

OUR NELSON

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Keep up to date with the latest news from Nelson City Council



Trees in the Cathedral

The Nelson Cathedral Christmas Tree Festival has officially opened and will be on display through until 27 January 2018.



New Year's Eve Countdown



The Lantern Celebration is one of Nelson's many family-friendly summer events.



Opera in the Park



Celebrate summer in our city

The Summer Events Guide distributed with this issue of Our Nelson celebrates the best of what Nelson has to offer in the summer months.

With something for everyone, the events stretch across the Nelson and Tasman, using our parks, streets, beaches and entertainment venues for free and ticketed events that are one-off, annual, biennial, indoor and outdoor!

This year's Guide is a one-stop shop to planning your summer events, with Council proud to support events that will have people making the most of the summer vibe.

Councillor Gaile Noonan says the Summer Events programme just keeps getting better every year, "Nelson is the perfect setting for so many outdoor events, and the Summer Events Guide sets out the line-up for a fantastic summer."

"One of my favourites is the Nelson Buskers Festival – it just brings a spirit of colour and fun to the city, and then of course, there's Opera in the Park, this year back at Saxton Cricket Oval," Councillor Noonan says.

"What could be better than spreading out a picnic of local food and wine, and enjoying some of New Zealand's best singers with a live orchestra. I can't wait to enjoy our city in summer."

The 2018 Opera in the Park will feature the NZ Symphony Orchestra.

This year's programme includes much-loved annual events such as **The Lantern Celebration**, where families and friends of all ages come together to create an enchanting and magical event at the Centre of New Zealand. **Summer Movies Al Fresco** is your excuse to bring a cosy rug and a thermos of hot milo for a picnic under the stars, while you watch a classic movie – it's just an excuse to cuddle up!

Don't miss other main events like **New Year's Eve Countdown** with its downright funky 80s theme; and **Tahuna Summer Sounds** for beach activities, local bands, and lots of giveaways. And then, of course, there's the best day out ever for the littlies – the **Teddy Bears' Picnic** with games, balloon twisting, face painting, petting zoo, pony rides, storytelling, 'Tedcessorise' craft, train rides and a whole lot of loved-up teddies.

Open the guide and start planning to make the most of summer in our city.

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City gets set for Christmas and summer fun!

From Friday, Christmas starts arriving in Nelson City.

New Christmas banners and a stunning real Christmas tree will be installed over the weekend. This will coincide with upper Trafalgar Street being opened up as a pedestrian only area.

The section between Hardy Street and Selwyn Place will be closed to vehicles (apart from delivery vehicles in the mornings), from this Friday (1 December) until the end of March next year.

Local businesses will be making the most of the new pedestrian space by expanding and enhancing their outdoor areas. Council will be providing planter boxes to add some greenery and our famous hanging baskets really add to the appeal. Look out for some fun events happening over the summer in this space.

Local artist Mike Ward and volunteers from Community Art Works and the Light Nelson Collective have been working with Council to create the new Christmas decorations. Without giving away the surprise; the themes reflect love, family, generosity and connecting with each other (with a real kiwi flavour of course). Keep your eyes peeled over the next week for more.

Another local artist, Lee Woodman, has created an intricately designed Christmas star that will form the focus of the Christmas display just inside the Cathedral. The Cathedral is open 9am to 6pm daily and everyone is welcome to come inside to see it.



Mike Ward and volunteers from Community Art Works give us a sneak peek at the new Christmas banners. Photo: John-Paul Pochin.

Please – no plastic bags in kerbside recycling

It's great news that some supermarkets are now offering recycling for shopping bags and other soft plastics.

But please remember that these soft plastics, including shopping bags, cannot go in your kerbside recycling bin. If you put plastic bags in your kerbside wheelie bin, your wheelie bin won't be collected as the bags can't be processed at our plant.

If you are keen to do the right thing, please take your bags and soft plastics to the nearest drop off point at Countdown, New World or PAK'nSAVE supermarkets. Check out the locations online

at recycling.kiwi.nz/solutions/soft-plastics/store-locator.

Of course, wherever possible, using your own reusable bags rather than plastic bags is the best option!

Reminder

Just a reminder that recycling and Nelmec rubbish collections will all be one day later over the Christmas and New Year period so the team can take Christmas and New Years' Day off. Check your recycling calendar for details.

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NZ River Award recognises continued success in Freshwater Management

Orphanage Stream has been awarded most improved river in the region at the New Zealand River Awards.

This year's award recognises the trend improvement in *E.coli* levels in Orphanage Stream – a lowland stream that runs through the Saxton Field area in Stoke. Monitoring results showed an impressive 19.8% pa trend decline in *E.coli* levels over the last 10 years.

The improvement in *E.coli* levels has gone hand in hand with community and Council efforts to improve the water quality of the streams in the Stoke area, including the planting of a riparian buffer along both sides of the stream, which is now well established in the lower reaches of Orphanage stream.

The Stoke Stream Rescue project, a partnership between Nelson City Council, Waimaori Stream Care and the Cawthron Institute, worked with community groups, schools and the wider public to take ownership of Stoke streams and to raise awareness about common household and garden pollutants that are washed in to streams and rivers, and ways to reduce these.

At the same time, the likely sources of *E.coli* mid-catchment have reduced because of changes in land use from rural to residential

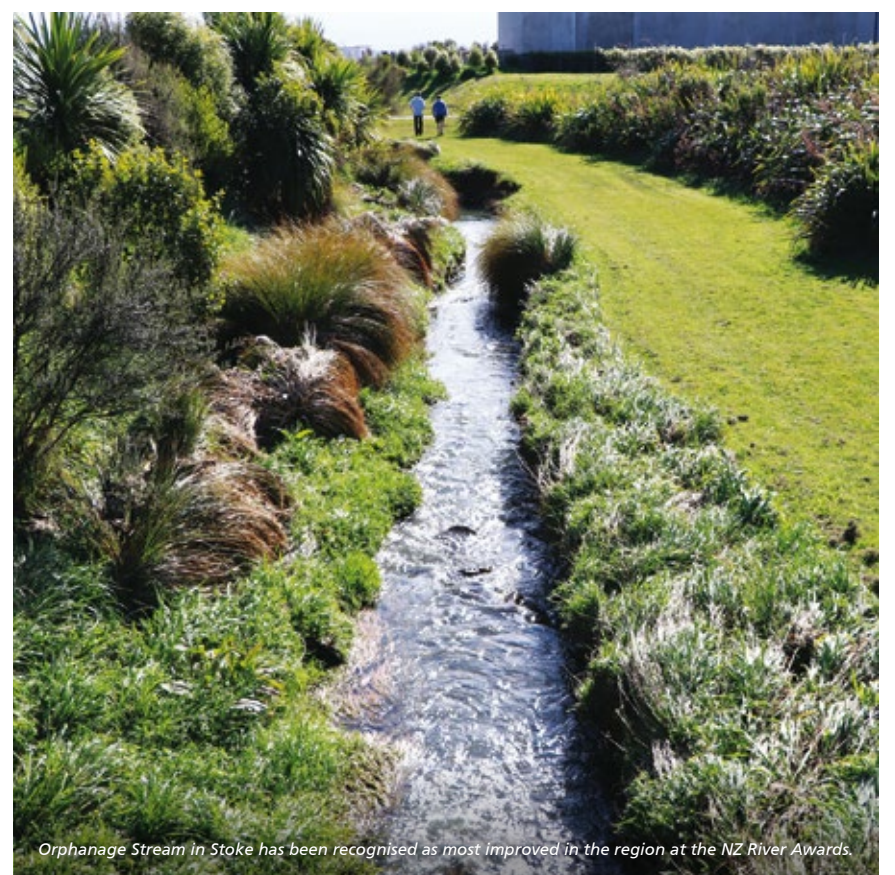
development. This has led to improvements in stormwater management that have helped to reduce contaminants such as *E.coli* getting into the river.

Council is planning other initiatives, including maintaining and improving the urban stormwater and wastewater network and additional planting, which is expected to lead to further improvement.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese says "I am delighted that Nelson has received this award. We want to lead the country in freshwater management, and awards like this show me that we are on the right track.

"Since 2013 we have invested an additional \$2 million in research, infrastructure, community engagement and monitoring. There is still much to do, but we are making great progress.

"I'd like to acknowledge all the work done in partnership with the community to achieve these results. It's very rewarding to see what can be achieved through working together to achieve our vision for Nelson's freshwater."



Orphanage Stream in Stoke has been recognised as most improved in the region at the NZ River Awards.

Freedom camping changes this summer

Last year was a busy year for freedom camping in Nelson as we experienced an influx of visitors following the Kaikoura earthquake. In response to some of the issues and concerns raised by the community, Council has adopted a Freedom Camping Bylaw.

It takes effect from 1 December. From that date you can expect to see a change in the way we manage freedom camping behaviour around the city.

It will take some time to ensure our visitors understand the new rules but we'll have a team out every day, informing people of the changes and letting them know where they can stay. The information is being circulated online via the popular camping apps and websites and the team at the i-Site are also helping to spread the word. Anyone who has had the rules explained but chooses to ignore them, can be issued with a \$200 infringement fee.

Under the new bylaw, there will be no central parking areas dedicated to freedom camping for non-self-contained vehicles (those without a self-contained warrant, like the vans and cars that have sleeping space only and no facilities on board). Those vehicles, along with tents, will not be permitted to stay on any Council administered land within the Nelson region apart from within an official campground or with a private accommodation provider. This means they won't

be permitted to stay in the central city car parks as they have in previous years.

For certified self-contained vehicles, some restrictions have been put in place that control the numbers of vehicles and the areas where they can park, including around some Reserves and the central city carparks. The areas in the main parking squares where the vehicles can park for the night will be marked out with blue lines and sign posted. The spaces will be filled on a first come – first served basis.

Freedom Camping, even in certified self-contained vehicles, is not permitted in any other areas in the central city or in other parks and reserves, except within an official campground.

If you'd like to know more details about Freedom Camping changes this summer, or to read the Bylaw in full, visit nelson.govt.nz (search = freedom camping).

nelson.govt.nz

Search = freedom camping

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

We know summer has arrived as our stunning hanging baskets go up this week and the central city is about to become even more vibrant as our new Christmas decorations are installed and upper Trafalgar Street is transformed into a pedestrian plaza.

You'll see these changes happening within the next week and I'm excited to see it all taking shape. I want to thank our local art legend, Mike Ward, for his help in designing unique, meaningful and above all festive new decorations for our city. I hope the decision to go back to a magnificent real tree will delight Christmas lovers of all ages. There is also an environmental message with this choice as we continue to remove wilding pines from our special landscapes.

I know there are great plans for the summer months for the new space created at the top of Trafalgar Street, with lots of businesses planning to make the most of this new opportunity. I encourage everyone to come in and explore the city - enjoy our summer events, stop for a meal at restaurants throughout the city, pay a visit to the Nelson Provincial Museum and the Suter Art Gallery. And of course our retailers and artists and artisans will have the perfect Christmas gifts ready and waiting!

As we countdown to Christmas and a New Year beckons, we're getting ready to welcome visitors from around New Zealand and the world. Our new Freedom Camping Bylaw is in place and we'll be working hard to communicate where overnight campers are welcome and where they are not. Clear information will be communicated on our website and via social media.

Finally, a special plea from me around water safety. Summer is a great time to be out on the water - fishing, sailing, or kayaking. Please keep a close eye on children, check weather forecasts, and wear a life jacket - they save lives. Let's get ready for a safe and sunny Nelson summer.

International artist Yulia to sing at *Among the Roses*

Get set for an afternoon of fine wine and glorious roses, decadent food, with fabulous music and entertainment.

Among the Roses 2017 is on at Broadgreen Historic House on Sunday 3 December from 2pm to 6pm, and features a stunning music line up including Bryce Wastney, La Vida String Quartet, Hot Club Nelson, the Highland Pipe Band and very special guest singer, Yulia.

Yulia is a multi-platinum recording artist, winner of two New Zealand Music Awards and has performed with the likes of Russell Watson, Ivan Rebroff, Amici Forever, Dame Malvina Major, Sir Howard Morrison and Engelbert Humperdink.

Yulia will perform her hit songs such as, 'Into the West', 'We're All Alone', 'La Vie en Rose' and 'The Prayer'. Her new album 'Encore', which was recorded live this year, will also be available for purchase on the day.

Another highlight of the day will be a "Cooking with Roses" demonstration from food guru, Nicola Galloway.

Come join the fun, sip Brightwater Vineyard wines, savour Melrose Café rose lemonades, cakes or platters, or wander the cottage market and sample the many other crafts and treats on offer.

Faerie Lou, Flossie and the Nelson Library will be there with entertainment for the children. The Rose Society, who are

celebrating their 70th anniversary, will be unveiling a special plaque, displaying their roses and giving a short talk and about the roses of Samuels Rose Garden.

Community Services Committee Chair Gaile Noonan says "*Among the Roses* is a wonderful day with Broadgreen Historic House and the Samuels Rose Garden looking their very best. This year the music line-up, entertainment and market stalls offer something for everyone. I encourage everyone to join us to welcome summer in style!"



Event details

What: Among the Roses
Where: Broadgreen Historic House and Samuels Rose Garden
When: Sunday 3 December, 2pm – 6pm





Nelson Heritage Festival launches community events opportunity

Nelson City Council’s popular Heritage Week has traditionally seen hundreds of locals and visitors enjoying events and celebrating the Heritage of Nelson.

The 2018 event will take on a new format as the Nelson Heritage Festival, to increase community involvement and support those groups which have a story to tell about Nelson’s rich and varied past.

The Nelson Heritage Festival will run from 9–22 April 2018 and is open to individuals or groups that would like to run a heritage event during the Festival.

Councillor Gaile Noonan, Chair of the Community Services Committee, says that Council would love to hear from anyone who has a heritage event idea suitable for inclusion in the Festival.

“We’re putting the call out to the community as we know that there are many untold stories out there. This could be an ideal opportunity for artists, theatre groups, schools, history buffs and special interest groups to be part of a fantastic heritage event and to share their stories with the people of Nelson.

“The new Festival format will help us work in partnership with the community to create a more

vibrant celebration of Nelson’s heritage.”

Council will be providing more information at an information session the Jaycee Room, Founders Heritage Park, 6–7.30 pm on Tuesday 12 December.

Some events may also be eligible for match funding from the Heritage Festival Grant Fund. Applications for events are open until 4pm on Monday 8 January 2018.

For more information and to register for the Heritage Festival information session, contact Tom Ransom, Heritage Adviser, on 03 546 0331 or email tom.ransom@ncc.govt.nz

Event details

What: Heritage Festival information session
Where: Jaycee Room, Founders Heritage Park
When: Tuesday 12 December, 6–7.30 pm

Flags fly over Riverside

As part of Riverside Pool’s 90th-anniversary celebrations, the two flagpoles that once sat proudly on the roof of the building have been reinstated.

The flags were raised over the pool again last week by Sport and Recreation committee Chair Tim Skinner and everyone was invited to enjoy a free lunchtime swim.

The flagpoles feature in the photos from the 1927 opening of the pool (as seen below) but were removed sometime during the 1980’s. The team at CLM, who operate the pool on Council’s behalf, thought the anniversary was the perfect time to raise the flags once again.



Riverside Pool Manager Dave McKenzie and Councillor Tim Skinner fly the flag.

Leave the car at home this summer

With the city starting to get busy with Christmas shoppers and tourists, parking will be at a premium in the central city. Council will be employing extra enforcement officers to make sure time limits are being followed and car parks are turning over as they should, to make it fair for everyone.

If you work in the central city, it’s a good time to think about other options rather than bringing the car to work. If you do need to drive, please consider parking just outside the CBD area and then enjoying a short walk to work.

If you set up a carpool with your work mates, you can register it with Council and park for free all day in the allocated spaces at Haven Road by ANZAC Park, Harley Street (off Bridge Street), Kerr Street (by Smiths City) and by the old Hunting and Fishing building on Achilles Avenue. Yes, that is free all day parking when you register your carpool with Council. A carpool as small as two people also counts.

Of course you could just leave the car at home and get to work on the NBus or jump on your bike and you won’t have to worry about parking at all.



Tickets on sale this week for Nelson’s Christmas Celebration

Tickets go on sale from Friday this week (1 December) for the revamped Christmas Celebration (formerly Mayor’s Christmas Dinner).

The Christmas Celebration is a chance for Nelson’s senior citizens who would otherwise be spending Christmas alone, to come together and celebrate the festive season. It takes place on Thursday 21 December at 12 noon and will return to its original home – the wonderfully refurbished Trafalgar Centre.

Top Nelson Chef, Steve Coyne from Harbour Light Bistro has volunteered to prepare a delicious meal, featuring

Christmas favourites.

A team of dedicated volunteers led by Katrina Kidson will be going all out to make it a wonderful day for everyone.

Fine food, fun, entertainment and Christmas cheer are all on offer, so make sure you buy your tickets early. They are still just \$15 each and will be available at the Council office in Trafalgar Street and at the Stoke Library.

Numbers are limited so don’t miss the Christmas Celebration.

Complete the Tahunanui Pathways survey and win!

We’d still love to hear from anyone who already walks, cycles, scoots or skates around or through Tahunanui, or wants to do so.

Earlier this month Council sent out a short questionnaire asking for feedback on how people want to travel around the area. Please make sure you complete and return it by Thursday 7 December and you will be in the draw to win a \$200 voucher from Kiwi Multisport in Tahunanui

Nelson City Council has been looking at options to encourage more people to walk and cycle in and around Tahunanui. We are now working with the Transport Agency and voluntary advisers from various community groups to try and find the best ways to do this.

Completing the short survey will help by giving us more information on how you’d like to travel around the suburb, the places you want to go and how we can make it easier and safer for you to walk or cycle to get around.

If you live in Tahunanui you should have received a survey in your letterbox. It is also available online at nelson.govt.nz/tahunanui-cycleway. Please let us know what you think by Thursday 7 December and go in to win the \$200 voucher.

nelson.govt.nz/tahunanui-cycleway

Start your summer reading

Nelson Public Libraries have a great line-up of summer reading for everyone. In addition to our Children’s Summer Reading Programme we are excited to introduce the first Nelson Public Libraries Young Adult Reading Challenge. We hope you will have heaps of fun and maybe discover some new authors along the way.

Young Adult Summer Reading

Make your way through our list of challenges and go in the draw to win a Fuji Instax Camera! All you need to do is take a picture of the completed challenge and send it to us through email, Facebook message or upload it to your Instagram feed and use #nplya2017.

You don’t need to complete every challenge, BUT the more challenges you complete, the more chances you have of winning! Each challenge completed = one entry.

The Challenge runs from 1 December 2017 until 31 January 2018 and is only open to 13–18 year olds.

Children’s Summer Reading

Take the kids on an exciting trip to Greece this summer! Battle sea monsters, visit the temples and read your way around our map. There are

prizes along the way and each child who enters will be given a free book.

This is only open for 5 – 12 year olds and runs 12 December – 31 January.

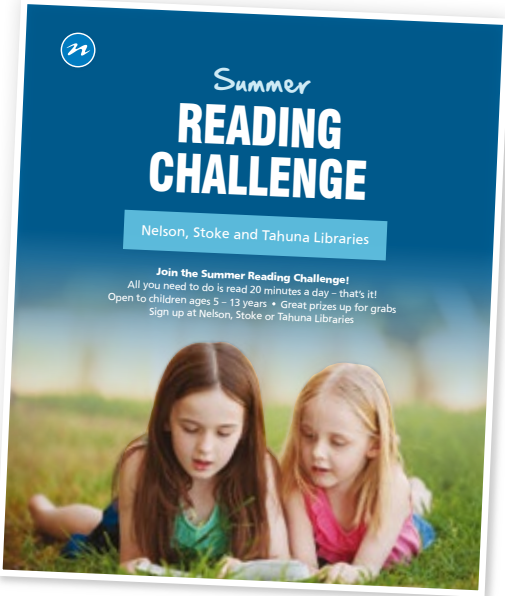
To sign up for either of these just email us on library@ncc.govt or ask next time you are in the library.

Adult Reading

Get your summer reading sorted by using our handy apps. We have over 9000 ebooks and audiobooks available to download onto your device all with the click of a button. This is great for those sunny days when you want a good book but can’t quite make it to the library.

To find out more just visit our website, nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz or come in and ask.

nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz



Wastewater Pump Station updates

Neale Park

Work is progressing well on the major upgrade of the Neale Park Wastewater Pump Station.

This upgrade has been planned for some time. It will have significant benefits including increased pumping capacity for future growth, treatment of odour, and resilience to potential wastewater overflows.

We’ll be managing the ongoing function of the pump station as best we can while we build around it. Please bear with us if there are

unexpected instances of increased odour on occasion as we’ll be working to prevent and minimise this as much as possible.

Corder Park

The major upgrade of Corder Park Wastewater Pump Station was completed earlier this year. Since it has been up and running there have been cases of intermittent odour. We’ve been investigating these as they occur and have now tracked the problem to the ozone treatment system.

Staff have collected lots of data about how the system is working to better understand the issues. As a result, two possible solutions have been identified. These are being investigated and once the best solution has been established, it will be implemented as soon as possible.

We’ve introduced some short-term measures and are also making other adjustments in an effort to try and get the best out of what we have until the permanent solution can be put in place. Thanks to everyone for their patience as we work on resolving the problem.



Council's strong financial position recognised in Annual Report

Nelson City Council recently adopted its 2016/17 annual report. The report outlined council's strong financial position, highlighted by a positive net surplus and below budget debt levels.

Mayor Rachel Reese complemented staff for achieving such a strong financial result. "A lot of work has gone on behind the scenes to build this report. It paints a robust financial position, a strong platform for us to build on as we progress through to the Long Term Plan. We are well positioned to retain our high Standard and Poors rating of AA."

"The Annual Report is a 12 month report. It allows us to reflect back and see what has worked well, as well as identify areas we can grow and develop. I'm confident that Nelson City Council is in a stable position and ready for the next step change that will confirm us as an extraordinary place to live, work and invest in."

Overview

The Annual Report compares the actual activities and performance of Council, with the direction set out in the 2016/17 Annual Plan. It assesses both the financial and non-financial performance of the organisation.

Financial Performance

The Annual Report shows that Council recorded a net surplus (before revaluations) for the year ended 30 June 2017 of \$13.2 million, which was \$8.9 million more than budget.

When comparing actual net cashflow from operations against budget, Council achieved a result of 101%. Under 100% and Council would not be living within its means. Over 100% and Council is collecting more income (from rates) than it needs to deliver (non capital) services to the community. Having a result so close to 100% is extremely positive for the city.

Borrowings (net of deposits) were \$92.1 million, compared to a budget of \$131.6 million.

The overall result showed that all financial prudence targets were met by Council.

Non-Financial Performance

Council's non-financial performance was on a par with last year. 74% of performance targets were met (compared with 72% in 2015/2016) and 26% were not achieved, with two measures not able to be reported on. These results demonstrate that for the majority of its activities Council is meeting the expectations set out in its Long Term Plan.

Highlights in 2016/17

The year saw the completion of two major city facilities (Trafalgar Centre and the Suter Art

Gallery) and the commencement of work on another (Greenmeadows Centre).

Several major core infrastructure projects were started or completed, including the last stage of the Maitai pipeline duplication, commissioning of Corder Park wastewater station, and upgrading several stormwater systems around the city to address flood risk. Road safety improvements continued with specific work on walking and cycling projects in Tahunanui and Haven Road.

In 2014 Council committed to a long-term plan to significantly improve Nelson's waterway health and biodiversity outcomes.

Nelson's waterway health was supported and improved through work on the Nelson Nature and Project Maitai/Mahitahi. This, and other work such as the Top of the South Marine Biosecurity Partnership, has seen Council working with others to achieve environmental outcomes.

Reflecting city growth, resource and building consent numbers were considerably up on the previous year. 975 building consents were issued over the year for works to a value of \$177 million (up 62%). 597 resource consents were received this year, with 469 decisions issued and close to \$1.4 million income received from charges for processing.

Supporting economic growth has been an important focus in many areas of Council. Thirteen Special Housing Areas were approved under the Housing Accord with central government. The Nelson Regional Development Agency continued to partner with the public and private sectors to attract and retain investment in Nelson. An example of this was the completion and presentation to stakeholders of the Regional Identity Project. In addition, over \$460,000 was provided to a range of events to attract visitors to our city. Uniquely Nelson provided support to over 600 businesses.

Council provided support in many ways to residents' wellbeing. Work started on a Youth Strategy and we partnered with Age Concern to look at social isolation. The Arts Festival delivered record sales and the Founders Book Fair, which supports development at Founders Park, was the largest to date.

Highlights in the Parks and Active Recreation area included continued work on mountain bike trails, development at Saxton Field including a new hammer throw cage and drainage improvements, in-principle approval of the Brook Recreation Reserve Management Plan and purchase of the Marina hardstand.



Photo: John-Paul Pochin



Tuesday 12 December – change to usual opening hours

- **Stoke and Elma Turner Libraries**
Will close at 4.30pm (usually 5.30pm and 6pm)
- **Customer Service Centre**
Will close at 4pm (usually 5pm)

Council can still be contacted 24 hours, seven days a week on 03 546 0200. We thank you for your understanding.

Cemetery mowing

Nelmac Ltd wishes to advise family and visitors tending lawn graves in the Marsden Valley Cemetery and the ashes lawn at Wakapuaka Cemetery that all flowers will be removed from the graves on Wednesday 20 December. This is to enable a full mow of the Cemeteries prior to the Christmas period. Flowers can again be placed on graves from Friday 22 December. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Update on weeds – Protecting Nelson’s Backcountry



If you are out and about in Nelson’s backcountry over the summer you may see some of Council’s Nelson Nature contractors working on removing weed species in the Dun Mountain and Roding Reserve areas.

In the Dun mineral belt, the focus is on three weeds: wilding pines (multiple species), Spanish heath (*Erica lusitanica*) and gorse. These weed species are best adapted to survive in the harsh climate of this unique place, and they threaten the survival of some very special flora and fauna that exist there.

Later on this summer, we will also be surveying for Spanish heath over around 700ha, at the same time as removing any wilding pines found.

In the lower catchments work will continue to eradicate Old Man’s Beard and Cotoneaster.

Forest and Bird members recently spent a day volunteering with Nelson Nature to control wilding pines in the Dun Mountain, helping to remove this pest species from our back country.



Forest and Bird volunteer Mike Humphries with a wilding pine seedling in the Dun Mountain area.

Are your retaining walls in good shape?

Summer is a good time to check the condition of any retaining walls on your property, as any repairs needed are easier to do over the drier summer months.

The consequences of a retaining wall failure can be significant, especially in urban areas on steep ground.

Cantilevered timber pole retaining walls, in particular, need regular maintenance to reduce the risk of sudden failure. Walls in steep ground should be well maintained.

So if you are giving your retaining walls a check over, look out for:

- Poles leaning over – this could indicate that the wall is overloaded.
- Signs of continuous dampness – drainage of older walls may be inadequate or have silted up and the wet soil will be putting an extra load on the wall.
- Decay – pole walls constructed in 1980s and 90s were typically not treated to the same standards as today and may be reaching the end of their serviceable life.
- Ground cracking, bulging or wall movement – which can indicate levels of instability in the wall.

If you have concerns about your wall you should seek advice from a geotechnical engineer or engineering geologist.

New pollution hotline

Council now has a freephone pollution hotline – 0800 NOPOLLUTE or 0800 667 655 – that people can call if they see a pollution threat or incident in the Nelson area.

The hotline has been activated to ensure that, in the event of a pollution incident, Council is able to respond as quickly as possible to prevent and mitigate pollution incidents.

Clare Barton, Group Manager Strategy and Environment, said that the new hotline is another tool in Council’s frontline defence against pollution, and responds to a suggestion from the Friends of the Maitai.

“The hotline reflects Council’s commitment to working with the community so that quick action can be taken to protect the environment.”



MEETINGS

The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled.

Governance Committee
9am 30 November

Council meeting – to hear submissions to Waimea Community Dam (if required)
9am 7 & 11 December

Nelson Tasman Regional Landfill Business Unit – Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
9.30am 8 December

Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit – Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
1pm 8 December

Hearings Panel – Other – Ruma Mārama
8.30am 12 December

Council meeting
9am 14 December

Changes to Meetings

Planning and Regulatory Committee – to hear submissions to Resource Management (and Special Housing Areas) Charges and Delegations – previously advertised to take place 9am, 13 December
CANCELLED as no submissions received

- Notes:
1. Unless otherwise shown, the meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson.
 2. A public forum is held during the initial period of the Committee/Council meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at this public forum is asked to give prior advice to an Administration Adviser on 546 0200.
 3. Agendas will be available for perusal at the Customer Service Centre in Civic House, or at Nelson Public Libraries, two days prior to the meeting.
 4. Agendas and minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on Council’s website nelson.govt.nz.

nelson.govt.nz/meetings



SUMMER OF CRICKET

BE PART OF EXCITEMENT!

T20 – BLACKCAPS V WEST INDIES
3PM – FRI 29 DEC, SAXTON OVAL, STOKE, NELSON

ODI – BLACKCAPS V PAKISTAN
11AM – TUE 09 JAN, SAXTON OVAL, STOKE, NELSON

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MORE INFO AT WWW.ITSON.CO.NZ





Stoke Community Hall lease available

Stoke Community Hall will be available for lease from April 2018 for up to 12 months at an annual rent of \$791 + GST.

The total area of the building is 170m² and is comprised of hall, office, kitchen and toilet facilities.

This is a community lease and so we invite incorporated community groups to register their interest by Friday 5 January 2018 by emailing our Leases Officer Jules Read at jules.read@ncc.govt.co.nz.

Please detail what services/

activities your group provides to the community, your membership, whether you would be willing to share the space with other groups and any other information you feel would support your application.



The cheapest time to buy your firewood is now!

It's not too late to get a discount on your winter firewood. Council and selected Good Wood suppliers have extended their discount on firewood to 15 December, for Nelson residents who buy their wood early. Purchasers will also go in the draw to win a flue clean.

Good Wood suppliers are committed to only selling good quality dry wood, and we're working with them to bring you the best value firewood in town.

The suppliers taking part are:

NCC + supplier discount (\$50 total discount per cord – one per household)

- The Wright Firewood Company, 03 544 4350 or 021 127 8957

NCC discount only (\$25 discount per cord – one per household)

- Richmond Wood and Coal Ltd, 03 544 6473
- Tasman Firewood, 027 428 4777

- Bay Firewood, 03 525 9560 or 027 769 6348
- Wholesale Firewood, 03 546 9595 or 027 922 9611
- Wholesale Landscapes, 0800 421 000

To receive your discount you'll need to provide proof of address when you buy your wood. Discounts are available to Nelson residents only, one load per household, until 15 December. All purchasers will go in the draw to win a free flue clean.



WHAT'S ON... at a Council venue near you



Saxton Field

BLACKCAPS International Cricket – International T20 Blackcaps v West Indies: Friday 29 December, 3pm

BLACKCAPS International Cricket – International ODI Blackcaps v Pakistan: Tuesday 9 January, 11am

Tasman United v Hamilton Wanderers: Sunday 14 January, 2pm

Tasman United v Team Wellington: Saturday 27 January, 2pm

Trafalgar Park

Tasman United v Wellington Phoenix: Sunday 3 December, 2pm

Family Picnic Event: Wednesday 6 December, 2pm–8pm

Out of the Blue – Music Festival: Saturday 6 January, 1pm–10pm

Tasman United v Canterbury United: Sunday 7 January, 2pm

Founders Heritage Park

Food truck Fridays: 1 December, 5 January, 2 February, 5pm–8pm,

A Day of Mindfulness: Sunday 3 December, 9.30am–4pm

Founders Summer Reads Book Fair: Saturday 9 December–Sunday 14 January, 10am–4.30pm

Nelson Jazzfest 2018 – Founders Park Twilight Concert: Friday 5 January, 4pm–9pm

Jazz on the Village Green: Sunday 7, 21 January & Sunday 4 February, 1.30pm–4pm

Summer Movies Al Fresco – La Grande Vadrouille: Friday 12 January, 9pm

Summer Movies Al Fresco – It's a Wonderful Life: Friday 19 January, 9pm

Evolve Festival: Friday 26 January, 7pm; Saturday 27 January, 10am–late; Sunday 28 January, 10am–6pm

International Kai Festival 2018: Tuesday 6 February, 10.30am–3.30pm

Stoke Memorial Hall

Pretty Crafty Christmas Market: Sunday 10 December, 10am–3pm

Nelson Classic and Vintage Motorcycle Club Show: Saturday 6 January, 9am–5pm; Sunday 7 January, 9am–4pm

Broadgreen Historic House

Among the Roses: Sunday 3 December, 2pm–6pm

Isel House and Park

Isel Twilight Market: Thursdays, 4.30pm–Dark

Amazing Race: Tuesday 19 December, 9am–11am

Summer Movies Al Fresco – Rebecca: Wednesday 3 January, 9pm

Summer Movies Al Fresco – La Grande Vadrouille: Friday 5 January, 9pm

Summer Movies Al Fresco – The Wizard of Oz: 9pm, Thursday 11 January

Teddy Bears' Picnic: Sunday 14 January, 11am–1.30pm

Treasure Hunt: Tuesday 16 January, 11am–12pm

Summer Movies Al Fresco – The Court Jester: Sunday 21 January, 9pm

Nelson Public Libraries

Elma Turner Library

Adult computer classes: Thursday 30 November & Thursday 7 December, 9.30–11.30am

JPs in the Library: Every Saturday, 10am–12pm

Library Knitters: Every Thursday from 10am onwards

STEMWriters – a local writers group: Second Tuesday of each month, 2pm

BookChat: Second Tuesday of each month, 10.30am

TransFORMERS – From 2D to 3D Exhibition: Friday 1 December – Wednesday 31 January

La Vida String Quartet as part of the Live Music Series: Sunday 3 December, 2pm

Nightingale Library Memorial

Nellie Knitters: Every Monday until 11 December, from 1.30pm

Stoke Library

BookChat: Third Wednesday of each month, 5.30pm

Museums and Galleries

Nelson Provincial Museum

Open weekdays, 10–5pm; weekends and public holidays, 10–4.30pm

Bugs! Our Backyard Heroes Exhibition: Until Sunday 11 February

The Suter Art Gallery and Theatre

Open daily, 9.30am–4.30pm

Simon Ingram – Digital Primitive: Until Sunday 3 December

Sally Burton – Pale History: Until Sunday 11 March

Suter Christmas Concert: Sunday 10 December, 2pm

Refinery ArtSpace

Open weekdays 10am–5pm, Saturdays 11am–2pm

New Zealand Professional Weavers 'Chain Reaction': Until Saturday 9 December

Yoshi Art works – Where do we go? Until Saturday 2 December

Centre for Fine Woodworking Exhibition: Friday 8 December–Saturday 13 January

Mikaela Marshall: Monday 15 January–Saturday 3 February

Creative Journey – David Ryan's Painting Class: Monday 15 January–Saturday 3 February

Cate Murphy & Kirsten Bowsijk 'Native Flora of New Zealand': Monday 5–Saturday 24 February

Katie Russell Sculpture: Monday 5–Saturday 24 February

Natchez Hudson: Monday 5–Saturday 24 February

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BLACKCAPS International Cricket

Summer cricket excitement hits Saxton Oval again with two international matches:

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International ODI Blackcaps v Pakistan: Tuesday 9 January 11am. Tickets are available from Ticketek. Don't miss it!