

Help protect your community from fire



Planning to create a new rural fire brigade is underway and the Council is looking for volunteers to be part of a new Darfield Rural Fire Force.

Volunteer rural fire fighters play an extremely important role in the community. In the summer Selwyn often experiences hot, dry weather and strong nor' west winds mean that fires can quickly spread and threaten lives and property if they are not brought under control by fire crews.

Selwyn currently has two rural fire brigades located at Arthur's Pass and West Melton.

"All fire callouts are routed to the New Zealand Fire Service who call on the nearest brigade with suitable equipment to respond to calls," says Carrie Lakin, Selwyn District Council Emergency Management Support Officer. "In a large fire, urban and rural volunteer fire fighters often work together to control fires."

Carrie says that volunteer rural fire fighters are provided with ongoing training and protective equipment. "Before volunteers can attend fires they complete two days training and receive NZQA rural fire qualifications. Once qualified, most brigades also train for 2-3 hours a week or fortnight."

"The amount of time volunteers spend attending to fires varies a lot throughout the year. Generally, callouts in winter and spring are limited while during a hot summer fire fighters can be very busy."

John Doherty is the Fire Force Controller for the West Melton Volunteer Rural Fire Force. John says when he joined the unit he had no previous experience or knowledge of what to expect but learnt a lot of new skills from training in the role. "You always work as part of a team and are only given tasks at your current ability so you are never thrown in the deep end," he says.

"Being part of a rural fire unit is very rewarding and is a great way to mix with others in your community."

Carrie Lakin says the Council is hoping to recruit a number of volunteers so that the rural Selwyn district has more capacity to cope with the busy summer periods the district is facing. "The time commitment can vary depending on the amount of time an individual has available."

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer can phone the Council on 318 8338, 347 2800 or email ruralfire@selwyn.govt.nz

Malvern Community Board News

The Board held their July meeting last Monday. They received member reports covering a variety of issues including the representation review, traffic movements and green waste collection points.

Members have asked Council to look into providing an email address for alcohol licensing submissions and requesting that a notice of such applications be forwarded to Township Committees.

The Board allocated grants to the following:

- Darfield High School CHOGM students to help towards the costs of attending and competing at the CHOGM Conference in Wellington.
- West Melton Gymnastics Club was granted funds towards Malvern students attending and competing at the Hokitika Gymnastics competition.
- The Malvern Community Vehicle Trust was also granted funding to help towards the running costs of vehicles and medical check-ups for seven volunteer drivers.

The Board will hold a Community Expo in October and will run their Community Service Awards again in November. Members are also looking into hosting a small event for our volunteers in light of International Volunteer Day in December.

We would also like to let the wider Malvern community know that the Community Board has grants available to support community groups and individuals – to find out more about the grants and the criteria associated with these, visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/grants.

The 24 August 2015 meeting will be held at the Darfield Recreation Centre.

Sign up to be part of Shakeout

Everyone needs to know the right action to take in an earthquake. On Thursday 15 October New Zealanders will have the chance to practice what they would do in a real earthquake as part of a national earthquake drill called Shakeout.

Shakeout was first held in 2012 and 1.3million New Zealanders took part in the drill. The 2015 exercise will be the second time Shakeout has been held and we want Selwyn residents to be part of the drill.

The advice from experts on what to do in earthquake is simple:

- **DROP** down on your hands and knees. This position protects you from falling items but allows you to move if necessary
- **COVER** your head and neck (and your entire body if possible) under a sturdy table or desk (if it is no more than a few steps away from you). If there is no shelter nearby, get down near an interior wall (or next to low-lying furniture that won't fall on you), and cover your head and neck with your arms and hands.
- **HOLD** on to your shelter (or your position to protect your head and neck) until the shaking stops. Be prepared to move with your shelter if the shaking moves it around.



If you are outside in an earthquake move a few steps away from buildings, trees, streetlights, and power lines, then drop, cover and hold. If you are driving, pull over to a clear location, stop and stay there with your seatbelt on until the shaking stops. Once the shaking stops, proceed with caution and avoid bridges or ramps that might have been damaged.

By taking part in Shakeout, which is scheduled for 9.15am on Thursday 15 October, you can practice the right actions to take in an actual earthquake. In Selwyn, over 2,500 people have already registered to be part of Shakeout 2015, with many local schools also signed up.

Sign up to be part of Shakeout
shakeout.govt.nz

Remember to register your dog

Dog owners need to register or re-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 in person 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 the Council on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

If your dog is still unregistered after the end of August please note 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



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

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 5 August
Hororata School 11.30am-1pm
Greendale School 1.20-1.50pm
Thursday 6 August
Paradise for Little Angels,
Rolleston 1.30-2pm
Saturday 8 August
Lincoln Event Centre
9.30am-12.30pm
Monday 10 August
Springfield School
12.30-1.30pm
Sheffield School 2-2.30pm
Tuesday 11 August
Tai Tapu Monkeys & Munchkins
10-10.30am
Whippersnappers Lincoln
10.45-11.15am
West Melton School
12.45-1.30pm
West Melton Learning Centre
1.30-1.50pm
West Melton Church
1.50-2.20pm

USE OF DRONES ON COUNCIL RESERVES/LAND

The Civil Aviation Authority introduced new rules for unmanned aerial vehicles, commonly known as drones or

quadcopters, which came into effect on 1 August 2015. The rules can be viewed at www.caa.govt.nz
Use of remotely piloted aircraft systems also known as drones, quadcopters, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV's) and unmanned aerial systems (UAS), on Council Reserves is controlled under the Selwyn District Council Parks and Reserves Bylaw. A copy is available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/bylaws
Under the bylaw drones, quadcopters or other aircraft may not be flown in Council Reserves unless prior written permission has been given by Council. Radio controlled model aircraft, either battery powered or electric powered may be flown if they are under 1kg and other conditions in the bylaw are met. Remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS), UAV's and UAS are not allowed to be used on any other Council land without prior written consent from Council. If consent is approved it will be subject to conditions the Council considers appropriate.

HELP PLAN FOR ELLESMERE AND MALVERN'S FUTURE

The Council is working to develop area plans for Malvern and Ellesmere. Area plans will look at how townships within Ellesmere and Malvern could develop and where housing, businesses, open space, community facilities and infrastructure could be located in the future. Local meetings for you to share your thoughts on these issues are being held at:
· Dunsandel Sports Centre Wed 5 August, 6.30-8.30pm
· Leeston Library Thur 6 August, 6.30-8.30pm
· Leeston Library Sun 9 August, 1-3pm
· Tawera Memorial Hall, Springfield, Tue 11 August, 6.30-8.30pm
· Darfield Recreation Centre Wed 12 August, 6.30-8.30pm
· Glentunnel Community Centre, Tue 18 August, 6.30-8.30pm
· Darfield Recreation Centre Sun 23 August, 1-3pm
You can also submit comments at www.selwyn.govt.nz/areaplans until 28 August

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.

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee
Tue 4 Aug 1pm

Audit & Risk Subcommittee
Wed 5 Aug 3pm

Industrial Park Project Team
Thurs 6 Aug 3pm
Izone Visitors Centre

Because of commercial sensitivity, the public may be excluded from part of or all of the meeting. Enquiries to Property and Commercial Manager, Douglas Marshall

Water Race Subcommittee
Mon 10 Aug 1.30pm

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/Service Centre

Hororata/Acheron Rural Water Supply Subcommittee
Thurs 13 Aug 1pm

Darfield Library/Service Centre
Selwyn Central Community Board
Wed 19 Aug 4.30pm
Is there an issue affecting your community that you want to bring to your Community Board's attention and find out what we can do to help? See 'Meetings' above for information on our Public Forum.

Road Safety Committee
Thurs 20 Aug 9.30am

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Arthur's Pass Association
Sat 8 Aug 5pm
Arthur's Pass Community Centre

Broadfield District Community Centre Committee
Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm
Broadfield Hall

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

Glenroy Community Hall Committee
Tue 18 Aug 8pm, Glenroy Hall

Hororata Reserve Management Committee
Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm
Hororata Reserve Admin Building

Kirwee Community Committee
Mon 17 Aug 7.30pm
Kirwee Community Hall

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee
Mon 10 Aug 7.30pm, Kirwee Reserve Pavilion

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee
Fri 14 Aug 7.45pm
Ladbrooks Community Centre

Lincoln Community Committee
Mon 10 Aug 7.30pm
Lincoln Event Centre

Prebbleton Community Association
Tue 18 Aug 7.30pm
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.
Mon 10 Aug 7.30pm
Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee
Mon 17 Aug 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Residents Association Inc.- AGM
Mon 24 Aug 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield/Waddington Community Committee
Thurs 20 Aug 7.30pm
Sheffield Community Hall

Springfield Township Committee
Tue 4 Aug 7.30pm
Tawera 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

Tai Tapu Community Association Inc.
Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm
Tai Tapu Library

Weedons Reserve Committee
Mon 10 Aug 7.30pm
Weedons Reserve Pavilion

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

Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee
Mon 10 Aug 7.30pm
Glentunnel Hall



FROM
5-30
AUGUST

Entanglement

Down by the Liffey Gallery, Lincoln
An exhibition by artists Blanche Fryer, Demarnia Lloyd-Harris, Stuart Lloyd-Harris & David Lloyd. Profound moments shape our lives; these are stories each one of us carries unseen, connections made & broken, creating our identity. Open Wednesday to Sunday 10am-4pm

SATURDAY
8
AUGUST

Mad Hatter's Tea Party

Lincoln Baptist Church, 2-4pm
High tea with musical entertainment. Wear a character costume & enjoy the silent auction. Fundraising for Hagar which helps women and children who have suffered human rights abuses. \$25 with \$5 discount for seniors. Tickets from Lincoln Event Centre, Lincoln Library & Lincoln pharmacies

SUNDAY
9
AUGUST

Rolleston Envirotown Market

Rolleston Square Carpark, 10am-1pm
Choose from local produce & craft. Email enquiries@rollestonenvirotown.org.nz for information

SUNDAY
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AUGUST

Lincoln & Districts Historical Society AGM

Lincoln Event Centre, 2pm
Dr Mark Wilson will talk about being at Gallipoli for the 100th anniversary of Anzac Day. All welcome. Afternoon tea provided, gold coin donation please

WEDNESDAY
12
AUGUST

Problem Gambling Workshop

Lincoln & Districts Community Care, 1.30-3pm
Free workshop for people seeking help for gambling issues or supporting friends or 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 & guitarist 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

For more events in Selwyn visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/events

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

