



Media Release

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Summer events coming to Selwyn

A great programme of family events is coming to Selwyn this summer.

The programme starts with two Christmas themed events in Darfield – the Darfield Country Christmas in the Park and a community Carol service and barbeque picnic.

The ever popular Teddy Bears Picnic will be returning to Rolleston in the New Year – this year the picnic will be happening on Wednesday 14 January from 1-3pm. Selwyn families are invited to come along with their favourite teddy bears to enjoy an afternoon of games, competitions, a clown show, play on the bouncy castle or take part in the toddler's obstacle course.

Family picnics are planned at Tai Tapu, Springston, Leeston, West Melton, Lincoln and Dunsandel from January - March. A community country picnic is also planned at Darfield on Waitangi Day, and Springfield School will host a community fun day on the same day.

Three pool parties are happening at Darfield, Southbridge and at the Selwyn Aquatic Centre in Rolleston.

Summer events planned in Selwyn are:

- Darfield Country Christmas in the Park (6pm, Saturday 13 December, Darfield Domain) with performances, entertainment and food stalls
- Dive in Movie (7pm, Friday 19 December, Selwyn Aquatic Centre, Rolleston). A special screening of 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas', admission \$8 adults, \$5 children, \$3 spectators
- Community Carol Service and BBQ Picnic (5-7pm, Sunday 21 December, St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Darfield). Enjoy a community picnic and barbeque and Christmas carol service
- Teddy Bears Picnic (1-3pm, Wednesday 14 January, Rolleston Reserve) with games, a clown show, competitions, bouncy castle and toddler's obstacle course
- Drive in Movie (8pm, Rolleston Community Centre Car Park, Friday 16 January). Refreshments on sale, entry by donation per car. Go to the 'Sensational Selwyn Youth' Facebook page to vote for your choice of movie.
- Tai Tapu Family Picnic in the Park (5-7pm, Wednesday 21 January, Rhodes Park Domain) with games, live band, face painting, fun on wheels trailer, bouncy castle and sausage sizzle. BYO picnic.
- Malvern Pool Party (2-5pm, Sunday 25 January, Darfield Pool) fun in the pool, games, pool inflatable and barbeque
- Springston Family Picnic in the Park (5.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 28 January, Springston Reserve) with games, fun bikes from pedalmania, live band, face painting, fun on wheels trailer, bouncy castle and sausage sizzle. BYO picnic.
- Leeston Family Picnic in the Park (5.30-7.30pm, Thursday 29 January, Leeston Domain) with games, live band, face painting, Waterrat balls (similar to zorb balls but in a pool), fun on wheels trailer, bouncy castle and sausage sizzle. BYO picnic.

- Southbridge Pool Party (2-4pm, Sunday 1 February, Southbridge Pool) with music, games, competitions and sausage sizzle
- Community Country Picnic (10am-3.30pm, Friday 6 February, Darfield Domain and Community Centre) a celebration of all things country - with games, races, food, music and produce
- Springfield School and Community Fun Day (10am-3pm, Friday 6 February, Springfield School) with games, a pool party, sausage sizzle, ice creams. BYO picnic
- Lincoln Picnic in the Park (5.30-7.30pm, Thursday 12 February, Lincoln Domain) with games, live band, fun bikes from pedalmania, face painting, fun on wheels trailer, bouncy castle and sausage sizzle
- Family Fun Day (2-5.30pm, Saturday 14 February, St Pauls Anglican Church, West Melton) with games, face painting, bouncy castle, clown, lolly scramble and tug of war
- Selwyn Aquatic Centre Pool Party (2-4pm, Sunday 15 February, Selwyn Aquatic Centre, Rolleston). With water games, pool inflatables, music and competitions. Normal pool admission applies.

Local events are also being planned by communities at Greenpark and Dunsandel in March – dates for events will be confirmed early next year.

Some events are being organised by local community groups or township committees as 'Summer of Fun' events which are funded by the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust and supported by CERA. Other events are being organised by Selwyn District Council.

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