

Tuia te Taitonga tāpiringa

Southlink Extra

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Welcome to Southlink Extra

Welcome to the Autumn edition of *Southlink Extra*. This quarterly newsletter complements our Council *Southlink* publication, which appears weekly in the Taranaki Star and provides another way for us to keep you informed about what the Council is doing in our District.

Manaia to host Yarrows Taranaki Bulls Pre-season Match on Saturday 29 July

Taranaki Rugby have announced the Yarrows Taranaki Bulls last Bunnings NPC pre-season match will be hosted at the Manaia Domain on Saturday 29 July.

The match will commemorate Taranaki Rugby Principal Partner Yarrows the Bakers who celebrate 100 years of business in 2023. Yarrows the Bakers was founded in Manaia back in 1923 by Alfred and Grace Yarrow and has been an integral part of the local Manaia community ever since.

Philip Yarrow of Yarrows the Bakers was looking forward to the Yarrows Taranaki Bulls coming to the Waimate district.

“Over the last 100 years many a Yarrows employee has donned the Taranaki famous Waimate jumper, so it was a sad day when the club shut its doors back in 1994. However, the excitement is brewing for what will be a massive occasion here in Manaia, and we’d like to thank the TRFU and the STDC for bringing the game to the local rugby club. One more chance

for Waimate to relive its glory days - up the Buffaloes!”

TRFU Chief Executive Officer Mike Sandle was thrilled to honour Yarrows the Bakers immense contribution to Taranaki Rugby and the Taranaki region across several generations.

“We can’t wait to get down to Manaia for a real festival atmosphere to celebrate a truly iconic Taranaki brand bring up 100 years of business. Our thanks go out to Fiona Aitken and the South Taranaki District Council and the Southern Rugby Club for their support in bringing this event to life.”

Yarrows Taranaki Bulls forward Jesse Parete grew up in Manaia and was excited about getting to play on his home ground.

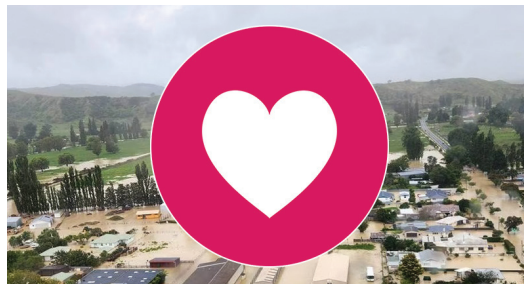
“It is unreal to get an opportunity to play in Manaia. I haven’t played out at the Domain for years - even better we get to wear the blue and black Waimate colours. I’m sure it will be a wicked day celebrating Yarrows the Bakers and all the South Taranaki locals will get down and pack Manaia out.”

At the time of printing, the opposing team and ticket information were yet to be confirmed.



Congratulations to By-Election winners **Racquel Cleaver-Pittams** (left) for Te Hāwera Ward for South Taranaki District Council and **Bronwyn Wattrus** (right) for Pātea Community Board.

Thank you to everyone who stood, and who voted.



Support the cyclone-stricken District of Wairoa by donating directly to the South Taranaki Mayoral Relief Fund. You can donate through online banking - TSB Bank, 15-3950-0543934-00 with the reference ‘Wairoa’.



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Are you eligible for a rates rebate?

Did you know that we have a Rates Rebate Scheme (established in 1973 by the Government) to provide a subsidy to low-income homeowners on the cost of their rates.

Are you eligible?

- You can apply for a rates rebate if:
- You are on a low income (if you earn up to \$49,000 max, depending on the level of your rates, you might be eligible for some rate rebate)
- You pay rates on the address you live at, and
- You were living there at the beginning of the rating year (1 July), and
- Your name is on the rates bill, or
- You are the owner of an 'owner-occupier flat' and your name is not on the bill but you pay some of the rates (proof is required). Please contact the Council if you would like to know if you are eligible.

How to apply?

When applying you must have:

- Details of gross income (income before tax is deducted) for the last tax year (ended 31 March 2022)
- Details of your partner's / joint home owner's income, if they live with you.
- Complete the correct application form and return to Council offices. All details must be completed.

Each year the Council sends a new application form to all applicants who qualified for the previous year. This is for your convenience to make sure you remember to reapply.

If your application is not received by the Council before 30 June of each financial year, your application will not be accepted for approval.

The maximum rebate given for 2022/23 is \$700.00. The closing date for applications is 30 June 2023.

If you are not sure whether you are eligible to apply call us on (06) 278 0555 or toll free on 0800 111 323 or go to the www.govt.nz/rates-rebate to see their example tables, electronic calculator or to get an application form.

Te W'anake The Foundry - Open for Business



Te W'anake The Foundry, a new coworking and business enterprise hub for South Taranaki, has now opened at 130 High Street in Hāwera.

The project, a collaboration between Council and Bizlink Hāwera, aims to support entrepreneurship and sustainable economic growth in the District.

The Foundry is a vibrant place to do business, offering hot desks, dedicated desks, private offices, meeting and event spaces. Featuring high quality video conferencing equipment, the facility will become home to various workshops, programmes and presentations to support our business community.

Several plans are available to offer flexibility for members. These range from longer term office and permanent desk agreements through to day, half-day and hourly rates. The two meeting rooms are also available for hire individually, or together to create a larger event space.

For more information, visit thefoundrycoworking.co.nz

The open hours are currently 8:30am – 5pm Monday – Friday. Secure after hours access will soon be available for permanent members.



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