



Look out for children on the roads

This week over 8,000 Selwyn children will be travelling to school.

Selwyn School Road Safety Co-ordinator Stephanie Hautler is reminding drivers to watch out for children and slow down near schools, early childhood centres and stopped school buses. Local children will be travelling to school by bus, bike, car, scooter and on foot.

“Children can dart out on to the road unexpectedly. Drivers need to slow down and be extra cautious near schools and early childhood centres, and remember that 20 km per hour is the speed limit past a school bus that has stopped to let children on or off,” says Ms Hautler.

This year, two new schools open in Rolleston – Rolleston College and Lemonwood Grove School - so children will be using new travel routes to these schools.

“The safety of all children is paramount,” says Senior Sergeant Pete Stills of the New Zealand Police. “Police will be patrolling outside schools and pre-schools so as to reduce the risk posed by speeding vehicles, illegal parking and dangerous driving manoeuvres whilst everyone gets used to children being back at school.”

Parents also need to be mindful of their own driving when dropping off or picking up children.

“From observation I have seen drivers’ double parking, parking over driveways and footpaths and parking on yellow lines near crossings and intersections,” says Ms Hautler. “Taking the shortest route is not always the safest option for your kids or other children,” she adds.

School travel safety tips:

- Reduce your speed around children
- Park well back from crossings and intersections so children can be seen
- Ensure children walking, scooting or biking wear their safety vest to help them be seen
- If dropping children off by car, ensure they get out on the footpath side of the car
- Encourage your children to use crossing points and kea crossings and always look out for vehicles in driveways
- Teach children to cross roads safely and to judge safe distances.

Road safety resources for parents and children are available from the Council by emailing stephanie.hautler@selwyn.govt.nz or phoning 347 2705.

On the roads this week

Repairs are planned to the Waimakariri Gorge Bridge with traffic controls operating. Short delays may occur when staff gain access the bridge substructure via the manholes in the deck. Road repairs will occur on Telegraph Road between Courtenay and Bealey Roads with stop/go traffic controls operating.

Road resurfacing work is planned on East Belt (between Edward and James Streets), Birchs Road (between Trices and Leadleys Roads) and Hamptons Road (between Birchs Road and the road end). Stop/go traffic controls will operate at all sites. Footpath reconstruction work is also planned on Habgood Place and James Street in Lincoln.

The intersection of Kidman Street, Byron Street and Tennyson Street is open with temporary traffic management controls in place while the roundabout construction continues. Delays will occur at different stages of the remaining construction particularly during the construction of the islands. People are encouraged to use an alternative route if possible.

East Maddisons Road is currently closed from Ellington Mews to Goulds Road for sewer installation work. Road reconstruction continues on Gerald Street (between Springs Road and Vernon Drive), with traffic controls operating. Work on Masefield Drive (between Lowes Road and Dryden Avenue) is underway including kerb and channel and seal widening work, and footpath development. The road is open with traffic controls in place. Stormwater and roading upgrade work continues on Manse Road, Leeston, with temporary traffic controls operating.

Work on Dunns Crossing Road at West Rolleston School is continuing with the final tidy up work underway. The road is open with traffic controls in place. Dunns Crossing Road between Burnham School and Brookside Roads will be closed until Tuesday 31 January for sewer pipe installation. Detours will be in place via Brookside and Burnham School Roads.

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 Christchurch Southern Motorway extension.

Coastal households receive tsunami advice

Around 500 coastal households received a letter from the Council in December with advice on what to do in a tsunami and how to receive alerts if there is a tsunami threat.

These properties are located within an ‘orange zone’ which may need to be evacuated in the event of a tsunami warning. None of Selwyn’s main townships are inside the orange zone or are considered to be at risk from tsunamis. The only smaller settlements inside the zone are Rakaia Huts, Taumutu, Upper Selwyn Huts, Lower Selwyn Huts and Greenpark Huts.

Lincoln Event Centre, Leeston Library and Service Centre and Southbridge Hall can operate as evacuation centres if a tsunami warning is issued. These locations are all outside the orange tsunami risk zone. Southbridge Hall was recently used as an evacuation centre when a tsunami warning was issued after the 14 November North Canterbury Earthquake and local community response team volunteers helped around 60 people there.

If you are holidaying or visiting the coast and you feel a long or strong earthquake, see a sudden rise or fall in sea level or hear loud or unusual noises from the sea then you should move inland or go to higher ground as soon as possible. Don’t wait for an official tsunami warning to do this. This same advice should be followed by people within the ‘orange zone’ in Selwyn. For more information on tsunami risk and warnings in Selwyn, visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/tsunami



Meet your Councillor – Craig Watson

Craig is one of four Councillors in the Selwyn Central ward, which covers Rolleston, West Melton and surrounding areas. He can be contacted on 027 807 2097 or at craig.watson@selwyn.govt.nz

What is your background?

I trained and worked as a Radiation Therapist (cancer treatment), and have worked all over the world in this role. I now work for a Crown Entity called International Accreditation New Zealand (IANZ) as a Lead Assessor in their Radiology Programme. I travel a lot and meet some awesome people working in Radiology across New Zealand. I am grateful to IANZ for allowing me to go part time to be a Councillor.

What do you like about the area you represent?

There is so much to like about Selwyn and Selwyn Central. The great communities that are still shaping and adjusting to all the district’s new families (like mine!). The excellent access to the coast, mountains and the mighty South. The cool scenery, walks, events, people and townships. The future of our district that we can ALL influence and the past we can learn from. What’s not to like?

How have you helped people in the past?

My family and I have only been here for two years, but I have tried to get involved from the start. I was on the establishment board for Lemonwood Grove School: Te Uru Tarata and am currently on the Canterbury Area Board for the Royal New Zealand Plunket Society. In previous towns I have lived in I have had governance roles on a variety of NFP boards, primarily with a health slant. I was also involved in some Rotary Clubs, if anyone wants to start one in Rolleston I’m in!



Notices

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES FUNDING

Creative Communities Selwyn has funding to encourage and support creative projects. The fund is open to everyone to apply and the criteria is simple. The next funding round closes at 5pm, **Friday 24 February**. For more information visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/artsfunding

COUNCIL SERVICES ON WAITANGI DAY

Rubbish and recycling collection will occur as normal on Monday 6 February. Bin collection times can vary from week to week so please have your bins out by 7.30am (or 7am on State Highway 1). The Pines Resource Recovery Park is open from 10am-4pm. Selwyn District Libraries and Service Centres, Rolleston Community Centre and Lincoln Events Centre are closed on Waitangi Day. The Selwyn Aquatic Centre is open from 8am-8pm.

DOG MICROCHIPPING

Free microchipping is available on **Friday 3 February** at:

- Lincoln from 9-9.30am
- Leeston from 10.15-10.45am
- Darfield from 11.30am-12pm
- Rolleston from 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.

Contact Tracey on 347 2800 or 318 8338 for queries.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 1 February
Arthur's Pass 11.30am-12.30pm
Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm
Springfield 3-3.30pm

Thursday 2 February
Prebbleton Playcentre 10.15-10.45am
Lincoln Montessori 11-11.30am
Council Headquarters, Rolleston 12.45-1.15pm
Cat's Pyjamas Rolleston 1.30-2pm

Monday 6 February
No service

Tuesday 7 February
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
Cat's Pyjamas West Melton 1.50-2.20pm

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 49

Z & S Croft and JK Williams have lodged a private plan change application (PC 49) to rezone two sites that are collectively 8.1 hectares in size and located at Hauschilds

Road (Lot 2 DP 436571) and Lincoln-Tai Tapu Road (Lot 1 DP 432571), Tai Tapu from Rural (Inner Plains) to Living 3. The application includes rules to manage the future subdivision and development of approximately 16 rural residential sections. Submissions are now open to enable you to have your say on this rezoning proposal. Information on this plan change request and how to make a submission, is available at: Council's Rolleston Headquarters, online at Selwyn District Libraries and Service Centres, at www.selwyn.govt.nz or by contacting the Strategy and Policy Team on 347 2800. Submissions must be lodged by 5pm **1 March 2017**.

SOUTHBRIDGE AND DARFIELD POOL HOURS

Pool hours have changed now school has resumed. Southbridge Pool is now open Wednesday to Friday 3.30-7pm and Saturday/Sundays from 1-7pm. The pool is closed Mondays and Tuesdays in February/ March for swim club lessons. Darfield Pool is now open Monday to Friday 3.30-7pm and Saturday/ Sunday from 1-7pm. Children under 8 must be actively supervised by an adult.

Meetings

Public Forums: *Council 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

Meetings are held at Rolleston Council Building

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

Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee
Thurs 23 Feb 8pm
Coalgate Fire Station
Triennial Election

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

Darfield Township Committee
Thurs 16 Feb 7.30pm
Darfield Library/ Service Centre

Triennial Election

Doyleston Community Committee
Wed 8 Feb 7.30pm
Osborne Park Pavilion
Triennial Election

Dunsandel Community Committee
Mon 6 Feb 7.30pm
Dunsandel Sports Centre

Halkett Community Centre Committee
Wed 22 Feb 7.30pm
Halkett Community Centre
Triennial Election

Hororata Reserve Management Committee
Wed 1 Feb 7.30pm
Hororata Hall
Triennial Election

Killinchy Community Centre Committee
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm
Killinchy Community Centre

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm
Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

Kirwee Township Committee
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm
Kirwee Community Hall

Leeston Community Committee
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room

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

Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm
Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

Prebbleton Reserve Committee
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Rhodes Park Domains Board
Thurs 16 Feb 7.30pm

Tai Tapu Golf Club
Triennial Election

Southbridge Advisory Committee
Mon 27 Feb 7.30pm
Southbridge Hall Supper Room
Triennial Election

Southbridge Reserve Committee
Mon 27 Feb 7.30pm
Southbridge Hall Supper Room
Triennial Election

Springfield Township Committee
Tue 7 Feb 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

Springston Hall Committee
Thurs 2 Feb 7.30pm
Springston Hall

Springston Reserve Committee
Wed 15 Feb 7.30pm
Errol Tweedy Pavilion

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

West Melton Residents Association
Wed 8 Feb 7pm
West Melton Community Hall
AGM, then ordinary meeting at 7.30pm

Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm
Glentunnel Hall

Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

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FEBRUARY

Springston Picnic in the Park

Springston Domain, 5.30-7.30pm
With live music, bouncy castle, events trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy! Free

SUNDAY

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FEBRUARY

Lincoln Envirotown Working Bee

Mahoe Reserve, 2pm
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

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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

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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

TUESDAY

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FEBRUARY

Storytime & Rhymetime

Selwyn District Libraries
Free Storytime & Rhymetime sessions for pre-schoolers resume in Term 1. For session times see www.selwynlibrary.co.nz/kids

THURSDAY

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FEBRUARY

Lincoln Picnic in the Park

Lincoln Domain, 5.30-7.30pm
With live music, bouncy castle, the events trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy! Free

FRIDAY

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FEBRUARY

Lake Crichton Triathlon and Duathlon

5.10pm
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

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FEBRUARY

PhysioMed Women's Triathlon & Duathlon

Selwyn Aquatic Centre
Kick off 2017 with an exciting challenge. Choose from a range of distances & categories, enter as an individual or a team. To enter visit www.womenstri.co.nz

SUNDAY

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FEBRUARY

Music on the Green

Rolleston Reserve 4.30-7pm
Pack a picnic & be entertained by outstanding local musicians. Free