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Nelson hangs on to top five Gigatown spot

In an extremely tight race, Nelson accumulated enough points to hold onto its top five position in the first round of the national Gigatown competition, which officially closed on Friday last week.

The top five towns will progress to the final, which ends in November, with the chance to win some of the fastest internet in the Southern Hemisphere. Gigatown are currently verifying the results and will officially confirm the finalists this week.

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Gearing up for Second Hand Sunday



Stoke family (from left) Jasmine Wayman, Marlon Miller and Nathan Miller will be back out fossicking in the upcoming Second Hand Sunday, after scoring plenty of free items last time.

Due to popular demand, Second Hand Sunday is back on Sunday 28 September from 10am to 1pm. The event was trialled in June as a practical way for people to pass on items that would otherwise end up going to landfill and proved to be an overwhelming success.

More than 145 households took part and 93% of respondents in a post-event survey said they would happily do it again. On average, 80% of items put out were taken on the day.

People taking part in Second Hand Sunday simply leave unwanted items on their driveway for others to collect and take away. The message for people keen to take part is *register today!*

Please note the time has changed slightly for the upcoming event, as some people were keen to fossick beyond the midday finish last time.

How it works:

All you need to do is register online at nelson.govt.nz search phrase = Second Hand Sunday. We will publicise the list of households taking part on this website and in local newspapers (register before 5pm, Monday 22 September to make the paper).

On the day (Sunday 28 September):

Put items to give away on your driveway ready for the 10am start time. When you register, you will be able to download and print off a letterbox poster from the website. You can also pick up a poster from Council's Customer Service Centre. Put this up on your letterbox so everyone knows you are taking part. Anyone looking for items will be able to download the list of households involved and take part in their very own treasure hunt. If you have anything left at the end of the morning (and we hope you won't), then bring it back in as it is still your responsibility.

For more detailed information, go to nelson.govt.nz or phone 03 546 0200.



GET READY WEEK

21-27 SEPTEMBER 2014



What would you do?

Every year since the early nineties, the United Nations has organised a World Disaster Reduction Campaign, which culminates on International Day for Disaster Reduction. In New Zealand, we have promoted this as Get Ready Week, which is held in the last week of September so schools can take part.

During Get Ready Week a whole range of activities are promoted by Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Groups around the country, aimed at raising awareness of potential hazards and the need to be prepared.

The theme for Get Ready Week in 2014 is *What would you do?*

At work...

- What would you do now if a huge earthquake has hit and you are at work?
- What about if you were in an elevator?
- Are these scenarios you have thought about?

You may not have a table under which to Drop, Cover and Hold, or know where the nearest exit is located.



At home...

- Do you know how to 'quakeproof' your home? See eqc.govt.nz.
- And is your family aware of what to do in an earthquake?

Be prepared

Some answers to these questions are answered at nelsontasmancivildefence.co.nz, and in our easy *How to Get Ready* booklets which are available online at getthru.govt.nz, or even by discussing these questions with friends and family.

It's always a good idea to practice Drop, Cover and Hold with your work colleagues and family, identify safe places within your home, school or workplace and secure heavy items of furniture to the floor or wall.

If you are outdoors when the shaking starts, move no more than a few steps away from buildings, trees, streetlights and power lines, then Drop, Cover and Hold.

After an earthquake you can listen to your local radio station, expect to feel aftershocks but do not move outside until the shaking has stopped.

nelsontasmancivildefence.co.nz

eqc.govt.nz

getthru.govt.nz

Section of the Maitai Walkway reopened

While the full length of the Maitai Walkway upgrade project is still to be completed, one large section has been reopened to the public.

Site fencing has been removed on the section between the Elma Turner Library and Saltwater Creek, but access to the pontoon will still be restricted.

This has also reopened the access through to Trafalgar Park via the Maitai Footbridge.

The link through to Akersten Street and access to the pontoon will be opened as soon as work is finished.

The final length of the walkway, the section between the Library and Trafalgar Street is still to be completed. Work is starting soon on building a safer crossing at the Trafalgar Street Bridge which will provide a better link between the two sections of the popular Maitai Walkway.



Try NBus for free!

Remember you have until 30 September to redeem your free NBus tickets. They were delivered to letterboxes in August and you must use them before the end of the month.

The two tickets offer you a free ride into Nelson and back from anywhere on the NBus network between the hours of 9am and 3pm. This is being offered in conjunction with the free parking trial to allow everyone to come into Nelson city to enjoy all it has to offer in the way of shopping, dining and entertainment.

For all the information you need, collect a brochure from the Council office or the depot in Bridge Street or get it all online at nbus.co.nz. There's a free iPhone app and a mobile site for other phones and devices.

Plans afoot for a fantastic Ecofest featuring Growables

Registrations for this year's Ecofest featuring Growables at Founders Heritage Park are rolling in and plans are well underway for a great day out.



Nelson Venues is managing the event on Nelson City Council's behalf. Event organiser Lea Boodee says they're really pleased with the variety and quality of exhibitors who have registered to date.

"We've got exhibitors who do everything from green lending and organic honey products to solar energy and insulation.

She says the one-day expo on Sunday 16 November will be a market style event, which encourages chat between event goers and exhibitors.

"We're going for a relaxed Nelson feel, with plenty of great ideas for everyone on sustainable growing and living. We're also planning heaps of interactive activities for children like hemp tattoos and face painting, the SPCA animal petting area, and an eco-science zone."

Ecofest featuring Growables follows the community Ecofest@Motueka event, run by Tasman District Council, on Sunday 21 September.

Since starting in 2001, Ecofest has become established as one of the biggest events for environmentally friendly products, services and messages in New Zealand.

Winner of the prestigious Green Ribbon Award, Ecofest is a joint initiative of the Nelson City and Tasman District Councils, kindly supported by key sponsors and community organisations.

For enquiries about the Nelson event, please contact Aileen Shepherd on events@nelsonvenues.co.nz or 03 546 6330 extn 1.

Waimea Road reseal underway

The ongoing programme of work on Waimea Road enters a significant new stage this week with the resealing of sections between Hampden Street and The Ridgeway.

While work is underway two traffic lanes will be kept open during daytime hours. Every effort will be made to reduce disruption, but you should expect traffic delays or use a different route if possible.

The Waimea Road resurfacing project started in 2011 with the development of a detailed work programme. This identified various aspects of work on this busy road, including installation of traffic lights at Motueka Street and installation of a 33kv cable through the entire site (not a Nelson City Council project). More recently pre sealing work involving minor pavement repairs and kerb and channel work has been done. Service lid alteration and further asphalt pre-levelling will be completed as part of the current resealing work.

Final resurfacing will include sections between Hampden Street and the recently completed Waimea Rd / Motueka Street traffic lights.

Work restarts again just the other side of the traffic lights and extends just prior to the Boundary Road intersection. A short section between Boundary Road and just past Market Road is to be resurfaced in Stage 3 of the project to accommodate a future storm water upgrade work at York Stream.

Resurfacing continues past Market Road to the end of the job at The Ridgeway intersection.

Council has worked to ensure that the newly sealed road will not need to be dug up anytime soon after final resurfacing work is completed.

The next stage of the project (Stage 2) will see resurfacing between Rutherford Street and Hampden Street. This will be done after the planned upgrade of Little Go Stream to increase storm water capacity in Van Dieman Street and surrounding areas, due to start later this year.

To make the best use of resources, other smaller road repair projects will be happening at similar times on smaller sections of Annesbrook Drive, Songer Street and the Main Road Stoke / Salisbury Road roundabout.



Pond clean up going well

Significant works have been underway at the sewage treatment plant on Boulder Bank Drive in an effort to avoid the odour problems that have occurred in recent years.

Since early May contractors have been using specialised equipment to remove sludge from the ponds, pumping it into giant geo-bags with permeable membranes, stored alongside the ponds to enable the water content to filter out. Once the remains in the bags are dry enough, they will be disposed of at the landfill.

There are currently 20 geo-bags in the 'dock' alongside the ponds. Almost 3,000 dry tonnes of sludge has been removed with another 70–80 dry tonnes expected to finish the job.

Despite more recent upgrades to the plant, the ponds have been in use for so many years that problems were being caused by too much sludge buildup and insufficient space left in the pond for adequate waste water treatment processes. Sludge was very close to the surface in places, which resulted in odour problems.

So far the project has involved an investment of \$1.03M but the ponds should not need further dredging for another 40 or 50 years, helped significantly by the fact the current system reduces sludge buildup, by filtering it off as it arrives at the plant for separate treatment.

The dredging process will be complete soon and the settling is expected to take many months before trucking away begins. Council will keep monitoring the geo-bags to check for water seepage and is looking at ways to speed up the drying process, by adding weights on top of the bags and planting grasses to remove moisture through root infiltration.

The project has run smoothly so far with no complaints of odour as a result of the work. The air quality has been constantly monitored during the process and it has been timed carefully to coincide with a period of predominant off-shore winds, blowing away from residential areas.



Community planting day a great success

On Sunday 7 September Nelson City Council held a community planting day in the former paddock beside Hira Rural Kindergarten, by the Wakapuaka Hall and tennis courts. The event is part of Council's native regeneration project in the area, with the goal of creating a native forest for future generations to enjoy. Members of the local community came, including kindergarten and school families, and together planted 1500 trees.

Hira Rural Kindergarten Head teacher Trish Cooper was keen to thank the local community for all their hard work and Nelson City Council for making the planting happen.

"It already looks amazing; imagine what it will look like in 20 years! We feel very privileged to have had this opportunity to be part of creating something beautiful in our place, Nelson North."

Kindergarten pupils are already enjoying the newly planted area. Asked what would be good about having a forest next door and how they would care for it, here are some of the children's comments:

- "It will make us sheltered on windy days."
- "We will cuddle the trees, but carefully, so you don't break branches off."
- "It will be home for birds, they will land there, make a nest, make eggs and then there will be baby birds."
- "We could pick up the rubbish that naughty people put there."
- "We can have picnics there."
- "We can play in the forest, but we won't step on the trees, we will dodge them."
- "In about 180 years it will grow taller than the kindergarten."



Nelson Youth Council – 2015 applications now open

The Nelson Youth Council (NYC) is looking for Youth Councillors for 2015. Young people eager to get involved can apply from this Wednesday 17 September.

Applications are open to anyone between 14 and 24 years old and each year a diverse group of up to 20 young people are selected to be on NYC.

Mayor Rachel Reese believes that the perspective provided to Nelson City Council by Youth Councillors is exceptionally important to the future of Nelson.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for enthusiastic young people who want to make a difference for the youth of Nelson and ensure our city continues to be a great place to live into the future.

"Youth Councillors engage with their peers, discuss issues important to youth, get involved at local events and are very visible in our community, ensuring that the views of our city's youth are shared and recognised.

"Not only do Nelson Youth Councillors gain valuable skills for their future and make a very real contribution to Council decision making, they undertake a varied, fun and rewarding range of activities in our community, and actively help to shape the future of our city.

"Council has been extremely impressed with the contributions made by NYC to date and we welcome the opportunity to hear more from young people who are passionate about youth views and their local community."



If you're keen just complete an application form or contact Rachael on 545 8746 or rachael.large@ncc.govt.nz for more information.

You can download the application form and learn more about what is involved online at nelson.govt.nz, search phrase = Youth Council, or pick up a copy from the Nelson City Council Customer Service Centre, public libraries or high schools.

You can also learn more about Youth Council activities on their Facebook page, facebook.com/nelsonyouthcouncil.

Applications close Friday 17 October.

facebook.com/nelsonyouthcouncil

nelson.govt.nz

Search = Youth Council

Mayor presents bravery awards



Mayor Rachel Reese presented the Royal Humane Society Awards for Bravery to local men Kyle Paki Paki and Philip Walker, and honoured Atawhai man Gary Miller and British tourist Adam Black, in a special ceremony held in the Council Chamber this month.

The awards are in recognition of the men's actions on 13 July 2013, which led to the successful rescue of Filemoni Fa'avae and Ali Fa'avae from their vehicle, after it crashed into Saltwater Creek. The men also pulled driver Janice Fa'avae from the submerged vehicle, though sadly she did not survive the incident despite their best efforts.

Mayor Reese presented Kyle Paki Paki and Philip Walker with the Royal Humane Society's Bronze Medal. Gary Miller and Adam Black were unable to attend the ceremony but have been awarded the Royal Humane Society's Certificate of Merit.

The Mayor offered her heartfelt thanks to the men and said it is testament to their selflessness that they didn't hesitate to help when faced with a life and death situation.

"As Mayor of Nelson, I am very proud that we have people in our community who epitomise the spirit of bravery and public service. It says a lot about Nelsonians that our people responded so heroically in such a critical situation. It is a privilege to be able to publicly recognise this courage.

"The impact of an event like the accident at Saltwater Creek is long-standing, and surely something that no one involved will ever forget. I hope that we can all be inspired by these men's extraordinary courage to live our own lives with compassion and bravery, whatever situations we find ourselves in."

The ceremony was attended by Councillors, representatives of the Fa'avae family, the rescuers' families, the Nelson Tasman Police and medal sponsors AMI Insurance.

Condolence bouquet laid in Amsterdam

Deputy Mayor Paul Matheson placed the flowers at Schiphol Airport whilst on holiday last week on behalf of the Mayor, Councillors, and citizens of Nelson City, and the Dutch residents of our city.

Deputy Mayor Matheson said there was a huge place of reflection set aside at the airport and in this case

hundreds of toys to remember the children. The response has been so massive that they moved the tributes from the entrance to the airport departures area to inside. The flowers originally placed covered an area the length of the building, which is equivalent to the distance from Bridge Street to the Council offices.



Corder Park Pump Station upgrade

The Works and Infrastructure Committee has approved awarding the contract to replace a short section of the sewer line and upgrade the Corder Park Pump Station to Downer NZ. The total amount of the contract is \$4,784,350.

The Corder Park Pump Station project was identified in the 2012/22 LTP and most recently in the 2014/15 Annual Plan.

The project will take place over two financial years, 2014/15 and 2015/16.

The project is necessary to reduce pressures in the Atawhai sewer rising main, both prolonging its life and reducing the risk of failures and discharge into the Haven. The new pump station will also cater for future growth in the Atawhai area.

Nelson Masked Parade Workshops

Event details:

When: Saturday 27 September, 9.30am until lunchtime
Tuesday 30 September, 3.30pm–5.30pm



If you would like some help putting together your Earth, Wind and Fire creation for the Masked Parade on Friday 17 October, two public workshops are coming up at Community Art Works, 25 Paru Paru Road (opposite the new Maitai walkway).

Run by award-winning mask-makers Karl and Fay Wulff, the workshops will give everyone ideas on how to create a simple yet effective mask, and what elements judges look for in a winning mask such as movement, height and size.

The sessions are on Saturday 27 September, 9.30am until lunchtime, and Tuesday 30 September, 3.30–5.30pm, and cost just \$5.

Everyone is welcome. Please bring your enthusiasm, imagination and some mask-making materials!

A helping hand to our community

Nelson Community groups have been given around \$150,000 in this year's Community Assistance funding round.

More than 70 groups asked for help for a variety of activities. Council met last week to allocate the funds which are given either as a one-off amount or for contracts between one and four years. Below are this year's recipients and their funding allocations *per year*.

One-off Grants

ORGANISATION	AMOUNT
Age Concern Nelson Inc	\$1,500.00
Forest and Bird (Nelson Tasman branch)	\$2,500.00
Hearing Association Nelson Inc	\$1,560.00
Kopuawai Te Kohanga Reo	\$1,367.35
Loaves and Fishes	\$1,000.00
Marsden Valley Trapping Group	\$2,500.00
(Tautoko Services) Neighbourhood Connections	\$2,500.00
Neighbourhood Support Nelson	\$2,500.00
Nelson Community Toy Library	\$2,500.00
Nelson Grey Power Association	\$2,300.00
Nelson Musical Theatre Inc	\$974.00
Nelson Railway Society	\$2,000.00
Nelson Tasman Region Hospice Trust	\$2,500.00
New Zealand Chinese Association – Nelson Branch Inc (NZCA-NB)	\$2,500.00
New Zealand Zomilnnkuan (Nelson) Inc	\$2,500.00
Nga Tamariki Toa o Te Pouahi	\$2,500.00
Rutherford Street Kindergarten (RSK)	\$2,500.00
The Order of St John	\$1,396.63
Victory Community Health	\$2,500.00
Victory Primary School	\$1,500.00
Waimarama Community Gardens	\$1,000.00
Total	\$42,097.98

Calling all basket planters

Would you like to pitch in to help create the new season crop of hanging baskets? Around 800 baskets need planting now ready to go up around the city in early December.

The plantings at the Nelmac Nursery on Atawhai Drive will be held daily between 13–16 October, with around 15 people per session. You just need to bring your own gloves and a good dose of enthusiasm.

The volunteers will work 90 minute shifts, 8.30am–10am, 10.30am–12pm and 1pm–2.30pm with plantings of tuberous begonias, petunias, impatiens and lobelia. In the past people have really enjoyed the planting process, and it's a good skill to learn, as you can then go home and create your own hanging baskets.

The baskets are hung to coincide with the annual Santa Parade the first week of December and stay in place until Easter.

If you would like to volunteer as a hanging basket planter, call Council on 546 0200 to register.



Contracts

ORGANISATION	YEARS	AMOUNT
Adult Learning Support Nelson Inc	4	\$6,100.00
Alzheimers Society Nelson Inc	4	\$800.00
Annesbrook Trust	3	\$6,030.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nelson	3	\$3,620.00
Blind Foundation	3	\$4,020.00
CCS Disability Action Nelson Marlborough Inc	4	\$760.00
CAB Nelson	4	\$4,020.00
English Language Partners Nelson Marlborough	3	\$1,210.00
Family Education Network Inc – Nelson	4	\$1,210.00
Hearing Association Nelson Inc	1	\$555.00
Kidpower Teenpower Fullpower Trust	2	\$960.00
Loaves and Fishes	4	\$4,060.00
Nelson Environment Centre	3	\$3,730.00
Nelson Multicultural Council	2	\$8,250.00
Nelson Tasman Youth Workers Collective	2	\$1,210.00
Nelson Women's Support Inc	4	\$3,000.00
Open Home Foundation – Nelson	2	\$7,040.00
Post Natal Depression Support Network Nelson Inc	4	\$1,000.00
Q-Youth Inc	4	\$2,330.00
Special Olympics Nelson	2	\$960.00
SVS – Living Safe	3	\$1,610.00
Tahunanui Community Centre	1	\$7,640.00
The Nelson ARK	2	\$4,830.00
The Parenting Place	3	\$1,340.00
Victory Boxing Charitable Trust	4	\$2,010.00
Victory Community Health	1	\$3,820.00
Volunteer Nelson	4	\$6,890.00
YMCA NELSON	4	\$5,600.00
Youth and Community Trust	2	\$8,090.00
Total		\$102,695.00



Join the team! Volunteer for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2015

The ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 will be jointly hosted by Australia and New Zealand in February and March 2015, with three games played in Nelson next February and March.

Tournament organisers have been looking for volunteers to join them to help ensure the World Cup's success in Nelson. The response so far has been great but there are still some roles that need to be filled. If you'll have free time available in February and March next year, your help would be much appreciated.

There are a variety of volunteer roles available, each requiring different skills and experience, so check out cricketworldcup.com/volunteers for more information, email: cwcvolunteer@ncc.govt.nz or phone 03 546 0200.

You could also come along to the open days at Saxton Oval on Saturday 18 October and Sunday 19 October between 10.30am and 2.30pm to learn more about volunteering for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 and to be interviewed for one of the roles. Volunteers must be 17 years or older to apply.



cricketworldcup.com/volunteers

Stoke BookChat Group

BookChat is where we talk about books and reading. We have a very successful BookChat group that meets at Elma Turner Library at 10.30am on the second Tuesday of every month – but not many people know we also have a Stoke BookChat Group.

Our Stoke group meets at 5pm every second Wednesday at Stoke Library. At our last session we discussed a wide range of books including *The Luminaries* by Eleanor Catton, *The Garden Party* by Katherine Mansfield, *Dodger of the Dials* by James Benmore and *Joe Victim* by Paul Cleave. It is a relaxed discussion and all are most welcome.

Come along and have a coffee and a chat about books you have recently read, or just come along to hear what titles others have enjoyed.

For more information contact alyson.baker@ncc.govt.nz, or just turn up. Our next session will be 5pm Wednesday 15 October at Stoke Library.



This month's bouquet recipient, Gail Sutton, has looked after Tahunanui's much-loved zoo and wildlife centre Natureland with tireless dedication for more than 20 years.

Gail recently said a fond farewell to Natureland, and her smiling demeanour will be greatly missed, after having held the position of Operations Manager there for the past 15 years, and beginning as a volunteer back in 1991.

The nicknames 'Mother Natureland' or the 'Matriarch of Natureland' have been awarded to Gail, for her warm and caring

manner and utter dedication to her charges and visitors.

It is a pleasure to be able to recognise Gail's extraordinary contribution to Natureland and the wider community. Natureland is a wonderful asset for our region, a great educational resource and a place of which the people of Nelson are very fond. Gail has been there throughout the good times and the many difficult challenges and it is largely thanks to her passion, energy and commitment that Natureland is still open and available for the Nelson community to enjoy.

On behalf of the Nelson community and everyone who has enjoyed spending time at Natureland over the past 20 years, I thank Gail for her unwavering enthusiasm and devotion, to the animals, volunteers and visitors alike.

Mayor's Bouquet

If you know someone you consider worthy of a Mayor's Bouquet, just follow these easy steps:

- Submit the nominated recipient's name/contact details, along with 150 words on why the person deserves recognition. This is usually going the extra mile for our community.
- Send via post to Mayoral Bouquet, Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040 or email to mayorsbouquet@ncc.govt.nz. Remember to include your name and contact details.

The Mayor's Bouquet brought to you in association with Woodlea Florist, Bridge Street, Nelson.

School holidays at the libraries

Fling into spring and try some new things with the kids as part of the upcoming school holiday programme at Nelson Public Libraries.

Fun sessions over the holidays include a twilight story session, beginners ukulele, sushi making, yoga, biking, an excerpt from the Youth Theatre show, new chapter books and story times.

For further details, pop into one of your three libraries at Stoke, Tahunanui or Nelson city or check out the website nelsonpubliclibraries.govt.nz.

We are open every day over the school holidays for information, books, DVDs, music, craft activities, talking books and magazines.

nelsonpubliclibraries.govt.nz



FROM THE COUNCIL TABLE

Bringing you the results of what has been discussed and decided at the Council table

Councillors Comment – Mike Ward

I am frequently surprised and delighted by Nelsonians' aspirations and achievements, but when outsiders say that *Nelson 2060* is outstanding, not just in New Zealand but globally, I am particularly proud that my community had the courage to look out fifty years and spell out a strategy for making Nelson safer, fairer, more gorgeous, more sustainable and more prosperous.

Nelson 2060 "is first and foremost a map, a toolkit and a call to action, not only for Council but for industry and business; community groups; schools; households and individuals... everyone who lives, works and plays in Nelson."

This week many submitters applying for community grants have been telling Council about their intentions for making *Nelson 2060* happen. When I buy my bread and cheese and fruit and veg, fresh and local from our great markets, and refill my glass bottle with milk from Champion Road, and know that the Morrison Street Cafe and my local Sprig and Fern are using the same milk to make my coffee, and experience the many other great Nelson initiatives, I know that *Nelson 2060* is as much about building enviable lifestyles and a resilient economy as it is about the environment. Well done Nelson.



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Keep your weeds out of streams and reserves

A great deal of time, energy and money is going into improving our streams and rivers. There is one improvement that can be made quickly and easily right now. Don't use streams, riverbanks or indeed any Council reserves as a dumping ground for your greenwaste and garden rubbish.

This is something that Council is continually encountering problems with. Sometimes garden waste is dumped over the fence straight into neighbourhood parks or onto riverbanks and streams, while some people make a trip into some of our more secluded green spaces to dump trailer loads of waste.

The problem isn't just the mess that ruins the place for other users. It gives pest plants more chance to get established in Council reserves. Then more time and money has to be spent trying to eradicate them!

Dumping in around streams has even more risk attached. As well as the possibility of pest plants, garden rubbish can get picked up when the stream rises and has the potential to block the channel or culverts, adding to the chances of flooding neighbouring properties.

If you see anyone dumping garden waste on a Council reserve, please call the Council on 546 0200, seven days a week. If the culprit is tracked down, infringement fines of up to \$400 can be issued.

To find out more about how to compost or dispose of your greenwaste responsibly, check out the website:

nelson.govt.nz

Search = greenwaste

Barnicoat tracks reopen

The Barnicoat Walkway and Glider Road have reopened to the public now that the salvage tree harvest is finished. Thank you to everyone for your patience while the logging was in progress.

Saxton Creek upgrade meeting postponed but project ticks along

The residents meeting to discuss the project to upgrade Saxton Creek, to prevent flooding of land and properties, was postponed. It was postponed because negotiations with directly affected property owners resulted in design changes that needed some more work before they were ready to be shared and discussed. Work on this project is going well and residents will be kept informed as it progresses.

Meetings

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

Regional Transport Committee – to be held in Ruma Mārama	17 September
9am	
Planning and Regulatory Committee	18 September
9am	
Governance Committee	25 September
9am	
Council meeting to approve draft Regional Land Transport Plan prior to NZTA review	25 September
To follow Governance Committee	
9am	
Council meeting	9 October
9am	
Works and Infrastructure Committee	16 October
9am	

Planning and Regulatory Committee
9am 23 October

Community Services Committee
9am 30 October

Changes to meetings

Council meeting to deliberate on submissions to the Implementation of a Regional Landfill – previously advertised as 16 September
To follow Council meeting to approve draft Regional Land Transport Plan 25 September

Council meeting to approve the Implementation of a Regional Landfill – previously advertised as 25 September
9am 2 October

Joint Shareholders Committee to be held at Tasman District Council – previously advertised as 26 September
1.30pm 7 October

Civil Defence Emergency Management Group – previously advertised as 26 September
Following Joint Shareholders Committee 7 October

Other meetings

Nelson Youth Council
1pm 17 September

Nelson Youth Council
1pm 23 October

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



Join Victory's big day out at the Library

Event Details

When: Thursday 2 October
Where: Victory Community Centre (free return bus trip to library)
Time: Arrive 1.45pm, bus departs 2pm and returns approx 3.30pm
Cost: Free!
To Book: Contact Victory Community Centre (see below)



Victory families are invited to join in on a fun, free day out to the library during the upcoming school holidays. A big, red double-decker bus will take kids and families from the Victory Community Centre to enjoy a range of special activities at the Elma Turner Library in the city.

The free event, run by Nelson Public Libraries in partnership with the Victory Community Centre, aims to introduce the Victory community to the wide range of services for all ages available at the library.

There will be a big welcome and tour, followed by lots of activities for children and adults, including arts, crafts and stories, plus a grown-up story time and the opportunity for people to join the library. Children will need to be accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver.

Victory Community Centre team member, Gareth Cashin, who is working with library staff to organise the event, says it's important to raise community awareness of library services.

"It's going to be a really entertaining afternoon. We hope this fun trip will be the start of a long-term relationship with the library for many of our families.

"The library is a great place to take the kids in the school holidays or simply somewhere anyone can go to get out the house, feel welcome and spend time. There's always something going on, it's easy to walk to and best of all, the fantastic activities on offer are free!"

Other centres or groups interested in arranging a similar experience for their community should contact Community Engagement Librarian Nicola Harwood, phone 546 0406 or email nicola.harwood@ncc.govt.nz.

To book your place on the bus contact Victory Community Centre, phone 546 8389, email vcceception@victory.school.nz or drop into the Community Centre on Totara Street during office hours.

Chocolate for "shelfies"

Post a "shelfie" (a selfie taken at the library) on our Facebook page, facebook.com/nelsonpubliclibraries, with the hashtag #shelfie and receive a chocolate prize! All posts go into the draw to win movie tickets to The Maze Runner. Shelfies must be made between 22 and 26 September – winners of the movie tickets will be informed Monday 29 September.



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Drinking Water – Public Notice

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours. Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a mug full of water from your drinking water tap each morning, before use, to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings. We recommend this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.

What's on – at a Council venue near you



Nelson City Council Chamber

Heritage Nelson (Nelson Heritage Advisory Group): 17 September, 5.30pm

Trafalgar Hall

Post Election Hoedown: American southern style square and contra dance, 20 September, 7.30pm–10.30pm

Miyazu Gardens

Cherry Blossom Festival 2014: 21 September, 11.30am–2.30pm

Saxton Field Sports Complex

Youth Gridiron Open Day: 26 September, 4pm–6pm

Nelson Public Libraries

Elma Turner Library

The Puzzle of the Middle East Talk by Firooz Eftekhari Zadeh: 17 September, 12.30pm–1.30pm

BookChat: Second Tuesday of each month, 10.30am

BookChat Online via Twitter: #rwpchat, last Tuesday of each month, 9pm

Small Time at the Library: Stories, songs and rhyme incorporating movement for 0–2yr olds, Wednesdays, 10.30am–11.30am (term time only)

Story Time at the Library: Stories for 2–4yr olds and their parents, Thursdays 2pm (term time only)

Free Computer Classes (registrations essential)

- Email for Beginners: Thursday 25 September, 10am
- Social Networking: Thursday 2 October, 10am

Community Corner

- Nelson Community Toy Library: Wednesday 17 September, 10am–12pm
- eBooks and Overdrive drop-in clinic: Thursday 18 September, 10am–4pm
- Justices of the Peace: Saturday 20 and 27 September, 10am–12pm

- Hearing Association Nelson: Wednesday 1 October, 3.30–4.30pm

- Neighbourhood Support: Thursday 2 October, 10am–12pm

Stoke Library

BookChat: Third Wednesday of each month, 5pm

BookChat Online via Twitter: #rwpchat, last Tuesday of each month, 9pm

StoryTime: For 2–4yr olds and their parents, Wednesdays, 10.30am (term time only)

Small Time at the Stoke Library: Stories, songs and rhyme incorporating movement for 0–2yr olds, Tuesdays, 10.30am (term time only)

Museums and Galleries

Broadgreen Historic House

Annual General Meeting of Broadgreen Society Inc: Friday 26 September, 10am

Nelson Provincial Museum

Weekdays 10am–5pm, weekends and public holidays 10am–4.30pm

WW1-Their Stories – Our History: Centennial commemoration, until April 2015

Suter Art Gallery

7 days, 10.30am–4.30pm

The Last Picture Show: In Glorious Technicolour, from 19 July ongoing

Nelson Suter Art Society (McKee Gallery)

Miscellany of Mixed Media: Jocelyn Tucker and Meredith Thorpe, until 24 September
 Traces of Contour: Cathy Jones, Lee-Ann Dixon, Lynette Cain, Carol Hargadon, Deborah Hunter, until 5 October

Suter Theatre

Nelson Film Society presents:
 'O'Horten' 18 September, 6pm
 'If...' 25 September, 6pm

CHECK OUT

- **Cherry Blossom Festival 2014:** Nelson Miyazu Sister City Association presents the 2014 Cherry Blossom Festival. Come and enjoy a programme of music, food & entertainment to celebrate Japanese culture & the 38 year-old Sister City connection between Nelson & Miyazu. Bring a picnic, visit the Japanese Food Stalls or simply relax in the beautiful surroundings of the Miyazu Gardens amongst the Cherry Blossom.