

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre official opening



Selwyn District Council is hosting an official opening of the West Melton Community and Recreation Centre on Friday 7 December at 3pm.

The community celebration of the opening will be attended by representatives of Te Taumutu Rūnanga, Hon Amy Adams, Mayor Sam Broughton, members of the West Melton Residents' Association and Council staff. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend the event where students from West Melton School will perform a kapa haka.

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre committee chair Bruce Russell says the opening is a chance for everyone in the community to have a look at the new facility.

"This is brilliant new facility which will greatly enhance the social and recreational opportunities available to the West Melton community. The organising committee and the Council are extremely proud of this facility," Mr Russell says.

Council Major Projects Property Manager John Reid says the new facility, which took about 13 months to complete*, will cater to the future demands of the West Melton residents as well as the wider Selwyn community.

"This modern, high quality community facility will serve the needs of the West Melton area, but it will also add a significant asset to the growing network of community facilities across the Selwyn district," Mr Reid says.

The \$8.5 million facility has community meeting spaces, indoor sport and recreation (including an indoor court), a scout hall, a Plunket room and Playcentre. There is also space for community group activities such as service, gardening and film clubs.

The facility has a new pedestrian promenade which connects to the entrance of the building and is lined with trees. There are also a number of native and exotic plant species.

West Melton had an existing outdated and earthquake damaged hall located on the same site as the new facility. The West Melton Community and Recreation Centre is a much larger and more modern facility, designed to better meet the needs of a population that has grown rapidly in recent years.

*As the carpark is planned to be completed in late December, people who attend the opening event are encouraged to park at the West Melton Tavern.

More public toilets for Selwyn district

New public toilets are being installed across the district in response to demand from visitors and residents.

With funding from the government's Tourism Infrastructure Fund, the Council is currently installing a new three-pan public toilet at Castle Hill at a cost of \$166,300. Early next year, new single pan toilets will be installed at Lake Georgina (\$54,800) and Lake Selfe (\$54,800) as well as another four-pan toilet at Dunsandel (\$185,700).

The installation of new non-funded toilets in the district include one at Ryton Bay (\$57,625) which was opened last November, and a new four-pan toilet will be installed at Lincoln Domain (\$186,800) early next year.

Community Projects Manager Cam Warr says the funding from the government has allowed the Council to quickly provide more toilet facilities across the district to meet demand.

"The government funding has allowed us to increase the number of available toilets at sites that have large numbers of visitors.

We've also been able to replace older and less environmentally friendly toilets. It's important to provide quality facilities, especially if we want people to use them," Mr Warr says.

The purpose of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund is to provide financial support for local tourism-related infrastructure where tourism growth (domestic and international) is placing pressure on, or potential growth is constrained by, existing infrastructure and the local community is unable to respond in a timely way without assistance.

The fund provides up to \$25 million per year for the development of tourism-related infrastructure such as carparks, freedom camping facilities, sewerage and water works and transport projects.

Taking water from fire hydrants

The Council is reminding commercial water users about restrictions on extracting water from fire hydrants.

The Council does not provide a permit system for contractors to extract water from fire hydrants on the public potable (drinking water) network and contractors must not connect any equipment to the network.

The only exception to this is on development subdivision sites where the Council permits developers to apply for a single connection point, which has a range of conditions including payment for the use of the water.

Council Asset Manager Murray Washington says this policy is different to neighbouring authorities, but is needed to reduce the level of potential risk.

"We take a cautious approach to protecting the health of our residents, and this has to take priority over the convenience of contractors," he says.

"The Council has considered the potential risks of contractor equipment being connected to the public supply, and decided there is potential for the equipment being unsterilised – and this is too great a risk.

Mr Washington says contamination events have occurred in the past after contractors connected to the public supply to extract water.

The Council is getting in touch with contractors across the district to make them aware of the policy.

Any contractors who need further information should contact the Water Services Team on 347 2800.

Selwyn Summer Reading Bingo

Want to be rewarded for your summer reading? Play Selwyn Summer Reading BINGO, fill in the bingo card with your summer reading and be in to win some great prizes.

There are three age categories this year – children up to 12 years; young adults 13 to 20 years; and adults 21 years and over.

Once you complete your first line, bring it into the library to receive a line prize. If you complete at least 20 squares, hand your card into your local library and receive a spot prize. Your card will also go into the grand prize draw.

Pick up your cards now from any Selwyn Library or download from selwynlibraries.co.nz. Completed cards to be handed in by 5pm, Friday 25 January.



On the roads this week

Motorists may expect some delays along Coaltrack Road and Greendale Road as pre-seal repairs and patch sealing take place.

There will be repairs to damaged sections of carriageway on High Peak Road.

Surface repairs to cracked asphalt will take place on Gerald Street, Lowes Road, Edward Street and Brookside Road, motorists may experience some delays.

Springfield and Rolleston will have footpath reconstruction carried out.

There will be maintenance grading around High Country, Southbridge and West Melton.

Takeaway coffee cups go into the red bin

Disposable takeaway coffee cups go in your red lid rubbish bin. They are lined with plastic to make them waterproof so your drink doesn't leak, but unfortunately this makes them unable to be processed through the recycling plant.

Coffee cups can't go in your organics bin either, even if it's marketed as 'compostable' or 'biodegradable'. We cannot currently accept these in our composting process.

Better yet, why not get a keep cup.

Find out more at selwyn.govt.nz.



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

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES FOR LEESTON & LINCOLN CHRISTMAS PARADES

High Street, Leeston (from Messines Street to Leeston and Lake Road) will be temporarily closed between 5pm and 10.30pm on Friday 7 December 2018.

Gerald Street, Lincoln (from James Street to West Belt) will be temporarily closed between 8am and 1pm on Saturday 8 December 2018 (postponement 9 December 2018).

During the road closures, traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route.

Any queries can be directed to Joanne Harkerss 347 2800.

ALCOHOL NOTICES

Ellesmere Golf Club has applied to renew its club licence;

objections are open until 17 December. The Greendale Golf Club has applied to renew its club licence; objections are open until 14 December.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 5 December
Arthur's Pass 11.30–12.30pm
Castle Hill 1.40–2.15pm
Springfield 3–3.30pm

Thursday 6 December
Giggles and Scribbles Early Learning Centre 10.15–10.45am
Prebbleton Playcentre 11–11.30am
Council Headquarters 12.45–1.15pm
Bright Beginings Montessori Preschool 1.30–2.00pm

Monday 10 December
Dunsandel Playcentre 10–10.30am

Burnham Montessori 11–11.30am
Darfield Playcentre 12–12.30pm
Darfield Primary School 1–1.30pm

Tuesday 11 December
Kirwee 10–10.45am
Kirwee School 10.45–11.30am
Preston Downs, Corner Prestons/Weedons Ross Rd 12.15–12.45pm

West Melton School 12.45–1.30pm
West Melton Learning Centre 1.30–1.50pm
The Cat's Pyjamas Preschool and Nursery (West Melton) 1.50–2.20pm

Wednesday 12 December
Rakaia Huts 9.30–10am
Southbridge School 10.45am–12pm
Abbeyfield Leeston 2.30–3pm

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 the Rolleston Council Building.

Property Committee

Wed 5 Dec 10am

District Plan Review Committee

Wed 5 Dec 1pm

Audit and Risk Subcommittee

Wed 5 Dec 3pm

Council Meeting

Wed 12 Dec 1pm

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Broadfield District Community Centre Committee

Wed 5 Dec 7.30pm

Broadfield Community Centre

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 5 Dec 7.30pm

Osborne Park Hall

Dunsandel Community Committee

Mon 17 Dec 6.30pm

Dunsandel Hotel

Hororata Reserve Management Committee

Wed 5 Dec 7.30pm, Hororata Hall

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 10 Dec 7.30pm

Kirwee Recreation Reserve

Kirwee Township Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm, Kirwee Hall

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 14 Dec 7.30pm, Ladbrooks Hall

Lakeside Memorial Hall Incorporated Society AGM

Wed 12 Dec 7.30pm

Lakeside Soliders Memorial Hall

Enquiries to John McLachlan 324 3397

Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 10 Dec 7pm, Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

Little Rakaia Huts Community Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7pm, Little Rakaia Huts Community Room

Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm, Community Cottage, Blakes Road

Rolleston Community Centre Management Committee

Thur 6 Dec 7pm

Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm

Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield/Waddington Community Committee

Thur 6 Dec 7.30pm
Sheffield Fire Station

Springston Community Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm

Springston Hall

Springston Hall Committee

Thur 6 Dec 7.30pm

Springston Hall

Springston Reserve Committee

Wed 19 Dec 7.30pm

Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

Tai Tapu Community Association AGM

Wed 5 Dec 7.30pm

Otahuna Room, Tai Tapu Community Centre

Waihora Park Reserve Committee

Tues 4 Dec 7.30pm

Waihora Bowling Club

Weedons Reserve Committee

Mon 10 Dec 7.30pm

Weedons Community Centre

West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 17 Dec 7.30pm

West Melton Rugby Club

West Melton Residents Assn

Wed 12 Dec 7.30pm

West Melton Hall

Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee

Mon 10 Dec 7.30pm

Glentunnel Community Centre

A casual vacancy has arisen on the Whitecliffs Township and Domain Committee. Please forward expressions of interest to the Chairperson, Jodie, 5510121

Longer weekend opening hours at Pines Resource Recovery Park

Good news for the weekend tidy-up - the Pines Resource Recovery Park will now be open from 9am to 4.30pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

The new extended hours bring the weekend opening hours in line with weekday hours at the Recovery Park, in Burnham School Road near Rolleston.

Council Solid Waste Manager Andrew Boyd says the longer weekend opening hours should be a bonus for residents.

“With many of our residents working Monday to Friday, the weekend provides a good opportunity to catch up on work around the home, and chores such as taking rubbish to the Recovery Park.”

Mr Boyd is hopeful the new closing time will also give users the opportunity to plan their days, allowing them make sure their rubbish runs are done with plenty of time to spare.

For more information on Pines Recovery Park please head to selwyn.govt.nz/pines

The revised opening hours are now in place.

Selwyn Events

FROM
30 NOV–
31 JAN

Under \$200 exhibition

Selwyn Gallery's 20th Anniversary concludes with a summer exhibition featuring a collection priced at under \$200. The exhibition features works by 2017 and 2018 premier award winners, Louise McHaffie and Henry Turner. It will feature more than 40 works. For more information head to selwyngallery.co.nz.

SUMMER IN SELWYN

FRIDAY

7
DECEMBER

Leeston Santa Parade

High Street, Leeston, from 5pm

The evening will offer plenty of fun for the family, with a variety of food options and stalls as well as street entertainment. The parade starts at 6.30pm and will end with carols by torchlight.

FRIDAY

7
DECEMBER

BOOST Out

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Rolleston Reserve, 6–8.30pm

Head on down to the Rolleston Reserve for an action-packed Friday evening, featuring food trucks, a skate jam and graffiti art.

SATURDAY

8
DECEMBER

Christchurch EcoSort open day

EcoSort facility on Parkhouse Road, 9am–12pm

Check out where your recycling goes by heading along to this special open day. The EcoSort event allows you to get a behind the scenes view of the journey your recyclables take after you flick it into your yellow-lidded bin.

SUMMER IN SELWYN

SATURDAY

8
DECEMBER

Lincoln Christmas Parade

Gerald Street Lincoln, 9am (parade begins at 10.30am) -12pm

Enjoy a wide range of entertainment including bands, Santa's grotto, talent show, clowns and a Christmas market.

SUMMER IN SELWYN

SUNDAY

9
DECEMBER

Christmas in the Park, Darfield

Westview Park, 2pm

Welcome in the festive season with a community picnic in the park. Something for everyone with entertainment from Shad Rutherford, Pedalmania, games, carols, a visit from Santa and more.

SUMMER IN SELWYN

SUNDAY

16
DECEMBER

Outdoor Family Movie – Elf

The Lincoln Green, 7–9pm

Grab your nearest and dearest for a family-friendly movie outdoors! Bring a seat, bean bag or blanket and chill out in front of our huge outdoor screen.

SUMMER IN SELWYN

WEDNESDAY

19
DECEMBER

Christmas Pool Party

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 2–4pm

Come along and celebrate the festive season at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre! The big inflatable will be out, games, bbq and spot prizes. Our DJ will be playing your favourite tunes! Normal admission charges apply. Activities in the main pool are for competent swimmers 8yrs+.

For information on listing a community event visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall

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

Lincoln Library & Service Centre
Gerald Street, Lincoln
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