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May events at Selwyn Libraries

Local libraries are hosting a series of free computer training sessions from May until July and are also celebrating New Zealand Music Month by organising a performance in Darfield.

Free Stepping UP computer training sessions will cover basic computing skills and programmes including Microsoft Word, email, Google and internet searching and using Facebook. Sessions start from Friday 6 May at Darfield Library and Friday 13 May at Leeston Library, and run fortnightly on Fridays from 10am-12pm.

The sessions are provided by the 2020 Trust, a registered charity, which partners with public libraries in New Zealand to offer introductory computer training. Currently 35 library networks deliver services with the 2020 Trust.

Vicki Carlyon, Selwyn Libraries Manager, says Darfield and Leeston Libraries each ran one free pilot Stepping UP session in early April and received positive comments from participants. "We are very pleased that our partnership with the 2020 Trust means Selwyn Libraries can expand the range of free workshops offered to enable more people to build their computer skills to access services online," says Vicki.

The sessions are open to anyone aged 13 and over. To find out more and register for the computer courses visit www.steppingup.nz or call Darfield Library on 318 7780 or Leeston Library 347 2871. All Selwyn Libraries also offer free internet access on public access computers and free high speed wifi.

On Saturday 28 May Selwyn Libraries are pleased to present New Zealand country-folk duo Into the East for a concert at Darfield Primary School Hall at 7pm. Liv McBride and Graeme Woller of Into the East have been writing and performing together for 12 years and won the National Country Music Duo of the Year title in 2014. They were also nominated for the Best New Zealand Folk Album award that year. The concert is \$5 for adults, with children 15 and under free. Tickets can be purchased at any branch of Selwyn Libraries.

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