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Taihape Community Development Trust *JULY 2020*

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# INTRODUCING **Sergeant Harry HUGHES**

Hi, I am Harry Hughes the new officer in charge at Taihape Police Station. I have been in the Police for around 13 years, starting in Wellington-Lower Hutt where I am originally from, six years in Wairoa and three years in Hunterville.

I have a wife and three kids at Hunterville School and Rangitikei College. I enjoy getting out for bush walks and mountain biking with the family and a bit of fishing.

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# MAMMA MIA!

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Thursday 16 April 7:30pm  
Friday 17 April 7:30pm  
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Saturday 18 April 7:30pm

## New Date

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Thursday 30 July 7:30pm  
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## Taihape Heritage Committee – The Grandstand

We have come to a point where a group of people are prepared to lead a focus on our Memorial Park Grandstand. The building is 96 years old and requires a sizeable amount of money spent, to bring it back to where it should be.

We have lagged in the Rangitikei, over the years, to acknowledge and maintain our heritage buildings (the Manawatu and Wanganui regions are much more pro-active). Sometimes we also struggle in Taihape when our District Council base is essentially the Marton area.

Our Taihape Grandstand, is in fact, quite special. It is large and one of only 4 or 5 remaining in NZ, built at the recreation/park grounds. Presented properly this structure could symbolise Taihape more significantly.

The Memorial Park grounds are very well kept and the elevated views from the Grandstand over the fields towards the redwoods are superb. It is central to the Park, yet only metres from a nearby street and certainly directly serves any sport or event on the main field. It would be disappointing if one day our Memorial Park did not have the presence and status of the Grandstand that our forbears built in the memory of fallen soldiers.

The building has functioned over the years as a pivot for events. The large ground floor area (320m<sup>2</sup> approx) can accommodate a sizeable shower area, up to 6 changing rooms & toilets, catering areas, medical rooms and storage. But also seating a good number of people at an elevated level out of the rain or sun. Its role is exemplified when the twin central front doors are open and sports teams emerge for the “Big Match”. How Lucky Are We?

Make no mistake – our “Rec Grounds” are still very well used during the year. Sport is a large part of Taihape lives and provides a sense of community, which is shared with many visitors. There are numerous codes of sport involved but rugby

alone has 18-20 weeks straight with multiple teams playing Saturdays and mid-week practices.

The most logical way to achieve the goal of a refurbished Grandstand on its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday is to reinstate its function and purpose. It may not be in the “best” place for all Park users. But it is already there and still suits a large part of the community.

The Rangitikei District Council has for a very long time been trying to solve our Park issues. They have set aside funds and have definite intentions to build a separate toilet, shower and changing block near field 3 and the tennis courts. (Please note that there is no “Hub” or inside social area. No upstairs – a single story build only.) It has taken years of meetings and is excellent news for those needing a hot shower.

BUT this also represents one huge – last minute – opportunity to place and re-place these facilities under the Grandstand and thereby secure it’s future by giving it back function.

Meaning no new building taking up one of the tennis courts with the associated costs of new water, power, sewerage which we already have.

The Taihape Heritage group believe that to spend over \$1m of our (ratepayer) funds on a separate ablutions block build and then leave the Grandstand to flounder is nonsense and lacks all efficiencies. It is clear also that there is simply not the wealth to do both.

Our Heritage Group wish to circulate a petition to establish support. Please be encouraged to take part. It will be outside **New World on the 11th July 10am to 2pm**. Also in the near future at Coffee HQ (railway) and at REAP, 1 Tui St.

There is a Facebook page for viewing and comments (but not to sign). Go to “Heritage Taihape”.

## **Small Town – Big Stand**

## **MEDIA RELEASE:**

### **RURAL STARS HIT THE STAGE IN TAIHAPE'S BIGGEST SHOW EVER** **MAMMA MIA MUSICAL TO DEBUT IN TAIHAPE**



**1 July 2020** – There’s been a few bemused livestock around the Rangitikei in the last few weeks, as the stars of Taihape’s production of Mamma Mia rehearse for their upcoming shows.

Tickets are back on sale for the region’s biggest show ever, with the smash hit, West End musical featuring a talented cast of locals from Marton, Hunterville, Taihape and surrounding districts.

And considering the demanding musical numbers the show requires, some have found themselves rehearsing in interesting locations. Ohingaiti farmer and lawyer, Scott Parkes – who plays Skye, a lead role - is one performer whose animals have succumbed to his dulcet tones; “I’ve been practicing a few numbers while tagging cattle, and they seem to calm down as soon as I start singing – they seem to really love ABBA.”

Taihape Farmer Andy Guy has also found himself lost in the music while out and about; “I rehearse while I’m drenching, feeding the dogs, XX, you name it

– the farm makes for the perfect rehearsal space.”

With six sold-out April dates scuppered by Covid-19, the shows will now take place at the end of July, with three additional shows added to cater for an anticipated increase in demand following lockdown.

“This is just what the region needs after a tough few months – a high energy show full of local faces, says Director, Wendy Revell. “Our intention from the very start was to bring some joy to the region, and that’s needed now more than ever. This musical is the perfect way to bring people together.”

The cast are now back at rehearsals for the West End favourite, set to the music of ABBA and featuring classics such as Dancing Queen, Mamma Mia and Money Money Money.

Mamma Mia’s sold out run will now take place at the Taihape Town Hall from 28 July to 1 August. Plus, three new shows have been added; an opening night on 24 July, and a matinee and evening show on 25 July.

**Tickets are available at the Taihape Info Centre, and online at [TaihapeDramaClub.com](http://TaihapeDramaClub.com) and [Eventfinda.co.nz](http://Eventfinda.co.nz).**

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## FROM THE *Mayor's Desk*

**Last week saw the conclusion of the District Plan hearings – proposing a change for some land from rural to industrial.**



The decision now rests with the Commissioner who will hopefully provide a decision within the next 2 - 3 weeks. If the decision is made to progress a District Plan change then there is a subsequent consent process for any industry.

We have a number of live applications submitted to Minister Jones's Provincial Growth Fund (PGF). I have already advised publicly that we have a potential rail siding as part of this process. There has also been requests by Government for us to submit shovel-ready projects for funding, which we have done - these are projects that are ready to go and would create employment if they were approved now. But bear in mind that every Council and organisation in New Zealand has the same opportunity – and it is a first-in first-served basis. However the good news is that the outcome of these applications will be told to us in a timely manner – a decision is expected within the next two weeks, so I am waiting with bated breath.

As part of the Council's Annual Plan process I had envisaged meeting with a large number of community groups across our district, until this was prevented by alert levels during our COVID-19 pandemic. I'm happy to start this process now, even though the Annual Plan has been adopted by Council. I see this as a two-step process – I will answer any questions around the 2020/21 Annual Plan and also start

gathering information towards our Long Term Plan process. I am happy to meet any member of the community individually, but would prefer to meet with community groups, right throughout the district – I can be contacted directly on my cellphone (027 617 7668) or ring me at the Council on 0800 422 522.

As everybody is aware the issue of the Captain James Cook statue in Marton was raised when we were alerted it was likely to be vandalised, the decision was made to protect the statue until Council engaged with local iwi, Runanga Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa, to understand their view. Subsequently, last week Council issued a joint public statement by Pahiā Turia, Chair of Runanga Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and myself as Mayor. In summary the statement said the statue should remain, but the plaque would be removed. We also agreed to start an education programme, for both European and Māori on early history and heritage. We are fortunate in our district to have a fantastic relationship with iwi, which enables us to have a genuine, frank discussion about issues such as this. It is certainly time that we knew more about our District's early history. The bonus with the issue around the Captain Cook statue has given us the opportunity to have that conversation. This of course not a position that is particular to Marton, the wider northern district is currently involved in sensitive negotiations around the settlement process with the Crown. I have attended a number of the hearings where the stories of our early District are told, I am embarrassed by some of the actions of the early Councils of the day. We do need to tell these stories right across our District.

Ngā mihi,  
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## GARDENING IN TAIHAPE

These cold mornings make it seem unlikely but Spring is just around the corner. This is a good opportunity for a final tidy up in the garden but as so often we see that wintery conditions can come later in Taihape. A prime time for planting out new shrubs, trees and roses in their desired locations as we eagerly await their first new shoots of the season. This is a good time to be sowing dianthus, delphinium, begonia and gypsophila for new seasons colour.

In the produce department, we can prune grapes by cutting out all the dead and old wood allowing the new seasons' canes to flourish and begin sowing vegetables such as beetroot, broad beans, cabbage and carrots. Winter takes us through several stages of the gardening spectrum.

Sowing, Transplanting, Protecting, Fertilising and Harvesting. With that said Taihape has a unique growing climate and protection of young seedlings is a must with some of these very cool mornings so a frost free position is best. Achievable in small tunnels houses or propagating trays available at most garden centres.



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## Sheep Measles Outbreaks Around Taihape

Ten sheep farms around the Taihape area and eight from Hunterville have been contacted regarding outbreaks of sheep measles in lambs, reports Dan Lynch, Project Manager, Ovis Management Ltd the meat industry company responsible for tracking the parasite *Cysticercus ovis* known as Sheep Measles. Sheep Measles is a parasitic infection of sheep meat spread by dogs carrying the *Taenia ovis* tapeworm.

Contractors, in particular, who take dogs with them onto farms pose a risk of spreading the disease so it is strongly encouraged that anyone taking a dog onto a sheep farm regularly has it treated monthly for sheep measles. The treatment is by pills specifically for tapeworms and these can be obtained from local vets. While farmers are treating their dogs monthly to prevent sheep measles, these efforts are at risk any time a foreign dog comes onto the farm. To reduce the risk of infection more and more farmers are requiring treatment certificates to show dogs have been dosed or are banning external dogs altogether.

### **Key Controls**

- \*Dose all dogs going on farms monthly
- \*Treat all sheep or goat meat by freezing or cooking
- \*Deter or ban all external dogs from entering sheep farms unless they have a current treatment certificate.



## TAIHAPE TOP NOTCH SNIPPETS

\***Mokai Patea** "Mauri Oho", (Spirit Awakening) Held at the Taihape Club Rooms, around 60 people were hosted by the Mokai Patea Team led by Tracy Hiroa. Great kai, house with generous prizes and live entertainment warmed up the crowd. Everyone said it was just what they needed after Lockdown isolation. Thank you to all involved.

\***Kiwi Bank** Closure in Taihape please call 0800 113 335 for more info

\*Next "**Talking Table**" 11am - 1pm, 27th July on the Main Street

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## Help to Get Through Winter Unscathed

Select natural medicines can have potent effects on immune system function. Nutrients including zinc, vitamins C and D, together with anti-viral and immune-enhancing herbs such as andrographis and elderberry, combine with targeted probiotics to help improve your immune resilience this winter. Proactively supporting the immune response will help to reduce the risk of contracting upper respiratory and other viral infections, and also significantly reduce their severity and duration to allow you to return to vibrant health all the sooner.

### Zinc, C and D: Impressive Immune Nutrients

Zinc, essential to immune function,<sup>1</sup> is involved in the generation of T cells.<sup>2</sup> Zinc is crucial to the development and function of a variety of immune cells.<sup>3</sup> Clinical trials suggest that Zinc supplementation was found to significantly decrease the number of URTI (Upper Respiratory Tract Infection) symptoms compared to placebo.

Vitamin C, found in high amounts in blackcurrants, capsicum and kale, enhances the motility and migration of white blood cells (WBCs) during infection.<sup>4</sup> Evidence supports the role of zinc and vitamin C in reducing the severity and duration of colds and viral infections.<sup>5,9</sup>

Vitamin D, predominantly derived from the sun and also from eggs, liver and fatty fish, supports immune barrier integrity.<sup>10</sup> A recent review found that vitamin D supplementation did in fact reduce the risk of acute respiratory infections (ARI) among participants, with the most deficient experiencing the greatest benefit.<sup>11</sup>

## Potent Antiviral Herbs for Symptom Relief

When nutritional immune building blocks are adequate, yet people still fall victim to acute viral infections, herbs such as *Andrographis paniculata* and *Sambucus nigra* (elderberry) can support their immune resilience and recovery.

*Andrographis*, supports immune function by stimulating phagocytic WBCs to consume and immobilise pathogens.<sup>12</sup> Thus it can reduce the severity and duration of acute respiratory infections.<sup>14</sup> *Andrographis* may also be beneficial for preventing prevalence of the common cold.

*Andrographis* is also reported to significantly decrease the intensity of URTI symptoms, especially sore throat, nasal secretion and earache,<sup>17</sup> as well as relieving fever and sore throat,<sup>18</sup> to provide much-appreciated symptom relief.

Elderberry possesses antimicrobial activity against gram-positive bacteria known to cause secondary infections (which can potentially lead to pneumonia).<sup>19</sup> *Andrographis* and elderberry combine with *picrorrhiza* and zinc to stimulate the immune response during colds and flus, essentially shortening the duration and providing symptom relief to help people feel better sooner.

### Probiotics Enhance Respiratory Immune Function

While temporarily colonising the large intestine, select probiotic bacteria are able to improve the immune response to respiratory infections. Administration of *Lactobacillus paracasei* and *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* upregulated effectively stimulating the immune system against viral infection.<sup>23</sup>

Full Article on Facebook; Karen Hughes Naturopath

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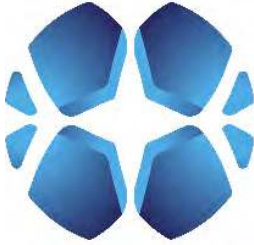
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## Taihape Community Board Comments.

Monday, June the 22<sup>nd</sup> was the day that the concept of the "Talking Table" was introduced to the people of the Taihape area. The "Talking Table" is an avenue by which elected local body members are available to meet the community and, as the name suggests, sit around the table and talk! We want to hear your ideas, your concerns and your opinions.

Although it was rather a bleak day the team members were very pleased with the response. The Talking Table will be set up on the last Monday of each month, the next being July 27<sup>th</sup> from 11-00 a.m. to 1-00 p.m. in the main street (the sunny side next time!) Councilors and Community Board members will be available for you to talk to. Our first table was manned by Gill Duncan, Tracey Hiroa and myself. Gill and Tracey are both Rangitikei District Councilors and represent the Northern Ward on the Taihape Community Board. Tracey also leads Mokaipatea Services, Gill is a trustee on the Taihape Community Development Trust while I am the current Chair of the Taihape Community Board. Both Mokaipatea and TCDT are MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) partners of the Community Board and report to the Board each bi-monthly meeting.

I will try to clarify our roles a little – The Taihape Development Trust's role is to identify, develop, support and promote community projects and events that will benefit the people and the businesses of Taihape; Mokaipatea is an organisation committed to providing health related services to all age groups in Taihape and do an excellent job supporting the Rangatahi through the running of The Lobby; while the Board's role is one of advocacy for all community members, of governance – to make sure that Taihape receives the services we are entitled to and, of course, communication both with the Council and community members. The Board is also able to undertake small 'place making' projects with input from the community.

Needless to say there is a common thread running through our roles and that is to make Taihape a thriving community that people will want to live in and stay living in.

At the Talking Table it was great to hear the comments from the more recent arrivals in Taihape – all were positive and very happy with their new homes citing the friendliness of the community. Also pleasing was a chat with a senior student from Taihape Area School – thank you Morgan for your sound ideas, your enthusiasm and your willingness to be involved in community projects. The meeting schedule for the Taihape Community Board is as follows:

**Wednesday July 8      Wednesday Sept 9      Wednesday Nov 11**

Don't forget there is a Public Forum available at each meeting. Let us know in advance please.

Regards to all, Ann

(Chair Taihape Community Board)



## **Volunteers Required**

Are you a fun person with a willingness to help  
your community?

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- \* **SPRING FLING**
- \* **CHRISTMAS PARADE**
- \* **GUMBOOTDAY 2021.**

Go into the 'Volunteer of the Day' Draw to win two tickets to  
the Majestic Theatre

**Contact info@taihape.co.nz or # 388 1307**

## THANK YOU

The TCDT would like to thank the following organisations for providing grants towards projects and events that were organised for our community in the previous 12 months.

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Earl Creativity and Development Trust,  
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**Rocky Horror Picture Show (M) 96min Sat 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Tickets \$10**

**Trolls World Tour (G) 91min Fri 10<sup>th</sup> 10.30am, Sat 11<sup>th</sup> 3pm, Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 11am, Mon 13<sup>th</sup> 1pm, Sat 18<sup>th</sup> 4pm, Sun 19<sup>th</sup> 11am**

**Red Shoes & the Seven Dwarfs (G) 92min: Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm Mon 13<sup>th</sup> 10.30am, Sat 18<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm, Sun 19<sup>th</sup> 1pm**

**Met Opera Porgy & Bess (TBA) 225min: Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> July 4pm**

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*\*Please Be Aware - Due to Covid 19 film releases can get changed without notice and new releases are being held back, so we are bringing back some old favourites for your enjoyment & to entertain you.*

*If you are unwell please stay home.*

***Due to the lack of strong films we will be dropping down to one day a week after the school holidays watch website & facebook for information***

### **Coming Soon**

The Greatest Showman, Sound of Music, Military Wives & more to be confirmed

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