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ANNUAL REPORT REFLECTS PRUDENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Tasman District Council's Annual Report for the 2009-10 year was adopted at the second meeting of the new Council.

The highlights of the report include acknowledgement that the assets managed by the Council on behalf of residents and ratepayers are now worth over a billion dollars - \$1.075 billion to be exact.

"2009/10 also saw the Council end the year with a small surplus of \$1.62 million", said Mayor Richard Kempthorne. "This result displays the success of the Council's prudent approach to its financial management and increases the equity held by the community.

"The result shows that the Council was able to manage and deliver the projects essential to meeting the needs of a growing district through careful conservative financial management at a time many in our community are experiencing financial constraints."

Over the last year the Council, in partnership with many in the community, achieved a great deal with a number of projects completed, initiated or planned, many in partnership with our neighbours Nelson City and Central Government. Projects have included:

- The ongoing development at Saxton Field and the Saxton Stadium
- Redevelopment of the Richmond Library
- The Pohara seawall/cycleway
- The Motueka sewerage system upgrade
- Completion of the two-mile walkway in Murchison, and
- Ongoing maintenance of the roading network.

"The Tasman District has 17 settlement areas spread throughout our District, all of which have infrastructure needs, such as roading, water and sewerage, and community infrastructure like sporting facilities and community halls. Core services consume a large amount of Council's funding and time. Provision of these services in a manner that meets community needs at an affordable cost was, and remains, one of our biggest challenges and keeping those services well maintained is fundamental to maintaining the vibrancy of our communities now and into the future."

"There is no doubt Tasman is a great place to live and work and the Council is very aware of its responsibility to maintain the District's unique lifestyle for its current and future residents", concluded Mayor Kempthorne.



THIS WEEK:
05. Native birds vulnerable

02. Amalgamation submission
07. Motueka Recreation Centre

04. Getting ready for Christmas
09. Tasman District Libraries

AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE MISSED

By the time you read this the closing date for submissions to the Local Government Commission on the proposed union of the Tasman District with Nelson City will have passed.

As you will see on this page the Tasman District Council finalised its submission on the proposed union of the Tasman District and Nelson City. The submission was approved unanimously, subject to a few minor additions and changes, at the 28 October Council meeting.

Our rationale for putting together the submission early was to provide those interested with a source of facts and impartial information to assist in the formation of individual submissions to the Local Government Commission and to provide the Commission with an objective view of the implications of amalgamation for ratepayers in Tasman.

Depending on the outcome of the submission process after the public hearings set down for 15-17 December, the Commission,

in conjunction with the representative of electors Aldo Miccio, will decide whether or not to proceed with the process. Whatever the outcome the Council will be providing information on the next steps and how you may play a role.

In providing information about the process the Council has published a page on our website that includes the Council submission, the recent newsletters and correspondence from and to the Local Government Commission.

www.tasman.govt.nz/council/amalgamation

I strongly encourage ratepayers in Tasman to engage with the Local Government Commission and give them your view

– *Mayor Richard Kempthorne*



AMALGAMATION - COUNCIL SENDS IN ITS SUBMISSION

The Tasman District Council has sent its submission on the amalgamation petition to the Local Government Commission.

The final submission document was released publicly on 3 November 2010 following unanimous agreement at the 28 October 2010 Council meeting. The submission covers a number of areas including:

- The significant differences between the communities of interest within the Tasman District and Nelson City
- The possible impacts on representation throughout the Tasman District
- The impact of changes to either Council's rating systems
- The relative satisfaction with the current delivery of services and decision-making and
- The shared services currently operating between the two Councils.

It also identifies some of the costs associated with such an amalgamation to be borne by ratepayers for no obvious benefit.

"The new Council had little time at its second meeting on 28 October 2010 to do anything else but work through what is a very comprehensive submission," said Mayor Richard Kempthorne.

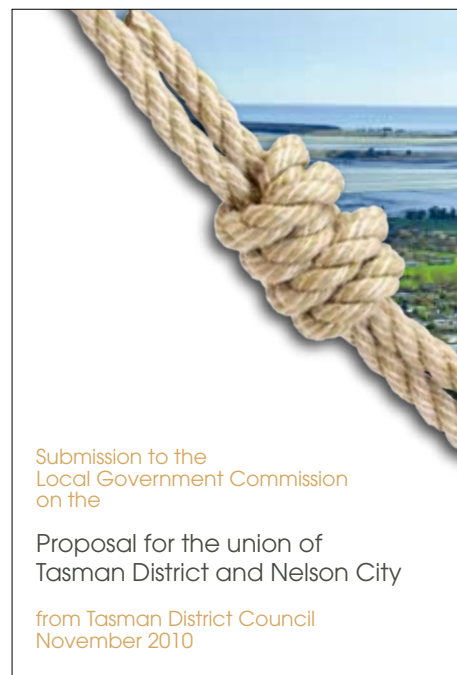
"What is apparent is that there are no compelling reasons for the 17 settlements of Tasman to amalgamate with Nelson. The reasons cited within the petition are either unproven, unquantified or have no relevance or benefit to Tasman ratepayers.

"The Council is elected to represent the best interests of Tasman residents and ratepayers – this debate is no different. We have assembled the facts as we see them to inform the Local Government Commission's decisions and as such, the submission is designed to enable the right decisions for both areas.

"It was very pleasing for the submission to receive unanimous support from the Councillors. It is about what is right with Tasman District Council, it is not about what is wrong with Nelson City Council, and explains what we believe is wrong about the Union proposal.

"In the process of putting the submission together we have identified further opportunities for collaboration, shared services and co-operation that will further benefit both areas without the added cost of amalgamation," concluded Mayor Kempthorne.

The submission document can be found at www.tasman.govt.nz



Submission to the Local Government Commission on the

Proposal for the union of Tasman District and Nelson City

from Tasman District Council November 2010



COUNCIL APPOINTS COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Following the 2010 elections, and the swearing in of the new Councillors and Mayor, Tasman District Council has announced who will chair its standing committees and who will deputise on them.

Community Services Committee:

Chair - Cr. Judene Edgar
Deputy - Cr. Noel Riley

Corporate Services Committee:

Chair - Cr. Tim King
Deputy - Cr. Glenys Glover

Engineering Services Committee:

Chair - Cr. Trevor Norriss
Deputy - Cr. Barry Dowler

Environment and Planning Committee:

Chair - Cr. Stuart Bryant
Deputy - Cr. Brian Ensor

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Chair - Cr. N Riley

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RESCUE TEAM PROVE THEIR METTLE

Nelson volunteer rescuers showed how it's done in dealing with mass casualties during training competitions in Wellington at Labour Weekend.

The seven-strong team, NZ-RT2, had to locate 25 injured people and prioritise them for treatment.

Nelson did best of the eight emergency response teams in this section of the event, which involved other scenarios such as a river crossing and extracting trapped people from tunnels. However, a truck shod for gentle terrain undid the Nelson team in a 4WD obstacle course, pushing them down in the final placings.

Barry picked up the team leader award, after just 18 months in the position. The Nelson squads role is to assist emergency services such as Civil Defence, Police, firefighters, ambulance crews etc.

Barry says they do a lot of search and rescue, but flexibility is crucial.

For instance, the Nelson contingent became roof-repairers when assisting after the Christchurch earthquake. The squad, which includes seven women, is "a really good mix of both trade-based people and professionals". A reasonable fitness level is required, but it's often more about technique than strength.

Members must live within a 30 to 40-minute commute of the team base, the Nelson central fire station.

The job is "tremendously satisfying" – and not without its lighter moments. In the heat of the high-tech communications workout in Wellington, the Nelson team were confronted with a device they hadn't seen in a long while – two cans joined by a piece of string.

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GET READY TO WELCOME CHRISTMAS

Richmond is away with the fairytales in the Pak 'n' Save Santa Parade on Saturday 27 November 2010. This year's theme is A Fairytale Christmas, with prizes for outstanding parade entries. Categories are Best Business, Best Community Group, Best School/Pre-School and Best Overall Themed Float.

Richmond Unlimited is organising the parade in partnership with local theatre troupe Body in Space, whose co-artistic director, Lisa Norriss, says the float line-up will include Cinderella, Harry Potter's train, the Lion King, a samba band, the Owl and the Pussycat, a gingerbread house and the Medieval Society. The festivities kick-off at 12 noon with the parade travelling down Queen Street before turning around at Cambridge Street and then coming back up giving everyone a fantastic opportunity to see the floats.

Awards will be presented later at Sundial Square off Queen Street, where the samba beat continues and food will be available.

Motueka harnesses community spirit

Motueka's Christmas parade, now in its 11th year, is on Friday 3 December 2010, starting at 8.00 pm.

The New World Starlight Parade is a highlight of the year for Motueka and draws the community together in the spirit of Christmas.

More than 50 floats of all kinds will take part. Novel contraptions with participants dressed in all manner of costumes vie for the prizes of Best School, Group, Club, or Business. There is a section for friends and family too.

Spectators are also encouraged to dress up and join in the fun.

The parade is coordinated by the Motueka Events Charitable Trust in association with Our Town Motueka and the support of local businesses, agencies and volunteers. Because the parade continues to grow, this year there is a slight change in procedure. Floats will line up in Sportpark Motueka before moving onto High Street. The procession will proceed to the north end of the park (past the Playcentre and Parklands School), entering Talbot Street and Pah

Street before turning onto High Street and moving south to finish at the New World carpark and Woodlands Avenue.

There will be entertainment in the street and park before the parade and shops will stay open later than usual.

Takaka works up steam

Takaka is gearing up for an even bigger parade this year, including vehicles from the Collectable Vehicle Club and the Tractor Club. The parade, at **10.00 am on Saturday 18 December 2010**, will be led by Harry Holmwood's steam-powered traction engine.

Once again the Takaka Citizens Band and the Motueka Highland Pipe Band will provide the music. There will be spot prizes for decorated bicycles and costumes, with free facepainting for the young and adventurous.

Floats will gather at the Bickley's/TNL yard from 9.00 am for the procession down Commercial Street.

Golden Bay throws itself into the event. Organiser Dave Myall, of Golden Bay Recreation, jokes that the number of participants will soon equal the number of spectators "which would make for a very long parade!" Last year more than 700 people lined the route, while nearly 200 took part in the parade – the Takaka Amateur Athletics Club squeezed 26 onto a truck.

After the procession the partying continued on the Village Green.

Supporters of the parade include the Tasman District Council, Golden Bay Community Board, GB Promotions, Trash Palace, Waitapu Engineering, Opus, Fulton Hogan, Adcock & Donaldson, NTN couriers, Pohara Camp Store and Pohara Mini-Golf.

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PROFILE: PAUL MCCONACHIE

COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICER



What is your main role?

My main focus is working with young people and assisting them to achieve their potential so that our communities are better places. I also run community events.

What are the common challenges you encounter?

Too many ideas, not enough time.

What's the most curly question or situation you have encountered recently?

A portaloos blowing over during a windy Richmond Market Day, dumping its contents on the roadside. (Luckily no one was in the portaloos.)

What's the most satisfying part of your job?

Positively contributing to making our region a better place by setting up and delivering new projects, programmes and events and observing the participating public enjoying their experience.

NATIVE BIRDS VULNERABLE IN NESTING SITES

Birds are nesting at the moment, making them particularly vulnerable to nest disturbance by animals. Conservation groups are urging pet-owners to take a few simple measures:

- Identify your cat with a tag so when it 'hunts' birds or skinks and gets caught in a live capture area, it can be identified and returned to either the SPCA or the owner (no harm comes to a cat through live capture).
- Desex your cat – the SPCA or your vet can advise on this.
- Please put dogs on a lead when walking in the valleys, wetlands and beaches.

The Department of Conservation says dogs running loose on sandy beaches, particularly at high tide, also disturb flocks of migrant waders. Ground-nesting birds in the coastal zone and on some riverbeds can be disturbed and even killed by dogs.

DoC reminds owners that they have a legal responsibility under the Dog Control Act to prevent their pet harassing wildlife. Tasman District Council require that owners have dogs under effective control at all times, and that dogs are kept under continuous leash control on any occasion they are likely to injure, endanger, or cause distress to protected wildlife.

Cats are serious predators of rare rails and crakes in wetlands and estuaries, DoC adds. Within an urban environment, cats prey on insects, lizards, rodents and birds. Cats can threaten the survival of fantails and bellbirds in the suburbs.

A new viewing hide and bush restoration at Jimmy Lee Creek is helping bring native birdlife back to the fringes of Richmond – but some birds are paying a price.

The hide, just 200m from Hill Street, opened in June 2010 and was funded by Waimea Soroptimist Trust and built by Native Bird Recovery Richmond (NBRR) volunteers. It is part of efforts by NBRR and Keep Richmond Beautiful to create four gullies rich in birdsong – Jimmy Lee, Lodestone, Will's Gully and Reservoir Creek. The restoration has involved a huge amount of work by volunteers to clear weeds, plant native seedlings, and control predators.

Richmond's new hide incorporates a feeding station, which means a rare chance to see the birds up close, including tui and bellbirds. The visitor book includes accolades from Christchurch, Auckland and even tourists from Colorado:

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HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR ROAD CODE?

Do you know what all the different road signs mean? What do all the road markings mean? Where are you allowed to park? What are the rules at different intersections? Who has the right of way at a roundabout? Do you know what the speed limit is on the roads you regularly drive along? Are you up to date with recent changes to the road rules?

Even the most experienced drivers can misinterpret the rules set out in the road code. You may find yourself in a different part of the country and come across something which isn't common in the Tasman area – what do you do? What are the implications of making a mistake, either accidentally or deliberately?

The ban on using hand held mobile phones whilst driving is nearly a year old. Do you know how many demerit points you could receive if caught, or how much you could get fined?

We have put together a short quiz on common road user rules and ones that get regularly broken. The answers can be found below. If you get some wrong, maybe now is the time to revisit your road code either by buying a copy (\$24.90) from a book store or looking it up on www.nzta.govt.nz.



1. One or more yellow lights flashing at traffic signals means:
 - a. Be careful and apply the Give Way rule
 - b. Drive on, but increase your speed
 - c. Stop until the lights no longer flash
 2. What is the speed limit on
 - a. Hill Street
 - b. Abel Tasman Drive at Motupipi
 - c. Queen Victoria Street at Motueka Airport?
 3. How many demerit points could you receive if you get caught using a hand-held mobile phone whilst driving?
 4. What is the speed limit for vehicles passing (in both directions) a school bus that has stopped to let children on or off?
 5. At a roundabout, you must give way to all vehicles that will cross your path from your left. True or False?
 6. Is it legal for you to park on a cycle lane or shared path?
 7. If you have the right of way at a one-way bridge, what colour is the arrow showing this information?
 8. What does the white diamond painted on the road mean?
 9. What is the recommended distance you should allow when driving past a cyclist?
 10. When cars cross a footpath, which has the right of way, cars or pedestrians?
- How well did you do?**

1. a. Be careful and apply the Give Way rule. 2. a. 50 b. 70 c. 50 3. 20 4. 20km/h 5. False 6. No, it isn't legal to park or stop in a cycle lane or shared path. 7. White 8. That you are approaching a pedestrian crossing and you should slow down and be ready to stop for any pedestrians on, or stepping onto, the crossing 9. 1.5 metres. 10. Pedestrians

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MOTUEKA REC CENTRE FIT AND ACTIVE

It began life as an apple packhouse, and you might say the Motueka Recreation Centre is still in the business of keeping the doctor away through a bewildering lineup of healthy fitness activities.

The well-used centre in Old Wharf Road, owned by the Tasman District Council and managed by Sport Tasman, opened in 1987. It has just completed a \$2 million expansion to create an international-standard roller hockey court, a gym, changing facilities and administration space.

The "Rec" is already home to netball, basketball, volleyball, badminton, table tennis, indoor cricket, gymnastics, a climbing wall, weight training, aerobics classes and two martial arts dojos, plus a café and adjoining cinema.

Manager Jody Maru says the complex also services sports and events at the adjoining Goodman Park, such as the upcoming Christmas in the Park. It is also near the local BMX and go-kart tracks.

The Rec hosts school holiday programmes, dance parties, discos, weddings, the local heats of the Tasman Karaoke Superstars ... "you name it," says Jody, "there's always room for another club", she adds.

The old neighbourhood centre building across the carpark has just joined the Rec stable and will be used for after-school programmes plus activities for seniors.

In addition to user fees and Council funding, the complex receives funding from the Lion Foundation, Canterbury Community Trust, Lottery Grants and other small trusts.

"We are very grateful for all the funding support that we receive, and the significant support from local businesses, so we can continue to offer increased opportunities for our community".

The revamped building was officially opened on 5 November 2010. Staff coped well with eight months of disruption, says Jody.

"We only closed on two days, and that was because we had no power." Community support during the work was excellent, she says.

There's not much left on her wishlist – air conditioning for upstairs, new lighting in the existing stadium, improved access to the upstairs facilities, and perhaps another room downstairs.

The Rec Centre can lay claim to being the social, sport and recreational hub of Motueka for the past 23 years. Jody might even see it as part of the family – she took over the manager's role in March 2010 and husband Brent had run it for a decade before that.

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Nelson Bays Primary Health is repeating its round-up of leftover medicines.

The DUMP (Disposal of Unwanted Medicines through Pharmacies) campaign will run during November 2010, to allow the organisation to compare the medicines handed in this time with those returned during the November 2009 campaign.

"I am asking for people to spring-clean their cupboards, review their medicines, and return all old, out-of-date, unwanted or unused medicines to any pharmacy in the Nelson Bays region for safe disposal," says organiser Caroline Allen.

Pharmacies will have a supply of DUMP bags that can be taken away and filled. All returns are confidential.



The medicines will be analysed before being taken for disposal. That analysis will help to focus projects where there is an identified need, says Caroline, and, of course, "safe disposal of medicines promotes a safer environment for everyone".

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What's On at your library

Richmond Library

Tiny Tots – Every Tuesday at 10.00 am. A free programme of songs, rhymes and stories for under 2's and their caregivers.

Tasman Young Adult Book Club – Take a look at some of the new books in the Young Adult library and chat about your recent favourites. Thursday 2 December 2010, 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm at Richmond Library. For further details contact Heather on Ph. 03 543 8394.

Takaka Memorial Library

Levity Beet – will entertain and delight with his Interactive Musical Story Telling on Saturday 13 November 2010 at 11.00 am in the Children's area.

Audio Production Workshops @ The Imaginarium, Richmond Library

A hands-on workshop where aspiring young people can create, rehearse and record their own music in a fully equipped recording studio.

Suitable for 10-14 year olds. Wednesdays 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm until the end of Term 4 at Richmond Library.

The workshops are FREE and limited to six per session. Book at Richmond Library. Bring your own song and instruments if you have them.

The Big Bush Read – Te Panui Ngahere Nui

This year's summer reading programme is almost here!

Summer reading programme is for 5-12 year olds who want to keep on reading over the summer holidays and earn reading rewards.

Places are limited and registration is essential.

Registrations open at 9.30 am on Monday 6 December 2010.

Richmond and Murchison - online registrations will be available via the library website www.taslib.govt.nz

Motueka and Takaka readers need to register at your local library.

DVDs at Takaka and Motueka

In case you didn't know, both Takaka and Motueka libraries now have a small selection of DVDs. These include TV series, films, documentaries and music performance.

At both libraries, you'll find the DVDs near the music and magazine collections.

Tasman Talks Titles Book Group

Join us for our next meeting on Wednesday 17 November 2010, 3.00 pm – 4.00 pm at Richmond Library. Look for us in the Constance Barnicoat Room near the Queen Street entrance.

Richmond Library rooms for hire

Are you looking for somewhere to hold your next meeting? Or the right place for a training session or workshop? Richmond Library has two rooms available for hire that might suit you. The Constance Barnicoat Room seats up to 50 people and is available both during and after library opening hours.

The Margaret Mahy Room is suitable for small meetings, seats up to eight people and is available only during library opening hours. Room hire is \$10 per session for community groups or \$15 per hour for commercial users. If you're interested in hiring either of the rooms, contact the library on Ph. 03 543 8500.



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Temporary reservation and speed-limit uplifting for Waka te Tasman event at Kaiteriteri

The Motueka Waka Ama Club has applied to Tasman District Council to run an event within the Kaiteriteri and Marahau areas on Friday 12 November and Saturday 13 November 2010. The planned races will have competing craft and support vessels passing through and occupying the Kaiteriteri swimming and water-ski areas at the start and finish of each event, and racing between Anawera Point, Fisherman Island and Guilbert Point.

Pursuant to the provisions contained in the Navigation Safety Bylaw, the Tasman District Council's Harbourmaster has granted a temporary reservation of the Kaiteriteri swimming and water-ski areas for the purposes of the event, between the hours of **5.00 pm and 9.00 pm on Friday 12 November and 8.30 am and 5.00 pm on Saturday 13 November 2010**. The effect of the temporary reservation will be to prevent other activities, including water-skiing or swimming, from occurring within that area for the time specified. Alternative swimming areas for members of the public include north of the Kaiteriteri boat ramp and Little Kaiteriteri Beach during these times. The nearest water-skiing areas for beach starts are at Stillwell Beach or Adele Island.

Event marshalls have the authority to require other users to vacate the reserved areas as required, but may allow limited use when racers are well offshore, at the Club's discretion. An uplift of the 5 knot speed restrictions has also been granted to waka ama and support vessels directly involved in the event between Anawera Point and Guilbert Point, including Fisherman Island but excluding Otuwhero Inlet and Little Kaiteriteri.

A number of conditions have been imposed on the organisers of the event. These may be viewed by contacting the Motueka Waka Ama Club, or Tasman District Council's Harbourmaster on Ph. 03 543 8400 during office hours.

Temporary suspension of 5 knot speed limit: Buller River

The Nelson/Marlborough branch of Jet Boating New Zealand Inc (JBNZ) intends to hold a members' event on a **suitable weekend day between Saturday 6 and Sunday 14 November**. The event will be an organised tour for family groups in jet boats and will be run in the main stem of the Buller River between the confluence with the Mangles River and the confluence with the Hope River at Kawatiri.

For the duration of the event, the speed limits imposed by the Tasman District Navigation Safety Bylaw will be suspended for those boats taking part. This action is taken pursuant to the provisions contained in Bylaw 3.10 of the Tasman District Navigation Safety Bylaw 2005.

JBNZ shall impose conditions on those vessels taking part in the event which will include a maximum speed of 32 knots, giving way to all other river users, daylight navigation only and a minimum flow at Longford of 60 cumecs upon commencement. Other conditions imposed may be viewed by contacting the Tasman District Council's Harbourmaster at the Richmond Office.

24 Hour Emergency – Phone your local office

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Takaka	03 525 0020

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Vegetation Control – Roadside Spraying in Rural Areas Registration of Non-Spray Areas

Tasman District Council's roading maintenance contractor is responsible for vegetation control within the road reserve. This includes the use of knock-down, residual and brushweed herbicides to remove vegetation growing in the roadway and around street furniture. The contractor is also responsible for control of pest plants and other noxious weeds such as gorse, fennel, hemlock, blackberry, broom, bracken, purple pampas grass and box thorn.

Residents can request that their rural property frontage not be chemically sprayed and instead undertake the vegetation control themselves. On approval Council will mark the no spray area with red marker pegs.

Rural residents who choose the "no spray" option must control the vegetation growth along their property frontage to ensure road users are not impeded and all roadside signs and markers are clearly visible. Vegetation height should not exceed 300mm. Any stormwater drainage ditches need to be kept clear of excess vegetation. At intersections vegetation must be kept well clear to ensure good sight lines for traffic using the intersection.

If you wish to apply for your property to be added to the "No Spray" list, please contact Robyn Scherer, Engineering Secretary, Tasman District Council, Ph. 03 543 8524 or email robyn.scherer@tasman.govt.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Notice of Meeting

Lake Rotoiti Volunteer Fire Force AGM

Annual meeting takes place at the Lake Rotoiti Fire Station on Monday 15 November 2010 at 7.30 pm. For more information phone Malcolm McConochie 03 521 1843 or Alison Rothschild 03 521 1806 (work), 03 521 1922 (home).

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed on Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz

Community Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 18 November 2010, 9.30 am. *Public forum*

Council Enterprises Subcommittee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Wednesday, 24 November 2010, 9.30 am. *No public forum*

Corporate Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 25 November 2010, 9.30 am. *Public forum*

Audit Subcommittee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 25 November 2010, 1.00 pm or at the conclusion of Corporate Services. *No public forum*

Creative Communities Subcommittee

Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Tuesday, 30 November 2010, 10.00 am. *No public forum*

NEWSUPDATE

ROAD CLOSURES

Pursuant to the Transport (Vehicle Road Closure) Regulations 1965, notice is hereby given that for the purpose of allowing Richmond Unlimited to hold the Richmond Santa Parade, the following roads will be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic for the periods and times indicated hereunder.

Roads to be closed to Ordinary Vehicular Traffic and Period of Closure Saturday 27 November 2010

Papps Car Park – 7.00 am to 1.00 pm
Edward Street-William Street to Queen Street – 9.30 am to 1.30 pm
Queen Street-Roeske Street to McIndoe Place – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
Washbourne Drive-Queen Street intersection – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
Salisbury Road-Talbot Street to Queen Street – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
Oxford Street-Crescent Street to Queen Street – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
Wensley Road-Oxford Street to Queen Street – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
Cambridge Street-Oxford Street to Queen Street – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
York Place – 11.30 am to 1.00 pm



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EVENTS GUIDE

2010 Nelson A&P Show

Saturday 20–Sunday 21 November 2010

Time: 9.00 am until 5.00 pm both days
Venue: Richmond Showgrounds, Lower Queen St, Richmond
Tickets: Adult \$12, Child (5-17 years) \$5, Family Pass \$25
Contact: Ph. 03 544 7181 email: aap@xtra.co.nz

Past By - Fashion we're grateful to have missed

Until Friday 3 December 2010

Time: 10.00 am to 3.00 pm, Tuesday to Friday
Venue: Motueka Museum and Muses Café, 136-138 High Street Motueka
Contact: Ph. 03 528 7660 email: savepast@ihug.co.nz

Spring Dance

Friday 12 November 2010

Time: 8.00 pm
Venue: Redwood Hall, Moutere Highway
Tickets: \$20 from Rapunzel Clothing Co.
Contact: Ph. 03 544 9775 email: applebyplaycentre@xtra.co.nz

Plunket Baby Bonanza

Saturday 13 November 2010

Time: 9.00 am - 12.00 noon
Venue: Hope Hall, Main Road Hope
Tickets: \$2 door entry
Contact: email: PlunketBabyBonanza@gmail.com

The Richmond Market

Every Saturday 8.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Sundial Square, Croucher St, Richmond
Contact: Ph. 03 544 4789 email: karl@homestylefoods.co.nz

Top Team 10 - Murchison Heat

Saturday 13 November 2010

Time: Junior Competition starts 9am; Senior Competition starts 12.30 pm
Venue: Murchison Sport, Recreation and Cultural Centre, Waller Street, Murchison
Contact: Ph. 03 546 7910 email: topteam@clear.net.nz

Tasman Karaoke Superstars – Golden Bay Heat

Sunday 14 November 2010

Time: Under 8 years: 10.30 am, 9-12 years: 11.30 am, 13-18 years: 12.30 pm
Venue: Takaka Village Green (wet weather venue Takaka Village Theatre)
Contact: Ph. 03 543 8525 email: paul.mcconachie@tdc.govt.nz

In Your Neighbourhood

Thursday 18 November 2010

Time: 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Venue: Faulkners Bush Wakefield, Mapua Domain, Tapawera Domain, Moutere Hills Community Centre, Takaka Primary School, Murchison Domain
Contact: Ph. 03 543 8525
email: paul.mcconachie@tdc.govt.nz

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PART OF GOLDEN BAY'S VIBRANCY

"I sort of go in 14-year cycles," says Allan Kilgour, who has moved from chopping meat to choppy seas in his four-decade residency in Golden Bay.

The Port Taroako manager was recently awarded a Tasman District Council Outstanding Community Service Award.

Timaru born and bred, Allan moved to the Bay intending to stay for four years, to run the Motupipi butchery. He put down roots and in the 1980s he switched careers to the Golden Bay cement works. In his spare time he was driving ambulances for St John.

After he was made redundant when the works closed, Allan became property manager at the High School, which included driving buses. He loves messing about in yachts and has been a member of the Pohara Beach Boat Club since 1972, putting in seven stints as Commodore.

Allan says proudly that the Bay has the highest number of Boatmaster graduates per capita in the country. Allan and Jack Smith taught the Coastguard course at the club.

In 1990, Allan and Graham Ashford founded the Maritime Search and Rescue service in the Bay, covering from Kahurangi to Stephens Island. Allan is still the co-ordinator.

For most of the 1990s he ran a ferry service from Taroako to Abel Tasman and across to Nelson, returning the same day.

He has been in charge of the port fulltime since 2002, on behalf of the Tasman District Council. Taroako has 61 floating moorings, 12 swing

moorings and a 120m heavy-duty wharf. A third of the port's business is commercial, including fishing boats, servicing the scallop and mussel industries, dolomite shipments and general cargo.

Last January Taroako had its first visit from a cruise ship.

Plans are afoot to build more marina space, and the land-based storage in the old cement works site is also busy.

Allan has a long involvement with Lions, serves on the Waka Ama Trust (Golden Bay has two six-seat outriggers) and the Te Whare Mahana Trust, which provides mental health services. He has also been involved with playcentre and school committees as his and wife Marie's two sons and a daughter grew up.

Allan has also been a member of Golden Bay Promotions since 1995. His award was "very embarrassing because you just do these things." It's all part of belonging to a vibrant community, says Allan – though of course he obviously contributes to that vibrancy. He says he couldn't have done it without Marie.



Allan Kilgour.

MOTUEKA IN RUNNING FOR BEST TOWN

Motueka has been selected as one of the two finalists in its category for the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Best Towns and Cities awards 2010 – but it needs your help to carry it to victory.

Motueka is up against Pukekohe, South Auckland, for the honour of Best Small Town. **The winner will be decided in a public vote on the Keep New Zealand Beautiful website, www.knzb.org.nz, closing on 1 December 2010.** Winners will be announced at an Awards Ceremony at Parliament in Wellington on Thursday 9 December 2010.

The prize for the 2010 Best Town is \$3000 to be spent on signage – in previous years these have been placed at the town's entry or throughout the central business district.

Keep Motueka Beautiful nominated the town, and chair Eileen Wilkins says it is the first time to her knowledge that Motueka has entered the awards.

The aim now is to generate as much support as possible, via votes on the Keep NZ Beautiful website. Media outlets, community groups and schools will be marshalled. Current holder of the Best Small Town is Kaiapoi, with Otorohanga taking Large Town and Rotorua judged Best City. **Make sure you register your vote before 1 December 2010, www.knzb.org.nz**

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