

Giving for Gisborne glow fundraiser



There was a glow of generosity coming from visitors to the Hororātā Glow Festival last week.

Bidders at a silent auction donated over \$7000 to help Gisborne Tairawhiti with its recovery from Cyclone Gabrielle. Items were put up for auction by 17 businesses and the Council. Popular items included Mayor Sam Broughton mowing lawns and a holiday package with accommodation and mountain biking or trekking at Quartz Hill.

In total the fundraiser raised \$7275 for the Gisborne Mayoral Relief Fund. The Selwyn community has adopted Gisborne as a community through the Local Government New Zealand ‘Adopt a Community’ programme. The Giving for Gisborne fundraising campaign has now raised over \$12,000, with donors giving directly to the Gisborne Mayoral Relief Fund to support immediate and long-term needs identified by the community.

The ongoing generosity of people in Selwyn is really uplifting, Mayor Sam says.

“We’re very grateful to the Hororātā Glow Festival for letting us run the auction and for all the generous businesses who donated prizes to auction, it was an amazing evening. I’ve spoken with Mayor Rehette Stoltz and she has offered her sincere thanks to everyone who has got behind Gisborne and she said how encouraging the support is for everyone effected by the cyclone.”

Tairawhiti Gisborne experienced heavy damage from the cyclone, with a long journey ahead to restore roads, bridges, power, and water infrastructure and to help displaced residents back into their homes.

Other fundraisers have included a donation drive at Selwyn Sounds, a fire brigade truck pull, and Selwyn schools pairing up with their counterparts in Gisborne.

Kakaha tree planting

Prebbleton School children left another lasting and growing legacy for their township last week.

The pupils took part in a planting day, planting over 400 new native trees in Kakaha Park on Wednesday.

The pupils joined Council staff in planting the trees as part of the latest stage of development at the new park.

A single English oak was also planted with a commemorative plaque to mark the coronation of King Charles III. The planting was delayed from its planned date in the week of the coronation due to weather.

Over 40,000 native trees and plants have already been planted at the 22-hectare park, which features bike trails, sports grounds, playground and dog park. A come and play open day on 11 June will mark the official opening of the park.

More off-road bike trails, a water way and large areas of native planting will be developed over the next five years as the park continues to grow.



New hub to help Selwyn youth thrive

A new youth hub is coming for Selwyn, with a range of services and supports to help young people in the district thrive.

The hub, based at the Rolleston Community Centre, will provide rangatahi youth aged 12 to 24 years old, a space to receive targeted programmes and non-judgmental confidential youth services from qualified agencies.

Te Tahi Youth and Family Planning will deliver health services, counselling and career advice and Alternative Education will have education services for youth excluded from school.

A range of providers will also run activities, events and courses including parenting and youth courses, learner driver courses, drug and alcohol counselling sessions, arts classes, te reo Māori classes and waiata sessions.

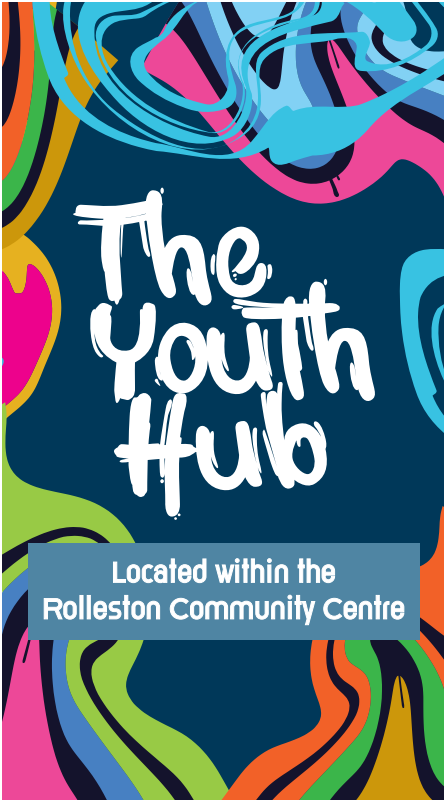
The hub idea and services confirmed were based on needs identified by Selwyn young people and the principals at the four Selwyn high schools.

“With one of the youngest populations in New Zealand supporting our youth is a key part of serving our community. Talking to them, the needs were clear, there were fantastic services available and we had the space so it was a perfect opportunity to bring it together,” Council Group Manager Community and Facilities Denise Kidd says.

Te Tahi Youth which has expanded its successful Christchurch services to Selwyn this year through providing a health nurse at Rolleston College and a youth worker who will both join the hub. Founder Dame Sue Bagshaw says it follows a similar model to the hub it runs in Christchurch and is a good fit for young people.

“The nurse is busy, young people are finding us and it works well. When you look at the barriers to care for young people first is cost, second is not know where to go and third is services not being accessible. If we can put as many services in there as possible, it will help make it a place where young people can find health care, but also youth development activities, and a place where they can learn to relate, make connections and have caring in their lives.”

Any youth services or community groups looking to run services from the hub are invited to email Christine. Lane@selwyn.govt.nz attn youth hub.



swell Seniors' Lifestyle Expo

Expressions of interest now open!



Expressions of interest are now open for exhibitors and speakers to attend Selwyn’s largest event celebrating older residents.

Find out more and register online:
selwyn.govt.nz/swell



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Notices

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE REQUEST 80
(TWO CHAIN ROAD ROLLESTON) BECOMES OPERATIVE

Two Chain Road Limited lodged a private plan change request with the Council to rezone rural land along Two Chain Road, Rolleston to Business 2A Zone, to enable an industrial zone. The Council's decision to approve Private Plan Change 80 (PC80), was publicly notified on 22 March 2023. No appeals were received by the Environment Court. Private Plan Change 80 will become operative on 1 June 2023. The Operative Selwyn District Plan may be inspected online at selwyn.govt.nz/eplan or any of the Council's service centres and libraries in Darfield, Leeston, Lincoln and Rolleston. More information on this private plan change is available on the Council website at selwyn.govt.nz/pc80.

Meetings

Public Forums: Council and Malvern Community Board 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, by emailing meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Planning and Climate Change Committee*
Wednesday 24 May 10am Rolleston HQ Offices

Finance & Performance Committee*
Wednesday 24 May 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices

Draft Annual Plan Deliberations*
Wednesday 31 May 9am Rolleston HQ Offices

Council*
Wednesday 14 June 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices

* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

Help your community in an emergency

Have you got what it takes to help your community in an emergency?

Selwyn Emergency Management is looking for passionate Selwyn people to join their Community Response Teams (CRT) in the Brookside/Irwell, Greenpark, Killinchy, Norwood, Weedons, Broadfield, Coalgate, Motukarara, Springston and Windwhistle areas to help their local community during an emergency.

The role of a CRT is to check on the most vulnerable people, gather information about what has happened/is happening during an emergency, and open a drop-in centre if required. Volunteers are a friendly face to the public, treating people with compassion and respect in emergency situations.

Lakeside CRT team leader Raewyn McCloy says the role is very fulfilling and while it is a very responsible role, it can be very rewarding and training exercises can be a lot of fun.

"You can be as involved as you want to be, but it's all about community. We're there to check on everyone, make sure they're okay, pass on any needs to the Emergency Management team at council. As CRT volunteers we have the latest info to relay to our residents. From personal experience of the Canterbury earthquakes communication is key. When we had no communications and had no idea what was happening and where, where to turn for help, in some ways that was the scariest part.

"It's good to be able to help people and our people are phenomenal. During Covid, it was a privilege to be the contact person for our residents to obtain RAT tests, masks, drop off shopping and more. We love being part of Civil Defence. You really get to know your people and you're looking after one another."

If you're available to attend annual training and complete a Police vetting check, then we want to hear from you. Interested?

Email the team at cdem.team@selwyn.govt.nz.



Raewyn McCloy delivering Rapid Antigen Tests.



Stop/go controls are in place for bridge railing repairs on Pannets Road, Mt White Road and Rowallan Road and for drainage improvement on Tancreds Road at the Ellesmere Road intersection.

Traffic lights are in place for maintenance on Telegraph Road from Grange Road to Courtenay Road.



Reduced speed limits are in place for unsealed maintenance on Sharlands Road from Ardlui Road to Te Pirita Road, Midhurst Road from Highfield Road to Courtenay Road and Hunters Road from Sharlands Road to Gales 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 25 May

Nutrients, Nutrition, Mental Health
Te Ara Ātea, 7 - 9pm

In conjunction with Taste Selwyn and presented by the Mental Health Education & Resource Centre, learn about the science of how diet is linked to mental health and why micronutrients could be the answer. Selwyn producers will be there to talk about the nutrients of some amazing local products. Free, bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Saturday 27 May

NZ Music Month Quiz Night
Darfield Recreation and Community Centre,
7-8.30pm

Gather a team of six family and friends and join us for a quiz on all things New Zealand music. \$3 per person. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Saturday 27 May

Southern Celtic Fiddle Orchestra
Leeston Library, 2-3pm

Enjoy Celtic music from Ireland, Scotland, Northumberland, the Shetland and Orkney Islands with the Leeston-based Southern Celtic Fiddle Orchestra. Formed in 2006, they love to entertain not only those in Selwyn but masses from all over the South Island. Free. Bookings not required.

Sunday 28 May

Strawberry Fairy Circus
West Melton Community & Recreation Centre,
10am, 11.15am and 12.30pm

Enjoy a 25-minute performance by popular children's entertainer The Strawberry Fairy, then have a go at mastering some circus skills and tricks. Fun for the whole family. \$5 per person. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Tuesday 30 May

Volunteering Canterbury
Leeston Library, 10.30am-12.30pm

A Volunteering Canterbury outreach coordinator will be available for Selwyn clubs, organisations or any voluntary group looking for any help with anything to do with volunteering. Or you might be an individual looking for a voluntary role or volunteering for work readiness. Find out more about how your organisation can get free Volunteering Canterbury membership. Free. Bookings not required.

Applications
closing soon!

The awards are free to enter and businesses, groups or individuals can enter themselves. Nominations are also welcome.

selwynawards.co.nz



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