



### Big Bike Tune-Up at Sunday market

Look for the Get Moving and Council banners at the market on Sunday 17 April from 8.15am – 12pm to get your free bike check and tune. Basic repairs can be done on the spot. Some new parts (if required) can be supplied for a small charge. If it's wet it may be postponed so check Bicycle Nelson Bays on Facebook.

#### MAYOR'S BOUQUET



This month's recipient is Christine Ward who has recently stepped down from her role as President of the Nelson Branch of NZ China Friendship Society, after six years.

As President, Christine has played a major role in a number of successful projects including working closely with the Confucius Institute to offer several hundred Nelson primary school children Mandarin classes.

Christine was also heavily involved in Nelson's inaugural China Week last year, hosting 13 performers from Huangshi, as well as directing the Nelson-Huangshi Schools' Art Exchange, which resulted in a beautiful exhibition.

Her work to assist in reprinting the story of New Zealand's first Chinese immigrant, Appo Hocton, has resulted in the book now being used in schools nationwide.

Christine's passion is evident and it is a pleasure to be able to publicly recognise her invaluable 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](mailto: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.



# HERITAGE

16-24 April 2016 WEEK

## Immerse yourself in Nelson's heritage

From 16–24 April, locals and visitors alike can immerse themselves in an array of events as part of Heritage Week, many of which are free or low cost for the whole family to enjoy.

This year's theme *Discover the Unexpected* will include a raft of discoveries from extraordinary inventions to deciphering maps.

Heritage Week 2016 will also celebrate Nelson's nuclear free stance and those interested can discover the history of the peace movement and relive the passion for change with free peace kite making workshops on offer.

You can also view Tape Art which will re-create the history of Nelson's early photographers, as well as see crime from a different angle with the gripping play, *Maungatapu*.

A youth photography exhibition, organised by Nelson Youth Council, will showcase pictures from the past,

linking images with stories from the heritage website, The PROW.

Once again, there will be the Heritage Week quiz so grab the quiz map, some friends and family, and make your own historical discoveries around Nelson.

Mayor Rachel Reese says heritage week is a staple in the Nelson calendar.

"Heritage Week is an opportunity to immerse yourself in Nelson's history while having some fun with family and friends."

Guided walks and tours are on offer and you can uncover Nelson's

beautiful heritage houses through tours and exhibitions.

Isel House will be transformed with the exhibition 'Outside Inside' which will recapture the spirit of Victorian research and discovery with interesting taxidermy and specimen collections that were extremely popular in the 1800s. You can also experience spiders at the heritage home of Spider Atkinson and find secrets at Broadgreen Historic House.

Heritage Week 2016 runs from 16–24 April. A full programme can be found online at [nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz) (search = heritage week 2016).

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Search = Heritage Week 2016

### Masked Parade: spread your wings and fly

From dreams and dragons, birds and planes, from Jean Batten to Salvador Dali, this year's Masked Parade theme *Flights of Fancy* will allow participants' imaginations to soar!

Nelson Arts Festival organisers chose the winning theme from a record 111 entries submitted by Nelsonians for the annual Masked Parade theme competition. Jean Langbridge submitted the winning theme and will have the opportunity to lead the parade if she wishes.

This year's Masked Parade is being held on Friday 21 October at the start of Labour weekend. Enrolments are now open via [nelsonartsfestival.co.nz](http://nelsonartsfestival.co.nz) so start thinking about your *Flights of Fancy* mask and costume today.

[nelsonartsfestival.co.nz](http://nelsonartsfestival.co.nz)

### Wheelie Bin deadline 8 April

Later this year, Council will deliver a wheelie bin to every home for recycling plastic, cans, paper and cardboard. Glass will still be collected in the current blue crates.

A 240 litre bin will be delivered by default. If you are happy with that – YOU DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING NOW.

If you want a smaller 120 litre bin you must contact us by 8 April. You can go to the website, [nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz) and fill out the wheelie bin request form.

Or visit the Council office, call 546 0200 or email [enquiries@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:enquiries@ncc.govt.nz) and the Customer Service team will be able to help.

Please note: If you decide to change your bin after it is delivered later this year, a charge of \$80.50 (plus GST) will apply.





From left: Sir Jonathon Porritt, Air New Zealand's Ian Collier and Mayor Rachel Reese.

## Sustainability champion in Nelson

British environmentalist Sir Jonathon Porritt visited Nelson recently to speak at a meeting organised by Air New Zealand and hosted by Nelson City Council, with community and business leaders from across the region.

On the agenda was a discussion about sustainability, tourism and regional development challenges and opportunities, as well as a special address from Sir Jonathon, who said he was "delighted" to be back in Nelson. "There's something about this little city and the surrounding region that is hugely inspiring – an impression confirmed by meeting the Mayors of both Nelson and Tasman, and in the shared session with key community leaders."

The founder director of Forum for the Future said he was impressed with the level of awareness about today's big sustainability issues. "I loved the work being done on Project Maitai/Mahitahi, and with the commitment from those leaders to keep Nelson at the forefront of what is meant by sustainable economic development – and sustainable tourism in particular."

Mayor Rachel Reese says it was a privilege to host the event and meet Sir Jonathon.

"Sir Jonathon is Air New Zealand's critical friend. He has challenged one of New Zealand's signature corporations to embrace the difficult conversations around sustainability and climate change. In grasping that challenge, Air New Zealand is

prospering and has turned a challenge into multiple opportunities that are delivering real world results – including partnerships in our region.

"I was honoured to have the chance to host Sir Jonathon as Nelson's critical friend and to share his insights with other community leaders.

"I welcome the opportunity to grasp the challenges around climate change and sustainable practice and leadership. A sense of community, science and innovation, and care for the outdoors are ingrained in our regional identity. That's enduring stuff and it tells me that we can be sustainability champions and match Air New Zealand's leadership in this space."

Ian Collier, Air New Zealand Regional Affairs Manager, said the Nelson region was chosen for the event as it has a significant role in New Zealand's tourism proposition.

"With an abundance of sunshine and natural resources, and being the gateway to the Abel Tasman National Park, it attracts many kiwis and international visitors every year," he said.

"We were delighted to be able to share more detail on Air New Zealand's sustainability framework and our future aspirations in this area."

## Founder's ANZAC Fete

Founders Heritage Park is once again holding a special event to commemorate ANZAC Day this year.

As part of WWI centenary commemorations, Founders Park ran ANZAC Apple Day last year. Due to the great feedback – even with the bad weather – Founders has decided to run a similar event again this year.

An old fashioned fete will be held on Sunday 24 April 2016 from 10am–3.30pm to commemorate ANZAC weekend.

With an entry fee of \$5 adult, \$2.50 child or \$10 family, visitors will be able to enjoy a day of old style entertainment including a bazaar, sides shows, vintage military vehicle display, military re-enactment, variety show, bands and old fashioned games.

Chair of Community Services Committee Pete Rainey says this is a chance to remember those who were a part of the war, one hundred years on.

"This year is one hundred years since the first ANZAC service was

held here in New Zealand. This fete is a great opportunity to remember, as well as celebrate our history."

To make this day a success Founders Heritage Park is inviting not for profit organisations and clubs to take part in the Bazaar being held in the Energy Centre which will be decked out in vintage style.

The Bazaar is a great opportunity for community groups to raise funds and raise the profile of their group.

There is no charge to have a stall and stall holders will be provided with trestle tables and chairs. All they need to do is decorate their stall, provide the items for sale and their own float.

Groups interested in taking part in the Bazaar should contact Founders Heritage Park, 03 548 2649 or founderspark@ncc.govt.nz.

If there is very heavy rain again the fete will be postponed until Monday 25, ANZAC Day.



## Take the fruit but leave the flowers

Over the last 25 years, Council has planted more and more fruit and nut trees in public parks. When these are ready, you are welcome to take some home for yourself and your family to enjoy, remembering to leave some for others.

What Council does ask you to leave behind are the flowers that bloom in many of our parks. The roses at Broadgreen and Queens Gardens, as well as the daffodils in spring, are often picked and taken home. That means others don't get to enjoy the wonderful displays they create.

Some of these plants will be in bloom for a limited time. Please don't pick the flowers and then everyone using the park can enjoy this beauty while it lasts.

Find out where your local public fruit and nut trees are by visiting [topofthesouthmaps.co.nz](http://topofthesouthmaps.co.nz) and searching for open orchards.



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Wilding conifers at Mt Malita in the mineral belt. Photo: Kaitiaki O Ngahere Ltd.

## Halting the spread of wilding conifers in Nelson Tasman

Environmental agencies in the Nelson Tasman region are stepping up efforts to stop the spread of wilding conifers.

Wilding trees are forecast to cost New Zealand billions in economic losses over the coming decades, impacting on industries from agriculture to tourism. Wilding conifers currently occupy around 1.8 million hectares, nearly six per cent of New Zealand's land area. The Nelson Tasman region has large areas of hill country in public ownership, much of which bounds established forests so it is pre-disposed to wilding risk.

Late last year, a regional stakeholder group met to work out a collaborative approach for addressing the issue that included representatives from councils in Nelson, Tasman and Marlborough, Department of Conservation (DOC), the Ministry of Primary Industries, Land Information New Zealand and private foresters.

Commitments to date include a significant financial contribution from Nelson City Council, an extension of the Pest Management Strategy managed by Tasman District Council, cash targeted to wilding conifer control from local foresters, along with substantial on the ground control and technical advice from DOC.

Mayors of Nelson City and Tasman District Councils wrote a joint letter in February to central government urging increased investment into the control of wilding conifers on crown land.

Mayor Rachel Reese says Nelson City Council is doubling its efforts through

the Nelson Nature environmental programme to eradicate wilding conifers, increasing funding from \$30,000 to \$60,000 every year for the next five years.

"Wilding conifers are a huge threat not only to our precious biodiversity that we value so much but also to our eco-tourism industry. They can be found from our coastal cliffs and margins to the inland hill country. Of particular concern is the spread of these trees into our special natural areas particularly the Dun Mountain mineral belt."

Mayor Reese says wilding conifers would pose a significant risk to the 17 threatened plant and animal species on the Dun Mountain if they were to continue to grow at their current rate.

"We're doing a substantial amount of work on the Dun Mountain over the next five years, removing all wilding conifers across 402 hectares this year with much more to follow. DOC is working closely alongside to help develop effective control methods for the work," she says.

Mayor Kempthorne says the Council has been supporting and enabling the collaborative efforts to combat wilding pines as part of the wider biodiversity programme for some time.

"Now with the wider focus of our collaborative regional efforts, we will be able get the situation under control sooner," he says.

## Nelson Southern Link Investigation public engagement

NZTA PROJECT

NZTA is inviting people in Nelson to make their voices heard during a five-week period of public engagement from Wednesday March 23 to Sunday April 24 as part of the Nelson Southern Link Investigation (NSLI)

An engagement summary booklet is available online at [nzta.govt.nz/nelson-southern-link](http://nzta.govt.nz/nelson-southern-link) and at all Nelson Public Libraries and Richmond Library.

## Greenwaste to go elsewhere from July

In line with Council's strategic view on how it deals with greenwaste, from 1 July the Pascoe Street Transfer Station will no longer be accepting it.

This change recognises that there are a number of companies in the area that can take and process greenwaste for less than it costs at the Transfer Station.

Both collection and drop off services are available from the businesses listed below.

Collection services offered

• **Can Plan**, [canplan.co.nz](http://canplan.co.nz)  
Ph: (03) 547 0642

• **Nelmac**, [nelmac.co.nz](http://nelmac.co.nz)  
Ph: (03) 546 0910

Greenwaste accepted for drop off

• **Greenwaste to Zero**  
18 Cargill Pl, (off Beach Rd), Richmond  
[greenwastezero.co.nz](http://greenwastezero.co.nz)  
Ph: (03) 544 8857



• **Millers Landscape Supplies**  
127 Bolt Rd, Tahunanui  
[millerswood.co.nz](http://millerswood.co.nz)  
Ph: (03) 547 6850

• **Wholesale Landscapes**  
55 Saxton Road, Stoke  
[wholesalelandscapes.co.nz](http://wholesalelandscapes.co.nz)  
Ph: 0800 421 000

A mixed load of rubbish that includes small amounts of garden trimmings will be charged at the full price for general rubbish.

The other alternative is to compost at home instead. There is lots of great information to get you started and a subsidy voucher for compost bins on Council's website, [nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz) (search = composting).

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## Free disposal for dangerous batteries

Did you know that Council offers a free disposal service for rechargeable batteries that contain lithium?

You can drop these batteries off for disposal, free of charge, at Council's office on Trafalgar Street or at the Pascoe Street Transfer Station.

Lithium batteries have the potential to catch fire under certain circumstances, especially if they are damaged. This can happen as a result of being thrown out with the ordinary rubbish and ending

up in the landfill. Indeed they were identified as the source of a recent fire at the York Valley Landfill. Thanks to the quick response by staff, the fire was brought under control quickly.

Please use this free disposal service and reduce the risk of anything similar happening again.



## Volunteering at Waimarama Community Gardens

Waimarama Community Gardens, located just off Brook St in Tantragee Rd, is looking for volunteers.

The gardens provide a wonderful place for people to learn and teach about organic growing of fruit and vegetables. Many people come just to be in the beautiful "garden" environment. The gardens are run totally by volunteers and more are needed.

Wednesdays 9.30am – 12.30pm are volunteer mornings where support and guidance are available. Besides wanting more volunteers on Wednesdays, the organisation is looking for people to help with the following volunteer roles:

- Handyperson for premises maintenance
- Workshop co-ordinator
- Finance person
- Weekend volunteer co-ordinator
- Compost co-ordinator.

If you have a specific interest, perhaps a new role needs to be created for you.

Feel free to contact Sally on (03) 548 8403, 021 170 9443 or email [waimaramacommunitygardens@gmail.com](mailto:waimaramacommunitygardens@gmail.com).

## Changes to existing fees and charges

Council is asking the public for feedback on changes to some of its fees and charges. Feedback is open until Friday 29 April.

### Fencing of swimming pools

There is good news for swimming pool owners, with the three yearly monitoring review and inspection being reduced from \$210 to \$100. The proposed change is due to greater level of compliance with the legislation and reduced staff time as a result, as well as general feedback on the charge. Pool owners who are not compliant may face additional charges for any extra time involved in the inspection.

### Food safety

New charges are being proposed for food premises to reflect the time involved for staff to register and verify food businesses under the Food Act 2014, which came into effect on 1 March. Visit the Ministry for Primary Industries' website [foodsafety.govt.nz](http://foodsafety.govt.nz) for more information on the categories and rules under the Act.

### Resource consents

There will be minor changes to resource consent fees related to deposits for some activities, however the staff hourly rate remains the same. To see further information around these proposed changes and provide feedback, visit the 'open consultation' section on Council's website, [nelson.govt.nz](http://nelson.govt.nz).

### Other changes:

#### Property information

Property information charges are being amended to better reflect the level of service provided. For example, sole practitioners who are regular users will now be charged more to receive property information from the Council including access to property files, building consent files, resource consent files and geotechnical reports. They will have the option of paying per file access, purchasing concession cards or paying the regular user annual fee of \$2000 (previously \$1730). It will be the first time this charge has increased in over five years. The changes will apply from 1 July 2016.

#### Alcohol licensing fees

Council is extending the circumstances where it can use discretion to reduce alcohol licensing fees. One of the key contributors to alcohol related harm is the length of time alcohol is available. An off licence premise like a bottle store will be incentivised with reduced alcohol licensing fees to close by 9pm and an on licence premise such as a restaurant will also have reduced alcohol licensing fees if they close by midnight.

#### No change

There are no changes to the fees associated with dog control and health licensing (non food).

## Meetings

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

Hearing for exemptions to Fencing of Swimming Pools Act Applications	9am	11 April
Community Services Committee	9am	14 April
Community Investment Funding Panel – Economic Development Agency Boardroom, 39 Halifax Street	10am	15 April
Joint Shareholders Committee	1.30pm	15 April
Civil Defence Emergency Management Group	To follow Joint Shareholders Committee	15 April
Governance Committee	9am	21 April
Planning and Regulatory Committee	To follow Governance Committee	21 April

### Other Meetings

Nelson Youth Council	1pm	13 April
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For a full list of Council meetings go to:

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

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 an Administration Adviser 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](http://nelson.govt.nz).



## What's on

At a Council venue near you?

For a full list of Nelson events go to:

[itson.co.nz](http://itson.co.nz)

To sign up for Live Nelson by email go to:



[facebook.com/nelsoncitycouncil](https://www.facebook.com/nelsoncitycouncil)

**2016 INSPIRE FESTIVAL EVENTS**

<b>Science</b> ON THE STREET 11am & 2pm Sundial Square & Richmond Mall (19 & 20 Mar) & Motueka (20 Mar) Koha	<b>Art</b> ON THE STREET 10am-12pm Sundial Square, Richmond (19 Mar) Koha, please register	<b>Inspire</b> FESTIVAL NMIT, Nelson Secondary & Intermediate (13 April), Primary (14/15 April) & Community (16 April) Registration opens 23 March	<b>Couch</b> STORIES Old St. John's, Nelson 14 April, 7pm True stories told live Tickets \$15 incl 1 beverage	<b>Claire Hastings</b> CONCERT Old St. John's, Nelson 15 April, 7pm BBC Young Traditional Musician of the Year Tickets from \$15
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Mel is a registered education charity offering events and activities that encourage youth to explore STEAMS (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths, Society issues)

For more information and registration visit: [ministryofinspiration.org](http://ministryofinspiration.org)

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## INSPIRE2016 to bring impressive line-up of speakers to Nelson

Over 40 local, national and international leaders across their respective fields will descend on Nelson this year for the fifth annual INSPIRE2016 festival from 13–16 April at NMIT.

Supported by Nelson City Council, INSPIRE2016 is an educational festival which combines science with humanities, with the aim of encouraging youth to think dynamically and creatively about their future. There will be challenging workshops, thought-provoking discussions and hands on experiments.

This year's speakers include international musician Claire Hastings, Microsoft NZ technology education speakers, Plant and Food researchers, along with speakers from many New Zealand universities, to name a few.

Many events on offer are free, but booking is essential for all events. For more information head to [ministryofinspiration.org](http://ministryofinspiration.org).

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