

## 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 Bernadette Ryan 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

### Industrial Park Project Team

- Thursday, 7 March, 3pm, Izone Café Visitors Centre Meeting Room  
(Because this project team discusses commercially sensitive information, the public will be excluded from most, if not all, of the meeting: Please direct any queries to the Corporate Services Manager, Douglas Marshall)

### Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

- Tuesday, 5 March, 11am, Executive Meeting Room One  
(Please note change of time)

### Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

- Tuesday, 19 March, 1pm, Executive Meeting Room One

### Council Meeting

- Wednesday, 13 March, 1pm, Council Chambers, Rolleston. The Council meeting is followed by a Citizenship ceremony at 6.30pm which is open to the public.

### Malvern Community Board

- Monday, 25 March, 4pm, Darfield Library/Service Centre

### Selwyn Central Community Board

- Wednesday, 20 March, 4pm, Executive Meeting Room One, Rolleston Council Buildings

## LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

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

### Darfield Township Committee

- Thursday, 21 March, 7.45pm, Darfield Library/Service Centre

### Doyleston Community Committee

- Wednesday, 13 March, 7.30pm, Osborne Park Hall

### Dunsandel Domain Board

- Wednesday, 20 March, 7pm, Dunsandel Sports Centre

### Glenroy Community Hall Committee

- Tuesday, 19 March, 8pm, Glenroy Hall

### Killinchy Community Centre Committee

- Wednesday, 20 March, 7.30pm, Killinchy Hall

### Kirwee Community Committee

- Monday, 18 March, 7.30pm, Kirwee Community Hall

## LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

### Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

- Monday, 11 March, 7.30pm, Kirwee Sports Pavilion

### Lakeside Reserve Management Committee

- Tuesday, 12 March, 7.30pm, Ellesmere Aquatic Clubrooms

### Leeston Park Association

- Monday, 25 March, 8pm, Leeston Park Pavilion

### Lincoln Community Committee

- Monday, 11 March, 7.30pm, Lincoln Community Centre

### Lincoln Event Centre Governance Committee

- Wednesday, 13 March, 7.30pm, Lincoln Event Centre

### Prebbleton Community Association

- Tuesday, 12 March, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Hall

### Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc

- Monday, 11 March, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Public Hall

### Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

- Monday, 18 March, 7.30pm, Prebbleton Rugby Rooms

### Rolleston Residents Association

- Monday, 25 March, 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre

### Southbridge Advisory Committee

- Monday, 25 March, 7.30pm, Southbridge Library

### Springston Community Committee

- Monday, 18 March, 7.30pm, Springston Hall – Supper Room

### Springston Reserve Committee

- Wednesday, 20 March, 8pm, Springston Reserve Errol Tweedy Pavilion

### Tawera Memorial Hall Springfield

- Thursday, 7 March, 7.30pm, Tawera Memorial Hall

### West Melton Reserve Board

- Monday, 18 March, 7.30pm, West Melton Domain

### Whitecliffs Domain, Reserve & Township Committees

- Monday, 11 March, 7.30pm, Glentunnel Community Centre

Good progress continues to be made on the new medical centre. The roof and spouting have been completed and most windows have been installed. Pre-plumbing has also commenced as is well advanced. Work on power, light and data outlets is also well advanced with flush boxes installed.

The centre is expected to be completed by mid-April.

## Darfield Medical Centre Update



## Market

Local produce and crafts

Rolleston Square Carpark

**Sunday 10 March**

10am to 1pm

THEME OF MARCH MARKET:  
Second Hand Books, CDs,  
DVDs and vinyls

Email enquiries@  
[rollestonenvirotown.org.nz](mailto:rollestonenvirotown.org.nz)  
or ph 347 8240

## Friend of Submitter Sessions, Christchurch Southern Motorway Proposal

NZTA has lodged resource consent and Notice of Requirement applications with the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) for the Christchurch Southern Motorway and Main South Road Four Laning Project.

Submissions on the applications close on 15 March. For more information about the project and making a submission visit [www.epa.govt.nz/Resource-management/chsm](http://www.epa.govt.nz/Resource-management/chsm) or phone 0800 372 8485.

Paul Thomas, of Environmental Management Services Ltd, has been employed by the Environmental Protection Authority as Friend of Submitter for the proposal. Paul is available to meet with anyone considering making a submission on the proposal at the following times:

**Wednesday 6 March, 9.00am – 5.00pm**

**Saturday 9 March, 9.30am – 12.30pm**

Both sessions will be held at Lincoln Library (corner of Gerald Street and Lyttelton Street).

# Prohibited Fire Season

A prohibited fire season was declared last week and continues to remain in force across Selwyn.

In a prohibited fire season, no outdoor fires can be lit in the district. The burning of crop stubble is also not allowed. Gas barbeques with a high pressure water source at hand are allowed, but not charcoal barbeques. Property owners are advised that if they start a fire on their property during the prohibited season which results in a 111 call out of the fire service, then they can expect to be charged for the fire service time.

Selwyn District Council Principal Rural Fire Officer Wilson Brown says that now is a good time

for property owners to check they have adequate insurance cover for fire.

"Fires can start in many different ways and it is important that every property owner is insured for fire damage to their property, buildings, contents, machinery,

stock and crops – and also that you are covered should the fire start on your property and spread to a neighbouring property," he says.

"Property owners need to have fire damage, fire fighting and public liability insurance. The costs of fighting fires can be very high, and they can be recovered from a property owner if they are found to have caused the fire through negligence."

He says people should always check what fire restrictions are in place by visiting the Council website ([www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire)) or phoning the Council before lighting a fire.

Fires can also start from farm machinery so it's important to check all machinery is in good working order. It is also a good idea to have a clear space between your house and buildings and vegetation like trees, shrubs and long grass to act as a fire break. Keep this space watered and green if possible or construct it from non-flammable material like paving stones.



## Census Day – 5 March



Tuesday 5 March is Census Day. On this day everyone in New Zealand must fill in a census form. The information gathered from census is used by government and Councils to plan and fund services in our community – things like hospitals and health care, schools, transport, infrastructure and recreational facilities. It's particularly important for Canterbury communities to participate in census because of the scale of change that has occurred in the region.

On Census Day you need to fill out a blue (individual) census form and you must also fill out one brown (dwelling) form for your house. You can complete the paper forms provided, or you can do them online. Census collectors will return to collect your forms sometime between 6 – 17 March. If you have questions about the Census, you can visit: [www.census.govt.nz](http://www.census.govt.nz) or call 0800 CENSUS (0800 236 787).





www.selwynlibrary.co.nz

### Mobile library timetable

Our Mobile Library visits communities in the Selwyn District on a weekly, fortnightly, or monthly basis. Check the schedule below to see when the Mobile Library will visit your area.

#### Wed March 6

Southbridge Playcentre	9.40 – 10am
Rakaia Huts	10.15 – 11.05am
Southbridge School	11.20am – 12.40pm

#### Thursday March 7

Paradise for Little Angels, Rolleston	11 – 11.30am
Ladbrooks School	12.40 – 1.30pm
Prebbleton Tavern Carpark	4 – 6pm

#### Monday March 11

Upper Selwyn Huts	10.05 – 10.35am
Lower Selwyn Huts	10.40 – 11am
Prebbleton Childcare	11.45am – 12.15pm
Greenpark School	12.40 – 1.15pm

#### Tuesday March 12

Dunsandel Preschool	10.10 – 10.30am
Dunsandel Hall	10.30 – 11.15am
Dunsandel School	11.20am – 12.10pm
Burnham Preschool	12.30 – 1pm

### Baby-time Sessions at Rolleston and Lincoln Libraries

Baby-time sessions are being held at Lincoln and Rolleston Libraries as a trial for Term One. Sessions are 30 minutes long, and include rhymes, songs, bubbles and more for babies up to 18 months old.

Session times are at:-

**Lincoln**, Thursdays, 9.30am – 10.00am

**Rolleston**, Wednesdays, 9.30am – 10.00am



### Leeston Book Club

Leeston Book Club is being held on the third Wednesday of the month at the Leeston Library. The next meeting is on Wednesday 20 March at 11am, and the topic is Medieval Mayhem. Come along for a morning tea and an interesting journey amongst our favourite authors, genres and time-periods! Phone 347 2871 for more information and to register your interest.



## Celebrate Earth Hour



Earth Hour 2013 will be held across the world on Saturday, March 23 from 8.30pm to 9.30pm. As part of Earth Hour, New Zealanders will be asked to switch off their lights for this hour.

Within Selwyn, the Lincoln Envirotown Trust is coordinating a series of local events in the weeks leading up to Earth Hour with the theme of 'I will if you will – let's make a difference and treat our environment responsibly.'

The first event is the screening of 'One man, one cow, one planet' at 1pm on Wednesday, 13 March in Lecture theatre B3, Burn's wing, Lincoln University. \$2 Koha.

For more information about other upcoming Earth Hour events visit [www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz](http://www.lincolnenvirotown.org.nz).

## Lincoln Heritage Festival

### Celebrating 150 years, 19 – 24 March



### Join in the free celebrations for Lincoln's 150th birthday.

Events include: historical walk, University open day, Herbarium tours, village focus day, traditional market, gallery exhibition, heritage picnic, sports and antiques roadshow.

For more information visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz/events](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/events) or contact Margaret Hannan on 325 2588 or via email at [hannans@paradise.net.nz](mailto:hannans@paradise.net.nz).

## Lincoln University Community Day

Lincoln University joins Lincoln Township in celebrating their 150th anniversary with a Community Day.

There is something for everyone, young and old, ranging from creepy crawly tours for the kids to wine tasting for the adults.

**Where:** Lincoln University

**When:** 1.30-7.30pm, Thursday 21 March

**This event is free and open to the public.**

For more information see [www.lincoln.ac.nz/heritagefestival](http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/heritagefestival).



Photo: Ivey Hall

## Lincoln Farmers' and Craft Heritage Market

**Saturday 23 March, 10am to 1pm**  
(off Gerald St. Lincoln)

Come and celebrate 150 years of the settlement of Lincoln at this fun-filled community event.

Join in traditional games – tug of war, ring toss, pioneer dress, family puppet show at 11.30am, live music, delicious scones and cake.

**Period dress encouraged.**

Details on [www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket](http://www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket).

## Art of Living

Blow your Stress away and enjoy a better quality of life. Upcoming **free course** on 21 – 24 March.

Over 900 Cantabrians have already benefited from Art of Living's free DeStress courses involving simple, yet effective, breathing and relaxation techniques proven by research, which enable us to let go of stress, gain energy, and enjoy huge improvements to our health and well-being.

The course is comprised of four sessions: Thursday and Friday 6.30pm – 8.30pm and Saturday and Sunday 10am – 2.30pm.

Spaces still available – contact Art of Living on 0508 278 6354 or email [canterbury@artofliving.org.nz](mailto:canterbury@artofliving.org.nz).

## Disability Support Meeting

**Does your child have special needs? Are they due to finish school in the near future, or have they already left?**

At present there is no facility, day base, vocational, social services or supported work station in our area. We have organised a meeting with representatives from IHC (IDEA services) and other community representatives to try and get something set up in our District.

We would like to invite parents and caregivers who are interested to attend. The meeting is being held on **Thursday 14 March** at 1.30pm, in the Kirwee Community Hall Supper Room.

For more information contact Sandra Gilmour on 03 318 1757 or via email at [rjgilmour@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rjgilmour@xtra.co.nz).

## New Zealand Superannuation Entitlements

Cheryl Hogarth, a Case Manager from the Ministry of Social Development will be in Darfield on **Wednesday 13 March** to help you with any questions you may have about New Zealand Superannuation or relevant additional entitlements.

If you would like to meet with her privately please arrange an appointment by phoning her this week on 03 961 4436 or email [cheryl.hogarth001@msd.govt.nz](mailto:cheryl.hogarth001@msd.govt.nz).

## Prebbleton Summer Skate Jam

**Wednesday 6 March, from 4 - 6pm at All Saints Church Car Park**

**Come along for free skate lessons, free skate gear hire, prizes and a great DJ!**

