

A youth-led project is aiming to keep Selwyn beautiful and inspire people with pride for where they live.

The Selwyn Youth Council has organised a Clean up the Liffey event as part of this year's Keep New Zealand Beautiful clean up week, which is running around the country this week.

Youth Council chairperson Liv Duder says the Clean up the Liffey event on Sunday 13 September, is part of a fortnight of volunteering that the Youth Council will engage in, helping out at foodbanks and tree planting.

The Liffey project was one she was particularly keen on, Liv says.

"I go to Lincoln High School and I see the Liffey regularly and it's often got rubbish in it. We wanted to do our part, to help our community and make it beautiful—because it is beautiful."

There has been a rise in volunteering and a sense of community during and after the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown, which the Youth Council is hoping to build on as people have seen the positives of volunteering and supporting their community, Liv says.

Getting young people engaged in volunteering early is important, she says, and will hopefully inspire them for a lifetime of giving back.

"I think it's nice to do things to make our community look better and to support local things and people. I think it can help take your mind off things and help you feel better. Hopefully, it will help them take pride in where they live."

Everyone is invited, but volunteers will need to RSVP at Selwyn.govt.nz/Liffeycleanup to meet COVID-19 Alert Level 2 requirements. The clean up will be held from 10.30am–12pm, meeting at Down By the Liffey Gallery (1 James Street). Gloves and bags will be provided!

# Rural water and water race users surveyed on long-term use

The Council is asking rural water and water race users about their future use and water needs.

As part of long-term planning we're surveying residents on the five rural water schemes to get a better understanding of how much water they use. We're also looking to find out from water race users their desire to keep using their water race and willingness to pay for this service.

Rural water supply and water race users will get letters over this coming week with further information about the surveys, which will help the Council in its planning about long-term water use through the Long-Term Plan.

Rural water users will also be given an opportunity to say whether they would like to reduce or increase the number of water units they receive.

Users who indicate they would like to reduce the number of units they hold will be contacted by the Council staff to explain the process.

## EV charging station construction begins

Construction of new electric charging stations is due to begin next week in Arthur's Pass and Castle Hill. The new stations are due to be completed by the end of this month, depending on the weather. Two new parks will be built on the roadside near the Castle Hill Community Hall and tennis court area and two carparks will be converted in the Council owned car park opposite the Department of Conservation offices on State Highway 73. Access to the carpark will be maintained, but four parks will be unavailable during construction. These are the first of six Council sites across the district where Orion and ChargeNet will be installing charging stations.

## A moment to celebrate who we are

Joining a moment with a million other people will be part of celebrations of Te Wiki o te Reo Māori in Selwyn next week.

Selwyn Libraries will be taking part in Te Wā Tuku Reo Māori, or the Māori Language Moment, where people are encouraged to speak, sing, listen to and celebrate te reo at 12pm on Monday 14 September.

The moment, organised by the Māori Language Commission, is aiming to get one million Kiwis to take part. People can sign up, or find ideas for how to take part at tuku.reomaori.co.nz.

Te Wā Tuku Reo Māori will be among a series of activities at Selwyn Libraries that you can join in marking the week, starting on Monday 14 September.

Nau mai, haere mai, ki te whakanui i Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. He pūrākau kei te haere! (Help us celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori with a storytime!)

Each library will have an activity sheet with basic Māori activities available to pick up and will be hosting poi making workshops and a storytime with waiata (songs) and some of our favourite stories in te reo.

Staff will also be running the poi workshop in a Selwyn kura (school) and collaborating with the school kapa haka group.

Libraries Programme Delivery Coodinator Bridie Frost says it's good to be a part of a valuable and fun annual celebration.

"Te reo Māori is an official language of New Zealand, so Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori is a chance to support part of who we are, and celebrate something unique to our country. The Selwyn Libraries team is also always looking for ways we can celebrate our culturally diverse community with initiatives like CultureFest, Diwali and many more, and Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori is an important part of that."

#### Te reo Storvtimes will be held at:

Rolleston, Tuesday 15 September 9.30–10am Leeston, Thursday 17 September 10–10.30am Lincoln, Thursday 17 September 10.30–11am Darfield, Friday 18 September 10–10.30am

#### Poi workshops will be held at:

Lincoln, Monday, 14 September, 3.30–4.30pm Leeston, Tuesday, 15 September, 3.30–4.30pm Darfield, Wednesday 16 September, 3.30–4.30pm Burnham Hub, Thursday 17 September, 1.30-4pm Rolleston, Thursday 17 September 3.30–4.30pm



## Foster Park in bloom

Thousands of daffodils are bringing a bright splash of colour to Foster Park.

The wildflower daffodil garden of 20,000 daffodils planted by volunteers and Council staff at the park is blooming. People are encouraged to enjoy the flowers while they last, but please don't pick them.





#### **Notices**

## **SUBMISSIONS OPEN ON FOSTER PARK GROUND**

The Council proposes to grant a Ground Lease to the Rolleston Rugby & Football Club Incorporated over the area of the newly relocation clubrooms at Foster Park, Rolleston, pursuant to Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977. This will encompass approximately 481m2 of part Section 1 Survey Office Plan 499096, comprised in Record of Title 794434. Any submissions should be addressed to the Acquisitions, Disposals and Leasing Officer by email to property@selwyn.govt.nz or by

post to PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643, prior to Friday 9 October

#### **PUBLIC MEETING COALGATE**

Coalgate Township Residents are invited to a public meeting with Council representatives on Tuesday 15 September at the Coalgate Bowling Club, Coaltrack Road, Coalgate beginning at 7pm. This is to discuss the Coalgate Paper Road Dedication project.

### **ALCOHOL NOTICES**

**Dunsandel Sports Centre** Incorporated has applied for the renewal of a club licence. Objections to this application

are open until Tuesday 15 September. For more information go to selwyn.govt. nz/alcoholnotices.

#### **DOG REGISTRATION REMINDER**

Dog registration reminders for 2020/21 have now all been sent. If you have not received your reminder or are having financial concerns regarding payment please contact the Dog Registration Admin Team on 0800 SELWYN (735 996). Dog registrations remain open until 20 September. A \$300 infringement may be issued to owners for dogs not registered by this date.

## 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 or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

#### **COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD**

Malvern Community Board drop-in session

Mon 14 September 2.30-5pm Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion Everyone welcome

#### Council\*

Wed 9 September 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices

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Wed 23 September 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices \*Livestreamed on Council website and YouTube channel

#### **DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Coalgate Township Committee Tue 22 September 7.30pm Coalgate Fire Station

#### **Dunsandel Community** Committee

Mon 21 September 7.30pm Dunsandel Community Centre

#### **Glentunnel Community** Centre Committee

Tue 15 September 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre AGM cancelled. Ordinary meeting to be held.

Kirwee Community Committee Mon 21 September 7.30pm Kirwee Community Hall

## Kirwee Recreation Reserve **Management Committee**

Mon 14 September 7.30pm Sports Pavilion, Kirwee Reserve **Lincoln Community Committee** 

Mon 14 September 7pm Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

#### Whitecliffs Township and **Domain Committee**

Mon 14 September 7.30pm Glentunnel Hall





Salim Wilson with his daughter Naomi (left), Nicola Hely (International high school Director at Darfield High School) with Darfield High School students, Rira Takahashi and Kota Arai (top right) and Pippa and Matt Smith with their daughter Harriet (bottom right), at the Council's Put Down Your Roots planting day at Chamberlain's Ford on Sunday. A group of 62 new and longer-term residents and Council staff planted just under 700 native plants at the restoration planting initiative.

## **RATES REMINDER**

By now you should have received your rates invoice for the first quarter of the 2020-2021 rating year, which was sent out in early August.

This invoice covers the period from 1 July to 30 September 2020, and is due for payment without penalty by 15 September 2020.

If you have not yet received your invoice, or if you would like to arrange to have your rates emailed instead of posted, please contact our Customer Services Team on 0800 SELYWN (735 996) to discuss, or email us at contactus@selwyn.govt.nz

If you have recently moved into a new dwelling in Selwyn, please phone or email us to update vour new address and contact details.

# Selwyn Events

**SATURDAY** 

**SEPTEMBER** 

## Haiku Workshop

Join us for an interactive workshop to discover the culture behind Haikus, what they are, and how to write them. Presented by local Jennifer Murray. This type of short form poetry is traced at least as far back as the 9th century in Japan. Free. Bookings essential at selwynlibraries.co.nz.

**SATURDAY** 

SEPTEMBER

**Discovery Time** Leeston Library, 11am-12pm

Come along to our weekly sessions with fun activities and experiments. Each month will focus on either science, technology, engineering, art or maths. You will learn how to grow crystals, make slime, construct marshmallow bridges, and more. No backing required booking required.

**SATURDAY** 

**SEPTEMBER** 

Rekindle felt bowls making Darfield Library, 1.45pm-3.45pm

Learn the basics of felting and make a bowl, using New Zealand wool. Please bring two towels, a bar of soap and a spare bag. All other materials will be provided. Bookings essential at selwynlibraries.co.nz. Suitable for 15+ years. \$10 for Selwyn Libraries member, \$20 for non-members. Payment can be made on the day, or in-library beforehand and is not required to secure the booking.

SUNDAY

**SEPTEMBER** 

**Board Games Club** Rolleston Library, 1.30–3pm

Love board games? Head along to Rolleston Library to play a variety of exciting games. Suitable for those new to board games, as well as regular players. Recommended for intermediate and high school students aged 8–18 years.

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**SEPTEMBER** 

**Colour Builders** 

Down by the Liffey Gallery, Lincoln,

the Liffey Gallery, featuring mid-Canterbury artists Joy Stack and Rowena Hart's vibrant work in acrylic, on canvas and in wood

