

Over 50 summer events are happening in our district as part of the Council's Summer in Selwyn event programme, running from January to April.

Summer events coming up over the next two weeks (shown on the opposite page) include pool parties at Darfield and Southbridge and picnics at Springfield and Springston.

In February you can look forward to picnics at Lincoln, West Melton and Leeston, outdoor movies at Darfield, Rolleston and Lincoln, Music on the Green at Rolleston and Darfield, and a skate jam in Darfield. More summer events continue in March. Events are free to attend - for a complete list of summer events running until April 2017, please visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/events.

In addition to the events organised by the Council, eight community organised events are also planned as part of the Summer in Selwyn programme.

Meet Your Street continues over the summer with visits to a number of neighbourhoods where you can meet new friends in your community – see www.selwyn.govt.nz for details.

On the roads this week

The intersection of Kidman Street, Byron Street and Tennyson Street has now reopened. There are now temporary traffic management controls in place for the remainder of the roundabout construction period and short delays may occur at times.

Road reconstruction work continues on Gerald Street (between Springs Road and Vernon Drive). During most of the works, the road will be open to traffic both ways as normal (with traffic controls operating), however, for some of this period stop and go controls may operate, with short traffic delays occuring.

Work to lay a new sewer line along East Maddisons Road has resumed. This road is currently **closed** from Ellington Mews to Goulds Road for this work.

Work on Masefield Drive (pictured, between Lowes Road and Dryden Avene) is underway including kerb and channel and seal widening work, and footpath development. The road will remain open during work, with traffic controls in place.

Road resurfacing work is planned on Old Tai Tapu Road, Birchs Road (between Trices and Leadleys Roads), Marshs Road (between SH1 and Shands Road) and Dawsons Road (between Jones and Maddisons Roads). Stop/ go traffic controls will operate at all sites. Footpath reconstruction work is also planned on West Belt and Habgood Place in Lincoln.

Partial road closures - Christchurch Southern Motorway extension

On Weedons Road there is no access to Main South Road from Levi Road as a one way system is in place to allow the NZ Transport Agency to complete work for the motorway extension. Weedons Ross Road is also closed between Jones Road and SH1 to carry out utility works for this project.



New pool fencing rules could affect you

Changes made to national legislation from 1 January 2017 around how swimming pools are fenced could affect you.

The changes are focused on ensuring physical barriers are in place to prevent unsupervised children from accessing pools and reducing the number of children drowning in pools.

Under the new rules, larger residential pools and spa pools that can be filled to at least 400mm must have fencing or features to prevent children under five from getting into the pool. These rules also apply to temporary and inflatable pools, and pools at motels, camp grounds or other places without lifeguards at all times. Pool manufacturers and retailers are responsible for providing notices to buyers advising them of their responsibilities.

Pool owners are responsible for the ongoing safety of swimming pools at all times under the legislation. If your pool fencing already complied with the old requirements then you don't need to make any changes, however your pool will need to be inspected every three years.

Spa pools meet the new rules if they have a water surface area of 5m² or less, are at least 760mm above ground with no climbable way to get into it and have a complying lockable safety cover secured at all times the pool isn't being used. Other spa pools needs to meet new fencing requirements.

Pool owners need to have their pool fencing inspected every three years. Inspections can be carried out by the Council or a registered Independently Qualified Pool Inspector. The new legislation provides Councils with the ability to take enforcement action if people don't follow the fencing rules.

For more information on the changes please see www.selwyn.govt. nz/poolquestions or call our Building team on 347 2839.



Help reduce the fire risk

Strong winds and excess vegetation have elevated the fire risk in the district.

Selwyn is now experiencing hotter weather and more windy conditions. These conditions combined with the amount of vegetation we have in our district as a result of a wet spring creates conditions where fires can spread quickly if they are not prevented.

A number of recent fires have started as a result of electric fences coming into contact with vegetation during windy conditions. You can reduce the risk of fires starting from these types of fires by either switching off electric fences (especially in strong winds) or trimming vegetation near fences.

A restricted fire season is in place in the rural area of Selwyn district. Under the restrictions the only types of outdoor fires allowed are barbeques, drum fires, crop stubble firms and fires where a permit has been issued by the Council.

Crop stubble fires may be more common in the coming weeks. There are a number of safety guidelines which must be observed with these fires:

- · people must be careful to avoid lighting fires when strong or moderate winds are occurring or are forecast
- crop stubble fires may only be lit during daylight and must be out by dark
- \cdot the fire must be supervised at all times $\,$
- a fire break of at least 10 metres in place is required around the fire
- \cdot suitable equipment must also be available to extinguish a fire
- \cdot neighbouring property owners should be advised before burning.

In hot weather fires can also start as a result of machinery such as lawn mowers being operated. We would recommend choosing a cooler day to operate machinery and having a water source on hand to extinguish a fire if needed.



Notices

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES FUNDING

Creative Communities Selwyn has funding to support creative projects in Selwyn that strengthen our community. The fund is open to everyone to apply and the criteria is simple. The next funding round closes at 5pm, Friday 24 February. For information see www.selwyn. govt.nz/artsfunding During the last funding round

these grants were distributed:

- Art Group of Lincoln \$1,780 for tutor fees and hall hire Ellesmere Art Group - \$1,300
- for tutor fees and school holiday programme Arts Heart - \$1,000 for
- exhibition costs
- Ellesmere Highland Pipe Band

 Rolleston Piping & Drumming
 School \$3,447 for tutor costs and hall hire Prebbleton Craft Group -
- \$1,590 for craft workshops Lorraine Jacobs - \$200 for tutor and art class costs.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 25 January Rakaia Huts 9.10-9.30am

Thursday 26 January St John of God, Rolleston 1-1.30pm

Prebbleton Tavern 3.30-5.30pm

Monday 30 January Upper Selwyn Huts 10-10.45am Lincoln University Learning Centre 11-11.30ám Prebbleton Child Care 1.15- 1.30pm Rolleston Christian School 2.30-3.30pm

Tuesday 31 January Burnham Kindy 9.40-10.10am Burnham Preschool 10.15-10.45am Dunsandel School 11.20am-12.10pm Dunsandel Childcare 12.20-12.40pm Paradise for Little Angels, Rolleston 1.30-2pm

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Elections for community, hall and reserve committees continue in January and February. If you have a couple of hours available each month, then you could become a member of your local community committee and

be part of making decisions on local parks, playgrounds, town beautification, community centres and other issues that affect your area.

Upcoming Triennial election meetings where committee members are elected are listed under meetings below. If you are interested in joining a committee please see www.selwyn.govt.nz and come along to a meeting.

DOG MICROCHIPPING

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, they are required to be microchipped. This free service is available on Friday 3 February at:

- Lincoln at 9-9.30am
- Leeston at 10.15-10.45am
- Darfield at 11.30-12pm Rolleston at 12.45-1.15pm
- Please note:
- Clinics last for only 30 minutes
- The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive, other locations are outside libraries
- Sessions won't occur if wet.

If you have any questions, please contact Tracey on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

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 BOARD

Unless stated meetings are held at Rolleston Council Building

Malvern Community Board Mon 23 Jan 4pm Darfield Library and Service Centre

Audit & Risk Subcommittee Wed 1 Feb 3pm

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee Tue 7 Feb 1pm

Council Meeting Wed 8 Feb 1pm Followed by a public Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm

Water Race Subcommittee Mon 13 Feb 1.30pm

Road Safety Committee Thurs 16 Feb 9.30am

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Committee Tue 7 Feb 7.30pm Darfield Recreation Centre Triennial Election

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 8 Feb 7.30pm Doyleston Community Hall Triennial Election

Dunsandel Community Committee

Mon 6 Feb 7.30pm Dunsandel Sports Centre Glentunnel Community Centre Committee

Tue 24 Jan 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre Triennial Election

Glentunnel Township Committee Mon 30 Jan 7.30pm

Glentunnel Hall **Hororata Citizens Committee**

Tue 24 Jan 7.30pm, Hororata Hall Hororata Reserve Management Committee

Wed 1 Feb 7.30pm, Hororata Hall Triennial Election

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm

Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 27 Jan 7.45pm Ladbrooks Community Hall Triennial Election

Lake Coleridge Community Committee Fri 27 Jan 7.30pm Lake Coleridge Hall

Leeston Community Committee Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm, Leeston

Library Community Room Leeston Park Association Mon 30 Jan 8pm

Leeston Park Pavilion

Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 13 Feb 7pm, Lincoln Event Centre, Fitzgerald Room

Little Rakaia Huts Community Committee

Sat 28 Jan 2pm Little Rakaia **Huts Community Centre** Triennial Election

Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.

Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

Rhodes Park Domains Board Thurs 16 Feb 7.30pm Tai Tapu Golf Club Triennial Election

Rolleston Residents Association Inc.

Mon 30 Jan 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre Cameron Warr from Council will discuss development and maintenance of some Rolleston reserves including the Clock Tower Reserve. Note week late

Springfield Township Committee Tue 7 Feb 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

Springston Hall Committee Thurs 2 Feb 7.30pm Springston Hall

Waihora Park Reserve Committee Tue 1 Feb 7pm

Waihora Bowling Club

Weedons Reserve Committee Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm Weedons Reserve Pavilion

Weedons Reserve Committee Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm Weedons Reserve Pavilion Triennial Election

West Melton Community Centre Committee

Tue 31 Jan 7.30pm West Melton Community Centre

Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

JANUARY

Springfield Picnic in the

Springfield Domain, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, the Fun on Wheels trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage

FRIDAY

JANUARY

Lake Crichton Triathlon and

A community event for first-time athletes in a friendly atmosphere. Individual & team options, short & long courses. To enter see www.selwynsportstrust.org.nz

SUNDAY

JANUARY

Southbridge Pool Party

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

MONDAY

JANUARY

Treaty of Waitangi workshop

Darfield Library & Service Centre, 7.30-9pm

A free fun, interactive & informative workshop on the Treaty, themes & questions people have & the Treaty as a framework for a multi-cultural country. Open to all. Book at www.selwynlibraries.co.nz

THURSDAY

FEBRUARY

Picnic in the Park -**Springston**

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

SATURDAY

FEBRUARY

Lincoln Kiwiana Market Lincoln Green, 10am-1pm

A family day out with pavlova, whitebait, hokey pokey biscuits, ice cream, kiwiana gifts, native plants, Hunt the Kiwi Treasure Hunt, games & NZ music. See www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket

SUNDAY

FEBRUARY

Lincoln Envirotown **Working Bee**

Help clean up weeds at the reserve (Boundary Road, Lincoln). Please bring spades, garden gloves, sunglasses & a bucket if you can. Contact Sue on 329 5858 for details

MONDAY

FEBRUARY

Waitangi Day Community Country Picnic Darfield Domain, 10am-2pm

A community country picnic for the family. Celebrate all things country with games, food, history & music

MONDAY

FEBRUARY

Waitangi Day Bus Tour

Join the Ellesmere Historical Society to visit the Acton & Langley homesteads, Lake Hood & the Ashburton Aviation Museum. To book phone Roger on 324 3648 or Wendy on 329 1877

Get active in 2017

Term 1 classes start soon at Rolleston Community Centre and Lincoln Event Centre. The centres have a great range of classes for all ages from preschoolers to older adults. Class options include baby gym and movement/dance for preschoolers, yoga, spin, step, pump, basketball and skating for kids and golf. See www.lincolneventcentre.co.nz or www.rollestoncommunitycentre.co.nz for programme details or pick up a term brochure from the centres.

