



## Bringing Selwyn tourism together

Working together to maximise the potential of Selwyn was a theme as some of the district's main tourism operators gathered recently in West Melton.

The Council's second annual tourism summit was held at the West Melton Community and Recreation Centre, offering a chance to network and listen to expert speakers.

The summit featured presentations and workshops led by Lincoln University senior lecturer in Tourism Jo Fountain, Anton Wilke from Christchurch NZ and Stu Waddel, director of Canterbury tour company Chill.

It also profiled local producers, showcasing what is available in the region for operators to tap into.

Council Community Relations manager Denise Kidd says it was great to hear positive feedback from many of the businesses that attended. The summit was a great opportunity to look at fresh ways to boost tourism in Selwyn.

"Every speaker spoke about the importance of businesses finding ways they could work together to grow tourism opportunities in Selwyn and strengthen their own businesses.

"That's something we really want to encourage and it was great to hear from some of the businesses on how much they appreciated the connections they were able to make."

The Council team was busy with ideas from the summit to support tourism such as a calendar of events (for both locals and tourists) and a possible online platform that businesses can use to communicate with each other, along with opportunities to get a group together to plan how the sector can promote itself and the district at the national TRENZ tourism expo in Christchurch next year, she says.

Melton Estate owner Philip Caunter says he found it valuable to meet people he knew of and to hear from the speakers. He was particularly impressed with new Council branding ideas that were shared with the group ahead of being rolled out through the year.

"It was good to be involved. I think just doing it was the most important thing. But I was impressed Council invested so much people time. That was a signal to me that Council are serious about this – it was really positive."

## Your water rates – ensuring reliable, safe supply

Households on Council urban water supplies have been receiving their latest water rates accounts over the past four months.

Every six months, households are billed for their volumetric charge, which is based on the amount of water used. There's also a fixed annual charge, which is billed separately on the invoice.

For the majority of households, the current water rate includes a fixed charge of \$235 a year, plus a volumetric charge of 46 cents per cubic metre of water (1000 litres). There is no longer an allocation of water.

Water meters have been progressively installed across Council water supplies over a number of years, and are installed as standard in all new subdivisions. Currently over 98 percent of households on Council water supplies are metered.

Water rates fund the ongoing costs of operating the water supply, and maintaining and renewing the infrastructure so that it continues to operate at an acceptable level of service – ensuring Selwyn residents have access to reliable, safe, clean water.

All councils charge for water supply. Some councils charge households a fixed water rate, some charge a rate based on a property's capital value, some charge a variable amount based on the amount of water used (volumetric charging), and some charge a combination of these methods.

For more information on water meters and charging, see [selwyn.govt.nz/watermetering](http://selwyn.govt.nz/watermetering).

## How are we doing?

The Council's Annual Residents Survey is now under way. The survey allows the Council to monitor our performance across a number of services like parks, roads, water, libraries and swimming pools by asking for feedback from residents.

Around 400 Selwyn households will be asked to participate in the survey via telephone and online. The responses will help the Council in its decision making and ensure we are offering the best service we can for people in Selwyn.

## Gansu Fellowship

An opportunity to learn and travel is exciting Council strategy and policy planner Robert Love as he prepares for a month living in China.

Mr Love was selected by the Selwyn Sister City Committee to be the district's representative on the Gansu Sister City fellowship this year.

The fellowship sees people from Gansu Sister Cities around the world spending a month in the province in late August and September.

The trip includes lectures on Chinese history, culture, tourism, technology, education, health and economic development and trips around the province.

Selwyn has been part of the fellowship since 2006.

Mr Love, who has worked at the council for two years, says the fellowship is a great opportunity to get out of his comfort zone and discover a new country, he says.

The trip will also present professional opportunities that will help inform his work back here in Selwyn.

"Gansu is facing some very significant land use issues around aspects such as desertification, air and water pollution, the intensification of rural areas and the conflict between production and population growth. As a town planner I am interested in how the issues are being addressed. Gansu is also home to some massive afforestation and solar generation projects."

The downsides of being away for the All Blacks Rugby World Cup opener and being nervous about the language barrier will be made up for by opportunities to travel and learn, he says.

"Being a history tragic, what better place to indulge this than going to a place which can boast one of the oldest civilisations on the planet, and brought us some of the great inventions of the world. It will be awesome to go see some of the sites China is known for such as the Great Wall and the Terracotta Warriors, and it would be great to see some giant pandas, because who doesn't like pandas."



## Thinking about standing for local elections?

People thinking of standing for elections are encouraged to attend a candidates information evening next week.

Elections for Selwyn District Council and Malvern Community Board are coming up in October.

Standing for local government is a great way for you to have a meaningful say on issues that affect our communities.

Nominations for candidates open on 19 July and close on 16 August.

The candidate information evening will be held on Thursday 4 July, 7pm at the Council offices in Rolleston.

Information about the elections, and candidate requirements, is also available in the Candidate Handbook, which can be downloaded from the Council website [atselwyn.govt.nz/elections](http://atselwyn.govt.nz/elections).

Voting papers will be delivered in late September and voting closes on Saturday 12 October.

### Look out for your guide to all Council activity programmes in your letterbox this weekend\*.

Check out what's on offer during term three:

- Recreation programmes
- Libraries programmes
- Aqua Fitness classes
- Workshops and events

[selwyn.govt.nz](http://selwyn.govt.nz)

\*Lincoln deliveries week commencing 5 July



Notices

DOG REGISTRATION STARTS IN JULY

Dog registrations are due from 1 July, with discounted registrations fees available for July. A re-registration notice will arrive in your inbox or letterbox by 1 July.

Payment can be made online, by internet banking or at a Council service centre. All dogs older than 3 months must be registered every year (July–June). The fine for an unregistered dog is \$300. If paid by 31 July 2019, the discounted registration fee applicable is:

- \$10 Administration/Owner fee
- \$30 for each dog owned by the same person and held at the same locality.

Payment after 31 July 2019 the full registration fee applicable is:

- \$15 Administration/Owner fee
- \$40 for each dog owned by the same person and held at the same locality.

If you have changed your email address or postal address since last year's registration, please contact Animal Control on 03 347 2910.

DARFIELD KIRWEE WASTE WATER CONSULTATION

The Council is seeking feedback from the community on the possible development of a wastewater scheme for Darfield and Kirwee. A meeting with businesses will be held at Darfield Library and Service Centre on Thursday 27 June 2019 at 1pm and a public meeting at the same location at 6pm. If you wish to attend

either please RSVP at water.manager@selwyn.govt.nz. A drop-in session will also be held on Saturday 29 June 2019 at the same venue from 10am–1pm, this will also be a time to provide feedback to Council staff and ask questions about the potential project.

ROLLESTON DOG PARK CLOSED

Rolleston Dog Park will be closed for off-lead dog exercise on 13–14 July from about 7.30am–4pm for a Selwyn Dog Training Club dog obedience competition. The club is happy for people to come and watch the competition, but spectators with dogs are asked to keep them on a lead and well away from the competition area.

EXPERIENCED SPORTS PEOPLE WANTED

The Council's Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee is seeking applicants from residents in the Springs, Ellesmere and Selwyn Central Wards to become a member. The committee meets twice each year to consider applications for funding from clubs seeking assistance with travel costs to local competition matches. The position lasts three years and travel expenses will be reimbursed.

The ideal candidate will have been actively involved in sport and/or sports administration, have an overview of sport/recreation in Selwyn and will be keen to encourage and promote sport in Selwyn district. Applicants need to be resident in the ward they are applying for.

Applications from those interested must be in writing, including details of sporting/sporting administration involvement, and be received by 5pm Friday 5 July 2019.

Applications may be emailed to stuart.westoby@selwyn.govt.nz or posted to:

SPORT NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee Position  
Selwyn District Council, PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643  
Attn: Stuart Westoby  
Further information regarding the position may be obtained from Stuart Westoby ph (03) 347 2708.

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. A clinic will be held on Friday 5 July at the following places:

Lincoln: 9–9.30am  
Leeston: 10.15–10.45am  
Darfield: 11.30am–12pm  
Rolleston: 12.45–1.15pm  
Microchipping will not take place if wet. If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 347 2800.



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

Executive Committee

Wed 26 Jun 6pm  
Springston South Soldiers Memorial Hall, Days Road

District Plan Review Committee

Wed 26 Jun 9am  
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 2 Jul 2pm  
Lincoln Event Centre

Property Committee

Wed 3 July 10am  
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

Audit & Risk Subcommittee

Wed 3 July 3pm  
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

Council meeting

Wed 10 Jul 1pm  
West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 25 Jun 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Management Committee

Mon 1 Jul 7.30pm  
Darfield Recreation Centre

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 3 Jul 7.30pm

Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 8 Jul 7.30pm  
Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

Leeston Community Committee

Mon 1 Jul 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room

Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 8 Jul 7pm, Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

Rolleston Community Centre Management Committee

Thur 27 Jun 7pm  
Rolleston Community Centre

Southbridge Advisory Committee

Mon 8 Jul 7pm  
Southbridge Hall Meeting Room

Tawera Memorial Hall Committee

Wed 3 Jul 7pm  
Tawera Memorial Hall

Waihora Park Reserve Committee

Tue 2 Jul 7.30pm  
Waihora Bowling Club, Motukarara



On the roads this week

Surfacing work will be carried out on Coaltrack Road and Clintons Road until Friday 28 June.

Traffic management will be in place at this time.

Footpath construction will be taking place on Forbes Road from Michaels Road to School Road, Michaels Road from Old Tai Tapu Road to Forbes Road, Prebblewood

Drive from Trents Road to Dewar Lane, Edward Street from Millstream Drive to Southfield Drive, Birchwood Close and Crown Close, until Friday 28 June.

Selwyn Events

SATURDAY

29  
JUNE

Matariki

Rolleston Library, 10am–4pm

Enjoy the district's final Matariki celebrations with a Matariki story time and shared kai at 10.30am, a weaving workshop with Ngāi Tahu artists from 11am–2pm, have fun at the creative activity station or just stop in to see the stars projected in the library.

SATURDAY

29  
JUNE

Patternmaking Workshop

Rolleston Community Centre, 10am–3pm

This workshop will have an expert showing you how to create a draft pattern from your favourite garment and use it to fashion your own version. Equipment and light refreshments provided. Please bring your favourite garment to adapt and your own lunch. \$30 for Library card holders, \$40 for non-card holders. Bookings essential at Eventbrite.co.nz. Recommended for adults 18 years and over.

UNTIL

4  
JULY

Matariki photography exhibition

West Melton Community and Recreation Centre

See some amazing photographs of the night sky from members of the Canterbury Astronomical Society. See selwyn.govt.nz/matariki for times.

UNTIL

7  
JULY

Ewe Beauty II

Down by the Liffey Gallery

An exhibition from Southern Felters, a Canterbury-based creative fibre group, who will be exhibiting an array of their felt objects - from wall art and sculptures to jackets and other wearable art. Open Wed–Thur 11.30am–2.30pm and Fri–Sun 10am–4pm.

SUNDAY

7  
JULY

Mahoe Reserve Planting Day

Mahoe Reserve, 2pm

Join the community for an afternoon of planting and restoring the native environment. For more information see Eventbrite or contact Sue on 021 100 1009 or mahoereserve@gmail.com

MON & THUR

8 & 18  
JULY

Leading Learners 2019

8.30am–1pm

Leading Learners is a dynamic driving course for Selwyn teenagers and their parents or caregivers, coordinated by Selwyn District Council. For more info and to book search Leading Learners on eventbrite.co.nz

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  
Ph 347 2876

(03) 347 2800  
Darfield call free 318 8338  
www.selwyn.govt.nz  
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