



# Digital museum gives glimpses into our history

Lincoln has been turned into a giant museum where anyone with a smartphone can glimpse the history of the world around them.

A trail through Lincoln is the first for the new Township Trails Selwyn smartphone app showcasing the town's past.

The app, used internationally by museums and historical societies, contains a map with 31 highlighted destinations and a suggested walking tour through the town. At each location the app gives the history of the site including pictures, letters and other details gathered by the Lincoln and Districts Historical Society, Council's district arts coordinator Becca Bouffandeau says.

"You can stand on a spot and see glimpses of life as it was there."

The app got its first outing at the Selwyn Heritage Network pop-up museum at the Ellesmere A&P show last week. The museum proved extremely popular at the show with its interactive and informative displays. The Township Trails app was a particular highlight with many people keen to get exploring in their area.

The project is a partnership between Council and the Selwyn Heritage Network - a network of the district's historical societies and museums, which have generously provided access to their archives, Ms Bouffandeau says. More trails are planned across the district starting with a Dunsandel trail due to be available from later this year.

"It's taking these incredible collections from our historical societies and turning the district into the world's biggest museum by making this information available everywhere. You don't have to go to a building — you can see it anywhere."

You can download the Township Trails app from the Google Play Store or the iTunes AppStore.

For more on history in the district check out the How To Research Your Property event at Lincoln Library, Thursday 7 November 6.30–7.30pm, with Dr Christine Whybrew from Heritage New Zealand.

## Edge Connector gets out and about

Look out for Selwyn Libraries' newest library experience – the Edge Connector Vehicle, at events and communities around the district in the coming weeks.

The Edge Connector will be visiting Rolleston Fireworks, Prebbleton Market, Windwhistle and Rakaia Huts for the start of November, showcasing how it can connect you to a whole new world of learning and library experiences.

Browse a selection of items available to borrow, download our new app and see the full range of e-resources you can subscribe to. The vehicle can be kitted out with different resources at different locations, such as our fab new technology kits with microscopes, telescopes, robotic kits and entry level VR equipment and resources such as a 3D printer and sewing machines.

Date	Time	Location
Fri 1 Nov	9.30–11.30am	Rakaia Huts Community Centre
Sun 3 Nov	12–4pm	Prebbleton Market
Tue 5 Nov	1–3.30pm	Windwhistle School
Sat 9 Nov	5–9.30pm	Rolleston Fireworks at Foster Park



## A Halkett family affair

*Continuing our series celebrating the Faces of Selwyn. Visit [selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn](http://selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn) for the full story.*

Graeme Oakley's roots in Halkett, near West Melton, go back almost 150 years.

"Where we live now is where my great grandfather moved in 1873. In addition to the title he ended up being foreman of the work on the Waimakariri, building stop banks and groynes. My father moved to Hororata in 1934, that's where I was as a small child and a teenager. The farm in Halkett expanded and I bought it in 1962 and have been there ever since."

The move back to Halkett came in the same year as he married Dorothy, from Glentunnel, and the pair raised five children on the farm.

He mainly farmed potatoes, followed by his youngest son Robin, who set up his own potato farming business to become the largest fresh produce producer in the district.

Dorothy, who died eight years ago, received a Queen's Service Medal for her many and varied local and national leadership roles including leading the establishment of the Canterbury Rural Support Trust, and with Rural Women of New Zealand (then the Women's Division Federated Farmers).

Dorothy and Graeme shared a love of Scouts. Dorothy received a Medal of Merit from Scouts for her role and Graeme is joint patron of the West Melton Scouts with long-time friend Colin Watson.

The couple enjoyed tramping, canoeing and shooting and Graeme was New Zealand team manager at the Oceania Small bore Rifle Target shooting team in 1980 and 1984.

They also enjoyed cycling, and Graeme has travelled thousands of kilometres on international cycle tours.

"It's taken me to some interesting places; Madagascar, Iceland, Norway, the Andes, and in Bhutan earlier this year. I'm going to Japan this year, doing two tours."

Halkett remains home though. "I like it as an area. I'm an hour to the beach, an hour to Porters Pass and the mountains, Lake Coleridge, I can be home from town in half an hour. It's been a good place to be."



## Kids' Christmas Market open for stallholders

The annual Rolleston Kids' Christmas Market is back this year on Saturday 7 December. Registrations have opened for stalls and children are being encouraged to sign up.

The market, hosted by the Council and Rolleston Community Centre, is a great opportunity for children to buy or sell some pre-loved treasures, make some pocket money and get presents before Christmas.

Stalls are open to children 5–15 years and a caregiver is required. No sales of food or drink. Stalls \$5 each; book by 5 December at [Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz).





Notices

MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service is available on Friday 8 November at the following places:

- Darfield 9–9.30am
- Rolleston 10.15–10.45am
- Lincoln 11.30am–12pm
- Leeston 12.45–1.15pm

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.

Please note:

- All clinics last for only half an hour.
- The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive. All others are libraries.
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.

If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

**WIN FAMILY PASS TO HIGHLAND GAMES**

We've got four family passes to this year's Hororata Highland Games to give away. The games celebrate all things Scottish. Go into the draw by heading to the Council Facebook page and comment with a photo showing us how you celebrate your heritage. Entries close Friday 1 November at 12pm.

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 the Council meeting 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](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.*

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD

**Council (Inaugural Meeting) & Malvern Community Board (Inaugural Meeting)**  
Wed 30 Oct 5pm  
Tai Tapu Community Centre

**Council**  
Wed 6 Nov 1pm  
Tai Tapu Community Centre

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Broadfield District Community Committee – Triennial meeting**  
Wed 6 Nov 7.30pm  
Broadfield Hall

**Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Management Committee**

Mon 4 Nov 7.30pm  
Darfield Recreation and Community Centre

**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wed 6 Nov 7.30pm  
Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park

**Dunsandel Community Committee – Triennial Meeting, ordinary meeting to follow**  
Mon 18 Nov 7.30pm  
Dunsandel Community Centre

**Glenroy Community Hall Committee – AGM**  
Tue 19 Nov 7.30pm  
Glenroy Community Hall

**Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee – Triennial meeting**  
Mon 11 Nov 7.30pm  
Sports Pavilion, Kirwee Recreation Reserve

**Kirwee Township Committee – Triennial meeting**  
Mon 18 Nov 7.30pm  
Kirwee Community Hall, A&P Showgrounds

**Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee – AGM**  
Fri 22 Nov 7.45pm  
Ladbrooks Community Hall

**Leeston Community Committee**  
Mon 4 Nov 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room

**Lincoln Community Committee**  
Mon 11 Nov 7pm, Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

**Rolleston Community Centre Management Committee – Triennial meeting**  
Thu 31 Oct 7pm  
Rolleston Community Centre

**Rolleston Residents' Association Inc.**  
Tue 29 Oct 7pm  
Rolleston Community Centre

**Southbridge Advisory Committee**  
Mon 11 Nov 7pm  
Southbridge Hall

**Springfield Township Committee – Triennial meeting**  
Tue 5 Nov 7.30pm  
Tawera Memorial Hall

**Tawera Memorial Hall Committee – Triennial meeting, ordinary meeting to follow**  
Wed 6 Nov 7.30pm  
Tawera Memorial Hall

**Waihora Park Reserve Management Committee – AGM**  
Tue 5 Nov 8pm  
Waihora Bowling Club, 166 Park Road, Motukarara

*For more information please contact Janine Duckworth 329 7377 [jaduckworth111@gmail.com](mailto:jaduckworth111@gmail.com)*

**Weedons Residents' Association**  
Tue 5 Nov 7.30pm  
Weedons Reserve Pavilion

**Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee – Triennial meeting, ordinary meeting to follow**  
Mon 11 Nov 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Hall

Animal Control bylaw – have your say

Our population is growing, especially in our townships, and this means the number of pets and animals we have in and around our homes is growing too.

Pets and animals are important to our community's wellbeing. But with increasing numbers of pets and animals, we also need to have sensible regulations around how animals are managed and controlled in Selwyn.

Dogs are already managed under separate legislation, so we're now starting to think about developing a bylaw that will help manage issues to do with the keeping of other animals in urban areas. This will particularly deal with public health, safety and nuisance problems. As part of this we'll also be considering whether any specific controls on cats should be included in the bylaw, such as microchipping and desexing.

We're seeking the community's input on some of the areas to be included in the proposed bylaw. Your feedback will help us develop a draft bylaw, which will then be opened for formal consultation in mid-2020.

To have your say go to [selwyn.govt.nz/animalbylaw](http://selwyn.govt.nz/animalbylaw) and complete the online survey.

Feedback closes at 5pm on Friday 22 November 2019.



On the roads this week

Broadlands Drive will be closed from Goulds Road to Springston Rolleston Road 4pm–10pm Saturday 9 November for the Rolleston Fireworks Display (or Sunday 10 November if the fireworks are postponed). A detour will be in place. Any queries can be directed to Joanne Harkerss 347 2887.

Footpath construction is taking place in Darfield on Kimberley Road and McLaughlins Road and in Springfield on East Street. These footpaths will be closed during the construction.

Selwyn Events

SATURDAY  
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NOVEMBER

**Community Recycle Day**  
Cemetery Pit, Southbridge  
Leeston Road, 10am–4pm

Clean up your shed and garden and drop off garden waste, scrap metal, tyres, child car seats and e-waste. Some charges may apply. General rubbish, gas bottles, items containing oil or fuel, polystyrene or soft plastic can't be accepted. Go to [selwyn.govt.nz/recyclingdays](http://selwyn.govt.nz/recyclingdays) for more information.

SATURDAY  
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**Repair Café**  
Rolleston Community Centre,  
12–5pm

Got something that's broken? Head to this free café event run by Lincoln Envirotown. There'll be people with the skills to help fix electronics, sewing, woodwork, bikes, toys and computers. Part of the Lincoln Envirotown sustainability trail running in the first three weeks of November. See Eventbrite for details or contact Dave on 03 423 0445 or [projectmanagerlet@gmail.com](mailto:projectmanagerlet@gmail.com).

THURSDAY  
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NOVEMBER

**Chalk and Cheese**  
Darfield Library, 6–8pm

Learn how to create a landscape using pastel chalks with experienced local artist Mike Glover. Learn great pastel techniques, enjoy some delicious cheese and other refreshments in a relaxed and fun setting and take home a painting you did. This session will suit everyone from beginners to more experienced artists. Bookings essential at [selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz).

THURSDAY  
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NOVEMBER

**My Property: How to Research your Property**  
Lincoln Library 6.30–7.30pm

Learn how to start finding out all about the history of your property from Heritage New Zealand's Dr Christine Whybrew. Bookings essential at [selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz).

SATURDAY  
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NOVEMBER

**Rolleston Fireworks**  
Foster Park, from 5pm

The annual event is back to light up our skies and bring some fun. Brought to you by local volunteers. Entry fee applies. Postponement date Sunday 10 November.

SATURDAY  
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NOVEMBER

**Hororata Highland Games**  
Hororoata Domain, 9am–5pm

Enjoy the ninth annual games celebrating Scottish and Kiwi culture with a huge variety of stalls, food vendors and entertainment. Have a go at tossing a caber, archery or the mighty Tugging Rig. Connect to your Scottish heritage with the clans or discover medieval crafts and knight combat demonstrations while listening to international Celtic singer Steve McDonald. New in 2019 is the 'Best Dressed Lads and Lassies' competition. Discounted tickets on sale now at [hororatahighlandgames.org.nz](http://hororatahighlandgames.org.nz)

For information on listing a community event visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall)

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