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Credit Melissa Banks



Matariki Festival delights

This year's Matariki Festival opened with a livestreamed karakia from Harvey Ruru and mihi from Shane Graham followed by speeches from Mayor Rachel Reese and Mayor Tim King.

Te Kapa o Kura Tai Waka provided a beautiful performance to accompany the speeches. Images of Matariki were beamed onto Civic House in the form of a light art projection, which included recognition of the work by Civil Defence staff, essential workers and the community during the COVID-19 lockdown. Rounding off the night, children brought lanterns, torches and lamps to Akersten Street as

the fireworks display from Neale Park shimmered on the water across the Maitai/Maitahi inlet. Special thanks to Te Puni Kokiri and Pomeroy's Coffee Tea Company for their support. The Matariki Festival was the first event in the new Ngā Toi Huatau – The Seasonal Arts events calendar. See page 2 for more.

Bee Card: Nelson's new electronic bus card is here!

Nelson has a new way of paying for the bus. From 3 August passengers will be able to pay for travel using the new Bee Card.

Replacing the NBus Card, Bee Card allows people to pay for their travel without using cash, manage the money on several cards at once and access Nelson and Tasman's cheapest bus fares.

Bee Cards are available for free from 6 July to 31 October and are available at BeeCard.co.nz and our retail outlets. Outside of the free period, Bee Cards cost \$5. As of Monday 20 July, 3271 Bee Cards had been issued.

To top up a Bee Card online, it needs to be registered at BeeCard.co.nz. There are no transaction fees.

Nelson City Council Infrastructure Chair Brian McGurk says the new Bee Card makes bus travel in the region smarter and easier.

"There's no need to fish out a couple of dollars from behind the couch if you have forgotten to take out cash for the bus. It's also more convenient than the NBus card as there is now an option to top up money online, this means our cheapest bus fares are now accessible to more people."

Council staff will be visiting retirement homes to explain the new system and give out free cards. There will also be ambassadors riding the bus and drop-in sessions at the libraries.

Councillor McGurk says it's extremely important to

Council that everyone in Nelson is given the opportunity to use Bee Card.

"Cash fares are still available, but travel is cheaper with Bee Card. We know this new system may be a challenge for some groups, but we have a fantastic customer service team working across Nelson and Tasman who are ready to help people with all aspects of getting and using a Bee Card. This new technology can make life easier for everyone."

Unregistered and registered Bee Cards can be topped up with cash at our retail outlets and on the bus. Bus drivers will not be able to give out change.

Once a Bee Card has money uploaded, users simply tag on and off the bus by holding the card over the Bee Card terminal as they enter. Card users are reminded to tag off so the system understands how far you have travelled. Without this information card users will be charged a higher default fare.



See Page 4 for Our Bee Card FAQ.

Library Bee Card drop in sessions:

Wednesday 22 July: 10am – 12pm, Elma Turner Library

Thursday 23 July: 3pm – 5pm, Stoke Library

Friday 24 July: 11am – 1pm, Richmond Library



Rekindle your winter with Ngā Toi Huatau – The Seasonal Arts

Arts and events are returning to centre stage in Nelson this winter, with a wide variety of artistic endeavours coming together under the banner of Ngā Toi Huatau – The Seasonal Arts.

A collaboration between Nelson City Council and Nelson's arts and events community, Ngā Toi Huatau brings together some of the best entertainment Nelson has to offer this winter into one programme.

Beginning with the Matariki Festival last weekend, the Ngā Toi Huatau programme of events runs through to the end of October, when it finishes with the Mask Carnivale in the heart of the city on 30 October.

In between, a variety of shows, exhibitions and entertainment are on offer, including the return of the Nelson Fringe Festival, beginning on 14 August.

Councillor and Community Services Committee Chair Matt Lawrey said Nelson's arts and events community were dealt a blow by COVID-19 and the programme is just one of the ways Council is supporting



the return of Nelson's thriving arts scene.

"After the upheaval and stress of lockdown, it's wonderful to be able to offer people a whole lot of great reasons to get together and enjoy the creativity and community spirit that Nelson is famous for.

"For a while, things were looking bleak, with events being cancelled all over the place. The very fact we can hold Ngā Toi Huatau – The Seasonal Arts, shows just how strongly Nelson is bouncing back. It's yet another reminder how lucky we are in Aotearoa compared to so many other places around the world."

Look for Ngā Toi Huatau – The Seasonal Arts on nelson.govt.nz for the programme of events, and check back regularly for updates.

Here is a taste of what's to come:

The Bicycle & the Butcher's Daughter

16 July–16 August, 105 Collingwood St

Don't miss one of NZ's best-loved actors, Helen Moulder, in the premiere season of *The Bicycle & the Butcher's Daughter*.

This is Helen at her best: up-close, multiple characters, a few trusty props, and the magic of the theatre.

Find out more at makeshiftspaces.nz



FORCES, Paintings by Josephine Cachemaille

24–25 July, Arden Bar and Kitchen

FORCES is a group of paintings made by Josephine Cachemaille during the lockdown period in a temporary basement studio under her house in central Nelson.

Josephine Cachemaille is an award-winning installation artist, sculptor and painter based in Nelson. She has joined forces with local bar and kitchen, Arden. As well as the exhibition, there is a Modern Pagan Feast on Saturday evening.



Masks on the Move

30 October

The iconic Mask Carnivale will be held on Friday 30 October from 5pm with the theme, What if...?

If you would like to enter the parade as a group or an individual, get in touch with us at maskparade@nelsonartsfestival.nz

The Bay Landscapes Nelson Fringe Festival 2020

14 - 22 August

Fringe 2020 bursts onto the scene with one week, one venue, 31 shows and one sure-fire way to warm up your Winter. Performers from all over NZ converge on Nelson at Nelson Centre for Musical Arts to share their gifts.

Grab your tickets from \$13 (+ fees) at eventfinda.co.nz and get in quick - Fringe shows often sell out well in advance. \$10 earlybird tickets are available until 26 July.

Huge Fringe-y thanks to Rātā Foundation, Nelson City Council and Bay Landscapes.

Find out more at nelsonfringe.co.nz



nelson.govt.nz/recreation/festivals-and-events/nga-toi-huatau

Community grants applications open

Nelson's non-profit community groups can now apply for a helping hand from Nelson City Council's Community Investment Fund.

The fund has \$125,000 available to support non-profit community organisations to deliver programmes and activities with a social development focus and that contribute to Council's community outcomes.

The fund's key priority areas are wellbeing and social development; children, youth and families; older adults; social cohesion; Learning and development and diverse communities.

This year, projects that reduce the impact of the COVID-19 emergency on vulnerable communities, and applications that support community safety, have been added as

additional priority areas for grants.

Councillor and Community Services Committee Chair Matt Lawrey said one of the things that makes Nelson a strong, resilient community is the wonderful work of the city's not-for-profit organisations.

"The Community Investment Fund is one of the ways Council helps our not-for-profits to make a difference. Over the years the fund has helped groups supporting a really wide range of Nelsonians, including disadvantaged children, people living with disabilities and those suffering from drug addiction.

"Many of those organisations will be well-known to people but it's worth pointing out that we're always keen to also hear from those quiet achievers doing great work under the radar."

Applications will be assessed by the Community Investment Fund panel, who were elected by a community process last year, and decisions will be notified in September.

For further information, or to apply for the fund, see the Nelson City Council website. Applications close 31 July, 2020.

nelson.govt.nz/services/community/funding/community-investment-funding



Mayor's Message

Nelson's skies were lit by fireworks last weekend as the city celebrated Matariki. It really felt like the start of something special as we enter into a New Year.

Matariki is a time to look back on the things that are important to us, and to look forward to the future with renewed confidence and positivity, something we all need in these globally uncertain times.

A priority over the past year has been to strengthen our relationship with iwi and the Whakatū Marae. The Council is committed to continuing to work with the eight iwi of Te Tau Ihu to progress and strengthen our partnership through collaborative engagement and decision-making throughout this next year and beyond.

Through Matariki, we look to the future, and it's clear we face some challenging times ahead. We have, of course, seen significant impact in Nelson with redundancies and reduced work hours affecting many individuals and families. But there is so much we can harness from the past few

months to generate a positive future. Lockdown showed us all another way to live – a kinder and more thoughtful existence that we need to take forward as we rebuild better. That's why as a Council we are focused on recovery – we have advanced infrastructure and environmental projects for Government investment, supported community organisations, brought forward Council projects, and fast-tracked contract approval processes to help create employment opportunities.

So as we celebrate Matariki, I encourage you to reflect on and continue to embrace values of manaakitanga (hospitality, kindness, generosity, support), and whanaungatanga (relationships, kinship, connections). Let these values continue beyond this month and into the rest of the year.



Exercising your dog on Council reserves

Dog registration forms were sent out by email and post at the beginning of June. This year, in recognition of the significant additional financial pressure caused by COVID-19, we have extended the date when late penalties for dog registration fees apply from 1 August to 1 September.

Recent amendments to the Dog Control Policy and Bylaw have resulted in changes to the areas around Nelson where dogs can be exercised on and off-leash.

The Bylaw aims to strike a balance between the wishes of dog owners, the welfare needs of dogs, wider public concerns, protection of local ecology, such as nesting shorebirds, and the grazing of sheep, which currently play an important role in weed management and fire prevention. As such, it considers where dogs should be allowed to be off-leash, on-leash or not allowed at all.

Grazed areas

Under the new rules, dogs must be kept on-leash on land grazed with sheep in Council reserves, including small areas of the Grampians Reserve and Sir Stanley Whitehead Reserve. These on-leash areas will be sign-posted and you'll need to keep your dog on a leash even if you can't see any sheep. Sheep grazed in these reserves play an important role in weed management and fire prevention. There are still large areas within each reserve where dogs can exercise off-leash.

Dogs can still be off leash in the

grazed areas of Paremata Flats Reserve, Maitai River Esplanade Reserve, and Tantragee Reserve, but must remain under voice control. This is because these are cattle grazing areas rather than sheep grazing areas. Dogs are also allowed off-leash in the Titoki Reserve and Monaco Reserve, excluding the playground area.

Ecological areas

The Paremata Flats planted area is an ecologically-significant restoration project so continues to be completely off-limits to dogs. The Delaware Estuary and margins and Whakatū Drive Foreshore Reserve are on-leash areas to increase protection of nesting shorebirds.

The Boulder Bank is an on-leash area from Boulder Bank Drive south to the Cut, but dogs are prohibited from 15 August to the last day in February each year from the Cut towards Boulder Bank Drive for 4 kilometres. This time period is a critical nesting season for the vulnerable banded dotterel. The Boulder Bank north from Boulder Bank Drive to Glenduan and Glenduan Reserve is off-leash, excluding the playground area.

nzta.govt.nz/projects/nelson-future-access-project

Heritage Project Fund open for applications

Applications are now open for the 2020/2021 Heritage Project Fund grant round; applications need to be submitted by 5pm, Monday 10 August 2020, for grants of \$1000 + GST or more towards the cost of approved projects.

The fund is aimed at helping owners of heritage buildings, objects or sites (listed in the Nelson Resource Management Plan) with the cost of work that contributes to conserving Nelson's heritage properties.

We've already been in contact with owners of listed properties to let them know they can apply now. The grants are open to the owners of A, B, or C heritage buildings, objects or sites; iwi; non-profit heritage groups and heritage conservation/management groups.

The grants can be used to carry out work like

stabilisation, repair or restoration of original heritage fabric (i.e. masonry, joinery, earthquake strengthening or fire protection). It can also be used for professional services relating to heritage research, conservation plans etc.

Work carried out using grants funding must meet Nelson City Council and Heritage New Zealand approved standards.

You can find out more about heritage funding and apply online at:

nelson.govt.nz/heritage-project-fund





Bee Card FAQ: Nelson's new electronic bus card explained

What is a Bee Card?

Bee Card is a prepay travel card that can be used on buses in the Nelson and Tasman region. It is also available in nine different regions of New Zealand. You can use your Bee Card for local public transport in Northland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Manawatū-Whanganui, Nelson, Otago and Invercargill.

When do we get Bee Card?

Bee Card goes live in Nelson and Tasman on 3 August. Cards will be available for free on the Bee Card website and our retail outlets (see list below) from 6 July to 31 October.

How much does a Bee Card cost?

After the free period, cards will cost \$5.00. This is non-refundable.

You will need to top up your card so you can travel. The minimum top up is \$5 and the maximum is \$299. If you have a registered card, you can transfer money stored on the card to a new card if it is lost or stolen. We cannot do this with unregistered cards, though. There are no transaction fees for topping up your card.

Where can I get a card?

Nelson City Council, Nelson Public Libraries (Elma Turner and Stoke). Nelson SBL bus depot, Tasman District Council and Richmond Library. Cards are available online via the Bee Card website: BeeCard.co.nz, click 'Get a Card' in the top menu once you have created an account.

What bus services can I use Bee Card on?

Bee Card can be used on all NBus Services; R1-R7, the new loop route in Richmond and the Late Late Bus. This excludes SBL commercial and Ministry of Education services.

Why should I use a Bee Card?

You no longer need to worry about having cash for your journey. You can register your card online to manage your account, allowing you the ability to:

- Top-up the card online
- Set up an automated top-up, so you always have money on your card
- Apply and manage concessions, such as SuperGold
- View your transactions and journey history
- Link other people's cards to your account – so you can top up family member's cards
- Cancel lost or stolen cards – and transfer over any unused money
- For concessions you will no longer have to show your driver your ID as the concessions will be loaded onto your card.

How does the Bee Card work?

Bee Card is a tag-on tag-off ticketing system – when you board the bus, hold your card over the card reader to tag-on. Wait for the beep and green screen, then you're ready to go.

When you've reached your destination, do the same again to tag-off. It's important to tag off to ensure you are charged the correct fare.

Information about your card and account is sent to the card readers via the central Bee Card system. It can take up to 12 hours for transactions and changes to show on your website account. If transactions or changes haven't appeared in your account, please check back after 12 hours.

If there's still a problem, you can contact Council on 03 546 0200 or in person at our Customer Service Centre.

How much will my trip cost?

Bee Cards allow bus users to pay less for their travel when compared to the cash fare. This table outlines the differences in fares for each zone.

Zones	Cash		BeeCard	
	Full	Conc.	Full	Conc.
1	\$2.50	\$1.50	\$2.00	\$1.35
2	\$3.00	\$2.00	\$2.40	\$1.80
3	\$3.50	\$2.50	\$2.80	\$2.25

Concession: child, student (with ID or in uniform), SuperGold Cardholder, Community Services Cardholder.

Full: All others.

Child: 5-18 years. Under 5s travel free.

SuperGold Card Concessions travel free with a Bee Card between 9am and 3pm and on the Late Late Bus.

How do I register my Bee Card?

Go to BeeCard.co.nz and set up an account – you will see the 'Create Account' button to click on the top right of the page. Fill in your details and choose a password. Once your account is created you will be taken to a page with an option to register your card. Click on that button and fill in the required details and you are ready to go. You can also set up your account at Nelson and Tasman Council's Customer Service Centres.

Can I still pay for my journey with cash?

Yes, drivers will still accept cash for your journey. You can also top up your Bee Card on the bus, but drivers can only accept exact money. This means that if you have a ten dollar note, drivers will only be able to put \$10 on the card and will not be able to give change.

Do I have to register my Bee Card?

You do not have to register your Bee Card, but please note that we cannot replace any remaining money on a lost or stolen Bee Card if it hasn't been registered.

How quickly will my balance be available on my Bee Card?

Online transactions generally go through the system within 12 hours. If you top up your card at a retail outlet point or on the bus, your money is loaded on to your card straight away.



Why doesn't my online transaction list show my top up?

With Bee Card, all data is stored on the card itself, but online transactions won't show on your card until it's next tagged on to a Bee Card device. In the meantime, your top up shows as pending in your online account.

Can I use my Bee Card to pay for more than one person?

We recommend that every passenger has their own Bee Card but you can pay for other passenger's fares with your card if needed. You'll need to speak to the driver, and any extra passengers will be charged the adult fare price.

Where can I top up in person?

You can top up at Nelson City Council, Nelson Public Libraries (Elma Turner and Stoke). Nelson SBL bus depot, Tasman District Council and Richmond Library.

I have a SuperGold Card, do I need a Bee Card?

Yes, you will need to have a Bee Card to access your SuperGold free off-peak travel concession. You'll also need to ensure that your SuperGold concession is loaded onto your Bee Card. After that, you won't need to show your SuperGold Card to the driver when you board – but you will need to carry it with you to show on request.

To load your SuperGold concession onto your Bee Card, you will need to register your card at BeeCard.co.nz and then click on 'Concessions' in the top menu. Alternatively, we can help you load your SuperGold card at Nelson or Tasman Council Customer Service Centres.

I'm a school student, how do I get my concession?

For children who are between 5 and 18 years old, the child concession will be automatically applied to your card when you register it. Children under 5 travel free.

I travel using another concession (e.g. tertiary student, community service), how do I access my discount?

You'll need to register your Bee Card and provide proof of your eligibility for the concession. To load the concession on your Bee Card, you'll need to take your card and proof of eligibility to Nelson City Council or Tasman District Council Customer Service Centre. Only SuperGold and child concessions can be loaded online through the Bee Card website as well as in person.

BeeCard.co.nz



Parking Meters – make the most of the new system

Nelsonians have been using our new Pay-By-Plate meters since 29 June, and Council staff have been out and about helping people get used to the new system.

Many of you have similar questions about the new meters. Here’s a few of the most common and our answers to them:

How do I avoid a queue at the meter?

We expect queues to die down once people get used to using the new meters and PayMyPark app. However, if you see a queue at a meter, remember you can pay for your park or claim your free hour at any meter in the City. If you are paying for two or three hours of parking, you will need to find a meter with a two or three hour time limit – you can find these on the periphery of all the major car parks. The fastest way to park is with the PayMyPark app – once your details are stored, it takes seconds to pay, and you don’t have to use a meter at all. Parking meter locations, time zones and more can be found on Council’s website: nelson.govt.nz/services/transport/parking/where-to-park-in-nelson

Do I have to upload money onto the app to get the free hour?

No, you can claim your free hour

without spending any money on the app. Choose your location and the time you would like to stay for (up to one hour), press the green button that says ‘Buy for \$xx’ and then enter your car registration number. Click next and the free hour will be applied without charge. Remember you only get one hour free, once per day, for each vehicle registration.

How do I split up the one hour free parking?

If you are using the meter, input your registration number, click OK, then press ‘Adjust Time’ to reduce the time parked down from one hour. You can do this in fifteen minute increments. If you are using the app, choose the amount of time you wish to park for and complete the transaction as usual. If you asked for 15 minutes of free parking, you will have 45 minutes left to use later in the day. If you choose to use your whole hour in one go, please note that you can move your car around the city and park in any paid parking spot for free until that hour runs out.

For a step-by-step guide to using the meters and app, go to:

nelson.govt.nz/parking

Public Notice: Adoption Of Dog Control Bylaw 2020



Notice is given that the Council at its meeting on Thursday, 25 June 2020 adopted the “Dog Control Bylaw 2020” No 221.

The Council resolved that the bylaw shall come into effect on Monday, 27 July 2020. Copies of the bylaw will be available online at nelson.govt.nz or free of charge at the Customer Service Centre, Civic House.

The Nelson City Council Environmental Grants Scheme can help you to help the environment

Applications for this contestable grants fund are open from Monday 3 August until Monday 31 August 2020. There will be a second funding round in February 2021 for the 2020–2021 financial year.

If you are a group or individual working to improve the health of Nelson’s natural environment, you may be eligible for an Environmental Grant.

In 2019–2020, environmental grants totaling \$314,214 were awarded to 61 groups or individuals to support a range of environmental outcomes including protecting and restoring wetlands, streams, native forest and biodiversity corridors and managing highly erodible land. Funding was provided through Council’s Nelson Nature, Healthy Streams and Sustainable Land Management programmes, with approximately half of the grant funding provided through MPI’s Hill Country Erosion Fund.

Feedback from applicants on the new grants scheme has been overwhelmingly positive.

Councillor’s Comment

Councillor Brian McGurk

Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher, has been quoted as saying “change is the only constant in life”. I think many of us have a love-hate relationship with change, especially when it comes with new technology. I know I do.

But, if we are brave enough to take the plunge, change can bring benefits. Last year we completed the rollout of LED streetlights. The upgrade took advantage of funding from NZTA. LED lights provide better quality lighting that makes our streets and footpaths safer. They will pay for themselves within a few years through much lower energy costs, as well as reducing the effects of light pollution on our night sky.

We have just finished rolling out the new Pay-by-Plate parking meters.

The old meters used 1700 rolls of paper a year, that came from Singapore. Going paperless we are saving about \$102,000 annually and we are avoiding littering our environment. The old, mechanical parking meters had reached the end of their useful life and were costing about \$80,000 annually in maintenance just to keep working.

By making parking smarter, people spend less time circling, looking for parking spots. Our traffic lights monitor traffic flow and are adjusted to meet shifting traffic flows and patterns.

Next month, we become the latest region in New Zealand to introduce Bee Card, a single electronic travel card for public transport that can be topped up online.

Many Nelsonians will be familiar with the Snapper Card in Wellington and Bee Card is much the same. Bee Cards allow bus users to pay less for their travel compared to the cash fare.

With the adoption of smart new transport technologies, Council is providing residents with access to faster and safer travel choices, reducing pollution and emissions and saving residents and ratepayers thousands of dollars each year.



Council offers further business recovery support

Nelson City Council will provide further financial support to help encourage Nelson's economic recovery from the impact of COVID-19.

Nelson City Council is providing further financial support to local businesses and community groups to help encourage Nelson's economic recovery from the impact of COVID-19.

During Level 4 of the COVID-19 shutdown, Council provided a three-month automatic rent and outgoings suspension to its tourism and hospitality tenants and community organisations until 30 June 2020, with other Council tenants assessed on a case by case basis.

Council is now offering some further relief:

- An additional two months rental relief through to 31 August 2020 for community groups who rent Council-owned premises.
- An additional five months fee waiver to all

active carpark and footpath dining licenses, concessions and street stalls through to 30 November 2020. This is designed to assist small businesses and encourage footfall in the central city and popular destinations such as Tahunanui.

Mayor Rachel Reese says the initial assistance was part of Council's comprehensive relief package to support Nelson businesses through the shutdown, but acknowledges that even though shutdown has ended, for many businesses and community organisations the recovery has only just begun.

"We're committed to a thriving Nelson economy, and this is one way we can continue to show our support. We hope this will make life a little easier for local businesses.

"Likewise we are committed as a Council

to help those that help others and that's why we are continuing our rent relief to the organisations that do so much to assist our community."

Simon Duffy of Uniquely Nelson says the next few months will be critical for the city's retail and hospitality sector.

"We've come this far but we all need to continue to support our local businesses, especially in the hard-hit hospitality sectors.

"It's good to see Council offering longer-term support – this will help them get through the critical time between now and summer so that we are ready and waiting to welcome the influx of visitors in what is traditionally our busiest season."

Betsy Eyre honoured with new information panels

In 1956, Nelson City Council welcomed its first woman Councillor, Betsy Eyre.

It was the start of 17 years on the Council for Betsy, where she served nine years as deputy mayor and topped the polls at four Council elections.

On August 1, Betsy's trailblazing legacy and community spirit will be remembered with the unveiling of an information panel in her honour, erected at the park named for her, Betsy Eyre Park in Brook Valley.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese said Betsy's appointment to Council helped pave the way for those who came after her, but the journey had been a long one.

"It's a testament to Betsy's true community spirit that she continued to serve the Nelson community as a Councillor for so many years, and that she was honoured by the community with the naming of Betsy Eyre Park.

"It wasn't until last year, some 63 years after Betsy was first elected, that a full gender balance around the Council table was reached. That's a long time. But who knows how long it could have been without Betsy taking that first step."

The site of Betsy Eyre Park was originally earmarked for housing, but in 1976 a community movement to have the site cleaned up and made into a public park was launched.

Betsy became involved and helped both the community and Council present submissions to the Department of Lands and Survey to have the land gazetted as Recreation Reserve.

A petition to name the new park after Betsy was started by residents and was signed by then-Mayor Roy McClennan and every Councillor at the time. Betsy opened the park on 17 September, 1977.

Councillor Mel Courtney served on Council with Betsy and described her as having a deep love of people and her community.

"I worked closely with Cr Betsy Eyre in my dual role as a Nelson City Councillor and Member of Parliament for Nelson. Together we allocated pensioner housing and selected tenants for Government housing.

"I remember Betsy as a strong and intelligent woman who had to overcome the barriers and bias of being the sole female on Council at that time. She possessed a bright and happy disposition and was fun to work with – we laughed a lot together."

Betsy served on the Council from 1956–1962, then again from 1965 to 1976.

A ceremony to unveil the panels will begin at 2pm, with speeches and a short play performance by the Histrionics, followed by cake and tea at the Prince Albert Restaurant and Bar.



Deputy Mayor Betsy Eyre with Stan Whitehead, MP for Nelson, at the centre of the first sod turning.



Mayor Stan Russell and Deputy Mayor Betsy Eyre receiving donated festive flags.



We've got this! Nelson Tasman economic response campaign kicks off

COVID-19 has hit Nelson Tasman's economy hard. But confidence is also contagious and this time locals are being asked to help spread it as part of a new regional marketing campaign called 'We've got this / Kei a Tātou'.

Project Kōkiri , which was initiated and led by Nelson City Council, Tasman District Council, Nelson Regional Development Agency, Nelson Tasman Chamber of Commerce, iwi and the Government's regionally based agencies, was created during lockdown and tasked with establishing an economic strategy that would speed up the region's recovery.

Part of that was the development of a response campaign to support local businesses and, at the same time, promote the region.

Project Lead and CEO of Nelson Tasman Chamber of Commerce Ali Boswijk says the term 'we've got this' will be used to create a sense of confidence among locals that the region is in good hands and the economic recovery is well under way. But it will also be used literally to show what the region has to offer.

A launch video features well known locals like Pic Picot, Mayor Rachel Reese and comedian Guy Williams, but the success of the campaign relies on everyone playing their part and sharing the best of what the region has to offer.

Locals are being asked to film or photograph their favourite places, businesses and products from the region and share them on social media with the hashtag #nelsontasman or the tag @NelsonTasmanNZ. Or they can send in their submissions via email to wevegotthis@nelsontasman.nz.

A range of brand assets, from ready-to-print posters to animated GIFs for use on various social media channels, have been created and are available to download via the website wevegotthis.nz.

The best efforts will be displayed on the campaign website and also shared via Nelson Tasman's social media channels and on digital screens around the region as daily and weekly highlights.

Continuing the collaborative spirit, a wide range of local businesses have contributed more than \$25,000 worth of prizes to further incentivise locals to get involved. All those who submit an entry will go into the draw to win daily prizes.

Waimea Road/Princes Drive intersection roadworks – an update

The intersection joining Waimea Road and Princes Drive will reach a new phase next month when the developer's contractors complete work on the western side of Waimea Road.

Once completed, the road layout will change so work can start to widen the road on the eastern side and construct a central traffic island.

During this new part of the project, we expect traffic to continue to be delayed at peak times. The detour in place for cyclists and pedestrians on the Railway Reserve will remain.

The contractor is working as efficiently as possible

to complete the work, but delays caused due to the COVID-19 lockdown have meant the project is being carried out during winter, which can mean more days lost due to bad weather.

Every effort is being made to make use of the fine weather and extra resources have been brought to site to help complete the project.



MEETINGS

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

Hearings Panel - Other
9am 5 Aug

Sports and Recreation Committee
10am 6 Aug

Saxton Field Committee - Netball Pavilion, Saxton Field
9.30am 11 Aug

Audit and Risk Subcommittee
1pm 11 Aug

Council meeting
9am 12 Aug

Council meeting
9am 13 Aug

Joint Shareholders Committee - Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
1.30pm 25 Aug

Civil Defence Emergency Management Group - Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
to follow Joint Shareholders Committee 25 Aug

Infrastructure Committee
9am 26 Aug

Governance and Finance Committee
10am 27 Aug

Change to meeting
Environment Committee, previously advertised to commence at 10am
10.30am 23 July

For a full list of meetings go to:
nelson.govt.nz/meetings

To sign up for Our Nelson by email go to:
 facebook.com/nelsoncitycouncil



Native Planting Maintenance Workshop

Paremata Flats, Saturday 8 August, 10am – 12.30pm

Learn practical techniques to control weeds and maintain native tree plantings at this free workshop with ecologist and restoration expert Zac Milner from Kaitiaki o Ngahere.

The workshop will cover

- Weed identification and ecology
- Weed impacts
- Weed control principles and techniques
- Planting maintenance - necessity, timing, etc
- Knapsack and spray use

Whether you've got 200 or 10,000 trees to look

after this will be a great opportunity to discuss general restoration themes with an ecologist and fellow participants. Snacks and refreshments provided.

Please email asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz for enquiries or to register.

When: Saturday 8 August 10am-12.30pm.

Where: Paremata Flats Reserve, Maori Pa Rd. Delaware Bay. (On the left, approximately 1km from the intersection of Cable Bay Road and Maori Pa Road).

Meet at the entrance gate.



ROAD CLOSURES

Applicant: Higgins

Event: The closure is for footpath maintenance.

Location: Jenner Road

Date and Time of Closure: 10 August 7am – Thursday 10 September 2020 6pm, closed all day and all night.
All vehicle access will be unavailable during this time due to the narrow road.

Feedback for proposed closures to be given by: Wednesday 5 August 2020

Email: enquiries@ncc.govt.nz

Post: Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040, Attention: Gillian Dancey

Applicant: Ching Contractors

Event: Stormwater renewal

Location: Mount Street – between Konini Street and Wellington Street

Date and Time of Closure: From 7am on Monday 17 August, different sections of the street will be closed periodically, day and night. The work is expected to take approximately four months. Resident access will be managed from either end of the site.

Feedback for proposed closures to be given by: Wednesday 12 August 2020

Email: enquiries@ncc.govt.nz

Post: Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040, Attention: Gillian Dancey

For all road closure information visit:

nelson.govt.nz/second-hand-sunday

nelson.govt.nz/road-closures

Second Hand Sunday

Second Hand Sunday is this Sunday 26 July from 10am – 1pm.

Find out more, register or download the address list of participants (from midday Friday 24 July) at:



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



Kirby Lane

Nelson Farmers Market. 8.30am – 1.30pm, Every Wednesday.

Founders Heritage Park

Restorative Yoga & Oils 8 week course. 6.30pm – 7.45pm, every Thursday 23 July – 10 September.

Pink Ribbon Breakfast with Kudos Food Design and Founders Café. 7.30am & 10.30am, Friday 24 July.

100% DnB Feat The Upbeats, State of Mind + Jabz MC, Optimus Gryme. 6pm, Friday 31 July.

International Blues Music Day 2020. 7pm, Saturday 1 August.

Broadgreen Historic House

A passage to Nelson – Exhibition at Broadgreen House. 11am – 3pm, Wednesday 1 July – Saturday 31 October.

Nelson Public Libraries:

Elma Turner Library

Hours:

Monday-Friday: 10:00am — 4:30pm

Saturday: 10:00am — 4:00pm

Sunday: 1:00pm — 4:00pm

Small Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Monday & Wednesday.

Device Advice. 2pm, every Tuesday & Thursday.

Junior Book Club. 3.30pm, every Tuesday.

Library Knitters. 10am – 12pm, every Thursday.

Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Thursday.

Tea & Talk. 10am, every Friday.

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

Bee Card – Bus Card Drop In. 10am, Wednesday 22 July & 3pm, Thursday 23 July.

LEGO at the Library. 3.30pm, Thursday 23 July.

Live music Series – Adrian K entertainer. 2pm, Sunday 26 July.

New Zealand Transport Agency. 3pm, Monday 27 July & 10 August.

STEM Writers. 1pm, Tuesday 28 July & 11 August.

Computer Class – Basic Internet. 9.30am, Thursday 30 July.

Friends of the Library Book Sale. 10am, Saturday 1 August.

Ancestors Attic drop-in. 10am, Wednesday 5 August.

Computer Class – ebooks & audiobooks.

9.30am, Thursday 6 August.

Computer Class – Facebook for Family History. 9.30am, Thursday 13 August.

Tablets for Beginners. 8.15am, Friday 14 August.

Introduction to family history. 9.30am, Friday 14 August.

The care, preservation and recording of old photographs with Darryl Gallagher of the Nelson Provincial Museum. 2pm, Sunday 16 August.

Family Search. 11am, Tuesday 18 August.

Young Adult Reading Club. 3.45pm, Wednesday 19 July.

Nightingale Library Memorial

Nellie Knitters. 1.30 – 3.30pm, every Monday.

Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Thursday

Stoke Library

Hours:

Monday-Friday: 10:00am — 4:30 pm

Saturday: 10:00am — 1:00pm

Sunday: Closed

Small Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Tuesday.

Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Wednesday.

Device Advice at Stoke Library. 2pm, every Tuesday & Wednesday.

Young Adult Reading Club. 3.45pm, Tuesday 18 August.

Stoke Library BookChat. 5.30pm, Wednesday 19 August.

Museums and Galleries:

The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

Hours: 9.30am – 4.30pm Daily

Michael Dell: Endless Days. Saturday 23 May – Sunday 4 October

Noble Souls. Saturday 20 June – Sunday 30 August.

Ben Pearce: Life Will Go On Long After Money. Saturday 11 July – Sunday 22 November.

The Big Bike Film Night. 6pm & 8.30pm, Friday 31 July.

Mountain Film Festival. 6pm, Friday 7 August.

Refinery ArtSpace – Closed

Nelson Provincial Museum

Hours: 10 – 5pm Weekdays, 10am – 4.30pm Weekends & Public Holidays.

Online Exhibition: Rugby 150 Years.

Thursday 14 May 2020 – Thursday 13 May 2021