



# Meet your street – it's on us

A wilderness garden party with Santa, lolly scrambles and friendly, fun games is helping build community spirit in Prebbleton.

This was the third year a neighbourhood pre-Christmas picnic has been held at the Wilderness Green in Prebbleton. Around 40 people attended the picnic, supported by the Council's Meet Your Street fund for neighbourhood events.

Emma McMulkin, who helps organise the Prebbleton event, says it started out as a one-off get together for members of a mums' group in The Woods subdivision to celebrate at the end of the year, and quickly snowballed into an annual event.

"We have games and families compete to take home a games trophy. We have new games each year. Last year we did tug of war and the three-legged race, the year before we had all the dads lined and the kids painted on shaving foam to form Santa's beard, the kids then threw cotton balls with the aim of sticking as many as they could to their dad's 'beard'. It definitely created a lot of laughs, especially for the mums watching!"

The event is a fun way to welcome new families to the area and build a good community spirit, with new families joining every year, she says.

"It brings everyone together and creates that bond, it's fantastic to see those friendships develop between the kids. One of the things we love about living in Prebbleton, and The Woods subdivision, is everyone has got to know one another well over the years and the picnic is just a great way to celebrate Christmas together".

The Council's Meet Your Street funding helped keep the picnic open to subdivision families, Mrs McMulkin says.

"It means we're not relying on people to front up with cash right before Christmas. It takes some pressure off everyone."

The Council's Meet your Street fund has up to \$75 per event available for people in the Selwyn community who would like to host a local street gathering, neighbourhood sports event or local kids treasure hunt.

To apply, go to [selwyn.govt.nz/meetyourstreet](https://selwyn.govt.nz/meetyourstreet), or get in touch with us at [meetyourstreet@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:meetyourstreet@selwyn.govt.nz).



## On the Roads

Hoskyns Road will be closed at the intersection with State Highway 73 until 28 February while Waka Kotahi NZTA carries out intersection safety improvements. A detour via Sandy Knolls Road is in place.

Night works will be taking place on Rolleston Drive and Dryden Avenue from 7pm – 7am until Friday 12 February to install a new water main and lay the surface for the new intersection. Rolleston Drive will be closed between Kidman Street and McCauley, and Dryden Avenue will be closed between Rolleston Drive and Overbury Street each night. Detours will be in place.

Night works will be taking place to resurface Jones Road between Hoskyns Road and Two Chain Road from Monday 8 to Friday 12 February. Seal widening work is taking place on Walkers Road from Tuesday 9 February. Pavement repairs are taking place on Selwyn Road, Springs Road, Birches Road, Te Piritā Road, Leaches Road and Bealey Road.

Traffic management will be in place for these works. Please follow all on site signage.

## Get your business started

Thinking about starting your own business? Has your employment been negatively impacted by COVID-19? The Start Me Up programme is running an informal session in Lincoln this Friday for people wanting to find out more about starting their own business. Start Me Up is a programme helping people who've had their jobs affected by the pandemic start their own business.

There will be opportunities to talk face to face with Selwyn business owners members of the Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, Ministry of Social Development, and the Council.

You'll also get the chance to connect with other people in your region who are interested in starting a business.

The session will be held at Lincoln Event Centre, Friday 12 February, 10–11.30am. For more information visit [startmeup.co.nz](https://startmeup.co.nz).



## Sky's no limit with community fund support

The sky's no limit for young people in Selwyn, thanks to support from the Selwyn Community Fund.

The fund, which started in 2018, supports community groups to run a project, event, or initiative for people in Selwyn.

Canterbury Glider Club Grants Coordinator Mike Marra says support from the Community Fund provided seed funding for a solo glider to use for teaching young people in the district and around Canterbury to fly.

It means, after several years without, the club has a dedicated single seater glider for youth to train in. The glider can also be used for school visits, giving Selwyn young people a hands-on introduction to gliding.

Rolleston teen Jack Clapham, 14, made his first solo flight in the glider at the annual Youth Glide Soaring Development camp at a youth glide camp in Omarama in December last year.

Solo flying is a life changing experience for young people like Jack, Mr Marra says.

"It gives the kids an unbelievable amount of confidence. I've watched kids come through the camp – they can be quite shy, and two weeks later they're gliding by themselves. You see them the next year and they're a totally different person. They're not allowed to drive, but you're giving them the responsibility to fly and it's really inspiring what it does for their personal growth."

While gliding can seem out of reach, the club and Youth Glide New Zealand provide subsidies for youth members to help make it attainable. The experience can lead to great opportunities, with pilots with gliding experience being highly sought after by airlines, he says.

Former youth glide member Nick Oakley, from Selwyn, has competed in gliding competitions internationally, while others have become professional pilots, including former All Black captain Richie McCaw.

Applications for funding from the Selwyn Community Fund are accepted all year round, but there are four dates in the year when applications are assessed and funds released. Applications for round two of the fund are open until 30 April. For criteria and application forms contact [selwyncommunityfund@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:selwyncommunityfund@selwyn.govt.nz) or visit [selwyn.govt.nz/selwyncommunityfund](https://selwyn.govt.nz/selwyncommunityfund).



Jack Clapham, 14, at the annual Youth Glide Soaring Development camp at a youth glide camp in Omarama.



## RATES REMINDER

By now you should have received your rates invoice for the third quarter of the 2020/21 rating year.

This invoice covers the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 March 2021, and is due for payment without penalty by 15 March 2021. 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 SELWYN (735 996) to discuss, or email us at [contactus@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:contactus@selwyn.govt.nz).

If you have recently moved to a new address in Selwyn, please phone or email us to update your address and contact details. Find out about payment options including EasyPay and online payments at [selwyn.govt.nz/rates](https://selwyn.govt.nz/rates).

# Council Call

Selwyn District Council  
Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 0800 SELWYN (735 996)

Rolleston Library  
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 347 2880

Darfield Library & Service Centre  
1 South Terrace, Darfield  
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2780



Notices

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service is available on Friday 12 February at the following places:

- Rolleston Council Offices 9–9.30am
- Lincoln Library 10.15–10.45am
- Leeston Library 11.30am–12pm
- Darfield Library 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. Microchipping will not take place if wet. If you have any questions regarding

microchipping, please contact us on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

ALCOHOL NOTICES

The Canterbury Hospitality Group Limited has applied for the renewal of an off licence. Objections to this application are open until 22 February. Barrett Pont Enterprises Limited has applied for an on licence. Objections to this application are open until 24 February. For more information visit [selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices](http://selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices).

Meetings

Public Forums: *Council, Community Board and local committees 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 Committee meetings: *To list or make changes to meeting details, email [meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 0800 SELWYN*

(735 996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Representation Review Subcommittee \*  
Wed 10 February 9.30am  
Rolleston Council Offices

Council Meeting \*  
Wed 10 February 1pm  
Rolleston Council Offices  
\*Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Dunsandel Community Committee  
Mon 15 February 7.30pm  
Dunsandel Community Centre  
Killinchy Community Centre Committee  
Mon 15 February 7.30pm  
Killinchy Community Centre  
Weedons Reserve Committee  
Mon 15 February 7.30pm  
Weedons Community Centre

New intersection opening in Rolleston

The opening of the new Rolleston Drive, Dryden Avenue, Norman Kirk Drive intersection and the Markham Way extension has been delayed to next week.

The intersection was due to open this week, but because of weather and site delays it is now due to open on Thursday 18 or Friday 19 February.

The upgrade has seen Norman Kirk Drive realigned, with traffic lights installed at the new intersection of Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston Drive and Dryden Avenue.

The extension of Markham Way, and the new intersection of Markham Way and Norman Kirk Drive will be opened at the same time.

The new intersection will improve traffic flow on Rolleston Drive, supporting access to the Christchurch Southern Motorway, and the Selwyn Health Hub on Norman Kirk Drive. It will also provide extra safety for pedestrians crossing Rolleston Drive.

The Markham Way extension will also support access to the Rolleston town centre and the traffic flow on Tennyson Street.

Traffic on Norman Kirk Drive will have the right of way over traffic exiting Markham Way, which will need to give way. Please drive carefully and observe all traffic signs and directions.

We appreciate people's patience with the road works required while this work has been carried out.



Changes to rates payment options

From 15 March 2021 you will no longer be able to pay your rates by cheque.

Banks are phasing out cheques, but there are still plenty of options to pay your rates. Switch to direct debit and pay when it suits you – weekly, fortnightly, monthly or quarterly. Or pay online, or in person at our Library and Service Centres or at the Council Offices in Rolleston. Head to [selwyn.govt.nz/rates](http://selwyn.govt.nz/rates) or give us a call on 0800 SELWYN (735 996) for more information.

Selwyn Events

THURSDAY  
11  
FEBRUARY

Glentunnel Picnic in the Park

Glentunnel Reserve, 5–7pm  
Come and join us for the first Glentunnel Picnic in the Park. Relax and enjoy some community and family fun with music, a free sausage sizzle, face painting and more.

THURSDAY  
11  
FEBRUARY

An Introduction to Beekeeping

Darfield Library, 10.30am  
Join Glynn and Alissa Cleaver from Kirwee Bees as they introduce the art of beekeeping in Selwyn. Free. Bookings not required.

FRIDAY  
12  
FEBRUARY

Board Games Club

Leeston Library, 3–4pm  
Love board games? Head along to Leeston Library to play a variety of exciting games. Suitable for those new to board games, as well as regular players.

SATURDAY  
13  
FEBRUARY

Pool of Rock Pool Party

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 1–4pm  
The last pool party of the summer is going to be big with local bands, inflatables and the opportunity to enjoy the pool with no lane ropes to be seen.

SUNDAY  
14  
FEBRUARY

A Month of Sundays

The Lincoln Green, 1–3pm  
Relax, unwind and recharge on your Sunday afternoon with live local music, face painting and forts and fairy tale-themed activities. Bring a picnic and enjoy. This week's line-up is Lynette Diaz, Kimono and Moonflower, with a magic show from Elgregoe the magician from 1.45pm.

MONDAY  
15  
FEBRUARY

Little Planters: Pot Decorating for Kids

Lincoln Library, 3.30–4.30pm  
Decorate a terracotta pot with unique fabrics and paint before planting seedlings in it to take home! All materials provided. Suitable for 7+ years. Free. Bookings essential.

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

Leeston Library & Service Centre  
19 Messines Street, Leeston  
Ph 347 2871

Lincoln Library & Service Centre  
Gerald Street, Lincoln  
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