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Month of events to support employees and businesses

A month of helping Selwyn businesses and residents to learn, earn and grow begins today (Wednesday 2 March).

The Council has teamed up with employment and business agencies to host a month-long focus on learning, earning and growing employment and businesses in Selwyn.

Over the month, 24 Learn Earn Grow Selwyn events will be held across the district with experts offering advice and support for people at all stages of their employment from those looking for a job, to people looking to hire, or grow their businesses, with more being planned.

The programme will involve a mix of seminars, webinars, workshops, networking events, information sessions and employment opportunities covering topics from accounting to starting a business later in life and supporting new migrants and those employing new migrants. More sessions on topics such as business growth and marketing may also be added.

Sessions will be run by groups ranging from IRD to Citizens Advice Bureau, the Canterbury Employers Chamber of Commerce, Xero accounting and local businesses.

Learn Earn Grow Selwyn has been a long time in the planning for the Council, with a focus on finding places where it can support Selwyn business and be a facilitator in bringing different groups together, Council Group Manager Community Services and Facilities Denise Kidd says.

"We've spent some time asking our business community and potential employees what the challenges they face are and where the Council could be a support. In recent times we've also been running a growing number of similar stand alone events. This has been a lot of hard work and collaboration. We're really excited to see it coming together and grateful to so many groups for committing to taking part. Hopefully, it will be a boost to people through all parts of Waikirikiri/Selwyn and at all stages of work, education or training."

Inspiring women will kick off the month, with the first of a sold out four-part Hiwa Wahine series with insipring women sharing their career journey and support for other women to take the next step into work, education or training.

To find out more go to Selwyn.govt.nz/LEGS

Council services during COVID-19 outbreak

The Council is regularly reviewing its services to ensure we respond to any community outbreak in Selwyn and the latest Government COVID-19 requirements, while maintaining services to the community.

Our facilities and services remain open and we are working hard to keep them that way. However, as Omicron spreads within our communities, it is likely to affect our staff as well. This means our services may change at short notice.

Changes to our services could include:

- Some facilities may temporarily be closed due to a shortage of staff.
- Some facilities may temporarily reduce their hours of operation due to a shortage of staff.
- Some services, programmes or events may be cancelled.
- Some venue bookings may need to be relocated to alternative sites.
- Some services may take longer to deliver due to logistical challenges.

For the latest information on our services and facilities please see our COVID-19 page on the Council website selwyn.govt. nz/covid-19 or visit our facebook page facebook.com/SelwynDistrictCouncil. You can also contact the Council directly by

Email contactus@selwyn.govt.nz Phone 0800 SELWYN (735 996) Online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/contact-us.



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First buildings at Springs Reserve

Work on a new 22 hectare park in the Springs Reserve has passed a milestone with the first building being installed on site.

The reserve on Birchs Road between Prebbleton and Lincoln will feature a new dog park, sports fields, carparking, wilderness areas and bike tracks and be constructed in stages over the next five years.

This will include construction of numerous off road and sealed bike tracks, complete with jumps and a snake run. The tracks will be a similar style to those at Bottle Lake Forest.

The first bike tracks and buildings have begun to be installed with a new toilet block installed on the site last week and wooden tracks progressing on as part of the first 10 hectare area of the park.

That first stage, including three full and one half-sized sports fields and a fenced dog park, is expected to open to the public in spring 2022. The dog park will have an area set aside for small dogs.

The next steps for the project will include beginning to install lighting for the sports fields and completing the bike tracks for the area.

The second stage of building starting next year will see the development of changing rooms, public toilets and the main car park for the park, and is expected to be open in mid-2023. The final stage, an eight hectare area, will be developed in around five years' time and the total cost of the reserve is expected to be \$13.6 million.

The reserve will bring additional sports ground and reserve space to the Springs Ward, to meet the Council requirement for park space per head of population in the ward over the next decade.



Have your say on gambling venue rules

It's the last few days to have your say on the number of gambling machines allowed in the district and where they can be placed.

Consultation on the Council's Draft Gambling Venue Policy 2022 is open until 5pm Friday 5 March.

The policy controls where in Selwyn Class 4 gambling (pokie machines) and TAB NZ venues can be established, and how many gaming machines can operate at each venue.

The draft policy proposes to cap the maximum number of machines allowed in the district at 124 machines. It also allows existing pokie machines to be moved to new venues, provided they keep the same number of machines and meet all other policy criteria. Machines are not allowed in residential areas.

The Council doesn't have authority to:

- control hours of operation of TAB or pokie venues
- close down an existing gambling venue
- be involved in decisions about what happens to proceeds of gambling.

You can find out more or have your say on the draft policy at selwyn. govt.nz/gambling.

LINCOLN EVENT CENTRE

BEGINNER SPINNER OPPORTUNITY

Are you new to Spin classes? Join us for two free LesMills RPM classes each week for the month of March.

To register call 03 347 2983.

T&Cs apply.





Alcohol Notices

Barrett Pont Enterprises Limited (Hororata Village Café and Bar) has applied for the renewal of an on licence. G&T Catering and Event Limited

has applied for the renewal of an on licence. Objections to these applications are open until

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 MEETINGS

Council Meeting*

Wednesday 9 March 1pm via Zoom * Livestreamed on the Council website

AUDIT AND RISK SUBCOMMITTEE

Wed 2 March, 9am Via Zoom

and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Kimberley Reserve & Hall Committee Tuesday 8 March 7.30pm Kimberley Hall

Springston Community Committee Wednesday 16 March 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

Whitecliffs Township Committee Monday 14 March 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Committee



On the Roads

Tennyson Street is closed from south of 75 Tennyson Street (the Police Station) to 78 Tennyson Street and Rolleston Drive is one-way westbound for the upgrade of the Tennyson Street and Rolleston Drive intersection. Detours are in place.

Wordsworth Street is closed from Shelley Street to Moore Street until 6 February for a watermain renewal. A detour will be in place.

Burnham Road is closed to northbound traffic north of the Burnham School Road intersection to State Highway 1 from 10 January to 26 April as part of the Darfield Kirwee Wastewater Pipeline Project. A detour will be in place.

Aylesbury Road between SH1 and Two Chain Road is reduced to one-way only. Traffic will be able to enter from SH1 and move north past the one-way site. The one-way system will be in place until late April. Aylesbury Road between Wards Road and Miles Road also remains closed as pipeline project works continue. For updates on the project visit selwyn.govt.nz/darfieldkirweewastewater.

Seal widening is taking place on Weedons Ross Road from Kingsdowne Drive to Johnsons Road. Weedons Ross Road will be one-way open to traffic travelling south (towards Rolleston). A detour is in

Pre-seal repairs are taking place on Hororata Dunsandel Road between Mcwhas Road and Burgess Road and Malvern Hills Road between SH72 and Bells Gully Road.

Repairs are taking pace on Telegraph Road between Essendon Road and Bealey Road and Courtenay Road and Highfield Road and on Waimakariri Gorge Road between Woodlands Road and Waimakariri Picnic Road.

Traffic management is in place for these works. Please take care around work sites and follow site signage. Follow the QR code with this story for a map of these works, or view our road closures map at selwyn.govt.nz/roadclosures.



First holiday programme impresses at Selwyn Sports Centre

A new sports-based holiday programme will be back for the next school holidays after leaving children and parents buzzing.

The Selwyn Sports Centre ran its first ever holiday programme over the week of 25 - 28 January with 45 children aged 7-12 enjoying a range of sports and activies from table tennis to Aussie Rules and Frisbee.

Along with trying out 11 sports over the four days, attendees also visited the Selwyn Aquatic Centre and Mega Air and enjoyed a movie to finish off.

The aim of the programme was to provide something different as a fun offering for kids and adults Selwyn Sports Centre Manager Dave Tippett says.

"We had no idea how it was going to go, but the focus was on providing an exceptional experience and we've had good feedback from parents wanting kids to come back and promoting it to other parents. We know there's a bit of gap there for sports programmes like this. We want to provide kids with the full range of sporting opportunities and some fundamental skills around a variety of different sports and games, while having fun."

The outings and the variety kept it entertaining and had helped keep the children buzzing to come back each day.

More exciting activities have been lined up for the next holiday program from Tuesday 26 - Friday 30 April, such as heading to clip and climb and special guests from The Fencing Institute and Elsmere rugby jumping on board.





Event Guide

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Saturday 5 March

EduTech Fun

Te Ara Ātea, 10.30am–12.30pm

Discover STEAM Technology. Play and explore robotics using Sphero and Codey Rocky. Hear about how robotics are used in everyday life and learn how to code with your robot. Whether you're a kid, adult, student or teacher; all are welcome. Free. Bookings essential at selwynlibraries.co.nz

Saturday 5 March

Crafted Coffee Workshop

Te Ara Atea, 11–11.45am

Learn the art of coffee cupping to determine different characters of coffee from quality to flavour with Mark Chirnside from the Crafted Coffee Company. Taste coffee from different regions, roasts and processing. A small coffee pack will be available to take home. Suitable for 18+ years. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events. \$10 Selwyn Libraries members, \$20 non-members. Pay on the day, or inlibrary beforehand.

Sunday 6 March

Darfield Navigational Rampage

Darfield Domain, 12.30-2.30pm

Decipher the clues to discover all the hidden check points at Darfield Domain. Suitable for all ages and itiness levels – no navigation experience required.

Sunday 6 March

Science On Ice 2 - Penguins (Days of Ice) Lincoln Library, 2–3pm

Discover our favourite icy continent through this 5-part Science on Ice series! Create your own Antarctic creature using artist light pads, try quizzes, and journey with Sonny Ngatai as he explores Antarctica and learns about animal life on the continent. Free. Bookings essential, one booking per family bubble please. Book or find more sessions and times at selwynlibraries. co.nz/events.

Tuesday 8 March

Connecting Selwyn

Leeston Library, 10am-12pm

A drop-in session where you can find out about support in employmnet, education and training. The people at Connected will assist in finding the right service for your needs, joined by the Ministry of Social Development and supported by the Council. Free. Suitable for all job seekers. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz

Tuesday 8 March

Women-only Swim Night

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 7-9pm

Celebrate International Women's Day! The perfect opportunity for those who don't normally feel comfortable swimming at Selwyn Aquatic Centre. Instructors will be on hand for swimming advice and tips, aqua belts will be available and inflatables to splash around on. Windows open to public viewing will be covered up for your privacy. Normal pool admission applies. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

FOR INFORMATION ON LISTING A COMMUNITY EVENT VISIT SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/COUNCILCALL

