

We invite you to join with others in our community to celebrate Indian culture on **Saturday 31 October.** A celebration is planned from 4.30-8.30pm by the Lincoln Library to mark Diwali, the Indian Festival of Lights. This free event will include Indian food stalls where you can experience a range of Indian foods, curries, desserts and sweets. There will also be dance performances, traditional Indian clothing displays and crafts to participate in such as hand painting, diya lamp painting and rangoli design works. The Laboratory will also have light decorations and Indian themed food on offer.

This is a great event for families and everyone is welcome. If you haven't tried traditional Indian food or encountered Indian culture before this is a great way to experience its dazzling colours, tastes and sounds. The event is being organised by Selwyn District Council, Colours of India New Zealand and the Selwyn Arts Trust.

## Don't let a fire reignite

The East Coast of New Zealand (including Selwyn) has recently been experiencing extremely windy and hot conditions. A number of fires have occurred when previously lit rubbish or pile fires reignited. If you light a fire it is your responsibility to ensure it has been fully extinguished. If you are unsure if a fire is fully extinguished you should carefully check underneath any debri to see if any embers or heat still exists and douse this well with water or bury the embers.

Strong nor' west winds are common in spring so people need to check current and future weather conditions carefully before lighting outdoor fires. The plains area of Selwyn are currently in an open fire season so outdoor fires are permitted but all safety precautions should be taken (see <a href="www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire">www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire</a> for advice). You should not light outdoor fires if windy conditions are forecast. Given the current unsettled conditions, the Council has suspended fire permits for the hill and high country until further notice.

It is a breach of the Council's Fire Bylaw to light a fire in conditions which may cause a fire to spread. Anyone who ignores these rules may be liable for the costs of fighting a fire and any damage from it.

In the hill and high country areas of Selwyn a fire permit is required before fires can be lit. In and near residential areas outdoor fires are not allowed under Environment Canterbury air rules except for gas cookers, barbeques, hangis & umu. For more information phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 or visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire.



#### Help reduce the risk of a fire affecting your property

Strong winds and warm days elevate the fire risk. To reduce the risk of a fire starting or spreading on your property you can:

- · create a 10 metre clear space around your house to act as a fire break. Keep this area green and remove trees, branches, shrubs and long grass
- check that any trees on your property are at least three metres from power lines. Power lines touching trees can cause fires and power outages. For advice on who can safely trim trees phone Orion on 0800 363 9898
- $\cdot$  store firewood and other flammable materials away from your house
- $\cdot$  clear your property of rubbish piles and remove leaves from gutters
- · regularly check that machinery is in good working order
- · keep a garden hose connected which can reach around your house
- · check that the entrance to your property or paddocks is at least four metres high and four metres wide to allow emergency vehicles access if needed

To report a fire call 111.

# Help develop a guide for young people to Selwyn

The Selwyn Youth Council needs your help to find the best places, spaces and things for young people to do in Selwyn.

They are developing a guide to be used by young people visiting and living in Selwyn called the Insider's Guide to Selwyn. The guide will have suggestions on great places to eat, parks to visit, skateparks, walks, and other things to do.

You can share your ideas and vote for your favourite suggestions on Facebook by searching for 'Insider's Guide to Selwyn.' If the Youth Council uses your idea in the guide you will go into a draw to win a \$100 voucher of your choice.



# Watch out for new kea crossing

A new kea crossing is now operating on Rolleston Drive between Norman Kirk Drive and Dryden Avenue.

The crossing is being operated by Rolleston School parents with support from Rolleston School and the Council. Kea crossings are used by many New Zealand schools and allow school children to have the right of way to cross a road when lollipop barriers are operating to stop traffic. The Rolleston Drive kea crossing will operate at approximately 8.30-9am and 3-3.30pm Monday-Friday during school terms. If you travel on Rolleston Drive at these times you need to slow down and be ready to stop if lollipop barriers are extended across the lane. At other times of the day when the school is not operating the crossing, pedestrians need to give way to traffic if crossing the road at this crossing point, as they do now.

Speed activated signs are also operating on Rolleston Drive near the crossing point to let motorists know their speed and encourage them to slow down if they are over the speed limit.



## On the roads this week

Dynes Road is now open to two way traffic again. Road repairs are planned to Old Tai Tapu Road. Improvements are being made to the intersection of Boundary and Weedons Roads. These roads remain open while work is undertaken.

Road repairs are also planned to Springs, Tancreds, Barnes and McDrurys Roads, with stop and go signs being used by contractors to control traffic. Speed restrictions apply while road works on Cowans, Burts and Homebush Road take place.

The Council has begun resealing work which is carried out over spring, summer and autumn. This week resealing work is planned in Leeston along Leeston and Lake Road, Market Street, Chapman Street and Gallipoli Street. Stop and go signs will be used for traffic control. New footpaths are also being developed in Leeston on Station Street (between Messines and Gallipoli Street) and Flannery Street (between Woodville Street and Leeston Park). Kerb and channel and footpath works are taking place on Goulds Road which is open.

Maintenance grading work is planned at various locations with roads remaining open.





#### **Notices**

#### LINCOLN ENVIROTOWN TRUST

The Responsible Business Awards are coming up! Lincoln, Prebbleton and Tai Tapu Awards – Wednesday 21 October at Lincoln Event Centre, 5.30 pm, Ellesmere Awards - Wednesday 28 October at the Leeston Library Community Room, 6pm, Rolleston Awards - Friday 30 October at Rolleston Community Centre, 6.30pm. All welcome, to RSVP email projectmanagerlet@ gmail.com or phone 423 0445.

#### **SUPPORT THE ARTS**

The Creative Communities Assessment Committee needs new community representatives for the Malvern, Selwyn Central, Springs and Ellesmere wards. The committee distributes
Creative New Zealand funds for local arts and cultural projects and meets quarterly.

The unpaid positions are for three years, with travel expenses paid. Applicants must live in the ward they represent. Applications close Friday, 16 October 2015. To submit an application see www. selwyn.govt.nz or ph 347 2708.

#### **DOG MICROCHIPPING**

Available Friday 23 October at:
Darfield, 12.45-1.15pm
Rolleston, 9-9.30am

- Lincoln, 10.15-10.45am
- Leeston, 11.30am-12pm

#### Please note:

- All clinics last for half an hour The Rolleston venue is outside Council Headquarters, other
- venues are outside libraries Microchipping won't occur if wet If you have any questions, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE**

Wednesday 14 October Arthurs Pass 11.30am-12.30pm Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm Springfield 3-3.30pm

Thursday 15 October Springfield School 10.15-11.15am Council's Rolleston Headquarters 12.45-1.15pm Cats Pyjamas Rolleston 1.30-2pm Rolleston First Learners 2.10-2.40pm

Monday 19 October Dunsandel Playcentre 10-10.30am NEW Burnham Montessori 11-11.30am Darfield Primary School 12.15-1.15pm NEW

Tuesday 20 October Kirwee 10-10.45am Kirwee School 10.45-11.30am West Melton Domain 12.15-12.45pm West Melton School 12.45-1.30pm West Melton Learning Centre 1.30-1.50pm Cats Pyjamas West Melton 1.50-2.20pm

## **TEMPORARY ROAD** CLOSURE - SOUTHBRIDGE 150TH ANNIVERSARY

High Street, Southbridge, from McKenzie Avenue intersection to the Taumutu Road intersection will be closed from 8am-9pm on Sunday 25 October.

During the road closure, traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route. Contact Joanne Harkerss for queries on 347 2887.

#### REMOVAL OF CROSSING -**INTAKE ROAD**

The crossing over the Paparua Water Race, near Intake Road (at Waimakariri River Regional Park) will be removed for safety reasons in the next two weeks. Hazard barriers and warning signs will be in place to warn it has been removed. People wishing to use the adjacent ford should be sure about driver and vehicle capability when crossing the water race the water race.

#### **REGISTRATION OF INTEREST** WATER RACE SUBCOMMITTEE

Registrations of interest are sought from users of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Schemes in the Ellesmere and Paparua Ward to join the Selwyn Water Race Subcommittee.

The subcommittee provides input into the management and operation of Council water race schemes. It has up to 12 members representing water race users, the Paparua Water Race Irrigation User Group, local Community Boards, Selwyn District Council and Christchurch City Council. It is monitored by Selwyn District Council, and supported by Council staff. Meetings are held quarterly, but no meeting fees or mileage is paid. The term of office is three years.

Water race users are invited to register their interest in joining this committee by submitting a resume of their background and interest.

For information on applications see www.selwyn.govt.nz, phone 347 2891 or email maree.pycroft@selwyn.govt.nz. Registrations of interest close on 30 October 2015.

## 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

Council Meeting

Wed 14 Oct 1pm Followed by a public Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm

Selwyn Central Community Board Wed 21 Oct 4.30pm

Is there an issue affecting your community that you want to bring to your Community Board's attention and find out how they can help? See 'Meetings' for information on our Public Forum.

Malvern Community Board

Tue 27 Oct 4pm, Darfield Library Is there an issue affecting your community that you want to bring to your Community Board's attention and find out how they can help? See 'Meetings' for information on our Public Forum.

**Council Meeting** Wed 28 Oct 1pm

#### **LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS**

Arthur's Pass Association Sat 24 Oct 5pm Arthur's Pass Community Centre

Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Committee

Thurs 29 Oct 8pm Coalgate Fire Station

Coalgate Township Committee Tue 20 Oct 7.30pm

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**Darfield Pool Committee** Thurs 15 Oct 7pm, Darfield Pool

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**Doyleston Community Committee** Wed 14 Oct 7.30pm Osborne Park Pavilion

**Dunsandel Community Committee** Wed 28 Oct 7.30pm

Dunsandel Sports Centre Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 20 Oct 8pm, Glenroy Hall

Glentunnel Township Committee Mon 26 Oct 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall

Kirwee Community Committee Mon 19 Oct 7.30pm Kirwee Community Hall

**Ladbrooks Community** Hall Committee

Fri 16 Oct 7.45pm Ladbrooks Community Centre Note meeting is a week later

Leeston Park Association Mon 19 Oct 8pm

Leeston Park Pavilion Meeting early due to Labour Day

**Prebbleton Community** Association

Tue 20 Oct 7.30pm Prebbleton Community Cottage

**Rolleston Community Centre** Thurs 29 Oct 7pm Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Reserve **Management Committee** 

Mon 19 Oct 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre

**Rolleston Residents** Association Inc.

Mon 2 Nov 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre Note meeting is a week later

Sheffield/Waddington Community Committee

Thurs 15 Oct 7.30pm Sheffield Community Hall

Southbridge Advisory Committee Mon 26 Oct 7.30pm Southbridge Hall

**Springston Community Committee** Mon 19 Oct 7.30pm

Springston Hall Supper Room Springston Reserve & Associated Sports Combined Committee Inc. Wed 21 Oct 7.30pm

Errol Tweedy Pavilion West Melton Reserve **Board Committee** 

Mon 19 Oct 7pm, West Melton Rugby Football Clubrooms

West Melton Residents Association

Wed 14 Oct 7.30pm West Melton Community Centre



**THURSDAY** 

**OCTOBER** 

# **Shakeout**

Stop wherever you are to join over 1 million New Zealanders for a national earthquake drill of drop, cover & hold. To register visit www.shakeout.govt.nz

UNTIL

**OCTOBER** 

### **Darfield Art Week**

Darfield Recreation Centre,

View 276 artworks from over 130 artists for free, with works available to purchase. Open daily. Displays also at Selwyn Gallery & Darfield Library

**SATURDAY** 

**OCTOBER** 

## **Science Alive at Lincoln Market**

By Lincoln Library, 10am-1pm

Includes Science Alive Grossology Workshop at 11am (\$2 per child, booking required, phone 325 7226). With Science Alive store, scavenger

SAT-MON

24-26 **OCTOBER** 

Southbridge 150th **Anniversary** 

Celebrate Southbridge's 150th anniversary with activities including a market, games, township tour, cycle race, street parade, music, sports day with novelty races, top team & more. Selwyn.govt.nz/events

UNTIL

**OCTOBER** 

A Lady, A Bird & A House Down By The Liffey Gallery,

Three established Christchurch artists, Debbie Garland, Robyn Schroeder & Kerian Gill exhibit an exciting mix of paintings & sculpture. Open Wednesday-Sunday,10am-4pm

MONDAY

**OCTOBER** 

**Hororata Parish Spring Fair** Hororata Domain, 9.30am

A free fun family day out with huge white elephant sale, country auction, craft, second hand book, plant & food stalls. Creative kid's entries 9-9.30am, kids races (egg & spoon, sack race, gumboot throw) from 10.30am

UNTIL

**OCTOBER** 

Art In Felt & Pretty Little Things

work & Tatyanna Meharry's ceramic works. Open 10am-4pm daily except Monday. www.selwyngallery.co.nz

For information on listing a community event visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall

