

Council's road maintenance contractor (HEB Construction Ltd) has begun resealing work on the district's roads. Resealing is undertaken during the warmer, drier weather conditions of the spring, summer and early autumn. A list of road sections being resealed in 2016/17 is available on the Council's website, www.selwyn.govt.nz. Resealing work will be undertaken on 99 different sections of road with a total length of around 85 kilometres.

Approximately 5.5 kilometres of road rehabilitation work will also be undertaken over the spring and summer. Three sections of road have been confirmed where this work will take place: Deans Road (between Auchenflower Road and the Hawkins River), Bealey Road (west of the Waianiwaniwa River) and Gerald Street (between Vernon Drive and Springs Road). The sections on Deans Road and Bealey Road will have a granular overlay of the existing seal. The section on Gerald Street will have the kerb and dish channel replaced, the old road pavement excavated, the subgrade strengthened and a new road pavement constructed.

Since 2014, the Council has increased its roading maintenance budget to carry out more resealing and road rehabilitation work as our roads become busier and carry more heavy vehicles.

## Explore Selwyn: Rakaia Gorge Walk

This DOC track offers spectacular views of the gorge and can be completed in a morning or afternoon. The track winds through several forest and shrub areas before climbing the historic ferryman's track. After an hour's walking you will reach one of several glacial and river-carved terraces providing sweeping views with a breath taking backdrop of Mt Hutt. The walk then dips down into a gully where the abandoned Snowdon coal mines can be seen.

The track is often steep and has some big steps and rough terrain so it is not suitable for buggies or wheelchairs. It travels through farmland where dogs are not allowed. It begins at the Rakaia Gorge Bridge and follows the river for about 5km before turning around and returning along the same route.



Time/Distance: 3-4 hours, about 10km total distance.

How to get there: Take state Highway 72 Inland Scenic Route. The walk begins by the car park at the gorge bridge. It's a 45 minute drive



### On the roads this week

Road repairs will take place on Hoskyns Road. Road reconstruction work continues on Deans Road. Traffic controls are operating at both sites, with the roads remaining open. Edgebreak repair work is planned for Newtons and Weedons Ross Roads, which remain open to traffic. Footpath repairs will occur on Petticoat Lane and Greenan Place in Doyleston. Maintenance grading will occur in the high country, Brookside, Burnham and Rolleston areas.

# Meet your Councillor – Debra Hasson

Debra is one of three Councillors in the Springs ward, which covers Lincoln, Prebbleton, Springston, Tai Tapu and surrounding areas. She can be contacted via phone on 027 435 5055 or by emailing debra.hasson@selwyn.govt.nz.

#### What do you hope to achieve while on the Council?

More recognition that environmental responsibility is a cost that Council will have to absorb in its rates. I would like to investigate district wide rating opportunities where environmental improvements benefit all, but apply the "polluter pays principle" to targeted groups. This principle is in place for community water consumption but needs to be extended to water races and land-drainage and in this case concentric rating may be the answer?

#### What do you like about the area you represent?

Our urban and rural environment mix and the knowledge base from our research facilities, many who are volunteers enhancing environmental understanding in our community. Urban residents live in close proximity to the rural environment, while still being within commuting distance to Christchurch City.

How would you describe yourself? Adventurous but diligent in my thinking; not afraid to ask the "hard questions." I tend to be a person of principle.



## Future options for Springston Hall

Springston residents are being asked to share their views on options for the future of their town hall and community centre.

The Springston Community Centre suffered damage in the 2010-11 earthquakes and although it has been repaired and remained in use by community groups, it will require significant upgrading and strengthening to meet building code requirements in the future.

The Hall Committee is working with the Council to plan for the future. A number of options have been developed, ranging from no upgrading through to retaining and strengthening the main hall, or removing and replacing it with a new facility.

Two drop-in sessions are being held this week so that local residents and facility users can find out more about the options and give their feedback. Council staff will be there to discuss the project, including the current status of the hall and buildings, work needed to bring the facilities up to standard, costs of the different options and how these might affect rates. You can find out more and share your views at www.selwyn.govt.nz/haveyoursay.

The drop-in sessions will held at Springston Community Centre on:

- · Friday 18 November from 5 7pm, and
- · Saturday 19 November from 1pm 3pm.

## Sport travel fund open

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Funding is available for Selwyn sport teams who need to travel to local competition games and have members aged 5-19 years. School competitions in school time are not eligible. This funding round is for summer sports only. For information and application forms contact Stuart on 347 2708 or email stuart.westoby@selwyn.govt.nz. Applications close Friday 25 November.





#### **Notices**

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE**

Wednesday 16 November Rakaia Huts 9.30-10am Southbridge School 10.45am-12pm

Thursday 17 November Prebbleton Tavern 3.30-5.30pm

Monday 21 November Tai Tapu Playcentre\* 9.30-10am Ako Rolleston 10.30-11am Rolleston Christian School 12.15-1.15pm Selwyn Kids\* 1.30-2pm Rolly Kids\* 2-2.30pm

Tuesday 22 November Glenroy Hall\* 11.40am-12.10pm Windwhistle School\* 1-1.30pm Glentunnel School\* 1.55-2.55pm Glentunnel Hall\* 3-3.30 pm \*last visit for 2016

#### **2016-2017 RATES REMINDER**

By now you should have received your rates invoice for the second quarter of the 2016-17 rating year. This invoice covers the period from 1

October 2016 to 31 December 2016, and is due for payment by 2 December 2016. If you have not received your invoice, please contact our Rates team on 347 2776, or email us at rates@selwyn.govt.nz. If you have recently moved properties, please phone or email us to update your contact details.

#### SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Selwyn has sister cities cultural and friendship relationships and exchanges with our sister cities in Japan, China, Coventry in Rhode Island, USA; and Toraja, Indonesia. A committee meeting will occur at 5pm Tuesday 22 November at the Council's Rolleston Headquarters Anyone is welcome to attend. RSVP to Bernadette on 347 2830 or email bernadette.ryan@ selwyn.govt.nz for catering.

#### NATIVE PLANTING FUNDING

Te Ara Kākāriki - Canterbury Greenway Trust has opened

applications for landowners seeking assistance to establish native greendots on their farms. As part of the Selwyn Natural Environment Fund, the trust provides restoration advice. site visits, restoration plans, and administers a contestable fund for planting projects by landowners. Email office@ kakariki.org.nz to apply.

## HERITAGE BUILDING FUNDING AVAILABLE

Applications for grant funding are invited by the Canterbury Earthquake Heritage Building Trust. The Trust has taken over the operations of the Canterbury Earthquake Heritage Building Fund (formed 2010). It provides financial assistance for building retention and restoration to owners of damaged heritage and character buildings.

The closing date for applications is 5pm, Friday 16 December. For details see www.heritage. org.nz or phone 03 363 1889.

#### 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 Board) 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 Rolleston Council Building

Audit and Risk Subcommittee Wednesday 16 Nov 3pm

**Road Safety Committee** Thurs 17 Nov 9.30am

**Council Meeting** 

Wed 23 Nov 1pm Water Race Subcommittee

Mon 28 Nov 1.30pm Malvern Community Board Mon 28 Nov 4pm

Darfield Library/Service Centre Is there an issue affecting your community you want to bring to the Board's attention and find out how we can help? See 'Meetings' for information on our Public Forum

**Council Meeting** Wed 7 Dec 1pm

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

**Broadfield District Community** Centre Committee

Thurs 24 Nov 7.30pm **Broadfield Community Centre** Triennial Elections

Castle Hill Community Association

Mon 28 Nov 5.30pm by Skype Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 15 Nov 7.30pm Coalgate Bowling Club Triennial Elections followed by ordinary meeting

Courtenay Reserve Committee Wed 23 Nov 7pm

Courtenay School Triennial Elections

**Darfield Township Committee** 

Thurs 17 Nov 7.30pm Darfield Library/Service Centre

**Dunsandel Community** Committee

Mon 5 Dec 7.30pm Dunsandel Hall Triennial Election followed by ordinary meeting

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 15 Nov 8pm Glenroy Community Hall

**Glenroy Community Hall** Committee

Tue 22 Nov 8pm Glenroy Community Hall Triennial Election

**Glentunnel Township Committee** 

Mon 28 Nov 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall Triennial Elections followed by ordinary meeting

Hororata Citizens Committee Tue 22 Nov 7.30pm, Hororata Hall

Triennial Elections Killinchy Community Centre Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Killinchy Community Centre Triennial Elections

Kimberley Hall & Reserve Committee

Tue 22 Nov 8pm, Kimberley Hall Triennial Elections followed by ordinary meeting

Kirwee Community Committee Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm, Kirwee Hall Triennial Elections

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 2 Dec 7.45pm Ladbrooks Community Hall

Lake Coleridge Community Committee

Fri 18 Nov 7.30pm Lake Coleridge Hall Triennial Elections

Leeston Park Association

Mon 28 Nov 8pm Leeston Park Pavilion Triennial Election followed by ordinary meeting

Lincoln Event Centre Governance Committee Wed 16 Nov 7.30pm

Lincoln Event Centre Triennial Elections

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Wed 30 Nov 7pm Lincoln Event Centre

Mead Hall Committee

Tue 15 Nov 7.30pm, Mead Hall Triennial Elections

**Prebbleton Community** Association Inc. - AGM Tue 15 Nov 7.30pm

Prebbleton Hall **Prebbleton Reserve Committee** 

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Prebbleton Rugby Football Club Triennial Elections

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre

**Rolleston Residents** Association Inc.

Mon 28 Nov 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield/Waddington **Community Committee** 

Thurs 15 Dec 7.30pm Sheffield Hall Triennial Election followed by ordinary meeting

**Springston Community** Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Springston Hall Supper Room Triennial Elections

Springston Hall Committee Thurs 1 Dec 7.30pm Springston Hall

Springston Recreation Reserve Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Springston Hall Supper Room Triennial Elections (changed date)

Weedons Reserve Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7.30pm Weedons Reserve Pavilion Triennial Elections

West Melton Community Centre

Tue 29 Nov 7.30pm West Melton Community Centre Triennial Elections

West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 21 Nov 7pm West Melton Rugby Clubrooms Triennial Elections

# <u>Selwyn Events</u>

**WEDNESDAY** 

16&23 **NOVEMBER** 

### **Anxiety & Depression** in Youth

Lincoln & Darfield

on what triggers anxiety & depression in adolescents, how it affects them & strategies to help manage emotions. Sessions run 6.30-8.30pm at Lincoln Event Centre (16 November) & Darfield Recreation Centre (23 November). Booking required – see

FRI-SAT

**NOVEMBER** 

**Dairy Farm Open Day** 

Lincoln University Dairy Farm, Shands Road

Find out how grass becomes milk.
Bring your gumboots & questions.
Free. See www.farm-openday.co.nz.
Open 12-2.30pm 18 November &
1-4pm 19 November

**WEDNESDAY** 

**NOVEMBER** 

Selwyn Arts Trust Mix & Mingle

West Melton Rugby Clubrooms,

Selwyn Arts Trust where you can network & connect with others.
Supper provided. Phone Duncan on 027 7028 345 for details

SATURDAY

**NOVEMBER** 

Car boot sale

Church of the Resurrection Rolleston, 9am

A Christmas themed car boot sale at 40 Brookside Road. \$10 per site, to book a site phone Judith on 347 8841

SATURDAY

**NOVEMBER** 

The Maddie Concert Rolleston Community Centre, 3-9pm

An all ages concert fundraising for a life-saving operation for Maddie Collins. With music, dancers, market stalls, wine, food, face painting, fairies, pony rides, costume competition for kids, raffles & prizes. Tickets available from warm deabtickets on pa

SAT-SUN

26-27 **NOVEMBER**  **Happy Fingers Christmas** 

pop up shop Selwyn Gallery, Darfield, 10am-4pm

Support local crafters & find a great Christmas gift. Features new

SUNDAY

**NOVEMBER** 

**Christmas Encraftment** 

Lincoln Event Centre, 11am-4pm accessories, jewellery, houseware, stationery, toys, art prints & more.
Plus delicious coffee, sweet & savoury temptations. ATM onsite

