

Selwyn celebrates Matariki

During June Selwyn residents are invited to join in the celebrations for Matariki – the Māori New Year.

Matariki is the name for the group of stars also known as the Pleiades star cluster or The Seven Sisters. The New Year is marked by the rise of Matariki and the sighting of the next new moon.

On Saturday 25 June a free event is planned featuring renowned artist Marcus Winter who will tell the Māori story of creation through pictures. Marcus was a finalist in an arts category in the Ngā Toa Whakaihuwaka - Māori of the Year Awards 2013. He has performed at locations such as Te Papa, the Auckland Art Museum and the New Zealand Art Show. The celebration will also include Ngāi Te Ruahikihiki performing a Mihi Whakatau (welcome), and Kapa Haka performances by local high schools in collaboration with the Te Taumutu Rūnanga. The event will take place at the Stewart Theatre, Lincoln University from 2.30-5.30pm. The afternoon is open to people of all backgrounds and you don't need to be familiar with Māori protocol to attend. To find out more and register to attend please visit www.selwynmatariki.eventbrite.co.nz

Selwyn District Libraries are also celebrating Matariki with activities and crafts during Pipiri (June) for all. A featured activity is creating tō tātou korowai (our community cloak). Everyone is invited to come and help. Materials and templates will be provided from 3pm throughout June at every Selwyn Library branch. To find out more about activities, times and locations, visit www.selwynlibraries.co.nz

Water meter bills out soon

Some households on Council water supplies will recently have received water meter bills for the past six months or will receive bills during May or June.

From 1 July 2015, the Council adopted a new way to fund the cost of providing water. A standard district wide rate of \$350 a year was introduced for most townships on a Council water supply. Households with a water meter installed who use over 375 cubic metres of water a year will also pay 40 cents per cubic meter of water on top of this charge. A cubic meter is 1,000 litres of water.

Under the new system, households have the ability to control how much they spend on water by limiting water consumption.

Some properties connected to Council water supplies won't have received a water meter bill. If you didn't receive a bill this means you either don't have a water meter installed or you do have a meter installed but didn't use more than your allocation of 375 cubic meters of water. By 2018, the Council plans to have water meters installed at all properties. More information about water charges is available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz

Rolleston, Burnham and Edendale properties pay a reduced charge of \$200 per year and a charge of 40 cents for every cubic meter (1,000 litres) of water used. This charge is designed to encourage careful water use by allowing properties who have low water use to pay less in water charges. From 1 July 2016, Armack Drive, Claremont, Darfield (urban), Doyleston, Johnson Road, Raven Drive and West Melton water supplies will move to the same charging system in place in Rolleston. By 2018 all townships will be charged a base rate and volumetric charge like Rolleston.

On the roads this week

Road repairs are scheduled to take place on Wards Road, with traffic controls in place. Footpath repairs are also taking place in West Melton.

Work to extend Broadlands Drive to connect to Springston Rolleston Road and install a new roundabout at the junction is continuing. A sewer main is also being laid on Springston Rolleston Road, terminating just before the new roundabout. Temporary traffic signals are in place with short delays for road users especially at peak times.

The NZ Transport Agency will close Bealey Bridge near Arthur's Pass on State Highway 73 from 8pm on Saturday 28 May until 6am on Sunday 29 May for repairs.

Rolleston Town Centre roading projects under way

Some of the first roading projects planned as part of improvements to Rolleston's town centre are now underway.

On the west side of Rolleston Drive a new shared off road cycleway/walkway is being constructed between McCauley Street and State Highway 1 which will connect Rolleston's town centre to Izone, and also provide an off road cycleway for children at Rolleston School. A new bus shelter is also being installed near McCauley Street.

On Tennyson Street work is taking place beside the road to underground overhead power cables in preparation for the installation of new LED street lighting in this area. This is the first stage in a project to progressively upgrade Tennyson Street as part of improvements to Rolleston Town Centre. This includes the installation of a new roundabout at the Tennyson Street/Kidman Street intersection, and then piping the water race running along Tennyson Street underground to allow a footpath and additional parking to be installed along Tennyson Street next to Rolleston School.

In July, the roundabout at the intersection of Lowes Road, Tennyson Street and Springston Rolleston Road will be realigned to close off access from Goulds Road to improve the intersection safety. Access to Rolleston from Goulds Road will then be through Broadlands Drive, or to east Rolleston and Lincoln via Dynes Road.

A further intersection safety improvement planned in 2017/18 is to install traffic lights at the intersection of Masefield and Rolleston Drives (near Countdown).



The new shared off-road cycleway/walkway on Rolleston Drive

How
do I?

...Get a consent to install a woodburner?

As winter approaches, the Council is often contacted by people wanting to install or replace a fire.

Unless you are on a property which is larger than 2 hectares you will need to check your new woodburner meets Environment Canterbury air emission requirements. A list of approved models is available online at www.ecan.govt.nz/approved-woodburners.

You will also need to apply for a building consent from Selwyn District Council to install a woodburner. You don't need a building consent to install a heat pump, but it should be installed by a registered electrician.

You can lodge a consent online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/building. The application is lodged as a standard building consent. Under the Building Act, the Council can take up to 20 working days to process the application but most applications are processed in around two weeks if you provide us with the correct information when you lodge your consent. The cost of the consent is \$350 for a freestanding woodburner or solid fuel heater, or \$500 for an inbuilt model. If the application is complex or the details change and additional time is required to process it, there may be an additional charge at cost.

If you purchase your woodburner through an approved installer they will often lodge the building consent application on your behalf. You can lodge the consent yourself if you wish to and you will need to supply some supporting information including a Certificate of Title for your house (available from www.linz.govt.nz), a floor plan showing the location of the fire and smoke detectors, flue installation details and height, flashing type and whether your ceiling is flat or sloping. Please contact the Council's Building Team on 347 2839 to check what you need to supply. If a wetback is to be installed information is also required on this.

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

ALCOHOL LICENCE APPLICATIONS

An on license application has been received from Freedom Brothers which is open for submissions until 2 June. An off and on license application from Dunsandel Tavern is open for submissions until 3 June. See www.selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices for details.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 25 May

Arthur's Pass 11.30-12.30pm
Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm
Springfield 3-3.30pm

Thursday 26 May

Lincoln Montessori 11-11.30am
Council Headquarters, Rolleston 12.45-1.15pm
Cat's Pyjamas Rolleston 1.30-2pm

Monday 30 May

Dunsandel Playcentre 10-10.30am
Burnham Montessori 11-11.30am
Darfield Playcentre 12-12.30pm
Darfield Primary School 1-1.30pm

Tuesday 31 May

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

LEESTON STORMWATER BYPASS UPDATE

Works to enable stage two of the Leeston Stormwater Bypass to be constructed started along Manse Road last week. Undergrounding of the overhead power lines is occurring along Manse Road between Friars Lane and High Street and along Selwyn Street from Manse Road to just past Cunningham Street. Work is expected to continue until late August, but is weather dependant. Traffic management will be place over this time and

access to properties will be maintained at all times.

Following the undergrounding, upgrades to the southern end of the Manse Road drain and roading upgrades are planned this coming spring and summer. For more information on works please call Council on 347 2800.

TAKE OUR ARTS SURVEY

The Selwyn Arts Trust in association with Selwyn District Council has released a new survey to help identify how the arts can be developed in Selwyn. It can be completed at www.selwynartstrust.org.nz and is open until 31 May.

SELWYN AQUATIC CENTRE HOURS – QUEENS' BIRTHDAY

The centre will be open from 8am-8pm on 4, 5 and 6 June (Queen's Birthday Monday).

SPORT NEW ZEALAND RURAL TRAVEL FUND

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Funding is available for Selwyn sport teams who need to travel to local competition games with members aged 5-19 (school competitions in school time are not eligible).

This funding round is for winter sports only. For information and application forms contact Stuart on 347 2708 or email stuart.westoby@selwyn.govt.nz. Applications for this funding round close Friday 27 May.

LIFTING OF FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Notice is hereby given that the previously advertised **Prohibited Fire Season**, which extended over the Plains area of the Selwyn district, is lifted as from 8am Monday 23 May 2016.

Fires may now be lit in the open air without a fire permit. Restrictions may be reimposed at a later date if changed weather conditions create a potentially dangerous fire situation.

All residents are requested to

take care when lighting open fires and are reminded that legal liability for costs associated in fighting an uncontrolled fire lie with the person lighting the fire.

Before lighting an open fire, due attention must be given to weather conditions, adequacy of firebreaks, and the patrolling of fires until completely out, and it is requested that fires not be lit after dark. See www.selwyn.govt.nz/fire for burning guidelines.

Notes:

1. A permanent Restricted Fire Season remains in place for the Hill and High Country of the district.
2. Property owners are reminded that for the Department of Conservation Estate and Fire Control Areas, fire control measures are in place all year and that organisation should be contacted for a Fire Permit prior to any burning.
3. No fires other than gas barbecues maybe lit in residential areas without a Resource Consent from Environment Canterbury.

Douglas Marshall
Principal Rural Fire Officer

COMMUNITY SPACES SURVEY – EASTERN SELWYN

You are invited to take part in a survey to help identify Eastern Selwyn's community space needs as this area grows. The survey will be used to help develop a Community Spaces Plan. The survey is open until 27 May and can be completed at www.selwyn.govt.nz/haveyoursay. Completed surveys go into a draw for a \$100 petrol voucher.



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

Council Meeting

Wed 25 May 1pm

Draft Annual Plan Deliberations

Thurs 26 May and Fri 27 May, 9am

Audit & Risk Subcommittee

Wed 1 June 3pm

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 7 June 1pm

Council Meeting

Wed 8 June 1pm

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Broadfield District Community Centre Committee

Wed 1 June 7.30pm
Broadfield Hall

Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee

Thurs 9 June 8pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Committee

Tue 7 June 7.30pm
Darfield Recreation Centre

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 8 June 7.30pm
Osborne Park Pavilion

Dunsandel Community Committee

Tue 7 June 7.30pm
Dunsandel Sports Centre
Note change of date due to Queen's Birthday

Greendale Recreation Reserve Committee

Tue 7 June 8pm

Greendale Pavilion

Hororata Citizens Committee

Tue 24 May 7.30pm, Hororata Hall

Hororata Reserve Management Committee

Wed 1 June 7.30pm, Hororata Hall

Leeston Park Association

Mon 30 May 7.30pm
Leeston Park Pavilion

Lincoln Event Centre Governance Committee

Wed 25 May 7pm
Lincoln Event Centre

Springfield Township Committee

Tue 7 June 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

Springston Hall Committee

Thurs 2 June 7.30pm
Springston Hall

Tai Tapu Community Association Inc.

Wed 1 June 7.30pm
Tai Tapu Library

West Melton Residents Association

Wed 8 June 7.30pm
West Melton Community Centre



Youth Week Skate Jam

Prebbleton Community Park, 4-6pm

Celebrate Youth Week with the Selwyn Youth Council at a fun event with DJ, prizes, free hot chocolate & coffee, free sausage sizzle, & free gear hire & tuition from Cheapskates Skate Skool. Families & people of all ages welcome



WEDNESDAY

25
MAY

Into the East

Darfield Primary School Hall, 7pm

Selwyn Libraries are pleased to present New Zealand country-folk duo Into the East to celebrate New Zealand Music Month. The concert is \$5 for adults, with children 15 & under free. Tickets can be purchased at Selwyn Libraries. See www.selwynlibraries.co.nz for details



SATURDAY

28
MAY

Men's Health Forum

Lincoln Event Centre, 7.30-9pm

Free event organised by Lincoln Rotary Club & supported by Lincoln Medical Centre. Specialist presentations will cover heart care, diabetes, obesity, urology, mental health & eye health, followed by a question session. For information contact surindertandon@clear.net.nz or phone 021 295 1089

WEDNESDAY

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JUNE

A Right Royal Do

On the green behind Lincoln Library, 10am-1pm

A Lincoln Farmers' & Craft Market British styled celebration of Queen's Birthday with decorated stalls, music, traditional lawn games & family activities, British Fayre & gifts, local produce & crafts. Dress as your favourite British character. See www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket

SATURDAY

4
JUNE

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

Leeston Library & Service Centre
19 Messines 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

