



SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER 12 - 5 PM

Selwyn's first ever CultureFest is planned for this October and the Council is inviting cultural and ethnic community groups to take part in the celebration.

CultureFest will showcase the district's cultures with activities including stage performances, music, food, art and craft demonstrations, ethnic have-a-go sessions, sports and games. There will also be information stalls for agencies working for multicultural communities.

"CultureFest will be a great way to celebrate the contribution that so many cultures make to Selwyn," says the Council's events and recreation adviser Dave Tippett. "With a growing population comes increasing diversity and this event is all about welcoming people of different cultures, and building a community that's more connected with the world."

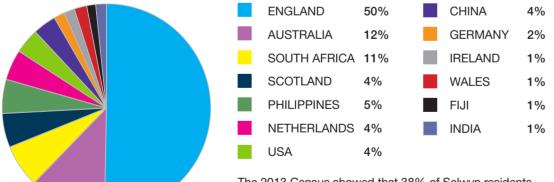
The free event will be held on Saturday 15 October on the corner of Jones Road and Hoskyns Road, Rolleston, as part of the Rolleston 150th anniversary celebrations.

CultureFest is organised by the Council in partnership with Rotary Club of Lincoln, Christchurch Multi-Cultural Council, Canterbury Migrant Centre and Rolleston Newcomers Network. It will be an annual event alternating between Rolleston and Lincoln. The event builds on the success of the Lincoln Multi-Cultural Festival, organised by Lincoln Rotary over the past twelve years in Lincoln.

"As the district has grown, so has our population's diversity," he says. "We're a very different place to what we were even a couple of decades ago. Recently the Council developed its Newcomers and Migrants Strategy, and identified that a Selwyn-wide multi-cultural event would be important to acknowledge and celebrate Selwyn's growing diversity. "It will also be a great fun day for families and people of all backgrounds, with opportunities to experience the vibrancy of our many cultures, and interact with some of our newcomers."

Any groups or individuals interested in taking part in CultureFest can email Dave.Tippett@selwyn. govt.nz, or phone 347 2719.

#### Where do our overseas immigrants come from?



The 2013 Census showed that 38% of Selwyn residents lived outside Selwyn 5 years ago – with 84% coming from New Zealand, and 16% from overseas.

#### On the roads this week

Gravelling and drainage improvement work will take place this week on Mt White Road, while gravelling and reshaping work will take place on Rakaia Terrace Road. Both roads will remain open. Maintenance grading work will occur in the High Country, Te Pirita. Hororata, Kirwee and West Melton areas.

The extension of Broadlands Drive and the installation of a new roundabout at the junction of Springston Rolleston and Broadlands Drive has been completed. The installation of a new sewer pipeline on Springston Rolleston Road has been completed, with minor resealing works needed on the road programmed to occur this spring.

# Help protect your community from fire

The Council is looking for volunteers to be part of the Darfield Rural

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 four rural fire forces located at Arthur's Pass, Darfield, Lake Coleridge and West Melton. The Darfield volunteer Rural Fire Force was formed last year as a new force and currently has around 12 members but is looking for more volunteers to join them.

"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 Douglas Marshall, Selwyn District Principal Rural Fire Officer. "In a large fire, urban and rural volunteer fire fighters work together to extinguish the fire."

Douglas 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. Applicants are also vetted by Police and need to pass a medical exam. Once qualified, most fire forces 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."

Douglas says the Council is hoping to recruit a number of volunteers so that Selwyn has more capacity to cope with the busy summer periods. "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



# Swimmers help fundraise for St John

Swimmers at Selwyn Aquatic Centre have completed 8,816 kilometres (352,653 lengths) so far for their Swim to Rio Fundraiser.

The Swim to Rio fundraiser is an event involving the community to reach the same goal- swim to Rio de Janeiro in time for the 2016 Olympics. Every pool length completed counts towards the 11,765km goal to get to Rio, whether it is swimming or aqua jogging. Swimmers can be sponsored for the lengths they swim or take donations.

Funds raised will go towards the St John Project Rolleston, supporting the building of a new ambulance station in Rolleston. Speedo has kindly sponsored some great prizes and raffles. To take part or sponsor a swimmer enquire at the centre's reception or call 347 2734.



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**

Thursday 7 July Rolleston First Learners 11-11.30am Paradise for Little Angels, Rolleston 1.30-2pm Educare Faringdon 2.15-2.45pm

Monday 11 July Darfield Preschool & Nursery 10.30-11am Sheffield Hall 2-2.30pm

Tuesday 12 July Tai Tapu Monkeys and Munchkins 10-10.30am Whippersnappers Lincoln 10.45-11.15am West Melton Learning Centre 1.30-1.50pm

West Melton Domain 2-2.30pm Wednesday 13 July Rakaia Huts 9.10-9.30am Southbridge Playcentre

10-10.30am

#### **DOG MICROCHIPPING**

Free microchipping is available

- on Friday 15 July at:
  Darfield 9-9.30am
- Rolleston 10.15-10.45am Lincoln 11.30am-12pm Leeston 12.45-1.15pm
- Please note:
- · All clinics last for half an hour
- The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive, other locations are outside libraries
- Sessions won't occur if wet. Please contact Tracey on 347 2800 or 318 8338 for queries.

### HAVE YOUR SAY ON AQUATIC FACILITIES

Selwyn residents are being asked to help plan for the district's future aquatic facility

needs. The Aquatic Facilities Plan is being updated in response to Selwyn's rapid growth, and residents are invited to comment on their use of aquatic facilities and what improvements they would like to see. A short online survey is open until 15 July and can be accessed at www.selwyn.govt. nz/haveyoursay. Survey forms are also available at Council service centres.



#### 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 stated meetings are held at the Rolleston Council Building.

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee Tue 5 July 1pm

Audit & Risk Subcommittee Wed 6 July 3pm

**Council Meeting** Wed 13 July 1pm

Selwyn Central Community Board Wed 20 July 4.30pm

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

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

Coalgate Township Committee Tue 19 July 7.30pm Coalgate Fire Station

**Darfield Township Committee** Thurs 21 July 7.30pm

Darfield Library **Dovleston Community** Committee

Wed 13 July 7.30pm Osborne Park Pavilion

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 19 July 8pm Glenroy Community Hall

Glentunnel Community Centre Committee

Tue 12 July 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre

Kirwee Community Committee Mon 18 July 7.30pm Kirwee Hall

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 11 July 7.30pm Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

**Ladbrooks Community** Hall Committee

Fri 8 July 7.45pm Ladbrooks Community Hall

**Lincoln Community Committee** Mon 11 July 7pm Lincoln Event Centre

Prebbleton Community Association Inc.

Tue 19 July 7.30pm Prebbleton Cottage

Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.

Mon 11 July 7.30pm Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

**Prebbleton Reserve Committee** Mon 18 July 7.30pm, Prebbleton Rugby Football Centre

Rolleston Reserve **Management Committee** Mon 18 July 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre

Springfield Township Committee Tue 5 July 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

**Springston Community** Committee

Mon 18 July 7.30pm Springston Hall Supper Room

**Springston Recreation** Reserve Committee Wed 20 July 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion

Tawera Memorial Hall Committee

Thurs 7 July 7.30pm, Tawera Hall Weedons Reserve Committee Mon 11 July 7pm

Weedons Reserve Pavilion Whitecliffs Township & Domain

Committee Mon 11 July 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall

TUE-THUR

5-14 **JULY** 

#### Family storytime -**Dogs Dogs Dogs** Selwyn Libraries

evening sessions with stories, songs 8 fun. Sessions aimed at 2-7 year olds, but all welcome. For dates & to book see www.selwynlibraries.co.nz. Free

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#### Work & Income NZ Superannuation visits

Ken Stevens from MSD can assist with superannuation queries. He is visiting from 10am-2.30pm on Thursdays at: Lincoln Event Centre (7 July), Darfield Library (14 July) & Leeston Library (21 July). Appointment required - phone 03 961 9170

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#### **KidsFest**

WidsFest
Over 50 events & activities for kids in Selwyn in the July school holidays.
Activities include discomania, a high ropes challenge, moviemania, kids market, Doggy Dayz & makerspace LEGO® at libraries, paddle boats, flippa ball, aqua handball & volleyball, & an inflatable obstacle course at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre. Other events include play like a DJ, Sport Suzie's Circus, Comedy & Chaos Show, craft sessions & more. For details & bookings see www.kidsfest.co.nz

On 15 July Lincoln Envirotown & Living Water present Bugs, Bees & Butterflies at Lincoln Event Centre (10am-12.30pm) - a fun activity session where kids can make & colour insects, visit a make believe Beehive, look at bugs through microscopes & more. Booking not required, gold coin donation appreciated. Caregivers required.

SUNDAY

**JULY** 

### Rolleston Envirotown Market & Children's market Rolleston Square Carpark, 10am-1pm

Choose from local produce & craft. Email enquiries@rollestonenvirotown.

UNTIL

**JULY** 

#### **Exhibition of Nudes**

A free exhibition of work by artists
Philip Beadle, Pamela Hueston & Vicki
Knudsen. The gallery is open daily
(except Mondays) 10am-4pm

## Applications for Events Fund Open

Applications to the Council's Events Fund are open during July. \$50,000 is available through the fund to support large events that are held in Selwyn and are open to the public. The fund supported 18 events last year including the Hororata Highland Games, Rolleston Community Fireworks Night, the Koru Games, Children's Day, the Lincoln Multi Cultural Festival and the Selwyn Running Festival.

To be eligible for a grant, events need to meet these criteria:

- $\cdot$  the event attracts local, regional and international visitors
- $\cdot$  it contributes to key benefits identified in the Council's Event Funding Policy and Guidelines
- · it helps to increase the range and diversity of events in Selwyn
- · it promotes the Selwyn district

Events should preferably be run by a not for profit organisation with charitable status, although applications from community organisations and individuals may be accepted.

The Council's Recreation Advisor Dave Tippett says that the events fund has helped support a great range of local events. "Events bring our community together in a celebration, provide significant income for our district, and help make Selwyn a great place to visit and live.

Applications for events planned over the next year (September 2016 - August 2017) must be received by 1 August 2016. Information about the fund is available at www.selwyn.govt.nz/ eventsfund.



