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New Recycling Bins are Coming

From 18 May 2015, new 240-litre recycling bins started to be delivered to over 17,000 properties throughout the Tasman District.

Over the next month Tasman residents on recycling routes will be receiving a larger recycling bin as part of an improved recycling service, which is designed to reduce waste to landfill.

The new black bin with a yellow lid will be used for paper, cardboard, cans and plastic. The blue crate will be used for glass only. There is no change to what materials can be recycled.

The improved service will see rubbish collected every week and recycling every second week. **The service will start from 29 June**, and will cost no more than the current service.

Each bin will be allocated to a specific address, with a unique number and address printed on the side of the bin. An information booklet and a collection calendar will be included under the lid.

Residents are asked to use their existing blue crate for all recycling until the new service starts. The new recycling bin should not be used until 29 June 2015.

What isn't changing?

Tasman District Council rubbish bags (small white and big yellow) will still be collected every week. If it can't be recycled, reused or composted then it needs to go in the landfill. The Council offers a \$20 discount on compost bins at participating retailers to encourage composting.



Further information is available on www.tasman.govt.nz or by calling the Council on Ph. 03 543 8400.

Message from the Mayor

I would like to thank those who recently took the time to personally talk to us about their submissions to the Council's Long Term Plan. The verbal submission process provides a valuable opportunity for the submitters, myself and my elected colleagues to discuss their ideas, concerns and contribution to the very important process of establishing the next Long Term Plan. We are now considering your supporting responses to the proposed Plan and both the support and changes that have been suggested. I am confident we will end up with a Plan that will provide a very successful pathway forward for our District. We remain very conscious of the themes of reducing our reliance on debt and will continue to put downward pressure on rates rises. We have had to make a number of hard decisions, but we remain committed to the sustainable financial future we indicated in the Draft Plan.

In the last fortnight I was fortunate to attend functions with Keep Motueka Beautiful and Keep Richmond Beautiful. As with many other groups of volunteers in our community, much of the accomplishments and hard work of these two groups is unheralded but they add so much to the walkways, gardens and recreational spaces in and around Motueka and Richmond. In recognising the work they do I also want to acknowledge all volunteers who make our District such an enjoyable place to live. Thank you.

Mayor Richard Kempthorne



'We Are the Future' Youth Week 23-31 May

'We are the future' is the theme for the 2015 Youth Week campaign, encouraging young people to lead the way by creating a movement of change.

Young people and youth agencies in our region are gearing up for a week-long programme of youth activities, events, workshops and exhibitions as 2015 Youth Week is celebrated across the globe and in the Top of the South.

Youth Week showcases and recognises the amazing contributions and achievements of young people in New Zealand inspiring communities to value, support and affirm the diversity of young people in our society.

Nelson Tasman Youth Workers Collective Coordinators Jenna Baxter and Deanne Kilpatrick are excited with the enthusiasm and support the region has shown towards embracing youth week celebrations. Quiz nights, art and craft sessions, scavenger hunts, talent quests, and selfie competitions are among some of the activities that will take place across the region.

"There are some fantastic youth events planned for youth week, offering a variety of ways young people can be involved."

The official Nelson-Tasman Youth Week Event Listing Brochure

provides a comprehensive schedule of events on offer regionally and can be picked up from Tasman District and Nelson City Council Service Centres and Libraries or viewed online at www.jamonline.co.nz.

What: Youth Week 2015 Nelson Tasman Celebration

When: 23-31 May

Where: Various events scheduled across Nelson-Tasman

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Takaka and Waimea FLAGS – Update

The Freshwater and Land Advisory Groups (FLAGS) were established by the Council to develop the water quantity and quality management provisions for the ground and surface water of the Waimea and Takaka River catchments and the adjacent coastal catchments. The FLAGS are community based and will be providing input into the Council's water resource decisions in the areas they represent. Background information about each of the FLAGS can be found on the Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/flag.

The management objectives for each area are now available for public feedback and discussion. You can read them online at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/flag, call into the local Council Service Centre to see a copy or contact one of the relevant FLAG members to talk about it. The FLAGS are encouraging people to become familiar with these documents as they are part of the process of understanding how water is to be managed.

Each FLAG has issues particular to them;

- importance and significance of Te Waikoropupu Springs
- the cultural and spiritual significance of the Springs to the community generally and local iwi
- the management of the ground and surface water in the Takaka River catchment, and
- the need to manage nitrate levels in the Waimea groundwater

The FLAGS' aim is to ensure water is managed in a way that enables it to support healthy ecosystems and protect domestic drinking water quality and quantity, particularly in relation to the Takaka Gravel Aquifer that supplies the Takaka township and the two confined aquifers of the Waimea Plains.



The significant use of the surface waters for swimming is identified by both FLAGS and is a value for which both quality and quantity will be managed. The importance of clean water for the tourism industry in Golden Bay is recognised and both FLAGS are accounting for the economic significance of water use for food production and other commercial end uses. Hydro-electric power generation is also particularly recognised by the Takaka FLAG.

Further information:

FLAG specific pages on www.tasman.govt.nz/link/FLAG

Contact details

You can contact Mary-Anne Baker at the Council for more information. Ph. 03 543 8486 or Email: marya@tasman.govt.nz

Motueka Community Board adds Open Forum

From May 2015, the Motueka Community Board has changed its regular meetings from monthly to six-weekly. In addition, the Community Board will also run an Open Forum on a different six-weekly cycle.

"We recognised that it was more cost efficient and effective for the Board and Council staff to hold a regular meeting every six weeks instead of monthly" says Community Board Chairperson Paul Hawkes "this matches the six-weekly cycle of other Council and Committee

meetings. However, we also wanted to give the community a chance to meet with us in a more informal setting to discuss any Motueka issues, so we will also be running the Open Forums, which anyone can drop into – there will be no set agenda."

The first Open Forum is Tuesday 26 May 2015 at 6.00 pm at the Motueka Service Centre and will be held six-weekly on a Tuesday evening.

The next public meeting of the Motueka Community Board is Tuesday 23 June 2015 at 4.00 pm.

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Council Partners with NMIT

Through a new partnership with the Nelson-Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT), students from different disciplines are gaining practical experience at Tasman District Council.

NMIT is currently in its second year of offering a New Zealand Diploma in Engineering (Civil) for students who wish to pursue an engineering career. The two year diploma was designed by industry to meet the requirements of the New Zealand engineering sector. The industry advisory group is supported by local companies, Downers, Nelmac, Donaldson Civil, Nelson Consulting Engineers, MWH, OPUS International Consultants, Ching Contracting, Tonkin & Taylor, Terra Firma Engineering, Mike Edridge Contracting, McArthur Consulting, Connexis and Taylors Contracting. Both Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council also support the programme.

Recently two of the engineering students – Mike Beardsmore and Leanne Flemming – spent a week of work experience with members of the Council's Engineering team. Mike was previously employed in the mining sector where he was involved in blasting while Leanne, a fitter/turner by trade, previously worked in the draughting department at Brightwater Engineering.

Mike and Leanne spent their week travelling the District with Council staff viewing water treatment plants, refuse and recycling operations, wastewater auditing; learning about the Council's stormwater management, doing subdivision inspections, watching progress on the Narrow Bridge culvert project on the Motueka Valley Highway and understanding the Council's role in river works.

Both Mike and Leanne were grateful for the opportunity to see the various aspects of infrastructure engineering in practice and to talk with the Council's engineers about future opportunities in their chosen field.

Tasman District Council Engineering Services Manager, Peter Thomson chairs the NMIT Civil Engineering Advisory Group. "It is great to see so many local engineering companies joining the Council in offering this work experience" said Peter "and our staff enjoyed the opportunity to talk about their work with our future engineers".

NMIT Chief Executive, Tony Gray said that the opportunity for the students to work alongside colleagues from Tasman District Council was a great chance for a 'real world' work experience and one that allowed for the application of what had already been learned on the course. "This type of work opportunity provides the very best of theory and practical coming together and the chance for the students to share the experience of the engineers at Tasman District Council".

Another NMIT student who has joined the Council for a twelve-month cadetship is Leisha Cohen who is studying toward a Certificate in Business Administration (Level 3).

Leisha works at the Council for most of the week providing administrative assistance and support to the Councillors as part of the governance team. Every Thursday she is committed to attending classes at NMIT as a requirement of her course.

After two weeks on the job Leisha is coming to grips with a myriad of new faces and names and learning about the processes and systems the Council uses to support its elected members.

Swinging Art on High

The Motueka Arts Council is delighted with the response to its public art initiative 'Swinging Art on High'

As the hanging flower baskets on High Street come down for winter Cliff Satherly, the Motueka Community Board representative on the Arts Council, conceived the idea of a community based art idea. Inspired by the success of the hanging baskets he suggested the hooks that are staying in place could be used over winter – Swinging Art on High was born.

Entries are coming in from artists, businesses, children, clubs and Joe-Public steadily with the deadline date of Saturday 6 June 2015. Free entry forms and chains to attach your creation to are available from Potter Patch on High Street.

The art pieces will hang from Mid-June to Mid-August 2015. Cliff advises that there are 200 hooks along High Street and The Motueka Arts Council

would love to see each one having a public artwork to brighten, enliven and make High Street fun and quirky over the cold winter months.

The only criteria is to ensure your piece is safe for public display, no sharp or dangerous objects protruding. The working size is no wider than 500mm, no longer than 600mm and weighing between 1kg – 10kg and for each entry to be weather-proof considering the winter elements. Any materials can be used, you are only limited by your imagination.

So 'get your creative hat on!' If you have any questions you can email motuekaartscouncil@gmail.com, contact Cliff Satherley Ph. 03 528 8996 M. 027 204 6591

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Queen's Birthday hours

All Tasman District Libraries will be closed on Monday 1 June 2015 for Queen's Birthday holiday.

Stock up now on your reading, listening and watching for the long weekend.

Youth Week

With a theme of We are the Future/Kō tātau te ao o āpōpō, Youth Week runs from 23-31 May 2015. The week aims to value, support and affirm the diversity of young people in our society.

Richmond, Motueka and Takaka libraries all have activities on offer to celebrate young people in our communities. From making cute amigurumi animals to a drawing workshop, from chocolate fish to scavenger hunts there's something on to amuse and entertain 11-18 year olds.

Visit the library website Featured Events page and find out what's on at your local library.

Paddy Richardson at Richmond Library

Meet well-known New Zealand writer Paddy Richardson at Richmond Library on Thursday 18 June 2015. Paddy will be talking about her life as a writer and in particular writing crime novels at 12.00 noon. Bring your lunch or grab a coffee and a bite to eat from the library café.

And for those of you with the writing bug Paddy will be delivering a writers' workshop from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm at Richmond Library on Thursday 18 June 2015. Paddy will share insights and expertise to guide you in developing strategies to create strong convincing fictional characters.

Paddy welcomes writers of all levels to this workshop which will provide exercises and opportunities to share work and ideas in a relaxed environment. Workshop fee \$30.00. Register and pre-pay at Richmond Library. Numbers are limited so secure your place today.

NZ Music Month

May is NZ Music Month and it's not too late to take in a couple of the events happening at Motueka and Takaka Libraries.

On Friday 22 and 29 May 2015, we're showcasing the awesome talents of students from Motueka High School's music department at Motueka Library. Performances will run from 1.15 pm – 2.00 pm. Come along and support Motueka's talented young people.

Have you ever wondered why it is you enjoy the music you do and just why and how we produce music? Michael Delceg will shed a little light on just what goes on in the brain when it comes to music at Takaka Library on Friday 22 May 2015 at 1.00 pm. And on Friday 29 May 2015 at 4.30 pm popular children's music maker and teacher Levity Beet will bring along some of his young students for a lively hour of music at Takaka Library. A great concert for all ages. Come along and be part of it!

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Tracing your ancestors through military records

Are you interested in tracing your ancestors who served in the armed forces but you're not sure where to start? This course could be just what you are looking for. You'll find out how look at military records that are available online for New Zealand, UK and Australia. The course runs on 12 June, 10.00 am – 12.30 pm at Richmond Library.

For more information and to book your place, phone Richmond Library, Ph. 03 543 8500.

Chris Perkins at Richmond Library

We're all aware of the increasing prevalence of Alzheimers and dementia in our community and many of us will have had personal experience of this disease. We're pleased to be joining with Alzheimers Nelson to bring Chris Perkins to the library on Wednesday 24 June at 7.00 pm.

Chris is the author of Dementia: what you need to know. Chris will focus on what it means to be diagnosed with Alzheimers and other dementias and how to continue to see the person rather than the disease. This should be an interesting and thought-provoking evening. We look forward to seeing you there.

Check our website out for yourself at www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz

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Planning for Brightwater and Wakefield's future

The Council is planning for long-term population and business growth in Brightwater and Wakefield. To support this conversation with residents and businesses we have prepared a strategy and a draft plan change for each township.

This stage builds on last year's conversations with the community using those as a base for this next step in the planning.

Within both documents we are looking to address the current issues including;

- managing flooding and its associated risks,
- more open space and walkways, and
- identifying the best place for residential and business opportunities.

Information is available on the Council website www.tasman.govt.nz

We are accepting comments until Tuesday 9 June 2015.

For more information about the strategy and draft plan change please contact:

Rose Biss, Ph. 03 543 8421 – for Brightwater.

Shelagh Noble, Ph. 03 543 7229 – for Wakefield.

Rates Rebate Deadline

The rates rebate deadline for the 2014-2015 rating year is quickly approaching. Applications **MUST** be in before **30 June 2015**.

The Rates Rebate Scheme operates under the Rates Rebate Act 1973.

The purpose of the Scheme is to provide a subsidy to low income home owners on the cost of their rates. The maximum rebate for this rating year is \$605.

Forms are held in each of the Council's offices. These have a Rates Rebate Income Eligibility Table on the front. The property you are applying for must be your principal place of residence. You cannot claim a rates rebate for the rates payable on a property that is used principally for business, farming, commercial or industrial purposes, or a home that is not your usual place of residence.

To check your eligibility and download a rates rebate form please go to our website www.tasman.govt.nz/property/rates/rates-rebate

Public Notices

Speed Limit Bylaw Review

Tasman District Council is reviewing its Speed Limit Bylaw. The first stage of this review is to invite you to have your say about speed limits on local roads in Tasman District.

Is there an issue with the speed on the road where you live? Are there other roads that you consider should have the speed limit reviewed?

Send your suggestions by 4.00 pm, Friday 29 May 2015 to:

Krista Hobday, Road Safety Coordinator

Email: krista.hobday@tasman.govt.nz

Or by mail to: Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050

All suggested speed limit changes will then be subject to a speed warrant process and assessment where Council staff use a national rule developed by the New Zealand Transport Agency. The rule is used to balance the interests of mobility and safety by ensuring the speed limit on a particular road is safe. The speed limit must also be appropriate and credible for the level of roadside development and the category of road for which it is set. Speed limits must also be nationally consistent.

The current speed limit bylaw and associated maps indicating speed limits on all roads within the District can be found on the Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz

Roading

Road Closures

In accordance with the Transport (Vehicle Road Closure) Regulations 1965, the public is advised that the following roads will be closed to ordinary vehicles for the periods and times indicated below:

Nelson Car Club – Hill Climb

Sunday 24 May 2015, from 8.00 am to 5.00 pm:

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Motueka Community Board – Open Forum

Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka,
Tuesday 26 May 2015, 6.00 pm. Open forum

Submissions Hearing (Golden Bay Kayaks)

Pohara Beach Boat Club Rooms, Wednesday 27 May 2015,
9.30 am. No public forum

Full Council

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond,
Thursday 28 May 2015, 9.30 am. Public forum

Environment and Planning Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond,
Thursday 4 June 2015, 9.30 am. Public forum

Golden Bay Community Board – Meeting

Collingwood Fire Station, Elizabeth Street, Collingwood,
Tuesday 9 June 2015, 9.00 am. Public forum

Corporate Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond,
Thursday 11 June 2015, 9.30 am. Public forum

Community Notices

Richmond & Districts Information Centre

Volunteers are required to work three hour shifts on a weekly or fortnightly basis at the Information Centre in Gladstone Road. Initially successful applicants would be required to work with more experienced volunteers before being asked to work on their own. Although applicants should preferably have a good knowledge of the local community, this is not necessary, as the Centre has a large database. You should be well presented and enjoy meeting and conversing with visitors from all over New Zealand and the world. The Centre is well appointed with good facilities.

If you are interested in this type of work, call in to the Centre or Ph. 03 543 9521 or contact Sally Symonds, Ph. 03 542 3983 for further details.

Nutrition workshop

The Soroptimist Club of Waimea is holding a workshop in the Headingly Centre, Richmond, on 8 June 2015 at 7.00 pm where Nicola Galloway, noted nutritionist and author of a number of books related to nutrition, will demonstrate recipes aimed at improving digestion.

For further information contact Diane Thomsen, Mobile: 027 247 7529, Email: thomsedi@gmail.com

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If you enjoy sport and you love to socialise then the South Island Masters Games is for you!

Saxton Field will be front and centre as the sporting, social and administrative hub for the South Island Masters Games returning to Nelson from 26 September – 4 October 2015.

This world class complex will be in full use as over 2,400 participants have fun competing during this nine day sporting festival.

Participants from across New Zealand and beyond will visit Tasman to take part in over 45 sports, dress up for the themed social functions and extend their stay to enjoy our beautiful region.

Participants compete for medals in their own age group and don't have to qualify or belong to a club to enter. The only criteria for entry is a minimum age and for most sports that's 35+ years. Entries are accepted from any area of New Zealand or overseas, not just the South Island. Simply put, anyone can enter as long as they're old enough!

Tasman will host cycling, darts, duathlon, equestrian, golf, half marathon, indoor bowls, kart racing, motocross, pool, clay target and smallbore shooting, snooker, squash, tennis and twilight 400 events. Saxton playing fields will host archery, athletics, football, netball, softball, touch, ultimate, running, walking and cross country events.

Entries are now open. Go to www.simasters.co.nz for more information. Enter online or pick up an entry form at Tasman District Council offices or Sport Tasman.

Don't want to participate as a competitor? Join as a VOLUNTEER. If you have some hours to spare and want to become involved in this exciting event contact Jane Miles at jane.m@sporttasman.org.nz, Ph 03 923 2317.



Winterruption 2015 – shake off those winter blues

Richmond will host big screen movies, an old time dance, cooking demonstrations, fashion displays, fitness classes and a family snow day to entice people to come out of winter hibernation this June.

Organised by the Tasman District Council and Richmond Unlimited, with support from the Richmond Mall, Sport Tasman, Mediaworks, Rainbow Ski Area and town centre businesses, Winterruption returns as the catalyst to draw people together, have fun, be active and learn new skills.

The Richmond Town Hall once again plays host to an old time dance and free fitness classes as well as a new event to the festival, the Family Snow Day. Crafts, activities, performances and a movie matinee will help build the festival feeling along with a 20m snow toboggan luge ride, created by Rainbow Ski Area's snow blowers, giving kids the opportunity to sled down a custom built snow run.

The Richmond Mall will host a series of free weekday kids activities including mask making, cookie baking, and music making with Kath Bee all on offer.

Cooking demonstrations return to the programme, with local head chefs from the Wooden Spoon Cafe and The Cellar Door@Waimea Estate sharing their top tips on how to prepare and cook healthy, hearty, and nutritious winter meals on a budget.

Retail stores will also play a part in the festival, offering sales and discount bargains on their winter merchandise. For more information visit www.tasman.govt.nz/link/winterruption



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