

Two incredible fetes and a Summer Skate/Scooter Jam in Rolleston rounded out the Council's Summer in Selwyn event programme.

The summer has seen Selwyn communities come together at their local reserves, facilities, pools, skate parks, libraries, halls, schools and basketball courts to enjoy over 60 Council and community events.

Council events included a Teddy Bears' Picnic, Summer Skate/Scooter Jams, Outdoor and Drive-in Family Movies, A Month of Sundays, Pool Parties, Picnics in the Park, Summer 3X3 Basketball Jam, and events at Selwyn Aquatic Centre and Libraries . Some great comments from attendees throughout the season included "Summer in Selwyn provides a great opportunity for the community and builds community spirit", "The outdoor activities are great for getting the kids active" and "The event had a nice, friendly atmosphere where all are welcome".

Community organised events ranged from Christmas parades, Waitangi Community Fun Day, triathlons and duathlons, Children's Day, Hot Topics and Fetes.

Thank you to all of you who came along to these fantastic community events, we look forward to another Summer in Selwyn season kicking off in December 2019!

For more events throughout the year and for the next Summer in Selwyn season like and follow our Facebook page: facebook.com/summerinselwyn.

Easter and ANZAC closures

Here is a summary of Selwyn District Council services and opening hours during Easter and ANZAC Day. Council headquarters in Rolleston will be closed on Friday 19, Monday 22 and Thursday 25 April.

There will be some changes to refuse collections over the Easter and ANZAC period.

- · Friday 19 April collections will occur on Saturday 20 April.
- · Thursday 25 April collections will occur on Saturday 27 April.

All other collections will be carried out as normal.

Pines Resource Recovery Park will be closed on Friday 19 April. On Thursday 25 April it will open from 1–4.30pm. All other days it is open normal hours.

Lincoln Event Centre will be closed on Friday 19 and Monday 22 April. It will be open during the weekend for bookings. On Thursday 25 April it will open from 1–4pm for an ANZAC service.

Rolleston Community Centre will be closed on Friday 19 and Monday 22 April. On Thursday 25 April it will be open in the morning for an ANZAC service.

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre will be closed from Friday 19 April–Monday 22 April. It will also be closed on Thursday 25 April.

Selwyn District Libraries will be closed on Friday 19, Monday 22 and Thursday 25 April. They will be open over the weekend.

Selwyn Aquatic Centre will be open 8am–8pm from Friday 19–Monday 22 April. On Thursday 25 April it will open from 1–8pm. Aquafit will not run on these days.

The Council's customer contact line will be operating 24 hours a day over this period for urgent issues, phone (03) 347 2800.

Weedons Community Centre open

The Weedons Community Centre will be officially opened on Friday 5 April. Construction of the \$830,000 facility began in May 2018 and was completed in December 2018.

Council Major Projects Property Manager John Reid says the new Weedons Community Centre will provide a modern facility for the local community as well as the sports groups who regularly use the reserve

"It's a 'fit-for-purpose' facility that recognises the relatively limited size of the local community, and which will provide the wider Selwyn region with a small boutique facility available for smaller functions," Mr Reid says. "The Weedons Reserve Committee have worked for many years to replace the old, outdated and damaged centre. Along with recent upgrades to the tennis and cricket facilities on the reserve."

The project has been in the pipeline since 2011 when the first plans were drawn up, says Weedons Reserve Committee Chairman Peter Holmes.

"With the many challenges we've faced along the way, it's great to see the building finally completed. The whole committee has been heavily involved in the process, while we have had great support from the staff at the Council," Mr Holmes says. "This is a community centre which will be used by the cricket and tennis clubs, but also by the wider community. This is a great asset for Weedons and one we should all be proud of."

The new facility has a multi-purpose room, a kitchen and storeroom, 24 hour accessible toilet and two changing rooms.



Stay bright, use your lights!

Daylight Saving ends this weekend at 2am on Sunday 7 April – that means it's going to start getting darker, earlier.

Switch your lights on when driving to make sure you're visible. The Road Code says you must use your vehicle headlights from 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes before sunrise and at any other time you can't clearly see a person or vehicle 100 metres away.

Using your lights will greatly increase your chances of seeing and being seen by other vehicles. We also want to remind cyclists to have front and rear lights and wear reflective clothing.

It's important drivers are on the lookout for cyclists, especially when visibility is poor, around dusk, at dawn and in bad weather.

Selwyn tourism strengthening

Tourism in the Selwyn district continues to grow with increasing visitor guest nights and spending.

The latest quarterly economic update from analysts Infometrics showed the Selwyn economy had an increase of 5.4 percent over the 12 months to December 2018.

A highlight of the update was the continued growth of tourism in the district, with tourism spending increasing by 14 percent to \$113m, up from \$99 million a year ago. *Guest nights are also up by 6.3 percent, or a total of 85,011 nights in the district during the year to December 2018. This is up from 80,005 a year ago.

Mayor Sam Broughton says this can be attributed to the hard work of local operators and the Council's efforts in supporting that work.

"More visitors are seeing our district as a place to stop and enjoy our unique offerings" Mayor Sam says.

The update also showed the unemployment rate had fallen to 2.1 percent, the lowest in two years.

Electronic card consumer spending in the district increased by 14 percent over the year to December 2018, compared to the previous year. This is well above the national increase of 4.5 percent.

*A guest night is equivalent to one guest spending one night at an establishment.



Notices

DOG MICROCHIPPING

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires him or her to be microchipped. This free monthly service is available at the following places on Friday 5 April.

Darfield: 9–9.30am

Rolleston: 10.15–10.45am

Rolleston: 10.15–10.45an Lincoln: 11.30am–12pm Leeston: 12.45–1.15pm

Please note:

· Clinics last half an hour. The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive (off Rolleston Drive).

· Microchipping will not take place if wet.

If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 347 2800.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Thursday 4 April:

Upper Selwyn Huts 10–10.30am Lincoln Childcare and Preschool 10.45–11.15am 11.25–11.55am Giggles & Scribbles Early Learning Centre 1–1.30pm Lincoln Uni Early Childhood Centre 2–2.30pm

Whippersnappers, Lincoln

Prebbleton Township/Tavern 3.30–5.30pm

Tuesday 9 April:

Greendale School 10.15–10.45am Hororata School 11.15–11.45am Windwhistle School 1–1.30pm

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

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 otherwise stated all of these meetings will be held at the Rolleston Council Building.

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 2 Apr 12.30pm Meet for a field trip at Birdlings Flat Community Hall Formal meeting at Wairewa Marae, Little River 2.30pm

Property Committee Wed 3 Apr 9am

Audit & Risk Committee Wed 3 Apr 10.45am Council Meeting Wed 10 Apr 1pm **District Plan Review Committee** Wed 17 Apr 9am

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee Tue 2 Apr 7.30pm

Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Township Committee

Thur 18 Apr 7.30pm Darfield Library

Dunsandel Community Committee

Mon 15 Apr 7.30pm Dunsandel Community Centre

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 16 Apr 7.30pm Glenroy Community Hall

Hororata Reserve Management Committee

Wed 3 Apr 7pm Hororata Hall

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 8 Apr 7.30pm Sports Pavilion, Kirwee Reserve

Kirwee Township Committee Mon 15 Apr 7.30pm Kirwee Community Hall

Lincoln Community Committee Mon 8 Apr 7pm, Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

Sheffield/Waddington Community Committee

Thur 11 Apr 7.30pm Sheffield Fire Station

Southbridge Advisory Committee

Mon 8 Apr 7pm Southbridge Hall Meeting Room

Springston Hall Committee Thur 4 Apr 7.30pm Springston Hall

Springston Recreation Reserve Committee

Wed 17 Apr 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

Tai Tapu Community Association

Wed 3 Apr 7.30pm Tai Tapu Community Centre

Waihora Park Reserve Committee

Tue 2 Apr 7.30pm Waihora Bowling Club

West Melton Districts Residents Association

Wed 10 Apr 7.30pm West Melton Sports and Recreation Centre

Whitecliffs Township and Domain Committee Mon 8 Apr 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall

ON THE ROADS

On the roads this week

Road reconstruction (granular overlay) on Leaches Road and Bealey Road. Kerb and channel, seal widening and footpath work on Dynes Road. Kerb and channel, seal widening and footpath work on Birchs Road. Seal extension construction on Robinsons Road and Dunns Crossing Road. Road works on Goulds Road until Friday 17 May. Detours and traffic management will be in place.

Road works will be carried out on Goulds Road between Maltby Drive and East Maddisons Road until Friday 17 May. This will include road widening, new kerb and channel, footpath works and drainage works. Detours and traffic management will be in place during this time.

Temporary road closure

McLachlans Road and Gullivers Road (from the McLachlans Road intersection to the Leeston Taumutu Road intersection) will be closed between 9am–6pm on Sunday 7 April for the 'Taumutu Shingle Sprint'.

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



Activity programme coming to your letterbox

Look out for your guide to all Council activity programmes in your letterbox next week.

Check out what's on offer during term two including recreation programmes, libraries programmes, Aqua Fitness classes, workshops and events



Selwyn Events

WEDNESDAY

3 APRIL

Teen Coach Workshop Leeston Library, 6.30pm

Interested in being a better coach for the young driver in your family? Head along to our workshop where parents and caregivers will be given practical tips on how to teach your kids to drive confidently and competently without turning your hair grey! Free, no bookings required

SATURDAY

6 APRIL

Mad Hatter's Disco Rolleston Community Centre,

Selwyn Launch Group offer an opportunity for young adults (year 12 and older) with disabilities and their parents and caregivers to catch up and meet new friends. \$5 entry, funky hats optional. RSVP by 3 April to 027 607 5578 or shirl.j@orcon.net.nz

SUNDAY

APRIL

Pruning fruit trees

Springston Secret Garden, back section 387B Ellesmere Junction Road, 10.30am

Need to know how to prune fruit trees? Come along to a demonstration and learn from local expert Greg Quinn. Donation of \$5. For information contact Sue.jarvis@orcon.net.nz

TUESDAY

9 APRIL

Mature Drivers Course

Lincoln Event Centre, 9am–3pm Offering a refresher of the current road rules for over 60s. For more information and to book contact Age Concern on (03) 366 0903.

SATURDAY

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Pollinators in our Gardens Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens, James Street, 10–11.15am

Pollination Scientist Dr Brad Howlett will introduce us to bees and other insects that contribute to crop and vegetable pollination. For information contact Ruth on 021 074 3905. Go to pollinatorworkshop2019.eventbrite.co.nz

UNTIL

14 APRIL

No Common Ground exhibition

Down by the Liffey Gallery, Lincoln. Selected hours Wed-Sun.

Featuring the work of Gaye Morton, Hamish Anderson, Linda Pringle and Mike Davey. An uncommonly good collection of work.

SUNDAY

14APRIL

Little Rakaia Huts Fundraising Gala

Little Rakaia Huts, 11am-4pm

Food stalls, yacht and kayak instruction, jetboat rides, displays, chocolate wheel raffles, bouncy castle, fun for every one on and off the water. Raising funds and showcasing what we have achieved with the re-build of the boat ramp.

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

(03) 347 2800

Darfield call free 318 8338 www.selwyn.govt.nz

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