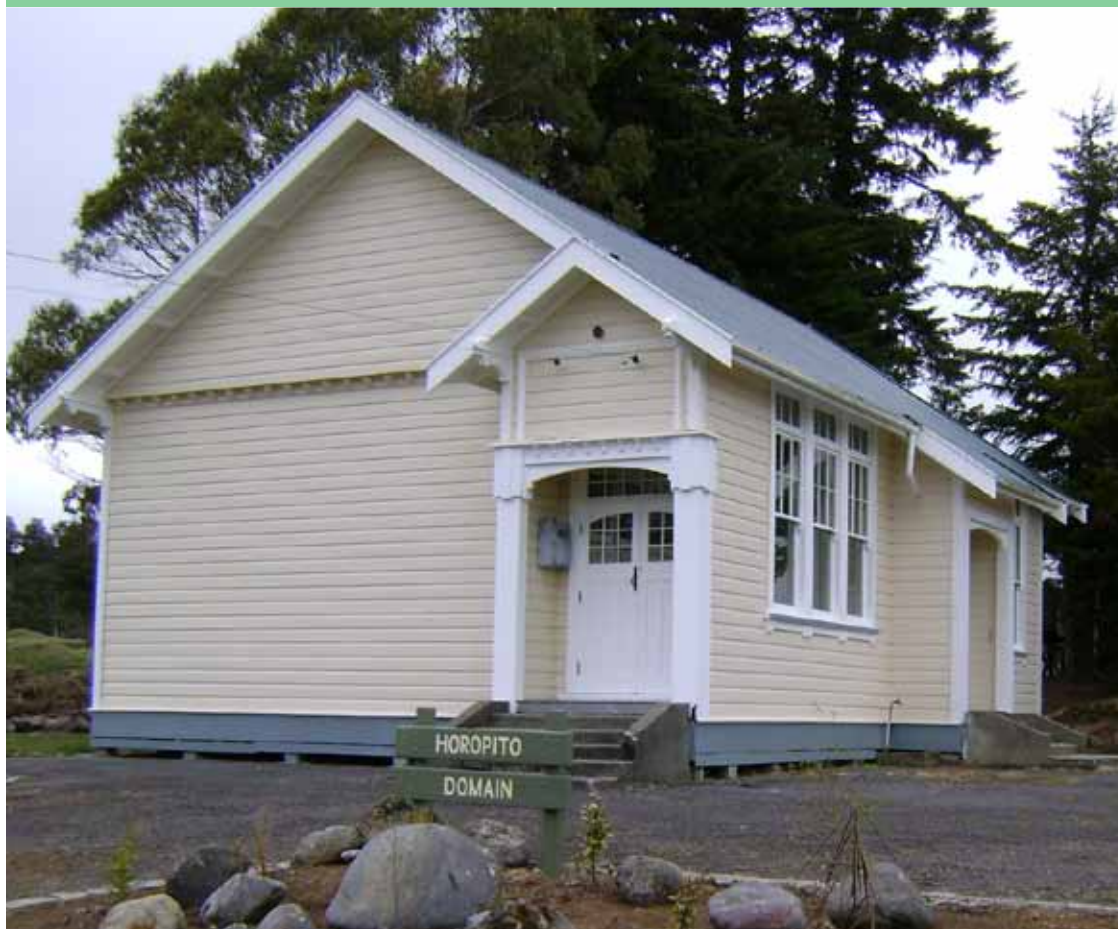
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Ātīhau chair Mavis Mullins steps down

By Moana Ellis, Local Democracy Reporter

Ātīhau-Whanganui Incorporation chair Mavis Mullins is stepping down after Friday's annual meeting of Māori shareholders.

After 12 years leading the Māori incorporation, which owns 42,000 hectares of farmland from Ohakune to Whanganui, the first female chair of the board says she's proud to look back on what has been achieved on behalf of more than 9000 shareholders and their descendants.

But she says she has been talking about board succession for some time and signalling to shareholders for the past two years that she would stand down to help create space for the next generation of young Māori leaders.

"We've got so many amazing, up-and-coming young leaders, we all have to know and appreciate that bigger picture."

"My term comes to an end next year and, as indicated last year, I intend to retire before the term ends. This will allow me to tautoko the transition to a new chair."

"The way we support and encourage suc-



cession is vital, and room must be made to allow the cohort of emerging leaders who are waiting in the wings to step forward."

Mullins says she will tell the board at the first meeting after the AGM that she will not seek re-election as chair but will remain as a board member. Next year, she will not make herself available for re-election to the board.

Mullins says stepping down from Ātīhau-Whanganui will be tough for her after more than 15 years with the incorporation, but was the right thing to do to ensure the organisation is prepared for the future.

"I love where we're going, what we're doing, the resilience that we've been able to create through diversification, that we're trying harder to be better communicators to our growing whānau of shareholders."

It's just such an exciting time for Ātīhau, but it's not about me, it's about how we future-proof our entity."

Mullins says she was looking forward to the incorporation's first online annual meeting on Friday. Despite a tough year in 2020 due to Covid-19, the incorporation reports positive results for the financial year, including paying down \$700,000 of debt.

"I'm really pleased with our results in a Covid world. We're on track and all the indicators are positive."

Ātīhau-Whanganui Incorporation is one of Aotearoa's largest farmers, with 70,000 sheep, 4000 beef cows, 700 dairy cows and 3000 beehives on its whānau farms.



Mavis Mullins – stepping down as Ātīhau chair.

Visiting hospital in the traffic light system

A Whanganui is currently under the Covid Red traffic light, so what does this mean if you are planning to visit the hospital?

The Whanganui District Health Board has provided the following information about visits:

When you arrive at the entrance, you will also be asked to scan in or sign in, change your mask to a hospital surgical mask if you're not wearing one already and to use the hand sanitiser provided.

Three questions will be asked:

- Are you feeling unwell today, do you have any cold or flu like symptoms?
- Have you recently had a Covid-19 test?
- Have you visited a location of interest?

Why are we doing this? Based on lived experiences regarding how Covid is transmitted we need to ensure Covid doesn't enter our hospital if at all possible.

If you are presenting as a patient, we will undertake precautionary measures, all of which will be explained throughout your patient journey but you will be seen.

Visitors with acute respiratory symptoms such as cough, cold and flu symptoms, sore throat and runny nose or have abdominal pain or diarrhoea or a close household contact with a current Co-

vid-19 case must not attend unless prior arrangements have been made. You will be declined entry if this is the case.

Social distancing is required so we ask that there is a maximum number of two visitors per bed, and we ask where possible that the two visitors remain the same each time to lower the risk.

You will not be asked to provide a vaccine passport within a clinical setting, however if you have one, that is great.

There is a requirement for booked surgical procedures and surgeries to have a Covid-19 test 48 hours prior to arrival. However, not having completed this may result in your surgery or surgical procedure being postponed. We will rely on the advice of your treating health team in these cases. The effects of Covid-19 on an individual's recovery has warranted a cautious approach, which may include deferring surgeries, unless urgent, until the Covid-19 person is no longer infected.

There is no need to have a Covid-19 test before getting an x-ray, blood test or a consultation with a health professional.

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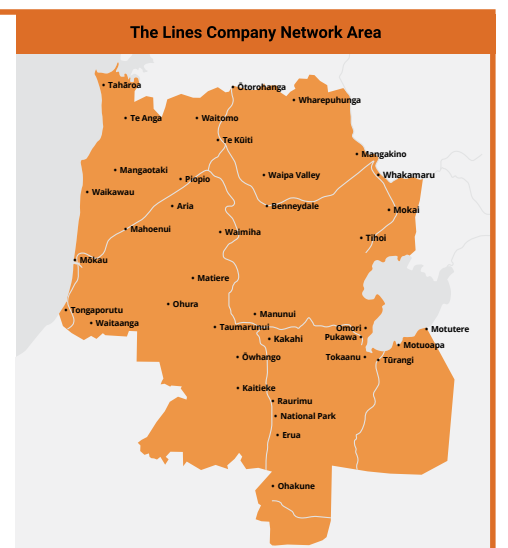
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Everyone who tests positive for COVID-19, and those who live with them, will need to isolate for at least 10 days to stop the spread of the virus. If someone else in your house tests positive for COVID-19, they'll be advised how much longer they need to isolate.

Make a plan

If you're travelling and away from home, know how you will get home or self isolate where you are.

While isolating, you will need to have all of your food and necessities delivered. You cannot go to work, school, church or any community or private events or gatherings. No one outside of the people you live with can visit or enter the home.

Most fully-vaccinated people with COVID-19 are likely to have a mild to moderate illness and will fully recover at home.

Who can help out

Be prepared in case you're exposed to COVID-19. Speak with a neighbour, friend, or whānau about the support you could need. For instance, dropping off food and supplies, and help with activities outside the house. Being ready is about people, conversations, connections and knowing what to do, so your whānau and community can help each other when needed.

Support while isolating

It's normal to feel anxious about isolating with COVID-19.

You'll have a support person who will contact you often to check that you and your whānau are safe and supported – even if you're travelling and away from home. You will also get a telephone number for 24-hour health support.

If you need more help or support to manage at home, you can access a COVID-19 welfare line.

What you'll need

To help you get through, you will need to have food, medications and supplies available to you. Find a detailed checklist to help you prepare at [Covid19.govt.nz/prepare](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/prepare)

Check what support is available for self-isolating at home and find more preparation tips at [Covid19.govt.nz/prepare](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/prepare)

Brigade sees the light

The Ohakune Volunteer Fire Brigade have received a "very large" donation from a local family that has been used to purchase 20 new UK3AA Helmet torches and Easi Glide Torch Clips.

"The old torches were getting well beyond their use-by dates and were, in some cases, failing at a crucial stage," says support officer Alan Murdie.

"The new torches are waterproof which is essential in our climate."

They have a beam that will light an object at 93 metres away and have a brightness of 110 lumens.

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They are extremely sturdy and will be able to take hard knocks in a working situation.

"The brigade is very grateful for this important addition to our firefighting kit."



Alan Murdie models the new helmet light.

Taumarunui Well Prepared For First Covid-19 Case

Ruapehu's mayor Don Cameron said that Taumarunui is well prepared for its first positive case of Covid-19 that was confirmed on Wednesday afternoon last week.

He said the Waikato DHB, Kokiri Trust, the Te Taumarutanga iwi collective comprising Ngāti Hāua, Ngāti Tūwharetoa and Ngāti Maniapoto, the pharmacy together with other NGO's, government agencies and Council have been preparing for this moment.

"People should have every confidence that local health providers and iwi are well prepared to support the health and community response as needed including caring for people with Covid-19 at home," he said.

"It was only a matter of time before Covid-19 reached Ruapehu with the virus having been in neighbouring regions for a while and a lot of preparation has gone into getting ready.

Anyone displaying cold or any flu-like symptoms should immediately isolate at home and arrange to get tested even if they are vaccinated.

For people in Taumarunui a testing site is in place at the Miriama Club, Taumarunui (entry from Katarina Street) operating from 9am to 3.30pm tomorrow (Thu 9 Dec).

For people outside Taumarunui they can call Healthline on 0800 358 5453, or see their doctor, nurse or iwi health provider.

"If you are still unvaccinated you should do so immediately," said Mr Cameron.

Later, health authorities confirmed that there were no locations of interest in Taumarunui.

A Ministry spokesperson has since confirmed the investigation into the case did not discover any locations of

interest that required publication.

"On many occasions public health staff identify exposure sites rather than locations of interest.

"Exposure sites are locations where attendees are well known or have registered their attendance such as a general practice or other locations that require check-ins. We only publish locations of interest where we cannot identify contacts."

"Confirmation of Taumarunui's first case highlights the importance of being disciplined about using the COVID-19 tracer app or keeping a note of your movements, along with mask wearing, regular hand washing and social distancing," said Mr Cameron.

Ski club in liquidation

A ski club with lodges on the Whakapapa ski area and in National Park Village has gone into liquidation.

In March this year the Downhill Ski Club Inc. surrendered their licence for their lodge situated at the National Downhill area, after offers to sell the lodge didn't result in a sale.

The lodge in National Park Village was originally moved from Turangi as a ski hire and accommodation business and later sold to the Club.

Murray Wilson, National Park resident, said the Club had found it difficult to attract members to use the lodge on the mountain once the Downhill Chairlift was removed by RAL and having a base in



The Downhill lodge at National Park.

National Park Village then became popular.

"Covid seems to have delivered the final blow to the Club."

The liquidators officially took over on 29 November "and from that date they control everything," stated the Club on their Facebook page.

The Club says they made a trading profit of over \$8000 for the 2021 season – "in a winter destroyed by Covid".

"With Resurgence pay-

ments and two permanent guests for the season, we were able to pay the bills and keep National Park Lodge functioning. No mean feat with only 15 member nights booked all season."

Mr Wilson said he has heard nothing about the liability for removal of the building from the ski area.

"Usually the club would be liable, but now the club is in liquidation that it will be difficult to be enforced," he said.

RDC awaits RAL shareholder decision

Ruapehu District councillors voted to hold off on deciding what to do about transferring a debt to a new entity proposed by Ruapehu Alpine Lifts.

RDC is an investor in the Sky Waka Gondola and councillors received an update report from RAL regarding its anticipated move to a new entity, and the draft Debt Novation, for Council's consideration, should this change go ahead.

The report was presented in the public excluded part of the meeting, but the decision made public through the public business minutes.

"Members decided to record the resolution in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting because it was important for the community to be aware of Council's position on the matter," states the minutes report.

The interim decision was that the RDC "awaits a Shareholder decision before making a decision on transferring the debt to a new entity, as the proposed structure and conditions will impact on any assessment of Council's risk".

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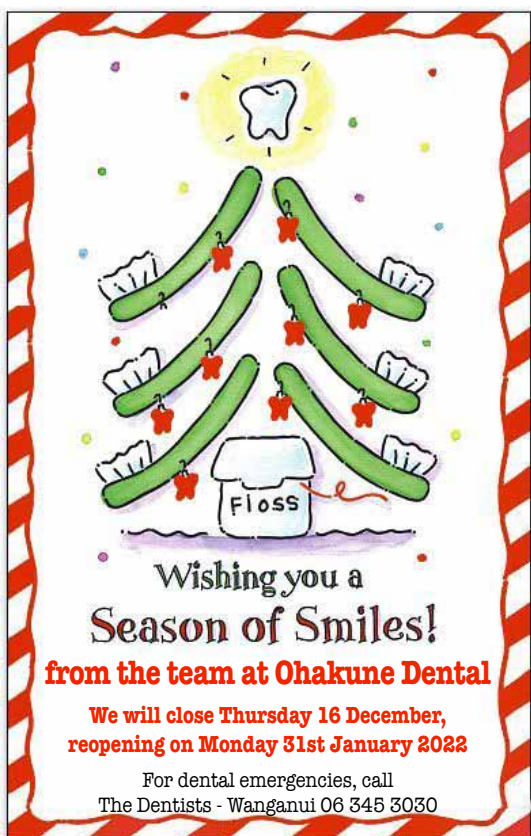
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Embrace a contemporary lifestyle, with this stylish, fully renovated property. Convenience is key here with three spacious bedrooms, a light and modern kitchen, polished Matai flooring and an open plan living area that flows effortlessly out to a generous deck with stunning views of Mount Ruapehu. This sun-soaked space is perfect for a morning coffee, or an apres-ski drink and will be the scene of many al fresco gatherings.

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NEW LISTING



Raetihi 11 Plunket Street

Turn your dream into reality

Don't miss this great opportunity to purchase a slice of countryside just minutes from the main street of Raetihi. The 15,783sqm (more or less) freehold block holds the key to the rewards but needs some work to get there.

If you are looking for a well-priced section then look no further. If the great outdoors and peaceful living is beckoning you, then options abound here. Come and live off the grid, build a cabin or your dream home - the good life awaits.

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Ohakune 9 Totara Street

Sitting pretty

Located in picturesque Turoa Village, this chalet has maintained the original character and flair. With beautiful views of Mount Ruapehu, and backing onto a reserve, there are stunning views from every angle. Enjoy the serenity of this private and secluded spot that is surrounded by nature, trees and open spaces. The interior of the chalet has been updated with modern furnishings and new carpet whilst maintaining the character of an Ohakune Chalet.

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Taihape 11 Linnet Street

Live on Linnet

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Raetihi 13 Plunket Street

What are you waiting for?

If you're looking for an opportunity to build your dream home or bach, then this 2,428sqm (more or less) section is an ideal starter package. The property is zoned rural and situated just minutes from the main street of Raetihi. Peaceful surroundings and the great outdoors on your doorstep are appealing to anyone wanting to escape the bustle of city life and start afresh. Priced to sell immediately this section will not last long on the market so don't delay, call today.

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Ohakune 6 and 6a Southridge Drive

A special find in Southridge

A rare opportunity has arisen for one lucky buyer. A two-bedroom alpine chalet with a 396sqm (more or less) flat section on a separate freehold title. This offering will take the market by storm.

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Ohakune RATA Ohakune NZ, 23 Clyde Street

Luxury accommodation

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Ohakune 24 Willow Lane

Welcome to Willow

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Waiouru 30 Rangipo Street

Prime State Highway frontage

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Ruapehu College Junior prizes 2021

Ruapehu College student William Barlow was presented the Junior Dux award at the College's junior prize giving last week, while Izybel Graham received the Year Nine Academic Excellence Award, (trophy donated by the Milne Family).

The Year 10 Academic Excellence Award trophy was donated by the Ruapehu Bulletin for academic excellence. William also receives a Laurenson Trust grant of \$100.

Special Awards

Principals Award for special recognition Sandra Thomas. Office Max Award for outstanding service to the college, Tarn Hoyle. Te Kaahu Trophy, Hira Hancy equal with Tahatika Te Riaki (Donated by Mr & Mrs Murphy-Peehi for leadership, initiative and dedication in the promotion of cultural activities). The Logan Dixon Cup, Harry Rowe, for excellence in junior sport. Ruapehu College Junior Citizen Award, Jorejina Lee Paorotoho, for a student of good character, having personal integrity including the qualities of honesty, caring for other people and supporting the peer group (donated by the Lyon Family). Jim Perry Prize, Jizaiah Lee Edmonds – for the Year 10 student who has shown the most improvement across a range of academic, sporting, social and cultural activities. Lila Pakinga Scholarship Grant, Hye-Le Wihare Hansen (\$1000 to a year 10 student). Junior Diploma Awards Izybel Graham Year 9. Top Junior Diploma of Learning Student William Barlow Year 10. Ruapehu Anglican Parish Award, Clare Moore – for their contribution to school life, displaying a growth mind-set to overcome difficulties (\$250). Wendy Darmody, Nga Ara Scholarships for outstanding engagement in STEM, donated by Genesis Energy: Anahera Hansen; Jorejina- Lee Paorotoho; Hye-Le Wihare Hansen.

Year 9 Academic Awards

Kenneth Anderson achieved Junior Diploma. Tahleena Atkins-Wihongi MA (Merit Award) for consistent effort in Design and Innovation Textiles. Zvannah Barry MA for perseverance in Mathematics, achieved Junior Diploma. Elaina Beukes EA for Design and Innovation Textiles, MA for consistent effort in Performing Arts. Jahnaia Brown Achieved Junior Diploma. Paetyn Brown MA for consistent effort in Design in Food. Liam Burnard EA in Mathematics, MA for consistent effort throughout the year with careful application in Science. Gregory Carmichael Achieved Junior Diploma. Richard Carmichael Achieved Junior Diploma. Stirling Elers EA for first overall in Year 9 Art, Design and Visual Communication and Design and Innovation –Resistant Materials, MAs for consistent effort in Physical Education, Mathematics, Social Studies, Performing Arts and Science and consistent effort and achievement in English and consistent effort and perseverance in Te Ao Haka. Tannar Goff Achieved Junior Diploma. Izybel

Graham EAs for Design and Innovation Textiles, Mathematics, Social Studies and Physical Education, MAs for consistent effort in Design in Food and consistent effort and achievement in Dance and Drama and improvement in Science. Robert Gray MA for improvement in Physical Education. Achieved Junior Diploma. Te Moana Hagley EA for Physical Education, MA for consistent effort in Design in Food. Achieved Junior Diploma. Steele Hammond Achieved Junior Diploma. Evie Hansen MA for consistent effort and achievement in English. Achieved Junior Diploma. Malena Hawera EA for Te Ao Haka. Jareth Hays Achieved Junior Diploma. Moses Hodge MA for consistent effort in Mathematics, Achieved Junior Diploma. Hayley Moore EAs for Science, English and Design and Visual Communication, MAs for consistent effort in Physical Education and Performing Arts and consistent effort and achievement in English. Cheyenne Muru-Albert EA for Design in Food, MAs for consistent effort in Design and Innovation Textiles and perseverance in Te Ao Haka. Achieved Junior Diploma. Dayton Muru-Albert Achieved Junior Diploma. Petaera Pehi Achieved Junior Diploma. Mishalle Perkins Achieved Junior Diploma. Alysha Rhodes MA for consistent effort in Design in Food, Achieved Junior Diploma. Jorja Ritchfield Achieved Junior Diploma. Jim Rowe MAs for high achievement in Mathematics, consistent effort and achievement in English and perseverance in Social Studies. Lucia Seymour EA for English, MA for consistent effort throughout the year with careful application in Science. Brent Siemonek MA for high achievement in Art. Tamahaia Sinai MAs for consistent effort in Mathematics, Physical Education and Performing Arts. Achieved Junior Diploma. Zoe Southall EA for Science, MAs for consistent effort and achievement in English and Performing Arts, high achievement in Social Studies, and commitment and dedication in Te Ao Haka. Blake Takitimu MA for consistent effort in Physical Education. Mereana Tawhai-Davidson Achieved Junior Diploma. Isla Thompson EAs for English, Social Studies and Performing Arts, MAs for consistent effort in Design in Food and high achievement in Art. James Tweeddale MA for consistent effort in Physical Education and improvement in Science. Sophie Watt MAs for improvement in Mathematics and Science, consistent effort and achievement in English and high achievement in Art. Alastair Whale Achieved Junior Diploma. Drevahn Wood EAs for Design in Food and Te Ao Haka, MA for high achievement in Art. Jason Young MA for consistent effort in Design in Food. Te Orangi Te Riaki Excellence award for Design and Innovation –Resistant Materials.

Year 10 Academic Awards

Te Pere Akapita MAs for perseverance in Physical Education and perseverance and improvement in Te Reo Maori. Hunter Anderson MAs for improvement in Mathematics, high achievement in Art, perseverance in Science and consistent effort in Practical music he shares the Most Improved Junior Performing Artist Award. John Anderson MA for consistent effort in Science. Achieved Junior Diploma. William Barlow EAs for Social Studies, English and 1st equal in Performing Arts and shares the SIMS Award for Excellence in Junior Performing Arts, MAs for consistent effort in Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Kohatu Bauer Achieved Junior Diploma. Ryan Bell Achieved Junior Diploma. Maraia Buckingham MAs for consistent effort in Social Studies,

English and Design in Food. Achieved Junior Diploma. Chante Davies Achieved Junior Diploma. Ambrose Demchy MAs for consistent effort in Mathematics and Physical Education. Kodo Drayton EA for Mathematics, MAs for consistent effort in Social Studies and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Jizaiah-Ley Edmonds MAs for consistent effort in Physical Education, consistent effort and improvement in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and consistent effort in Te Reo Maori. Achieved Junior Diploma. Tukotaki Goodwin Achieved Junior Diploma. Hine Hall MA for consistent effort in Physical Education. Achieved Junior Diploma. Hira Hancy EAs for Te Reo Maori and Te Ao Haka, MA for high achievement in Art. Anahera Hansen MAs for consistent effort in Design in Food, Science and improvement in Agriculture and Horticulture. Linkin Harding-Gray Achieved Junior Diploma. Francis Henare EA for Design and Innovation Textiles and receives the Creative Textiles Award donated by M George. Alissia Hiroti MA for consistent effort in Design in Food and shares the Most Promising Student in Practical Foods Trophy donated by M George. Achieved Junior Diploma. Phoebe Holloway EA for Design and Innovation Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Tarn Hoyle EAs for Science, first overall in Year 10 Art, 1st equal in English and Performing Arts and shares the SIMS Award for excellence in Junior Performing Arts he also receives the Top Junior Trophy for contribution to the School Production, MAs for perseverance in Physical Education and Social Studies. Lukas Kumeroa Ponga MAs for consistent effort in Design and Innovation Textiles and improvement in Art. Achieved Junior Diploma. Claire Moore MAs for consistent effort in Design in Food, English and improvement and perseverance during the year in Design and Innovation Textiles. Achieved Junior Diploma. Kirsty Osborne Achieved Junior Diploma. Jorejina-Lee Paorotoho MAs for consistent effort in Design in Food and improvement in Science. Achieved Junior Diploma. Harry Rowe EAs for Physical Education, Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and receives the Dixon Engineering Cup for Practical Work, Agriculture and Horticulture and Design in Food he shares the Most Promising Student in Practical Foods Trophy donated by M George, MA for consistent effort in Social Studies. Matthew Smith EAs for Design in Food, Science and Social Studies, MAs for improvement in Mathematics and consistent effort in Social Studies and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Matthew receives the Mowat Voon Cup for a student active in Sports and Reading. Noah Swift EA for 1st = in English, MAs for consistent effort in Mathematics and Design & Innovation Resistant Materials. Jamie Taitoko EA for Mathematics. Achieved Junior Diploma. Mapihi Taoho MA for consistent effort in Design in Food. Achieved Junior Diploma. Tahatika Te Riaki EA for Te Ao Haka, MAs for improvement in leadership in Physical Education, consistent effort and improvement in Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and a high level of achievement in Te Reo Maori. Achieved Junior Diploma. Sandra Thomas EA in Te Reo Maori, MA for commitment and dedication in Te Ao Haka. Achieved Junior Diploma. Breeanah Tweeddale MAs for improvement in Mathematics, perseverance in Social Studies and most improved in Practical Music she shares the Most Improved Junior Performing Artist Award. Haarlem Wade MA for consistent effort in Practical Music. Achieved Junior Diploma. Hye-Le Wihare Hansen EAs for Physical Education, Design & Innovation Resistant Materials and Agriculture and Horticulture,



Junior dux William Barlow.



Year Nine top academic student Izybel graham..

MAs for consistent effort in Science and commitment and dedication in Te Ao Haka. Achieved Junior Diploma.

Achieved Junior Diploma With Distinction Year 9: Izybel Graham, Zoe Southall, Liam Burnard, Isla Thompson, Stirling Elers, Jason Young, Hayley Moore, James Tweeddale, Malena Hawira, Lucia Seymour, Jim Rowe, Drevahn Wood, Blake Takitimu, Chyamali Dennison, Elaina Beukes, Sophie Watt.

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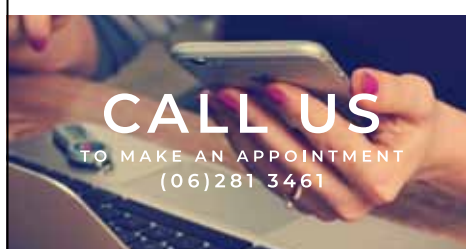
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Christmas Services

St Mary's Church, Seddon St, Raetihi

Christmas Eve
Friday Dec 24 9:30pm

Christmas Day
Saturday Dec 25 10am

Boxing Day
Sunday December 26
NO SERVICE

My Vaccine Pass is required to attend as mandated by our Diocesan Bishops.

The team are taking a bit of a break, so the Scoria Pit will be closed from 23 December – 10 January 2022

Wishing everyone happy holidays

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Ruapehu Anglican Parish



BLUE CHRISTMAS Reflective Service

Thursday 16 December, 6pm
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My Vaccine Pass is required to attend as mandated by our Diocesan Bishops

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**WAIMARINO HEALTH CENTRE
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CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR HOURS

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Social Worker	Reopen Tuesday 11th January 2022
Radiology Dept	Reopen Tuesday 11th January 2022
Public Health	Reopen 10th January 2022

All other Services will be closed throughout this period.
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The Staff at the Waimarino Health Centre would like to wish you good health and safe travelling over the Christmas/New Year period. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



RUAPEHU HEALTH HOURS

Thursday 23rd December	Normal Hours
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Monday 27th December	CLOSED
Tuesday 28th December	CLOSED
Wednesday 29th December	Normal Hours

Thursday 30th December	Normal Hours
Friday 31st December	8.30am – 2pm
Monday 3rd January	CLOSED
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Wednesday 5th January	Normal Hours



Ruapehu Health Ltd

If you have repeat medication requirements for this period, please ensure we have your requests by 12 noon on Thursday 23rd of December.

On behalf of the Directors, Management and Staff we wish you a very happy holiday season and a peaceful, healthy New year.

Orautoha School's top achievers



Orautoha School's top achievers were presented with their awards last week: Te Aturangi Katene, Enright Cup for Most Outstanding Sports Person; Jenny-Moana Pehi, Academic Cup for Highest Placed Year 8 Student; William Waitokia, Shaquarn Perkins-Teki, Jenny-Moana Pehi – Outstanding Kapahaka Performers; Shaquarn Perkins-Teki, Ngaporo, Waimarino Trust Cup for Outstanding Achievement in Kaupapa Maori.

Ohakune Squash results

Ohakune Squash had its last official events for the year on Saturday with their Christmas cheer fun tournament followed by the club's annual prize-giving.

Unfortunately, as the Ruapehu district had just moved into the red traffic light covid system, members were limited to just

those with vaccination certificates.

Christmas Cheer results were: division one winner Dylan Budge, runner up Jayden Bailey, division two winner Grace Burnard, runner up Liam Burnard, division three winner Emma Burnard, runner up Maraea Buckingham, division four winner Deryk Fraser, runner up Simon Barlow, division five winner Archie Mills, runner up Hone Buckingham, division six winner Sarah Drinkwater, runner up Amy Lee, division seven winner Ben Lee, runner up Hana Harding.

Awards presented at prizegiving: Primary School Girl Champion Grace Rowe, Primary School Boy Champion Sam Rowe, J Grade Girl Libby Graham, J Grade Boy Harry Rowe, F Grade Woman Maree Lilo, F Grade Man Scott Nation, E Grade Woman Poppy Dekker, E Grade Man Zach Ryan, D Grade Woman Sayge Wikohika, D Grade Man

Andrew Burnard, C Grade Woman Diana Cranston, C Grade Man Andy Bennett, B Grade Woman Jackie Douglas, B Grade Man Daniel Maher, Tenderfoot Woman Lisa Lochhead, Tenderfoot Man Danny Mochan, Winter Leagues Harry Rowe, Statisticians (highest grading points rise in the year) Liam Burnard 730 points, Giant Killers trophy (biggest grading points win) Zach Ryan 680 points, Most Improved Junior Liam Burnard, Most Improved Female Lisa Lochhead, Most Improved Male Zach Ryan, Most Valuable Club Member Amy Mott, Junior Girls Champion Grace Burnard, Junior Boys Champion Jayden Bailey, Senior Trophy Daniel Maher, Mixed Masters Champion Simon Lee, Runner Up Women Lauren Wikohika, Runner Up Men Daniel Maher, Open Women's Champion Jackie Douglas, Open Men's Champion Jayden Bailey.

Mt Ruapehu Crater Lake heating up

Another heating phase has started at Mt Ruapehu and Crater Lake temperature has now reached 31°C, reports GNS.

Typically, over periods of months, Ruapehu's Crater Lake (Te Wai ā-moe) undergoes heating and cooling cycles, says GNS.

From early July to early September 2021, the lake temperature rose from 20°C to 39°C. Through to mid-October the lake temperature declined to around 23-25°C. Since early December a heating trend has become established, and the lake temperature is now 31°C. As is common during these heating phases, small volcanic earthquakes have been recorded since the lake temperature started to rise, caused by an influx of hot steam into the lake.

The modelled heat flow into the lake is currently estimated at about 250 MW (megawatt), up from 50 MW in October/November.

The lake colour is a dark grey colour. This is typical as sediments on the lake floor are disturbed during the influx of hot fluids and are suspended in the lake water. The lake

is currently overflowing into the Whangaehu river.

The results from GNS continuous monitoring of seismic activity, lake temperature and water level indicate that key monitoring parameters remain within normal ranges.

The Volcanic Alert Level stays at Level 1 which reflects the current level of volcanic unrest. The Volcanic Alert Level should not be used to forecast future activity.

The Aviation Colour Code remains at colour Green.

Mt Ruapehu is an active volcano and has the potential to erupt with little or no warning when in a state of volcanic unrest.

Volcanic Alert Level 1 indicates the primary hazards are those expected during volcanic unrest: steam discharge, volcanic gas, earthquakes, landslides and hydrothermal activity. While Volcanic Alert Level 1 is mostly associated with environmental hazards, eruptions can still occur with little or no warning.

For information on access to the Mt Ruapehu area, visit the Department of Conservation's websites on volcanic risk in Tongariro National Park.

Ruapehu College Junior Sports Awards 2021

Athletics: Junior Girl (PTA Cup) Izybell Graham & Cheyenne Muru Albert; Junior Boy (PTA Cup) Tannar Goff; Intermediate Boy (Walter Warner Cup) Ambrose Demchy. Cross Country: Junior Girl (Mary Whale Cup) Izybell Graham, Junior Boy (Herbert Smith Trust Cup) Matthew Smith, Intermediate Boy (Leo Cleary Cup) Ambrose Demch. Swimming: Junior Girl Te Moana Hagley, Junior Boy (TG Drayton Cup) Steelie Hammond, Intermediate Boy (Cup) Tam Hoyle. Netball: Junior Cup (Checkers Netball Cup) for the most valuable player Te Moana Hagley & Jahnaia Brown. Rugby Boys: Most Valuable Player (Golden Oldies Trophy) Tahatika Te Riaki, Best Team Man (Kui and Proude Trophy) Robert Gray. Squash: Junior Girl Champion (Megan Laurenson Trophy) Maraea Buckingham, Junior Boy Champion (Jackie Laurenson Trophy) Liam Burnard. Volleyball: Most Valuable Player Teina (Certificate) Kirsty Osborne, Best Team Member Teina (Certificate) Hine Hall. Waka Ama: Junior Girl Kaihoe (Maunga Sport Trust Plaque) Zoe Southall; Junior Boy (Maunga Sports Trust Plaque) Te Orangi Te Riaki.

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Greywacke Supermarket Limited has made an application to the District Licensing Committee at Ruapehu District Council for the **Renewal of an Off Licence** in respect of the premises situated at **12-14 Goldfinch Street, Ohakune** known as **New World Ohakune**. The general nature of the business to be conducted under the licence is that of a **Supermarket**. The days on which and the hours during which alcohol is intended to be sold under the licence are: **Monday – Sunday: 7.00am – 9.00pm**.

The application may be inspected during ordinary office hours at the office of the Ruapehu District Licensing Committee at Ruapehu District Council, 59-63 Huia Street, Taumarunui.

Any person who is entitled to object and who wishes to object to the issue of the licence may, not later than 15 working days after the date of the publication of this notice, file a notice in writing of the objection with the Secretary of the District Licensing Committee at Ruapehu District Council, Private Bag 1001, Taumarunui 3946.

No objections to the issue of a licence may be made in relation to a matter other than a matter specified in section 105(1) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

This is the first publication of this notice.

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Hiker rescued

A female hiker fell and suffered a lower leg injury on Friday on the Waihohehu Walking Track, Mt Ruapehu. She was rescued by Turangi Fire Service members who carried the woman to a landing site for the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter and then flown to Rotorua Hospital for further treatment.

Gondola locals weekend to support rescue chopper

To celebrate the opening of Mt Ruapehu's summer season and give back to one of the region's most critical resources – the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter – this weekend (18-19 of December) has been confirmed as a "Locals' Weekend".

Locals can enjoy discounted Sky Waka gondola sightseeing passes and know that half of the proceeds from the weekend

will go to the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter.

The helicopter service was founded in 1985 and has touched the lives of more than 5000 patients since. It serves the Central Plateau and Lakes region across the Central North Island, providing 24-hour emergency service, 365 days a year. The Greenlea Rescue Helicopter is partially funded by a government contract but relies heavily on the generosity of the community to help fund the shortfall.

Each winter, the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter undertakes missions at Mt Ruapehu's two ski areas, performing medical evacuations when required, alongside its wider Central North Island rescue helicopter network.

The Helicopter also plays a critical role in partnering with both Mt Ruapehu and other organisations, including the Ruapehu Alpine Rescue Organisation (RARO), on many technical search and rescue missions within the Ruapehu area.

Steve Manunui, Whakapapa ski area manager, says the Mt Ruapehu team "greatly appreciate the importance of life-saving equipment and intensive care paramedics reaching a patient without delay, and therefore how important the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter is to the region."

"We hope that locals come out in support of this fundraising effort for the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter, while also getting to experience the heights of our Sky Waka gondola and unique dining experiences."

The Mt Ruapehu summer season, which is open through to 1 May 2022, includes the Sky Waka gondola sightseeing experience and dining experiences at the award-winning Knoll Ridge Chalet. Short walks, varying from just 15 minutes to up to four hours, from both the base of the Sky Waka gondola and from the Knoll Ridge Chalet, also give guests the opportunity to explore the unique volcanic terrain, on foot.

For the duration of the Locals' Weekend, return Sky Waka gondola sightseeing passes will be \$20 an adult and \$10 youth (aged 5-17 years), normally \$39 and \$19 respectively.

A local is considered a resident residing anywhere within a one hour 30 minute radius of the maunga, stretching from Taupō down to Waiouru. The team also welcomes residents of Whanganui as locals.

The Sky Waka gondola runs daily, 10am – 4pm. The Pinnacles restaurant and buffet lunch operates daily, 11am – 2pm. Adults can dine at the buffet for \$25, and youth (aged 5-17 years) for \$19. Bookings are recommended. A coffee corner will be open from 10am – 3pm each day.

Proof of address will be required to redeem the Locals' Weekend rate. Passes can be purchased on the day on mountain. Vaccine certificates will be required to access all facilities, in line with the government's move to the Covid-19 Protection Framework, and the introduction of the My Vaccine Pass.

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