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# Pokaka road reserves access plan on hold

A proposal to stop a section of unformed road reserve to the developers of an ecosanctuary at Pōkākā has been put on hold by the local council, until more information on the issue has been found.

Te Korowai o Wainuiārua at Pōkākā is developing an eco-sanctuary at land that is part of a Treaty of Waitangi settlement and needs physical access to their land.

Ruapehu District Council members were asked to consider a number of resolutions that would see a paper road in the vicinity legally stopped and handed to Te Korowai o Wainuiārua at Pōkākā.

The road cuts between two parcels of land that are owned by John Dobson of Raetihi.

There is current access on a section of legal road, but the start of the physical access crosses a small section of private property.

But the proposal had some councillors worried about the process, leading to the decision to let the matter lie on the table to wait for more information.

Cr Adie Doyle led the debate, saying he was not opposed to the idea but had serious concerns about the proposed resolutions, which he was concerned that they in effect by-passed the RDC's own roads policy, where such a proposal would be a publicly notified process.

He asked if the Treaty Settlements leg-

islation overrides local councils' policies. He said it seems that "the rights of the

public to have a say have been quashed". Roads manager Warren Furner said the RDC was acting on behalf of the Office of

He said he could ask OTS if RDC can consult with the public on the plan.

Treaty Settlements (OTS) and not running

the process.

"So, the proposal is to give land that is a ratepayers asset to another party without compensation to ratepayers?" he asked.

Part of the report to councillors also included information on possible paper road changes to an area in National Park Village that could be affected by Treaty Settlement redress.

Some councillors were concerned that the proposal would "see the adjacent farmer's land "devalued hugely".

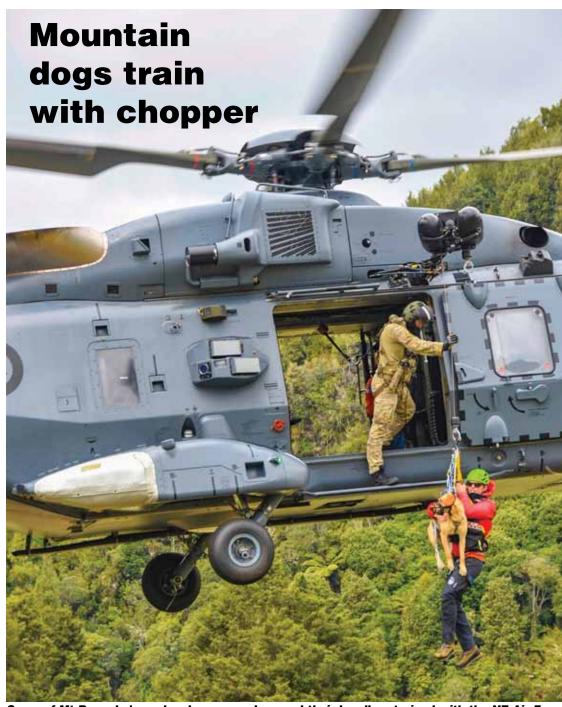
Others said the opposite could happen - that the ecosanctuary and formed access – could increase the value of his land.

Cr Karen Ngati asked if it would be better to give the road reserve land to Mr Dobson in exchange for the access area across the other part of his property.

Mr Furner said that offer had been made but he had "not taken up the offer".

He agreed to approach Mr Dobson again to see if things had changed.

See road reserves map on Page 11.



Some of Mt Ruapehu's avalanche rescue dogs and their handlers trained with the NZ Air Force last week, practicing being winched in and out of a NH90 helicopter. See Page 2 for more. Photo: Andy Hoyle.

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### **April life-saving** missions

The Greenlea Rescue Helicopter carried out 39 life-saving missions over the month of April, including 15 interhospital transfers, five medical events, three rescues, 13 rural or remote missions and three motor vehicle accidents.

Locations included Tongariro, Ngaruroro River Rotorua and Turangi throughout the month, providing life-saving care to patients in need.

"The Greenlea Rescue Helicopter is there for rural communities," says Shami Weir, marketing manager for

"Out of the total missions your Greenlea Rescue Helicopter crew undertook, a third of them were for rural incidents. From quad bike rollovers to tractor accidents, the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter is tasked to a mission because it is the best, and in many cases the only option."

On Saturday 23 April the Helicopter was tasked to the Umukarikari Track in the Kaimanawa Forest Park for a male who had fallen, sustaining a leg injury. On arrival, the patient was treated by the onboard critical care flight paramedic. He was flown to Rotorua hospital for further treatment.

On Saturday 30 April the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter was tasked to 42 Traverse Track, in the Tongariro Forest for a woman in her 40's who had sustained injuries in a mountain biking accident. The patient was winched from her location and flown to Waikato Hospital for further

"Support your rescue helicopter this Chopper Appeal. Head to give.rescue.org.nz to donate today and keep lifesaving missions like these possible for people who need it most," says Shami Weir.

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### **Avalanche** dogs chopper training

Ruapehu rescue dogs were part of a day's training with helicopters last week, including with one of the Royal New Zealand Air Force NH90 helicopters.

Mt Ruapehu avalanche dogs Rudi and Echo and their handlers successfully managed winching in and out of the NH90, as it held a hover position.

"This all sounds easy, but the down wash and noise from the helicopter is intense for humans, let alone our canine buddies," says Andy Hoyle, Ruapehu Alpine Lifts safety and environment manager.

"Avalanche dogs are the fastest resource we have to respond in the event of an avalanche. Fast, agile, and with 220 million scent receptors (45 times stronger than a human), avalanche dogs can search a one hectare area in approximately 30 minutes, versus a group of 20 people on foot, who would take four hours to search the same area.

"While we see the world in colour, dogs see it through their noses and it is great to see our avalanche dogs and their humans out and getting through their paces, in case they ever need to be called upon."

Lissa Jaggi and her avalanche dog Echo - now chopper trained. Photo: Andy Hoyle.









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# **Snow**

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Paralympic values.

With multiple Paralympic, World Championships and World Cup medals to his name Adam has been at the top of the Para Alpine Ski Racing World for well over a decade.

Adam is coached by Snow Sports NZ High Performance Para Alpine coach Ben Adams.

### **Corey Peters**

Corey Peters is the current Men's Sitting Downhill Paralympic Champion. He claimed the gold medal in the high speed event at the Beijing 2022 Paralympic Winter Games. He swiftly followed up this phenomenal performance with a silver medal the very next day in the Men's Sitting Super-G.

Just over a month before the Beijing 2022 Paralympic Winter Games Corey finished in 3rd place at the Super-G World Cup held in

Corey claimed a silver medal in Giant Slalom at the 2014 Sochi Paralympic Winter Games and added a bronze medal in Downhill at the 2018 PyeongChang Paralympic Winter Games.

Corey has had a hugely successful career to date, including World Championship titles, a Super-G Crystal Globe and numerous World Cup podium finishes predominately in the speed disciplines.

Corey is coached by Snow Sports NZ High Performance Para Alpine coach Ben Adams.

# Welcome home World champ!

Jessica Hotter, World champion freeride skier, is home from her trophy-winning travels in the North America and Europe snow season.

She arrived in town to be with mum and dad, John 'Luigi' and Jude Hotter, to find town shops and businesses plastered with 'welcome home' posters, thanks to Visit Ruapehu and the *Ruapehu Bulletin*.

After a few days of catching up with family, friends and supporters including a weekend barbecue, she will head down to Wanaka, where a celebration and parade are planned for the winter Olympians and Paralympians, as well as Jess.

Then she returns north to join a tour group of snow sports winners, who will call in on Ohakune on Tuesday 24 May.

The group is Jess Hotter, Zoi Sadowski-Synnott, Nico Porteous. Corey Peters and Adam Hall.

They will visit Ohakune Primary School in the afternoon and in the evening a presentation of the group is planned for the Powderhorn.

A visit to National Park Village is also being considered but the Bulletin did not have details on this at the time of going to print.

Jess Hotter was crowned Freeride World Tour Women's champion at Verbier, Switzerland, in March. Despite crashing at that event, she had amassed more than enough points in the extreme skiing competitions with wins at Fieberbrunn in Austria and at Ordino-Arcalís in Andora, plus a second-place at Kicking Horse resort in Canada.

Though Hedvig Wessel (NOR) chased her all season, Jess was out of reach in the overall ranking. Hedvig was placed second at Verbier, but needed a first place to match Jess on points.

Jess's total points of 30,500 were made up of 12,500 points from Fieberbrunn; 10,000 from Ordino-Arcalís, 8000 points from Kicking Horse British Colombia, 4095 points from Verbier in Switzerland, and 1340 points from Baqueira Beret in Spain.

### Nico Porteous

Nico Porteous (20) is the current Olympic Freeski Halfpipe champion, FIS Freeski Halfpipe World Champion and X Games SuperPipe Gold medallist.

When Nico successfully defended his X Games SuperPipe title in 2022 he made history becoming the first athlete in the world to land back to back 1620's in the halfpipe.

Along with his X Games and Olympic success during the 2022 Season Nico also won the Mammoth Mountain Freeski Halfpipe World Cup and came second at the Copper Mountain Freeski Halfpipe

World Cup.

When Nico competed in the PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Winter Games he became New Zealand's youngest-ever Olympic Winter Games medallist when he claimed the bronze medal in Freeski Halfpipe.

Nico is coached by Snow Sports New Zealand High Performance Freeski coach Tommy Pyatt (who is a past Tūroa Ski Area events manager) and is based in Wānaka while in New Zealand.

### Zoi Sadowski-Synnott

Zoi Sadowski-Synnott (21) is the current Snowboard Slopestyle Olympic Champion, Snowboard Slopestyle World Champion and X Games Snowboard Slopestyle and Big Air gold medallist.

She also claimed the 2022 Olympic silver medal in Snowboard Big Air, has held the Snowboard Slopestyle World Championship title since 2019 and has claimed seven X Games medals and six World Cup medals during her career.

She became the first snowboarder to ever defend a Slopestyle World Championship title in March 2021 and also won the silver medal at the Big Air World Championships, she took the win at the FIS Snowboard World Cup Big Air in Kreischberg 2020 and 2nd place at the FIS Snowboard World Cup Slopestyle in Laax 2021.

Zoi competed in PyeongChang 2018 where she became New Zealand's first Olympic Winter Games medallist in 26 years, and New Zealand's second winter medallist in history when she claimed bronze in the Snowboard Big Air event.

Zoi is coached by Snow Sports NZ High Performance Snowboard Coach Sean Thompson.

### Adam Hall

Adam Hall claimed two bronze medals at the Beijing 2022 Paralympic Winter Games in both the Men's Standing Super Combined and the Men's Standing Slalom.

He claimed the silver medal in Men's Standing Slalom at the 2022 World Para Snow Sports Championships.

Adam is a two-time Paralympic gold medallist and has competed at five Paralympic Winter Games.

At the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games Adam was bestowed with an incredible honour when he was announced as winner of the Whang Yuon Dai Achievement Award. This is presented to only one male and one female Paralympian at each Paralympic Games who best exemplify the spirit of the Paralympic Games and the

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Jude and Luigi Hotter welcomed home their freeride world champion daughter Jess on Friday.

# Volcanic tremor at Mt Ruapehu drops

Volcanic tremor continues at Mt Ruapehu but has decreased since last week, lowering from strong to moderate levels, reports Agnes Mazot, GNS duty volcanologist.

The Crater Lake (Te Wai ā-moe) temperature has also declined to 37°C. The levels of gas emission remain high, indicating that the volcano is still at a heightened level of unrest. The Volcanic Alert Level remains at 2.

The strong volcanic tremor at Mt Ruapehu that has been recorded since early March has been declining for the past two weeks. The heavy rainfall over the weekend caused a temporary 40cm rise in lake level and a drop of about 2°C in water temperature. The lake level has returned to the normal pre-rainfall level. Aside from the short-term impact of this weather event, the crater lake temperature has decreased from a peak of 41°C on 8 May 2022 to 37°C on Tuesday.

A gas measurement flight on 13 May 2022 confirmed high sulphur dioxide (SO2) and carbon dioxide (CO2) gas output, respectively of 179 and 1658 tonnes per day of gas. Both gases are released from relatively shallow magma and, although the gas output values are lower than the values measured two weeks ago, they remain elevated for Mt Ruapehu. Observations from the gas flight have also confirmed the upwelling in the northern vent areas of the lake continues.

Overall, even with the lower levels of volcanic tremor and decrease in lake temperature, gas emissions remain elevated, and the period of heightened volcanic unrest continues at Mt Ruapehu. Within the next four weeks, the most likely outcome of this unrest episode is minor eruptive activity that is confined to the lake basin, or no eruptions. This level of activity may generate lahars (dangerous volcanic mudflows) in the Whangaehu River.

The next most likely scenario is a larger eruption that impacts the summit plateau with volcanic surges and generates lahars in multiple catchments, like what was seen after the September 2007 eruption, or older events like those in 1975 and 1969. An eruption of this size would cause life-threatening hazards on the summit plateau and in valleys impacted by lahars.

The chance of a prolonged eruptive episode or a larger eruption, such as occurred in 1995-96 with wider ashfall impacts, is higher than it was two months ago, but within the next four weeks remains very unlikely. Such an eruption would most likely only follow a sequence of smaller eruptions.

Due to the heightened volcanic unrest, GNS Science staff are carrying out more frequent aerial observations and gas measurements when weather conditions are suitable.

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# Vintage train trip sold out

and Raetihi.

More than 300 people rode a vintage train from Ohakune to Feilding and back on Saturday, taking in the sights on the southern North Island Main Trunk Line including the impressive Rangitikei viaducts.

The train was organised by the Glenbrook Vintage Railway (GVR), who ran a visitor train down from Auckland on Friday night, bringing down about 50 people who stayed for the weekend in National Park Village and the Chateau Tongariro as well as Ohakune.

GVR decided to add on a day trip, in conjunction with Main Trunk Rail Ohakune (MTRO), for Ruapehu rail enthusiasts, picking up 205 passengers from Ohakune and 114 in Taihape.

"The Rangitikei viaducts were a real highlight," said Bob Norling from MTRO.

"It was a really successful trip." He said the eight-carriage train was full and the dining car was popular, having to take more food on board at one of the stops. Passengers were from Taupō, Tauma-

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runui and Whanganui as well as Ohakune

The vintage carriages were from the

The locomotive was a veteran 1970's

Mr Norling said GVR were really happy

with the weekend and are planning more

trips, with the next one booked for 10 June.

They are also organising a special train for

He said Ohakune was really well set up

to take the trips, using MTRO's railway

siding as well as the Ohakune station. The

The event also helped raise funds for the

On Sunday, a separate excursion saw

passengers picked up and transported down

the Raurimu Spiral and on to Taumarunui,

before taking the weekend passengers back

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- 4. City with suburbs Awatoto, Maraenui and Onekawa (6)
- 9. Creature on former 5c coin (7)
- **10.** Lukewarm (5)
- 11. NZ school qualification (4) 12. Cooked sandwich (7)
- 13. Beam (3)
- 14. Sneaker, boat, or loafer (4)
- **16.** Depose (4)
- 18. Extinct bird (3)
- 20. Kiri te Kanawa, for example (7)
- 21. Distort, make inaccurate (4)
- 24. Fool (5)
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### **Previous solution**

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### **Driver trapped in SH4 crash**



Two cars were involved in a serious crash on SH4 on Saturday, south of Horopito.

Two cars were involved in a crash on State Highway Four, south of Horopito, on Saturday afternoon.

Police, Fire and Emergency Service and St John Ambulance personel attended the incident, with the Palmerston North Rescue Helicopter transporting the driver of one of the vehicles to Palmerston North Hospital.

Police said the driver of a car travelling south lost control, over-corrected and crossed the centre line in front of a north-bound Honda Jazz. The rear of the Subaru hit the front of the Honda, then smashed through a fence and came to a stop in the adjacent paddock.

The driver of the Honda was not injured, while the passenger was checked for chest and arm pain.

The driver and sole occupant of the Subaru had to be cut out of the car and suffered moderate injuries.

Police said the driver of the Subaru recevied infringe-

### **Fire award**



National Park Volunteer Fire Brigade chief Marilla Swift last week won the Intelligence led, Evidence Based Decision Making Category of the FENZ Te Upoko Celebrating Success Awards. Following the Whakaari White Island eruption, Marilla Swift was part of a local emergency management working group reviewing the local response to an eruption on Ruapehu. She revisited the risks and hazards associated with a Fire and Emergency response during and in the days following an eruption and wrote an extensive new Readiness and Response Procedure. This document has been adopted by the Region for use by brigades surrounding all Te Upoko's volcanoes; Ruapehu, Taranaki and Tongariro/Ngauruhoe. Photo: NPVFB.

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# If Mt Ruapehu volcano erupts...

Volcanic eruptions are a fact of life for people living in the Central Plateau and many people who have lived in the area during the last eruptions in 1995 and 1996, as well as 2007. There are still some who witnessed the eruptions in the 1940s.

People downwind of the volcano will remember that the main nuisance as being ashfalls – especially Waiouru, the Desert Road and Turangi and further afield on the east coast.

Those upwind of the prevailing westerly winds recall

Of course there were the victims of the Tangiwai Disaster, caused by a lahar down the Whangaehu River, and William Pike who was badly injured at the Dome Shelter in the 2007 eruption.

But most witnesses to the 1995-1996 eruptions remember the period as a spectacular nuisance, with ash disrupting the ski season, affecting farm stock and landing on washing and affecting their gutters.

For more recently arrived residents - and their con-

cerned families away from the area – they are understandably nervous and some quite rightly want to know what to do, should there be another large eruption.

Apart from grabbing your camera, there is advice available, from the Department of Conservation, GNS and Civil Defence.

If Ruapehu erupts, what are the potential volcanic hazards it would generate, and how far might they travel?

The new Ruapehu VAL 2 volcanic hazard map poster from DOC and GNS Science (see this page) has the answers.

It shows the possible impacts of an eruption, how to reduce the risk of being exposed to volcanic hazards, and what to do if you're on the mountain when it erupts.

The primary impacts expected from an eruption at Ruapehu are fast-moving clouds of steam and hot ash and flying hot rocks across the Summit Plateau and parts of the 2km Exclusion Zone. Lahars (volcanic mudflows like a flash flood) are

likely to occur in key catchments draining off the mountain.

Large areas of Tongariro National Park would be unaffected by eruptions at Ruapehu. All DOC tracks and huts in the Park remain open during VAL 2 due to their distance from the active crater.

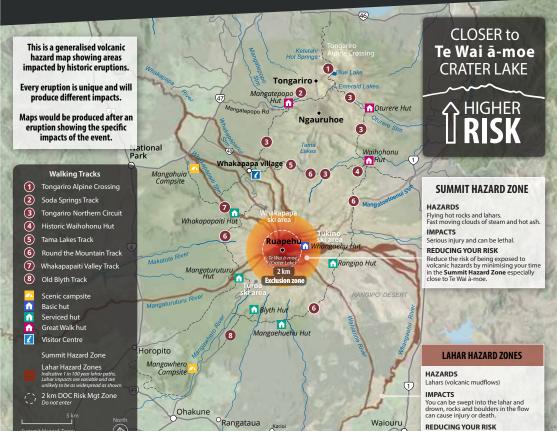
To reduce the risk of being exposed to volcanic hazards while visiting Ruapehu: Minimise time in valleys and rivers that are known lahar paths; Cross potential lahar paths quickly; Minimise time in the 3km Summit Hazard Zone; Do not enter the 2km Exclusion Zone.

Civil Defence Manawatū Whanganui has also provided general advice, including reiterating the Crater Lake hazard zones advice.

"Just like any other natural hazard emergency event, we should all be prepared and know what to do in the event of an eruption," says CD Manawatū Whanganui.

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### WHAT TO DO IN AN ERUPTION

### **IF YOU ARE:**

IN THE SUMMIT HAZARD ZONE

Move down the mountain following ridges.



**IN A VALLEY** 

**VOLCANIC** 

**HAZARDS** 

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### **Eruption** advice

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### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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Section 101, Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

Raetihi Cosmopolitan Club Inc 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 32 Seddon Street. Raetihi known as Raetihi Club. The general nature of the

Cosmopolitan business to be conducted under the licence is that of a Club. The days on which and the hours during which alcohol is intended to be sold under the licence are: Monday - Sunday: 9.00 am – 10.00 pm.

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.

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Pursuant to s.28 of the Local Government Rating Act 2002 (the Act), the RID for the Ruapehu District is currently available for inspection. The RID will be available for inspection on Council's website: www.ruapehudc.govt.nz, or at all Council service centres:

- Taumarunui, 59-63 Huia Street, 8.00am-5.00pm
- Ohakune, 37 Ayr Street, 8.00am-5.00pm
- Raetihi, corner of Duncan and Seddon Streets, 8.30am-4.00pm

Information on individual properties in the RID will be posted, faxed, or emailed (pdf format) to ratepayers upon request.

Pursuant to s.29 of the Act, ratepayers may object to the completeness and correctness of the information in the RID. An objection form is available and ratepayers need to submit any objection to the RID with Council by Friday

Objections received by this date that result in a correction to the RID may affect the 2022/2023 rates set. Objections received after this date that result in a correction may not be applied until the following rating year

If an owner wishes their name, postal address or both to be withheld from the RID, a written application pursuant to s.28C(2) (a) of the Act must be submitted to Council.

Any queries on the Rating Information Database please call the Rates Team at Council on 07 895 8188 or 06 385 8364



### Advisory Notice

### **Exercise Malaya**

Combat School, Land Operations Training Centre of the New Zealand Army will be conducting a military exercise from Tuesday 31 May until Wednesday 15 June 2022. The exercise will be conducted in the Rangataua Forest area North East of Ohakune.

The Exercise will consist of up to 60 soldiers with weapons conducting blank firing activities.

Signage will be posted on main roads and tracks leading into the exercise area.

Inquiries regarding the exercise can be directed to:

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### **PUBLIC NOTICES**



### Te Kōhanga Reo o Te Manu Kōrero **AGM**

Wednesday 25 May 2022 at 4.30pm at Te Kōhanga Reo o Te Manu Kōrero

### AGENDA:

- Minutes from Previous AGM Hui
- Chairmans Report
- 2021 Audit Report
- Election of Officers: Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary

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Working Dogs			
Working dog	\$	33	
Working dog — (paid by 30 June )	\$	22	
Hunting Dogs			
Hunting dog	\$	37	
Hunting dog — (paid by 30 June )	\$	25	
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Other Fees				
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Licence Fee for more than two dogs			42	
(excluding Rural zoning)				
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# Horizons supports call for Pokaka access government co-investment in flood protection

At their Catchment Operations committee meeting last week, Horizons Regional councillors received the Central Government Co-Investment in Flood Protection Schemes Supplementary Report, released by Te Uru Kahika – Regional and Unitary Councils Aotearoa last month.

Horizons chair Rachel Keedwell says Council fully supports the call for central government to prioritise sustained co-investment in flood protection across New Zealand to meet increased flood hazard risks arising from climate change

"As noted in the report, the sector invests \$200 million a year in flood protection schemes across the country. However, this large investment still falls short of the additional \$150 million per annum that is required to meet critical flood protection needs, and that is what we are calling on central government for," says Cr Keedwell.

While most flood protection schemes in the Horizons region are outside Ruapehu, the regional council has started a process of flood mitigation plans for Ruapehu, including Ohakune.

"New Zealander's lives and livelihoods are in very real danger from increasingly severe and frequent flood risks arising from climate change. Over the past three years, when the sector first sought funding from central government, ten more significant flood events have occurred in places such as Northland, Tairawhiti, West Coast, Canterbury, and Southland.

### **CLASSIFIEDS**

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"In Horizons' case, we have had some of our protection schemes pushed to within mere millimetres of their capacity, and have undertaken numerous flood gate operations."

She cites the floods in Manawatū last year, Whanganui in 2015, and the wider Manawatū in 2004.

"Not only do these large flood events affect people, properties, and local economies, they cause disruption to Crown assets such as roads, railway, lifelines infrastructure, and other central government-supported projects and assets such as community centres and marae. Government pays no rates contribution to the protection of these."

However, she acknowledges the investment in 2020 through the Infrastructure Climate Resilience Fund.

"This co-investment is a great example of how regional councils can accelerate work on flood protection schemes that are already planned or underway.

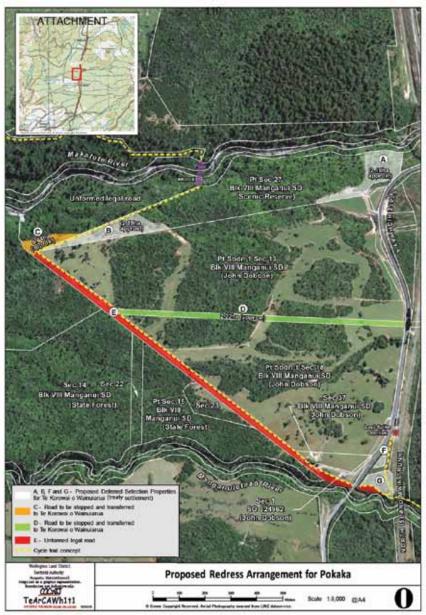
"However, for Horizons this investment only supports four of Council's 34 river and drainage schemes which include over 500km of stopbanks, 1100 km of drains, 22 pumping stations, and 53 dams.

"These schemes are funded through general and scheme rates, and have an asset value of \$800 million. providing \$15 billion worth of benefit value to the region.

"Since 2019, Regional Councils and Unitary Authorities have committed to increasing annual regional funding for flood protection by a further combined \$25 million. Our communities have shown their support for increased flood protection through our collective Long-Term Plans.

"With the escalation of extreme weather events, we now need central government to step up and meet this challenge alongside our ratepayers, who are currently paying the bill for critical flood protection in response to climate change.

"Flooding is the number one naturally occurring hazard in Aotearoa. Regional and unitary councils will continue to advocate to central government for co-investment solutions which deliver to the needs of communities now and into the future."



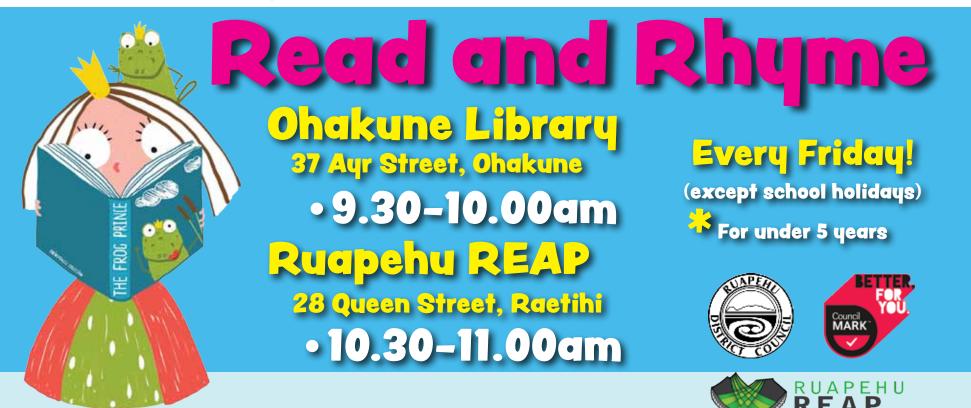
RDC proposed to 'stop' the paper road, marked in green (D), and hand it to the Pokaka ecosanctuary (see story Page 1). There is physical access already (marked in red. 'E'), but part of the physical track crosses private land (bottom left, marked 'Sec 1')



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# Ruapehu sports

### **Junior Netball**

This year sees the Ruapehu Junior netball take the court in Taihape. The competition is played on a Thursday afternoon and is working well.

Junior netball is in a rebuilding phase and this opportunity is great for their development. This year junior netball has a Year 5 and 6 team, and a senior team of Year 7 and Year 8 pupils.

The girls are looking smart and enjoy every chance they get to play.

Two weeks in and the junior team has had a win and a loss, and the senior team has won both weeks so far. Supporters are welcome on a Thursday afternoon to watch them.

### **Junior Rugby**

The Junior rugby started off with an opening weekend at Springvale Park in Whanganui on the weekend. A great day for everyone and there were lots of excitement on the faces for the opening games of the season.

This year the Club has around 120 kids registered to play and is fielding nine teams across all the different age groups from Rippa to under 13-year-olds.

"We thank all our rugby whānau, coaches, and helpers that make this all possible for our kids," said a club spokesperson.

This weekend sees another full week and weekend with trainings. Information is on the Facebook group. The Juniors accepted an invite for the U13 team to curtain-raise for the Ruapehu Seniors at Rochfort Park, Ohakune this Saturday, 11.30am kick off.

### Senior Nethall

The Ruapehu Woman's Netball team made a positive start to their 2022 season, winning their first grading game in Whanganui on Saturday. The team was dynamic on the court taking out the game 30-19 over Tech. Some smooth mid-court play and accurate shooting saw Ruapehu lead on the scoreboard for the whole game.

"With a team culture focused on having fun on the court and supporting each other it will be a great season for Ruapehu," says the Club.

"The team had a large support crew on the side-line and want to say thank you to all their supporters both at home and those that make it to game day."

### **Senior Rugby**

Ruapehu seniors travelled to Taihape to battle against Taihape seniors on the weekend. As soon as the whistle blew both sides brought the fire, Taihape having a strong front row saw many scrums collapse. Both sides played an excellent game seeing Ruapehu going into halftime leading 14-5.

The second half saw Ruapehu settle down and manage to take the win 24-17.

Try scorers were Keaton Norling, Jayden Taylor, and Kahl Elers-Green. Conversions by Kahl Elers-Green.

This week Ruapehu is second on the country table and has a home game this Saturday hosting Hunterville. Kick-off is at 1pm, for the last game of the first round. From here Ruapehu move to top six and bottom six of the Country and Town draws for the second round.

### **Junior hockey**

Taumarunui Junior Hockey Club is up and off to a roaring start this winter, with 10 teams registered from across the Ruapehu District as far away as National Park Primary School to the South and Tokirima Primary to the west.

The winter hockey season started early at the beginning of May 2022, due to lovely sunny weather.

"We are looking forward to another exciting season of Junior Hockey for our youngest members," says Inneke Cumming, Taumarunui Hockey Club manager.

"We offer on the top turf at Taumarunui High School, small sticks coaching sessions for individuals new to hockey and for children in school years 1-3 with focus on passing, trapping and dribbling before they have fun 5-a-side games run by our awesome small sticks coach Gabby and her team.

"Then the serious fun happens on our newly laid blue artificial bottom turf, the round robin schools competition for school years 3-8 every Wednesday for 10 weeks.

They are always exciting games between local schools Owhango and National Park, and hotly contested matches between Manunui School and Turaki Primary to name a few.

A barbecue runs on the side lines, catered by 1st Matapuna Scouts.

Those interested in adult social hockey the Club offers fun games on Tuesday nights as well. Contact Inneke for further details on 02102922896 or look for Taumarunui Junior Hockey Club on Facebook.

Results 11/5/22, Week 1: Game 1 – Owhango 10 vs TPS #1 nil; Game 2 – TPS #2 1 vs Turaki Dragons nil; Game 3 - NPS A 8 vs Turaki Unicorns nil; Game 4 – Manunui Magic 9 vs NPS B 2; Game 5 – Tokirima Tigers 2 vs TPS # 2 nil.

Points: 3 win, 2 draw, 1 loss. TPS #2 4 points; On 3 points, Owhango, NPS A, Manunui Magic, Tokirima Tigers. On 1 point: TPS # 1, Turaki Dragons, Turaki Unicorns, NPS B. Goals For Week 1: Owhango 10, Manunui Magic 9; NPS A 8; Tokirima Tigers 2; NPS B 2; TPS # 2 1; TPS #1 0; Turaki Dragons 0; Turaki Unicorns 0.



Ruapehu player Roman Tutauha scores one of his two tries for Taihape on Saturday. Standing is fellow-Ruapehu transfer player Gabriel Hakaraia, who also scored a try. Taihape won 77-7 against Border. Photo: Merrilyn George.



Ruapehu's Senior Netball team made a positive start to the 2022 season, winning 30-19 over

### Ohakune Squash

Round two of interhouse had the closest results yet. Team six beat team seven 86-84, team five beat team one 85-81, team two beat team three 88-87 and team four had the bye. The draw for this Thursday is: at 5:00pm team four plays team two; at 6:30 team seven plays team three and at 8:00pm team six plays team one. Team five has the bye. Team four helps with kitchen duties for

the first half from 5:00 until 7:15 and team one is on the second half from 7:15 to 9:30.

This Saturday the central senior team of six men and six women take on the Waikato senior team for the Leevey shield in Ohakune. This was postponed from last year due to covid. One of the Ohakune players, Emma Rowe, will be playing in the Central side, Games start at 10:00am. Visitors welcome.

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