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New Council meets for first time

On Thursday 24 October, your new mayor, councillors and community board members were sworn into office at the Motueka Memorial Hall.

At the inaugural meeting of their three-year term representing Tasman District, your elected representatives promised to use their skills and judgment in the best interests of the entire District.

Lakes-Murchison ward councillor Stuart Bryant was chosen as deputy mayor.

The new Council began as they meant to go on, holding their first official meeting in Motueka. The Council intends to hold more meetings at different locations around the District so all residents have the opportunity to attend and participate in the public forum section.

Following the meeting, tangata whenua formally welcomed the new mayor, councillors and community board members, along with the Council's new Kaihautū (cultural adviser), Te Wāri Carkeek, with a powhiri at Te Āwhina Marae.

At the powhiri, tangata whenua also recognised the appointment of the Council's new kaumatua, Harvey Ruru and Jane du Feu. Further powhiri will be held in December at Onetāhua Marae in Golden Bay and Whakatū Marae in Nelson.

More information about your new Council

The names and contact information for your representatives are on page 3.



Mayor Tim King receives the chains of office from chief executive Janine Dowding.

Representing Tasman

Thank you to everyone in Tasman who exercised their vote in the recent local body elections. It was great to see an improved voter turnout this year.

I would particularly like to thank all the candidates who stood, whether you were successful or not. I appreciate how challenging it is to put your name forward and go through the campaigning process.

Across the District there were a wide range of candidates and viewpoints for voters to choose from. Now that you have chosen your elected representatives in the wards, I look forward to working with them with a focus on meeting the challenges across the District as a whole. There is bound to be much debate and discussion on many of the

key issues we face as a region. I hope we can do this in a positive, constructive way that is focused on the issues, not on personalities, to continually improve how the Council works with and provides services to you all.

Over the next few months I look forward to getting out and about in the region with the Council, including holding some of our committee meetings outside of Richmond – giving all of you the opportunity to see first-hand some of the particular issues affecting your community.

In the future, this column will feature a wider range of elected members' views and thoughts as we seek to continue to improve our engagement with you.

**Tasman Mayor
Tim King**



Meet the police and nab yourself a copcake

11.00 am – 2.00 pm, Sunday 10 November at Saxton Field

Come along to meet some of our friendly local police officers at the Cops with Cakes road safety expo.

The cops will be handing out delicious 'copcakes' and combining road and community safety information with family-friendly activities and entertainment, including rides, games, prizes, and a free barbecue for the kids.

All our local emergency services will be on site and many of Nelson-Tasman's community organisations will be there too, giving demonstrations, driver training, and community advice and support.

It's a chance to get to know and ask questions of those with specialist knowledge in a relaxed environment. We're supporting the event in partnership with the New Zealand Police, the New Zealand Transport Agency and Nelson City Council.



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Meet your new Council

The final count is in and your new elected representatives have been confirmed. The votes were very close in some wards, and the final makeup of the Council is different to the preliminary results published in the previous issue of Newsline.

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WATER MATTERS

Crack down on leaks!

We've had less rain than usual so far this year and a dry summer is on the horizon again. That means everyone needs to treat every drop of water as precious.

We are cracking down on water leaks and will have a contractor out and about hunting them down. A huge amount of water can be lost through leaks before you know it.

You can help fight the battle against water leaks. If you see signs of a water leak on public land, please call us any time on 543 8400 and we'll follow it up.

At your place, if you have a water meter (they are usually located below ground level in a box near the road boundary of your section), it's easy to check for a leak – just follow these simple steps:

1. Shut off all household appliances and outside taps.
2. Once everything is off, return to the meter and check out the white (cog) dial.
3. If you have no leaks the cog shouldn't move. If the white cog continues to spin you may have a leak within your property which needs dealing with.

So now you need to find the source of the leak. Trace your water pipe from the meter to the house. The clues to a water leak that you need to look out for include:

- water appearing in a concrete area
- wet patches on the lawn or garden
- dripping from an overflow pipe
- damp areas (inside, outside and under the house)
- a constantly dripping tap, or running toilet

Don't let water leaks undo all the good work you're doing to reduce water use. Seek them out and fix leaks fast.

Remember if you're looking for inspired ways to reduce water use, search water saving tips at tasman.govt.nz.

Kickstart your compost with \$30 subsidy

November is Kickstart Compost Month and, to help you get going, we're offering Tasman households \$30 off a compost bin, worm farm or bokashi set from approved retailers.

Partnerships and education officer Nichola Brydon says composting is an easy and effective way to reduce the amount of food waste going to landfill, as well as reduce the carbon emissions it creates.

"Food and garden waste makes up about 30% of our landfill, and much of this could be composted at home or through Council or commercial services," she says.

Free composting workshops will be held in Richmond, Motueka and Golden Bay during November – head to tasman.govt.nz/link/compost for details and to download your \$30 voucher.



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Could you save your life in 10 seconds?

Three boats sank very suddenly in our region last summer, and the boaties – all local – found themselves in the water within seconds. Thankfully, they all survived.

This summer we want to make sure boaties are aware of just how quickly accidents can happen. If you had 10 seconds until your boat sank, could you grab lifejackets and two different ways of communicating?

"It could be anyone," Tasman Harbourmaster Dan Cairney says. "All the boaties were experienced people, and none of them thought they were going to be in the water."

One of the incidents was a wooden launch that holed near Pepin Island, and the boatie only had time to send a distress call and grab a survival bag containing flares before he was in rough seas for three hours, waiting for rescue.

The second was a 5m vessel that tipped over when its four occupants saw a kingfish and all rushed to one side. With emergency equipment underwater, it was fortunate they were able to keep one cellphone dry enough to call 111.

Finally, a wave swamped a 3.5m aluminium dinghy not far from Patons Rock. The boaties were rescued after two hours in the dark when their calls for help were heard onshore.

"The big lesson from that is it's not just having the communication equipment, but having it on hand," Dan says. "It's no good having it locked away."

Maritime New Zealand recommends you have two types of waterproof communication, such as a flare, cellphone, whistle, VHF radio, and beacon or EPIRB in a grab bag.

Dan clips an EPIRB to his lifejacket at all times.



Takaka to Pohara cycleway construction to begin

Construction of a new \$1 million safe cycling and walking route between Takaka and Pohara will get underway in November.

The 7.5 kilometre route linking the two Golden Bay communities will be built by contractor Fulton Hogan, with Solllys as the subcontractor.

The cycleway will be a gravel path, similar to much of Tasman's Great Taste Trail cycleway. It will run alongside the road, with just one road crossing. Users will need to cycle across the Motupipi Bridge initially. Designs have been drawn up for an addition to the bridge for cyclists and walkers and construction will be considered in future as funding allows.

Work will begin at the Pohara end of the route. The contractor will make contact with property owners and residents prior to any work taking place that affects your property.

The work is due to be completed in the first half of 2020.

We've been working closely with a Golden Bay-based working group, local landowners and iwi on the cycleway project.

Tasman Mayor Tim King said he was excited to see this major project get underway in Golden Bay.

"It's been very much a community-led effort to get to this point, with the working group putting in a huge amount of time and energy over several years to develop the concepts and plans with support from Council staff. The community support for a better active transport link between these two communities was crucial in then gaining the Council's agreement to fund and manage the work."

Find out more: [Head to tasman.govt.nz/projects](http://tasman.govt.nz/projects) for more information.




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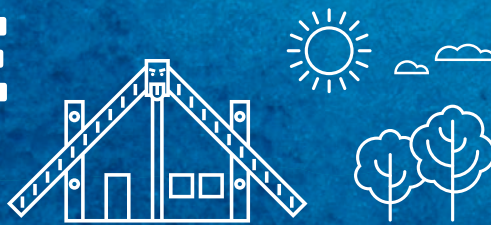
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The First Taste on Queen Street

**11.00 am - 2.00 pm, Saturday 2 November
Queen Street, Richmond**

Whether it's your actual first taste of Queen Street's restaurants or you're already familiar with their menus, try delicious food from different corners of the world, enjoy local live music, and watch dancing, including Latin American and Highland. You'll also have a chance to learn some African and Latin American dance moves, and participate in a bliss ball-making workshop and chalk drawing activities.

We encourage you to bring your own reusable plates, cups, and bags, and to support our stall holders with their waste minimisation initiatives. Don't worry if you don't have suitable tableware; we've invited the Wash Against Waste trailer, where you will be able to buy or borrow some cups and plates.

Creative Communities Scheme

Do you have a great community arts project that just needs some dollars to make it happen? Creative Communities provides funding to support community involvement in the arts, whether it's music, theatre, festivals, mural painting, outdoor sculpture, kapa haka, singing, art workshops or something else.

Applications are open now, with the next round closing on 10 November.

How to apply

For application forms visit tasman.govt.nz/link/grants or phone Lani Evans on (03) 543 8980 for more information.

Queen Street bus stop closures

Over the next two months several events are taking place on Queen Street that will affect access for buses.

As a result, the bus stops on Queen Street will be closed on the following dates:

- Saturday 2 November 2019 – First Taste
- Sunday 24 November 2019 – Santa Parade
- Monday 30 December - Richmond Market Day

A temporary bus stop will be set up on Talbot Street (opposite PAK'nSAVE) on these days. You can also catch the bus on Salisbury Road, between Talbot and Florence streets.

Thanks for your patience with these temporary changes.

Need a special licence for a summer event?

Deadline for applications 22 November 2019

A special licence allows for the sale of alcohol at special occasions or events. They are normally used to licence one-off events where no licence is currently held, such as a food and wine festival or a quiz night. A special licence can also be used to extend the hours or area of a licensed premises for a special occasion or event.

A special licence is a temporary licence.

How to apply:

Visit tasman.govt.nz/link/special-licence for more information and application forms.

Maritime events

Navigation Safety Bylaw: Temporary reservations and speed limit uplifting for maritime events between 15 November 2019 and 1 December 2019.

The Tasman District Council Harbourmaster has granted authorisation for the following event. Further events will be published once they are approved.

Event activity: Waka Ama event

Date: 15 and 16 November

Location: Kaiteriteri

Due to navigation safety requirements, water users not involved in this event may be excluded from defined areas during the activities. Notices will be placed at nearby access points during this event.

Further details for this and any new events may be viewed at tasman.govt.nz/link/maritime-events.

Authorisation is granted pursuant to provisions of the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2015.

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund offers help with travel costs for rural sports clubs and rural school teams. The goal is to help young people aged between 5 – 19 participate in local sports competitions. Sport NZ fully fund the Rural Travel Fund, which we administer locally on their behalf.

The next funding round closes on 31 October 2019. Head to tasman.govt.nz/link/grants for criteria and how to apply.



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Is your dog registered?

Summer is coming, which means people will be spending more time outside with their canine companions. It's time to ensure your dogs are currently registered with us and have their yellow tag.

This month, dog control will be following up on owners who have not yet registered their dog this year and issuing \$300 fines, so it's worth getting your dog its yellow tag as soon as possible to avoid a fine.

We have also noticed an increase in dogs not being on leads in areas where they should be, and would like to remind dog owners that they should use or carry a leash at all times.

For more information, visit tasman.govt.nz/link/dog-control. Some of these places include urban areas, cemeteries and sports grounds.

Improving Gardner Valley Road

We're upgrading a stretch of road intersecting with the Moutere Highway to improve road safety.

The Gardner Valley Road project will start early next year and will take about eight weeks, at an expected cost of \$400,000.

The intersection realignment will take out the sharp corners of the last 300 metres of Gardner Valley Road before it joins the Moutere Highway.

The upgrade will help smooth out the road alignment, improve road safety and visibility at the intersection.

Find out more: Visit tasman.govt.nz/projects for more information.

Summer events

Summer fun is on its way, with a full programme of events for young and old to enjoy in the Tasman region. The full printed Nelson Tasman Summer Events guide will hit letterboxes and public outlets soon. In the meantime, here's a taster of what's coming up in Tasman over the next couple of months.

PAK'n SAVE Richmond Santa Parade

Sunday 24 November
12.00 – 2.00 pm. Queen Street, Richmond. FREE.

NBS Starlight Christmas Parade

Friday 6 December. Parade 7.00 pm, entertainment from 5.00 pm. High Street, Motueka.

Golden Bay Santa Parade

Saturday 14 December,
10.00 am. Commercial Street,
Takaka. FREE.

Carols in the Park

Friday 6 December, 5.00
– 8.00 pm. Brightwater
Domain. FREE.

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 22 December.
Entertainment from 6.30 pm,
carols 8.00 pm. Washbourn
Gardens, Richmond. FREE.

Carols on the Green

Tuesday 24 December,
7.00 pm. Village Green,
Commercial Street, Takaka.
FREE.

HAVE YOUR SAY:



For details of our current consultations, head to tasman.govt.nz/feedback.

Responsible camping strategy open for feedback

Consultation closes 18 November 2019

The draft Responsible Camping Strategy is intended to provide direction as we manage budget and freedom camping through regulations and by providing facilities and visitor information.

We've been talking to a wide range of groups and organisations to develop the draft, including Te Tau Ihu iwi. Now we need to hear from you – this strategy will inform the way we manage freedom camping in your community.

Find out more

You're invited to drop in and chat with us about the draft strategy at one of the following public sessions:

Motueka: 30 October, 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm, Motueka service centre, Hickmott Place

Richmond: 4 November, 2.00 pm – 5.30 pm, Richmond Mall

Golden Bay: 6 November, 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm, Takaka service centre, Commercial Street

Have your say

Head online to tasman.govt.nz/feedback for more information and to make a submission. Information is also available at all Tasman District Council offices and libraries.

Help us plan for the future of Saxton Field

First stage consultation closes 16 December 2019

We're reviewing the way we manage Saxton Field – and we need your help to ensure a bright future for our region's largest sports, recreation and events venue.

Between 4 October and 16 December 2019 we're asking what you enjoy about Saxton Field, how happy you are with the opportunities provided for sport, recreation and play, as well as the natural environment and landscape. Most importantly we want to know: What's your vision for the future of Saxton Field?

Have your say

Visit tasman.govt.nz/feedback for more information and to fill in the survey.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

Full Council

Thursday 7 November, 9.30 am.
Public forum

Golden Bay Community Board

Golden Bay Service Centre, 78 Commercial Street, Takaka. Tuesday 12 November, 4.30 pm. Public forum

Community Development Committee

Thursday 14 November, 9.30 am.
Public forum



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The year is drawing to a close, and Christmas preparation is kicking off. Make the most of opportunities to create your own individualised Christmas gifts, instead of purchasing mass-produced plastic-wrapped items, with workshops taking place at your local library.

Handmade Christmas Gift Workshops

Richmond Library is holding four handmade Christmas gift making workshops throughout November. First up on Monday 4 November is a workshop where participants take a plain white ceramic cup or mug and transform it with gold and enamel paint to create a gorgeous one-of-a-kind gift. Other workshops include free-form embroidery and candle decorating in preparation for Carols by Candlelight at Washbourn Gardens in December. To book your spot and for further information, contact Richmond Library.

Christmas Storytimes and Crafts

It might seem ages away, but you can reduce Christmas stress and add to the delicious Christmas anticipation by planning ahead. To this end, Takaka Library would like to give you an early heads-up about a special Christmas Eve Storytime planned for Tuesday 24 December, from 10.30 am-11.30 am. Children will listen to some lovely Christmas-themed stories, then make a Christmas cracker to take home. Motueka Library is also holding a fun Christmas Makerspace on Thursday 19 December. There will be stories and fun Christmas crafts for the whole family. Both events are free and everyone is welcome (although

we'd like pre-schoolers to please bring an adult).

Your Library at the A & P Show

This year, on 23 and 24 November, is the 125th anniversary of the Nelson A&P Show at the Richmond Showgrounds. Tasman District Libraries will have a stall at the A&P Show this year featuring our heritage resources, a fun photo booth, activities for kids and more. Drop by and make the most of this exciting opportunity to find out more about what your local library has to offer.

Introduction to Photobooks Workshop

Another great idea for a handmade Christmas gift is a special photobook created with the help of Richmond Library's Imaginarium – where you can scan photos and negatives to make digital copies. The Imaginarium is easy to use and free, but you need to book in advance. Contact Richmond Library if you'd like to book the Imaginarium or if you need a free introductory session on using the equipment. Follow up your scanning session with an Introduction to Photobooks computer class on Thursday 14 November. Bookings are essential for this free class, where you'll be shown how to take your digital images and transform them into a beautiful photobook.

Library Book Groups

Did you know that your local library has a book group especially for adults? Our book groups are relaxing and inclusive and you can even read whatever you want. You can either come along and talk about what you've been reading or just listen – it's up to you. Richmond Library's book group next meets on Wednesday 20 November from 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm; Motueka Library's book group meets on Thursday 7 November at 1.00 pm; and Takaka Library's book group meets on Tuesday 26 November at 1.30 pm. It's free and it's fun. See you there!

Book Launch at Motueka Library

Local Motueka photographer Grant Douglas will launch his stunning new photography book, *Hunter of Beauty*, at Motueka Library on Friday 15 November at 7.00 pm. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate a wonderful achievement by one of our local artists. Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information about events or services at your library, visit our website: www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz. You can also find us at [Facebook.com/tasmanlibraries](https://www.facebook.com/tasmanlibraries).

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