

Selwyn Awards, a great way to benchmark success



Continuing our series profiling the Selwyn Awards 2018 winners. Eurofins won the Large Business Award.

For Rolleston company Eurofins, winning at the Selwyn Awards was a signal of success for staff and customers.

Eurofins, based in Izone, provide laboratory-based food, water and land testing services to businesses across the Selwyn district.

It is part of a global network of over 800 laboratories spread over 47 countries. Peter McLaughlin, Account Manager for Eurofins Rolleston, speaks passionately about their business successes and what winning the Large Business Award at the 2018 Selwyn Awards meant to the Selwyn branch of the international business and their 30 staff.

"We thought we provided pretty good customer service already and winning not only reinforced that we were in fact doing well, but it also helped our reputation and built trust from local customers."

They heard about the Selwyn Awards when Mayor Sam Broughton suggested they enter during a tour of their facilities in 2018.

Eurofins has been going from strength to strength, but they need to continue to grow so entering into, and winning, the Large Business category was a great way to benchmark their success Mr McLaughlin says.

"We had never entered any awards before, but it was so easy. From a management perspective, the application process was great as it prompts you to think about all the facets of the business and whether you are truly achieving them to the best of your ability. Of course, when we heard the announcement at the Gala Dinner that we had won we were thrilled!"

The Gala Dinner was a fun celebration, he says.

"It was a great way to show our staff how their involvement contributed to the success of Eurofins and to thank them for that. The evening was wonderful, there were so many different businesses and Selwyn residents there, the local entertainment was wonderful and the MC was hilarious."

After going through the application process, attending the Gala Dinner and, of course winning the Large Business category, Mr McLaughlin says he would highly recommend other Selwyn businesses enter the 2020 Selwyn Awards.

Welcome to the family at citizenship ceremony

There was a family atmosphere as new New Zealanders were welcomed at Selwyn's latest monthly citizenship ceremony.

The 19 new citizens from 10 different countries received their citizenship in the ceremony at Tai Tapu Community Centre.

The West Rolleston Primary School Choir opened the evening with renditions of Crowded House's 'Don't Dream it's Over' and the new Selwyn district waiata and later led the group in the national anthem

Many of the new citizens came as family groups with grandparents, parents and soon-to-be parents among the mix.

For Dorothy Chilwalo, originally from Zambia, it was a proud moment to become a New Zealander together with her children Angela Yendama – a youth worker, newly graduated from the University of Canterbury – and Chinjila Lunda, a year 13 student.

"I could have taken it a long time ago, but I was waiting for these guys to grow up and make their own decisions to become New Zealanders."

After moving from Scotland in 2007 with her two young children to escape the cold and on the recommendation of friends, the registered nurse says she fell in love with New Zealand.

"Its home. We loved the place, we loved the people, the culture."

For Australian Richard Fowler encouragement from his wife helped with the decision that it was time, after 50 years of 'enjoying the fabulous opportunities this country offers,' to officially become a New Zealander, while for British couple Peter and Alison Cain it was a desire to join their young Kiwi born daughter as citizens of her homeland.

Bidhan Chapagai from Bhutan, who moved to New Zealand four years ago, received rousing applause when he told the room it was "a true honour and a privilege to be a New Zealand citizen."



New citizens Dorothy Chilwalo, Angela Yendama and Chinjila Lunda, with Mayor Sam Broughton and Major Grant Payton

Businesses encouraged to seize opportunity from upgraded directory

Businesses are being offered the opportunity to be included in the refreshed Selwyn Directory.

The Council has unveiled an updated Selwyn Directory—a searchable online directory of businesses in the district. The directory is now open for registrations or updated details.

It offers businesses the chance to advertise their details including a map location, contacts, website and social media links and a summary of their business.

The directory is part of Council's work to support local businesses and encourage people to think local when looking for goods and services, Community Services and Facilities group manager Denise Kidd says.

As well as providing a free opportunity to promote to customers in the district to customers the directory will help business to business links, she says.

"The directory is a great tool for finding local resources to assist your business. As a smaller district we know businesses are strengthened by looking at where they can complement each other and by working together and the directory's a good way to connect."

To make a listing visit selwyn.govt.nz/directory-register.

One-stop farm waste recycling day coming to Selwyn

Farmers in Ellesmere and surrounds will have the chance to take part in a new pilot farm waste recycling event providing a one-stop-shop to dispose of farm plastics, chemicals and oil.

The pilot Agrecovery programme will be in Ellesmere on Monday 9 September. During the day farmers and growers who have preregistered will be able to drop off chemical containers, silage and bale wrap, fertiliser and feedbags, waste oil and unwanted chemicals for recycling, or safe disposal. To take part in the day people must register at agrecovery.co.nz, book a time and indicate the type of wastes they will be bringing. The location will be provided to registered attendees.

The Council is partnering with Agrecovery for the day. Given our large rural sector, we jumped at the chance to offer the Selwyn district as one of six places nationwide to get the programme first, Council Solid Waste manager Andrew Boyd says.

"Council is committed to working with the rural community to help find sustainable options for disposing of farm waste. The Agrecovery One-Stop-Shop rural waste recycling events provide a great opportunity for the community to dispose of waste safely, especially in more remote rural communities. We encourage people to get behind these events and register."

Agrecovery held two similar trial events in 2018 in Geraldine and Matamata and collected nearly 20 tonnes of rural waste. Geraldine Farm Manager Aaron Gorrie participated in the 2018 event and says it was a positive day that he hoped others would take advantage of.

"Like most farmers we are committed to sustainable farming. It's important to leave a legacy for future generations. We have a Farm Environment Plan in place, and we work hard to ensure we meet the requirements of the plan. This is a great opportunity to have unwanted chemicals correctly disposed of."

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Rolleston Library
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston
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Darfield Library & Service Centre
1 South Terrace, Darfield
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Notices

LOCAL ELECTIONS 2019

Nominations for candidates in the Selwyn District Council local elections closed at 12pm Friday. For the latest information see: selwyn.govt.nz/elections

NEED FUNDING FOR YOUR CREATIVE PROJECT?

Creative Communities Selwyn can help! Funding is available to groups or individuals with community-based creative projects that promote arts or culture in Selwyn. Applications

for this funding round close at 5pm, Friday 30 August. Visit selwyn.govt.nz/artsfunding for more information and to apply.

WANT TO BE PART OF CULTUREFEST?

We are now accepting registrations for cultural performers, food vendors, craft stalls and activities to be part of CultureFest. CultureFest will be held at Lincoln Domain on Sunday 29 September 10am–4pm.

If you or your organisation

is interested in participating please complete our registration form and return it via email to events@selwyn.govt.nz by Friday 23 August.

selwyn.govt.nz/culturefest



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 Therese Davel or Bernadette Ryan if you wish to speak at Council at least five 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

Malvern Community Board

Mon 26 Aug 4.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 3 Sept 4pm
Lincoln Event Centre

Property Committee

Wed 4 Sept 10am
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

Audit & Risk Subcommittee

Wed 4 Sept
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre
Commences immediately following the conclusion of the Property Committee

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee

Tue 20 Aug 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 27 Aug 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Management Committee

Mon 2 Sept 7.30pm
Darfield Recreation and Community Centre

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 4 Sept 7.30pm
Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 20 Aug 7.30pm
Glenroy Community Hall

Glentunnel Township Committee

Mon 26 Aug 7.30pm
Glentunnel Community Centre

Greendale Recreation Reserve Committee

Tue 3 Sept 8pm
Greendale Sports Pavilion

Kimberley Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Thu 22 Aug 7.30pm
Kimberley Hall

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 23 Aug 7.45pm
Ladbrooks Community Hall

Leeston Community Committee

Mon 2 Sept 7.30pm
Leeston Library

Leeston Park Committee

Mon 26 Aug 7.30pm
Leeston Park Pavilion

Rolleston Community Centre Management Committee

Thu 29 Aug 7pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Residents' Association Inc. AGM

Mon 26 Aug 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Springston Community Committee & Springston Recreation Reserve Committee

Wed 21 Aug 7.30pm
Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

Tawera Memorial Hall Committee

Wed 4 Sept 7pm
Tawera Memorial Hall

Waihora Park Reserve Committee

Tue 3 Sept 7.30pm
Waihora Bowling Club

Waste management bylaw

The Council is consulting on proposed changes to the Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw 2012.

It's the Council's role to manage waste and to help protect the natural environment. The bylaw forms an integral part of the management of waste in the district and is referred to in a number of documents, as well as referenced on kerbside and public litter bin labels.

The key changes proposed in this review relate to kerbside collections times, waste management plans for commercial or industrial resource and building consents, as well as events.

This draft Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw 2019 will, upon adoption, replace the Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw 2012.

To have your say go to selwyn.govt.nz/wastebylaw2019.

Submissions close at 5pm on Friday 13 September, 2019.



On the roads this week

Emergency work and flooding repairs are being carried out on Malvern Hills Road, Hartleys Road, Harper Road, Coleridge Road, Coaltrack Road, Farr Street, Gerkins Road, Curries Road, Hauschlds Road and Osborn Road. Bridge protection is being carried out at Mt White. Please stop on request at these sites.

Footpath construction is taking place in Darfield on North Terrace, Currie Street, McIlraith Street, Kimberley Road, Longdon Road and Holmes Road. These footpaths will be closed during the construction.



Selwyn Events

SATURDAY

24
AUGUST

Child Restraint Installation Checks

Selwyn District Council carpark, 2 Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston, 10am–2pm

Come and get your child car seat checked by a qualified technician. Our car seat champions will be providing advice and able to answer any queries you have. Book via private messaging [facebook.com/selwyncarseats](https://www.facebook.com/selwyncarseats). Koha/donations of rice or pasta for the Ellesmere Foodbank are greatly appreciated.

SATURDAY

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AUGUST

Pre-loved Book Fair

Lincoln Green beside Lincoln Library, 10am–1pm

The Lincoln Farmers' and Craft Market is holding its annual Pre-loved Book Fair. Come browse and grab some bargains. All proceeds go to local fundraisers.

SAT & SUN

24&25
AUGUST

Mad Hatter's Tea Party

Lincoln Library, 1–3pm

Join in a weird and wonderful afternoon for all the family, creating delightfully wacky hat creations followed by a tea party.

SUNDAY

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AUGUST

Have a Go Day

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre and Domain, 12–3pm

Have a Go Day is back to showcase the sport and recreation activities that West Melton and the wider district has to offer. Have a go at a huge variety of indoor and outdoor sports, activities, games and challenges

TUESDAY

27
AUGUST

Prebbleton Community Centre development drop-in session

Prebbleton Cottage, 4–5pm and 6–7pm

Come give your ideas on the proposed Prebbleton Community Centre. Provide feedback on the information received so far and discuss the use and location of the proposed centre.

THURSDAY

29
AUGUST

Keep Selwyn Beautiful

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre, 7pm

The new Selwyn branch of Keep New Zealand Beautiful is holding its first meeting. Community members are invited to attend and learn more about the work that we undertake. Light nibbles will be provided. For more information contact: Craig.watson@selwyn.govt.nz or 027 807 2097.

SATURDAYS

31 AUG, 7
AND 14 SEPT

Patternmaking Workshop

Lincoln Library, 11.30am–3.30pm

These three Saturday workshops will take you through the process of designing a garment, from copying a basic garment to designing your own. Tea and coffee provided. \$30 for library members, \$40 non-library members, per workshop. Bookings essential at [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

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

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