

## MEETINGS

**Public Forum at Council and Community Board Meetings:** You may speak on matters of concern during the first 15 minutes of each meeting but please let us know well in advance. For council meetings, please notify **Sue Elder** and for community boards, please notify **Marilyn Ponsford**.

**Township, Hall and Reserve Committees, please note:** If you wish to advertise your meeting here, or make any changes to meeting details, please let **Lee Brehaut** know by 9am on Thursday of the week prior to publication by emailing [meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz), or by phoning 347 2800 or 03 318 8338.

## COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARDS

### Council Meeting

• Wednesday, 12 December, 11am, Council Chambers, Rolleston  
*Note earlier start time*

### Selwyn Central Community Board

• Wednesday, 19 December, 4pm, Executive Meeting Room One, Rolleston Council Building  
**Transportation & Road Safety Subcommittee**  
• Thursday, 13 December, 9.30am, Executive Meeting Room One, Rolleston Council Building

## LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

These are public meetings and the first 15 minutes are available for the public to speak.

### Coalgate Township Committee

• Tuesday, 18 December, 7.30pm, Coalgate Fire Station

### Darfield Township Committee

• Thursday, 20 December, 7.45pm, Darfield Library/Service Centre

### Doyleston Community Committee

• Wednesday, 12 December, 7.30pm, Osborne Park Hall

### Dunsandel Reserve Committee

• Wednesday, 19 December, 7pm, Dunsandel Sports Centre

### Glentunnel Community Centre Committee

• Tuesday, 11 December, 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre

### Killinchy Community Centre Committee

• *December meeting cancelled*

### Kirwee Community Committee

• Monday, 17 December, 7.30pm, Kirwee Community Hall

### Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

• Tuesday, 11 December, 7.45pm, Ladbrooks Hall

### Lincoln Event Centre Governance Committee

• Wednesday, 12 December, 7.30pm, Lincoln Event Centre

### Prebbleton Community Association

• Tuesday, 11 December, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Hall

### Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

• Monday, 17 December, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Rugby Rooms

### Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

• Monday, 17 December, 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre

### Sheffield/Waddington Community & Hall Committees

• Thursday, 13 December, 7.30pm, Sheffield Community Hall

### Springston Recreation Reserve and Associated Sports Committee

• Wednesday, 19 December, 8pm, Springston Reserve Errol Tweedy Pavilion

### West Melton Residents' Association

• Wednesday, 12 December, 7.30pm, West Melton Community Centre

[www.selwynlibrary.co.nz](http://www.selwynlibrary.co.nz)



## The Amazing Reading Race – Summer 2012-13

The Selwyn Libraries are running an exciting reading programme – “**The Amazing Reading Race**” – over the summer holidays. It is **free** to join and is aimed at children aged 5-12 yrs. Pop into your local library and sign up today.

# Christmas Holiday Hours



The Councillors and staff at Selwyn District Council would like to wish you and your family a safe and happy festive season.

We close for business at 12 noon:  
on Friday 21st December 2012  
And will reopen on:  
Thursday 3rd January 2013

Join us on Facebook –  
<http://www.facebook.com/SelwynDistrictCouncil>

Library/service centres all close at midday on 21 December and will reopen Thursday 3 January (note: there will be no late nights in this week).

Books may be put through the after-hours returns slots while we're closed though no books will be due back on days we're closed, their due date will be automatically extended into January if issued from now on.

The Rolleston Office (HQ) will also close at midday on 21 December and reopens for normal hours on Thursday 3 January

## Christmas / New Year Rubbish/Organic/Recycling Collection

The Tuesday collections on Christmas Day, 25 December, and New Years Day, 1 January, will be brought forward three days to Saturday 22 December and Saturday 29 December respectively. The normal Tuesday collection will resume on Tuesday 8 January. All other collection days are unchanged.

## Pines Resource Recovery Park Hours

Christmas Day 25th December – Closed

New Years Day 1st January – Closed

Standard hours for all other days:

Weekdays – 9am to 4:30pm

Weekends – 10am to 4pm

# Rolleston Recreation Precinct

The Selwyn District Council has acquired a large area of land in Rolleston to develop a major sports and recreation park. The park will be about 40 hectares in size and stretches all the way down Goulds Road to Dynes Road. The first stage is underway with construction of the Selwyn Aquatic Centre.

Planning for the Rolleston Recreation Precinct is starting and the Council is asking the public to pass on their ideas for the development.

“In the future this park will be the major green space in the heart of Rolleston and will be a significant contributor to the enjoyment and lifestyle of residents and visitors. It is therefore important that we hear from as many people as possible as to what they want the park to offer and how they will use it,” says Mayor **Kelvin Coe**.

“We will be talking to sport clubs and other potential groups that may use the park to get their feedback, but we also want to hear from the wider public.”

The park is intended to provide a wide



## SELWYN EARTH HOUR

### Video Competition

Theme: *any environmental topic*  
Duration: *1-5 minutes*  
Deadline: *4th March 2013*  
Cool prizes

Get entry forms and info from  
[www.lincolnenvironment.org.nz](http://www.lincolnenvironment.org.nz)

## Lincoln Farmers' and Craft Market

off Gerald Street

Festive live music  
face painting and  
a visit from Santa  
make this a great  
fun family event.

## Twilight Christmas Market

Great opportunity to grab that unique Christmas gift from our talented crafters and stock up on fresh local produce, treats and vegetables

### Thurs 20 December 4 – 7pm

look out for Fruit & Berry Fest – Sat 12th Jan  
Details on [www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket](http://www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket) & [www.bethere.co.nz](http://www.bethere.co.nz) or contact Debbie on 03 329 5757

variety of recreational and sporting opportunities. It was identified as one of the major hubs in the plan for recreation and sport in Greater Christchurch.

“Sports grounds and facilities are an obvious element that we expect to have suggestions for but we are very interested to hear other ways in which the area can be enjoyed such as for walking, community events and providing safe places for our youth to meet.”

The public are encouraged to “Have your say” by completing a survey form which can be found online or at Council facilities. Additionally people are encouraged to comment on the Council Facebook page.

Have your say on this exciting new development for Rolleston on:

- [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Rolleston\\_Recn\\_Precinct\\_Residents](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Rolleston_Recn_Precinct_Residents)
- visit the Selwyn District Council Website <http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/home-assets/asset-listings/have-your-say>
- fill out a survey available at Rolleston Library, Rolleston Community Centre or Selwyn District Council Headquarters
- make a comment on the Council Face Book page

**The feedback period closes on 21 January.**





## Thinking about others

Spare a thought this year for our local fire crews trying to have a break over Christmas.

They do an amazing job as volunteers within our communities and deserve to spend Christmas with their family and friends.

You can help make this happen by not lighting fires which could get out of control and also making sure they are completely out rather than having to call out the firemen over the festive season.

If a neighbour's legal fire is annoying you, please call the people on-call at Environment Canterbury's Pollution Hotline, rather than calling out your local brigade.

If, however, there is an emergency and the fire has got out of control, dial 111 immediately.



## MICROCHIPPING CLINIC

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.

### Friday 14th December

<b>Lincoln library</b>	11.30am – 12noon
<b>Leeston library</b>	9am – 9.30am
<b>Council offices</b>	2pm – 2.30pm
<b>Rolleston</b>	
<b>Darfield library</b>	10.30am – 11am

#### Please note:

- All clinics last for only half an hour.
- The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive (off Rolleston Drive).
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.
- Working dogs & dogs registered before 1 July 2006 can be microchipped for \$20 per dog.

If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact **Tracey Wheeler** on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

# HAVING A FEW DRINKS? PLAN A SAFE RIDE HOME

The new drink driving campaign for the Selwyn District has commenced. "Having a few drinks? Plan a safe ride home" is the message we are giving this year.

Alcohol-related crashes increase during the Christmas holiday period. We encourage our residents and visitors to get behind the campaign, and make **safe choices** for the ride home after a few drinks. The aim of the campaign is to reduce the number of alcohol-related road crashes and trauma they cause, particularly at what should be a happy and fun time of the year.

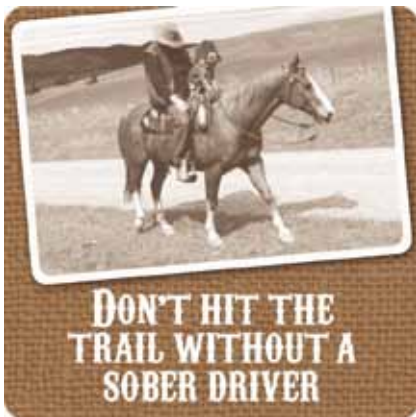
As responsible hosts, many of our local hotels and sporting clubs will be supporting the campaign. If there is a courtesy van use it, and if not, plan a safe ride home **before** you go out.

- Have a sober driver
- Use your local pub's courtesy van
- Use a taxi or public transport if it is available
- Ask someone to pick you up

Stay over at your friends place, but make sure you are not over the limit in the morning

Only accept a lift if you are certain that the driver has not been drinking or using drugs

**Driving or allowing someone else drive after a few drinks is not an option!**



## 2013 Census is seeking collectors in your community!

The 2013 Census is now just three months away and Statistics New Zealand is looking to recruit local people to deliver and collect 2013 Census forms in the Selwyn District. The job involves part-time paid work during a six week period (from 11 February to 24 March 2013).

Census collectors work from home and work flexible hours, although weekend and evening work will be required. Full training will be provided.

Having trusted census collectors who know the area they are working in is vital to the success of the 2013 Census. The information collected from the census is used to make future decisions on hospitals, schools and roads and it gives us an accurate picture of how our communities are growing and changing over time.

Census collector roles will be advertised from **7 December**. If you think you'd make a great census collector, then go online to

<http://jobs.census.govt.nz>

or phone 0800 CENSUS.

For useful information visit [www.stats.govt.nz](http://www.stats.govt.nz)

Join us on [www.facebook.com/StatisticsNZ](https://www.facebook.com/StatisticsNZ) or

Follow us on [www.twitter.com/StatisticsNZ](https://www.twitter.com/StatisticsNZ)

## Rolleston Residents Association Garden Competition

Once again it's time to spruce up your garden and enter our summer garden competition which is open to all gardeners in Rolleston.

However, if you are not the type of gardener who wants to enter the competition, Community Pride certificates are also presented to those gardeners who have lovely gardens as viewed from the street.

Entry forms will be available during December, and two judges from a neighbouring town using the Horticultural Society guidelines will judge the gardens on February 11th or, if wet on the 12th February 2013.

#### The categories for the competition are:

- Small urban garden,
- Large urban garden,
- Small rural garden,
- Large rural garden,
- Native garden,
- Vegetable garden,
- Garden viewed from the street,
- Garden hidden behind the fence.

**Come on, give it a go. There are some lovely gardens in Rolleston.**

# Country Christmas in the Park

## Saturday 15th December

From 6pm

Darfield Recreation Reserve

- ★ Fun for all the family
- ★ A picnic atmosphere
- ★ Local Entertainment
- ★ Food for sale from 5.30pm
- ★ Raffles
- ★ Glo Products for sale
- ★ A visit from Santa



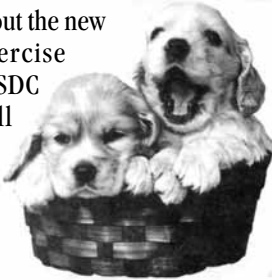
Come and join in the Christmas Spirit :: See you there

## Effects of the new Dog Control Bylaw

On the 1st December 2012 the new Dog Control Bylaw took effect. The main points are:

- Dog owners will now be able to exercise their dogs off-leash in many domains and reserves that were previously prohibited or on-leash exercise areas. Dog owners need to be aware that at all times you must have your dog(s) under effective control.
- Dogs are prohibited within 5 metres of any public event (an organised recreation, sporting or social activity occurring within a defined area and a defined timeframe) in a reserve or domain.
- All children's playgrounds are prohibited from dogs and they must now be kept at least 5 metres away.
- It is an offence not to be carrying a suitable receptacle for the removal of any deposits and don't forget the \$300 fine for not removing such materials.

You can check out the new Bylaw and exercise areas on the SDC website or call the Animal Control team on 347 2800



## No need to boil water now in Malvern Hills Dalethorpe

Residents in Malvern Hills/ Dalethorpe are advised they no longer need to boil water as testing has shown the water is safe to drink.

Selwyn District Council Utilities Officer **Lisa Duder** says the Malvern Hills Dalethorpe water supplies have had sufficient water samples that have been clear of E.coli.

Council asks that residents speak to their neighbours so that everyone is aware that the boil water notice has been lifted. The Council also wishes to thank residents for their patience. People may still wish to disinfect their own water tanks if they have not already done so, and can contact the Council for further information, 347 2800 or 318 8338 (Darfield area).

An information sheet can be found on the Council website, [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz)

## TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE FOR CHRISTMAS PARADE

High Street, Leeston (from Messines Street to Leeston and Lake Road) will be temporarily closed between the hours of 6pm and 9pm on **Friday 14 December** for the purpose of conducting the Leeston Christmas Parade (postponed from 7 December)

During the road closures, traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route. Any queries can be directed to **Joanne Harkerss** ph (03) 347 2800

# CHRISTMAS SPECIAL



## Get a Selwyn Aquatic Centre Internal Wall Tile and Swim Cap for \$80.

Give the gift that will last a lifetime.

**Paint Your Tile** days will be held in Darfield, Lincoln & Rolleston. Some during January holidays and more again in February/March – watch this space for confirmed dates.

Give the swim cap and voucher for Christmas and the lucky recipient can paint their tile in the New Year, which will be permanently on display at the new Selwyn Aquatic Centre.

Available from Selwyn District Council Headquarters in Rolleston or Service Centres in Darfield and Lincoln.

