

OUR NELSON

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50 ISSUES

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Our Nelson – it's time to celebrate

Welcome to the 50th issue of Our Nelson. The first issue came out on 13 July 2016, replacing Live Nelson and has been a great way to keep up to date with all that's going on in our Smart Little City ever since. We have also made some exciting recent changes to improve your experience. You can now catch up with the latest happenings online at our.nelson.govt.nz. Subscribe to Council's new and improved newsletters and win free grocery vouchers, go to page 7 of this issue for details.



Sport and Recreation Committee Chair Tim Skinner (left) and Gary Donaldson at the Piwakawaka Track.

Piwakawaka track is ready to ride!

Sport and Recreation Committee Chair Tim Skinner joined with Gary Donaldson, representing Donaldson Civil and the MTB Trails Trust, to explore the recently completed shared use Piwakawaka track in Marsden Valley. Its name is taken from the Māori name for the fantail birds that are common in the area.

The new track is just over 630 metres long. It is located at the end of Marsden Valley Road and links in with other popular tracks in the area.

Council contracted Donaldson Civil Ltd in partnership with the MTB Trails Trust to build the shared use entry level (Grade 2) track on Council reserve land. The MTB Trails Trust then volunteered to extend the track at their cost onto neighbouring private land with the landowner's agreement.

Sport and Recreation Committee Chair Tim Skinner says, "This combined effort has produced a great new section of track that will meet the needs of walkers as well as kids and new mountain bikers needing a safe place to try out the sport and hone their skills. I want

to thank all those involved for doing such a great job and I encourage families to go along and make the most of it."

The MTB Trails Trust's Chris Mildon says, "The Trust is delighted to have delivered this project with Council and with the support of the private landowner. Making public areas more accessible to a wider range of recreational users with trails like Piwakawaka meshes well with the Trust's vision for the region.

"We also hope that this shared use trail will help bring on the next stages of trail development for the Marsden Reserve, allowing easier access to a beautiful part of Nelson's front country."



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I'm proud and excited to be leading a city that has some very talented young people doing special things in our community.

Two Nelson Youth Councillors are taking on some exciting and challenging opportunities.

Alex Hunter is the first youth board member of Big Brothers Big Sisters and will grow her leadership qualities in this important role. The Nelson-Tasman branch of the organisation has been providing mentoring friendships and extra support to children for 19 years, thanks to the tireless efforts of their volunteers.

There have also been two pupils from Nelson College for Girls selected to study overseas. Youth Councillor Jenna Stallard will attend Mahindra College in India for two years, while Rhiannon Griffiths will go to United World College in New Mexico in the United States.

Young people are our most valuable resource, and these students are seeking to increase their knowledge in the field of social responsibility, and we look forward to bringing their knowledge back to our shores.

I want to applaud all the young people in our community who are out there making a difference. You are an integral part of making Nelson the smart little city and with that talent, energy and enthusiasm, there is so much we can achieve.

Mayor Rachel Reese



Coastal Hazards and Sea Level Rise event comes to Nelson

Nelsonians will have the opportunity to get the latest update on sea level rise science and a new approach to help coastal communities prepare for long term change at the Coastal Hazards and Sea Level Rise event on 8 August.

Climate change is expected to increase the risk of coastal hazards around New Zealand as sea level rises.

Dr Rob Bell (NIWA), Dr Dan Zwartz (Ministry for the Environment) and Sylvia Allan (Allan Planning and Research Ltd) will present on the key information from the Ministry for the Environment's updated Coastal Hazards and Climate Change guidance document.

The event will look at the following topics:

- The relationship between climate change and natural hazards
- Using sea level rise scenarios in adaptive planning

- Engagement expectations between councils and communities
- Community planning under conditions of uncertainty (the dynamic adaptive pathways planning approach)

Following the presentation, there will be time for questions and discussion.

These public events are sponsored by the New Zealand Coastal Society and supported by Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council.

For more information or to RSVP to the below events, email eric.verstappen@tasman.govt.nz.

Event details

When: Tuesday 7 August
Time: 7–8.30pm
Where: Memorial Hall, Motueka

When: Wednesday 8 August
Time: 7–8.30pm
Where: St Joseph's Holy Assembly Parish Hall, 1/18 Manuka Street, Nelson

New Digital Building Consent services info sessions

From 1 October 2018, the AlphaOne digital building consent service will be live on both Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council websites.

The new service will allow you to submit and track applications, including building consents, certificates of acceptance, exemptions and code compliance certificates. Inspection bookings will be managed using the AlphaOne booking app.

If you'd like the opportunity to find out how best to use the new system, the Councils are offering

two information evenings where you can find out how the new system works and set up your customer login so you are ready to go on 1 October. These sessions will be useful for anyone who may want to use AlphaOne in the future.

These sessions are limited in numbers so please RSVP by Monday 3 September to Sue Campbell at sueca@datacom.co.nz.

Event details

What: AlphaOne Information Evenings
Where: Sports House Board Room – Saxton Field
When: 11 & 12 September 2018, 5pm – 7.30pm
Food and refreshment supplied.

Have you registered your dog?

All dogs over three months old should have been registered by 1 July.

If you don't get it done before 31 July you could be liable for an infringement fine as well as a late registration fee and Council really wants to ensure that doesn't happen. The easiest way to register your dog is via Dogs Online at my.nelson.govt.nz.

If you need any help with setting up an account, logging in or registering your dog, contact Council's Customer Service Centre and we can help. The Dogs Online system only accepts payment by credit card, so if you want to pay by internet banking go to nelson.govt.nz/internet-payment.

Dog registration fees are used for dog control services, including running the animal shelter, dog patrols, education, advice, signage and providing dog poop bags. Find out more:

nelson.govt.nz/dogs





Check out the new NBus timetable and Stoke Loop

The big changes for NBus start next week, Monday 30 July.

There will be timetable changes on all routes so grab a copy of the new timetable from the depot in Bridge Street, on the bus or from the Council office in Trafalgar Street. You can also see it all online at nbus.co.nz.

Some services will be leaving earlier and some slightly later so please check the new timetable to avoid missing the bus or having a longer wait!

Stoke Loop

Next Monday will also see a revised Stoke Loop back on the road. The new service will cater more specifically for the needs of those who used the service before.

There are five services a day, starting from the Tennis Courts at Main Road Stoke and travelling around the suburb between Saxton Road East, Quarantine Road,

The Ridgeway and Seaview Road.

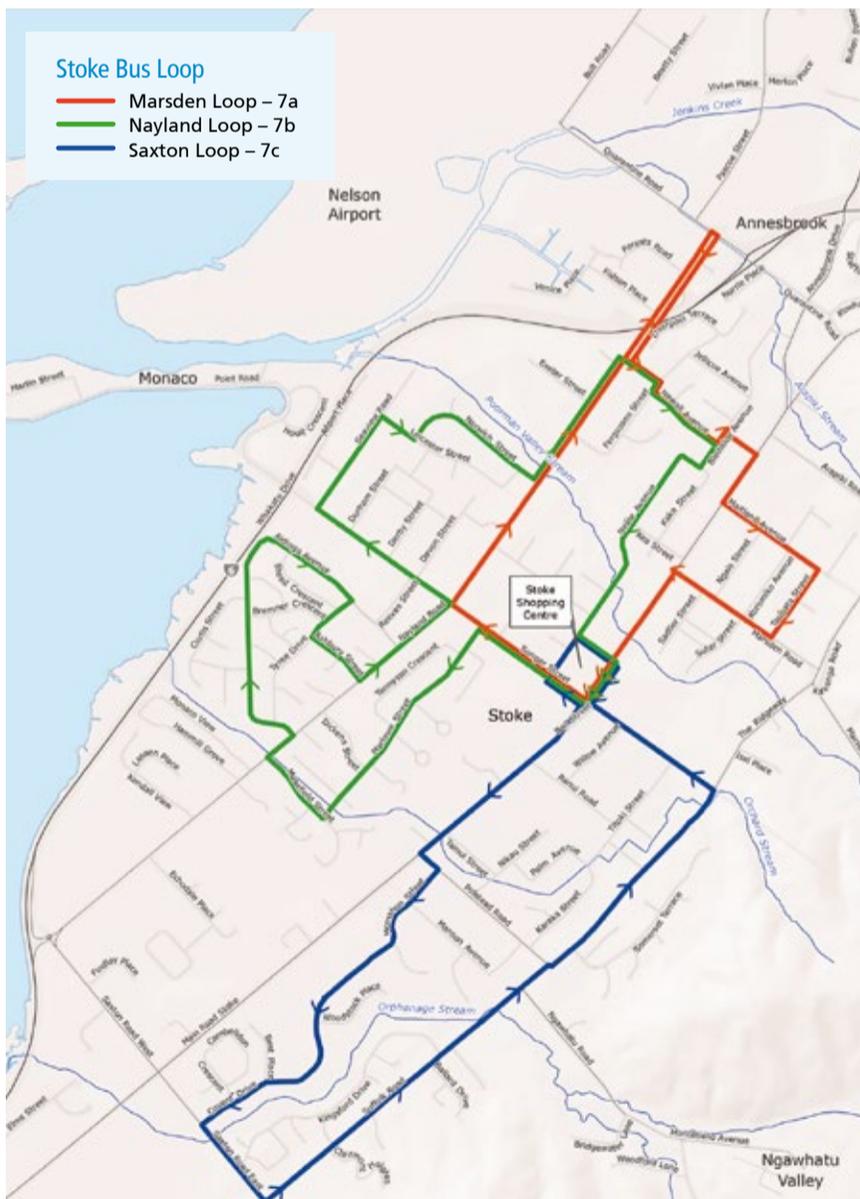
The bus leaves at 9.15, 10.15, 11.15, 1.15 and 2.15 every weekday and takes almost an hour to complete the full loop, but passes through Central Stoke three times during the journey so you won't need to spend the full hour on the bus.

Because of the hours it runs, the Stoke Loop is always FREE to Super Gold Card users. Otherwise there is a flat fare of \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children (children under 5 are free on all NBus services).

The Stoke loop remains a "Hail and Ride" service, so there is no need to wait at a formal bus stop. Just signal the driver and the bus will stop where it is safe to do so. You might be able to catch it right on your doorstep!

These changes will all come into effect from 30 July 2018 and the new timetables will be available soon, so check it out at nbus.co.nz.

nbus.co.nz



YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE



Old Lumpy Skate Park gets a makeover

The skate park fondly called 'Old Lumpy' near the Trafalgar Centre was given a much-needed makeover recently.

Last year we held a competition for designs from young people to paint on the skate park and with so many creative designs we chose three to decorate the park. We didn't expect much public interest in the project, but we were proved wrong.

The public showed a great interest in the skate park, some people saying how they walked past there every day, how their kids played there, and even calling for the park to be resurfaced.

In the end the skate park was painted with 'street style' graffiti with the words 'Old Lumpy' in the middle and the surrounds have been adorned with emoji.

The final element will be a rainbow design that will be painted in the bowl once the weather warms up. A sign with information about the project, the Nelson Youth Council and the skate park will be installed.

What was most interesting, and most heartening about the project was the response seen from the public. This project has shown that Nelsonians and the young people of Nelson care about the city they live in and the spaces they use.

It's important that we take notice, and take part in shaping our city to foster a sense of belonging, which is what painting Old Lumpy was all about.

By Jenna Stallard

New lease on life for Ngawhatu Playground

Have you paid a visit to the flash new-look Octopus's Garden Playground at Ngawhatu Reserve in Stoke?

The neighbourhood playground was in need of updating so last summer, Council invited the local community to meet at the park and indicate what sort of features they wanted to see there.

Thanks to all the families who gave us their feedback. Judging by the numbers of children turning up to play on a daily basis, the new, improved playground is a hit!

The upgrade included:

- Four traditional playground items.
- Three natural play spaces featuring locally sourced logs and rocks.

- New landscaping, including wheel chair accessible paths to access the swing and slide and more than 1000 new plants and grasses.

- As well as the information board installed, eight octopus facts were installed on small oval plaques hidden on posts throughout the area.

An information panel has been installed detailing the story behind how the Octopus's Garden got its name. Have a hunt for the interesting octopus facts on little oval plaques that have been hidden on posts throughout the area.



Women's Refuge National Appeal Month under way

July is Women's Refuge National Appeal Month, which included a Street Appeal in Richmond and Nelson last week and an opportunity to raise awareness of the organisation.

Nelson Women's and Children's Refuge/ Ngā Wahine Tamariki Punanga o Whakatū's community office is at 1A Wainui Street and provides a number of services.

There is a 24x7 crisis phone line available on 0800 16 33 44. Women's Refuge offers a confidential safe house for women and children fleeing domestic violence.

They also work with many women and children in the community who live in their own homes as well as those in the safe house.

Women's Refuge offers support and advocacy for women and children experiencing domestic violence. The service can help with legal advocacy, including with lawyers,

Work and Income, doctors and hospitals, and linking with other government and non-government agencies.

Women's Refuge can also provide emergency housing for families with children who are homeless and on the Housing New Zealand register.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese donated \$1000 to Women's Refuge from the Mayor's fund to acknowledge the birth of Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and partner Clarke Gayford's daughter, Neve Te Aroha.

This reflects the generosity of spirit of the Prime Minister in making sure that all New Zealanders deserve the best support possible.



The Skinner family puts the new Octopus's Garden Playground through its paces.

Be in to win with 'rates by email'

Choose to receive your rates and water accounts by email now and go in to win a \$400 travel voucher.

Sign up to pay by direct debit at the same time and the total prize increases to a \$750 travel voucher! Do it by 3 September 2018 and you will be in to win.

Already getting your rates notice via email? Then you are already in to win the \$400 voucher. It's easy – get it all started online at Council's website:

nelson.govt.nz/rates-competition





Storm repairs update

Much of the damage caused by the extreme weather events in February this year has now been repaired.

Wakefield Quay

Repairs to the Settlers Memorial walkway, the Seafarers Walkway and beach access steps were completed three weeks ahead of schedule and within budget.

Tahunanui Beach

Repairs to the dunes, bollard and rope barriers, boardwalks and the Lions Playground are all complete.

One Back Beach car park has reopened, but one remains closed as Council considers the best long term options for this section of the beach. An extra section of green space will be opened for parking once the weather warms up to cater for summer visitors.

A number of pine trees at the Back Beach have now died due to being inundated with salt water. They will be felled over the coming months.

Rocks Road

The footpath was repaired at the same time as the NZTA road resurfacing. The chain link fence is now complete again after new poles had to be made to order to replace the 20 that were lost in the storm.

Whakatu Drive Path

The missing section has been reinstated and extra rock protection has been added.

Monaco

The jetty has been repaired. A dead tree at Fosters Reserve has been removed and reused as a playground feature in the Octopus's Garden. A replanting programme is being planned. A resource consent application has been lodged to carry out repairs on the Martin Road Peninsula.

The Glen

Short term repairs have been carried out at Airlie Street/Seafield Terrace and Council is now in the process of investigating options for the long-term storm protection work in this vulnerable location.

Akersten Street

Work is underway now to repair the damage to the footpath at the northern end of Akersten Street.

Various slips and track repairs have also been carried out in Council reserves all around the region.

Thanks to everyone for their patience and understanding as we've worked our way through tackling all these repairs.



Parking charges change from 1 August

From 1 August 2018 the hourly charge for parking in Nelson city will increase by 50 cents to \$2. The first hour of parking will remain free in all Council car parks.

The change was adopted as part of the Long Term Plan with the increase to \$2 per hour aimed at raising additional funding to support plans to enhance and improve the CBD

How parking works at the moment will not

change – keep doing what you are doing. The price for the hours following your free hour simply increases by 50 cents.

Here's a reminder of how it all works:

- First hour of parking is free in all areas within the CBD, but you must display a ticket in a pay and display park, whether paying for parking or enjoying free parking.
- Please be aware that the Pay and Display meters will have two options to choose from. One is for the free hour option, but if you want to stay longer, choose the other option. You still get the free hour and then pay for the extra time you choose. Instructions will be given on the

meter screen so please follow those and remember to press OK to collect your ticket.

- Parking fees after the first free hour will now be at the rate of \$2 per hour.
- Free all day car parking is available for all Council carpooling permit holders in four handy locations, Haven Road by ANZAC Park, Harley Street, off Bridge Street, Kerr Street, by Smiths City, Achilles Avenue, by the old Hunting and Fishing building. Check nelson.govt.nz for details and to apply for your permit.
- Current parking time limits will still apply – check signs and meters for times.



What's on at the Library?



Celebrate and learn – Family History Month

There is a large and growing interest in genealogy as families, which are often spread across the world, seek to establish their connections and roots.

When people first set out on their journey of discovery, they are often surprised at how time-consuming and complex the research can be. Help is at hand!

Nelson Public Libraries have organised a programme of talks, workshops and visits which we hope will be of interest to people new to exploring their family history and also those who have been involved for some time. Discover places, resources and people who can help you uncover your family history, or inspire you to explore the past in which your ancestors lived.

The programme at Elma Turner Library during August includes:

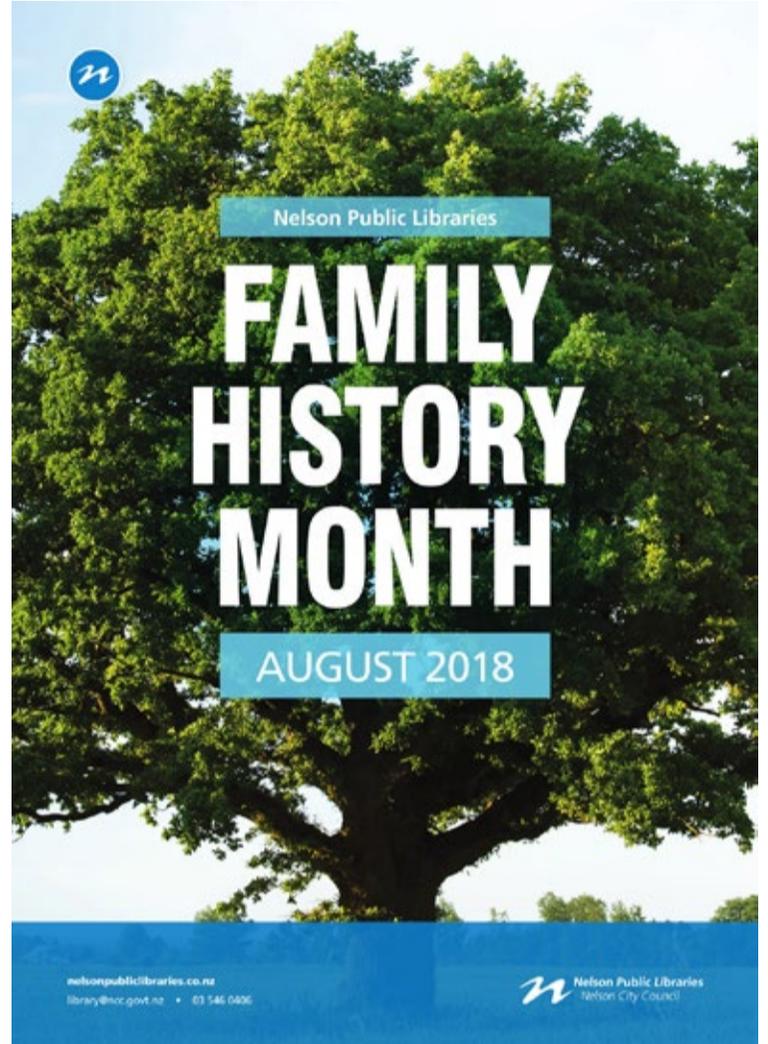
- Starting Genealogy – a course for beginners: Tuesdays 7, 14 and 21 – 9.30–11.30am

- Darryl Gallagher from the Nelson Provincial Museum on preserving your family photos: Saturday 12, 2–3pm
- Recording your family history on social media – Thursday 16, 9.30–11am and Friday 24, 8.15–9.15am at Stoke Library
- Author Julie Thomas on her family story about the Horowitz family – Sunday 19, 2–3pm (Friends of the Library talk).

And join us on a journey of discovery:

- Bloodline tour – visit the libraries and archives which hold family history resources in the region: Ancestors Attic, Nelson Family History Centre, Nelson College Scriptorium, Waimea South Collection at Richmond Library, Nelson Provincial Museum Research facility at Isel Park and the Research Room at Elma Turner Library.

For full details contact the Library – email library@ncc.govt.nz or phone 03 546 0417, see itson.co.nz or nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz (search Family History Month).



nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz

Search = Family History Month

Nelson Guitar Orchestra

Where: Elma Turner Library

When: Sunday 29 July 2018

Time: 2.00 – 2.30pm

Come and see this group of classical guitar players, which will play a mix of both classical and Latin styles as part of the Live Music Series.



Computer classes

Elma Turner Library, 9.30 – 11.00am

Internet Basics Thursday 2 August
 Internet 2 plus Q & A Thursday 9 August
 Tablets..... Thursday 23 August
 Social Media Thursday 30 August

Book at the front desk, phone 03 546 0414 or 03 545 8737, or email library@ncc.govt.nz.

Stoke Library, 8.15 – 9.15am

Tablets..... Thursday 9 August
 Internet Basics Thursday 23 August
 Internet Basics 2 .. Thursday 30 August

Book at the front desk or email library@ncc.govt.nz.



Love food, hate waste? How to feed families for \$60

Produced by Love Food Hate Waste and supported by Nelson City Council, Easy Choice – Family Kai is a seasonal meal planner and recipe book, which consists of four weeks of five dinner meal plans that will feed a family of six for approximately \$60-a-week.

Easy Choice employs many different strategies to help keep the cost of food low, while ensuring that each meal is healthy and balanced – from making sure that no food goes to waste to helping with shopping planning and using

practical ingredients like frozen vegetables, through to using the leftovers from one meal to make another.

Each week's ingredients should cost approximately \$60, although this may vary based on produce prices, the supermarket you shop at and weekly specials.

The winter edition of Easy Choice is the second of four seasonal meal planners to be released, following the launch of the autumn edition in April. The spring booklet will follow in October

with the summer plan being released in January.

You can download the Easy Choice booklets, or sign up for the Love Food Hate Waste monthly newsletter at lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz.

If you don't have access to a computer, contact lesswaste@ncc.govt.nz for a printed copy.

Council supports the national Love Food Hate Waste programme as part of our drive to reduce waste. Love Food Hate Waste focuses on eating well on a budget using seasonal produce and cutting out waste – it's a win/win all round.

WIN FREE GROCERIES

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Tō Tātou Whakatā

Subscribe to Council's new and improved newsletter by 31 August and go in the draw to win one of five \$100 grocery vouchers!*

Go to our.nelson.govt.nz to find out more.

Our Nelson is a great way to keep up to date with all that's going on in our Smart Little City.

If you're an existing subscriber then you're already in the draw!

** Conditions apply.*





MEETINGS

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

Saxton Field Committee – Netball Pavilion, Saxton Field 9.30am	8 Aug
Council meeting 9am	9 Aug
Audit, Risk and Finance Subcommittee 9am	14 Aug
Commercial Subcommittee 1pm	14 Aug
Works and Infrastructure Committee 9am	16 Aug
Sports and Recreation Committee 9am	21 Aug
Joint Shareholders Committee 1.30pm	21 Aug
Nelson Tasman Civil Defence Emergency Management Group to follow Joint Shareholders Committee	21 Aug
Planning and Regulatory Committee 9am	23 Aug
Community Services Committee 9am	30 Aug

Other meetings

Nelson Youth Council 1pm	24 Aug
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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 the Governance Advisers 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



Help plant a living memorial to WW1

The Nelson Returned Services Association is working with Project Maitai/Mahitahi to hold a commemorative planting as part of the Matariki Tu Rākau national planting project, commemorating the end of the First World War in 1918.

People are invited to help plant around 1300 trees on Saturday 28 July at Black Hole on the Maitai River (Branford Park area). Planting will start at 11am and go through until 2pm. To join in, just turn up on the day – boots and spades are recommended although we will have some spades available for volunteers to use.

There will be a barbecue, coffee cart, family games, live entertainment, kapa haka and service cadets display of drills.



From left, Jenna Stallard, Councillor Gaile Noonan and Alex Hunter.

Nelson Youth Councillors going places

Nelson Youth Councillors Alex Hunter and Jenna Stallard will be taking up exciting opportunities in the coming months.

Alex will become the first youth board member of Big Brothers Big Sisters Nelson Tasman, an organisation which provides mentoring friendships to children in need of additional adult support.

"I'm really excited to bring the youth voice onto this board for the first time and to learn new experiences about governance from a different perspective," Alex says.

Jenna, on the other hand, has been accepted to attend Mahindra College in India for two years, where she will study the highly regarded International Baccalaureate diploma developed by United World College and Cambridge University.

"I am looking forward to studying with

people from over 90 countries over there and being exposed to lots of different ideas," Jenna says.

She will also get to travel and volunteer in local rural villages.

Community Services Committee Chair Councillor Gaile Noonan is delighted by the achievements of members of the Nelson Youth Council, which sits under the Community Services banner.

"We are really proud of these two girls, doing some extraordinary things with their lives and the opportunity that came through the Nelson Youth Council, so we are rapt that they are willing and able to take these opportunities," Councillor Gaile Noonan says.

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



Trafalgar Centre

Super Club Netball: Sunday 19 August–Friday 24 August.

Maitai Boulevard

Nelson Farmers Market: 8am–2pm, every Wednesday.

Founders Heritage Park

Jazz for The Boathouse: 7.30pm, Friday 27 July

Nelson Arts Festival – The Flag Project workshops: Thursday 9 August–Saturday 11 August.

Isel House and Park

Family History Month 2018 – Bloodline Tour: 10.30am, Saturday 11 August

Museums and Galleries

Nelson Provincial Museum

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

It All Comes Back To Thread: Friday 6 July–Friday 31 August

A Century of Saying Cheese: Friday 17 August–Sunday 25 November

The Suter Art Gallery and Theatre

Open daily, 9.30am–4.30pm

Vincent Ward – Palimpsest/Landscape: Saturday 2 June–Sunday 5 August

Richard Stratton – Living History: Saturday 9 June–Sunday 26 August

The Centre of Things Nga Puna Raranga: Saturday 14 June–Sunday 9 September

NZ International Film Festival: Wednesday 8–Wednesday 29 August

Thursday Talk – How to Look at Art: Thursday 26 July

Thursday Talk – Baby Talk: Thursday 9 August

Thursday Talk – Guided Tour: Thursday 16 August

Arts + Climate Innovation – The Role of the Arts: 2–4pm, Sunday 5 August

Refinery ArtSpace

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

Every Day is a Good Day:

Monday 2 July–Saturday 28 July.

Nelson Public Libraries

Elma Turner Library

Small Time at the Library: 11.30am every Monday & 10.30am every Wednesday

Story Time at the Library: 2pm, every

Thursday

Saturday Stories. 11am, every Saturday until 25 August

Library Knitters: 10am–12pm, every Thursday

Justices of the Peace: 10am–12pm, every Saturday

BookChat: 10.30am, second Tuesday of each month

STEMWriters: 1pm, second Tuesday of each month

Young Adult Reading Club. 3.45–4.45pm, every Wednesday

Talk & Talk: 10am–11.30am, every Friday

Alzheimers Nelson: 10–11.30am

Wednesday 25 July and 22 August

Device Advice: 10am, every Tuesday and

2pm, every Thursday

Starting Genealogy: 9.30am–11.30am,

every Tuesday in August

Family History Month – Ancestors Attic at Community Corner: 12–2pm, Tuesday 7 August

Preserving your photos: 2pm, Sunday 12 August.

Family History Month 2018 – Your Family History on Social Media: 9.30–11am

Thursday 16 August

Nelson Guitar Orchestra: 2–2.30pm, Sunday 29 July

Nightingale Library Memorial

Story Time at the Library: 11am every Friday

Alzheimer's Nelson: 1pm, Thursday 26 July

Stoke Library

Small Time at the Library: 10.30am every Tuesday

Story Time at the Library: 10.30am every Wednesday

Young Adult Reading Club: 3.45pm–4.45pm, Wednesday 25 July and 15 August.

Device Advice at Stoke Library. 2pm, every Wednesday and 11am, every Friday.

Alzheimer's Nelson: 10am, Thursday 26 July.

BookChat: third Wednesday of each month

Computer Classes: Thursday 9 August–Thursday 13 September.

Family History Month 2018 – Your Family History on Social Media: 8.15–9.15am Friday 24 August