



Tens of thousands enjoy new sports centre

More than 36,000 people aged 1–93 years old enjoyed the new Selwyn Sports Centre over the first month since it opened.

Over the month 36,458 people enjoyed a wide range of sports, group fitness and general recreation. Selwyn Sports Centre Manager Dave Tippet said the response had been huge.

Around 5000 people attended the opening family fun day with events and activities in and around the Selwyn Sports Centre and Selwyn Aquatic Centre, helping to raise \$4403 for the Halberg Foundation. The centre is open from 6am–10pm and has been busy all day, every day since, Mr Tippet said.

“We knew there was a need out there and it’s been brilliant to see the way that people have embraced the centre. We’ve got baby gym in here right up to our oldest group fitness class member at 93 and sports and activities for people all ages in between so it’s a fun space and people are loving using it.”

In the first month over 100 teams played in Selwyn Netball competitions and the Selwyn Hawks Basketball had more than 70 junior basketball teams playing at the centre.

Other sports including badminton and pickleball (a sport similar to tennis and badminton) filled the available court space with around 35–40 players a night. Futsal and table tennis are also popular activities at the Sports Centre. Over Queen’s Birthday weekend the centre hosted the Canterbury Floorball Open with 16 teams from around the South Island.

More than 3500 people attended group fitness classes and over 350 new members signed on to group fitness classes.

Along with the formal classes, club bookings and competitions, there were 1522 casual entries.

“That’s all people in their own time just wanting to come in, paying the \$3 entry fee to shoot some hoops, use the walking track, or play other sports like tennis, just making the most of the space.”

Social netball and volleyball leagues are starting, with other social and community events also being planned, and staff will continue to work with the community and trial ideas to make the centre available to all potential users.

Flood recovery support continues

Selwyn Emergency Management is moving to a recovery phase as it continues to respond to community needs.

A local transition period is in place, moving from the state of emergency to recovery.

Civil Defence will continue to work with Selwyn communities and other agencies to identify any damage or welfare needs and provide information on assistance and support services.

“We know many people are still suffering from the effects of this severe weather event,” says Recovery Manager Al Lawn.

“Even though we’re moving away from a state of emergency, we know that people have been hit hard by flood damage and other disruption, in both urban and rural areas across Selwyn. We will continue to work to support those affected.

“I would urge anyone who needs support as a result of this event to contact us. Likewise, if people know of friends, family or neighbours who have been affected and need help – get in touch and we will do what we can to help.”

Selwyn District Council’s Civil Defence team remains available 24/7 and can be contacted on 0800 SELWYN (735 996) or contactus@selwyn.govt.nz.



Stay safe on the roads this winter

Winter is back, with a new set of challenges for driving, so we’re encouraging drivers to be alert, slow down and increase their following distances.

As the weather changes driving challenges can change quickly with fog, ice, snow, rain, shorter daylight hours and sunstrike.

The district has many shaded areas, which prevent roads from thawing on cooler days. Staying alert and taking extra care is essential, but winter driving does not have to be dangerous or intimidating.

Preparing your vehicle and adjusting your driving for the conditions goes a long way towards ensuring your and others’ safety.

To help you start off safe we’ve created a four step checklist for when you start and one for when you’re driving. Before you start your car make sure your wiper blades, headlights and tyres are in good condition and your windscreen is clear inside and out.

And when you’re driving – make sure you can see clearly through your windows in all directions, watch out for shaded areas on the road, keep your distance from the car in front and if the weather is bad put your lights on.

More tips to stay safe

Plan ahead – check the weather forecast and avoid travel when conditions are poor. Slow down, increase following distances and be careful around corners and in shady places.

Driving in the wet

Stopping distances nearly double on wet roads. Slow down, keep a generous following distance, take corners slowly and heed road signs.

Driving in the snow and ice

Whenever possible, avoid driving in heavy snow. If you cannot avoid it, slow down, avoid braking suddenly and carry chains.

Driving in fog

Turn on your headlights and keep them on low (dip) beam. Only use fog lights when visibility is severely reduced. Slow down and keep a generous following distance.

Driving with sun strike

Keeping your windscreen clean, inside and out can make the difference between seeing someone and not.

For more tips on safe driving in different winter conditions visit our website at selwyn.govt.nz/winterdriving.

Road map for Community Committees confirmed

The Council has laid out a road map for the reforms of its community committees.

At last week’s Council meeting the Council agreed to a process over the next year, to discharge 46 committees as committees of Council.

This will relieve them of the legal responsibilities of being part of Council, while allowing them to keep functioning as independent community groups if they wish.

The Council will work with a remaining 24 committees on their future role and function and continue using the strong mechanisms in place for supporting volunteer community groups and community-led initiatives.

Community Services and Facilities Group Manager Denise Kidd says the decision is the next step in a long project working with the more than 70 committees to ensure communities were best served.

“Committees of Council have given great service and worked extremely hard for their communities over a long time. However, we have reached a point where being committees of Council has shackled some of these groups and caused frustrations. Most people agree 70 committees is too many and we need a better system.”

Those frustrations included the restrictions of having to comply with legal requirements such as Health and Safety legislation and not being able to submit to the Council’s Annual and Long-Term Plans.

“We have listened to those frustrations. We want to free groups to advocate for and work in their communities without being hampered by those requirements. Volunteer community groups shouldn’t have to wait for Council requests or permission to do good things with their community and for their community,” Denise says.

The Council will also work to re-focus the community committees system to create something that works for communities into the future. It will continue to work with, and support, the various volunteers, sports clubs and user groups keen to give back to their communities in roles associated with reserves, community pools and halls.

“We want committees to have a role representing their communities and we want to continue to be engaged, receiving feedback from people on the ground and support community-led initiatives.”

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

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE
73 (WEST ROLLESTON):
CALL FOR FURTHER
SUBMISSIONS

Rolleston West Residential Limited has requested to rezone approximately 160 hectares of Living 3 land to Living Z and Business 1 (Local Centre) on Dunns Crossing Road, West Rolleston.

A summary of the submissions on the request, along with a copy of the original submissions is now available for viewing at selwyn.govt.nz/pc73.

Further submissions are limited supporting or opposing an original submission. They may be lodged by any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest or who has an interest in the private plan change that is greater than that

of the public.

Information on how to make a further submission is available at selwyn.govt.nz/pc73.

The closing date for further submissions is 5pm on Wednesday 30 June 2021.

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service for dogs is available on Friday 25 June at the following places:

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

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires them to be microchipped. Please note: 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 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

RIVER WORKS ARARIRA/
LII RIVER

The LII drainage committee will commence weed cutting of the LII River until 17 June 2021. River users are asked to be careful during this time as machinery will be operating in the river. A weir/barrier will be in place 200m downstream of the Wolfes Road boat ramp for this period. This work is in accordance with Environment Canterbury consents CRC000818.1 and CRC000819. For further information please contact Council Water Services team on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

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 or phone 0800 SELWYN (735 996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.*

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY
BOARD MEETINGS

Representation Review
Subcommittee*

Wednesday 23 June 10am
Rolleston Council Offices

Council Meeting*

Wednesday 23 June 1pm
Rolleston Council Offices

Malvern Community Board

Monday 28 June 4pm
Darfield Library

Audit & Risk Subcommittee*

Wednesday 7 July 9.30am
Rolleston Council Offices

Council Meeting*

Wednesday 7 July 1pm
Rolleston Council Offices

* *Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel*

DISTRICT COMMITTEE
MEETINGS

Coalgate Township Committee

Tuesday 22 June 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Doyleston Community
Committee

Wednesday 7 July 7.30pm
Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park

Dunsandel Community
Committee

Monday 21 June 7.30pm
Dunsandel Community Centre

Glentunnel Community
Committee

Monday 28 June 7.30pm
Glentunnel Community Centre

Kirwee Community Committee

Monday 21 June 7.30pm

Kirwee Hall, A&P Showgrounds

Leeston Community Committee

Monday 5 July 7.30pm
Leeston Library

Leeston Park Committee

Monday 28 June 7.30pm
Leeston Park Pavilion

Rolleston Community Centre
Management Committee

Thursday 24 June 7pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Rolleston Residents'
Association Inc.

Monday 28 June 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield-Waddington
Community & Township
Committee

Thursday 17 June 7.30pm
Sheffield Hall

Springfield Township Committee

Tuesday 6 July 7.30pm
Tawera Hall

Springston Committees

Wednesday 16 June 7.30pm
Errol Tweedy Pavilion,
Springston Reserve

Selwyn Events

FRIDAY

18
JUNE

Live Stronger for Longer
Lincoln Library, 10.30–11.30am

The Live Stronger for Longer project is coming to Lincoln Library! Learn about the importance of keeping fit and active as we age. Find out how you can build your strength and balance so that you can stay steady on your feet. This includes two optional and low level strength and balance tests. Information about local community classes available on the day. Free.

FRIDAY

18
JUNE

Flash Fiction Masterclass
Rolleston Library, 10.30am–3.30pm

Join one of Aotearoa's top flash fiction writers for a masterclass in the super-short form, focusing on telling the story you want to tell in 250 words or less. Suitable for 16+ years. \$20 library members. \$40 non-members. Bookings essential. Payment can be made on the day, or in-library beforehand.

FRIDAY

18
JUNE

Cuddly Critters Matinée
West Melton Community and
Recreation Centre, 4.30–5.30pm

Bring your favourite teddy and join us for a picnic and movie! We are screening Moana and will have ice cream and popcorn available. For children aged 4 to 8 years. Free. Bookings essential at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

SATURDAY

19
JUNE

Lincoln Car Boot Sale
Lincoln Event Centre, 10am–12pm

Buy some pre-loved treasures! A great opportunity to declutter and grab yourself a bargain. Proceeds will be donated to the Selwyn Cancer Society.

SAT 19
AND
SUN 20

JUNE

Family Fun Night

Glentunnel Hall Saturday, Sheffield Hall Sunday, 4–6pm

Bring the family along for a fun night at your local community hall. Join in the games, enjoy some nibbles and find information on the local activities held in the community.

TUESDAY

22
JUNE

New Zealand Army Band
Quintet Series

Darfield Library, 11.30am–12pm

The New Zealand Army Band brass ensemble will present a variety of musical styles that will cater for all from the very young to the young at heart in this Selwyn Libraries concert series. Free. Bookings not required. See selwynlibraries.co.nz for more locations and times.

For information on listing a community event visit
selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall



On the Roads

Ford repairs are taking place on Adams Road between Bealey Road and Dip Road, Mills Road between Greendale Road and Warrens Road and Bridge Road between Greendale Road and Coaltrack Road. These fords are closed.

Lyndon Road, Keens Road, Benmore Road are closed for flooding repairs. Flooding repairs are also taking place on North Rakaia Road between Old South Road and Feredays Road, Bealey Road between Warrens Road and Greendale Road, Bluff Road between State Highway 73 and Dalethorpe Road, Malvern Hills between State Highway 73 and Bulls Road, and on Harper Road, Algidus Road, and Mt White. Traffic management is in place on these roads. Please take care and follow all traffic management signage.

Maintenance grading is taking place in Lincoln, Sheffield, Darfield and Leeston, please take care around the graders.

A new sewer line is being built along East Maddisons Road from Lemonwood Drive to Selwyn Road and Selwyn Road between Goulds Road and East Maddisons Road. This will require road closures that will move to be around the work site as it progresses. The work is expected to take from Thursday 24 June to Friday 30 July, weather permitting.

The first closure will be installed on Selwyn Road between Goulds Road and East Maddisons Road from 24 June. A detour will in place using East Maddisons Road and Goulds Road. The closure of East Maddisons Road between Lemonwood Drive and Selwyn Road is planned for during the school holidays, weather permitting.

A new culvert is being built on Volckmans Road at the intersection with Beethams Road from Monday 21 June. Traffic will not be able to enter Beethams Road from Volckmans Road. A detour will be in place.

Dispose of hot ash safely

FIRST

Bucket
and soak it



THEN

Spread on
your garden



OR

Bag it
and bin it



Hot ash can
cause bin and
truck fires

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Lincoln Library & Service Centre
Gerald Street, Lincoln
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