

MOTUEKA REC CENTRE STARTS TO BULK UP



Progress on the \$2 million revamp of the Motueka Recreation Centre is “noisy”, laughs manager Brent Maru, but he emphasises that all programmes are running as usual during the work.

The foundations have been laid for extending the roller rink at the front of the building. A wooden floor will widen its use to netball and basketball.

The fitness gym will also be expanded. Brent says it is a busy area,

used at present from 5.45 am to 10.00 or 11.00 pm, so the bigger facility will boost the income stream to subsidise low-cost or no-charge programmes run by the centre.

Toilets and changing facilities will receive a complete makeover, and the offices and reception area will also be refurbished by contractor Wilkes Construction.

The project is scheduled for completion “heading towards August 2010”, and Brent says a new frontage to the Old Wharf Road building will dispel the last physical signs of its former life as a packhouse. (Most of the fruit shipped out of Motueka went through the building).

Once the ribbon is cut, the “fantastic facility” will be much more flexible and multi-use, he says.

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MAYOR'S COMMENT

It's always satisfying to see big projects with district-wide implications move close to completion. The years of discussion, consultation and planning are all forgotten and our focus can move on to the benefits that we will reap as a result of all the hard work by the Council, authorities, consultants, contractors and the community.

The Ruby Bay Bypass is a perfect example of this. The rationale behind the new road was to decrease travel time and distance and improve safety between Richmond and

Motueka, and beyond to Golden Bay, for both personal and business traffic; create a simplified route that would decrease fuel consumption and as a result reduce carbon emissions, and to divert heavy traffic flows away from the beauty and tourist appeal that Mapua, Ruby Bay and Tasman undoubtedly have.

On Saturday 20 February everyone is invited to come along to the Ruby Bay Bypass open day where you can walk, cycle or even roller-skate along the length of the new road. I'll be there and am looking forward

to seeing both the scale of the project and the amount of work which has been done in such a relatively short space of time, as well as enjoying the new vistas across Ruby Bay that the bypass will provide.

In years to come the new bypass will become the accepted route to destinations west, but for now it's good to be able to celebrate the successful delivery of another milestone in the growth and development of our district.

– Mayor Richard Kempthorne

VISITORS STRENGTHEN TRANSGLOBAL BOND

The 21st contingent of students from Kiyosato, Motueka's friendly town partner, arrived from Japan on Wednesday 10 February 2010 for a week of sightseeing, cultural immersion and improving their English.

Trip co-organiser Mary La Frenz says the itinerary included visits to hop, kiwifruit and apple orchards, spending the Thursday and Monday at Motueka High School, and the weekend with their host families. Saturday involved a set task for students to go shopping for a specific item, extending their language skills.

This visit involved 14 students and four adults. Mary described the link with Kiyosato as "very strong", however, Motueka students haven't been able to make a reciprocal trip since 2008, through lack of funds. Another obstacle is that Japanese is not taught at the high school, making it difficult to motivate students.

Mary says they had difficulty finding enough host families this year, partly because of a clash with the start of the university year.



Kiyosato students give a presentation to Motueka High School students on their home town and culture.

"Once people do it, the reward is astronomical ... learning through someone else's culture is such good fun."

More than 550 people from Kiyosato have visited Motueka.

In 1999, the Tasman District Council established the Kiyosato Garden, complete with teahouse, in Decks Reserve.

• Kiyosato is a resort town located at the foot of Mt Yatsu-ga-take in the northwestern part of Yamanashi. It overlooks the Southern Japanese Alps and Mt Fuji. In 2007, Kiyosato was voted the most beautiful town in Japan. At an altitude of 1300m, it is set amid rolling hills, and offers skiing, horse-riding, hot-spring spas and numerous museums.

(Source: Japan National Tourism Organisation)



WALK THIS WAY TO WORK

Walk2Work Day, Wednesday 10 March 2010, is part of a nationwide Living Streets campaign that aims to encourage people to walk more in their daily lives.

Local organiser Judene Edgar says it is a free event held before work to reward people who have walked all or part of the way to work.

Thanks to the Richmond Mall and Ambrosia Café, everyone who Walks2Work in Richmond can come along and have a delicious free breakfast from 7.30 am to 9.00 am.

There are many good reasons to walk. It's fun, free, and good for your health. Walking to work will also give you a happy healthy start to your day. Walking is great for the community as it allows people to become familiar with their neighbourhoods and encourages them to shop locally and boost the local economy. Walking can also help reduce road congestion.

Walk2Work Day 2010 aims to promote walking as a way for:



It may not be Abbey Road but it's still a great way to get to work.

- people to improve their health and lifestyle
- us to clean up our environment
- us to support our economy (research shows that walkers stimulate local retail)
- our national road congestion to be diminished, leading to a much more efficient economy

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand's primary advocacy organisation for people on foot. Living Streets actively encourages more people to walk for some of their journeys, and to combine walking with public transport.

For more information on the organisation see <http://www.livingstreets.org.nz/content/about-us>

Public Open Day – Ruby Bay Bypass

Saturday 20 February 2010 between 12 noon and 6.00 pm

- Fun runs – for all ages • Wheels course – bring your trikes, bikes and skateboards • Haycart rides
- Food/drink stalls • Ice-cream carts • Educational/information displays

Limited carparking will be available at the Tasman end of the project, as well as at the middle of the new road where it intersects with Gardner Valley/Seaton Road – just follow the signs on the day.

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FISHING IN SPOTLIGHT FOR SEAWEEK

New Zealanders are being urged to think about their contribution to sustainable fishing, as part of Seaweeek from 7-14 March 2010.

The theme of "Fish For The Future" has been chosen to raise awareness of the role of fish in healthy oceans.

Many Kiwis regard catching fish when and where they like as a right passed down through generations, but we all know examples of species that have been severely depleted.

The focus of national launch events in Canterbury (Hector's dolphins) and North Auckland (marine biodiversity) on 6 March 2010 provides a strong start to the week, says Seaweeek national co-ordinator Sioux Campbell.

"Many people will be familiar with the issues surrounding the plight of these dolphins and the critical importance of a healthy marine environment."

In Tasman a run-up event, "Take a Kid Snorkelling", will be held on Saturday 27 February 2010 at Mosquito Bay, adjacent to Tonga Island Marine Reserve and Abel Tasman National Park.

The event caters for 8 to 18-year-olds who are new to snorkelling but are confident in water, floating and holding their breath while exploring rock pools and rocky reefs.

Qualified divers and DOC staff will supervise small teams of explorers.

For further information contact Rudy Tetteroo at DOC Motueka, Ph. 03 528 1810 or contact Aquataxi for bookings Ph. 0800 278 282.



Snapper on a reef.

TASMAN SKATEPARK TOUR A HUGE SUCCESS

Tasman district is a fantastic place to live if you're a skater or BMXer, with quality skateparks never far away and the sunshine to enjoy them. So what better way to celebrate the district's great skate facilities than with a Skatepark Tour.

Now in its fourth year, this annual event attracts youth from every corner of Tasman who come to compete, spectate and hang out with their mates and enjoy the spectacle.

This year's Skatepark Tour visited six locations in Tasman – Mapua, Motueka, Brightwater, Tapawera, Richmond and Takaka and had its finale at the new Neale Skatepark in Nelson, where over 200 people turned up to watch the action.

"Each year the event just seems to get bigger and better and confirms that the skatepark culture is alive and buzzing in the top of the south," said Paul McConachie, Community Recreation Officer at Tasman District Council.

"It was particularly pleasing to see the positive attitudes and behaviours demonstrated by participants and spectators at the events, which helps break down those stereotypical assumptions that skateboarders are bad people and skateparks bad places."



James Kingston at Takaka Skatepark.



FEAST OF TOP RUGBY FOR MOTUEKA

An 8000-strong crowd got what they wanted when "home" Super 14 team the Crusaders downed the Blues 21-12 at Sports Park Motueka on Thursday 4 February 2010.

Pin-up first five Dan Carter put the icing on the cake by contributing a try and three conversions.

The preseason game created a buzz throughout the region, although the crowd was a few thousand down on the 2008 contest between the Crusaders and Hurricanes at Motueka. On that occasion Wellington fans travelled over in bulk. The match was also on a Friday and during the school holidays.



Photo: The Guardian

COUNCIL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

Are you thinking of making a submission to Connecting Tasman – the Tasman Regional Land Transport Strategy?

Submissions can be made on the form available on Council's website, or in a letter or email. Please send submissions to Robyn

Scherer, Engineering Secretary, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond, Nelson 7050 or via email – robyn.scherer@tasman.govt.nz. **Submissions close on 1 March 2010.**

NB. Connecting Tasman is available for reading at Council offices and libraries or can be downloaded from Council's website, www.tasman.govt.nz.

STORMWATER WORKS AFFECT BUSY ROAD

Work has begun to reduce flooding on Richmond's busiest road, and make it safer.

Over the next six weeks a large stormwater pipe will be installed down the middle of Salisbury Road, between Arbor-Lea Avenue and the bus bay at Waimea College.

The work will cause some traffic delays, and local residents and road-users are urged to seek alternative routes such as Champion Road and Hill Street or the Richmond Deviation.

Tasman District Council thanks drivers for their patience. It says special attention will be paid to the needs of pedestrians, cyclists and school users during the roadworks.

Contractor Tasman Civil Ltd will be working outside some properties, which might affect access. Landowners will be contacted beforehand and other arrangements made.

If you have any queries, phone Council's David Stephenson on 543 8483 or (027) 221 2940, Tasman Civil's Richard Woodall 541 0879 or (027) 666 8056, or Opus International's Roelof de Haan 546 3671 or (027) 480 9242.



Work underway on Salisbury Road.

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SUMMERTIME REMINDERS FOR DOG-OWNERS

Nelson has recently been confirmed as the sunshine capital, so it is timely to remind all dog-owners, and those who are temporarily looking after dogs for holidaying friends or relatives, of some summertime do's and don'ts.

Ensuring that your dog has adequate shelter, shade and plenty to drink is necessary at any time of year, but especially so in the hot weather. If your dog is kept indoors, remaining cool is vital for its health and wellbeing, so provide adequate ventilation. If it is outside, it must have shade and a good supply of water.

There are designated areas in Tasman district where dogs are allowed throughout the year, however, particular areas are declared dog-free, some only over the summer months (see the list below).

All dog-walkers need to be especially vigilant about keeping their animals under control at all times. This means that your dog must respond IMMEDIATELY to commands either by voice, whistle or hand signals.

It is extremely important that if you are in an area where you are in the presence of protected wildlife and birds, either on beaches or in the countryside, you must put your dog on a leash immediately.

Dogs being walked in urban areas must be kept under control by being on a leash at all times. NEVER leave your dog tied up outside a shop or on a footpath as all dogs can react out of character if they feel threatened, particularly by small children who are the same height as the dog.

The heat of summer means that cleaning up after your dog is most important. Always carry a Doggie Doo bag when walking your pet, and use it. Owners are legally responsible for cleaning up after their dogs in any public place. Free bags are available from dispensers around the region and from Council offices.

Dog Prohibited Areas

Dogs are prohibited on all Council sportsfields and complexes, within 10 metres of playground equipment and picnic tables, and in the following areas:

GOLDEN BAY

- Collingwood Campground – summer months
- Commercial Street, Takaka – from Pioneer Park to Top Town Dairy
- Ligar Bay Beach – summer months, except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am
- Onekaka Estuary
- Pakawau Beach (camp frontage) – summer months
- Parapara Inlet
- Patons Rock Beach in front of the settlement – summer months
- Pohara Beach from the sign at the western end of the golf course to the mouth of the Motupipi Estuary
- Pohara Beach from eastern camp boundary to Selwyn Street Reserve – summer months
- Pohara Beach Top 10 Holiday Park
- Rototai to Waitapu Estuary foreshore (excluding Controlled Dog Exercise area adjacent to Rototai Recreation Reserve
- Ruataniwha Inlet

- Tata Beach – during the period of Daylight Saving Time, and for the remainder of the year from one hour prior to sunrise until one hour after sunset
- Tukurua Beach (camp frontage) – summer months
- Waikato Inlet – including beach area to Ruataniwha Inlet

MOTUEKA / KINA

- Abel Tasman National Park Foreshore Reserves on Tonga Island, Adele Island and Fisherman Island
- Breaker Bay Beach
- Fearons Bush Campground
- Kaiteriteri Beach
- Little Kaiteriteri Beach – summer months, except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am
- Lower Moutere Recreation Reserve – except for Dog Obedience and Tracking classes
- Memorial Reserve Corner, Riwaka
- Motueka Sandspit – south of a line drawn through the point NZ Map Grid 251 2857.1 (easting) 6009560.9 (northing), where you see the “No dogs past this point” sign.
- Otuwhero Estuary and Sandspit
- Saltwater Baths – Motueka
- Stephens Bay Beach – summer months, except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am

RICHMOND / MAPUA

- Hope Recreation Reserve & Hall – except for dog events approved by Hall Committee
- McKee Memorial Domain
- Rabbit Island (including the beach)

MURCHISON

- Riverview Motor Camp – Murchison

Definitions:

Summer months = 1 December to 1 March

Exception to Dog Prohibited Area:

This prohibition of dogs from specified areas does not apply to game hunting dogs engaged in legitimate hunting activities during the recognised hunting season.

For any advice or questions call Tasman District Council Dog Control on 03 543 8400.



REMINDER TO ALL WATER PERMIT CONSENT HOLDERS

Council would like to remind all consent holders that the requirement for water meter returns runs until Monday 3 May 2010.

Daryl Page, Council's Compliance Officer, says that if you cease water use before 3 May 2010 you must tell Council the final date of usage and this date can then be used as your final reading.

Only once this process has been undertaken can the requirement for further returns be

removed, otherwise returns are required by 4.00 pm on Wednesday 5 May 2010.

Daryl continues that he would like to thank the majority of consent holders who make their returns on time. Council still has to undertake missing reading compliance and enforcement work and that more effective communication from consent holders would help avoid this situation.

Accurate and timely water meter returns are key components of the water metering project. Missing or late returns may result in Council staff reading the meter, at a cost to the consent holder of \$175.



For further information contact Daryl Page on Ph. 03 543 8425, email daryl.page@tasman.govt.nz or Vicky Thorn on Ph. 03 543 8567, email vicky.thorn@tasman.govt.nz.

MEET OUR FRONTLINE STAFF

Over the coming weeks we will be profiling our Customer Service Officers. First up, Sara Doggett, from the Richmond office.

How long have you worked for the Tasman District Council?

Three and a half years.

What's the best thing about your job?

We get many enquiries on the phone and at the front counter and it's really rewarding when people are happy with the help we give them. The team I work with are absolutely fantastic. We laugh a lot and

the support we have together as a group is brilliant. It's the best job I have ever had. It's great fun.

What question are you asked the most?

When customers call they often ask for "an engineer" or "the dog ranger" or "someone in rates" and 9 times out of 10 we can help and advise at this level. If not, it all gets logged and sent immediately to the department required.

What's the most unusual query you've dealt with?

A man called to say he had just passed a seal on the Deviation bouncing towards the traffic lights at Richmond. I did think it was a wind-up at first. When we had the storms last year the seal had come up through the culvert on Beach Road and got a bit lost.



Where were you born?

Nuneaton, UK.

If you had a 24 hour holiday in Tasman, where would you spend it and why?

On the Abel Tasman, on a beach, blue skies – and plenty of mozzie spray.



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THREE WEEKENDS OF FUN RIDES AND PRIZES

As part of Bike Wise Month, New Zealand's annual celebration of two-wheeled transport, Mayoral Challenge family fun rides are being held over the next three weekends in the Tasman District.

These rides are to encourage as many people as possible to follow their Mayor on a gentle pedal. In 2009 Mayoral Challenges were held in 48 centres involving about 14,060 participants.

The first family ride is in Takaka on Sunday 21 February 2010 and starts at 2.00 pm from the Village Green. Riders will cycle to Bencarri Nature Park, where one lucky rider will win a new bike and helmet. Other spot prize winners will also be drawn at this point. Bencarri Cafe will be open for riders to enjoy a refreshing drink or snack before they cycle back to the start at their leisure.

In Motueka the ride will take place on Sunday 28 February 2010, starting at the skatepark on Old Wharf Road at 2.00 pm. Mayor Richard Kempthorne will lead the Challenge participants on an

11km loop, following some offroad paths and local roads, before finishing back at the skatepark. Again, one lucky rider will win a new bike and helmet.

The third weekend is the Richmond Family Fun ride. This starts at the ASB Aquatic Centre on Saturday 6 March 2010 at 10.00 am, finishing up there as well. Another new bike will be given away, plus a number of swim passes.

"It's a really fun day out and a great way to give cycling a go," says Tasman District Council road safety coordinator Krista Hobday. "Everyone rides at their own pace – it's certainly not a race! Cycling is a fun, safe, social, healthy and environmentally friendly way to get around and we want as many people as possible to come along and experience how easy it is."

The Mayoral Challenge is part of hundreds of events being held throughout Bike Wise Month, a true celebration of the bicycle – invented nearly 200 years ago – and the health, environmental, social and financial benefits it offers.

Bike Wise Month is funded by the NZ Transport Agency and the Ministry of Health. For more information visit www.bikewise.co.nz



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PEST OF THE MONTH

SAFFRON THISTLE (CARTHAMUS LANATUS)

Saffron thistle is widespread in parts of Australia, from where it was accidentally introduced here as a contaminant in imported wheat.

It was first recorded in New Zealand in 1931 and most of the early infestations were associated with fowl runs, but it has since become established on farmland.

Saffron thistle is an upright, woody-stemmed, hairy annual thistle with solitary yellow flowers at the end of each branch. The flowers are the same colour as saffron, hence its name. It favours sunny, well-drained sites on pastoral land, and the bright yellow flowers (first appearing in December), along with its grey-green appearance and sharply

serrated and pointed leaves, make it stand out from the other species of thistle.

Growing to about one metre tall, these hard, spiny plants can form dense stands that impede stock movement and can cause injury to the eyes and mouths of grazing animals. The sharp dry spikes get into the wool and can cause injury when shearing or handling sheep. It has heavy seeds that usually drop close to the parent plant and can last up to 20 years in the soil, making eradication very difficult. The seed can be moved by stock, people or machinery.

In the Tasman/Nelson region, the known sites are limited to a small number of properties in the Maitai Valley, Spring Grove, Wakefield area and the lower Motueka Valley. Its limited distribution and the presence of extensive areas of suitable habitat and the potential to spread have placed this plant at the top



of the pest list in the Regional Strategy with eradication the goal.

If you suspect you have seen this plant, please contact a Biosecurity Officer by phoning Council Ph. 03 543 8400.

NATURAL BURIALS NOW ON OFFER

Motueka's natural burial park, the first in the South Island, was opened on Saturday 30 January 2010.

Tasman District Council is planning two more natural burial areas, one in Rototai Cemetery in Takaka and the other in Spring Grove Cemetery near Wakefield if there is a suitable area for them.

In a natural burial, unembalmed bodies are buried in a shallower grave in a biodegradable coffin (including wicker) or a burial shroud so they decompose naturally. After interment, native trees or shrubs are planted on the site and the location marked with a small wooden

plaque. Council keeps a precise record of each grave using GPS satellite technology, for the benefit of relatives.

In Britain natural burials are often called "Woodland Burials" and in the United States, "Memorial Nature Preserves".

Motueka Cemetery has set aside space for 40 graves. Council reserves manager Beryl Wilkes expects one such interment every two years, based on experience elsewhere.

Lynda Hannah, of Motueka firm Living Legacies, has campaigned for nearly a decade for the environmentally friendly burials. She says she has had lots of interest in the concept, and expects demand to strengthen.

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NEWS FROM THE TASMAN DISTRICT LIBRARIES

Richmond Library update

By now many of you who visit Richmond Library will have got used to using the new entrance from the Petrie carpark end of the building. And you'll have had a chance to see what the builders have been making so much noise about over the past months!

While the layout at this stage is temporary, we hope you're enjoying getting a glimpse of what the final look and feel of the library will be.

If you're not sure where your favourite areas of the library are now situated, please do ask one of our friendly staff. Once again we thank you for your patience and tolerance as we move into the final phase of this major project.

Richmond Library – same place, different space.

What's on at your library

Motueka Library

Funtime – fun with stories, music, movement and craft for children under 5 with their caregiver.
Every Tuesday during term time, 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Babytime – a fun, hands-on session with songs, movement, rhymes and stories for children two years and younger with their caregivers.
Every Friday during term time, 10.00 am.

Takaka Library

Pre-school storytime. Join Ronnie for a fun session full of stories, songs and active movement. Every Tuesday during term time, 10.30 am – 11.00 am.

Dive into Books – Summer Reading Programme



Another successful summer reading programme has ended. This year 320 children from Takaka, Motueka, Murchison and Richmond participated in Dive into Books.

There was even a Dive into Books float in the Takaka Christmas parade.

The Library building project meant there was a lack of space for summer reading check-ins in Richmond. To compensate, our resourceful Children's Library staff used Council offices to ensure that Richmond summer readers could take part in this popular annual event.

By the end of 22 January 2010 library staff around the district had listened to readers talk about their favourite reads over 1,400 times as children checked-in to exchange books and receive their reading rewards (library bags, frisbees, pencil cases, slinkys and pens).

During February, schools will be contacted so library staff can attend assemblies to present the final prize packs for all who completed the programme.

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If you can't use the catalogue from home, phone us to reserve the items you want.

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Pierrepoint (DVD)

Living a split life as a master hangman, loyal husband and grocery delivery man, Albert Pierrepoint became the most feared executioner in Britain, famed for his craftsmanship in hanging over 450 people. Once praised and demonised for his role in the Nazi war trials, he must ultimately face a fate he couldn't have imagined.



Heart's blood

Juliet Marillier

Caitrin flees her home, running from her grief and mistreatment at the hands of her kinsfolk and settles in a new town. But she soon becomes drawn into the mysteries of her new home. Who are the men and women of the Host? And why does Caitrin get the distinct impression that there is a dark and powerful force on the hill that doesn't want her to find the truth?



Get her off the pitch: how sport took over my life

Lynne Truss

Get Her Off the Pitch! is the story of one woman's foray into the very masculine and rather baffling world of sport. This book is perfect for those for whom sport is a matter of life and death, for those who have no idea what all the fuss is about - and for everyone in between.



NEWS UPDATE

COUNCIL NOTICES

Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2005:

Speed Limit Suspension and Reservation of Kerr Bay Lake Rotoiti

Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 March 2010

The NZ Antique and Classic Boatshow will be holding an event at Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm on both Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 March 2010.

Pursuant to powers provided to the Harbourmaster by the Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaw, the speed limits imposed by the Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaw in relation to vessels within 50 metres of another vessel, or within 200 metres of shore or a structure are suspended for those vessels taking part and controlling the event, and exclusive use of a reserved area is provided to the event organisers. The area reserved exclusively for this event will include all of Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti out to a line which heads due east from a point 200 metres south of the Brunner Peninsula. The reserved area will therefore include the water ski access lane and those areas of water immediately adjacent to the launching ramps and beach at Kerr Bay.

For the dates and times detailed above, the organisers of the NZ Antique and Classic Boatshow shall have exclusive use of the area defined above and will be required to ensure that craft or persons not involved in the event do not enter the reserved area unless the permission of the event organisers has been obtained. Vessels wishing to transit through or enter the reserved area during the event may do so only after consulting with the event organisers, and then may do so when, and under such conditions that the event organisers may choose to specify. Vessels entering or within the reserved area are requested to comply with any directions given by the event organisers or event officials relating to passage through that reserved area as if it was a direction given by the Harbourmaster.

Other conditions have been imposed and may be viewed by contacting the Tasman District Council's Harbourmaster at the Richmond office.

Advertisement for Business for Sale – Riverview Camping Ground, Murchison

The lease of the Riverview Camping Ground is due to expire shortly and the Council is inviting registrations of interest for the persons interested in purchasing this business from Council. It is expected that any new lease will be for a period of at least 10 years and that the new lessee will purchase the chattels from the existing lessee should they be unsuccessful in securing a new lease.

Expressions of interest close on **Thursday 25 February 2010** and should be addressed to the Manager Property Services, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.

COUNCIL NOTICES

Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2005:

Speed-limit Uplifting and Reservation of Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti

Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 February 2010

The Rotoiti Power Boat Club Inc will be running a regatta at Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti between 8.00 am and 5.00 pm (NZDT) on Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 February 2010.

Pursuant to powers provided to the Harbourmaster in the Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2005 (amended 2006), the speed limits imposed by the above Bylaw in relation to vessels within 50 metres of another vessel, or within 200 metres of shore or structure, are suspended for those vessels taking part in the regatta, and exclusive use of a reserved area is provided to the regatta organisers. The area reserved exclusively for this regatta will include all of Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti out to a line which heads due east from a point 200 metres south of the Brunner Peninsula. The reserved area will therefore include the water ski access lane and those areas of water immediately adjacent to the launching ramps and beach at Kerr Bay.

For the duration of the regatta exclusive use of the race area is provided to regatta organisers who will be required to ensure that craft or persons not involved in the regatta do not enter the reserved area unless the permission of the regatta organisers has been obtained. Vessels wishing to transit through or enter the reserved area during the regatta may do so only after consulting with the regatta organisers, and then may do so when, and under such conditions that the regatta organisers may choose to specify. Vessels entering or within the reserved area are requested to comply with any directions given by the regatta organisers or regatta officials relating to passage through that reserved area as if it were a direction given by the Harbourmaster.

Other conditions have been imposed upon the above event and may be viewed by contacting Tasman District Council's Harbourmaster at the Richmond office.

COUNCIL NOTICES

Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan

Tasman District Council hereby gives notice that the Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan is now available for public consultation.

The Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan is available for viewing during normal Council hours at:

- Tasman District Council Main Office, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, and
- District Library, Queen Street, Richmond

The Draft Plan is also available on the Council website at www.tasman.govt.nz

Submissions to this management plan review should be sent or delivered to:

L Kennedy, Community Services Manager, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, 189 Queen Street, Richmond;

Fax: 03 543 9524 or

Email: info@tasman.govt.nz

Submissions should include your name, address, telephone number and email address, and should state if you wish to speak to the Council in support of your submission.

Submissions must be received by 1 March 2010.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact: Beryl Wilkes, Reserves Manager, Ph 03 543 8391. Alternatively, leave a message at your local Council office for us to call you.

24 Hour Emergency – Phone your local office

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Murchison	03 523 1013
Motueka	03 528 2022
Golden Bay	03 525 0020

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed on Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz

Environment and Planning Consents Subcommittee (Network Tasman)

Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Monday, 22 February 2010, 9.30 am. *No public forum*

Environment and Planning Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 25 February 2010, 9.30 am. *Public forum*

Combined Shareholders Group

Nelson City Council Chambers, Trafalgar Street, Nelson, Friday, 26 February 2010, 1.30 pm. *No public forum*

A waterfront walk taking in the wreck of the Janie Seddon and the saltwater baths.

Each issue we will be asking residents what they love about their small piece of Tasman. Are there hidden walks that everyone should know about, local sights that make their hearts sing or simply the best latté this side of Rome? This issue we look at Motueka.

Five reasons we love... Motueka

Fresh fruit from roadside stalls.

Great cafes, ranging from fine dining to funky chic. Sit outside for some great people-watching.

Motueka airport. Skydivers, microlights, drag-racing – the place is buzzing all year round.

The Sunday market and Gecko theatre.

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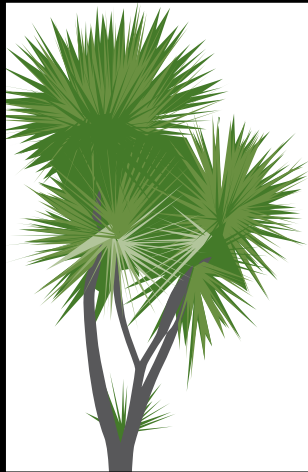
Richmond's annual food fest offers a lip-smacking menu of Greek, Indian, Thai, sushi, venison and crepes on Friday 26 February 2010.

The Last of the Summer Fare takes over the whole of Sundial Square from 5.30 pm to 10.00 pm. You can complement your food with a wide selection of wines from local vineyards, plus beer and cider from event sponsor Sprig and Fern. Banquet-style dining will be available, with candlelit tables, and the musical line-up includes the band Gecko and two local college bands.

Pam Williams, of event organiser Richmond Unlimited, promises the usual family-friendly ambience. The event draws up to 2000 people each year.

"It's free entry and all about the community coming together and enjoying a good night out."

This Summer Fare is Pam's "finale" as manager of Richmond Unlimited. After nine years in the job she is off to Bali for a break, then will settle in Perth seeking new challenges. Pam has become a familiar face to the 320 Richmond businesses she helps to promote.



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