

TALK UP TAIHAPE



December 2020

The Weather was perfect on Saturday for the Taihape Christmas Parade. The floats were amazing ,well done to you all for taking the time to share your pride and joy with our town. To the Sponsors, Maori Wardens, MC, Judges and Volunteers thank you for making the parade a happy and safe event.

Our small community survived 2020, what a year it has been!. We did manage to hold the family fun focused Gumboot Day in March , Talk Up Taihape was published, Spring Fling held in the rain and the business shop competition to herald in Spring with a great prize offered .

Let 2021 be a great year for all.

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'On behalf of the Taihape Community

Development Trust , Project & Events Co-ordinator Pania Winita and administrator Frances McKeown I'd like to wish all of Taihape a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We hope that Covid-19 hasn't been too unkind to you. We wish you all the best in your endeavours for the coming year. We would like to thank all the clubs, organisations, business and individuals that have helped make the Taihape community even stronger and better connected'

Keep Safe Les Clarke (Chair)



WINNERS OF BEST DRESSED: Silver Boot Concrete Craft 1st place –Byford Construction. 2nd Place– Matt Hobbs Plumbing & Drainlaying, Third place— Taihape Honda.. Highly Commended went to Hautapu Haulage Ltd, Taihape Health Ltd and Older and Bolder.



TALK UP TAIHAPE Advertisement Pricing and Deadline

Voluntary Groups and Organisations, advertise your meetings and events in a classified advertisement (between 1/8 and 1/4 page) for FREE (subject to availability). No issue for January 2021.

1 page (A5)	\$50
1/2 page	\$30
1/4 page	\$15

Classifieds are \$10 (that's 2 lines).
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Advertising deadline Wednesday 3rd FEBRUARY 2021

Publication and distribution Thursday 11th FEBRUARY 2021

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The AA will begin providing mobile driver licensing services in Taihape in the new year, replacing the service at Ruapehu REAP.

The AA agent will be at 1 Tui St from 9.30am to 4pm on the second and fourth Monday of every month. Its first visit will be on January 11. If public holidays fall on a Monday, the mobile agent will visit on the Tuesday.

A wide variety of services will be offered by the AA, including driver licensing administration, theory testing, road user charges payment facilities, personal IRD number applications, RealMe® identity verification, Kiwi Access Card applications and the ability to add a photo to SuperGold cards.

Taihape locals will also be able to pay road user charges, join the AA and renew



The Memorial Park Grandstand

The Taihape Heritage Trust have lobbied the Rangitikei District Council very strongly over the past seven months regarding preserving the Grandstand. Recently our focus was to persuade the Council to

refurbish the shower/toilet/changing room functions of the Grandstand and thereby take the opportunity to begin the process of bringing our Grandstand back to full building and safety standards.

The Council have, however, always been very intent on building for Taihape, a new amenity block near the tennis court (using the last court plus other land). This building project is now definitely proceeding, following recent Council debate and voting. This building should be an asset.

The Heritage Trust has successfully raised the profile of the Grandstand and the aim is to have the necessary work scheduled in the district's Long-Term Plan alongside obtaining Heritage NZ recognition. We look forward to working with the council on this as they look to maintain and preserve our heritage. Thanks to all who have commented on our Facebook page and especially to all those 648 signatures of support for our petition. This represented 48% of our Taihape population over the age of 15. It was probably one of the most rapid,

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SUCCESS STORY

An ex Mangaweka School student Virginia Baird was recently recognised by the Hastings Heretaunga Lions Club as a one of their 2020 Young Achievers.

Since receiving the Iona College Music Scholarship in Year 9 she has ably served her school accompanying chapel services, school assemblies and House Music. This year she passed the Trinity College exams with distinction (piano grade 8 and violin grade 4) and was a finalist in the prestigious Hawkes Bay Young Musician of the Year. Over the last few years Virginia has represented NZ in China, the UK and Thailand. In 2018 she was sponsored by the Hastings District Council to perform with the local youth orchestra at schools and public events in Guilin and Chengdu. In January of this year as a finalist in the Commonwealth International Composition Competition, her piece "Rangitikei" composed for cello and violin was performed in London by the professional Dionysius Ensemble, receiving a special mention. She watched it live via the internet from Roi Et, where she was participating in a cultural exchange funded by the Thai embassy.

At her school Iona College's prizegiving, Virginia's Gold Duke of Edinburgh award (acknowledging her commitment to service,

running, music, and tramping) was presented along with several cups for music, physics and chemistry. She is humbled to be awarded Hironga, Horomata, Waddell and music scholarships to help fund her engineering studies at Canterbury University next year.

This story shows that any kid from a small town can make it BIG!





GO THROW SHOW



Taihape A&P Show and Gumboot Day
9am - 4pm, 30 January 2021

Memorial Park

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EVENT CALENDAR



Fri 11th December 7.00pm Christmas
Carols with the Arcadian Singers

Sat 12th December Bulls Christmas Parade

Sat 12th December 3:30pm Marton's Christmas
Parade

Sun 13th December Taihape Golf Club Christmas
Cheer

Fri 25th December Taihape Christmas Lunch

Sunday 27th December Taihape Shearing
holding 24 hour *Shearathon* in aid of Ronald
McDonald House

Sat 30th January 2021 9am - **4pm** "Go Throw
Show" a combined Taihape A&P Show and
Gumboot Day

13th February 2021 'Rhythm in Bulls' FREE
Community Event



Group Contact Details

Taihape Contract Bridge Club; Mondays at 7pm - contact Marion Cleaver on 06 388 0056

Taihape Art Society; Mon 10am to 2pm 06 388 1138 Raema Mickleson

Taihape Arcadian Singers; Contact June Gilbert 06 388 1523

Taihape Garden Club; 1st Thursdays of the month at 7pm.
Contact 021 072 7500

Taihape Friendship Group; 2nd & 4th Weds monthly contact Karen 027 2402593

Whanau Hobby Hutt; Wednesdays 6pm to 8pm - contact Gary Johnston 0274464498

Taihape Museum; Open Sundays 11am to 2pm - contact taihapemuseum@gmail.com

Taihape Women's' Club; 1st Wednesdays - contact Viv Tantrum 06 3880635

Taihape Walkers Group; Meet every 3rd Saturday - contact Warren Couper 063880199

Taihape Men's Group; Every 2nd Friday each month - contact Graham Smith 06 3880555

Taihape Spinning Group; 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 10.30am to 3pm - contact Jenny Abernethy 06 3881620

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All business that supported events through 2020 were placed in a hat.

The prize was drawn on Monday 7th December by RDC Sheryl Srhoj
The WINNER~ *Taihape Veterinary Services*.

They do so much to help out , especially this year's Spring Fling **Congratulations!**



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Taihape Community Board Comments

At the initial Community Board Workshop for 2020 it was resolved that all outstanding projects would be completed before introducing new ones. The first issue to be addressed related to communication “increased engagement with wider communities . This has been achieved through this column ,through regular participation in the Talking Table concept and through the Public Forum at the Board’s bi-monthly meetings.

The Robin Street Dog Park has been an on-going project for a number of years and it is now finished, fully fenced and safe for local and visiting canines. Other projects completed include the placement of two defibrillators (AED’s) to provide further twenty-four hour coverage for the public; the erection of pedestrian alert signage on the popular O’Taihape Valley Road walking circuit; the location of an extra seat in the Cemetery has been chosen, we just need the approval of Council staff. while the seat to be placed in Kaka Road is a replacement for the one that “disappeared”! Work continues on the Events Boards but with the proposal to move the existing southern board forward and possibly enhance with planting approval needs to be obtained from Waka Kotahi / NZTA and that is being worked on at present. With regards to the Information Boards TCB are looking at new static boards to be placed both in New World Supermarket and at the Information Centre. The Board has kept the future of the Tui Street building in front of Council and I understand a date has been set for the demolition in early 2021, while the condition and location of security cameras within the township is a matter for the District Council and the Police. Just a reminder -- we value the opinion and ideas of our community but please don’t let criticism and negativity creep in – these are unproductive and we need to be looking to the future. A big thank-you to the many groups who are working so hard for the betterment of our community. We do not meet again until February 2021 and so on behalf of the Taihape Community Board I wish you all a very happy festive season, shop locally and enjoy quality time with friends and family.

Ann Abernethy (Chair)



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FROM THE Mayor's Desk

With the festive season fast approaching Council is nearing its close down time.

The big news this month is that Council has confirmed the previous Council's decision to build the amenities block as a standalone facility at the end of the netball court area at Memorial Park. This has been a contentious issue with many meetings over location and scale held over many years. We finally have a decision and I am hoping that work can progress quickly. Council, in making the decision recognised that the building should be treated as a separate issue to the Grandstand renovation. There was interest from all Councillors in retaining and strengthening the Grandstand to recognise its place as an iconic heritage feature. Council has asked for further work to be done to understand all of the costs in preparation for Long Term Plan consideration. Council has also understood that the netball and tennis clubs need to have scope for future growth. I would like to thank all of the people past and present who have talked to Council to get this decision. We acknowledge that it is impossible to please everyone, but without a decision costs continue to grow and many clubs and organisations are impacted by not having adequate changing rooms and services.

Last weekend I attended the Motorbike Ride based out of Taihape organised by Harry Lazarus to raise money for St John. The event organisation and day was a huge success and tribute to the wider Taihape community, everyone seemed to be involved. My wife has said that I may be allowed to buy a new motorbike next year. If I can hold her to that, bring it on - I want to be one of the riders next year!

Upcoming events for Taihape include Christmas in the Park and the Christmas Parade. I will also be attending the Taihape Area School Prizegiving on 3 December.

Next week I will be attending a meeting to be held in Hastings where we are finally gaining traction on discussions of upgrades to the Gentle Annie Road between Hastings and Taihape. We have worked on this for a number of years and have finally got it to the stage of a possible consideration by Waka Kotahi, the organisation previously known as NZTA.

Recently I attended the Treaty Settlement Claims process held at Winiata Marae. I thank Jordan Winiata and Peter Steedman for the welcome that was afforded to me. It gave me the opportunity to acknowledge and apologise for the previous actions of Councils over the years which may have hindered progress.

I would like to congratulate Ann Abernethy as Chair of the Taihape Community Board for "The Outback" dog run area that has been fenced off. Beth and I will be attending the Christmas Party which I sponsor each year and alternate going between Marton and Taihape. This year it is Taihape's turn so I will be joining a number of the community on the 25th.

Finally I would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas, take the time to spend time with family, relax and please be safe. I look forward to the exciting challenges that a new year will bring. See you back in 2021.

Ngā mihi, Mayor Andy Watson,
Rangitikei District Council.

Council Opening Hours

All Council Offices, Libraries and Info Centres will close on **Thursday 24 December at Midday**. Normal business hours resume at all sites on **Monday 11 January 2021**.

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- KAREN HUGHES -

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Stimulates hemoglobin production, It also helps transport oxygen to other body cells.

Who needs MORE and why?

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- Athletes, particularly endurance runners

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Lean red meats, chicken and fish, green leafy vegetables, legumes, tofu, beets (beetroot)

To increase your absorption of Iron try to have with Vitamin C rich foods – such as kiwifruit, citrus fruits, orange juice and capsicums.

- Tea reduces the amount of iron absorbed by the body. Drink tea between meals, or wait at least ½ -1 hour after eating.

Treatment

Is the treatment as straight forward as taking an Iron supplement? No, it is not!

You need to be assessed for degree of Iron deficiency and do you have inflammation in the body as well. Appropriate referral where necessary

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Gardening in Taihape

Now into summer our gardens should be bursting forth with colour and fragrance. Our vegetable gardens will be succulent shades of green and root vegetables await picking .

If applicable we should be maintaining a good amount of watering over these now warmer months and maintaining a good level of weed and pest control should keep everything in tip top condition leading into the holiday season. Summer growth of lillium, dahlia and chrysanthemums should be by now on full show as well as our roses. A previous mentions TIP: 1



teaspoon garlic powder to 1 litre of water used as a garden spray will help check unwanted aphids and small insects other wise topical sprays from garden centres shall suffice

Our vegetable gardens should now have rapid growth its always a good idea to keep attentive to cultivation, weeding and irrigation to ensure a good crop for harvest but we may also see a rise in caterpillars and white fly and again is necessary to ensure we deal with those pest in an appropriate manner. We can continue with

successive sowings of summer vegetables like our beans and beetroot, carrots and lettuce.

If we are so lucky to have a variety of fruit trees in our home gardens its always a great idea to tend to the soil conditions for the best crop outcome. Good applications of fertiliser and water will help increase the size of the fruit, there are many varieties of fertiliser both organic and store brought that will help with this. If our trees show signs of fungus leaf curl or black spot especially in stone fruit a good spray with copper should do the trick. Happy Summer Happy Gardening

This FEATURE is written with advice from the Taihape Garden Club. Like/share/read comment on their Facebook





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Taihape New World will be closed Xmas Day only.

Le Café-Local students from Moawhango & St Joseph's schools will be playing carols at the cafe at 10.30am to 11.30am on Saturday 12 th December . Come along and support local young musicians.

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Films coming up at the Majestic Theatre



5c Tui Street, Taihape



Cinemas are where memories are made

*** Some of the dates and times are tentative and may be liable to change without notice ***

SIX60: TILL THE LIGHTS GO OUT (M) 92min Tickets \$15 7pm Sat 12th

RAMS (PG) 119min - 4pm Sun 11th Dec

**COMBAT WOMBAT (PG) 85min – 4pm Sat 12th, 1.30pm Sun 13th, 1pm
Fri 18th, 3pm Sat 19th, 2.30th Sun 10th Jan**

**A CHRISTMAS GIFT FROM BOB (PG) 92Min – 7pm Sun 13th, 3pm Fri
18th, 5pm Sat 19th**

100% WOF (PG) – 12.30pm Fri 8th Jan, 3.30pm Sat 9th

**DREAMBUILDERS (PG) 81min – 10.30am Fri 8th Jan, 1.30pm Sat 9th,
1pm Fri 15th, 3pm Sun 17th, 12.30pm Sat 23rd**

MADE IN ITALY (M) 94min – 5pm Sun 10th Jan, 5pm Sun 17th Jan

**THE CROODS: A NEW AGE (PG) 95min – 10.30am Fri 15th Jan,
2.30pm Sat 16th, 12.30pm Fri 22nd, 3pm Sun 24th, 1.30pm Fri 29th**

**DRAGON RIDER (PG) 92min – 3pm Fri 15th, 11am Sat 16th,
3pm Fri 22nd, 2.30pm Sat 23rd, 11am Fri 29th**

A CALL TO SPY (M) 124min – 5pm Sun 17th Jan, 5pm Sun 31st Jan

**Please Be Aware - Due to Covid 19 film releases can get changed without notice and new releases are being held back, so we are consistently looking at what we can bring you.*

If you are unwell please stay home.

We want to take this time to Thank Everyone for their continued support this year and wish you all a Happy & Safe Christmas & New Year. We look forward to bringing you some wonderful films in 2021

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Grab your mates, partner, children for a night to remember