

The Selwyn Awards are back in 2020 to showcase all that's great about the district.

The biennial Awards recognise the outstanding work and achievements of businesses, not-for-profit organisations and individuals who live or work in Selwyn.

The awards, presented during a gala evening at the Lincoln Event Centre, are an opportunity to celebrate the success of people who contribute so much to our district, Mayor Sam Broughton says.

"Selwyn has a great mix of diverse people and organisations involved in building our community through the jobs they create, the businesses they operate, their voluntary contribution and beyond. The Awards are a chance to recognise their achievements and highlight some of the models and examples that continue to make Selwyn such a good place to live."

This year's awards have been given a fresh feel to encourage participation, highlight areas of particular excellence and enhance the gala evening on Saturday 1 August.

Categories and criteria have been updated and awards will be based on a points system, allowing for multiple gold, silver and bronze winners in each category along with an overall category winner. Businesses and groups will be able to enter themselves for awards when nominations open in April. New sponsorship opportunities are also available.

The aim is to keep building on the Awards' strong legacy, Council Group Manager Community Services Denise Kidd says.

"The Selwyn Awards are a fantastic way to recognise the great work of so many people in Selwyn and it's become an important night on people's calendars. We want to make sure that we're continuing to provide a fitting celebration of this community and we're looking forward to a really good night at this year's awards."

Intersections campaign aims for change

With all the growing statistics coming out of Selwyn here's one we are not celebrating. Every year in Selwyn there are 21 deaths and serious injuries caused by crashes at our intersections. 21. That's over 100 people in five years killed or badly hurt.

Intersection crashes are our biggest road safety issue and they don't discriminate.

These crashes are happening to everyone; young and old, male and female and at all types of intersections. They are happening day and night, any month or any day of the week. That's why it's so important that we check and check again – every intersection, every time.

We can have an effect on these stats. We can make a change. Take a good look at how you drive. Slow down. Stop at stop signs. Put your phone down. Wear your safety belt. Be the difference.

CHECK-CHECK AGAIN

Every intersection, every time.



Remembering 15 March

On March 15 we will reflect on the one year anniversary of the mosque attack in Christchurch which took 51 lives.

Mayor Sam Broughton reflects on the tragic event:

"The events of last year were a horrid time for those directly involved and for our wider community.

The response of love and kindness is an example to us all.

Showing love to those who love you in return is simple. Showing love to those who act aggressively towards you is next level love.

Selwyn is a multicultural district, and we are a more exciting and vibrant place for the diversity within our community. No matter your ethnicity or faith thank you for calling Selwyn your home."



Selwyn resident Shamsideen Iposu was at the Al Noor Mosque with hundreds of others when the gunman opened fire. He and wife Sade (pictured with their family below) shared their story as part of our Faces of Selwyn series on the people who make up this district.

Recalling the day, Shamsideen says, "I was in the mosque. I was lucky to be one of those that made it out. Some of us have moved on and gone back to the mosque to do our thing, no fear, no nothing, at least on my part. Not even the mosque incident will discourage us from being New Zealanders, we are here to stay and we like it here."

Sade praised the support of New Zealanders.

"People are really supportive and genuine here and it gives us comfort. Our Prime Minister had my respect."

The family first moved to New Zealand in 2003 when Shamsideen got a scholarship to complete his PhD at Lincoln University. After brief periods back in Nigeria and living in Christchurch, they settled in Rolleston in 2017, where they say they love the friendly people and find themselves becoming more involved in the community every day.

Visit selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn for the full story.



McMillan Reserve upgrade under way

The final steps to upgrade the McMillan Reserve in Southbridge will get under way this week.

The second phase of the development will include a flag pole, along with pathways, a seated courtyard, historical information panels, new benches, picnic tables and new planting. The work is expected to take up to 10 weeks to complete, depending on the weather. During this time the playground at the reserve will need to be closed for safety.

The \$180,000 reserve development began last year with an upgrade of the playground.

Design is under way for a war memorial, which will be installed at a later date and will commemorate over 200 local service men and women from World War I and World War II.



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Notices

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service is available on Friday 13 March at the following places:

- Rolleston 9–9.30am Lincoln 10.15–10.45am Leeston 11.30am–12pm
- Darfield 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 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 contract Tracey Wheeler on 0800 SELWYN (735 996)

FURTHER SUBMISSIONS ON PRIVATE PLAN CHANGES

The Council is calling for further submissions on Private Plan Change 60 - Kirwee and Private Plan Change 62 - Leeston. A summary of the submissions received, along with a copy of the original submissions to these proposed changes to

the Selwyn District Plan is now available for viewing at selwyn. govt.nz. Further submissions may be lodged by any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest or that has an interest in the plan change greater than the interest the public has. Submissions must be limited to support or opposition to an original submission made on the plan changes. Details on how to make a further submission can be found online or by contacting the Strategy and Policy Team on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

The closing date for further submissions on the plan changes is 5pm, Tuesday 24 March.

LAND DRAINAGE SPRAYING/ **CLEANING**

The Council is carrying out spraying and cleaning of classified drains over the next couple of months prior to winter. Landowners adjacent to classified drains should ensure that there is sufficient access to the drains to allow works to occur.

Any questions contact your local Land Drainage Committee

representative, or Council Surface Water Engineers by calling 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

INVITATION TO VISIT JAPAN

The Selwyn Sister Cities Committee and Malvern Community Board are inviting people to join their visit to the district's sister cities of Akitakata and Yubetsu in Japan in September.

The group will join a Darfield High School delegation travelling to Akitakata from 22–27 September. This will be followed by a visit to Yubetsu.

The group will also have the chance to visit local farms, Hiroshima Peace Park, and Miyajima Island and to visit other places independently.

The trip is at your own expense and some homestay accommodation will be provided.

Applications are open to adults who live or work in the Selwyn district. A good level of fitness is also essential. Applications close on Thursday 9 April. For an application form contact Bernadette Ryan on bernadette. ryan@selwyn.govt.nz or 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

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

Wed 11 March 1pm Rolleston Council offices

Malvern Community Board Mon 23 March 4pm Darfield Library

Council

Wed 25 March 1pm Rolleston Council offices

DISTRICT COMMITTEE **MEETINGS**

Coalgate Township Committee

- Public Meeting on proposed legalisation of undesignated roads in the township

Tue 24 March 7.30pm Coalgate Bowling Club

Coalgate Township Committee Tue 31 March 7.30pm Coalgate Fire Station

Dunsandel Community Committee

Mon 16 March 7.30pm Dunsandel Community Hall

Kirwee Community Committee Mon 16 March 7.30pm Kirwee Community Hall

ON THE **ROADS**

On the roads this week

Tennyson Street is closed from 43 Tennyson Street to the Rolleston Police Station due to the Rolleston Town Centre infrastructure upgrade. Lowes Road is one way both sides of the Tennyson Street intersection, open to traffic travelling away from the intersection, due to the intersection upgrade. Traffic management will also be in place on Tennyson Street from Bronte Way to just south of the intersection. Speed restrictions are in place on Springs Road between Birchs Road and Trents Road due to maintenance work on the water system. Seal repairs and resurfacing is taking place on Birchs Road, Cullens Road and Clintons Road. Traffic management will be in place for

these works. Footpath construction is taking place in Rolleston on Masefield Drive and Dryden Avenue. These footpaths will be closed during construction. NZTA has advised that Hoskyns Road is left in and left out only at State Highway 1. The Weedons Interchange is now fully open and Berketts Road is open for left turn in (southbound) traffic only from State Highway 1.

Selwyn Community **Funding Series**

Thursday 19 March, 5.30-7.30pm **Lincoln Event Centre**

A free workshop about the funding

To register contact



Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

MARCH

Food Lovers Masterclass Rolleston Community Centre,

'Waste-free warrior' Kate Meads, hosts a session on education around ways to reduce food waste when cooking and preparing meals. This is a Council sponsored event. Tickets are \$25 each or for a couple. Every ticket comes with a \$100 goodie bag. Booking required – to book visit

THURSDAY

MARCH

Waste Free Parenting

Workshop
Rolleston Community Centre,
6.30–9pm

This session hosted by Kate Meads will teach you exciting and inspiring ways to minimise waste, while introducing you to modern sustainable products for use in the home. This is a Council sponsored event. Tickets are \$25 each or for a couple. Every ticket comes with a \$100 goodie bag. Booking required – to book visit wastefreeparenting.co.nz.

FRIDAY

MARCH

Darfield Drive-in Movie: The Karate Kid (1984) Darfield Domain, 7–9pm

frequency on your car radio and head back in time to relive the 1980s cult classic that spawned a franchise.

SATURDAY

MARCH

Backyard Biodiversity Workshop

Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens, 10–11am

Mike Bowie will demonstrate how to attract native birds, lizards and insects to your garden. Gold coin donation. For more information see Eventbrite or contact Ruth Wood, 021 074 3905 or ruth.wood@xtra.co.nz

SUNDAY

MARCH

Lincoln Basketball Jam

Flemington Playground, 1–4pm Jump into a 3X3 basketball game. No Jump into a 3X3 basketball game. No registration required, come along with a team, join a team, or just watch the fun. Under 13 years, 1–2.30pm, over 13 years 2.30–4pm. Pack a picnic and make the most of the afternoon, with other games provided music and prizes. All ages welcome.

WEDNESDAY

MARCH

Lincoln Summer Skate Jam

Lincoln Summer Skate Jam Lincoln Skate Park, 3.30–5.30pm A great way to introduce young people to skating with free gear hire, prizes, music and coaching from Cheapskates Skate Skool. Join us in a relaxed environment to give it a go. Something for all abilities.

