

# Get involved in the big issues for Tasman

Tasman District Council staff and councillors will be out and about this spring seeking your views on our environmental and development issues and opportunities, as we begin work on Aorere ki uta, Aorere ki tai – the new Tasman Environment Plan.

Mayor Tim King says Tasman is a special place to live. "Our urban, rural, and coastal areas provide us with a great lifestyle, and they are the foundation of many livelihoods. As a region we have a lot to offer and as a result our towns and local centres are growing.

"It's important we plan for the future by encouraging quality development in appropriate places, backing sustainable industries and production, and protecting and restoring our environment."

Over October and November, we're hosting 20 family-friendly community events across the District for you to have your say on some big topics.

Environmental Policy Manager Barry Johnson says community input will shape the direction of the new plan. "This plan will be created in partnership with iwi and our communities over the next couple of years. It will be an important document that will eventually replace our current resource management plans as the blueprint for how we grow as a District and use our land, air, and water."

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# Councillor Kit Maling – Richmond Ward

Te Waikoropupū Springs is one of our most beautiful and precious natural resources, the largest freshwater springs in the Southern Hemisphere and containing some of the world's clearest water.



The Springs are currently the subject of a Water Conservation Order process, along with the associated Arthur Marble Aquifer in Golden Bay. I recently attended mediation proceedings and was impressed with the cooperative attitude of all the participants. The proceedings and outcome will be revealed in due course, but it was a pleasure to attend and see our District working together to decide the future of this special part of Tasman.

We have started work on our Long Term Plan, which covers the 10 years from 2021 to 2031. It's a really important document for the community as it sets out our forward plans for spending and how we'll be doing things in the District in the future. I'm looking forward to consultation in the new year, so keep an eye out for chances to have your say.

With our recent move to Covid-19 Alert Level 1, we now have a rare chance to enjoy our local attractions from a tourist's point of view – but without the usual crowds. I'm looking forward to that this summer and am taking the opportunity next month to ride the Central Otago Rail Trail. I encourage you to find something you've always wanted to do in the region and get out there to support our local and national tourism providers. Our many attractions, parks, roads and campgrounds won't be as busy as usual, so it's an excellent time to enjoy our beautiful backyard.

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Tasman District covers nearly 10,000km² of diverse landscapes, from large mountainous areas to valleys and plains. Significant rivers such as the Buller, Motueka, Aorere, Tākaka, and Wairoa move through the land and flow to lakes and estuaries, transporting valuable freshwater on their journey. There is native bush and bird life, deep caves, golden sand beaches, productive farmlands and horticulture, and good fishing in our bays and rivers.

The Tasman Environment Plan will help look after these treasures through policies and rules covering air and water quality, biodiversity, climate change and natural hazards, and how we use our rural areas, coast and towns.

## Have your say

Join us at one of our friendly pop-up events across the District this spring.

### **Coming up in October:**

- Māpua: Monday 12 October,
   4.00 pm 7.00 pm, Māpua Bowling
   Club, 84 Aranui Road.
- Wakefield: Monday 19 October,
   4.00 pm 7.30 pm, St. John's
   Worship Centre, 130 Edward Street.
- Richmond: Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 October,

- 9.00 am 6.00 pm, inside the Richmond Mall (Ginger and @cquisitions entrance).
- Ngatimoti: Sunday 25 October, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm, Ngatimoti Festival, 4 Greenhill Road.
- Rotoiti: Wednesday 28 October,
   4.00 pm-7.00 pm, Rotoiti Community
   Hall, 22 Main Road, St Arnaud.
- Tasman: Thursday 29 October,
   4.00 pm 7.30 pm, Tasman Bible
   Church, 6 Williams Road.

For more information and the full list of community events, head to environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz.

## Groundwater survey aims to increase knowledge

Council scientists are carrying out a groundwater quality survey in the Aorere/West Coast area to increase our understanding of the quality and quantity of groundwater in this part of our District.

First up, we're keen to identify the location of groundwater bores in the area. Then we'll carry out water quality testing to get a clearer picture of groundwater quality across the catchment.

This is the start of a process to develop a water management plan to ensure our water resources are sustainably managed. The plan will form part of the new Aorere ki uta, Aorere ki tai - Tasman Environment Plan.

## We need your help!

If you live in the area outlined in the map and use a bore for any purpose, we would love to hear from you to help us complete the first part of our research.

If you choose to participate, we'll arrange a time to visit your property in November or December to record some details of your bore.

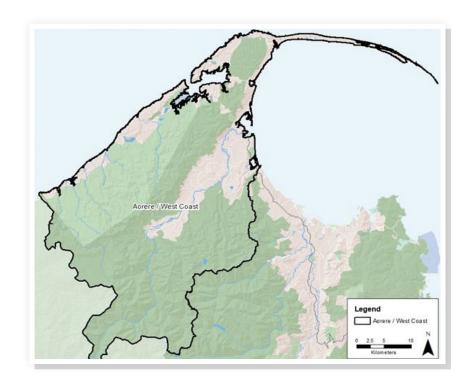
Then we will test the water quality in some bores spread over the Aorere/ West Coast area to give us a good understanding of groundwater quality across the catchment.

If your bore is one of those tested, we will provide you with the water quality results free of charge.

If your bore isn't chosen for testing, but you would like to know more

about your water quality, we'd be happy to provide advice on sampling and laboratory testing.

For more information contact Melanie Westley on 03 543 8680 or melanie.westley@tasman.govt.nz, or visit our website, tasman.govt.nz



## Aroha mai Waitaha!

Just to be clear, our mention of Cantabrians in the previous issue of Newsline was intended to be completely tongue in cheek and certainly not meant to cause any

offence. We love welcoming visitors and new residents from Canterbury and appreciate everything they bring to our region. We're sorry if that was ever in doubt. Let's all keep working together to perfect our te reo pronunciation and appreciating each other as always.

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## Council grants help our community

A huge range of groups have received money in the latest round of Tasman District Council Community Grants, enabling them to continue supporting the community. More than 130 groups, clubs, and organisations received a grant, covering a variety of needs across the region.

### They include:

- A portaloo for the Kaiteriteri Mountainbike Park (\$800)
- Outfitting Onetahua Waka Ama craft with safety equipment and PLBs (\$1,200)
- Fixing a leaking roof at Golden Bay St John Training Rooms (\$1,300)
- Volleyballs for the Golden Bay Volleyball club (\$500)
- A laptop for Motueka Search and Rescue (\$750)
- Help for Murchison Community Garden (\$1,462)
- · Repairs and upgrades to Tapawera

village gateway and information (\$1,200)

- A new walking track and native planting in Richmond's Reservoir Creek Valley (\$5,000)
- New locally-made, sustainable toys for the Wakefield Community Toy Library (\$500).

The total amount of grants awarded was \$214,000.

"It's a really broad range of events and social services," community partnerships coordinator Gary Alsop says. "It's always oversubscribed and we had \$640,000 in applications.



"Notably, it was particularly oversubscribed in social services this year and, as always, sport and recreation."

Gary says choosing which grants to fund is a balance to help as many community groups as possible to deliver their events and services. "Even a small amount can have a big impact."

He adds it's important to recognise the many hours of unpaid time that goes into events, projects and services in the region. "There's a huge amount of volunteer effort that goes into them, and that's noticeable throughout the applications."

# Either way, it's 20km/h past school buses

Concerns from the community about cars speeding past the Brooklyn School bus as it stops to collect and drop off students are behind a new Council-funded initiative to help improve safety.

The backs of both school buses have been covered with a big sign reminding everyone that you must slow to 20km/h to pass a stopped school bus – and that applies on both sides of the road.

The sign was only installed recently but the school says they've noticed an improvement in driver behaviour already and they hope to see that continue.





## Are we recycling right?

From July 1 this year we asked everyone to make changes to how they recycle plastic. We started taking only plastics number 1, 2 and 5, which we know can actually be recycled here in New Zealand.

The good news is that everyone is doing a great job with the changes. Smart Environmental has been auditing 1000 bins a month in Tasman and the results show very few of the plastic containers we can't recycle. Well done everyone for recycling plastics 1,2 and 5 only, keep it up!

We've seen that the recycling is mostly clean so the message to rinse before you recycle is also being heard. Just remember it's best to leave lids off too.

There are areas where we can improve. Our wheelie bin audits uncovered lots of used tissues and paper towels. Please be aware no tissue products can be recycled. By putting used tissues in your wheelie bin you're creating a serious health risk for the people who handle your recycling.

Another issue that emerged was the number of plastic lined juice and

milk cartons in the recycling. These are a mix of paperboard, plastic and aluminium all stuck together and they can't be recycled, so must go into your rubbish bin. Better still, try to avoid that style of packaging when you shop. Go for reusable as the best option and recyclable as vour next choice.

You can find more information about recycling on our website, tasman.govt.nz/recycling.

# Funding boost for local community venues

Community halls around our region are about to benefit from a \$400,000 funding boost announced by Minister of Regional **Economic Development** Shane Jones.

Tasman District Council staff applied for funding through the Provincial Growth Fund. The money will be used in various locations around the region to carry out improvements to

these well-used community facilities.

- Motueka Recreation Centre: Section of sports hall roof replaced, roof vents installed, insulation added to the ceiling and walls of the sports hall, and lighting upgraded to LEDs.
- · Murchison Sport, Recreation and **Cultural Centre: Construction** of a new storage shed to house equipment.
- · Spring Grove Drill Hall: Roof replacement.

- · Collingwood Memorial Hall: Interior painting of the toilets and the community library.
- Lower Moutere Memorial Hall: Interior repainting.

"This funding is a real bonus for everyone who uses these facilities. It's good that we'll be making these improvements sooner than planned for our residents to enjoy the benefits", said Mayor Tim King.



# NEWSLINE UPDATES Te Kaunihera o te tai o Aorere

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## Saxton Field Reserve Management Plan review

The draft Saxton Field Reserve Management Plan review is available for public submissions from 8 October until 10 December 2020.

Saxton Field is a significant regional sport and recreation venue managed jointly by Tasman District and Nelson City councils on behalf of our communities. Many of our most important regional sports and recreation assets are located at Saxton Field.

It's important you share your views on what we are planning for Saxton Field over the coming years.

The draft plan sets out the vision, policies and methods for enhancing Saxton Field's recreation, sport, landscape, natural and cultural values. The draft plan does not propose any significant changes to how Saxton Field is developed or managed, however, we are proposing some key changes, which we are keen to hear your feedback on.

The draft plan and submission form are available to view at: tasman.govt.nz and nelson.govt.nz.

Printed copies can be inspected during working hours at Tasman District Council offices and public libraries in Richmond, Motueka and Tākaka; and the Nelson City Council office and public library.

Any person or organisation may make written submissions, which must be received by 4.00 pm on Thursday 10 December 2020.

Submissions can be:

- Posted to Tara Fifield, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.
- Emailed to info@saxtonfield.nz with 'Saxton Field Reserve Management Plan' in the subject line
- Completed online at tasman.govt.nz/feedback or nelson.govt.nz.

Anyone wishing to speak in support of their submission should state this on their submission form.

This public notice is issued under section 119 of the Reserves Act 1977.



### Let's all ride safe this summer

October is Motorcycle Awareness Month as the warmer weather traditionally means riders get bikes out of the garage and back on the road.

Drivers, please bear this in mind and remember to look twice for motorbikes.

Riders, don't forget to check your bike and gear to make sure everything is ride ready.

Now's the time to upskill too. Thanks to a Council subsidy, you can get free motorcycle and scooter training and refresher courses. Go to ridetolive. co.nz to register for the subsidy and then enrol for your free course.

Get a mate to sign up for a free course, and you'll get a \$20 fuel voucher! Terms and conditions apply.

Get all the details at ridetolive.co.nz.

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## Maritime event

**Event activity:** Waka Ama Racing. Area reservation and uplifting of 5 knot speed rule applies.

**Date and location:** Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November, Kaiteriteri.

Further details for these and any new events may be viewed at tasman.govt.nz/link/maritime-events.

## Have your say: 2020 Tasman Biostrategy

Work is underway to prepare a Bio-Strategy for Tasman District to provide strategic direction and action priorities for biodiversity and biosecurity initiatives within the District.

Find out more at facebook.com/TasmanBioStrategy, or head to the survey at surveymonkey.com/r/QST97SC.

## **WATER SAVING TIP**



## **COUNCIL HUI**

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at the Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

### **Golden Bay Community Board**

Tuesday 13 October, 9.30 am. Golden Bay Service Centre, 78 Commercial Street. Public forum.

#### **Animal Control Subcommittee**

Tuesday 13 October, 10.00 am. Sabine Room, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

#### **Regulatory Committee**

Thursday 15 October, 9.30 am. Public forum.

#### **Motueka Community Board**

Tuesday 20 October, 4.00 pm. Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka. Public forum.

#### **Full Council**

Thursday 22 October, 9.30 am. Public forum.

## **ROAD CLOSURES**



Proposed closure of roads to ordinary vehicular traffic

Pursuant to the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, notice is hereby given that for the purpose of a **Nelson Car Club Rally** the following road will be closed to ordinary vehicular traffic for the period(s) indicated hereunder.

During the period of closure the following provision will be made for ordinary vehicular traffic which would otherwise use the roads: Matakitaki Road from 1.48km from the start of Matakitaki Road for 10 kilometres (RP 1.48 – RP 11.48)

Period or periods of closure: Saturday 5 December 2020, 7.00am to 7.00pm

Alternative provision for ordinary vehicular traffic: **NIL** 

Objections close 5.00 pm Friday 23 October 2020.

Please send any objections to megan.bell@tasman.govt.nz.





# WHAT'S ON IN TASMAN





## Older and Bolder (50+ years) – movie day

Tuesday 13 October, 1.00 pm – 2.45 pm, Murchison Sport, Recreation and Cultural Centre.

Older and Bolder is a free group get together, with some great activities and trips throughout the year. Bring a plate. Coffee and tea provided.
All welcome, but please note that sessions are designed for ages 50+.

# Employment and Training Expo

Thursday 15 October, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm, Motueka Library.

Do you have a young person in the house who is about to fly the coop? Motueka Library's Employment and Training Expo might be just what they need. It's a great opportunity to meet work brokers, trainers and employers from local industry, service and training providers.

**TASMANLIBRARIES.GOVT.NZ** 

## Sign up now for Second Hand Sunday

#### **Sunday 18 October**

If you've been feeling the urge to spring clean your home and property, now is a good time to do it.

Second Hand Sunday is a fun way to declutter and re-home unwanted household goods for free.

#### How to take part

This is a joint effort between Tasman District Council and Nelson City Council, so you'll need to register your address online at nelson.govt. nz/second-hand-sunday to take part.

# Make a photobook for Christmas

Monday 19 October, 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm, Richmond Library. Free, bookings essential.

It's not too early to be thinking about Christmas! Take part in a photobooks class and get your Christmas gift sorted – while also learning new skills and organising your photos. Call 03 543 8500 to book your spot.



## Spring Reading Challenge

# Until Saturday 31 October, Tasman District Libraries.

Discover new authors, genres and ways to experience books and reading. For all ages. Pick up your participation booklet at Motueka, Murchison, Richmond or Tākaka Libraries.

## **Social Sports**

Fridays, 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm, Murchison Sport, Recreation and Cultural Centre.

Group sports in the Sports Hall. \$2 per person. All levels welcome, U16s must be accompanied by an adult. Any queries, contact the team at murchison.centre@gmail.com or 03 523 9360.

Note: This only runs if there are enough numbers on the day.

