



CULTUREFEST CELEBRATING ACROSS SELWYN

CultureFest is back with an even bigger line up of events, classes and exhibitions across the district to celebrate the many diverse backgrounds that make up our community.

The popular annual gala has expanded, with a full line up of events over two weeks from 10-25 September across the district.

The annual Lincoln CultureFest day also returns to Lincoln Domain. After a year off due to COVID-19, participants are looking forward to being back with a vibrant celebration, taking all the senses on a trip around the world right at Lincoln Domain with food, games and performances.

"It's going to be an exciting fortnight. There's going to be so much to explore and enjoy about what makes Waikirikiri Selwyn what it is today and hopefully help us build closer community bonds into the future," Council Group Manager Community Services and Facilities Denise Kidd says.

Sport and dance are big parts of the wider CultureFest sessions with opportunities to try Futsal and Budo, or dance around the world with Afro dance, through traditional Chinese Lion Dance and Scottish dancing to more contemporary fusion of Bollywood and even K-pop.

Other events range from an Iranian morning tea or Japanese storytime through to exhibitions on the immigrant journey experience, Rangoli Art, Italian for beginners and the return of the popular Put Down Your Roots planting day.

Sharing favourite dishes is the theme for this year's Faces of Selwyn series. End each day by tuning into 96.9 PlainsFM at 5pm to listen as a series of Selwyn residents share their journeys to Selwyn and how to cook their favourite dish live on air, Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays from 12-22 September. Or you can listen via the podcasts on Spotify, iTunes, PlainsFM website or at selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn.

You can find out more about CultureFest and a full list of events at selwyn.govt.nz/culturefest.

Celebrating outstanding community service in Malvern

The long-awaited Malvern Community Service Awards returned last Monday, to recognise outstanding voluntary service in the Malvern community.

After a two year gap due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 11 people received awards at the ceremony.

The Hororata Community Response Team was recognised for its efforts supporting and preparing the community for Civil Defence emergencies.

Nine Community Service Awards were also given to long-standing volunteers.

Rob Frew was recognised for his prolonged involvement with the Darfield Cricket Club, coaching young Malvern cricketers and looking after the cricket grounds.

Allison Rosanowski was acknowledged for supporting the Selwyn District Sister City Committee for many years, connecting Selwyn to our sister cities including in Japan, China and Indonesia and encouraging educational opportunities.

Melissa Jebson received her award for promoting and organising many performing arts events in Selwyn and Sara Syme for her volunteer work with Plunket and the Darfield Toy Library.



Pauline Pearce and Gerald Innes were recognised as long-serving volunteers for several Malvern groups and volunteering at the Hororata Highland Games and Glow Festival.

Val McKenzie, Diane Woodward received their awards for several volunteer roles including serving as JPs and their involvement in a range of community groups and activities.

Gwen Heffernan was acknowledged for her efforts as a volunteer and member of the Greendale Golf Club, and says she was very grateful to receive the award.

"I feel it's a great privilege, Greendale Golf Club has meant a lot to me, and I think all these clubs need volunteers to survive, so I just feel a part of the team. You just feel as though you are doing something for the community."

Selwyn's economic boom continues

Selwyn's economy continues to be one of the strongest performers in the country according to new economic figures.

The latest quarterly figures from economic analysts Infometrics show the district's economy grew by 6.2% to the year to June 2022 compared to national growth of 0.9%. In the three months to June 2022 Selwyn had the second fastest growing economy in the country, with GPD up 6.9%.

Employment continued to grow strongly, with a 7.7% increase in Selwyn residents employed compared to the previous year – more than double the national average of 3.2%, while Selwyn's unemployment rate was at 2.2% compared to 3.3% nationally.

Consumer spending increased by 13.3% compared with 2.8% growth across Canterbury, underpinned, Infometrics says, by the district's strong population growth. This was also shown in the ongoing building boom, with the Council's consents team consenting over 1,100 new houses in the first half of this year. House prices continued to rise, with the Infometrics figures showing house values up almost 30% from June last year, compared to a 9% growth nationally.

The popularity of Selwyn as a place to visit was also underlined, with the amount spent by tourists in Selwyn grew 10.7% over the year to June 2022 compared to the previous year, as domestic tourism continued its bounce back from the pandemic lockdowns.

Get home safe – ride to survive

Ride to survive is the message for Selwyn motorcyclists.

With spring in the air and the promise of fine days to come motorcyclists around the country are gearing up to get back on the road and enjoy the better riding weather.

In the past three years, three riders have died and 43 have been injured in crashes on Selwyn roads.

The statistics show the main cause of motorcycle crashes in Selwyn is from the riders' own actions, mainly through poor handling techniques, poor observation, poor road positioning or alcohol. They also show these accidents most commonly happen in spring and summer, during the day, in dry conditions and on main roads.

The message is clear, riders need to ride to survive, Selwyn Road Safety Advisor Mike Patterson says.

"We want everyone to get home safe. When we look at the statistics the main cause of crashes is from riders' own actions. So there's an onus on riders to ride within your ability, take care and be vigilant. You need to leave yourself some space to react if things change."

There are simple tips riders can take to keep themselves safe, Mr Patterson says, such as slow down, keep a good road position to see and be seen and don't presume you've been seen by other road users.

Riders in Selwyn also have access to free, expert on-road coaching sessions through the Ride Forever programme, supported by the Council.

Ride Forever is a national programme that offers multiple levels of on-road coaching available to suit all needs and experience levels. The coaches offer an eight hour interactive instruction session and if you book through any of the three Canterbury trainers, the Council will cover the cost.

For more information on Ride Forever or to sign up visit selwyn.govt.nz/motorcyclesafety.



MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL – two months for the price of one!*

Get back into a fitness routine with one of our group fitness or swimming memberships. Join between 1 and 7 September to receive this membership special. (T & Cs apply).

Register now!

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Notices

Dog microchipping

This free monthly service is available on Friday 2 September at:

- Darfield Library, 9-9.30am
- Lincoln Library, 9-9.30am
- Leeston Library, 9-9.30am
- Rolleston Council Offices, 11-11.30am

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.

- Clinics last for 30 minutes
- Rolleston venue is Norman Kirk Drive (off Rolleston Drive).
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.

Any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Animal Control on 0800 SELWYN (735996)

Notification of Council Decision: Private Plan Change Requests 68 (Prebbleton) and 71 (Rolleston):

The Council resolved to accept the Commissioner's recommendation to approve Urban Holdings Limited's request to rezone approximately 67 hectares of land on the northern side of Hamptons Road, Prebbleton to Living Z.

The Council has also resolved to accept the Commissioner's recommendation to approve in part Four Star Development Limited and Gould Developments Limited's request to rezone approximately 53 hectares of land on the northern side of Lincoln Rolleston Road and the southern side of Levi Road, Rolleston to Living Z. The land under the 50dBA airport noise contour remains zoned Rural.

The full text of these decisions can be read online at selwyn.govt.nz/pc68 and selwyn.govt.nz/pc71, at the Council's Rolleston Headquarters, or online at Council libraries and service centres.

Anyone who made a submission on these Private Plan Change Requests may appeal to the Environment Court against the Council's decision. Appeals must reach the Court by 5pm Friday 14 October 2022. A copy of any appeal must also be served on the Council.

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE REQUESTS 75, 76 AND 78 NOW OPERATIVE

Following public notification of the Council's decision to approve Private Plan Change Requests 75, 76 and 78, no appeals were received by the Environment Court. As a result, these plan changes will become operative on 7 September 2022. More information on these private plan changes are available on the Council website at selwyn.govt.nz/pc75, selwyn.govt.nz/pc76 or selwyn.govt.nz/pc78.

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 0800 SELWYN (735996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Council Meeting*

Wednesday 14 September 1pm
Council Rolleston Offices
Wednesday 28 September 1pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Malvern Community Board

Monday 26 September 4pm Darfield Library

* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Springston Community Committee

Wednesday 21 September 7.30pm
Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve



On the Roads

Darfield Kirwee Wastewater Pipeline

Courtenay Road between Miles Road and Kirwee (SH73) is closed at the railway line until 9 September. The road requires complete closure due to the location of excavations within the road. Vehicle access between Kirwee and properties to the south is via a detour

along Bealey Road. Pedestrian access is available from Courtenay Road direct to the township. From Wednesday 31 August, SH73 near the Courtenay Road intersection will have traffic lights in place for three days while pipe laying is undertaken. These lights will be monitored to minimise delays. These roads works will be the last one required as part of this project.

All completion dates are approximate depending on weather

Weedons Ross Road seal widening

The road is fully open to two-way traffic from Kingsdowne Drive to Maddisons Road. A shoulder closure is in place for Orion contract works, on the Newtons Road intersection through to end August. Manual four-way stop/go will be required on some days.

Other repairs and upgrades

Flood repairs are taking place on Craigieburn Road from SH73. Stop/Go controls are in place at the Rainey's Road Tancred's Road intersection for rail repairs.

Repairs and maintenance are taking place on Railway Road from West Melton Road to Ayelsbury Road, and on Essendon Road from Telegraph Road to Ansons Road.

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.



Event Guide

Thursday 1 September

Cardmaking Workshop Series

Te Ara Ātea, 6-7.30pm

Join Wendy from Wee Bee Crafty and learn how to make beautiful cards using techniques such as stamping, embellishing, cutting, placement and watercolours. \$15 per session. Suitable for 18+ years. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events. Payment can be made on the day, or in-library beforehand. Payment is not required to secure the booking.

Friday 2 September

Father's Day Sport Challenges

Selwyn Sports Centre, 5.30-6.30pm

Come down and challenge Dad to some sports activities including futsal, badminton and basketball! Finish with some pizzas and refreshments. \$3 per child, Dads free. Bookings required at Selwyn Sports Centre 347 2888.

Monday 5 September

Teen Space

Darfield Library, 3.30-4.30pm

Develop your passion for arts, technology and practical skills at Darfield and Leeston Library. Collaborate and create wild artistic creations, VR, PS5s, and much more. Suitable for 13 years and above. Free. Bookings not required.

Monday 5 September

Ko Wai Au? Who am I? - 4 Week Course

Lincoln Event Centre, 5.45-6.45pm

A four-week course designed for those at the very beginning of their reo Māori learning journey. Ko wai au? Who am I, what do I know, and what do I want to know? We will dive into these questions by exploring whakapapa (where you come from), mihimihi (introducing ourselves), karakia, and taonga tākaro (traditional games). Suitable for 18+ years. Free. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Tuesday 6 September

Special Storytime - Sammy the Rooster

Te Ara Ātea, 9.30-10am

Local author Alyse Boaz has a new picture book to share with us! Sammy the Rooster is about a rooster that loves to ride in cars. When his family goes to the refuse station, Sammy hops out and is left behind. Come and listen to the story, see some of the original paintings from the book and more. Free. Bookings not required. For more session times and locations visits selwynlibraries.co.nz/events.

Tuesday 6 September

Discovery Time

Leeston Library, 11am-12pm and 3.30-4.30pm

Come along to our weekly sessions at all libraries to discover new knowledge, and get creative through our hands-on play and activity-based learning. Aimed at 8+ Children under 8 need an adult to stay and help. Term Time only. Bookings not required.

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