



Live Nelson changes

Look out for Live Nelson's next double page spread which will feature in the Leader in a fortnight. This will be followed by standard Live Nelson editions on 1 April and 15 April. This is to accommodate important information on Council's upcoming 10 Year Plan.

MAYOR'S BOUQUET



This month's recipient is Pat Standish-White for her long-standing contribution to the Founders Annual Book Fair.

For more than 10 years, Pat has been a valuable part of the dedicated team of volunteers who spend two mornings every week sorting and pricing books donated to the Book Fair by the local community.

While the book fair is on, she always makes sure that the other hardworking volunteers are well looked after, quietly making sure the tea rooms are well stocked.

At the end of last year, Pat "retired" as a book sorter but I am pleased to see she is still involved in the book fair.

Her thoughtfulness and dedication is greatly appreciated and it is a pleasure to be able to thank her publicly for her contribution.

If you know someone you consider worthy of a Mayor's Bouquet, just follow these easy steps:

- Submit the nominated recipient's name and contact details, along with 150 words on why they deserve recognition - usually for going the extra mile to perform services to our community unpaid and unsung.
- Send via post to Mayoral Bouquet, Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040 or email to mayorsbouquet@ncc.govt.nz. Remember to include your name and contact details.

The Mayor's Bouquet is brought to you in association with Woodlea Florist, Bridge Street, Nelson.



ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 draws in crowds at Saxton Oval.

Nelson puts on a show

Our role as a host city for the 2015 ICC Cricket World Cup - one of the world's largest international sports events - is about to wrap up.

The last game between Scotland and Bangladesh will be played today, Thursday 5 March at Saxton Oval.

With the World Cup engaging one fifth of the world's population, Saxton - one of the world's newest first-class and international cricket venues - has proved a great venue for hosting international events and successfully showcased our city to the world.

The event was not only a chance for residents to watch an international game at home, it also brought in visitors

from outside the region. Nelson's CBD was particularly packed with both locals and out-of-towners enjoying the Festival of Cricket in February.

Council would like to thank residents for being a part of such a successful international event.

Fun facts:

- Over a billion people watch the ICC Cricket World Cup matches.
- Saxton Oval is one of the world's newest first class and international cricket venues.

- Nelson has one of the oldest cricket associations in the country, formed in 1858.
- The first cricket match was played in Nelson in 1859.
- The "Nelson" is a cricketing superstition that suggests that the score 111 is bad luck for a team. That might just be the case for the Nelson cricket team which played first class cricket from 1874-1891. In both their first and last innings they were dismissed for 111.

nelson.govt.nz Search = cricket world cup

2015 Nelson Masked Parade - Theme Competition

Nelson Arts Festival organisers are asking for the public to submit bold and creative theme ideas for this year's Masked Parade.

What theme would you like to see that would allow imaginations to run wonderfully wild?

If your theme is chosen, you'll not only get to see it come to life on Friday 16 October, your group will be given the chance to lead the parade and carry the 2015 Nelson Masked Parade banner.

Past themes include: Sparkling Sustainable Future; The Playful Pacific; Myths & Legends; Adventurous Journeys; Earth, Wind & Fire.

To submit your idea, go to nelson.govt.nz and search = theme competition, email: festivalenquiries@ncc.govt.nz, post it on the 'Nelson Masked Parade and Carnivale' Facebook page, or mail it to: Masked Parade Theme Competition, Nelson Arts Festival, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040.

When submitting your idea, include:

- Contact name
- Name of group or organisation (if applicable)
  - Phone number
- Email address
- Theme idea
- whether you agree to being named in publicity about the Nelson Masked Parade if chosen?

Entries must be received by 5pm on Monday 23 March.



Have your say on Nelson's future

From 24 March to 24 April, residents will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the priorities Council has set in its 10 Year Plan. To make Nelson an even better place, we have to know what we're doing, when we're doing it and how much it is going to cost. This Plan will only come to life if it truly reflects the wishes of the community, that's why we need your feedback.

For more information visit nelson.govt.nz search = long term plan.

Keeping Victory Safe

Over the last year a community-led project, Keep Victory Safe, has been working towards building a stronger, safer neighbourhood in Victory. Supported by the Nelson City Council and the Ministry of Justice, the idea behind the project is to encourage people to connect with, and invest in, their community.



Initiatives have included surveying the community to understand the areas of highest concern, community patrols throughout the Victory area and creating a more connected approach through community meetings and workshops.

Marcia Higgs, Project Manager, says the positive effects of the project are already being seen within the community. "We're seeing an improved working relationship between Victory business owners, Police and our volunteers within the programme, and community patrols are also working really well within the Victory area.

"There's a sense of more eyes and ears on the ground, talking about what they've seen in the area and how we can keep our community safer," she says. "One of the important aspects of the project is keeping our children safe in the community and we are also seeing a higher awareness among teachers and other professionals and more

emphasis is growing on how we can all work together more deliberately to safeguard our children and on safety overall."

This year, the project is continuing to build relationships with residents, agencies and businesses which support the community. "There are a number of initiatives we are looking at this year to build on the work that has taken place over the last year," Ms Higgs says. "We've already held a "treasure hunt" which encouraged locals to visit and interact with organisations, businesses and individuals within the area and we're thrilled to offer free weekly BBQs for young people and the general community on Victory Square Reserve thanks to the generous support of a community leader."

For more information on the Keep Victory Safe project visit: victorycommunitycentre.co.nz

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Free composting workshops

Learn how to turn your kitchen/garden waste into compost - using compost bins, worm farms and Bokashi. The workshops are being held on: Tuesday 17 March, 10am-noon at Victory Community Centre, Saturday 18 April, 2-4pm at Tahunanui Community Centre and Monday 4 May, 10am-noon at Stoke school. Funded by Nelson City Council, these workshops are free to Nelson residents. The tutor will go through the different methods and problems that can arise. There will be a chance for discussion, questions, and a tour of a working garden. Registration is essential. Book online at chalkle.com/nelsonenvironmentcentre.

Rural water restrictions

With rural river levels continuing to drop, the Council has introduced water restrictions for people taking water from streams or wells. Affected residents are required to stop taking water for crop irrigation, garden watering, washing cars, houses, or driveways. Water may only be used for fire fighting, drinking, watering stock and domestic washing.

Woodburner community meeting coming up

In close collaboration with the community, Nelson City Council is reviewing the Nelson Air Quality Plan, which will consider options for how best to manage woodburners. Council is holding a community consultation meeting from 3-6.30pm on Monday 16 March at the Trafalgar Pavillion to better understand people's concerns and how these could be addressed through a plan review.

From 3-5pm, a drop-in session will be held where people can talk to staff and experts on anything related to air quality in Nelson such as rules and legislation, the status of Nelson's air or new technology. Then from 5-5.30pm staff will present on:

- The current approach in the Nelson Air Quality Plan
- Monitoring and modelling results to date and additional work required
- The plan review process and timeframe
- Non-regulatory support available.

From 5.30-6.30pm, there will be a facilitated discussion where people will be encouraged to put forward ideas and suggestions on options to be considered as part of the plan review. Suggestion forms will also be available on the day.

Those interested are welcome to attend part or all of the meeting.

New exhibition opens at the Suter

The Suter Art Gallery's first exhibition at its new location in the heart of Nelson City has just opened.

The Suter relocated to 28 Halifax Street last month while construction work takes place over the next two years on the original Gallery, built in 1899.

The exhibition, Minkisi - Art and Belief in West and Central Africa, is a dramatic presentation of masks and statues from West and Central Africa, delivering a message about cultures, traditions, histories and beliefs that are widely divergent from our own.

Collected by Whanganui-born Desmond Bovey during his 30 year career in France and Africa, this exhibition offers a privileged insight into these regions.

"We are excited to be able to welcome visitors into our new space with such a powerful and visually exciting show. We feel that this exhibition will offer something new to the Nelson arts scene, the likes of which is not seen here every day," says Suter Art Gallery Director, Julie Catchpole.

Visitors are welcome to enjoy the exhibition which runs from Friday February 27 - Sunday 12 April 2015.

thesuter.org.nz



Ceremonial gong from Kota, Gabon

A gardening day out at Anzac Park

On Wednesday 18 March 10am-3pm at Anzac Park, the public are welcome to come and help themselves to the geranium 'Maverick Mix' plants that have made up the summer bedding display.

The plants are being removed as part of the normal change over from summer to winter display plants. The winter display will be red poppies to fit in with the 100 year commemorations of World War 1.

The public are asked to wear suitable clothing, and to bring plastic bags/containers to put the plants in (no soil is to be taken from the park) and secateurs - to trim back the plants. Nelmac staff will be on site to provide advice and direction. Spades to lift the plants will be available on site to share.

Bedding geraniums will last a number of years if kept out of the winter frosts, either in containers followed by planting out in spring, or planted over winter in frost free areas.

Meetings

For a full list of Council meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings

What's on

At a Council venue near you?

For a full list of Nelson events go to:

itson.co.nz

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