

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

Staying safe on the water

Recent amendments to Nelson's Navigational Safety Bylaw, which came into effect on 1 October this year, have a focus on improving the safety of people in Nelson's marine environment.

The amendments have been made based on local safety checks and evidence gathered throughout the country on the causes of marine accidents.

The important things to remember when you are out and about on the water this summer are:

- **Wear your lifejacket:** All people on board a vessel of a size six metres or less in length must wear an appropriately sized lifejacket (some exemptions apply).
- **Carry two communication devices:** On any boat over six metres in length, you must carry two forms of communication, one of which is waterproof. Vessels under six metres must carry a minimum of one communication device.
- **Skipper responsibility:** Before you leave shore, make sure you nominate the person in charge of the vessel, so you know who is in charge should there be an emergency. Boats involved in accidents are often under-equipped with the person in charge lacking basic knowledge of key boating safety rules, so make sure your nominated skipper has the necessary skills and experience.
- **Identify and register your vessel:** For safety reasons, all Nelson vessels over six metres in length need to be registered with Council so that, in the event of a mishap, we know how to contact the boat's owner. You can register your vessel at nelson.govt.nz/vessel-registration.
- **Non-powered vessels less than six metres in length** must have the owner's name and contact details marked on the vessel.

You'll find more information on the amendments to the Navigational Safety Bylaw online at:

nelson.govt.nz/navigation-safety



Kickstart your garden – and save the planet – with a compost subsidy this spring

November is Kickstart Compost month – a great opportunity to get set up for composting for the first time, or increase your compost capacity by buying another bin or bokashi bucket.

For the month of November, Council's compost subsidy goes up to \$30 (conditions apply) so this is a great time to head down to one of our participating retailers and save big on composting. You can use your subsidy towards a compost bin, a bokashi bin or a worm farm.

If you compost your food waste you'll save in other ways as well. You'll add less rubbish to landfill so you'll save on buying approved rubbish bags or on bin rental. You'll have a healthier richer garden that will need less water, fertiliser or bought compost. And you'll get more and better veggies (more money saving!) flowers and fruit trees.

You'll also be saving the planet as food waste going into landfill is a source of methane which is a greenhouse gas.

As part of Kickstart Compost Month we're also running some free composting workshops, so if you need a hand to get started, go along to one of these great events:

- **Bunnings Warehouse, 76 Saxton Road West, Stoke**
Thursday 28 November, 11am–12pm
- **Mitre10 Mega, 99 Quarantine Road, Annesbrook**
Wednesday 6 November 6pm–8pm and
Saturday 23 November 1pm–3pm
- **Tim's Garden, 26 Gloucester Street, Nelson**
Saturday 9 November 1pm–3pm

So it's a no brainer really – Kickstart your garden, and save money and the planet, this spring.

Go to nelson.govt.nz/compost to find out more about how to compost – there's even a great how-to-video for new composters.

nelson.govt.nz/compost

China Week returns

Nelson City Council is proud to support China Week on 13–16 November. The event is a celebration of Nelson's historic and close links to China.

China Week brings together an exciting array of activities, exhibitions, performances and business talks to celebrate and promote cross-cultural relationships and connectivity. The event encourages stronger connections, enduring friendships and mutual benefits in the areas of education, business, and tourism.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page or the Nelson China Week page, or go to:

chinaweek.co.nz



Free event with fun for the whole family!

- Sunday 3 November, 10am–3pm
- Trafalgar Street, Hardy Street & Morrison Square

For further details go to nelsonadvantage.co.nz

Parihaka commemorations

Ngā manu korihi mai Whakatū invites the community to attend events to commemorate Parihaka.

This begins with a dawn blessing at 5.30am on Tuesday 5 November at ANZAC Park. There are also other events for the commemorations including a display of the story of Parihaka at Nelson Public Libraries 28 October–10 November. For further details go to the Parihaka Day: Celebrating Peace in Whakatū Facebook page.

Thanks Nelson!

The Nelson Arts Festival would like to thank the tens of thousands of people who were part of this year's 25th anniversary Festival – that's the artists, actors, dancers, musicians, singers, writers, commentators, ticket-sellers, projectionists, backstage crews, drivers, hospitality staff, and everyone else who worked so hard to make the Festival happen.

And then there's all of you – the Mask Paraders, theatre audiences, concert-goers, talks-attendees, exhibition-admirers, event-supporters, Dolly-wannabes, and absolutely everyone who came to see **Pic's Piki Mai**.

The Festival makes a huge contribution to the life of our city. The Festival not only thrives on its community events that welcome so many people to take part, but it also opens a little window on the world, so that Nelsonians can see theatre, dance, music and more from around New Zealand and the world. Best of all, even though it's all over for another

year, there are a million new memories created.

And for something to think about – the theme for the 2020 Mask Parade is “What if...?” What if we had 20/20 vision into the future, where rainbows were rockets, trees could walk, and humans had wings. Let your imaginations go wild with that tantalising question – What if? See you in 2020!

nelsonartsfestival.nz



The Colombian Community won the non-school category at the Mask Parade.

Nelsonians supported to restore our natural environment



Earlier this year, Council launched a new Environmental Grants scheme to help support environmental work within the community.

The first round of applications to the Scheme saw 24 groups and individuals supported to improve Nelson's natural environment. Applications for up to \$5,000 are now open for the second funding round – applications close 22 November. A final funding round for 2019/20 will be held in March 2020.

The scheme awards assistance in the form of grants up to a value of \$5,000. Where suitable, support over several years can be considered.

Support can be in the form of money, professional ecological advice, and/or native plants, as specified in individual funding agreements.

The fund will focus on individual and community projects that do great things for our environment. From the first round, held in August 2019, a total

of \$167,000 was awarded across Council's Sustainable Land Management, Healthy Streams and Nelson Nature programmes.

The funding includes \$91,000 provided by MPI's Hill Country Erosion Fund to support landowners planting steep erosion-prone slopes.

Clare Barton, Group Manager Environmental Management says, “I'm pleased to see so many individuals and groups taking up this opportunity to improve our native habitats and ecosystems.”

“Funding is going towards a range of projects that will help improve Nelson's environment. I encourage people make the most of the support available through the next two rounds of funding.”

Details of the priorities for environmental grants and the application process are available at nelson.govt.nz/environmental-grants, or email philippa.beckman@ncc.govt.nz for more information.

nelson.govt.nz/environmental-grants

Life When Renting – Older Renters

Are you an older renter?

Come along to a presentation of new research and the launch of guidance for older tenants and landlords.

- **When:** Friday 8 November, 10.30am–12.30pm
- **Where:** Karearea Room, Greenmeadows Community Centre, Stoke

This event is hosted by Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please RSVP to gina.fletcher@ncc.govt.nz

For further details on the presentation go to:

renting.goodhomes.co.nz

Change to Customer Service Centre Hours and temporary closures

- Please be aware that from Wednesday 6 November 2019 the Customer Service Centre in Civic House will open later at 9.00am on Wednesdays, and at 8.30am every other weekday.
- Broadgreen House will be closed for maintenance on 6 November.
- Nayland Park Pool will re-open for summer on Saturday 2 November.



ROAD CLOSURES

Proposed closures

Applicant: Tasman Rugby
Event: Crusaders Rugby Game
Location: Trafalgar Park
Roads to be closed are:

- Trafalgar Street, between Halifax Street and Wainui Street
- Grove Street and Elliot Street, between Trafalgar Street and Collingwood Street
- Hathaway Terrace

Date and time: Saturday 1 February 2020, 4.30pm–11.00pm

Feedback date for proposed closures:
Wednesday 13 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.

Inaugural Council meeting
1.30pm 31 Oct

WHAT'S ON...

at a Council venue near you?

For a full list of Nelson events go to:

itson.co.nz

To sign up for Our Nelson by email go to:

facebook.com/nelsoncitycouncil