

Last month Mayor Sam Broughton hosted the People's Pumpkin Party at Foster Park.

Local schools, mayors and councillors have been growing pumpkins over the summer and these were all brought along for the big weigh-in.

There were around 15 pumpkins up for judging, among them some huge entries from Christchurch Mayor Lianne Dalziel and local schools. Rolleston School's mega pumpkin took out the top prize of \$500, weighing in at a whopping 31.8kg. The next heaviest was Lincoln School's pumpkin weighing in at 28.1kg.

Rolleston School students and teachers said the winnings would likely go towards the school's new playground.

Mayor Sam also ran a competition for students to create an A3 poster about water and nutrient management for growing the pumpkin. A small group of students from Sheffield School won and the prize of \$500 will go towards their school.

The idea for the competition came from Selwyn-Waihora Zone Committee chair Allen Lim, to help generate discussion about how things grow in Canterbury and the water and nutrients required to make things grow.

The pumpkins will now be harvested for their seeds, which will be used for the seedlings offered in next year's competition, which organisers hoped would be bigger and better.

# Drop-off days collect tonnes of recyclables

Two Community Recycling Drop-off Days in Malvern and Ellesmere have collected over 25 tonnes of garden waste for composting, along with over 6.5 tonnes of scrap metal and around 160 tyres for recycling.

The two drop-off days were held near Leeston and Darfield providing residents with an alternative drop-off point for their garden waste and some types of recyclables.

Over the two days, 190 vehicles dropped off their garden waste, scrap metal and other recyclables for a small charge. The events were managed by Council's Contractor, Sicon Ltd. Volunteer assistance was provided by members of the Ellesmere Heritage Park, and in Malvern, the Malvern Lions Club and Hororata Golf Club helped out.

Donations have been made to those organisations in recognition of their volunteer assistance on the respective drop-off days.

Garden waste can normally be disposed of either through optional Council kerbside green organics bins in townships or at the Pines Resource Recovery Park near Rolleston. Garden waste can also be composted in your back yard. Information about home composting is available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/rubbish under the 'organic collection' link.

You can also recycle your scrap metal and a range of other recyclables at the Pines Resource Recovery Park free of charge.

Council Solid Waste Manager Andrew Boyd says it was encouraging to see so many residents turn up and dispose of these materials in a way that will benefit the environment, while supporting local groups through donations.



# Weedons gets sports facility upgrade

The old existing Weedons Cricket and Tennis Clubrooms are set to be demolished this week to make way for the new Weedons Community Pavilion, an inclusive facility for the tennis and cricket clubs, as well as the wider community.

Demolition should be completed within a week. Building of the new pavilion will then start onsite, with completion targeted for October this year.

The area will be fenced off during demolition and construction, however access to the tennis courts and golf course should not be affected during this time.



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# Get box fit at Rolleston Community Centre

Join the high intensity boxing class at Rolleston Community Centre. This workout includes skipping, agility work, core work and boxing. Partner up to get a boxer's workout to increase your overall fitness levels while having fun.

Classes run on Wednesdays at 6–6.45pm, and cost \$64 for eight weeks. There are only five spots left so get in quick! Come into the centre or phone 347 2882 to enrol.



# An exciting cultural opportunity

A month long exchange, from 1–30 September, to Lanzhou, the capital of Gansu is on offer to Selwyn residents and those working in Selwyn.

Gansu Province is situated in northwest China. Selwyn District Council has a Sister City relationship with Shandan in Gansu. Rewi Alley, who was born in Springfield, established schools in Gansu, which is part of the ancient Silk Road and the 21st century Maritime Silk Road.

Fellows from Gansu's Sister Cities use the month to learn about Chinese history, political systems and culture, Gansu tourism, technology, education, health and economic development.

The Gansu Foreign Affairs Office pays for international travel, accommodation and local transport. Delegates pay for their own food, medical care, travel insurance and a health check including a chest x-ray.

For more details and to apply contact Bernadette Ryan on Bernadette.Ryan@selwyn.govt.nz or phone 03 347 2800. Applicants must be between 22 and 50 years of age and in good health.

Applications close on Tuesday 5 June at 4pm.



#### **Notices**

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE**

Wednesday 16 May Rakaia Huts 9.10-9.30am Southbridge Playcentre 10–10.30am Southbridge School 10.45am-12pm

Thursday 17 May St John of God, Rolleston 1-1.30pm Ladbrooks School 2–2.30pm Prebbleton Township/Tavern 3.30-5.30pm

Monday 21 May Upper Selwyn Huts 10–10.45am Lincoln ChildCare and Preschool 11–11.30am Prebbleton Child Care

1.15-1.45pm Rolleston Christian School 2-3.30pm

Tuesday 22 May Burnham Kindy 9.40–10.10am Burnham Preschool 10.15–10.45am **Dunsandel School** 11.20am–12.10pm Dunsandel Childcare 12.20-12.40pm

1.30-2pm TEMPORARY ROAD

# **CLOSURE**

Paradise for Little Angels

Zig Zag Road (from the intersection with Rakaia Gorge Road (SH77) to the intersection with Coleridge Road) will be closed between 9am–5.30pm on Sunday 20 May for the 'Rakaia Zig-Zag Sprint', motorsport event. Traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route. Any queries can be directed to Joanne Harkerss 347 2887

#### **SPORT NEW ZEALAND RURAL TRAVEL FUND**

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Funding is available for Selwyn sport teams who need to travel to local competition games. For further information and application forms go to www. selwyn.govt.nz/services/funding/ sport-nz-rural-travel-fund or contact Stuart Westoby, 03 347 2708, stuart.westoby@selwyn. govt.nz. Applications for this

funding round close Friday 25 May 2018.

#### APPLY FOR EVENTS FUNDING

Applications to round one of Selwyn District Events Fund are open during May to fund events happening between 1 July and 31 December 2018. Applications for funding close 5pm, Thursday 31 May 2018. To find out more and make an application visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/eventsfund or phone 347 2719 or 318 8338.

#### **ALCOHOL NOTICES**

An application for an on license has been received from Country Lane Group Limited. Objections are open until Tuesday 29 May. An application for a variation of the conditions of an on licence and application for the renewal of an off licence has been received from Prebbleton Hotel Limited. Objections are open until Thursday 31 May. For more information visit www. selwyn. govt.nz/alcoholnotices.

### 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**

Unless stated meetings held at Rolleston Council Building.

**Council Meeting** Wed 9 May 1pm

Citizenship Ceremony Wed 9 May 6.30pm

**Council Water Race** Subcommittee

Mon 14 May 1.30pm Long Term Plan Hearings

Wed 23 & Thur 24 May Malvern Community Board Mon 28 May 4.30pm, Darfield Library and Service Centre

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

**Coalgate Township Committee** Tue 22 May 7.30pm

Coalgate Fire Station **Dunsandel Community** Committee Mon 21 May 7.30pm Dunsandel Hall

Ellesmere Historical Society AGM

Mon 21 May 7-30 pm Leeston Community Room Guest speaker Roger Gilbert. "Our Ancestors' opportunities in Ellesmere" Ancestors came from Cornwell, The Lakes District, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Germany. Further details from Roger Ğilbert phone 324 3648. All welcome.

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 15 May 7.30pm Glenroy Community Hall

Glentunnel Community Centre Committee

Tue 15 May 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre A casual vacancy has arisen on the Glentunnel Community Centre Committee.

Please forward expressions of interest to the Chairperson Pam Reynolds 03 318 2377.

Glentunnel Township Committee Mon 28 May 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre Hororata Citizens Committee

Tue 22 May 7.30pm

Hororata Hall

Committée

Thur 24 May 8pm, Kimberley Hall Kirwee Township Committee Mon 21 May 7.30pm, Kirwee Hall

Leeston Park Committee Mon 28 May 7.30pm Leeston Park Pavilion

Lincoln Farmers' and Craft Market AGM

Kimberley Reserve & Hall

Wed 30 May 7pm Lincoln Event Centre All Welcome. Refreshments provided.

Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

Mon 21 May 7.30pm, Community Cottage, Blakes Road

Rolleston Reserve **Management Committee** Mon 21 May 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre Lounge

**Rolleston Residents Association** Mon 27 May 7pm Rolleston Community Centre

**Springston Community** Committee

Mon 21 May 7.30pm Springston Community Hall

Springston Hall Committee Thur 31 May 7.30pm Springston Hall (week earlier)

West Melton Reserve **Board Committee** 

Mon 21 May 7.30pm West Melton Rugby Club

# ON THE **ROADS**

# On the roads this week

Digout repairs will be occurring on Waimakariri Gorge Road. A reseal will occur on Lake Road South. Please stop on request at these sites. Davis Road bridge will be under repair. Footpath reconstruction will be carried out in Arthur's Pass and Rakaia Huts.

### Intersection upgrades

### Masefield Drive/Rolleston Drive

Fulton Hogan worked nights last week, completing pouring the final kerb and channel in the north east corner. They also sealed a portion of the new footpaths. This week they'll start the road pavement construction, which is expected to take approximately three weeks (weather dependent). This work will also be completed at night, to minimise disruption to traffic during the day.

### Jones Road/Hoskvns Road

Last week Isaac Construction were working on the eastern side of Jones Road, preparing to pour the new section of kerb and channel, as well as completing the final storm water works. This week the eastern side of Jones Road will be closed, as planned, to complete the pavement construction. This closure is expected to be in place for one week, before they move to the western side of the intersection.

# Selwyn Events

WED-SUN

16–27 MAY

Children's Time – Lincoln Kindergarten and Lincoln

Come along and appreciate the creativity of our community's young artists in this special exhibition.

MON&TUE

21&29 **MAY** 

**Our Changing Climate and** Potential Impacts on Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere

Monday 21 May, Greenpark Community Centre, 7–8.30pm and Tuesday 29 May, Sedgemere Hall, Leeston Taumutu Road, 7–8.30pm

Presentation from Dr Brett Painter (Environment Canterbury) on changing climate and the potential impacts on our environment and communities in the future, including implications for Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere and the surrounding areas. Hosted by Selwyn District Council. Contact Tina, Tina@developmentmatters.co.nz Tina@developmentmatters.co.nz

**WEDNESDAY** 

## **National Simultaneous** Storytime 2018

We will be doing a "Special Storytime", featuring the children's book Hickory, Dickory, Dash written by Tony Wilson and illustrated by Laura Wood, a couple of other awesome reads, and an activity. This is in celebration of the Australian tradition where a book is read simultaneously throughout the country. Visit www.alia.org.au/nss for more information.

WED-SUN

30–10 MAY-JUN

Children's Time -Ladbrooks School and Broadfield School

Down By The Liffey Gallery, Wed-Thur 11.30am-2.30pm, Fri-Sun 10am-4pm

Come along and appreciate the creativity of our community's young artists in this special exhibition.

UNTIL

Oil and Water exhibition Selwyn Gallery, 17 South Terrace, Tue-Sun 10am-4pm

A love of the natural environment and influence of spontaneity threads our three artists together in our May exhibition, 'Oil and Water'. While this title suggests two paint media, it has yet another meaning for this show, since it includes two very different kinds of art—painting and pottery.

**SATURDAY** 

A Right Royal Do – British Themed Market

Beside the Lincoln Library, 10am–1pm

JUNE

Lots of decorated stalls with gifts and fresh produce. A display of iconic British vehicles, traditional British baking including pork pies/pasties, Victoria sponges, Devonshire teas. Great live themed music and Morris Dancing display, Ellesmere Pipe Band, lawn games, royal trivia activity. See www.facebook.com/lincolnmarket

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