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Trafalgar Centre Family Day 8 April

With work on the Trafalgar Centre now complete, you are invited to come and celebrate with friends and family.

Join the Mayor for a family day, explore behind the scenes, and relax for the afternoon with friends and family in Rutherford Park. Bouncy castles, skate boarding and face-painters are just the start of the fun, so save the date and we'll see you there.



Live music at the Library

As part of the Live Music series on Sundays in the Elma Turner Library, we are pleased to present Bob Bickerton – a multi-instrumentalist, specialising in both traditional and contemporary Celtic music. He has performed widely around New Zealand both in concert and at festivals.

When: Sunday 2 April, 2pm
Where: Elma Turner Library
Cost: Free

Fundraising opportunity at Founders ANZAC Fair

Founders ANZAC Fair is on again, with a day full of family entertainment on offer at Nelson's Heritage Park on Sunday 23 April from 10.30am–3.30pm.

The event also includes food stalls, run by community groups, with organisers now looking for interested groups to run individual stalls.

Ideas for stalls include simple food options such as baked potatoes, sausage sizzles, roasted nuts, or candy floss.

Community groups are able to raise funds through their sales at the Fair.

If any community groups are interested, please contact Founders Heritage Park, phone 03 548 2649 or email sarah.newman-watt@ncc.govt.nz for more information.



Co-Chair of Strategy and Environment Committee, Councillor Brian McGurk, presents winner Bronwyn Tuck with her prize and certificate.

We found the Best Little Woodshed

Its official, the best little woodshed in town belongs to Bronwyn Tuck. Bronwyn's simply built, affordable and artistically arranged wood storage system was the clear winner of the Best Little Woodshed competition.

The judges, Co-chair of the Strategy and Environment Committee, Councillor Brian McGurk, and Eco-adviser Richard Popenhagen visited a shortlist of the sheds and looked for basic woodshed functions – under cover to keep the rain off, air flow to the sides and an airspace below the woodshed floor. They also gave marks for use of recycled materials, innovation, practicality and aesthetics.

"There were some lovely sheds to look at and it was great to see how proud people were of their wood storage systems," said Councillor McGurk.

Bronwyn's shed was created in her driveway, just a few steps from her door.

"Our woodshed is a 'No Build' and was \$0 cost as it was made up of materials lying around in the shed leftover from the house build," said Bronwyn's entry. "It really is physics magic in action! Like a Danish wood pile, it is supremely

beautiful and we have called it our Wood Mandala."

Bronwyn used breeze blocks to support the floor, with two cantilevered poles at each end acting as side walls. The whole arrangement sits alongside an existing retaining wall and can be dismantled and removed at the end of winter until it is needed again.

Second place went to Michael Murphy's very handy woodshed in the southern veranda of his 160 year-old cottage. Third place went to Anna Vesty's well built, dark-stained woodshed with four compartments that maintain airflow through-out the pile, a sloping roof and strong construction.

The prize for innovation went to Susan Drew, who used two bulk plastic containers with the ends cut out and holes drilled for drainage/airflow. The containers fit well in to the space available, were free, and being light and movable were easy to handle and install.

Susan also won the People's Choice award with 106 likes on Facebook. All entrants received a free bag of kindling. The top three winners received a certificate and a voucher for firewood from a Good Wood supplier. The People's Choice and the Innovation award winners each won a free flue clean/check.

New signage in place on Maitai Walkway

Following Council's decision in December, regarding access for walkers and cyclists on narrow sections of the Maitai Walkway, new signage is being installed.

The signs will indicate that the section of Maitai Walkway from the lower Nile Street Bridge at Domett Street to Cloustons Bridge is not for mountain biking.

Along the shared use section of the Walkway, from Cloustons Bridge to Jickells Bridge, other signs will be installed encouraging courtesy, sharing the path and asking cyclists to give way to pedestrians on the narrow sections and to slow down when approaching roads.

All walkway users are asked to respect the restrictions in place, take care and look out for each other so everyone can enjoy this beautiful area safely.

Big Beach Clean Up

Nelson's beaches are looking squeaky clean after a major community effort to remove rubbish from our coastlines.

The Big Beach Clean Up on 4 March saw 4.77 tonnes of rubbish collected along the coastline from Totaranui to Delaware Bay – an increase from 2014, when 3.73 tonnes of rubbish was collected.

Within Nelson City, 21 groups volunteered, sorting rubbish and recyclables. Clare Barton, Group Manager Strategy and Environment, said Council appreciated the community effort that went in to cleaning up the beaches.

"It was very heartening to see people giving up their weekend for such a worthwhile cause. We all enjoy spending time on our beaches, and keeping them rubbish free is important not just for us but for the wildlife as well."

The event was organised by DOC in partnership with Nelson City Council, Tasman District Council and Nelmac Ltd. Sponsors Motueka New World and Tasman Bay Food Group Ltd provided refreshments for those bringing in the rubbish.



Nelson's draft Annual Plan 2017/18 out now for consultation

Council's draft Annual Plan outlines what Council plans to do differently in 2017/18 to what was approved in the Long Term Plan 2015–25. It is what is known as an exceptions document.

Council has produced a consultation document which outlines the key projects set out in the Plan. This is being delivered to every household and is also available online, at the Customer Service Centre or at Nelson libraries.

The consultation period runs until 5pm, Tuesday 18 April with drop in sessions to be held Monday 27 March, 5–6pm at Elma Turner Library; Wednesday

29 March, 12–1pm at Stoke Library; Saturday 1 April, 8am–1pm at Nelson Market; and Sunday 9 April, 1–2pm at Nellie Nightingale Library. Submissions can be made online at nelson.govt.nz, by post, or in person at Civic House.

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Popular Positive Ageing Expo returns

Thousands are expected to attend the popular annual Positive Ageing Expo, a showcase of the recreational, health and social services available in the region for those of, or nearing, retirement age.

With more than 70 stallholders, the expo has plenty to offer anyone interested in making ageing a positive experience.

This year, there will be seminars, demonstrations (some with the chance to have a go) and a range of activities as diverse as pottery demonstrations, e-bikes, choir, movement and mindfulness activities.

Seminars include:

- **To Rest is to Rust:** The Ups and Downs of Physical Activity – by University of Waikato Emeritus Professor Bevan Grant.
- **Retirement, the time to sit back and relax – WRONG!** How to make a real difference to your community by volunteering – by Gordon Oldfield of Volunteer Nelson.

- **Eyes, Ears, Action:** How to recognise elder abuse and what to do about it.
- **Antifreeze Your Home:** No-cost and low-cost ways to keep your home warm and healthy – by Richard Popenhagen of Nelson City Council.

Admission is free, with complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Lunch will be available for purchase.

When: Friday 31 March, 10am – 3pm
Where: Headingly Centre, Richmond
Cost: Free

MEETINGS

The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled:

Extraordinary Planning and Regulatory Committee	8.45am	23 Mar
Council meeting	9am	23 Mar
Regional Transport Committee	1.30pm	27 Mar
Joint Committee of Tasman District and Nelson City Councils	9.30am	28 Mar
Works and Infrastructure Committee	9am	30 Mar
Sports and Recreation Committee	9am	4 Apr
Community Services Committee	9am	6 Apr
Joint Shareholders Committee	1.30pm	11 Apr
Nelson Tasman Civil Defence Emergency Management Group to follow Joint Shareholders Committee		11 Apr
Planning and Regulatory Committee	9am	13 Apr
Governance Committee	9am	20 Apr
Regional Pest Management Joint Committee – Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond	9am	26 Apr

Changes to meetings

Sports and Recreation Committee – Emano East Reserve Revocation deliberations (previously advertised as 1pm 28 Mar)
 1.30pm 9 May

Other meetings

Nelson Youth Council
 1pm 12 Apr

For a full list of Council meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings

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