

# OUR NELSON

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## Richardson Street closure

The stretch of Richardson Street from the Whitby Road intersection to the Washington Road intersection will be closed for resurfacing from Sunday 10 June to Friday 15 June. Please remember to use another route during this time.



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## Famous Founders Book Fair starts Saturday

The wait for a much loved event is nearly over for avid readers! The 2018 Founders Annual Book Fair opens its doors at 10am this Saturday (2 June) and is set to be the best yet!

An estimated 500,000 books have been sorted into 80 specialist categories for book lovers of all ages. It's also been tipped as the year to visit the Book Fair for science buffs, with a large number of books donated by Cawthron Institute, New Zealand's largest independent science organisation.

The Fair, which is expected to attract more than 12,000 people, is popular for locals and visitors alike with some travelling long distances every year to find their treasure amongst the thousands of quality pre-loved books on offer.

A core group of 19 enthusiastic volunteers, who work two days a week all year round, will be joined by more than 80 additional helpers during the fair to cater for the thousands expected to visit. The volunteers will take on a variety of roles, including sorting, selling, re-stocking shelves and security.

The words re-home, recycle and reuse are all closely connected with a second hand book sale and continuing with this theme, organisers would like to ask that you to bring your own sturdy bag to take your books home.

Founders Book Fair is the major fundraiser for Founders Heritage Park, the popular Nelson City Council-owned facility. All profits will go towards developments at the park.

Daily entry to the Book Fair is \$2 per adult or \$5 for a nine-day pass. Children under 12 years are free. The Book Fair will be open from 10am – 4:30pm and runs through until Sunday, 10 June.







## Project Maitai/Mahitahi wetland ready to grow

The work to construct the new wetland at Groom Creek is complete and the first wetland plants are already digging their toes in around the ponds.

The wetland project has involved the re-alignment of 120m of Groom Creek to its natural course, allowing it to travel through the wetland zone before discharging into the Maitai River. The new outfall into the Maitai River is about 280m downstream of its previous location – close to its natural position. The stream course was modified in the 1950s during development in the area.

Construction of the wetland started in 2017 and was carried out over two stages, with a rest period over the summer months when the neighbouring Maitai Campground was busy with holiday makers.

So far, 12,731 wetland species have been planted in the wetland and on the stream margins, and a community planting day is scheduled for Saturday 16 June (11am to 2pm) for a further 2000 plants.

One of the exciting moments in the construction story was the switching of the water flow from the old channel to the new and then the transfer of aquatic life into the new stream. Twenty-nine eels (11 from 250mm to 1 metre); and 612 kōuras were caught and relocated, to continue their lives in their new environment.

Unusually, one adult inanga was also found – most likely due to improved fish passage

following recent work to remove fords downstream.

More than 50 different native species are being planted – including some rare plants specific to the Maitai Valley like Shovel Mint (*Scutellaria novae-zelandiae*), as well as trees and shrubs that will support insect and bird populations. Hollow reeds (such as *Machaerinea articulate* and *Eleocharis sphacelata*) work to strip impurities from the water during its journey through the ponds. Once the initial plantings have established, we will plant some of the longer lived tall canopy trees to complete the biodiversity picture.

The wetland, which was funded by Councils Project Maitai/Mahitahi river restoration project, was designed to reduce fine sediment and oxidised nitrogen inputs into the Maitai/Mahitahi River. It aims to have a long term beneficial impact on biodiversity and river health, and will be a wonderful nature resource for the Nelson community.

### Diary dates:

- **Community Planting:** Saturday 16 June, 11am–2pm (Rain Day Saturday 23 June)
- **Formal Opening and Blessing:** Sunday 23 September (World Rivers Day).

## Light Nelson: a celebration of community, creativity and the wonder of light

In just five weeks' time, in the coldest and darkest part of winter, Nelsonians have the perfect excuse to rug up, get outside, and be dazzled by one of New Zealand's best light festivals. Light Nelson is back from 6–10 July with close to 60 light installations.

The installations will be laid out along a one-way pedestrian circuit, winding its way through Queens Gardens, looping back through Albion Square, and then fanning through the NMIT campus. Hardy Street will be closed off again for the Light Nelson Hub, with food and entertainment. Back again this year is Auckland artist Jon Baxter. He will once again project his video-mapping imagery on the old Technical Institute – a firm favourite from 2016, and it will be even better in 2018.

As a little extra surprise, this year Light Nelson is making a foray further along Bridge Street to

Pocket Park, where Nelson artist Melissa Millard will be installing an artwork called *1000 Cranes*. The title refers to the much-loved and often-told Japanese story of whoever folds 1000 cranes will be granted a wish. *1000 Cranes* is not only intended to inspire hope and create a sense of wonder, but also to prompt visitors to think about what their one wish might be.

Light Nelson is still looking for volunteers. If you are interested in being part of our city's favourite winter event, you can find more info at [lightnelson.co.nz](http://lightnelson.co.nz) or [facebook.com/lightnelsonevent](https://facebook.com/lightnelsonevent).

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## Nelson City Council supports new hospice community facility

As part of Nelson City Council's commitment to promoting healthy, safe, inclusive and resilient communities, it has pledged \$150,000 to the Nelson Tasman Hospice to support the building of a new facility in Stoke.

The hospice, a charitable trust, provides a variety of specialist care services for people who have a life-limiting illness. Support is available to everyone, regardless of age, ethnicity, culture and gender.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese says the hospice provides an essential service to the Nelson community and there will be very few families/whanau in Nelson who have not, at some point, been supported by the hospice.

"The Nelson region has seen significant population growth over the last few decades and we expect this increase to continue. Add to this, the popularity of our region as a retirement destination, and it's clear that we need to plan to meet the needs of an aging population with the availability of relevant support and services."

The Council deemed it appropriate that Nelson

ratepayers contribute \$150,000 to the build of the new facility in Suffolk Road given the vital community service the hospice provides. Nelson Tasman Hospice Chief Executive Frans Dellebeke says, "We're very grateful for the \$150,000 towards our new build. Nelson residents have always shown their support for the service we provide and this is a reflection of that."

The new facility is expected to open next year, and the hospice is seeking public support to raise approximately \$2 million to complete the project. Council's funding is conditional on the hospice securing sufficient funding to complete the project.

Mayor Reese says "It's important for our city's success that we invest in initiatives that help build strong, resilient, healthy families and communities to make Nelson an even better place for locals and visitors."

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The temperature may have dropped a few degrees in the last month, but it hasn't dampened the spirits of the public who enthusiastically engaged with the Long Term Plan in April and May.

We received 434 submissions and more than 150 people came to share their ideas and feedback with us over three days. It was refreshing to see so many people taking the time out from their busy schedules to have their say on shaping the future of Nelson, the Smart Little City.

As a Council we considered all the submissions we received and made changes accordingly, while always keeping an eye on the finances. I am pleased with what we have achieved throughout this process to shape Nelson's future and look forward to the final stage of the journey, officially adopting the Long Term Plan in late June.

There are some exciting events coming up in June, with the Founders Annual Book Fair a hugely popular favourite.

This year it runs from 2-10 June and will see thousands of book lovers from around the region and country converge

on Founders Heritage Park to hunt for bargain priced gems or just restock the bookshelves for winter reading.

Thanks to all of the committed volunteers who work all year round to make this event such a success.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who got behind the Dancing for a Cause event.

I was fortunate enough to be involved and very grateful for the help of my dance partner and all the people who donated money to the Nelson Hospice, which is such a worthy cause.

**Mayor Rachel Reese**



## 2018 Dog Registrations

If you are a dog owner, you'll soon receive your dog registration forms in the post or by email.

We launched our new online dog registration portal last year at [my.nelson.govt.nz](http://my.nelson.govt.nz), so you can now register, pay and manage your dog registration online.

If you've already registered, we will have all your details so it will be a simple job to re-register your dog this year by logging in at [my.nelson.govt.nz](http://my.nelson.govt.nz).

You can also check that all of your details are up-to-date and make any changes you need to.

If you haven't already registered, you'll need to set up your account. Go to [my.nelson.govt.nz](http://my.nelson.govt.nz) and click on Dog Registration (under Animal Management) – then follow the prompts to create an account.

The Dogs Online system only accepts payment by credit card, so if you want to pay by internet banking go to [nelson.govt.nz/internet-payment](http://nelson.govt.nz/internet-payment).

If you need any help with registering your dog, contact Council's Customer Service Centre and we can help. Just remember, however you do it, all dogs over three months of age on 1 July must be registered by the 1 July deadline.

Dog registration fees are used for dog control purposes including running the animal shelter, dog patrols, education, training, advice, signage and providing dog poop bags. Find out more at [nelson.govt.nz/dogs](http://nelson.govt.nz/dogs).

If you don't register your dog, you may be liable for a \$300 fine and your dog may be impounded.

[my.nelson.govt.nz](http://my.nelson.govt.nz)

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## Council focused on investing in cycling activities for the community

A close connection to the natural environment is important for many Nelsonians. Nelson City Council is committed to ensuring our communities have access to a range of social, education and recreational facilities and activities.

The importance of recreational cycling and mountain biking was acknowledged during Long Term Plan deliberations in May. The Nelson Mountain Bike Club and the Nelson Tasman Cycling Trust will receive funding to encourage the growth and development of the city's recreational cycle and mountain bike trails.

### Mountain biking

Mountain biking in Nelson has one of the highest rates of participation of any active recreation, due to the wonderful network of mountain bike trails that have been developed. Recent reports (such as a report from Business and Economic Research Limited - BERL) have shown that there are considerable economic benefits for the city in developing our mountain bike trails and services to attract tourists.

Council has allocated funding for the development of mountain bike trails and to support the Nelson Mountain Bike Club with plans to host the Enduro World Series event in Nelson in 2021. Funding of \$500,000 has been approved over three years.

Mayor Reese says, "Attracting the Enduro World Series will be a real coup for Nelson, as well as providing an economic boost, it will go a long way in establishing our credibility as an international mountain biking destination."

Nelson Mountain Bike Club President Mark Newton says, "We are delighted to see such strong support for the further development of mountain biking in the Council's Long Term Plan."

"We are looking forward to working closely with the Council, and all of our stakeholders, to help Nelson realise the social and economic benefits the sport offers."

"Our club members have been building mountain biking infrastructure in Nelson for more than 25 years. This funding and support from the Council over the next decade will enable Nelson to develop into a truly world-class destination that caters for all skill and fitness levels."

Mark Newton advised that the Nelson Mountain Bike Club has a very clear strategic plan that they are working hard to deliver on behalf of their 3,000+ members. This includes the vision of Nelson hosting a round of the Enduro World Series in 2021. With the excellent relationships between the Club, Nelson City Council, Ngati Koata and Tasman Pine Forests the future is very bright for mountain biking in Nelson. The support from Council will help cement Nelson's reputation as one of the premier riding locations in the world.

### Recreational cycling

Council also agreed that cycle trails in the city should receive a funding boost over the next two years.

An off-road trail between the Maitai Dam and Maitai Camp will be explored and developed

(\$60,000), the section on the Dun Mountain Trail from Coppermine Saddle to the Maitai Dam will be renewed (\$50,000) and the trail along the Maitai pipeline, which was affected by a slip, will be reinstated (\$50,000). These allocated amounts will be match-funded through central Government.

The proposed Great Taste Trail extension from Tahunanui Beach to the airport is under way, and expected to be completed within one year. This is a year earlier than the initial projected timeframe.

Gillian Wratt, Chair of the Nelson Tasman Cycle Trust was pleased to see that the Council has included funding in the Long Term Plan for cycling related projects. "The Great Taste Trail and the Dun Mountain (Coppermine) Trail are increasingly popular with local riders and those from out of town. The Great Taste Trail recorded around 180,000 passes per annum over the last four years, and recently installed counters on the Dun Mountain Trail recorded more than 1500 riders in February and March 2018."

"The Trust is delighted with the Council's decisions to make funding available to extend the Great Taste Trail from the airport to Tahunanui and for upgrading work on Dun Mountain Trail. These Long Term Plan commitments take us one step closer to an environment that enables cycling to be an accessible way of travelling for everyone – whether they are young, old, commuting, new to cycling or looking for adventure."

Mayor Rachel Reese reiterated the broader benefits these trails provide. "The cycling infrastructure can also be used by walkers, and our growing tourist population that choose to ride (rather than to drive) as they explore Nelson Tasman."





## Congratulations to our winners!

Well done to our Kickstart Compost Month winners!

Kristina Hornell, Liza Kieffer and Patricia Dickson won a book each for sharing a photo of their compost bins on the Council Facebook page.

May was Kickstart Compost Month. It's always a good time to start composting and all the information you need to get started is on the website [nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz), (search = composting).



From left: Kristina Hornell, Liza Kieffer and Patricia Dickson (pictured with grandson Nohorua) were winners as part of Kickstart Compost Month.

[nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz) Search = composting

## Innovative solution for footbridge

A new hybrid cathodic protection treatment is being used on the Trafalgar Park Footbridge, after a recent inspection revealed corrosion of the reinforcing steel within the concrete structure supporting the bridge.

With the level of corrosion discovered, the remaining life of the bridge was estimated at 10 years.

The hybrid cathodic protection treatment which is currently being applied to the Trafalgar Park Footbridge, is designed to give the bridge a 50-year life.

The contact with the tidal salt water makes this location a tough environment for reinforced concrete.

For further information go to [nelson.govt.nz/projects](http://nelson.govt.nz/projects).



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## YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE

The Nelson Youth Council believes in the value of youth voice within council and has therefore been committed to presenting this voice for consideration in the development of the draft Nelson City Long Term Plan.

One of the key topics within the LTP, we see as important to local youth, is the proposed development of a Youth Park in Stoke. A recent survey of more than 20 per cent of Nelson youth showed a majority supported this proposed initiative. The intent is to provide a 'hub' for youth in Stoke, thus giving young people a place to go and creating a community space.

We believe a development within Stoke will give youth a feeling of safety and community belonging, whilst reducing some current stigma of young people within the area and Nelson as a whole.

We understand that youth require a sense of safety and support in order to thrive and positively contribute to the community. Therefore, the Nelson Youth Council sees clear value in the Council's "spotlight" on Stoke and its expansion, and believes this youth focused development will improve the area now and in the future.

By Alex Hunter



# Story Time at the Library: New Saturday session

We are very excited to be adding a special weekend Story Time and Small Time session to our programme due to popular demand. Saturday Stories will run through the winter months, with the first session under way at 11am, on Saturday 9 June.

This new session brings our total offering to seven sessions a week across our branches. Feel free to join us at any of the sessions below:

### Elma Turner Library

- Small Time – Mondays at 11.30am and Wednesdays at 10.30am
- Story Time – Thursdays at 2pm

### Stoke Library

- Small Time – Tuesdays at 10.30am
- Story Time – Wednesdays at 10.30am

### Nightingale Library

- Story Time – Fridays at 11am

Each of these sessions is a fun combination of stories, rhymes, songs and movement – it is also a great chance for mums, dads, grandparents and other caregivers to get together.

Small Time is designed specifically for under two year olds and is a great opportunity to introduce baby to books early, in a fun and relaxed environment. Story Time caters for two – five year olds, though younger siblings are always welcome.

The Library is a cosy space to spend some time this winter and there are lots of toys and board games to keep the whole family occupied. Our Story Time and Small Time sessions run during term time – keep an eye out for our Winter Reading Programme too, running from June to August, details out soon.



# Banded Rail get extra protection

Nelson Nature (Nelson City Council's biodiversity programme) is working in partnership with Natureland and the Tasman Environmental Trust's Battle for the Banded Rail project to protect banded rail along the Nelson foreshore. The traps extend protection for this shy coastal bird into Nelson.

Battle for the Banded Rail is working with local communities along the edge of the Waimea Inlet to restore habitat and trap predators to protect banded rail and other estuarine birds.

Banded Rail populations are declining throughout NZ because of introduced predators and habitat loss and, in the South Island, are now only found in Nelson-Marlborough estuaries.

They are secretive birds, rarely seen, as they are well-camouflaged and remain under the cover of vegetation. However, footprint surveys have found a population in the Waimea Inlet, including along Whakatu Drive.

Over the last month, a team from Nelson City Council and Natureland installed traps alongside the Whakatu Drive cycleway, which follows the coastal margin of the Waimea Inlet.

Nelson Nature is supporting the project by providing traps and baits, while Natureland is volunteering staff time to regularly check and maintain the traps. The traps are designed to target stoats and rats, key predators of banded rail. The traps have been designed to exclude weka and cats. Walkers and cyclists are asked not to disturb the traps.

Councillor Brian McGurk, Chair of the Planning and Regulatory Committee, said that the trapping programme along Whakatu Drive would extend protection for threatened species along the coastal corridor. "It's great to see the partnership approach taking shape to increase protection for our local birds and wildlife."



Lena, Roger and Meg from Natureland, installing the new traps along Whakatu Drive.

[tet.org.nz/battle-for-the-banded-rail](http://tet.org.nz/battle-for-the-banded-rail)

[nzbirdsonline.org.nz/species/banded-rail](http://nzbirdsonline.org.nz/species/banded-rail)



## Getting rid of your old fridge?

If you've got an old fridge to dispose of, it could contribute to the greenhouse gas problem if not taken care of properly.

Older fridges are likely to be powered by one of the manmade greenhouse gases such as CFCs or HFCs, which can contribute to climate change.

It's important to take unwanted fridges to the Transfer Station on Pascoe Street, (minimum drop off fee applies) where any refrigeration gases will be removed and disposed of safely so they don't pollute the atmosphere.

If you've got a good older fridge and you want to keep it going, here's some useful tips to reduce energy costs and make sure it's working efficiently:

- Keep dust off the coils at the back of the fridge.
- Make sure the door seals (gaskets) are clean and working well – test this by putting a torch in your fridge and turn the lights off in the kitchen. Replace them if they're not performing well.
- Keep your fridge away from other appliances so it won't be made to work harder because of the heat they generate. Positioning it out of the sun can also help.



## All Blacks game proposed road closures

The Tasman Rugby Union and Nelson Regional Development Agency propose to temporarily close the roads listed below for the All Blacks Game and City Activation.

The roads to be closed:

- **Hathaway Terrace, Hathaway Carpark and Trafalgar Park Lane** from 6am on 7 September until 11pm 8 September 2018.
- **Paru Paru Road** 6am until 11pm on 8 September 2018.
- **Trafalgar Street (SH6-Halifax Street), Wainui Street, Grove Street (Trafalgar - Collingwood) and Elliot Street** from 4pm until 11pm on 8 September 2018.
- **Trafalgar/Halifax Intersection** closed as required from exit approximately 9:15pm until 11pm.
- **Trafalgar Street (Bridge Street – Hardy Street), Hardy Street (Church Street – Collingwood Street) Park Lane and Hope Street** from 11am until 7pm on 8 September 2018.

- **Trafalgar Street (Hardy Street – Selwyn Place), Morrison Street, Wakatu Carpark (outside carparks only)** from 11am until midnight on 8 September 2018.

There will also be no parking permitted on the streets listed above from 6am on 8 September 2018.

Anyone wishing to give feedback about this proposal is invited to do so in writing by 14 June 2018. Mail should be addressed for the attention of Melissa Ramsay, Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson, or email your feedback to enquiries@ncc.govt.nz. The decision of whether the roads will be closed will be advertised on Council's website, nelson.govt.nz.

nelson.govt.nz

## Do you Scoop the Poop?

It's almost dog registration time and Nelson City Council is rewarding responsible dog owners by offering free coffee vouchers to those that pick up their dog poop.

Through the month of June, Council's 'Scoop the Poop' promotion will see our Dog Control officers able to give free coffee vouchers to dog walkers, as a way of saying thanks for keeping our pathways, environment and rivers clean.

The vouchers are for coffee at one of two local cafes, River Kitchen and The Beach Café, Tahunanui. Both cafes are popular destinations for dog walkers and are supporting this initiative.

Dog poop left on the pavement, pathway or grassy area is both unpleasant and hazardous for other walkers. It's also a pollution issue. Bacteria

from dog faeces can be washed into rivers during rain or flood events.

"By picking up your dog's poop, you are making a great contribution to the health of our rivers, streams and beaches – plus it's the decent thing to do," says Councillor Brian McGurk.

You can do your bit to keep our rivers, footpaths and sports fields clean – and comply with regulations – by carrying a dog poop bag when in a public place, and removing the faeces immediately. Failure to do so can result in a \$300 fine.



### MEETINGS

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

Hearings Panel – Other – Ruma Mārama	9am	5 Jun
Governance Committee	9am	7 Jun
Chief Executive Employment Committee – Ruma Ana	9am	12 Jun
Forestry Advisory Group – Ruma Mārama	3pm	12 Jun

#### Other meetings

Nelson Youth Council	1pm	12 Jun
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#### Notes:

1. Unless otherwise shown, the meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson.
2. A public forum is held during the initial period of the Committee/Council meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at this public forum is asked to give prior advice to the Governance Advisers on 546 0200.
3. Agendas will be available for perusal at the Customer Service Centre in Civic House, or at Nelson Public Libraries, two days prior to the meeting.
4. Agendas and minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on Council's website nelson.govt.nz.

nelson.govt.nz/meetings





# Nelson City Council supports biodiversity through Sanctuary funding

Council's long-term commitment to bringing native birds back into our city – and wider biodiversity gains – has been confirmed through the approval of ongoing operational support funding for the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust.

The Sanctuary Trust operates a community-based project to create a pest-free wildlife sanctuary on a 715ha former water reserve site in the Brook Valley, close to Nelson City Centre. Most of the site comprises of mature beech forest with some broadleaf on previously cleared land. Recently the Trust completed the construction of a 14.4km pest-proof fence around the Sanctuary and successfully undertook an operation to remove all the mammalian pests, to allow endangered native birds to be re-introduced to a safe, pest-free environment.

At its recent Long Term Plan deliberations, the Council agreed to provide \$250,000 in 2018/19, followed by \$150,000 p.a. thereafter, for ongoing operational support.

Submissions to the Long Term Plan consultation process were largely in support of this continued funding for the Sanctuary, which has a wide volunteer base and strong community support.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese says that the Sanctuary benefits people as well as wildlife. "Its value as a conservation project can't be underestimated – and the spin-offs are considerable in terms of its future as a tourist



attraction and educational resource."

The release of future funding is subject to the successful completion of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Council and the Trust, and the release of each annual amount relies on the Sanctuary Trust reporting against objectives outlined in the MOU.

"The Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust is pleased to receive the long-term funding requested of Council within the Long Term Plan," said Dave Butler, Chair of the Sanctuary Trust. "We see this as an important ongoing recognition of the contribution the project will make to the conservation of the region's biodiversity and its economic development. We look forward to continuing to work closely with Council to deliver on this investment for the benefit of generations of Nelsonians."

The Sanctuary is expected to re-open to the public this winter and planning is under way for a series of species re-introductions over the coming years.

## Computer classes at the Libraries

### Elma Turner Library, 9.30–11.00am

- E-books ..... Thu 31 May
- Research tools..... Thu 7 Jun
- Social Media ..... Thu 14 Jun
- Travel planning..... Thu 21 Jun
- Trade Me..... Thu 28 Jun

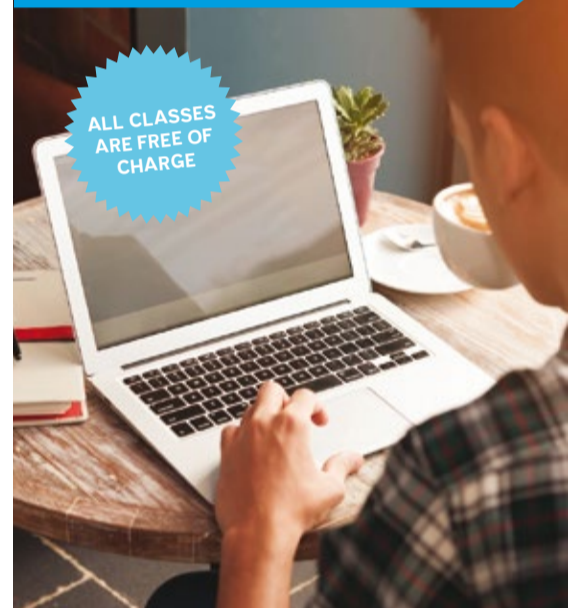
### Stoke Library, 8.15–9.15am

- Go further internet Q&A ... Thu 31 May
- E-books ..... Thu 7 Jun
- Trade Me..... Thu 21 Jun

Book at the front desk or email [library@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:library@ncc.govt.nz).

For more information go to [nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz/library/computer-classes/](http://nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz/library/computer-classes/) or phone 03 546 0414.

[nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz/library/computer-classes/](http://nelsonpubliclibraries.co.nz/library/computer-classes/)



## WHAT'S ON... at a Council venue near you



### Trafalgar Centre

Mike Pero Nelson Giants vs Hawkes Bay Hawkes: 7pm, Saturday 2 June

Mike Pero Nelson Giants vs Manawatu Jets: 7pm, Friday 8 June

Mike Pero Nelson Giants vs Canterbury Rams: 7pm, Thursday 14 June

Cancer Society Annual Charity Ball: 6.30pm, Friday 22 June

Smokefreerockquest: 7.30pm, Tuesday 26 June

### Maitai Boulevard

Nelson Farmers Market: 8am–2pm, every Wednesday

### Founders Heritage Park

Founders Book Fair: 10am–4.30pm, Saturday 2–Sunday 10 June

### Stoke Memorial Hall

Art Exhibition: 10am–4pm, Saturday 16–Sunday 17 June

### Isel House and Park

Queen's Birthday Market: 11am – 3pm, Sunday 3 June

### Museums and Galleries

#### Nelson Provincial Museum

Open weekdays, 10–5pm; weekends and public holidays, 10–4.30pm

50 Greatest Photographs – National Geographic: Until Saturday 30 June

#### The Suter Art Gallery and Theatre

Open daily, 9.30am–4.30pm

Vincent Ward – Palimpsest/Landscape: Saturday 2 June–Sunday 29 July

Thursday Talk – Floor Talk: Thursday 7 June

Thursday Talk – Baby Talk: Thursday 14 June

Thursday Talk – Guided Tour: Thursday 21 June

### Refinery ArtSpace

Open weekdays 10am–5pm, Saturdays 11am–2pm

RAW – work outside the edge: 11am–2pm, until Saturday 16 June

### Nelson Public Libraries

#### Elma Turner Library

Small Time at the Library: 11.30am every Monday & 10.30am every Wednesday

Story Time at the Library: 2pm, every Thursday

Library Knitters: 10am–12pm, every Thursday

Justices of the Peace: 10am–12pm, every Saturday

Community Chat: 10–11am, every Monday

BookChat: 10.30am, Tuesday 12 June

STEMWriters: 1pm, second Tuesday of each month

Young Adult Reading Club. 3.45–4.45pm, every Wednesday

Nelson Institute talk – Nigel Costley presents "Blackguards and Blisters All": 2pm, Sunday 3 June

Anna Maitland as part of the Live Music Series: 2–2.30pm, Sunday 24 June

#### Nightingale Library Memorial

Story Time at the Library: 11am every Friday

#### Stoke Library

Small Time at the Library: 10.30am every Tuesday

Story Time at the Library: 10.30am every Wednesday

Young Adult Reading Club: 3.45pm–4.45pm, Wednesday 20 & 27 June

BookChat: 5.30pm, Wednesday 20 June