

## MEETINGS

You can speak on matters of concern during the first 15 minutes of each Council or Committee meeting. Please contact **Sue Elder** at the Rolleston office well in advance if you wish to speak.

**Township, Hall and Reserve Committees, please note:** If you wish to advertise your meeting please let **Lee Brehaut** know as soon as possible by faxing (03) 347 2799, e-mailing [lee.brehaut@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:lee.brehaut@selwyn.govt.nz), or phoning 347 2964 or 318 8338.

## COUNCIL

### Malvern Community Board

- Mon 26 January, 4pm, Old Darfield Service Centre.

## COMMUNITY

### Glentunnel Residents Association

- Mon 2 February, 7.30pm, Glentunnel Community Centre.

### Hororata District Citizens Association

- Tue 27 January, 7.30pm, Hororata Hall.

### Leeston Park Committee

- Mon 26 January, 8pm, Leeston Park Pavilion.

### Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

- Mon 19 January, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Sports Pavilion, Prebbleton Reserve.

### Rolleston Community Centre

- Thu 22 January, 8pm, Rolleston Community Centre.

### Rolleston Resident's Association

- Mon 26 January, 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre.

### Southbridge Advisory Committee

- Tue 20 January, 7.30pm, Southbridge Fire Brigade.

### Springston Hall Committee

- Thu 22 January, 7.30pm, Springston Community Hall.

### Springston South Reserve Management Committee

- Tue 27 January, 7pm, Old Soldiers Hall, Springston South

### Whitecliffs Domain, Reserve and Township Committees

- Mon 19 January, 7.30pm, 318 Whitecliffs Road.

## ROAD WORKS

### Rolleston Drive Upgrade

Work will soon begin in Rolleston Drive to widen the stretch between Tennyson Street and Masefield Drive and install a roundabout at the Tennyson Street intersection. When finished, this will help reduce traffic congestion and make the intersection safer.

The roads will not be closed during the construction period but short delays are likely. So we advise drivers to take alternative routes where possible.

If you do drive near the construction area, please respect the reduced speed limit (30 km/hr) and the contractor's road signs.

We expect the work to be completed by the end of March, and we thank Rolleston drivers in advance for their patience during this time.

If you have any queries, please contact **Grant Chesterman** on 347 2800.

## FOUR WEEKS TO GO!



**MONTH**  
18 February to 18 March 2009

Register now for the Lincoln Go by Bike Day Breakfast at [www.selwyn.govt.nz/gobike](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/gobike)

Get on ya Bike and Ride! See you there!

Hungry cyclists queue for breakfast at last year's event



with Maria Moran

Already lots of community groups are back in action and some recreation classes have started. So the Centre is buzzing with activity. The Sport Canterbury Holiday programmes are on for 2 weeks from January 19th with lots of great children's activities. We also have some new programmes, and are adding more to bring lots of choices for different age-groups and interests. Email [maria.moran@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:maria.moran@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone the Community Centre on 347 2882 if you are interested in the following:

### Children's Basketball (YMCA)

Starts Tuesday, 10th February in the Stadium

5-8 years : Tuesdays 3.30-4.15pm;

9-14 years : Tuesdays 4.15-5pm.

\$65 for an 8-week term.

### Tai Chi

Starts Wednesday, 4th February in the Community Room

Wednesdays 9-10am. \$6 per class or \$50 for a 10 week term (pay in advance)



## 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 Council service centres on Friday of next week – **Friday 30 January** – at the following times:

Lincoln	Leeston	Rolleston	Darfield
1-2pm	3-4pm	11-12noon	9-10am

### Please note:

- Rolleston microchipping is at the Selwyn District Council head office in Norman Kirk Drive, off Rolleston Drive.

- Microchipping will not take place if wet.

- Working dogs and dogs registered before **1 July 2006** can be microchipped for \$20 per dog.

If, because of distance or dog numbers, you can't get to a clinic, you can ask for an Animal Control Officer to carry out the microchipping at your place. Contact **Tracey Wheeler** or **Eamonn Waters** on 347 2800 or 318 8338.



We will try to contact all who have registered an interest for this.

### Belly Dancing

To be confirmed: Looking like Thursdays 7.15 - 8.15 pm in the Community Room, starting on 5th February. We will try to contact all who have registered an interest for this.

### Dance – all kinds of dance!

We're talking to tutors who are interested in holding the following classes at the Centre: "have a go" dance; children's contemporary dance; jazz dance and Latin American, to name a few. Prices will be kept as low as possible to enable community participation. So register your interest with Jo or me at the Centre, and watch this space each week for more information.

**And don't forget these:** preschool play group; indoor bowls; newcomers group; pump classes; "active with age" fitness class; mini-gym for preschoolers; jui jitsu; Cubs and Keas; Brownies and Pippins; badminton; the fitness centre; and more! Come along and have a look or call us for more information:

**Maria and Jo:** 347 2882



Whether driving or cycling, please obey the **STOP** signs. Here's what the famous bard, Anne Onne (Miss), has to say:



## OWED TO A STOP SIGN

*Big red STOP sign, tall and true  
I might be **dead**, 'twere not for you.  
Whene'er we meet, I always STOP  
If not, I'd be caught by a COP  
Or, even worse, **stopped** by a truck  
Into whose **path** I'd pushed my luck!*

*Big red STOP sign, tall and true  
Where would we be if, without you,  
Each **intersection** had no sign  
To make us STOP and toe the line?  
I fear that most who read this ode  
Would now be **stains** upon the road!*

*Big red STOP sign, tall and true  
The **lifeguard of the road**, that's you.  
Seen often-times, but never heard,  
Known just by a four-letter word,  
Whose letters, **S - T - O** and **P**,  
Have **saved** more **lives** than A & E!*

*Big red STOP sign, tall and true,  
Heroic, loyal, handsome too,  
Your eight-edged face elates my heart.  
The man who made this **work of art**  
I'd love to meet! But what a pity -  
'Twas not a man, 'twas a **committee**!\**

\*The US Uniform Traffic Control Devices Joint Committee, 1954



## HOUSES FOR RENT

### LINCOLN

Tidy three-bedroom house on full section with separate garage - \$200 per week.

### DARFIELD

Three-bedroom house, newly painted, new carpet, log burner \$240 per week

References are required for the above rentals. For further information please contact **Karen Bartlett** on 03 347-2815.





## CROP RESIDUE BURN-OFFS

With the restricted fire season still in effect, the burning of crop stubble may only be done (without a permit) under certain conditions. For the full set of conditions, refer to our website [www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire/burnoff-guidelines-r.htm](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire/burnoff-guidelines-r.htm). Some of the most important ones are:

1. Weather conditions must be suitable.
2. The area to be burnt must be surrounded by a strip of cleared bare mineral earth at least 10 metres wide.
3. The fire must be patrolled by the person lighting it until the fire is completely out.
4. Burning must only occur during daylight hours.
5. The occupiers of neighbouring properties must be informed beforehand of the date and time of burning.
6. Some form of fire-fighting equipment, such as grubbers, beaters, fire extinguishers or truck mounted water supply/spray unit(s) must be available for dealing with any fire outbreaks.

## AA DESK, ROLLESTON

The AA desk at the Council building in Rolleston offers a wide range of automobile-related services including:

- vehicle registrations
- road user charges
- changes of ownership
- placing vehicles on hold
- new drivers licences
- licence renewals
- overseas licence conversions
- driver licence exemptions
- IRD verifications
- super gold card photos
- AA memberships
- AA renewals
- AA maps
- AA accommodation guides



## PREBBLETON'S GARDENING FOR FUN COMPETITION

Address for entries:

Rona Ryan,  
569 Trents Road,  
Prebbleton 7604

Judging Day: **Saturday 7 February**

Entries accepted until **Saturday 31 January**

Open to residents within the Prebbleton Community Association newsletter delivery area.

Enquiries: **Rona** Ph 349 4310 or **Jill** 349 9295



## RESOURCE CONSENTS

Because of their possible environmental effects, many activities need resource consent from the Council. You have the right to inspect the following consent application at any Council Service Centre during normal office hours and to make a submission supporting or opposing it.

### Ellesmere Ward

#### • Selwyn Lake Road

**S T Rains** (Application 085383) seeks to erect a dwelling in a non-complying position that breaches the recession plane on an undersized lot (1017 sq m) zoned Outer Plains and within the Lower Plains Flood area. The land is situated at 1871 Selwyn Lake Road just east of SH1 on Lot 1 Deposited Plan 333697. The applicant's address for service is 635 Days Road, RD 4, Christchurch, 7674.

### How to make a submission

If you wish to support or oppose a consent application you must get a written submission on Form 13 or to the like effect into any Council Service Centre by **Thursday 19 February 2009**, and promptly send a copy to the applicant's service address. Your submission should be addressed to **Helen Allison**, Planning Administrator. It must be signed and dated by you, and must state:

- your name, postal address, phone or fax
- the applicants' name, number and location
- whether you support or oppose the application
- your reasons
- the decision you wish us to make
- whether you wish to speak at a hearing

(This notice is issued under Section 93(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991.)



## What is a Kea Crossing?

No, it's not a parrot crossing the road. A kea crossing is where the road is narrowed by a wider kerb,



sometimes with coloured paving and handrails, to help school patrols control traffic and safely guide children across the road.

A **kea crossing** only operates before and after school, and possibly at lunch time, in the presence of a school patrol and two fluorescent orange crossing point flag signs (one on each side of the road). **When the school patrol displays its STOP signs, traffic must stop.**

When no school patrol and no crossing signs are present, the crossing point is just like any other section of road. Because vehicles are not obliged to give way, pedestrians should always stop, look, and listen before crossing the road.

## AGRECOVERY - USE IT OR LOSE IT

### Free drop-off bin for empty containers

Farmers and contractors, what do you do with your empty spray and drench containers? Did you know that you can drop them for free in the Agrecovery bin at the Resource Recovery Park near Rolleston? From there, they'll be taken away for recycling.

Just wash the containers (three rinses, minimum) and make sure that their brand names are visible - or that they have an Agrecovery sticker.

The Agrecovery service is free for any container whose company pays into the scheme. To date, these companies are: Adria, Agronica, BASF, Bayer, BioAg, Virbac, Botryzen, GF, Dow AgroSciences, Du Pont, Elliott technologies, Elanco, HortiCentre, Key Industries, Gro-Chem, Schring-Plough Coopers, Mantissa, Orion, SST, Ravensdown, Syngenta, Nufarm, Zelam.

But some companies haven't yet joined the Agrecovery scheme. To drop off

their containers, you'll need to buy and attach an Agrecovery sticker. The cost of the sticker helps pay for the container's handling and transport.

The Agrecovery bin came to Rolleston last year, but word was slow to get around. At one point there was talk of removing the service because not enough people were using it. For now, the bin is still there, but it's future is up to you - it's a simple case of use it or lose it.

## THE LAST ROUND UP

### Final free agrichemical collection

Our final free collection of unwanted farm chemicals is being organised for March. Details are on our website [www.selwyn.govt.nz/agrichemicals](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/agrichemicals)

If you want our contractor to take away your banned or outdated agrichemicals, please register with us by Monday, 16 February. Funds are limited so, if the demand exceeds our budget, it will have to be "first in, first served".



Mayor Kelvin Coe delivers his empty agrichemical containers to the free Agrecovery bin at the Resource Recovery Park



## TODDLER TIME

Toddler Time is starting up again for Term 1 at your local Selwyn Library. Come along and join Jackie for free stories, rhymes, games and songs.

### STARTING DATES

<b>Darfield Library</b>	
Monday 10-10.30am	2 February
<b>Rolleston Library</b>	
Tuesday 10-10.30am	3 February
<b>Lincoln Library</b>	
Wednesday 10-10.30am	4 February
<b>Leeston Library</b>	
Thursday 10-11.00am	5 February

