

The Council's Summer in Selwyn event programme got underway last week, with the popular Teddy Bear's picnic returning to Rolleston. Around 1000 youngsters, their bears and families filled Rolleston Community Centre and enjoyed bouncy castles, a toddler's obstacle course, face painting, House of Bricks LEGO® and story telling sessions.

This week, the World Buskers' Festival is also coming to Selwyn for the first time on Wednesday 20 January for a Buskers Roadshow in Lincoln. The roadshow will feature four of the world's best street acts during the day and a variety performance in the evening.

Family picnics are planned at Tai Tapu, Springston, Leeston, Lincoln, Dunsandel and Prebbleton from January to March. Four Music on the Green sessions will take place at Leeston, Lincoln, Darfield and Rolleston. These sessions are a great chance to pack a picnic and enjoy summer's balmy evenings while being entertained by great local musicians. Families can also enjoy screenings of drive in movies at Rolleston, Darfield, Lincoln and Leeston during February and March. Kids can take part in summer skate jams at Darfield, Rolleston, Leeston, Tai Tapu, Lincoln and Prebbleton, and pool parties at Darfield, Southbridge and at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre in Rolleston.

Upcoming summer events are listed in the events column opposite. For a complete list of summer events running until March 2016, visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/events, or pick up a copy of our *Summer in Selwyn* guide from local libraries, Rolleston Community Centre and Lincoln Event Centre

## Sister City trip builds closer connection with Coventry

A recent trip to Coventry in Rhode Island, USA, has helped develop closer bonds with Selwyn's newest sister city, with more trips to other sister cities planned this year.

Seven Selwyn residents, including Mayor Kelvin Coe, visited Coventry in October. Coventry has a population of around 44,000. It has many old homes, farmhouses and churches. Rhode Island has a rich history and was the first of the original thirteen colonies to declare independence from Britain in 1776.

The visit was a friendship and cultural exchange. Participants were hosted by locals and paid for travel expenses themselves.

The trip was organised by Selwyn District Council's Sister City Committee. Selwyn Sister City Chairperson, Allison Rosanowski, took part in the trip and says they received a warm welcome and enjoyed learning about the area's history and culture and visiting a local high school and middle school.

"We were impressed with the wide range of trade programmes Coventry High School offered students including building, catering and graphic design. There is an opportunity for Selwyn schools to develop a relationship with Coventry schools and for local students to learn more about America through this," says Mrs Rosanowski, who is a former Principal of Darfield High School.

A return visit by Coventry residents is planned for March 2017, with visitors being hosted in Selwyn homes.

Selwyn's other Sister Cities are Yubetsu-cho (Hokkaido, Japan), Akitakata-shi (Hiroshima, Japan), Shandan (Gansu Province, China) and North Toraja (Indonesia).

Applications for a sister city trip to Toraja in mid July 2016 will open soon. North Toraja is a popular tourist destination. Selwyn's sister city agreement formalised a relationship which developed over 12 years when local farmers visited the area to provide support and advice to North Torajan farmers on how to produce, market, and sell their coffee.

A trip to Akitakata-shi and Yubetsu-cho in Japan is also planned from 19-26 September 2016. The group will have the chance to visit local farms, Hiroshima Peace Park, Miyajima Island, Tokyo and experience

"Sister city trips are a fantastic opportunity to experience life in another culture," says Selwyn Mayor Kelvin Coe.

Anyone interested in finding out more about future sister city trips can phone 347 2830 or email bernadette.ryan@selwyn.govt.nz. Participants need to be over 18 and able to meet their own trip costs.

# Relax with a good book this summer

The annual Summer Reading Challenge is now running at Selwyn libraries. This year's theme is 'Get carried away with books.'

For the challenge, children need to read eight library books by Friday 22 January and write a small report or discuss their reading of four or more of the books with library staff. Children can read a wide range of material including books, magazines, eBooks, non-fiction, and audiobooks. Once reading is completed, children receive an invitation to a Celebration party on 30 January. To complete the summer reading programme registration form visit www.selwynlibraries.co.nz or pick one up at a library. Return the form to a library to receive your Summer Reading Programme pack.

This summer, both adults and kids can access a wide range of eBooks, eMagazines and eAudio. Go to www.selwynlibraries.co.nz and under the 'eCollections' tab click 'eBooks/eAudio' or 'Zinio eMags'. When borrowing eBooks or eAudio books, you need a library card and password which is the last four digits of your library card (unless you have changed this). Over 170 titles have recently been added including items suitable for children, young adults, fiction and non-fiction. To access Zinio eMags you will need to create an account and choose your own password.



#### On the roads this week

Seal repairs are planned to Hoskyns (between Maddisons and Alpine View Roads), Alpine View, West Melton, Weedons Ross and Old West Coast Roads, with stop and go signs being used by contractors to control traffic.

This week resealing work is planned along Robinsons, Adams, Wylies and Bellam Roads. Stop and go signs will be used for traffic control. Gravelling and reshaping work will take place on Maffeys Road, with traffic controls in place. Footpath repairs are also planned on Stationmasters Way in Prebbleton.

Where work is not completed this week, work will continue next week.

Railway Road between Jones and Kerrs Roads is currently closed to allow the installation of a new sewer line. Detours are in place via either Kerrs and Wards Roads or West Melton and Hoskyns Roads. The road is expected to reopen in March 2016.

## Kids - get colouring to win prizes!

The Council is running a back to school road safety colouring competition for kids aged 5 and up to enter. You can pick up the image to colour in from a Selwyn library or download a copy online at www.selwyn.govt.nz. Entries will be judged in age groups and close 12 February. Prizes up for grabs include colouring pencils, crayons, felts and activity books.





#### **Notices**

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE BY THE** MINISTER OF EDUCATION

Partially Operative Selwyn District Plan - Section 173, Resource Management Act 1991 Under section 172 of the Resource Management Act 1991 Selwyn District Council has received a decision from the Minister of Education on the Notice of Requirement for a new primary school to the south of Rolleston.

The decision is to designate approximately 4 hectares on the southern edge of Rolleston Township at 540 and 546 East Maddisons Road for educational purposes. The decision on the Notice of Requirement may be inspected during opening hours at Council service centres or libraries

Rights of Appeal on this decision are outlined in Section 174 of the Act but are only available to the Council and affected land owners. Appeals must be lodged with the Environment Court within 15 working days of this notice of decision. Any questions on the process or the decision can be directed to Kate Bonifacio at Selwyn District Council on 347 2953.

#### **EXPRESSIONS OF** INTEREST – ALCOHOL LICENSING INSPECTION AND **ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

Selwyn District Council is seeking separate expressions of interest from suitably qualified parties to provide Alcohol Licensing Inspection Services and Alcohol Licensing Administrative Services to meet the Council's obligations under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 and provide a high level of service to its customers. Council currently contracts inspection services associated with the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act separately from the alcohol licensing administration functions. The Council will select and negotiate with individuals/ contractors who fulfill the requirements sought. Copies of the expression of

interest documents can be obtained by contacting Selwyn District Council on 347 2800. General enquiries about the Expression of Interest may be made to John Christensen at the Council on 347 2806 during business hours. Expressions of Interest should be received by Friday 19 February 2016 and be sent to: Tim Harris, Environmental Services Manager, Selwyn District Council, PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643.

#### ALCOHOL LICENCE **APPLICATION**

The following on licence renewal applications are open for submissions. Notices are online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/ alcoholnotices.

Lincoln Hospitality Limited submissions close 26 February, The Leeston Ladies Limited submissions close 8 March.

#### MOBILE LIBRARY **TIMETABLE**

New members welcome, sign up for a library card on the bus. Call our friendly drivers on 021 773 400

Thursday 21 January Tai Tapu Playcentre 10-10.30am Rolleston First Learners 11-11.30am Paradise for Little Angels 1.30-2pm Educare Faringdon 2.15-2.45pm

Monday 25 January Springfield School 12.30-1.30pm Sheffield Hall 2-2.30pm

Tuesday 26 January 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

#### FIRE RESTRICTIONS CHANGED

A prohibited fire season (total fire ban) was in place across the district, but following recent rain the fire status has been altered to move to a restricted fire season in the rural areas of

Selwyn district, as from 8am Monday 18 January until further notice.

In a restricted fire season. only gas barbeques, crop residue and rubbish fires inside contained drums, and fires which have received a written permit from Selwyn District Council are allowed in rural areas of Selwyn. Vegetation fires to burn trees or other items are not allowed unless permitted. There are a number of conditions which must be met before fires can be lit - these are available online at www.selwyn. govt.nz/fire. Fire permits will only be issued where an urgent need for a property owner is identified.

In residential areas the only type of fire permitted throughout the year is a gas barbeque. Other fires need a resource consent from Environment Canterbury. The council reminds property owners that any fires that are not either permitted or allowed under the restrictions will incur a fine of \$1,150.

Fires also cannot be lit on Council reserves - including Coes and Chamberlains Fords and Whitecliffs Reserve. Douglas Marshall Principal Rural Fire Officer Monday 18 January 2015

#### **LIBRARY OPENING HOURS**

Selwyn library opening hours have changed in 2016 to provide time for staff training and development.

New opening hours are:

2016 Opening Hours - Darfield and Leeston Libraries Monday to Friday: 8.30am-5pm\* \*except second and fourth

Friday of month: 10am-5pm Saturday: 9.30am-12.30pm

2016 Opening Hours - Lincoln and Rolleston Libraries Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8.30am-5pm
Thursday: 8.30am-7pm
Friday: 8.30am-5pm\*
\*except second and fourth
Friday of month: 10am-5pm

Saturday: 9.30am-12.30pm

# Selwyn Events WWW.SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/EVENTS Selwyn

**WEDNESDAY** 

**JANUARY** 

#### **World Buskers Festival** Roadshow

12-5pm & 6-8pm

For the first time ever, the World Buskers Festival is coming to Selwyn! Admission free from 12-5pm & by gold coin donation from 6-8pm. Enjoy top international performers, showcasing the best of street performance

**THURSDAY** 

**JANUARY** 

Tai Tapu Picnic in the Park Rhodes Domain, Old Tai Tapu Road, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, Fun on Wheels trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy the

**SUNDAY** 

**JANUARY** 

Darfield Pool **Party** 

Darfield Pool, 2-4pm

Enjoy games, music, sausage sizzle, prizes & pool inflatables. Free



**THURSDAY** 

**JANUARY** 

**Leeston Music on the Green** Leeston Park, Holley Street, 6-9pm

to enjoy a summer evening being entertained by local musicians. Free

FRIDAY

**JANUARY** 

Lake Crichton triathlon/

athletes with a chance to try triathlon & duathlons. For entry information & costs visit www.selwynsportstrust.org.nz. Also runs 12 February & 4 March

UNTIL

JANUARY

Selwyn Libraries Summer Holiday programme
A range of different free activities at local libraries & some outreach sessions at Southbridge & Springfield. Fun activities include making parachutes, a flying machine from lego & magic sessions. For details & to book visit www.selwynlibraries.co.nz

**SUNDAY** 

**JANUARY** 

Southbridge Pool Party Southbridge Pool, High Street,

Enjoy games, music, sausage sizzle, prizes & pool inflatables. Free

#### 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. meetings will be held at the Rolleston Council Building.

Malvern Community Board Mon 25 Jan 4pm, Darfield Library Selwyn Central Community Board Wed 27 Jan 4.30pm

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 2 Feb 1pm

Audit & Risk Subcommittee Wed 3 Feb 3pm

Industrial Park Project Team

Thurs 4 Feb 3pm Izone Café Meeting Room 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

**Council Meeting** 

Wed 10 Feb 1pm Followed by a public Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm

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

**Darfield Pool Administration** Committee

Wed 20 Jan 7pm, Darfield Pool **Doyleston Community Committee** Wed 20 Jan 7.30pm Osborne Park Pavilion

**Glenroy Community Hall** Committee

Tue 19 Jan 8pm, Glenroy Hall Hororata Citizens Committee Tue 26 Jan 7.30pm, Hororata Hall Hororata Reserve Management

Committee Wed 3 Feb 7.30pm, Hororata Hall Leeston Park Association

Mon 25 Jan 8pm Leeston Park Pavilion **Rolleston Residents Association** Mon 1 Feb 7.30pm

Rolleston Community Centre Note change of date from 25 Jan

**Sheffield Memorial Pool** Thurs 28 Jan 7pm

Sheffield School

West Melton Community Centre Tue 26 Jan 7.30pm West Melton Community Centre

Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee Mon 1 Feb 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall

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

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