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Selwyn Carseat Champions seeking new volunteers

Selwyn Carseat Champions are a group of volunteers actively making a difference to our children’s safety when in a motor vehicle, and they have positions available to be filled.

Volunteers are given training to be registered New Zealand Transport Agency Child Restraint Technicians and are equipped with the skills to install child restraints from baby capsules through to older children’s booster seats.

Anna Nurse of Leeston, trained as a technician four years ago she has several reasons for volunteering.

“This was something I could fit in around my family and work life. I have taken great pride over the years in being able to help caregivers keep their little ones safe,” she says.

“It’s not just putting car seats in – each install is a lesson and I know that mini lesson is going to be shared with their friends and bit by bit the ripple effect of what we are doing is changing the culture around car seat safety”

As our community grows with young families, demand for the service is growing to the point where more volunteers are needed to become child restraint technicians.

Volunteers are involved in monthly car seat clinics as well as being available for one off checks when personal commitments allow.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in your community please contact Stephanie Hautler roadsafety@selwyn.govt.nz for more information.
Meetings

Public Forums: Council, Community Board and local committee meetings are open to the public. Time is available at the start of meetings for people to speak on matters of concern. Please notify Bernadette Ryan or your local committee at least three days before the meeting.

Tangiwai Harbour Reserve Trustees: To list or make changes to meeting details, email meeting.charges@selwyn.govt.nz at least 2 weeks prior to 5pm on 7 December 2018.

ALCOHOL NOTICES

Mac Enterprises Limited has applied for on licence and on objection. Objections are open until 14 November. For more information head to selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices.

GOLDS ROAD ACCESS WAY RESERVATION

Selwyn District Council propose to seek the Minister of Conservation’s approval to revoke the reservation of the Local Purpose (Access Way) Reserve adjoining Golds Road, Rolleston described in the Schedule. The reserve has become surplus to requirements as it is no longer required for an accessway.

Schedule

Canterbury Land District - Selwyn district

246m² more or less being Lot 101 DP 465020 and being all of the land comprised in Computer Freehold Register 731260. Any person wishing to make a submission or to find out more information please contact the Acquisitions, Disposals and Leasing Department by email at property@selwyn.govt.nz before 5pm on 7 December 2018.

RESERVE REVOCATION

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Notices

DOG MICROCHIPPING

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires him or her to be microchipped. This free monthly service is available at the following places on Friday 9 November:

- Darfield: 9–9.30am
- Rolleston: 10.15–10.45am
- Lincoln: 11.30am–12pm
- Leeston: 11.45–1.15pm

Please note:
- Clinics last half an hour.
- The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive.
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.

If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 347 2800.

SPORT NEW ZEALAND RURAL TRAVEL FUND

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Funding is available for Selwyn sport teams who need to travel to local competition games and are comprised of members aged 5–19 years (school competitions in school time are not eligible).

This funding round is for summer sports only.

For further information and application forms go to selwyn.govt.nz/ruraltravel or contact Stuart Westoby, 347 2708, stan.westoby@ selwyn.govt.nz

Applications for this funding round close 23 November.

MOBILE LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Wednesday 7 November

Arthur’s Pass 11.30am–12.30pm

Castle Hill 1:40–2:15pm

Springfield 3–3.30pm

Thursday 8 November

Gigantus and the Sorbies Early Learning Centre 10.15–10.45am

Prebbleton Playcentre* 11–11.30am

Council Headquarters 12.45–1.15pm

Bright Beginnings Montessori Preschool 1.30–2.30pm

Monday 12 November

Prebbleton Playcentre 10–10.30am

Burmah Montessori 11–11.30am

Darfield Playcentre 12–12.30pm

Darfield Primary School 1–1.30pm

Tuesday 13 November

Kirwee 10–10.45am

Kirwee School 10.45–11.30am

Preston Downs, Corner Wood and Wehows Ross Road 12.15–12.45pm

West Melton School 12.45–1.30pm

West Melton Learning Centre 1.30–1.50pm

The Cat’s Pyjamas Preschool & Nursery (West Melton) 1.50–2.20pm

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FOUNDED OBJECTS AS ART

Selwyn Art Gallery, Darfield

Expect the unexpected at Selwyn Art Gallery this November with Found Objects as Art. Works created largely from recycled objects will be on show, with the gallery excited to present a wide variety of styles, mediums and imagination under the same roof.

VEGIES 101 – A Gardening Workshop for Beginners

Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens, 10–11.30am

If you know nothing about growing vegetables, but would like to get started, this workshop is for you! For more information contact Ruth Wood 325 2193, ruth.wood@xtra.co.nz

Christmas Bazaar Market

The Lincoln Green, 9.30am

Entertainment and activities for the children, a visit from Santa, and a great festive atmosphere. Lots of amazing stalls. Come and enjoy the morning, your Christmas shopping starts here!

Rolleston Kids’ Market

Rolleston Community Centre, 10am–12pm

Come along to Rolleston’s coolest kids event to buy or sell some pre-owned treasures. For children aged 8–13 years, caregiver required. Stalls $5 each, register as a stall holder at bit.ly/kidsmarket18 by 22 November. No food or drinks to be sold.

The Courtenay A&P Show

Kirwee Showgrounds, 8am

Featuring fun and friendly competition, a great day out where town and country meet. For more information head to www.courtenayshow.org.nz.

Selwyn Twilight Christmas Market

Rolleston Community Centre, 1–4pm

A great opportunity to get a roll on with your Christmas shopping, the Selwyn Twilight Christmas Market will allow you to find a number of stalls either for yourself, or for a special someone. For more information you can contact Debbie Herridge on 027 515 1962.

Leeston Santa Parade

High Street, Leeston, from 5pm

The evening will offer plenty fun for the family, with a variety of food options and stalls to as well as street entertainment. The parade starts at 6.30pm and will end with carols by torchlight.

For information on listing a community event visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall

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