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## **Clean your Canine at the Dog Park**

Dog owners will be able to give their canine friends a bath in a new coin-operated dog wash machine which is now operating at the Foster Dog Park in Rolleston.

The K9000 Dogwash is the first of its kind in Selwyn and has been set up by Rolleston operator Jacqui Rosewall who leases the space from the Selwyn District Council. The self service wash is permanently based at the dog park, and operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Miss Rosewall says the machine usually takes about ten minutes to give a dog the full treatment from shampoo to blow dry.

"It starts with a normal warm water shampoo or a flea shampoo. This is followed by a conditioner and plain water rinse before a blast with the blow dryer which has a low speed for smaller dogs and a stronger warm air blast for larger animals."

"Any sized dog can be washed. There is also a clip you can tether the animal to before they get washed," says Miss Rosewall.

Miss Rosewall says this will provide a clean, safe place for people to wash their dogs which saves people from the fuss of cleaning their pets at home.

"No one likes the smell of wet dog lingering around after they've washed their animals, so having the do-it-yourself wash machine will offer a great alternative to doing it at home."

"There's a huge number of dogs in Selwyn and a lot of people will be bringing them to the dog park anyway, so it makes sense to clean them here," she adds.

Selwyn has around 12,000 registered dogs and more than 70 new dogs are registered in the district each month.

The coin-operated dog wash system costs \$10 for ten minutes and is located at the Rolleston Dog Park on the corner of Springston Rolleston Road and Goulds Road, Rolleston.

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