

# Newsline



Keeping you informed about news and events in Tasman District

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## Online library bright and easy

**They call it “the fifth branch” of Tasman District’s libraries, but the upgraded website gives the added benefit of bright and easy-to-use access to the other four branches – from the comfort of your lounge.**

“We tried to make it so people can do more of their library business online,” says Libraries Manager Glennis Coote. Under the Browse category, for instance, booklovers can see new titles (including music and DVDs), plus recommendations by library staff arranged under genre, award-winners etc. All the material that takes your fancy can be reserved online.

The e-Library section takes you to downloadable ebooks and audiobooks, newspapers from across the globe, and an A to Z of resources, which are also arranged by subject. It can even steer you to funding bodies for scholarships or community projects.

If you are curious about family history, make the site’s Heritage section your starting point, using cemetery records, ships registers and military records. Glennis says the only databases restricted to library-only access are Find My Past and Ancestry Library Edition, due to licensing rules.

Kids and Teen categories cater for younger readers, and armed with your library card PIN number, you can also review your account.

The new website, largely developed by staff, has a less busy look, which makes it very user-friendly. It also contains full information on joining and using your local library, with a rundown of upcoming events. Membership application forms are downloadable – you just need to complete the form and bring it in to

the library. Glennis says the website will continue to develop and in the future membership applications will be able to be completed online.

**Check the site out for yourself at [www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz](http://www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz).**

# Message from the Mayor

Over the last few weeks the South Island has again received very heavy rain. While our region has been spared this time the impact of such rain events over the last two years is not far from our minds. Over this time a number of people have been seriously affected, some of them losing houses, property and livelihoods, thankfully there have been no serious injuries or loss of life. The same can't be said for possessions or livelihoods.

As a Council we have a responsibility to mitigate the effects of weather events for residents. The provision of infrastructure, whether it be water or roading related, is the major portion of our expenditure. This work is a balance between development, maintenance and renewal. For some it is why they pay their rates, for the majority it is an expected service.

As Tasman is one of the largest and fastest growing Districts in the country this is a core element of our work and it is always a focus for Councillors.

Adverse weather events are a reminder for us of the challenge to the Council of the need to provide adequate water, stormwater and roading infrastructure at an affordable cost to ratepayers.

We live in a beautiful District and this council is working with the residents to ensure we have the infrastructure to keep it that way.

**Mayor Richard Kempthorne**



## 20km/h past a stationary school bus

Every day, hundreds of children make the journey to and from school safely by bus. It is one of the safest ways to travel, yet from 1987 to the beginning of this year, 23 children were killed when crossing the road to or from the buses, and a further 47 were seriously injured.

If road-users remember to cut their speed to 20km/h when passing stopped school buses from either direction, that crash rate can be greatly reduced.

The faster traffic passes a stationary bus, the more chance of tragedy. About 75% of such fatalities occur on roads with a 100km/h speed limit. Crashes can happen on any road, however.

Krista Hobday, Tasman District Council road safety co-ordinator, urges drivers to respect the speed limit past school buses. Keep an eye out for that large yellow sign on the back of buses stating "SCHOOL" in black letters.

Drivers also need to remember that primary schoolchildren in particular are poor judges of speed. They are impulsive and they may not be with a caregiver.

Help to make our community safer for our children. Stay alert, anticipate danger and please slow down.

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## Rates error rectified

Ratepayers in Tasman have recently received their first rates bill for the year. As was reported in the Nelson Mail last week a small number of these bills contained an error relating to a stormwater charge.

All those ratepayers who had the charge mistakenly added to their bill have been identified and contacted and a new rates invoice has been issued. With the correct amount stated.

As a result of the issue all rates invoices for the period were screened to ensure they were not affected in the same or similar way. No other issues were identified.

If ratepayers have not been contacted their invoice is correct. The Council apologises for the error.

## Extended liquor bans proposed

A 24-hour liquor ban is proposed for the Richmond, Motueka and Takaka CBDs, and for Riwaka over part of the year. The proposed Tasman District Council bylaw change also includes an earlier start to the Kaiteriteri liquor ban, from 1 December to 1 March, 4.00 pm to 7.00 am.

New liquor bans are introduced for parts of Brightwater, Collingwood, Kaiteriteri, Murchison, Richmond, Motueka, Riwaka, Tapawera and Wakefield that would generally start at 7.00 pm. For Kaiteriteri (for the balance of the year), Mapua and Pohara the current liquor ban that commences at 9.00 pm, will start at 7.00 pm in the proposed bylaw. The proposed ban covers 12 hours to 7.00 am in the majority of areas, during which time you cannot bring alcohol

in to, possess it or drink it within the designated area. Offenders are liable for a fine of up to \$1000.

The full Statement of Proposal, with maps, is available at Council Service Centres and Libraries and a summary can be found on page 6 of this issue of Newsline. You can also view or copy the statement on the Tasman District Council website, [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban).

Council wants to hear your views on the changes. Public submissions are open until Friday 21 September 2012. Submission forms are available from Council Service Centres, or can be downloaded from the Council's website.

## Temporary change to Rabbit Island cycle trail

For the next few weeks there will be a minor diversion on the Rabbit Island section of Tasman's Great Taste Trail.

While the island will still be open for biking and other activities an interim bike trail will be signposted to allow work within a section of the forestry plantation on the island. Full and free access to and from the Flat Bottom ferry connecting the island to Mapua will be maintained.

Riders are advised to follow the marked trails, especially those visiting Rabbit Island during the week, as heavy machinery will be in use during this period.



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# Dispose of chemicals safely

Tasman residents can safely dispose of unwanted household chemicals such as cleaning agents and garden chemicals, through a service provided by Tasman District Council in co-operation with Nelson City.

Because chemicals pose a significant risk to both human health and the environment, before taking advantage of this service you first need to contact Tasman District Council to record the type and amount of unwanted chemical. Council then provides you with a signed inventory that must accompany your chemicals for disposal at the Pascoe Street Transfer Station in Nelson.

This service only applies to household chemicals and excludes commercial or agricultural chemicals, plus oils or acids. Farm chemicals can be disposed of through the Agrecovery scheme. Go to [www.agrecovery.co.nz](http://www.agrecovery.co.nz), or phone Tasman District Council for more details.

Before household chemicals can be accepted at Pascoe Street they must first be safely and

securely packaged, then presented to ticket office staff along with the signed inventory. Only ticket office staff can accept the chemicals. For disposal during normal working hours please phone 03 548 5760 to arrange a suitable time.

Open or leaking bags or containers cannot be accepted. Please put them inside a clear heavy-duty plastic bag and seal it. If necessary, repackage the chemicals into a new container but make sure to include the original container so the chemical can be identified.

Further information on this service can be found on the Council's website [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz), search "household hazardous waste" or call Ph. 03 543 8400

## Flush your taps

Research carried out by the Institute of Environmental Science and the Ministry of Health has shown that some New Zealand water supplies contain minute traces of lead that are near to or exceed the maximum acceptable level specified in the New Zealand Drinking Water Standards. Traces of metals – in particular lead – are of concern because over time they pose a potential health risk, especially if consumed from childhood.

It is important to note that the lead is not coming from the water supplies themselves, but primarily from metals in some household fittings that may be dissolved into the water. The amount of lead that will dissolve from a fitting depends on how plumbosolvent\* the water is; the temperature of the water; the composition of the plumbing fittings and how long the water has been in contact with it.

The fact that most New Zealand waters are of very good quality and contain little dissolved substances such as calcium and magnesium salts contributes to their plumbosolvency, which is widespread in New Zealand. The Ministry of Health therefore recommends that people do not drink the first mugful of water if their tap has not been used for several hours overnight, for instance.

Instead, people should run the tap for a second or so, which will quickly flush-away any water that has become contaminated with lead or any other metals from the plumbing fittings. The Ministry of Health works closely with Standards New Zealand and the plumbing industry to develop quality standards for plumbing fittings.

Additional details on this issue can be sourced from the Ministry of Health website – [www.moh.govt.nz](http://www.moh.govt.nz).

*\* plumbosolvent = The types of water that have the ability to dissolve lead (usually soft waters) are known as 'plumbosolvent' because of their ability to dissolve lead (from the Latin word plumbum).*



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# Communityrecreation

## Grants from rates close 31 August

Tasman District Council allocates funds for grants to community organisations. These grants are made to organisations whose services and projects provide wide community benefit and wellbeing.

Applications close on 31 August 2012.

Application forms are available from Tasman District Council Service Centres or can be downloaded from [www.tasman.govt.nz/council/grants-funding/](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/council/grants-funding/)

## Walk and Cycle Pathway Maps

Get Moving and Tasman District Council have updated Motueka and Richmond walking and cycling pathway maps. These are now available from Tasman District Council Service Centres and Libraries. The maps show points of interest as well as the walking and cycling tracks, and aim to show the easy and scenic ways to get around Motueka and Richmond.



## Promote your summer event in Hummin'

**Would you like to promote your summer event to thousands of visitors and locals for free?**

Every year, the Tasman District Council produces Hummin' in Tasman, a guide for locals and visitors to help promote the events, attractions and businesses of the Tasman District. 20,000 copies of Hummin' in Tasman are distributed free through i-Sites, Libraries, Council Service Centres, A&P shows, campgrounds, the Richmond Mall, Nelson Airport and other outlets across the region.

This year event details (of events running between 1 November 2012 to Easter 2013 and based within the Tasman District) will be taken from the Its On website, [www.itson.co.nz](http://www.itson.co.nz), the region's free online events guide. So if you want your event included in Hummin', make sure its listed on 'Its On' before Friday 5 October 2012.

If you are unable to add details to the Its On website, please email through full event details to Mike Tasman Jones ([mike.tasman-jones@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:mike.tasman-jones@tasman.govt.nz)) at Tasman District Council before Friday 28 September 2012.



**New Zealand ShakeOut**  
9:26am, 26 September, 2012



**Everyone can participate!**  
To register go to [www.getthru.govt.nz](http://www.getthru.govt.nz)

**At 9.26 am on Wednesday 26 September (9:26-26:9), we aim to have 1 million people throughout New Zealand participate in the New Zealand ShakeOut earthquake drill. You could be anywhere – at home, at work, at school or on holiday. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the drill wherever you are at 9:26-26:9**

## Get Moving

**Get Walking, Get Running, Get Cycling**

Get Moving is an Active Communities project focused on encouraging and supporting you to get walking, running or cycling. Get Moving runs the Ride On cycle skills courses, cycle maintenance courses, organises entry level events and takes the mobile cycle skills trailer across the region. The project produces maps, organises guided walks and provides information on the clubs, groups and events in our region. The focus is on the fun social side of things – more coffee ride than marathon. Get Moving points you in the right direction with the contacts, support, advice and information you are looking for to get you started – any age, any ability. If this sounds like you then have a look at [www.get-moving.org.nz](http://www.get-moving.org.nz)

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## Public Notices

### Summary of Information for Statement of Proposal

#### Draft Tasman District Council Consolidated Bylaw Chapter 3 Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2012

This summary is made to fulfil the purposes of Sections 83(1)(a)(ii) and 89 of the Local Government Act 2002. The summary contains details of the Statement of Proposal to replace the existing Tasman District Council Consolidated Bylaw Chapter 3 Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2007 (existing Bylaw).

- A. Changes from the existing Bylaw in general terms relate to the areas covered by the liquor ban in Brightwater and environs, Collingwood, Kaiteriteri and environs, Mapua and environs, Motueka and environs, Murchison, Pohara and environs, Richmond and environs, Riwaka and environs, Takaka and environs, Tapawera and Wakefield and environs. Changes are also intended to the times that the existing Bylaw is in force. Those time changes include a 24 hour liquor ban for the CBDs in Motueka, Richmond and Takaka, and for part of the year in Riwaka. The earlier start applied to the Kaiteriteri liquor ban area is extended to cover a wider period of the holiday season. Remaining areas have liquor bans commencing at 7.00 pm, compared with 9.00 pm in the existing bylaw. Change to the definition of "Public Place" is included to align with the definition in the Local Government Act 2002. Full detail of these proposed changes are contained in the draft Tasman District Council Consolidated Bylaw Chapter 3 Control of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 2012 (the draft Bylaw).
- B. The full Statement of Proposal including the draft Bylaw may be inspected during ordinary office hours at the following places:

Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond	Tasman District Council, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka
Tasman District Council, 92 Fairfax Street, Murchison	Tasman District Council, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka
District Library, Queen Street, Richmond	Motueka Library, Pah Street, Motueka
Takaka Memorial Library, Commercial Street, Takaka	

- C. A copy of the full Statement of Proposal may be viewed or copied from the Tasman District Council web site at: [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban).
- D. All submissions on the proposal are to be in writing and posted or delivered to: Katie Greer, Executive Assistant, Environment & Planning, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, 189 Queen Street, Richmond 7031, or they may be emailed to [info@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:info@tasman.govt.nz) or faxed to 03 543 9524. Forms for making an electronic submission are available on the Tasman District Council website at: [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/liquor-ban).
- E. Submissions will be received at any time from Monday 20 August 2012 up to 4.30 pm on Friday 21 September 2012.

## Council Meetings

Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed on Council's website at [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)

### Engineering Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 30 August 2012, 9.30 am. Public forum

### Tasman District Council

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 6 September 2012, 9.30 am. Public forum

### Golden Bay Community Board

Fire Brigade Hall, Collingwood, Tuesday 11 September 2012, 9.00 am. Public forum

### Motueka Community Board

Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Tuesday 11 September 2012, 4.00 pm Public forum

## 24 Hour Assistance – Phone your local Service Centre

<b>Richmond</b>	<b>03 543 8400</b>
<b>Murchison</b>	<b>03 523 1013</b>
<b>Motueka</b>	<b>03 528 2022</b>
<b>Takaka</b>	<b>03 525 0020</b>



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## Public Notices

### Resource Management Act 1991

#### Tasman Resource Management Plan

#### Proposed Plan Changes 37 and 38

#### Proposed Plan Variation 3 to Change 10

The Council has prepared amendments to the Tasman Resource Management Plan, known as the following:

##### Proposed Plan Change 37: Richmond West and South Greenway

This Change clarifies the appropriate zoning of lands forming the Richmond west and south greenway which is to be progressively acquired and managed as urban open space to support stormwater drainage, recreation, aquatic ecosystem and active transport values in the future urban setting of the network.

##### Proposed Plan Change 38: National Environmental Standard for Managing and Assessing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health

This Change removes policies that are now inappropriate or superseded by the effect of the National Standard, reflecting new duties and processes for managing particular land uses and subdivision of Hazardous Activity and Industry List (HAIL) sites.

##### Proposed Plan Variation 3 to Change 10: Richmond West Development Area Technical Amendments

This Change addresses technical errors and inconsistencies with the land use noise rule in the Mixed Business Zone (MBZ), visitor accommodation and community activity matters for the MBZ, and parking requirements for all activities in the MBZ and Light Industrial Zone in the Richmond West Development Area.

##### Submissions

Any person may make a submission on any part of any of the proposed Changes. Submissions can be sent to the Manager Policy, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050 to be accepted by Council for a period closing at 4.00 pm on Monday, 15 October 2012. Forms for making submissions are available as indicated below under "Availability of Proposed Changes".

Submissions must be in writing, clearly indicating support or opposition to the provisions, the decision that the submitter wishes the Council to make (with reasons), whether or not the submitter wishes to be heard in support of the submission and an address for service or contact address.

##### Consideration of Proposed Amendments

After submissions have closed, Council will publish a summary of all decisions requested by submitters. There will be a further period of 10 working days within which further submissions in support of or opposition to those submissions made may be sent to Council. Council will then hold hearings on all submissions and all submitters may be heard. After the Council considers the submissions and makes its decisions, any submitter who is not satisfied with the decision has the right of appeal to the Environment Court.

##### Availability of Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments are available to view at Council's Richmond office or online at [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/trmp-proposed-changes](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/trmp-proposed-changes). Submission forms are also available.

For more information or advice on these amendments, please contact Neil Jackson Ph. 03 543 88485 Email [neil.jackson@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:neil.jackson@tasman.govt.nz) or Steve Markham Ph. 03 543 8427 Email [steve.markham@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:steve.markham@tasman.govt.nz).

##### Update Pages to the Plan

Update No. 44 to the Plan, including all amendments to the text as a result of the proposed amendments, will be available as soon as possible. For enquiries concerning the update or availability of the Plan, please contact Pam Meadows 03 543 8581, email [pam.meadows@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:pam.meadows@tasman.govt.nz) or one of the Customer Services staff.

## Public Notices

### Final Proposal for Representation Arrangements for the 2013 Local Elections

On 19 July 2012 the Tasman District Council considered the submissions received on its initial proposal regarding the representation arrangements for the Council and its constituent community boards to apply for the local elections to be held on 12 October 2013, and in October 2016.

The Council received eight submissions on its proposal. Some of these submissions raised matters that Council could not consider under the law. Having considered all of the submissions, Council resolved to adopt its initial proposal as the Council's final proposal, viz:

- Retain the current five wards, their names and boundaries.
- Retain the Mayor who will be elected at large, and 13 Councillors to be elected from wards as follows: two councillors for Golden Bay Ward, one for Lakes-Murchison Ward, three councillors for Motueka Ward, three councillors for Moutere-Waimea Ward and four councillors for Richmond Ward.
- Retain the current Motueka and Golden Bay Community Boards, their current boundaries, names and membership;

The Council rejected the matters raised in the submissions for the following reasons:

- Golden Bay and Motueka Community Boards appear to be supported by their communities, as is evidenced by Council only receiving two requests to remove these Boards.
- A request to change a ward boundary to move a property into a different ward was rejected as changes to meshblock boundaries would require Statistics NZ approval, redrawing of the plans and certification by the Surveyor-General at Land Information New Zealand, which could have significant financial costs.
- Two ward councillors for Lakes-Murchison Ward on the basis of an isolated community was rejected by the Local Government Commission in 2006, who subsequently enlarged the ward area and reduced the representation to one councillor to comply with Section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001. Council is therefore reluctant to revisit this.
- The two submissions proposing a new Ruby Coast Moutere Hills Ward, along with its own councillors and community board failed to show Council any evidence that the Ward comprised a separate community of interest requiring separate representation from the current Moutere-Waimea Ward. Also this proposal would not have met the councillor/population ratio under Section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act, which would have shown the new ward over-represented and the residual Moutere/Waimea Ward well under represented.

Any person who made a submission on the Council's initial proposal may lodge an appeal against the Council's decision. An appeal must relate to the matters raised in that person's submission.

#### Appeals must be made in writing, and received no later than 4.30 pm on Friday 7 September 2012.

Appeals are to be forwarded to:

Executive Officer – Strategic Development

Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050;

Or delivered to: Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond;

Or emailed to: [sandra.hartley@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:sandra.hartley@tasman.govt.nz)

Or faxed to: 03 543 8560

Any queries regarding the Council's decision should be directed to:

Sandra Hartley – Executive Officer – Strategic Development Ph. 03 543 8554.

# Arts Festival acts close to home

Tasman residents don't have to travel far to soak up some of the riches on offer in October's Nelson Arts Festival, thanks to performances sponsored by Tasman District Council.

The festival, produced by Nelson City Council, features more than 70 diverse arts events, including eight international acts. This is your chance to see some of the best theatre, dance, cabaret, music, talks and community events the country can offer.

Festival Director Sophie Kelly says some of her personal highlights take place in Tasman.

"All the way from Canada and performing at the Mussel Inn is H'Sao, a stunning a cappella group, sharing songs, stories and African dance from their homeland Chad. The Yoots, a high-energy calypso ska band from Wellington, will get everyone singing along at Neudorf Vineyard on the Sunday of Labour Weekend," she says.

"Another show not to be missed during the long weekend is Arthur Meek in Richard Meros Salutes the Southern Man, a hilarious

theatrical satire about his search for the craggy New Zealand hardness that still glimmers within most urban latte-drinkers. We're also delighted to present author Fiona Farrell in the beautiful surrounds of Woollaston Estates in Poetry in the Vineyard, as part of the festival's Page & Blackmore Readers and Writers series."

## Festival highlights:

- **H'Sao, Mussel Inn, 16 October 2012 at 8.30 pm**
- **Richard Meros Salutes the Southern Man, Takaka Village Theatre, 20 October at 8.00 pm**
- **Sing Along with the Yoots, Neudorf Vineyard, 21 October 2012 at 3.00 pm**
- **Poetry in the Vineyard, Woollaston Estates, 22 October 2012 at 12.30 pm**

The full festival programme is available at the offices of the Tasman District and Nelson City Councils, Everyman Records, libraries, retailers, cafes and key visitor outlets. Book your cheaper early-bird tickets at [www.nelsonartsfestival.co.nz](http://www.nelsonartsfestival.co.nz).

# Easter fair organisers take top prize

**The Mapua Easter Fair has raised more than half a million dollars for the local school and playcentre, and won its organising committee the Supreme Award at the 2012 TrustPower Nelson Tasman Community Awards. The Men's Shed Waimea, which is in its first year, was overall winner for Tasman District.**

The awards are run in conjunction with the Tasman District and Nelson City Councils.

In its 30-year existence the Easter Fair has become a Nelson institution, now drawing 15,000 visitors each year. Its profits have gone towards hiring specialist teachers to reduce class sizes at Mapua School, as well as equipment, resources and materials not funded by the Ministry of Education. The Playcentre's share of proceeds makes up 90% of its annual operating budget.

From tiny beginnings, the fair is now considered the largest one-day event in the South Island, boasting more than 330

stallholders and mix of live music, quality products, good food and bargains. Last year Motueka police said the fair was so well organised they hardly needed to be there.

The volunteer management committee has a group of over 120 volunteers they can draw on and organising begins up-to six months before the event.

In accepting the award, Co-organiser Lisa Dunn said "The organising committee feel like caretakers representing all those who have contributed to the fair in the past. Mapua is a strong community because residents have chosen to live there and are quick to put their hands up for projects."

For winning the Supreme Award, the Organising Committee received \$1,500 prize money, a trophy and framed certificate. It will now represent the region at the national awards, to be held in the Far North district in March 2013.

The Nelson region competition was fierce this year, with a record 134 entries.

## Winners:

**Heritage and Environment Winner**  
Founders Heritage Park Book Fair

**Health and Well Being Winner**  
St John Ambulance

**Arts and Culture Winner**  
Nelson Youth Council

**Sport and Leisure Winner**  
Nelson Arts Festival

**Educational and Child/Youth Development**  
Tasman Bible Church Mainly Music

**Tasman District Overall Winner**  
Men's Shed Waimea

**Nelson City Overall Winner**  
SASH (Sexual Abuse Support and Healing) Nelson

**Supreme Winner**  
Mapua Easter Fair Organising Committee.

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