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Outstanding community members recognised

As a Council, we are charged with delivering essential services to our communities, whether it be roads, parks, water, waste management – the list goes on. However, if there is one important factor in our District we cannot, and should not take for granted, it is the communities themselves.

Our communities have unique and defining features that stand them apart from one another, making up the cultural quilt that is Tasman. These defining features are often made, reflect and are supported by the people we celebrate with our annual Outstanding Community Service Awards.

The awards were presented earlier this month by Mayor Tim King to a group of people who provide the glue by which many of our communities function and exist.

Award recipients this year are Sharon Beuke, Joan Reilly, Pam and Donald Gardiner – known locally as Team Gardiner, and Wendy Barrett.

Over the next few months in Newsline, we will profile each of these deserving people and highlight just how each one of them contributes to making Tasman a great place to live.

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It's at this time of year that many of us take time to reconnect with family and friends and reflect on the past 12 months.

We have again seen how resilient Tasman people are, helping family, friends and neighbours during the major weather events that we faced.

The last three years have shown how much communities rely on the often-unsung members of our community that work in our service industries and business.

In addition, thanks to the hundreds of volunteers that commit their own time to a broad range of community groups, from emergency services to sport and recreation and cultural and environmental research groups who provide value beyond what we could ever pay for. While some of these people are officially

recognised from time to time, now is an opportunity to appreciate the value all of them add to our community.

I would like to thank the people of Tasman who have taken the time to engage with us throughout the year. I reckon an engaged and committed population is the key to a healthy democracy and is always welcome.

We live in one of the most beautiful places in the world. One that we share with thousands of others over the holidays, and it is not a hard place to relax and appreciate what we have. Best of all, we don't have to go home after the holidays.



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MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



Wherever you are, whatever you are doing and whoever you are with, take the time to chill out and enjoy the summer season in Tasman and all the best for 2023.

Mayor Tim King

Planning the future of the wider Richmond-Hope area

Richmond and its surrounding areas are desirable places for people to live, work, and shop. There's great potential for these areas to offer even more to current and future residents.

In September, we adopted the Future Development Strategy 2022 – 2052. This strategy confirmed the direction of growth in Richmond and the need for us to provide a mix of residential housing and business land opportunities. It identified Richmond as an intensification area (further development in the current built environment) and south of Richmond towards Hope as an expansion area (new development).

We have completed a lot of early structure planning work for the Richmond South-Hope area. This has included two rounds of public engagement so far with more to come because local communities have an important role in shaping the potential development.

Through this engagement, we've learned a lot about the Richmond South-Hope area. While it remains an important future growth area for the District, we first want to better understand the potential that can be unlocked in the existing Richmond urban area, before engaging again on the options for the Richmond South-Hope development.

We have heard a strong message from locals about the importance of providing for a mix of housing and the need for high-quality intensification in Richmond – we want to take some time next year to explore what that could look like with the community.

Once we have identified areas for intensification and opportunities to



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FUTURE FOCUS



support the growth of Richmond, we will revisit how the future Richmond South-Hope area could relate to changes to the existing Richmond urban area and the scale and pace of growth that needs to be accommodated.

We will keep you informed and seek your input on the future of Richmond next year.



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Free Wi-Fi for Māpua Wharf

Checking social media, surfing the web and scrolling TikTok while visiting the Māpua Wharf precinct has just got a whole lot easier with a new free internet connection.

We've got together with IKS Internet Services and the Māpua Leisure Park to supply a free Wi-Fi connection to the area.

The Leisure Park needed a new wireless connection and IKS needed somewhere to install its gear, so we reached an agreement for them to use space in one of our buildings at the wharf, in return for supplying free Wi-Fi to the area.

All you have to do is connect to "Tasman Free Wi-Fi" to get on line.

There's a two-hour time limit, but that should be more than enough to keep your social media up to date with all those fabulous pictures of you enjoying all the great things Māpua has to offer.

See it, report it!

If there's something strange in your neighbourhood who are you going to call? The Council!

We have staff and contractors ready to deal with situations 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

In the past few months, we've had several instances where people have noticed something wasn't quite right but, in some cases, waited several days before getting in touch.

One of these was a wastewater overflow that ended up getting into a waterway and then onto an adjacent beach. If we had been notified earlier we could have

dealt with the problem before it spread that far.

So, if you notice strange-coloured liquids running into a creek or drain, a pothole getting bigger in your street, or you smell something that's not very nice coming out of a manhole cover, please call us.

Alternatively, you can use the Antenno app on your phone to report issues.

Antenno is a two-way communication channel where we can let you know what's happening around the place, and you can also report problems directly back to us so we can get someone to sort them out.



So next time you have one of those moments where something doesn't appear quite right, and you think the council should know, call us any time, day or night on 03 543 8400 or grab the Antenno app and get in touch.



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Tasman chosen for Transport Choices

A significant injection of Government funding is expected to give people in Richmond and Motueka greater and improved options for the way they travel every day.

We have been successful in receiving a share of the Government's \$350 million Transport Choices Package.

The money will be administered by Waka Kotahi and is subject to further scoping of proposed projects.

Our Transportation Manager Jamie McPherson says details of exactly how much money we'll get are yet to be confirmed, but he reckons it'll be significant enough to accelerate projects shown in the Walking and Cycling Strategy and Richmond Transport Programme Business Case.

Examples of work likely to be included are:

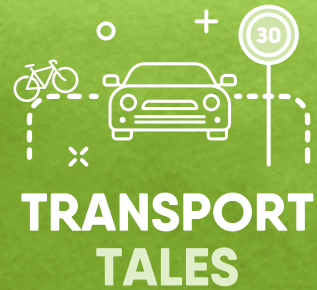
- Modified intersection layouts and improved crossings for pedestrians and cyclists at numerous intersections, particularly near

schools, in Richmond and Motueka, such as the Wensley Road/Oxford Street roundabout and Hill Street/William Street intersections.

- Town centre improvements in Motueka.
- On-street cycle lanes in Motueka.
- Bus shelters, seats, and bike racks in Richmond and Motueka.

Jamie says tackling the decades-long trend towards car dependency and increased traffic on our streets, and the associated safety and emissions consequences, will make Tasman a better place to live.

"It's all about giving people better and safer choices about how they and their families live and move around in these areas."



The Transport Choices funding comes on the back of approved Waka Kotahi Streets for People funding which is delivering on-street cycle lanes in Richmond and Māpua.

Rain reduces Rangiheata Road

The impact of August's big weather event continues to be felt across our region, this time in Golden Bay where a stretch of Rangiheata Road will have to be reduced to one lane.

Four slips along a short section of cliffs under the road have made it unsafe to keep the seaward lane open.

We've received the results of preliminary geotechnical investigations of the area, and these show it won't be possible to rebuild the roadway to cope with two-way traffic, at least in the short term.

Our transportation engineers have decided to follow the geotechnical recommendations and are going to close the seaward lane of Rangiheata Road, reducing it to one lane for the foreseeable future.

A new timber barrier is being built, and road signs and markings are being installed to show drivers which direction has priority along the 65-metre length of single-lane road.

Our engineers are investigating long-term options for road access.



New Eastern Hills Creek bridge ready for riders

A new bridge was built on Tasman's Great Taste Trail near Appleby as we plan for upgrades of the Richmond South stormwater system.

The lower end of Eastern Hills Creek is about to be realigned but the new work will cut across the cycleway, so a new bridge has been built to ensure the continuity of the path.

It is needed ahead of us completing the adjacent section of Borck Creek downstream of Appleby Highway. Once that's done, we will divert the existing Eastern Hills Creek onto

a new alignment under the cycle bridge and straight into Borck Creek.

The creek realignment is expected to be done around mid-2024.

The new bridge was made by Scott Construction and has been built with a three tonne weight limit so it can take light maintenance vehicles when needed.



New Waimea Water Director appointed

We have appointed Graeme Christie to the board of Waimea Water Ltd as one of our representative directors.

The appointment follows the resignation of Ken Smales earlier in the year to take up a key management role with the company.

We have four Directors appointed to the Board of Waimea Water Limited.

These Directors are charged with managing our interests in the building and ongoing operation of the Waimea Community Dam.

Tasman Mayor Tim King said Graeme brings over 30 years of extremely valuable legal, contractual and construction skills that will be of benefit to Waimea Water Limited as the dam progresses through its final stages of construction to fulfil its

role augmenting the Waimea River as the area's main source of water.

As an internationally recognised practitioner, Graeme has been regularly called on to advise and represent issues on some of New Zealand's most significant construction projects.

The appointment was due to be formally recognised at the Board meeting of Waimea Water Ltd on 16 December.

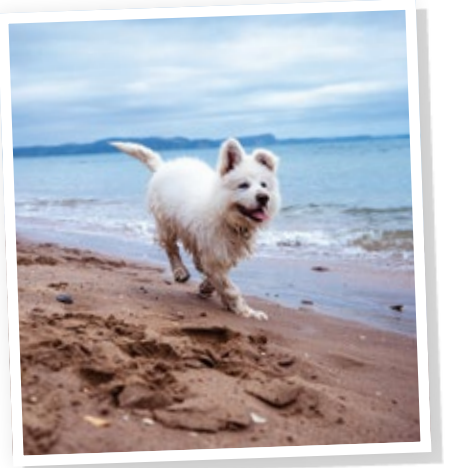
Where can Rover go this summer?

Now that the lazy hazy days of summer are upon us, there are a few rule changes across Tasman affecting the four-legged members of the family.

Under our dog bylaws, there are certain places and times when Fido, Rex and Fifi can and can't go.

From now until the beginning of March, dogs are not allowed at:

- Collingwood Camping Ground.
- Pākawau Beach – camp frontage.
- Tukurua Beach.
- Patons Rock Beach in front of the settlement.
- Tata Beach – from sunset to 8.30 am, and between 20 December and 20 January between 10.00 am and 5.00 pm.
- Ligar Bay Beach except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am.
- Little Kaiteriteri Beach except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am.
- Stephens Bay Beach except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am.
- Pōhara Beach – from the eastern camp boundary to Selwyn Street Reserve.



There are many other places in Tasman to exercise your dog, both on and off the leash.

Find out where these areas are on the map on our website, tasman.govt.nz/exercising-your-dog

Is your pool ready for summer?

As the weather is heating up, we look for ways to keep cool. If you are thinking about installing a permanent or temporary swimming pool this summer, it is important you consider your legal obligations under the Building Act 2004.

Any swimming pools that can hold water to a depth of 400mm or more (even if the pool is only partially filled) are required to have a barrier (such as a fence) to restrict unsupervised access by young children. There are specific requirements on what can be used as

a barrier, ensuring it isn't climbable and minimum gaps and heights.

Visit tasman.govt.nz/swimming-pools for more information or phone 03 543 8400 and ask for the Pool Compliance Officer.

Let's keep everyone safe this summer!



November rain eases water restriction worries

We've been fortunate to have had above average rainfall right through November and into early December, with all our river flows keeping above any low flow trigger.

Groundwater aquifer levels are also about in the mid-range of lows and highs for December. No seawater intrusion has been detected in our coastal monitoring bores.

With the rain and drizzles through early December, soil moisture levels are also above stress levels in the District (at the time of writing).

Showers and drizzles are expected through December and the long-

range weather outlook from NIWA indicates normal to below normal rainfall and river flows through to February 2023.

This current state of play does not indicate the need for water restrictions at the moment.

More rain in the coming weeks will further reduce the need for restrictions. However, it can only take a couple of weeks' worth of dry, windy weather to cause a change in conditions.

Water users are urged to continue to use water wisely and efficiently as this helps reduce the need for restrictions as our smaller rivers and aquifers respond quickly to dry

spells and water abstraction.

Visit tasman.govt.nz/water-tips to see our list of easy water savings tips. The general advice is:

- Try to do one thing each day that will result in a saving of water.
- Never put water down the drain when there may be another use for it such as watering plants or cleaning.
- Get the whole family involved in water conservation.

When restrictions are in force, there will be links on our website home page to restrictions for both water resource consent holders and those on the Council water supply.

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Check if it's good to swim at your favourite spot

All summer long, our environmental officers will be out and about monitoring the water quality at popular swim spots across the District. We make the results available for everyone to access on the LAWA website: lawa.org.nz/swim.

Would-be-swimmers can check LAWA for the latest recreational water quality results, along with historical data, local conditions, and other information about facilities to help them decide where's good for a dip.

Most monitored swim spots in Tasman are suitable for swimming most of the time. However, water quality can

change, particularly after rain when contaminants that can make people ill may be washed into waterways.

Whether you're boogie boarding at Moturoa / Rabbit Island, cooling off in the Lee River, or swimming at Kaiteriteri, we recommend you check the LAWA website and follow the Swim Smart Checklist to help keep you and your whānau well this summer.

Swim smart checklist

- ✔ **Avoid swimming after heavy rain:** Wait at least two days before swimming after heavy or prolonged rain.
- ✔ **Follow any warning signs:** Please follow the advice of any safety and warning signs from authorities.

- ✔ **Check the water is clean and clear:** Don't swim if you notice potentially toxic algae or the water is murky/smells unpleasant.
- ✔ **Stay away from any pipes, culverts, and flocks of birds:** Avoid swimming and other water activities near sources of potential contamination.
- ✔ **Check for hazards:** Hazards at swim spots may include strong currents, tidal rips, underwater objects, stinging jellyfish, steep drop-offs and potentially toxic algae.



Practice defensive boating this summer

Every summer while we're out enjoying the best of what our maritime backyard has to offer, our Harbourmaster Dan Cairney and his team are dealing with incidents and accidents on the water.

While there are a few unforeseen mishaps that need to be dealt with, Dan says most incidents can be avoided.

He says one of the main problems is a lack of attention when skippers and boat operators don't keep a good lookout, which is especially important around the very busy areas like Kaiteriteri, parts of the Abel Tasman and Tata Beach.

"We had five serious incidents last year, including two jet ski collisions, and it's just fortunate no one has been killed."

There was also a report of a jet skier, or personal watercraft rider as they are more accurately called, suffering a broken leg when he collided with another machine while trying to avoid a swimmer.

Dan says in that case two rules were broken, speeding in a slow zone and not keeping a good watch.

He says it seems some people jump on these big powerful machines and any sensibility goes out the window!

The growing popularity of long-distance sea swimming is also becoming an issue in some areas and although swimmers wear fluoro bathing caps and tow floats behind them, they can still be difficult to see.

There are a couple of critical rules everyone should keep in mind.

- Stick to designated and marked access lanes.
- Slow to five knots within 50 metres of any moored vessel.

- Only those aged 15 or over can skipper a boat capable of doing more than seven knots.
- Personal watercrafts are banned from Kaiteriteri Bay and may only transit the area.

Dan says being on the water is just like driving a car on the road. "Don't trust everyone else to be doing the right thing – be a defensive boatie!"



Tiny mite helps fight old man's beard

Biosecurity officers at Tasman District and Nelson City Councils will be nurturing 12 old man's beard vines over the summer to ensure they stay as healthy as possible.

The vines have been planted at four locations, two in the Nelson City area and two in Tasman, and all have been infected with a microscopic mite that causes deformation in the developing leaves of the vines.

Great care has been taken to select suitable sites with fertile soil, plant with slow-release fertiliser, and protect them from being sprayed.

Old man's beard is a clematis and is one of our region's worst pest plants, so hopes are high that this tiny mite will establish well and in time will reduce the impact of this nuisance vine.

The mites are native to Europe and span from France to Romania.

After seven years of research carried out by Manaaki Whenua – Landcare Research it was established that the mites are very host-specific to old man's beard and will not attack other species of native clematis, although an exotic ornamental, Clematis stans may be attacked to a lesser degree.

Mites travel around on air currents and disperse by a mode called 'ballooning' to colonise new old man's beard plants.

If all goes well, we anticipate that it will take several years for the mites to build up in numbers at the sites and start to spread naturally, at which point they may be able to be harvested for introduction to new sites.



At this stage, the mites are not available through either of the councils until sustained establishment has been determined at the sites.

Travel clean and hitch-hiker-free in our lakes and rivers

Tasman contains numerous rivers, streams and back-country lakes we enjoy when getting out and about, particularly over summer.

When visiting these places or any new water body, it's important to show due care and respect to ensure we neither introduce a new pest nor take away one to share elsewhere.

We're asking anyone coming in contact with fresh water or moving between waterways, whether fishing, boating, tramping, swimming, biking or driving to be extra vigilant about cleaning their gear.

Didymo was the big name a few years back that inspired us all to 'check, clean, dry'. It's still a factor but it goes well beyond just didymo.

There are plenty of invasive pest weeds, algae and other nasties that could take over our beautiful places if we accidentally introduce them.

Invasive freshwater weeds such as lagarosiphon, egeria and elodea, pest fish like rudd or gambusia, or microscopic algae such as didymo and Lindavia can be spread by a single plant fragment, fish egg or drop of water.

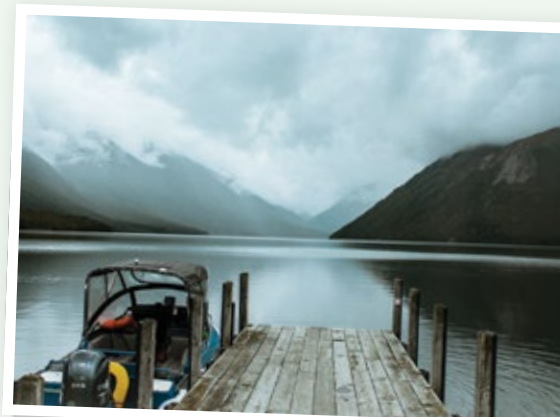
They can hitch a ride on trailers and watercraft as well as the fishing gear, clothing and boots of unknowing trampers, and become established in new lakes.

Once present in the water, Lindavia can grow into a sticky, slimy, substance called lake snow.

Lake snow has already been found in Lakes Rotoiti and Rotoroa in the Nelson Lakes National Park.

We want to keep Lindavia from making its home in the nearby Rotomairewhenua/Blue Lake – which holds the title of clearest freshwater in the world.

For more information on how to check, clean, dry – take a look at the extensive range of resources at biosecurity.govt.nz.



Good Wood discount scheme extended



This is the time of year when many of us are thinking about hot summer days at the beach or river and long evenings of barbecues and socialising with friends and family.

The colder months and the need for heating seems miles away, but now is the time to beat the rush and save money on your winter firewood supplies.

We have partnered with Nelson City Council and Good Wood suppliers to offer a limited number of discounts to people who buy their wood now ahead of next winter's rush.

We've extended the promotion and it will now run until the wood has been fully distributed. People are eligible for a \$25 discount off the price of one load of firewood per household – the minimum load size is 3 cubic metres to qualify.

Our chosen Good Wood suppliers are committed to supplying dry, seasoned firewood, suitable for immediate use, so that's wood that has a moisture content of less than 25% dry weight. This wood can be stored away immediately.

Or you can go green. Green, unseasoned firewood is delivered sufficiently far in advance of winter so that when properly stored by the

user, it will be seasoned for use the following winter. You will need to allow this wood to dry before storing it away.

Some Good Wood suppliers are also offering buy now, pay later terms.

For full details about how you can save \$25 with our Good Wood promotion, head to tasman.govt.nz/good-wood



Getting the weight on waste in Murchison

The new weighbridge at the Resource Recovery Centre in Murchison is now fully operational.

Earthworks started in July and the new 12-metre-long above-ground structure was installed before the area around it was sealed.

Now the weighbridge is in operation, all vehicles and waste are weighed to ensure a fairer share of costs is spread across all users.

It's also supplying improved data about the types and sizes of waste being handled at the centre.

The kiosk at the station has also been upgraded with a new larger building fitted out with improved facilities for staff.

The new Murchison weighbridge cost around \$130,000 for the entire project, which was met in a funding partnership with the Ministry for the Environment.



Remember the three Ps this festive season

"Please think again before you pour the fat from the roast turkey or lamb down the drain!" That's the Christmas wish of our wastewater team this festive season.

Last month there was a wastewater overflow at Ligar Bay, following a similar incident at Stephens Bay several months ago, which ultimately

made its way, via waterways, to the beach and into the sea.

The causes were tracked back to blockages by grease and fat with water escaping from manhole covers.

Clearing blockages is unpleasant expensive work, the cost of which is ultimately borne by ratepayers.

Remember the 3 Ps, only put pee, poo and paper down the loo and keep fats out of drains.

... and if you notice a problem with our wastewater network anywhere in Tasman, please call us 24 hours a day seven days a week on 03 543 8400 and we'll get someone to investigate and sort it out before it becomes a major problem.

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River fairway spraying notification

The Tasman District Council (Council) holds resource consent RM140870 for the ground-based discharge of herbicides within flood channels in the Tasman District. Council undertakes a programme of fairway spraying on river gravel beaches to reduce the build-up of woody weeds and other vegetation that may inhibit the movement of gravel.

This is formal notification of Council's intention to undertake fairway spraying in the Upper Motueka River (between Kohatu Bridge and the Wangapeka/Motueka River confluence), Wai-iti, Tākaka, Waingarō, Aorere and Kaituna Rivers. Spraying is to commence (weather pending) in mid-January 2023. The work is to be undertaken by Council's river maintenance contractor, Taylors Contracting Limited.

Agri-chemicals being used include glyphosate, metsulfuron, organo-silicone wetting agents and dye.

Please contact Shane Jellyman at the Tasman District Council if you have questions regarding this activity.

Holiday hours and services 2022/2023

We're on call these holidays. For urgent or emergency issues, you can contact us 24 hours a day on 03 543 8400.

All service centres – Richmond, Motueka, Tākaka and Murchison – will close from 3.00 pm Friday 23 December and reopen as usual at 8.00 am on Wednesday 4 January.

Murchison Library will be closed during the same time/dates as the Murchison Service Centre.

Richmond, Motueka and Tākaka libraries will close at 5.00 pm Friday 23 December and reopen on Wednesday 28 December. They will close again from Sunday 1 to Tuesday 3 January. They will be open again as usual from Wednesday 4 January.

This year, rubbish and recycling collections over the holiday period remain the same across the District due to Christmas and New Year's Day falling on a Sunday.

Our resource recovery centres will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Opening hours will otherwise stay the same.

Maritime events

Event activity: New Year's fireworks display

Date and location: Saturday 31 December 2022, Kaiteriteri Bay (200-metre exclusion zone around an anchored barge)

Event activity: New Year's fireworks display

Date and location: Saturday 31 December 2022, Torrent Bay (200-metre exclusion zone around an anchored barge)

Event activity: JBNZ Family Fun Day and Rally

Date and location: Saturday 21 January 2023, West Bay, Lake Rotoiti

The Harbourmaster has granted authorisation for these events under the provisions of the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2015. Further details and any new events may be viewed at tasman.govt.nz/maritime-events.

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The Nelson Tasman Summer Events Guide 2022 – 2023 is out now! Pick up a copy from one of our service centres or download a copy from our website.

Sundial Social

**Every Wednesday, 4.30 pm,
Sundial Square Richmond.**

Come along and check out the Sundial Social – a gathering of local food carts/stands and other local entertainment to help family and friends regularly enjoy a place to meet, eat, relax, laugh and chill. This event is about bringing people together, and creating a destination for all to enjoy! So, bring the kids and family down to the Sundial Social!

Pretty Crafty Christmas Market

Saturday 24 December, 10.00 am – 2.00 pm, Richmond Town Hall. Koha.

Richmond Market Day

Thursday 29 December, 9.00 am – 3.00 pm, Queen Street, Richmond. Free.

Visit Richmond businesses as they bring their specials out onto the street and the many market stallholders from all around New Zealand as they line Queen Street. With an outstanding array of food, clothing, plants, fresh summer produce, local artisan products plus free activities for the kids, it's all there!

Riwaka Market Day

**Monday 2 January, 9.00 am – 3.00 pm,
Riwaka Domain, Corner of School Road and SH60. Free.**

A friendly market organised by members of the Motueka Pottery Workshop. Children enjoy clay play while the pottery group's famous lucky dip features prizes of all handmade pottery items and the club stall offers great bargains, plus seasonal produce and refreshments.

Wakefield Country Fête

**Monday 2 January, 9.00 am,
Wakefield Village Hall and Green. Free.**

The oldest annual craft and food market in the region, celebrating 43 years.

Higgins Heritage Park Annual Community Craft Fair and Steam-Up

Monday 2 January, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm, Higgins Heritage Park, Wakefield. Koha.

Come and enjoy a picnic on the Village Green. Rides operating, kids' activities, displays, large number of stalls and food, a great ambience with fun for all.

Golden Bay A&P Show

Saturday 21 January, 8.00 am – 5.00 pm, Golden Bay Recreation Park, Tākaka.

Pre-show ticket \$10, gate sales \$15, under 15 free. A true country, family-friendly show! Get up close with the animals and cheer on horse riders, wood choppers and shearers. Stunning displays of baking, flowers, handcrafts and photography, along with many trade stands plus amusement rides, an entertainment hub and children's play area. And don't forget the grand parade early afternoon.

Golden Bay Weed Swap

Saturday 21 January, 8.00 am – 5.00 pm, Golden Bay Recreation Park, Tākaka.

Members of our Biosecurity team will be at A&P shows around the District running a Weed Swap! All you need to do is check our Tasman-Nelson Regional Pest Management Plan on our website for pest weed species, then hunt them down and take them to the team at the show and they may swap it for a native plant. Now they don't want your old common variety gorse, broom or old man's beard. Our Biosecurity experts are looking for the more unusual ones that are on the list. The team only has a limited number of native plants to swap, so it's first in first served.

Visit tasman.govt.nz/tasman-nelson-regional-pest-management-plan.



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Bike Orienteering Course

Saturday 21 January, 10.00 am – 1.00 pm, Goodman Park, Motueka. Free.

Cycle along one of our great cycle ways, find clues along the way to solve the puzzle. Remember your helmet!

Summer Movies Al Fresco

- **Friday 6 January, The Lion King Reo Māori, Washbourn Gardens, Richmond.**
- **Sunday 8 January, The Adventures of Robin Hood, Sustainable Living Centre, Tākaka.**
- **Sunday 15 January, Miracle on 34th Street, Washbourn Gardens, Richmond.**
- **Wednesday 18 January, The Adventures of Robin Hood, Washbourn Gardens, Richmond.**
- **Friday 20 January, Paddington, Four Square Park, Brightwater.**
- **Sunday 5 February, Whina, Decks Reserve, Motueka.**

A great collection of movies screened in parks from Nelson to Tākaka. Gather a group, a picnic, load up the couch and join us from 7.30 pm to play giant board games, talk with each other and watch the regions'

glorious summer sunsets. Movies start at dusk. \$2 adult, \$1 child.

If it looks like rain, please text 'Is it on?' to 021 776 623 after 7.30 pm on the night. For up-to-date details see nelsonsummer.nz or the Summer Movies Al Fresco Facebook page.

Wellby Talking Cafés

- **Tuesday 10 January, 10.00 am – 11.30 am, Burning Edge Café Tapawera.**
- **Tuesday 10 January, 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm, Richmond Library.**
- **Wednesday 18 January, 10.00 am – 11.30 am, Motueka Library.**

Wellby Talking Cafés welcome everyone for a relaxed cuppa to start your journey connecting with others who enjoy the same things. You can pop in for a quick chat or stay for a longer conversation with friendly people. There is no need to register, just turn up on the day.

Buskers at Māpua Wharf

Sunday 22 January, 11.00 am – 2.30 pm, Māpua Wharf. Koha. Join us at the beautiful Māpua Wharf to see the buskers perform their individual shows.

New look website

The Tasman Libraries website has had a face lift. Visit tasmanlibraries.govt.nz to see all your favourite e-Resources like CreativeBug, Ancestry, Hoopla, Kanopy and more, all on a shiny new platform. You can still watch films and documentaries, listen to music, suggest items for the library to purchase, read up-to-date magazines and newspapers from all over the world and much more, all for free with your library card and PIN, on our website. Check it out today.

Summer at the library

Stop by your library to pick up your handy A3 fold-out calendar of all the events happening at Motueka, Murchison, Richmond and Tākaka libraries from today until the end of January. Slap it on the fridge and have all the library goings-on in the District at your fingertips. Don't know what to do with the grandies on a rainy day? Want an excuse to write poetry, read with purpose, picnic with books, or take part in a Storywalk? Check your summer at the library calendar! And for an online version of everything, visit the What's On page on tasmanlibraries.govt.nz.



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