

Sign up to Selwyn Gets Ready and win



Flooding is one of many emergencies that could affect Selwyn. Selwyn Gets Ready helps communities respond to emergencies

This August, Selwyn households are being invited to sign up to the Selwyn Gets Ready website and go into the draw to win one of five household emergency 'grab and go' kits valued at \$145. The kits contain 23 items including a first aid kit, a torch with radio, an emergency tent and blanket, water purification tablets, and large water container. To join the website and go into the draw, visit www.selwyn.getsready.net by **31 August** and enter your details. If you've already registered through the system you'll also go into the draw.

The Selwyn Gets Ready website is a database which contains contact information for local residents. This information is used by local community response teams to identify who needs assistance in an emergency and who has skills or resources (like first aid skills, generators and four wheel drives) that could help in a disaster. In a disaster a network of community response teams operate in Selwyn and each team is responsible for checking on the welfare of their community, identifying what needs to be done in their area and requesting assistance if needed.

The Selwyn Gets Ready system can also be used to send texts or emails warning people of severe weather or other emergencies. Through the system, access to household information is restricted to local community response teams and cannot be viewed by the public.

A recent example of the system in action occurred in January when a fire at Flock Hill threatened Castle Hill township. The system was used to text and email people advising them to be ready to evacuate if needed. The local community response team also visited local houses to warn people in person. Fortunately the fire was brought under control and Castle Hill did not need to be evacuated.

Installment One Rates

Instalment one rates for the 2015-16 rating have now been posted or emailed to all ratepayers. The first instalment is due to be paid by **2 September 2015**.

If you have not yet received your rates invoice please email admin@selwyn.govt.nz or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 (if calling from Darfield). If you have recently moved, don't forget to ring or email us with your new address and phone number.

You can set up weekly, fortnightly, monthly or quarterly payments by direct debit (rates easy pay) online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/rateseasy.

Explore Selwyn's Ski Fields

Selwyn has fantastic scenic views of the mountains and in the winter time you can enjoy the district's six local ski fields.

Local ski fields cater for all ages and abilities. Cheeseman, Porters and Mt Olympus are all suitable for beginner to advanced skiing, while Broken River, Craieburn and Temple Basin suit the intermediate to advanced skier.

All ski fields have on site catering facilities and ski schools. Cheeseman, Porters and Temple Basin also offer gear hire. Porters also has a new four seater chair lift operating this season. Selwyn ski fields offer free skiing to children when accompanied by a skiing adult, and have season passes and different concession packages available.

You can find out more about Selwyn's ski fields online at www.skiselwynsix.co.nz.



Check you have the right design before you build a fence

If you are building a house, or are a developer or builder, it's important to check your fence meets Council requirements before you construct it.

There are particular requirements around the type of fencing that can be built in some urban residential areas (properties within a Living Z zone and within the Lowes Road Outline Development Plan area). Some fences have been constructed in these areas which do not meet District Plan requirements.

The Council's District Plan contains information on where and how fencing can be development so that a Resource Consent is not needed. The Council has also developed a fencing pamphlet with advice and examples of good fence design, in particular along street frontages. This pamphlet has already been distributed to some households. It is available at the Environmental Services counter at the Council's Rolleston Headquarters. A more detailed fencing guide is available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/fencing-guide.

Good fencing design can help to create a safer and more pleasant neighbourhood where people enjoy walking and cycling along footpaths and cycle paths. A fence that is at the boundary of a road or reserve is also part of the street scene and the 'public eye' and needs to be designed so it is in harmony with these public areas.

The responsibility and costs to remove or change fences that do not meet District Plan requirements lies with the landowner, so please contact the Council before you start building a fence. For advice on fencing rules please phone 03 347 2800 and ask for the Duty Planner.



Open-style fencing with some landscaping allows for passive surveillance of the reserve improving the safety of people using this area



Un-stained closed-board fencing creates a blank barrier

Help us improve broadband and cellphone access

In July, Council submitted a proposal to the government requesting that they provide ultra fast-broadband in Darfield/Kirwee, Lincoln/Tai Tapu and Leeston Southbridge.

The application also requests that broadband be improved in Malvern in the area to be covered by the Central Plains Water scheme, and that mobile phone access along State Highway 73 from Springfield to Otira be improved for locals, emergency services, tourists and tourism operators.

To support our application the Council is preparing a Digital Enablement Plan. The Plan will summarise Council and community actions to support improved broadband and mobile phone services.

Darfield/ Kirwee has been prioritised as the first area the Council has requested the government provide ultra-fast broadband to. Meetings in Darfield and Springfield are planned to gather information from businesses and the community about what issues people in these areas (and rural Malvern) are experiencing and what the Council could consider doing to increase fast broadband uptake, improve mobile phone coverage and increase people's digital skills and knowledge.

The meetings are taking place at:

- Tuesday 18 August, 3.15pm, Springfield School
For the public
- Tuesday 18 August, 5pm, Springfield School
For businesses and farmers
- Thursday 20 August, 3.15pm, Darfield High School Library
For the public
- Thursday 20 August, 5pm, Darfield High School Library
For businesses and farmers

Council Call

Selwyn District Council
Norman Kirk Drive Rolleston
Ph 347 2800 or 318 8338

Rolleston Library
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston
Ph 347 2880 or 318 8338

Darfield Library & Service Centre
1 South Terrace, Darfield
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2800

Notices

DARFIELD CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU CLOSED

The Citizens Advice Bureau Christchurch Area Board regrets to announce that it has closed its satellite service that was operating in the Darfield library. This was an extremely hard decision and has been made due to the low numbers of clients at Darfield since it was opened in July 2014. We would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication from the volunteers at Darfield who have been organising and running this service during the last year. Citizens Advice Bureau Christchurch is committed to providing services to the community in Selwyn, and we value the work carried out in Darfield and we will continue to support our volunteers there. If you would like to talk over a problem with a trained volunteer then call 0800 367 222.

ROLLESTON FIREWORKS NIGHT

Organising for this year's event on **Saturday 7 November** is well underway. We are now calling for expressions of interest from vendors interested in having a site at this year's event. Please be advised an expression of interest does not guarantee a site. Local not for profit groups, local schools and sporting groups are given first priority. This is a community run event (not Council run) please contact

Jens Christenson on 347 1600 or 027 433 4179.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 12 August
Rakaia Huts 9.10-9.30am
Southbridge Playcentre 10-10.30am
Southbridge School 10.45-12pm

Thursday 13 August
Ladbrooks School 2-2.30pm
Broadfield School 2.55-3.30pm
Prebbleton Tavern 4-6pm

Monday 17 August
Upper Selwyn Huts 9.30-10am
Springston School 10.15-10.45am
Lincoln University Learning Centre 11-11.30pm
Prebbleton Child Care 1.15-1.30pm

Tuesday 18 August
Burnham Kindy 9.40-10.10am
Dunsandel Playcentre 10.30-11.15am
Dunsandel School 11.20-12.10pm
Burnham Preschool 12.30-1pm
Paradise for Little Angels, Rolleston 1.30-2pm

DOG MICROCHIPPING

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires them to be microchipped. This free monthly service is available on **Friday 21 August** at:
· Leeston – 9-9.30am
· Darfield – 10.15-10.45
· Rolleston – 11.30am-12pm
· Lincoln – 12.45-1.15pm

Please note:

- All clinics last for half an hour
- The Rolleston venue is Norman Kirk Drive, other locations are outside libraries
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.

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

REMEMBER TO REGISTER YOUR DOG

Dog owners need to register their dogs each year. The registration deadline for owners to take advantage of a reduced dog registration fee in 2015 has been extended from 31 July to **14 August**. Dogs can be registered online through the Council website or at a Council service centre, see www.selwyn.govt.nz for information.

If you haven't received your registration form or are experiencing problems please call 347 2800 or 318 8338. If your dog is still unregistered after the end of August this can attract a \$300 fine.

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES FUNDING

Are you involved in the arts, but need some financial assistance to make your project work? The closing date for the Creative NZ Creative Communities scheme funding applications is **Friday 28 August 2015**. For more information about criteria, contact 347 2708 or email stuart.westoby@selwyn.govt.nz

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 (Council), Kate Anderson (Community Boards) or your local committee at least three days before the meeting.*

Township, Hall and Reserve Committees: *To list or make changes to meeting details, email meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.*

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARDS

Unless otherwise stated all of these meetings will be held at the Rolleston Council Building.

Representation Review Subcommittee

Wed 12 Aug 9am

Council Meeting

Wed 12 Aug 1pm

The meeting is followed by a Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm which is open to the public

Malvern Hills Rural Water Supply Subcommittee

Thurs 13 Aug 10.30am
Darfield Library

Hororata/Acheron Rural Water Supply Subcommittee

Thurs 13 Aug 1pm
Darfield Library

Selwyn Central Community Board

Wed 19 Aug 4.30pm

Is there an issue affecting your community you want to bring to your Community Board's attention and find out how we

can help? See 'Meetings' for information on our Public Forum

Road Safety Committee

Thurs 20 Aug 9.30am

Malvern Community Board

Mon 24 Aug 4pm
Darfield Recreation Centre

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Council Meeting

Wed 26 Aug 1pm

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 18 Aug 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Township Committee

Thurs 20 Aug 7.30pm
Darfield Library

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 12 Aug 7.30pm
Osborne Park Pavilion

Dunsandel Community Committee

Wed 26 Aug 7.30pm
Dunsandel Sports Centre

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 18 Aug 8pm
Glenroy Hall

Glentunnel Township Committee

Mon 24 Aug 7.30pm
Glentunnel Hall

Kirwee Community Committee

Mon 17 Aug 7.30pm
Kirwee Community Hall

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 14 Aug 7.45pm
Ladbrooks Community Centre

Prebbleton Community Association

Tue 18 Aug 7.30pm
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Rolleston Community Centre Committee

Thurs 27 Aug 7pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

Mon 17 Aug 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Residents Association Inc. AGM

Mon 24 August 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield/Waddington Community Committee

Thurs 20 Aug 7.30pm
Sheffield Community Hall

Southbridge Advisory Committee

Mon 24 Aug 7pm
Southbridge Hall

Springston Community Committee

Mon 17 Aug 7.30pm
Springston Hall Supper Room

Springston Reserve & Associated Sports Combined Committee Inc.

Wed 19 Aug 7.30pm
399 Ellesmere Junction Road

West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 17 Aug 7pm
West Melton Rugby Football Clubrooms

West Melton Residents Association

Wed 12 Aug 7.30pm
West Melton Community Centre



Malvern Area Plan meetings

The Council is working to develop area plans for Malvern & Ellesmere. These will look at how townships could develop and where housing, businesses, open space, community facilities & infrastructure could be located. Ellesmere meetings have been held over the past week. Upcoming Malvern sessions are planned at:

- Tawera Memorial Hall, Springfield Tuesday 11 August, 6.30-8.30pm
- Darfield Recreation Centre Wednesday 12 August, 6.30-8.30pm
- Glentunnel Community Centre Tuesday 18 August, 6.30-8.30pm
- Darfield Recreation Centre Sunday 23 August, 1-3pm

You can also submit comments online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/areaplans until Friday 28 August 2015.

FROM
11-23
AUGUST

WEDNESDAY
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AUGUST

Problem Gambling Workshop

Lincoln and Districts Community Care, 1.30-3pm

Free workshop for people seeking help for gambling issues or supporting friends of family members with issues. RSVP by phoning 325 2007

WEDNESDAY
12
AUGUST

A Mulled Wine Event

Hororata Hall, 7.30pm

Featuring Stevie Tonks, Loren Sila and guitarists Daniel Hitchens. Tickets \$25, available at the door & from Hororata Café. Refreshments available, bar proceeds to Hororata School. Event supported by Hororata Village Bar & Café, Selwyn Arts Trust & Selwyn District Council

WEDNESDAY
19
AUGUST

AGM Down By The Liffey Gallery

Lincoln Community Care, 7.30pm

All welcome for this AGM meeting

SATURDAY
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AUGUST

Second hand book sale

Lincoln market, Gerald Street, 10am-1pm

Grab some bargain books. With live music, local spray free fruit and vegetables, plants, flowers, artisan produce, baking & handcrafted gifts. See www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket

UNTIL
27
OCTOBER

Canterbury and the First World War

Leeston Library

An exhibition of photographs, letters & military items of several Canterbury soldiers and residents. Sir Robert Heaton Rhodes' photograph album is one of the displays

Leeston Library & Service Centre
High Street, Leeston
Ph 347 2820 or 318 8338

Lincoln Library & Service Centre
Gerald Street, Lincoln
Ph 347 2875 or 318 8338

(03) 347 2800

Darfield call free 318 8338

www.selwyn.govt.nz

