

OUR NELSON



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Environmental Grants

Applications for the second round of Council's Environmental Grants funding programme are now open. Applications must be in by 22 November to be considered for this round. The fund focusses on individual and community projects that do great things for our environment. For more info go to:

nelson.govt.nz/environmental-grants

Get a recycling day reminder

Check out our new app, Antenno, to get a recycling day reminder and other Council news direct to your mobile.

nelson.govt.nz/antenno



Mayor announces committee structure and Deputy Mayor

The new triennium for Nelson City Council has started with a revised committee structure that is inclusive of all Councillors.

A new deputy mayor has been confirmed, with Judene Edgar being warmly received by Councillors for this role.

"Judene has a wealth of experience in local government and governance. Not only does she have an excellent understanding of the needs for our broader region, but she is incredibly hard-working; campaigning from her hospital bed is a testament to that!" said Mayor Reese.

Councillor Edgar was excited by what the role offered.

"It is an honour to be asked to be the Deputy Mayor, and being able to contribute my experience to Nelson.

"We have a wonderful group of elected members, and I am looking forward to working alongside them all as we tackle some of the many challenges and opportunities that local government is facing."

Mayor Rachel Reese's committee structure will focus on "Committees of the whole." Each committee will be made up of all Councillors, ensuring that Nelson's representatives all have the opportunity to provide input.

"We have worked hard as a collective group to come up with a structure that will produce the best possible results for our Smart Little City," says Mayor Reese.

"I want to thank all the Councillors for their open and honest discussions. The key roles have been spread amongst both new and re-elected Councillors. This is shaping up to be a very cohesive and engaged Council."

The Chairs and Deputy Chairs of the committees are:

- **Infrastructure**
Chair – Brian McGurk
Deputy Chair – Rohan O'Neill-Stevens
- **Governance and Finance**
Chair – Rachel Sanson
Deputy Chair – Gaile Noonan
- **Environment**
Chair – Kate Fulton
Deputy Chair – Brian McGurk
- **Community Services**
Chair – Matt Lawrey
Deputy Chair – Yvonne Bowater
- **Sport and Recreation**
Chair – Tim Skinner
Deputy Chair – Trudie Brand
- **Regional Transport Committee**
Chair – Brian McGurk
Deputy Chair – Judene Edgar
Rohan O'Neill-Stevens
Mayor Rachel Reese
(Note: A committee including NZTA representation.)
- **City Centre Working Group**
Chair – Pete Rainey
Deputy Chair – Mel Courtney
(Note: This is not a formal Committee of the whole. It will help provide governance input into major projects such as the Library and the city centre development programme. 2-3 additional members are to be determined)

Additional committees, including Chief Executive Employment Committee and the Audit and Risk Committee, will be announced in due course.



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Champion Tasman Mako team honoured with Key to Nelson City

Tasman Mako stand-in captain Mitch Hunt was presented with the Key to the City of Nelson by Mayor Reese in a Civic Ceremony on the Church Steps in Nelson on Wednesday 30 October.

Introduced in 2013, and designed and handmade by renowned jeweller Benjamin Black, the key symbolises Nelson city. Previous recipients include Para-Olympian Liam Malone, Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall, and former All Black Richie McCaw.

Te Tau Ihu – Marlborough, Nelson and Tasman – came together to celebrate the historic victory of the Mako in the Mitre 10 Premiership, and their contribution to our community, with the parade through the centre of Nelson.

Starting from the Tasman Rugby Union, the team made its way along Upper Trafalgar Street with their Premiership Winners' Cup before a haka pōwhiri 'Toia mai' by Nelson Boys College and Te Roopu Whakamanamana, the Victory School Kapa Haka Group, welcomed them at the church steps on Selwyn Place.

The formal ceremony then took place, opening with karakia and mihi

timatanga (opening prayer and acknowledgements) given from kaumātua and a supporting waiata by Te Roopu Whakamanamana. This was followed by speeches from Mayors Rachel Reese and Tim King, Marlborough Councillor Mark Peters, Tony Lewis and Wayne Young from Tasman Rugby Union and Hon Nick Smith and the Key to the City of Nelson presentation.

A haka performed by Nelson College students and karakia from kaumātua officially closed the ceremony.

"It is an honour for our region to come together to celebrate this fantastic effort by everyone involved with the Tasman Mako, marking the end of the perfect season for the team," says Mayor Reese.

"The Mitre 10 Premiership is the pinnacle of domestic rugby in New Zealand, and to have our team bring home the Cup is really exciting and something we can all feel proud about. The team's contribution to our community has been exemplary."



Buy your firewood now!

The cheapest time to buy your firewood for next winter is NOW!

To make it even more of a good deal, Council and selected Good Wood suppliers are offering a limited number of firewood discounts to Nelson residents who buy their wood in November and December.

The promotion started 4 November 2019 and finishes 20 December 2019, or until fully allocated, whichever comes first.

The promotion is for Nelson City Council residents and is a \$25 discount off the price of one load of firewood per household. Unfortunately, Tasman District Council residents aren't eligible for the discount.

Minimum load size 3m³ to qualify for a discount.

Good Wood suppliers are committed to supply to the public either:

- Dry, seasoned firewood, suitable for immediate use. This is wood that has a moisture content of less than 25% dry weight. This wood can be stored away immediately, OR

- Green (unseasoned) firewood delivered sufficiently far in advance of winter so that, if properly stored by the user, the wood will be seasoned for use the following winter.

You will need to allow this wood to season (dry) before storing away.

When discussing your firewood requirements with your Good Wood supplier please make it clear whether you are happy to receive green wood to dry over summer, or if you are planning to store it away immediately that you require dry wood.

The Good Wood suppliers taking part are:

- Bay Firewood (03) 525 9560 or 027 769 6348
- Buyright Firewood 021 127 8957
- Quality Firewood 027 449 0622
- Richmond Wood and Coal 544 6473
- Wholesale Firewood 546 9595 or 027 922 9611

Some Good Wood suppliers are also offering buy now pay later terms; ask your Good Wood supplier for details.



Saxton Athletics Track resurfacing complete

The athletics track at Saxton Field has been successfully resurfaced, ready for a summer of activity. The 400m facility is used throughout the week by a wide range of groups including schools, walking groups and athletic clubs as well as for Special Olympics training, police training, the Colgate games and the Nelson half marathon.

The old track surface had been in place for 10 years and had started to degrade in the intense Nelson sunlight. The new surface will last another 10–15 years before a further resurfacing takes place.

An added bonus of the recent work is that the area around the long jump runway and pit was re-laid in artificial turf as part of the project. This area was originally surfaced in asphalt, which was not ideal for athletes in running spikes when walking back after each long jump.

"The athletics track at Saxton Field is a fantastic facility and is popular throughout the year with a wide range of users, from schools and elderly walking groups to athletics clubs and high level athletes," says Tim Skinner, Sports and Recreation Committee Chair.

"The new track surface is excellent and will provide many years of service, and hopefully help a number of Nelsonians develop into world class athletes. It's also a high quality and safe environment for the wider public to exercise on."

The total cost of the resurfacing activity was \$901,000 and took 13 weeks to complete. The project formed part of the Council's 2018/19 Annual Plan.

The Saxton Field athletics track is free to use throughout the week when not being used for a pre-booked activity. Please treat the track with care and follow the rules displayed at the entranceway. For specific booking information contact Customer Services on Ph. 03 546 0200, email: enquiry@ncc.govt.nz



It's good to know where's good to swim

Council has started its summer water quality monitoring programme, to ensure it can provide information to river and beach users on where it is good to swim over the warmer months.

It's good to remember not to swim after heavy rain – wait until the water has cleared before jumping in, to avoid contact with any contaminants carried by run-off from the land.

The best place to go for up-to-date results is the LAWA (Land Air Water Aotearoa) website, which hosts water quality data for the whole country. Go to the LAWA 'Can I swim here' module at lawa.org.nz for more information.

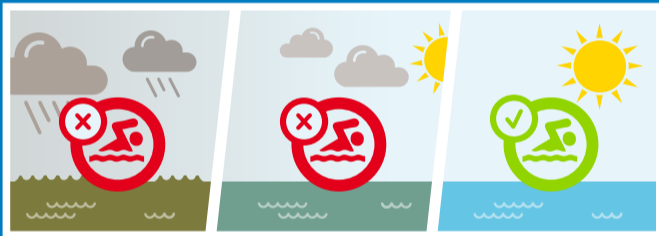
We're also checking for naturally occurring cyanobacteria (toxic algae) which is known to cause sickness in dogs and people.

Information about the dangers of toxic algae and how to recognise it, plus the latest monitoring results, are available on Council's website at nelson.govt.nz/toxic-algae.

And don't forget, LAWA covers the whole country, so wherever you are going in New Zealand over the holiday season, you can decide where's good to swim in those areas.

Look out for our swimming health signage at key swimming spots for a reminder of when it is safe to swim.

nelson.govt.nz/toxic-algae



If the water is discoloured after rainfall, please do not swim here

especially for the first 48 hours after heavy rain, as contaminated surface run-off could be a health risk.

For more information about swimming sites in the Nelson region, visit www.lawa.org.nz



Waste minimisation focus for Bay Dreams Nelson

Nelson City Council is continuing its commitment to waste minimisation by working with event organisers.

Council, along with Tasman District Council, share a Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan, which aspires to eliminate unnecessary waste going to landfill and to work with the community to avoid the creation of waste at the upcoming Bay Dreams Nelson music festival this summer.

"We are really pleased to see Bay Dreams continue to focus on the importance of reducing waste and making it easier for everyone attending the event to reduce their waste footprint whilst having a great time in our Smart Little City," Nelson City Council's Community Services Group Manager, Roger Ball says.

Festival-goers are encouraged to bring an empty, clear plastic '1' or '2' water bottle to re-use through the day when the popular Bay Dreams Nelson music festival returns to Trafalgar Park in Nelson, which can then be recycled.

In line with Nelson's commitment to the environment and waste minimisation, the promoters of Bay Dreams have brought on board Closed Loop, a company which specialises in sustainable cleaning and waste management services with the goal for the 2020 event to create less waste and have more recycling and diversion.

"The aim is to move to fully compostable products only eventually. This time all water cups distributed and all plates and cutlery served by vendors will be fully compostable. All other drink packaging will be recyclable," Bay Dreams Nelson Festival Director, Toby Burrows says.

"The industry average for landfill diversion at music festivals is only about 30%," says Greg Schicker, NZ Director for Closed Loop.

"In 2019, Closed Loop achieved 60% landfill diversion in Nelson, and aim to increase this to 65% while reducing the amount of materials on-site by 10%."

Festival contractors will be provided with reusable bottles to refill at water stations in the build and pack down with patrons encouraged to bring in their own reusable bottles on festival day.

"This has a two-pronged effect. It reduces waste and assists with improving hydration which is an important health and safety issue at events" says Burrows.

There are still tickets available for Bay Dreams Nelson on 4 January 2020.

For event details and tickets go to:

baydreams.co.nz

Pop-up-pool safety reminder

Are you planning on buying a pop up pool for your family to enjoy this summer?

If so, please remember that many of these pools will need a fence or barrier to make them safe and legal.

If the pool sides are less than 1200mm tall, and if the pool can

hold water deeper than 400mm, it will need a fence or barrier to make it comply with the current building legislation and, more importantly, safe for your children.

It's a good idea to check your responsibilities before you buy a pool. That way you can make sure everyone can have fun in the sun safely. Go to the Council website for more info.



nelson.govt.nz/pool-fencing-guide

City centre looking to bright future

Now that the City Centre Programme Plan has been adopted, and Upper Trafalgar Street is a permanent pedestrian mall, Council is looking ahead to a brighter city centre for everyone.

On Upper Trafalgar Street we have removed the white parking lines and parking bollards, installed planter boxes and overhead festoon lights. And we're working with business owners to develop outdoor dining areas. We'll have public areas as well where people can sit and enjoy the vibe.

We've developed a two stage 'light touch' plan to refurbish the area over the 2019-2020 summer, while we develop a longer term plan to make the most of this amazing space.

The first stage of the 'light touch' plan has been designed to make the space more useable during pre-planned events such as the Nelson Arts Festival, New Year's Eve and Summer Buskers. This stage has been designed to give the area a festive, relaxed air, without disturbing the existing layout too much. There are drop off points and mobility parking spaces nearby to allow easy access, and we've made the most of existing trees and other features.

Stage two will roll out in January 2020 after the buskers

have had their last laugh. This will see the development of an 'entertainer zone' at the north end of the area, with relaxed seating – functioning as a 'spill out zone' for youth and families, lunchtime picnickers and groups attending events at the museum. We'll add the '1903 Lounge' in the 1903 Square with grass carpet, comfy seats and furnishings – a kind of funky kiwi villa vibe to make you feel right at home.

The long term plan for the space will get underway later in the year, to create a resilient space that focusses on making people the centre of our Smart Little City.



Recycling e-waste is easy and cheap



Recycling e-waste is a great way to be kind to the environment, and thanks to a Council subsidy scheme offered through the Nelson Environment Centre at 31 Vanguard Street, Nelson, there are plenty of options on how to do this.

Electrical waste (e-waste) is the fastest growing type of waste in the world. In New Zealand, we generate around 80,000 tonnes per year!

E-waste often contains dangerous metals and other substances that can be toxic to the environment and to human health if disposed of or handled inappropriately. Some may also contain valuable and scarce resources that should be recovered and recycled.

Taking your electronic waste to the Nelson Environment Centre means that it will be recycled

responsibly, and the Council provides a \$20 discount for ratepayers to help with this.

The Nelson Environment Centre will accept any electronic waste (i.e. items either with a plug or powered by batteries) with the exception of large appliances such as whiteware, and oil-filled heaters.

For more information about the local options to dispose of your e-waste, visit:

nelson.govt.nz/e-waste



Save the rain for summer

Council has assisted with the installation of a rainwater tank to collect rainwater from the Atawhai Playcentre roof.

The water collected will include use for watering the community gardens.

The 15,000 L tank could potentially collect around 75,000 L per year; being particularly useful over the drier summer months.

Do you collect the free rainwater that lands on your roof? Now is a great time to get a system in place in time for summer.

The latest forecasts from NIWA show a 35% chance of a drier than normal summer. Our river flow testing shows that our catchments are below average rainfall levels for this time of year:

- Hira – 12% below average for this time of year

- Founders – 19% below average for this time of year
- Orphanage – 6% below average for this time of year
- Maitai Dam – 17% below average for this time of year

Collecting rainwater is a great way of making sure you have enough water to keep areas such as your garden growing through summer, especially if we have a dry summer and water restrictions come into play.

For more info, go to nelson.govt.nz/rainwater-harvesting for a how to video and a downloadable brochure on rainwater harvesting.

nelson.govt.nz/rainwater-harvesting

NOVEMBER IS KICKSTART COMPOST MONTH!

~~\$20~~ **\$30 OFF**
*for the month of November only

Visit nelson.govt.nz/kickstart-compost for a list of participating suppliers

COMPOST BINS, WORM FARMS OR BOKASHI BUCKETS!

Save money on your waste bill and put those food scraps to work.

Nelson City Council subsidy - conditions apply



Appo Hocton's family from left, Richard Barker, Priscilla and Alvin Schroder with the new Appo Hocton Way walkway sign.

Appo Hocton Way sign recognises New Zealand's first Chinese immigrant

Washington Valley resident Alvin Schroder is given a daily reminder of his great-grandfather, New Zealand's first Chinese immigrant Appo Hocton, thanks to a newly erected walkway sign.

Alvin can peer across the Valley using Appo Hocton's old golden telescope at the new Appo Hocton Way sign.

"From my house I can look over here and see this sign and it has this glow around it because the sun reflects it," Alvin says.

Because Alvin and his wife Priscilla live in the area, they knew of the unnamed walkway which joins Pioneer Crescent with Valley Heights Road, and worked with Council to get Appo Hocton Way officially named after the first Chinese man in New Zealand to be naturalised.

"We know that he lived here and he owned lots of property in this area, but there's nothing else in Nelson with his name," Priscilla says.

"We thought this was the appropriate area to have something named after him."

It was an unconventional arrival for New Zealand's first Chinese immigrant in 1842.

Wong Ah Poo Hoc Ting who became known as Appo Hocton, left China aged nine before gaining a steward job on the New Zealand-bound Thomas Harrison. The ship berthed in Nelson on 25 October 1842, where he joined other crew members and jumped ship.

Appo was hiding in the Port Hills when the ship left two weeks later.

Once he became naturalised, Hocton bought land in Washington Valley above the tideway, and built several houses, one which he owned, while he leased seven others, some of which are still in the Hastings Street/Washington Road area.

There is also a sign in Pioneer Park featuring the history of the area, including a photo of the well-known businessman and personality.

The Schroder family is proud that there is now a landmark which recognises their ancestor.

Appo Hocton has approximately 1600 living descendants throughout the country.

Council is proud to support China Week which returns in 2019 and runs from 13-16 November.

It is a celebration of Nelson's historical and close links to China.

This event brings together an exciting array of activities, exhibitions, performances and business talks, to celebrate and promote cross-cultural relationships and connectivity.

China Week encourages stronger connections, enduring friendships and mutual benefits in the areas of education, business, and tourism.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



I'm absolutely delighted to be re-elected as Mayor of Nelson Whakatū and I'm looking forward to working with a very talented and hardworking group of Councillors.

It is a privilege to hold these roles and we recognise the trust you have placed in us to be your representatives in Local Government. In my view, you have voted in a progressive council that will grasp the opportunities for our region to thrive.

On 31 October, the new Council was welcomed by mana whenua with pōwhiri at Whakatū Marae signifying our joint commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the value of partnership. Representatives from our Council Controlled Organisations, Police, Fire, NMIT, Uniquely Nelson and NCMA, were present in recognition of the strong bond between us all in serving the people of our region and caring for our environment.

Later in the day, the official Declarations of Office were made at the Inaugural Council meeting where we were joined by family and friends. It was an honour to appoint Judene Edgar as Deputy Mayor and I look forward to working alongside her as we lead the Council team. Judene brings a wealth of local government experience, is strongly connected in our community, and has proven her business acumen in governance appointments including as a director of Nelson Airport Limited.

Already there is strong cohesion and collaboration between councillors on our shared responsibilities with the committees roles and structure being agreed at this first meeting.

There has been plenty happening in our Smart Little City recently with the Nelson Arts Festival in full swing for the 25th Anniversary, including the return of the wonderful illusion Piki Mai transforming Christ Church

Cathedral and the Church Steps.

Nelson Airport's new \$32 million terminal was officially opened by Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern at a very special ceremony before going fully live a few days later. This state-of-the-art timber icon is a credit to all involved in this legacy project – you can feel immensely proud of what you have achieved.

Out in the hills around the city, the much anticipated Aore Enduro delivered a top class mountain biking event over Labour Weekend. Enduro World Series (EWS) officials were also on hand to oversee the event as Nelson builds the foundation to host a full round of the EWS in 2021.

Then at the end of the month we returned to the Church Steps to record more of Te Taihu's history with a Civic Ceremony to present the Key to the City to the Tasman Mako.

Their journey has been quite incredible, with credit due to the heart of these players, the support team behind them, the vision of a united Tasman Bays and Marlborough, and hardwork from many over more than a decade, who took the Mako from the bottom of the Championship in 2011, to the top team in the Premiership and the country in 2019.

There is plenty to look forward to heading into summer with Bay Dreams and Summer Events including the Buskers Festival and Opera in the Park, all sure to give Nelsonians and visitors to our amazing region an excellent opportunity to get out together as a community and enjoy those extra daylight hours.

Record number of councils join No Excuses campaign to keep boaties safe

Eighteen harbourmasters around the country, including the Nelson Harbourmaster are taking part in this year's 'No Excuses' campaign, focussing on recreational boaties who don't carry or wear lifejackets or whose speed on the water is unsafe.

Harbourmasters and Maritime New Zealand Maritime Officers are working side by side for at least five random days in each region over the summer.

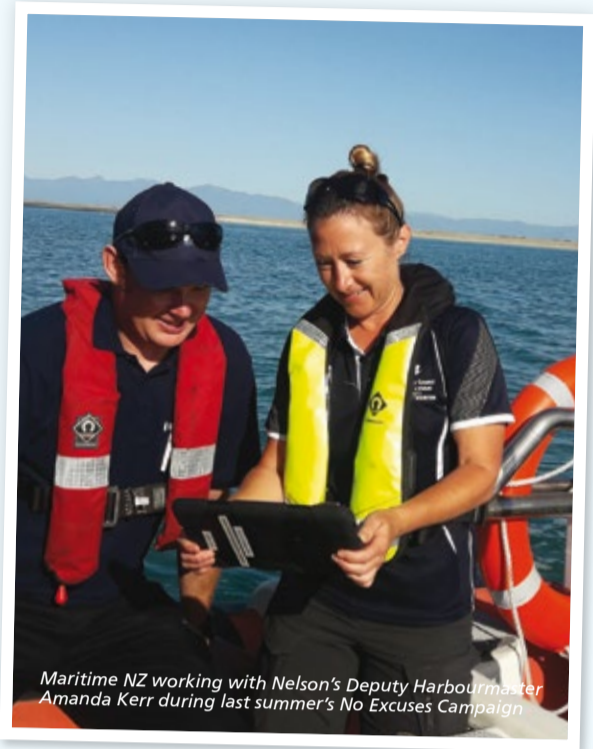
Nelson harbourmasters have been involved in the campaign since it started in 2016, where councils and Maritime NZ work together in each area to reinforce safety rules and regulations to recreational boaties.

Maritime Officers and harbourmasters will check that people are complying with

the safety rules, including those for life jackets, speed, dive flags and towing with an observer. An educational approach will be taken, but where there are significant breaches there is the potential that an infringement fine of \$300 may be issued.

Prep your boat, check your gear and know the rules. For Navigation Safety Bylaw rules go to:

nelson.govt.nz/navigation-safety



Maritime NZ working with Nelson's Deputy Harbourmaster Amanda Kerr during last summer's No Excuses Campaign

Second Hand Sunday back for summer!



Second Hand Sunday returns on 8 December, with the opportunity to declutter your house for summer, by getting rid of items you don't want.

It also provides treasure-hunters with a great chance to pick up free pre-loved goods.

It's an excellent way of reducing waste in our city and giving used items a new home.

If you have items you want to give away, simply register on Council's website to make sure you get onto the list of participating addresses, print off a poster (or pick one up from Council's customer service centre) and put it on your mailbox on the day.

Second Hand Sunday starts at 10am, so put your unwanted goods on your driveway (not on the footpath), with the poster on display.

Please do not put out food or dangerous goods, like faulty electrical equipment, chemicals, or firearms.

The list of participants will be available for download from 12pm midday on Friday 6 December, so pick up a list and

head out – you don't need to register to participate.

The event will take place rain or shine, but please respect the 10am start time.

Home owners are responsible for taking back in anything that doesn't go on the day.

The Nelson Environment Centre has some great information on how to recycle leftover items.

nelson.govt.nz/second-hand-sunday



Notice of proposal to extend term of lease at 55 Muritai Street, Burrell Park, Tahunanui

Public notice date:

13 November 2019

Closing date and time:

11 December 2019, 12am

Council proposes to extend the current ground and building lease term for the Tahunanui Community Centre at 55 Muritai Street. The proposed extension is four (4) years with a final expiry date of 31 May 2030.

The area leased to the group is marked on the map below as A & B.

For further information or to make a submission please contact:

- Jules Read
Leases Officer
110 Trafalgar Street
Nelson

• jules.read@ncc.govt.nz





Looking after this land – true grit



Edith Mertens and Rudy Zondag’s 12 years as the owners of a steep, slip-prone hillside above Todds Valley have seen their land transformed from impenetrable shrubland riddled with gorse, old man’s beard, blackberry and banana passionfruit to a recovering native forest. The 4ha block is showing great promise with kanuka, titoki, kahikatea, pittosporum, ake ake, kowhai, beech, rimu, five finger, lancewood and cabbage trees all doing well.

Edith and Rudy moved permanently to the block seven years ago. Its purchase was a compromise – Rudy wanted clear unpolluted skies for his astronomy interests, Edith wanted to stay near town.

“This is only 10km out of town but the skies are dark so it’s a perfect spot,” says Edith.

There were no fences or tracks, which Rudy says were first on the list. “You need access to all corners of the property, and you need fences to keep the nasties out.” Wild goats, pigs, and possums all needed to be fenced out or dealt with to protect the valuable new plantings.

The soil conditions vary across the property, from good deep soils to shallow and rocky, and from dry to wet areas where streams run across the land and slips can tear away a year’s work in a moment.

Planting the right tree for the right site is important here. Trees planted in the damp areas around streams thrived until the drought of 2019 – when they died because their roots were too shallow to withstand extended dry weather. “Those established in drier areas did OK as they had deeper root structures and were still able to get enough water.”

Rudy and Edith found it hard to get the weeds under control and it is still ongoing job. “Looking after your plants is a five year battle – don’t plant too many at once because you have to look after them!” Rudy uses spray in the first couple of years as it gives him more time to get around the property, but once trees reach the 5-year stage they are able to make it with regular mowing to keep the big weeds under control. “When you get to a certain stage it gets easier, they can look after themselves but until then you have to nurse them along.”

“In the first years, we’d plant about a thousand native plants every year and lose 30% of them in the first two years. I went berserk planting at first and then they all disappeared under the weeds. If you can’t water or keep the weeds off them you might lose them; a dry summer will teach you what you can and can’t grow.”

Council’s environmental advisory service was a great help in selecting trees, planning ahead, and learning how to deal with invasive pest weeds. “It was good to get advice. They said get the fences up first, told us how to control the weeds, and helped us get on top of things.”

The couple found great inspiration from neighbours, friends and other lifestyleers, and through joining the Tree Crops Association. Some years ago they planted an orchard which is now producing fruit and is also home to beehives which produces honey for the table and to give away or barter for other produce.

Because the orchard was on steep land, they had to plan carefully, including an irrigation system. They have a grey water system that is

gravity fed from the house, going through a septic tank and evaporative reed bed system to a dosing tank from where the water is used for irrigation via drip lines on the orchard terraces. Now there are over 100 nut-and fruit trees with more added every year.

Erosion is an ongoing issue – dry periods followed by heavy rain are hard on this steep rocky landscape. The established plantings are doing good work in stabilising the land but slips still happen and can be very destructive.

Rudy and Edith’s vision – of a forest restored with totara, titoki, beech and kahikatea gracing the skyline, is still a way off – 200 years Rudy thinks – but they have started the journey. And while they have had help, advice and support along the way from fellow tree-planters, bush-bashers, Council and nurserymen, they have done the hard yards themselves and shown what is possible with enthusiasm, energy and a fair amount of grit.

You can watch the video of Edith and Rudy’s story at:

nelson.govt.nz/looking-after-this-land



China Week

Check out the website for a list of events:

chinaweek.co.nz



ROAD CLOSURES

Proposed closures

Applicant: Higgins
Event: Road Maintenance
Location: Mayroyd Terrace
Date and time: Monday 16 December 2019, 8.00am to 6.00pm
Wet Weather Date: Tuesday 17 December 2019, 8.00am to 6.00pm

Feedback date for proposed closures:
Wednesday 27 November 2019
 Email: enquiries@ncc.govt.nz
 Post: Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson, 7040. Attn: Gillian Dancey.
 For all road closure information visit:

nelson.govt.nz/road-closures

MEETINGS

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

Council Meeting	14-Nov
9am	

Further meetings will be advertised once the schedule is adopted by Council.

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 and minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on Council’s website nelson.govt.nz.

nelson.govt.nz/meetings



What's on at the Libraries?



Nelson Summer Reading Challenge

We are excited to present the Nelson Summer Reading Challenge for 2019. Sign up, read and win prizes this summer at the libraries. There is a challenge to suit every member of the community. Enrolments open for all challenges on Saturday 14 December and run through until 14 February.

Our ever-popular children's challenge is back and this year we are trekking the Inca trail in the distant lands of Bolivia and Peru. Read your way through summer, complete challenges and pick up prizes and fun activities. Sapa Inca has declared a road race – complete challenges and read for 20 minutes a day to find the golden mask. Sign up at any of our branches – in Stoke,

Tahunanui or Nelson. Young adults are invited on a trip around the world. Expand your Horizons and dive into travelogues, memoirs, graphic novels and other reads as you cross the seven continents; Europe, Asia, North America, South America, Africa, Oceania and bonus challenge Antarctica – visit all continents and go into win the grand prize.

Bingo is back! Returning for its second year, Biblio Bingo Bonanza – a reading challenge for adults – asks you to read, complete a line on the bingo card and go in the draw to win prizes.

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Live Music Series

Sweet Sounds Jazz Duo. Sunday 24 November 2pm, Elma Turner Library. Free entry.

Computer classes at the Library

Bookings essential by phoning 03 546 0414, emailing library@ncc.govt.nz or visiting any of our libraries.



Elma Turner Library, 9.30–11.00am

- Research tools.....Thursday 14 November
- Social MediaThursday 21 November
- Entertainment Apps.....Thursday 28 November
- Basic Computer Skills Q&A Thursday 5 December

Stoke Library, 8.15–9.15am

- Basic Internet 2.....Friday 15 November
- Tablets.....Friday 29 November

Stoke Library remedial works - Stage 2

Remedial works to the exterior of Stoke Library started on Monday 4 November and are anticipated to finish in early February 2020.

There will be no disruption to the services offered by Stoke Library whilst the Stage 2 exterior works are being undertaken.

Scaffolding has been erected to the ends of the building, and some cladding will be removed to inspect the framework and undertake any

repairs as required. The sections of box beam that extend from the building at either end will then be removed, and the external cladding will be replaced. Scaffold will also be erected for repairs to the internal gutter at the Putaitai Street end of the building.

While works take place please follow all signs and instructions. Thank you for your understanding.

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



Kirby Lane

Nelson Farmers Market. 8.30am – 1.30pm, Every Wednesday.
Mercado Latin – Latin Market. 4pm – 9pm, Friday 6 December.

Saxton Stadium

Super Saxton HIIT. 9.15am, Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday. 7.30am, every Tuesday & Thursday.
Saxton Seniors. 9.30am, Every Tuesday & Thursday.
Senior Core Balance. 10.15am, Every Monday.

Mummy Tummy Fitness & No More Mummy Tummy. 10.15am, Every Wednesday.

EvolveFit. 5.45pm, every Monday & Thursday. 9.15am, every Friday.

Bootcamp. 8.30am, every Saturday.

Saxton Pavilion

Tai Chi – Beginners. 10am, every Thursday
Tai Chi – Intermediate. 11am, every Thursday.
Dru Yoga. 10.30am, every Monday.
Yoga with Loren. 5.45pm, every Thursday & 12pm, every Friday.
Saxton Oval
Educational Investing Seminar. 5.30pm, Wednesday 13 November.

Trafalgar Centre

China Week. 9am – 5pm, Wednesday 13 – Sunday 17 November.
Super Club Netball. 3pm, Sunday 8 – Friday 13 December.

Founders Heritage Park

The NZ Cider Festival. 1pm – 7pm, Saturday 16 November.
The Great Christmas Market. 10am – 4pm, Sunday 24 November.
Founders Summer Reads Book Fair. 10am – 4.30pm, Saturday 7 December – Sunday 12 January.

Trafalgar Street

2019 Nelson Santa Parade. 3pm – 6pm, Sunday 1 December.

Isel House and Park

Isel Twilight Market. 4.30pm, Every Thursday.
Teddy Bears' Picnic. 11am – 1.30pm, Sunday 8 December.

Nelson Public Libraries:

Elma Turner Library

Small Time at the Library. 11.30am, every Monday, & 10.30am, every 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. 2pm, every Thursday.

Tea & Talk. 10am, every Friday.

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

Mindfulness for Children. 3.30pm – 4.30pm, Every Wednesday 13 November – 4 December.

Learn at the Library – Research Tools. 9.30am, Thursday 14 November.

DBH Stop Smoking Service. 11am, Thursday 14 November.

Lego Robotics. 3.30pm, Thursdays 14 & 20 November.

Young Adult Book Club. 3.30pm – 4.30pm, Wednesday 20 November.

Learn at the Library – Social Media. 9.30am, Thursday 21 November.

Live Music Series – Sweet Sounds Duo. 2pm, Sunday 24 November.

STEM Writers. 1pm, Tuesdays 26 November & 10 December.

Alzheimer's Nelson. 10am, Wednesday 27 November.

Learn at the Library – Entertainment Apps. 9.30am, Thursday 28 November.

LEGO Drop-in. 3.30pm – 5pm, Last Thursday of Month, 28 November.

Learn at the Library – Tablets. 8.15am, Friday 29 November.

Nelson Institute Talk. 2pm, Sunday 1 December.

Learn at the Library – Basic Computer Skills Q & A. 9.30am, Thursday 5 December.

Friends of the Library Book Sale. 10am, Saturday 7 December.

Book Chat. 10.30am, Tuesday 10 December.

Nightingale Library Memorial

Nellie Knitters. 1.30 – 3.30pm, every Monday.

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

Stoke Library

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 Wednesday & 11am Every Friday.

Learn at the Library – Basic Internet 2. 8.15am, Friday 15 November.

Learn at the Library – Tablets. 8.15am, Friday 29 November.

Young Adult Book Club. 3.30pm – 4.30pm, Tuesday 19 November.

Book Chat – Stoke. 5.30pm, Wednesday 20 November.

Alzheimer's Nelson. 10am, Thursday 28 November.

Museums and Galleries

The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

Hours: 9.30am – 4.30pm Daily
Jay Hutchinson: the archaeology of the discarded, forgotten and thrown away. Saturday 21 September – Sunday 1 December.
Sympathetic Resonance. Saturday 19 October – Sunday 9 February.
Fire & Earth: Contemporary Ceramics from the Top of the South. Saturday 7 December – Sunday 29 March.

Refinery ArtSpace

Hours: 10am – 5pm Monday – Friday, 11am – 2pm Saturday
Billy Apply – Concealed & Revealed, an Institutional Critique. Monday 11 November – Saturday 7 December.

Nelson Provincial Museum

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

Kura Pounamu – Our Treasured Stone. Saturday 24 August – Sunday 24 November.