

Summer events popular



Over 2,500 people have been enjoyed some of the many events held as part of the Council's 'Summer in Selwyn' event series.

The series has been running since January – with the Teddy Bear's Picnic drawing a crowd of around 900 children and their families, not counting the many bears putting in an appearance. The free outdoor screening of *The Goonies* at Lincoln also attracted a large crowd of around 250 people to The Green behind the library (pictured).

During March and April Skate Jams are planned at Leeston, Prebbleton, Lincoln, Rolleston, West Melton and Glentunnel, picnics are planned at Burnham, Prebbleton and Tai Tapu and Music on the Green is happening at Leeston and Lincoln. Events coming up in the next two weeks are shown in our events column on the opposite page. For details of later events please visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/events or 'Summer in Selwyn' on Facebook.

Helping children get to school safely

The Council's new School Road Safety Coordinator Stephanie Hautler has had a busy start to her role and has been working with a number of local schools on safety initiatives.

Stephanie has visited all Selwyn primary schools to provide them with information on bike and scooter safety information they can display around the school and include in their newsletters.

Together with Constable Rick Groen, School Community Officer she has visited Lemonwood Grove and West Rolleston Schools. Both schools have new kea crossings operating which are supervised by parents and staff. Stephanie and Constable Rick helped with training and operating the patrols when they started. Lemonwood Grove School also received a donation of safety vests from the Selwyn Women's Issues group for every student. Stephanie also joined Rolleston Primary School for the training of their new Road Patrol team.

Greendale School recently received a visit from Constable Rick and Stephanie for bus monitor training for senior students and bus safety training for the whole school. Pupils have high visibility safety vests to wear which helps them be seen by motorists when getting on and off the bus and while they are on roadsides.

Stephanie is also planning to work with West Rolleston School to develop a school travel plan covering safe walking, cycling and scootering options as well as travel by car.

"It's a good idea for parents to walk, scoot or bike with their children where possible to teach them about road safety and how to safely cross roads. High visibility vests are also a good idea and they should wear a helmet if biking or scootering," she says. Around schools parents and other motorists also need to slow down and watch out for children before and after school.



Dealing with a barking dog

Having a barking dog in your street can be annoying for both neighbours and dog owners.

It's a common nuisance, but often it can be successfully resolved, allowing you to enjoy some peace and quiet. The Council's Animal Control team often deals with barking complaints and has a number of tips on how to resolve them.

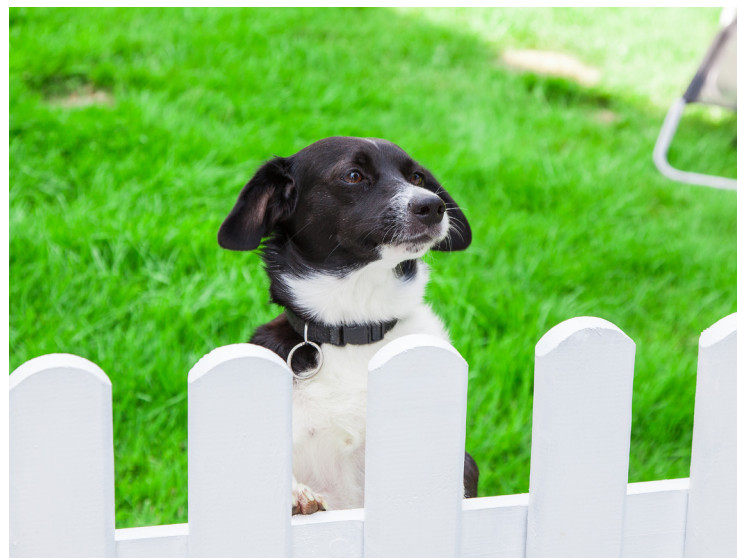
"Barking can have a variety of causes," says Animal Control Team Leader Steve Clarke. "Boredom, anxiety, loneliness, lack of exercise, fleas, hunger or a change in home or environment are common reasons why barking occurs."

Steve recommends trying to work out what is causing the barking and trying different things to remedy it. For example if you think your dog may be bored try leaving them with toys to entertain them. If you think they may be lonely have someone visit them or drop them off to a friend or family member so they have some company. For more advice visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/barking

If the barking doesn't improve you can try contacting a dog behaviourist, enrolling your dog in training or contacting the Council's Animal Control team on 347 2910 for advice.

If a barking dog nearby is bothering you, try speaking to the owner initially. "Often issues only occur when no one is home at the property so the owner isn't aware of the problem," says Steve.

If the problem doesn't improve after speaking with the owner then you can call the Council's Animal Control team on 347 2910 to report a problem. It is helpful to keep a record of when the barking has occurred as this can help identify what is triggering it.



Superannuation visits

Ken Stevens, a case manager from the Ministry of Social Development, will be visiting Selwyn to answer questions on payments, entitlement, and any other matters regarding superannuation. Visits are by prior appointment – to book an appointment please phone (03) 961 9170. Ken will be visiting these locations:

- Leeston Library and Service Centre on Tuesday 21 March from 10am-2.30pm
- Darfield Library and Service Centre on Tuesday 28 March from 10am-2.30pm
- Lincoln Event Centre on Tuesday 4 April from 10am-2.30pm.



Council Call

Selwyn District Council
Norman Kirk Drive Rolleston
Ph 347 2800 or 318 8338

Rolleston Library
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston
Ph 347 2880

Darfield Library & Service Centre
1 South Terrace, Darfield
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2780

Notices

PROHIBITED FIRE SEASON

Notice is hearby given that pursuant to Section 22 (2) of the Forest and Rural Fire Act (1977), a PROHIBITED FIRE SEASON is extended over the whole of Selwyn district as from midday on Wednesday 1 March until further notice.

During the Prohibited Fire Season, it is an offence to light any fires in the open air. The prohibition does not apply to gas barbeques lit on a property serviced by a high pressure water supply.

Douglas Marshall
Principal Rural Fire Officer

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 8 March
Rakaia Huts 9.30-10am
Southbridge School
10.45am-12pm

Thursday 9 March
Prebbleton Tavern 3.30-5.30pm

Monday 13 March
Ako Rolleston 10.30-11am
Rolleston Christian School
12.15-1.15pm
Selwyn Kids, Rolleston
1.30-2pm
Rolly Kids 2-2.30pm

Tuesday 14 March
Glenroy Hall 11.40-12.10pm
Windwhistle School 1-1.30pm

Glentunnel School 1.55-2.55pm
Glentunnel Hall 3-3.30 pm

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - TAI TAPU

School Road, Tai Tapu will be closed from the western side of Hepworth Place, west for 80 metres between the hours of 9am and 3pm on Sunday 12 March for the Tai Tapu School Fair.

During the road closure, traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route. Any queries can be directed to Joanne on 347 2887.

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 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 8 Mar 1pm
Lincoln Event Centre

Springs Ellesmere Discretionary Fund Committee Meeting

Wed 8 Mar after the Council Meeting, Lincoln Event Centre

Selwyn Central Discretionary Fund Committee Meeting

Wed 8 Mar after the Council Meeting, Lincoln Events Centre

Citizenship Ceremony

Wed 8 Mar 6.30pm
Rolleston Headquarters

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 8 Mar 7.30pm
Osborne Park Pavilion

Glentunnel Community Centre Committee

Tue 21 Mar 7.30pm
Glentunnel Community Centre

Greendale Recreation Reserve Committee

Tue 21 Mar 8pm
Greendale Pavilion
Triennial Election

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 13 Mar 7.30pm
Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

Kirwee Township Committee

Mon 20 Mar 7.30pm
Kirwee Community Hall

Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 13 Mar 7pm, Lincoln Event Centre Fitzgerald Room

Prebbleton Community Association Inc.

Tue 21 Mar 7.30pm
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.

Mon 13 Mar 7.30pm

Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

Prebbleton Reserve Committee

Mon 20 Mar 7.30pm
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Sheffield Recreation Reserve Committee

Sat 11 Mar 9am
Sheffield Reserve Pavilion

Springfield Township Committee

Tue 7 Mar 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

Springston Hall Committee

Thurs 9 Mar 7.30pm
Springston Hall

Springston Reserve Committee

Wed 15 Mar 7.30pm
Errol Tweedy Pavilion

Waihora Park Reserve Committee

Tue 7 Mar 7.30pm
Waihora Bowling Club

Weedons Reserve Committee

Mon 13 Mar 7.30pm
Weedons Reserve Pavilion

West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 20 Mar 7.30pm
West Melton Rugby Club

Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee

Mon 13 Mar 7.30pm
Glentunnel Hall

Selwyn Events

WEDNESDAY

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MARCH

Summer Skate Jam

Leeston Skate Park, 4-6pm

With free gear hire & coaching from experienced skaters, prizes & competitions

THURSDAY

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MARCH

Picnic in the Park

Burnham Reserve, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, games, Pedalmania & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy!

SATURDAY

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MARCH

Car Boot Sale

St Stephens Lincoln, 9am

With new material, crafts, jams, chutneys, plants, baking, bric brac & sausage sizzle. For enquiries phone Jenny on 325 7653

SUNDAY

12

MARCH

Hororata & Beyond Heritage Open Day

Visit Gunyah, Terrace Station, Homebush Stables, Steventon, St John's Church & more. Explore heritage homesteads, gardens & bushwalks. Tickets from Hororata Domain from 9am on the day, www.hororata.org.nz

SUNDAY

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MARCH

Rolleston Envirotown Market

Rolleston Square Carpark, 10am-1pm

Choose from local produce, craft & second hand goods. Email enquiries@rollestonenvirotown.org.nz

SUNDAY

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MARCH

Leeston Music on the Green

Anderson Square, 4.30-7pm

Pack a picnic & be entertained by outstanding local musicians. Free

WEDNESDAY

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MARCH

Prebbleton Picnic in the Park & Summer Skate Jam

Prebbleton Community Park, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, games, Pedalmania, prizes, free skate gear hire & coaching & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy!

THURSDAY

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MARCH

Picnic in the Park

Tai Tapu Basin (opposite school), 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, games, Pedalmania & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy!

SUNDAY

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MARCH

Lincoln Music on the Green

Lincoln Green (by library), 4.30-7pm

Pack a picnic & be entertained by outstanding local musicians. Free

SUNDAY

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MARCH

Historical field trip

Join Lincoln & Districts Historical Society for a presentation on The Springs, Fanny Fitzgerald, & a visit to Springs Homestead. Meet 1.30pm Young Farmers Club Hall (Lincoln University Gate 3). All welcome, gold coin please

On the roads this week

Preseal road repairs are planned on Southbridge Dunsandel, Rakaia Selwyn and Leaches Roads. Road repairs are also planned on Minchins and Leaches Roads. Traffic controls will operate at all sites.

Road resurfacing is planned on North Terrace and Coaltrack Road, with stop/go controls operating. Footpath repairs are planned on Matanui Street in Lincoln. New footpath construction is continuing in Rolleston on Brookside Road and Overbury Crescent.

Work is continuing on the Masefield Drive upgrade and footpath construction. Temporary traffic management is in place – please drive carefully. Manse Road roading and stormwater improvement work continues.

Road reconstruction continues on Gerald Street.

Rail/road closures

From Saturday 11 March until Wednesday 15 March the Dawsons Road rail crossing will be closed to allow Kiwirail to complete a crossing upgrade. Detours will be sign posted.

Dynes Road is currently closed to traffic from the intersection with Springston Rolleston Road to about 150 metres from this intersection. The closure is to extend a sewer main along the road and will be in place until around 20 March (the reopening date has now been brought forward).

From Monday 13 March until 10 April Stoneleigh Drive will be closed. A new roundabout is being installed at the intersection of Hoskyns Road and Stoneleigh Drive. The closure is a safety measure to reduce traffic build up on Hoskyns Road. Hoskyns Road will remain open with traffic controls operating.

Christchurch Southern Motorway extension

The passing lane on Main South Road between Rolleston and Weedons Road is closed for works related to the Christchurch Southern Motorway Stage 2.

On Weedons Road there is currently no access to Main South Road from Levi Road with a one way system in place.

Leeston Library & Service Centre
19 Messines Street, Leeston
Ph 347 2871

Lincoln Library & Service Centre
Gerald Street, Lincoln
Ph 347 2876

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