

# newsLine THE MAG



*Inset: Swim school co-ordinator Lisa Stove and Kori the swim school mascot lend a helping hand*

## MAKING A BIG SPLASH SOON

A big hole in the ground beside the ASB Aquatic Centre Tasman will be transformed into a new \$1.5 million learn-to-swim pool within six months.

The new 20 metre by 12 metre pool will cater for a burgeoning demand. At present the SwimMagic school is catering for 1350

children a week, causing a space problem around the pools area.

The first few months of construction of the new pool involve underground services being laid such as pipes and water treatment systems. IMB Construction has been contracted by the Tasman District Council to construct the new pool.

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## MAYOR'S COMMENT

Welcome to the first Newsline of 2010. I hope that you've had an enjoyable summer so far. It seems that we have had our fair share of mixed weather across the district this year – one week hot, one week wet. Hopefully we have many warm and sunny days still to come.

2010 is going to be an important year for Council. We have budget reviews and our annual plan process is already underway, with many challenges to face to ensure our district continues to grow and prosper. This year is also an election

year and although important, we will try to keep electioneering until later in the year, ensuring that we remain focused on addressing the key issues facing our district.

We will see the conclusion of some major projects this year. The new Ruby Bay Bypass, for example, is close to completion, with a public open day being held on Saturday 20 February, and we will also see the finalisation of the feasibility study for the Lee Valley Dam project with decisions on some of the difficult questions surrounding who will own and pay for it,

along with the many other aspects of this project. Continuing work with the Motueka community regarding stopbanks and water supply is also very important.

I believe that 2010 will be a memorable and productive year for our region and I wish everyone the very best. Council will be working hard, every day, to ensure that it continues to deliver the level of services expected by the community at an affordable price.

– Mayor Richard Kempthorne

## FUN PREVIEW OF NEW BYPASS

You're all invited to the Public Open Day of the Ruby Bay Bypass project on Saturday 20 February 2010 between 12 noon and 6.00 pm.

Volunteers from Mapua, Mahana and Tasman Bay Christian schools are running this event, which is a once-only chance to walk/ride over the partially constructed road before it is completed and opened to traffic at the end of the project.

Activities and attractions include:

- Fun runs – for all ages
- Wheels course – bring your trikes, bikes and skateboards
- Haycart rides
- Food/drink stalls

- Ice-cream carts
- Educational/information displays
- Limited carparking will be available at the Tasman end of the project, as well as at the middle of the new road where it intersects with Gardner Valley/Seaton Road – just follow the signs on the day.

This is an alcohol-free family event that will go ahead come rain or shine. Entry by gold coin donation, with proceeds shared between the participating schools.

Grab your wheels or running shoes whatever the weather and come join the fun.

For further information please contact Lisa Dunne Ph. 03 540 3466.

## TASMAN GETS READY TO ROLL

Tasman district residents are being encouraged to dust off their saddles for a series of free biking events taking place throughout February 2010 as part of Bike Wise Month.

Bike Wise Month, funded by the NZ Transport Agency and the Ministry of Health, is New Zealand's annual celebration of the bicycle – invented nearly 200 years ago – and the health, environmental, social and financial benefits it uniquely offers.

Tasman District Council's road safety coordinator Krista Hobday says the aim of Bike Wise Month is to encourage more people from the district to give cycling a go.

"Cycling is a fun, safe, healthy and environmentally friendly form of transport that people of all ages and abilities can enjoy," Krista said. "It's also an extremely cost effective way to get around – you'll save on petrol and car maintenance, and there's no need for a gym membership!"

A series of events are planned across the Tasman district throughout Bike Wise Month. These include:

- Go By Bike Day, Wednesday 17 February – outside Village Cycles in Richmond from 7.30 am; The Quiet Revolution Cycle Shop in Takaka from 7.30 am and The Memorial Hall in Motueka from 7.00 am. At each venue cyclists will be able to enjoy a free breakfast snack.
- Mayoral Challenge – this family fun ride starts at the Village Green in Takaka at

2.00 pm on Sunday 21 February 2010. In Motueka, from the skate park on Old Wharf Road at 2.00 pm on Sunday 28 February 2010 and in Richmond at the ASB Aquatic Centre Tasman from 10.00 am on Saturday 6 March 2010.

These events are part of a series of bike-friendly activities being staged across the country. On Go By Bike Day, free breakfasts and entertainment for all participants – experienced cyclists or people who just want to give it a go, have been organised nationwide. Events are organised by keen cyclists, councils and other local organisations.

For more information on Bike Wise Month visit [www.bikewise.co.nz](http://www.bikewise.co.nz)

For further information contact Krista Hobday at Council, Ph. 03 543 8551, or email: [krista.hobday@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:krista.hobday@tasman.govt.nz)



# LOOK OUT – ZEBRAS CROSSING

What's black and white and quite unexpected on a pedestrian zebra crossing? A zebra, of course!

Zebbras will be found walking across various Tasman road crossings during the start of the new school term, from Monday 8 February 2010. They will help to remind motorists to look for pedestrians and to be prepared to stop if necessary.

While drivers need to be extra careful before and after school when large numbers of children use these crossings, they should remain vigilant as other pedestrians use the crossings throughout the day.

Students and families will also be reminded of the importance of using the correct place to cross the road safely outside the school.

Krista Hobday, Tasman District Council's road safety coordinator, says that pedestrian crossings "are places where pedestrians should be able to cross the road in safety. Drivers need to slow down as they approach them and be prepared to stop."

*Right: Waverley Street Kindergarten children and teacher Raeleen Norris test the zebbras on the Oxford Street crossing in Richmond.*



## SCARECROWS AND STRAWBERRIES

### Large-scale bokashi system working well at St Paul's School Richmond

Seth Marer, Tim Hannah and Logan McQuade have a bit of a sweat up. They have been running around the classes after lunch on a hot sunny day at St Paul's School, Richmond.

These three enthusiastic students are the school's bokashi monitors, who are responsible for collecting all the lunchtime food scraps in plastic buckets. They carry the loaded buckets out to the raised garden beds,

where two large 120L drums are half-buried, and tip the food scraps into the drum under the watchful eye of the scarecrow that their class made. Then they tamp them down with a wooden masher and sprinkle on the bokashi sawdust mixture, which is chock-a-block full of EM ('effective micro-organisms') which ferment the food and turn it into powerful compost.

"It's pretty much fun and takes us only 15 minutes. The compost is really good for our garden – we've got tomatoes, pumpkins, silverbeet and strawberries planted. We have also entered a Fresh and Fruity Yoghurt competition for growing strawberries. We've

even given the plants names, like 'Blossom' and 'Strawberry Shortcake'. We're going to make pots of jam and give them to the people who live in the local resthome as gifts. They'll be very happy!"

Plans for the future? "We have applied for Council's zerowaste grant to help us buy two worm farms so we can also collect the worm juice".

*(Note: The drums were provided free by Tasman District Council, as part of their Waste Education Services programme for schools, and the collection buckets were donated by Resene Paints.)*



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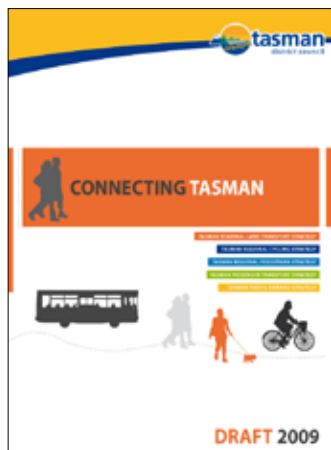
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# “CONNECTING TASMAN”

## - THE TASMAN REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT STRATEGY – A SUMMARY



Now's the chance for Tasman residents to have their say on the future of the Tasman region's transport network, including issues such as roading and transport, pedestrian walkways, cycleways and public transport.

The Tasman District Council's Regional Land Transport Strategy "Connecting Tasman" aims to provide a safe, efficient and accessible transport network in the district for the next 30 years. Reviewed every six years, Connecting Tasman plays a crucial role in the planning and funding of land transport in Tasman. It also assists central government in preparing the National Land Transport Programme which is then used to provide funding for New Zealand's land transport infrastructure.

The Vision - 'To have a land transport system that will support a sustainable and prosperous economy, that is accessible by and serves the whole community, contributing to the better health, safety and wellbeing of those living within and visiting Tasman District.'

Key issues for the region include:

- Rising demand for personal mobility and freight movement is placing the transportation network under increasing strain;
- The high number of single occupancy cars having an effect on both the efficiency and sustainability of the transport network;
- The unacceptably high number of crashes occurring on the road network;
- The lack of alternative transport modes which results in people without access to a private motor vehicle being limited in their ability to participate in social and economic activities in the district.

Opportunities include:

- Improving public health by helping change the way people travel, especially further encouragement of active modes such as walking or cycling;
- Reducing the need for travel by planning and controlling future land use activities.

While Connecting Tasman focuses on linking Tasman communities, it also considers issues and opportunities in collaboration with Nelson City Council, Marlborough District Council and the West Coast Regional Council and other relevant agencies. For example, a major

issue for the greater Nelson-Richmond urban area is managing the flow of people and freight between Tasman district and Nelson city.

It's acknowledged that simply building new roads will not realise the vision and objectives of Connecting Tasman. So in addition to looking at roading and traffic, Connecting Tasman also looks at developing implementation plans for areas such as pedestrian walkways, cycleways, travel demand management and public transport. These plans will be developed taking into account Council's Ten Year Plan and will form the "nuts and bolts" of meeting the vision of Connecting Tasman.



### Roads and traffic

Travel by private motor vehicle is the main mode of transport in Tasman. Consequently, having a safe and reliable road network is vital.

Key projects proposed:

- Improve road safety by increasing education and enforcement and ensuring that safety is an integral part of all improvements and maintenance programmes;
- Encourage and promote land use developments which reduce the adverse environmental impacts of transport;
- Develop a road network that supports and responds to economic development of the region;
- Provide safe, efficient and effective freight corridors to key hubs and destinations, such as ports, airports and major industrial developments throughout this region.

### Pedestrians

Projects and activities proposed include:

- Provide a clearly definable network of pedestrian routes to key destinations (such as schools, shopping districts, bus stops, stations, and places of work) from local residential communities;
- Ensure that the impact on pedestrians is taken into account in decisions by public agencies on the location of key facilities, eg, schools, hospitals, council offices, post offices, shops, parks and open spaces.





## Cycling

Cycling is an active, enjoyable, cheap and environmentally friendly mode of transport with significant potential for use for more short to medium distance trips than at present.

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## Travel demand management

Travel demand management seeks to improve the sustainability of the transport system by reducing the number of private vehicle trips, especially at peak times. The goal is not to reduce people's right to travel; instead it encourages alternatives in terms of the method, timing and destination of trips to reduce the adverse impacts on the transport system and the community.

Projects and activities proposed include:

- Provide travel behaviour education and promotion/marketing of alternative travel modes through media, publicity campaigns, promotional events, and information packs;
- Undertake workplace and school travel plans;
- Promote residential and employment land-use development around transportation hubs to minimise travel distances;
- Develop central business district parking strategies for Richmond and Motueka to address the anticipated demand for all day parking.

## Public transport

Public transport generally provides a travel option that is safer, needs less road space per user, is more energy efficient and generates fewer emissions than single-occupancy car use. Connecting Tasman seeks to increase the current low rates of bus use over time.

Projects and activities proposed include:

- Work with Nelson City Council to develop an Implementation Plan for improved passenger transport services between Nelson and Richmond;

- Investigate other intra-regional network opportunities with commercial operators to improve passenger transport, including the use of school buses.

By undertaking the projects and measures presented in Connecting Tasman it is hoped that Tasman will realise its vision for the land transport network. Connecting Tasman seeks to implement as many projects and measures as possible to achieve the targets and the vision, however, there is limited funding available and not all activities can be implemented.

## Making a submission and further information

Connecting Tasman is available for reading at Council offices and Libraries or may be downloaded from the Council's website: [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz). Submissions close on 1 March 2010. Submissions can be made on the form available on Council's website, or in a letter or email. Please send submissions to Robyn Scherer, Engineering Secretary, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond, Nelson 7050 or via email – [robyn.scherer@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:robyn.scherer@tasman.govt.nz)



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1 and 2 – Titanic Cardboard Boat Race at Tata Beach on 17 January 2010 (photos: Golden Bay Weekly). 3 and 4 – Golden Bay A&P show on 16 January 2010 (photo: GB Weekly). 5 – Looking for a bargain at WHK the Richmond Market Day on 30 December 2009 (photo: Nelson Mail). 6 – Sand sculpting at Pohara Beach on 10 January 2010 (photo: GB Weekly). 7 – Family fancy dress fun at the Tapawera A&P Show on 23 January 2010. 8 – The Summer Six concert on 9 January drew thousands of Tasman music fans to Saxton Field. (Photo: Nelson Mail)

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# NATIVE BIRDS RETURNING TO RICHMOND

Native bush ringing with birdsong is a 10-minute stroll from the outskirts of Richmond.

Tui, woodpigeons, the native falcon... 36 species in all (26 of them protected). Even weka have been coaxed down from the Richmond Hills ridge into the Dellside Reserve valleys that run towards Hill Street.

"It's so close, it's a treasure," says Native Bird Recovery Richmond member Will Rickerby, who is buoyed by the increasing number of walkers he sees enjoying the tracks of the Reservoir Creek, Jimmy Lee Creek and other gullies.

This "treasure" is the payoff from five years of hard work. The dozen volunteers in the bird group have trapped and killed nearly 2000 pests, plus planted thousands of native trees and eradicated noxious weeds.

"Planting trees is the easy part. It's clearing all the rubbish and vines that's the hard bit," says Will.

He and fellow group member Neil Page can see the rewards of their labour. In 2005 birdlife was almost nonexistent at the top of Jimmy Lee Creek, says Neil. Sample counts last year recorded 28 species.

However, there have been setbacks. Group members were devastated recently by the discovery of a weka that had been mauled by a pet dog. Neil says the loss was particularly harsh because weka are one of the few birds that will kill young rats, thus protecting other birds. The Native Bird Recovery Richmond Group believe that dogs need to be on a leash anywhere in bushed areas to save the weka.

The Tasman District Council Bylaw states that all dogs must be on a leash in the presence

of protected wildlife. Pet-owners could face fines or even imprisonment if their dog kills or injures such a bird.

Dog owners must remember that it is extremely important to leash their dogs when in the presence of protected wildlife and birds, either on beaches or in the countryside.



A weka gets cheeky in Wills Gully. (Photo: Will Rickerby)

## PEDALLING PUPILS GET ON BOARD CYCLE TRAINS START AT LOWER MOUTERE SCHOOL

When Principal Barbara Bowen started at Lower Moutere School there was a conspicuous lack of bicycles in the bike shed. She approached Tasman District Council's School Travel Planner, Sarah Downs, to help get them started.

Planning for the train included doing a safety review of the shared path, plus getting the students interested in cycling to school and organising training to improve their riding skills and make them more confident when using the path.

About 20 students took part in the first cycle train from the starting point of Thomason Ave, with five more students joining from

Riverside. Four staff helped to "drive" the train, including Barbara.

Sarah Downs, who has done an informal audit of the shared path, said there were some issues about how it was used. Car drivers still park in the cycle lane, forcing younger riders to ride on the road. She felt it was a matter of educating road-users that it is illegal to park in cycle lanes, but the more the students rode the cycle path, the more residents would become aware of their presence and act accordingly.

For more information about cycle trains contact Sarah on 03 543 8542 or email [sarah.downs@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:sarah.downs@tasman.govt.nz)





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# PROPOSED ROAD NAMES REFLECT REGION'S FRUITGROWING HERITAGE

An impressive 65 suggestions were received for new road names in the Mapua-Ruby Bay area, which are needed due to the changes created by the State Highway 60/Ruby Bay Bypass.

Amongst the proposed new road names is 'Aporo Drive' for the Moutere Bluffs to Tasman Road section, which reflects Tasman's fruit-growing heritage. Aporo is the historical name for Tasman and means 'apple' in the Maori language.

Lindsay Skinner, Asset Information Officer at Tasman District Council says it's important for emergency services as well as visitors that road names and property numbers are easy to locate. In November 2009, Council staff met with local residents and asked for their ideas. The proposed changes are listed below, and Council now wants to hear your feedback on the proposed names, both for and against. Email Lindsay Skinner – [lindsay.skinner@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:lindsay.skinner@tasman.govt.nz) or send your feedback to Lindsay Skinner, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4 Richmond, Nelson 7050 by 19 February 2010.

Once the proposed names are finalised, house numbers will be allocated and a letter sent to each individual resident advising them of their new address. The changes will take effect once the new bypass is open. New number plaques will be placed on the affected properties and Council will inform key organisations such as Telecommunications companies, Network Tasman, New Zealand Post, Land Information New Zealand and emergency services.

Council expresses its thanks to people who took the time to suggest road name changes. Unused names will be held in a database for possible inclusion in future development or subdivision in the area.



Roads denoted on map	Recommended road name
A-B-H-I-E-F	The Coastal Highway
G-H	Old Coach Road <i>(no change in name or numbering)</i>
B-C	Mapua Drive <i>(Dominion Road turn-off to Aranui Road)</i>
C-D	Stafford Drive – extends to top of the bluffs <i>(no change)</i>
D-E	Aporo Drive <i>(Aporo is the historical name for Tasman and means 'apple' in the Maori language)</i>
I-J	Stagecoach Road <i>(no exit road)</i>
K-L	Tasman View Road
L-M	Tasman View Road



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# Community Recreation FEBRUARY 2010

## The Tasman District Council Community Development Fund

The Council wishes to support innovative community-based initiatives that clearly show community support and benefit. The aim of the fund is to enable the Tasman district's smaller communities to apply for funding to make plans, provide activities, run events or services to enhance their town or to attract visitors. The fund has an allocation of \$20,694 for the 2009/2010 year.

The first closing date is 12 March 2010 with applications to be considered by the Grants and Community Facilities Rates Subcommittee.

The guide and application form for the Tasman District Council Community Development Fund are available from council offices and [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)

I encourage you to ring me with any questions or queries you may have.

Contact Mike Tasman-Jones, Community Recreation Advisor Ph. 03 543 8403

## Arts Funding Available

Tasman District Council is inviting artists and groups to apply for funding under the Creative Communities scheme. The scheme is funded through Creative New Zealand and administered by Tasman District Council.

Activities that are eligible for funding include: festivals and events; staff costs for one-off projects; costs associated with artist in residence schemes; school-based projects that are outside the school's normal activities; promotional activities; materials for an event or activity; seminars or workshops and equipment purchase.

Council has a funding pool of \$15,000 and can award up to \$1200 to any individual or group for art activities and events.

The next funding round closes at the end of March for projects that start after 1 May 2010.

Projects must:

- take place within Tasman District and/or produce benefits that are largely experienced within Tasman District
- increase participation in the arts;
- increase community interest in the arts or enhance and strengthen local arts organisations

Contact Mike Tasman-Jones, Community Recreation Advisor Ph. 03 543 8403.

## SPARC Rural Travel Fund

The Rural Travel Fund is aimed at reducing the barriers to participation in sport by young people living in rural communities.

The fund:

- is designed to help subsidise rural travel for junior teams, and
- is targeted at young people aged between 5-19 years to assist school and club sports teams to participate in local sporting competitions

### Who is eligible?

The Rural Travel Fund is open to support rural sports clubs and rural school teams.

The next funding round closes at the end of April.

Contact Mike Tasman-Jones, Community Recreation Advisor Ph. 03 543 8403

## Take a kid snorkelling

The "Take a Kid Snorkelling" event this year will be run on Saturday 27 February 2010 at Mosquito Bay adjacent to Tonga Island Marine Reserve and Abel Tasman National Park.

The event is aimed at 8 to 18 year-olds who are new to snorkelling but are confident in water, floating and holding their breath while exploring rock pools and reefs.

Qualified divers, experienced adults from the Motueka Dive Club and DOC staff will be on hand to supervise small teams of explorers for about 2 hours around low tide. (The tide will be dead low at 2.40 pm and will be a 0.6 metres above datum)

Numbers will be limited to the first 20 children to book with Aquataxi in Marahau. There will be one qualified adult/diver allotted to two children as well as a qualified safety supervisor to oversee the entire event.

Cost will be \$25 per child. Limited wet suits will be available to hire for those who do not have their own and must be worn.

Fins, masks and snorkels are all available free of charge.

Hat, towel, sunscreen, drink, warm clothes and snacks are also recommended.

Meet at Aquataxi base in Marahau at 11.00 am for a safety briefing. We expect to have

the event conclude at 5.00 pm when the participants will be returned to Marahau.

Additional adults are welcome to join the group but will have to pay the normal water taxi fares to Mosquito Bay and return.

For additional information contact Rudy Tetteroo at DOC Motueka Ph. 03 528 1810 or contact Aquataxi for booking details Ph. 0800 278 282.

## Golden Bay Museum

Golden Bay Museum's current summer exhibition – Golden Bay's Impact on World of WearableArt – will be running until 6 March 2010.

Free entry, donation appreciated, open most days 10.00am – 4.00pm.

## Events coming up

- 5 Feb Mask Making & Taniwha Workshops – Golden Bay
- 5 Feb The Funslingers Concert – Richmond
- 6 Feb Mardi Gras – Golden Bay
- 6 Feb Drag Racing – Motueka
- 13 Feb Metal Mania – Nelson Speedway
- 14 Feb Country Hoedown – Richmond
- 17 Feb In Your Neighbourhood – Brightwater
- 20 Feb SI TQ Midget Champs – Nelson Speedway
- 20 Feb Murchison A&P Show
- 20 Feb Buller Festival – Murchison
- 20 Feb Queen Street Mile – Richmond
- 20 Feb NZ Ihatove Adventure Trial – Wakefield
- 21 Feb Brightwater Wine & Food Festival
- 24 Feb In Your Neighbourhood – Tapawera
- 26 Feb Tasman Brewing Company Last of the Summer Fare – Richmond
- 27 Feb Jazz Under the Trees – Richmond
- 28 Feb Tussock Spirit of the Moutere Cycle Ride
- 28 Feb Bikewise – Motueka



# NEWSUPDATE

## RESOURCE CONSENTS

The Council has received applications for resource consent, which have been publicly notified in The Nelson Mail. The applications and supporting information may be examined in any Council office. The full public notice may be found online at Council's website ([www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)). Any person may make a submission on the applications in accordance with Section 96 of the Resource Management Act 1991. Submission forms are available from Council offices and on Council's website. Please note that the following is an abridged advisory notice only.

**Applicant:** Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit.

**Location:** Across Waimea Inlet between Monaco Peninsula and Bells Island.

**Consent Type, Application Number and Proposal:**

### Coastal Permits

#### Application RM090563

To disturb the foreshore and bed of the Waimea Estuary over a distance of more than 1000 metres to lay a new sewer pipeline (Restricted Coastal Activity)

#### Application RM090885

To occupy the coastal marine area with a sewer pipeline

#### Application RM090887

To undertake maintenance and repair work on the joints and fittings of the existing sewer pipeline. Note: The route of the proposed pipeline across Waimea Inlet lies partly within Tasman District and partly within Nelson City. Similar applications have been lodged with Nelson City Council.

#### Submissions due:

4.30 pm on Friday 12 February 2010.

**Applicant:** Bruce Gillespie.

**Location:** Above 449 Motueka Valley Highway near Pangatotara.

**Consent Type, Application Number and Proposal:**

#### Subdivision Consent (Application RM090685)

To subdivide a 63.2406 hectare title to create eight proposed new allotments ranging in size from 0.4075 hectares to 55.6 hectares, with eight users on the proposed right of way.

#### Land Disturbance (Application RM090688)

To undertake earthworks and recontouring to construct the right of way, driveway accesses and building sites on each of the allotments of the proposed subdivision.

#### Stormwater Discharge (Application RM090689)

To discharge untreated stormwater to land from the dwellings, buildings, hardstand and access areas on each of the allotments in the proposed subdivision.

#### Submissions due:

4.30 pm on Friday 12 February 2010.

## COUNCIL NOTICES

### Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan

Tasman District Council hereby gives notice that the Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan is now available for public consultation.

The Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan is available for viewing during normal Council hours at:

- Tasman District Council Main Office, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, and
- District Library, Queen Street, Richmond

The Draft Plan is also available on the Council website at [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)

Submissions to this management plan review should be addressed to:

L Kennedy, Community Services Manager; and  
Posted to: Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond; or

Delivered to: Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond; or Faxed to: 03 543 9524

Emailed to: [info@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:info@tasman.govt.nz)

Submissions should include your name, address, telephone number and email address, and should state if you wish to speak to the Council in support of your submission.

#### Submissions must be received by 1 March 2010.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact: Beryl Wilkes, Reserves Manager, Ph 03 543 8391. Alternatively, leave a message at your local Council office for us to call you.

## COMMUNITY NOTICE

### Richmond Community Forum

**Tuesday 16 February from 7.30 pm at the Tasman District Council Chambers, Queen Street, Richmond.**

The topic under consideration for the meeting is the Tasman district draft Transport Strategy.

### Innovation in Irrigation Award

Irrigation NZ (INZ), in association with Waterforce, has launched the "Innovation in Irrigation" award.

Nominations and entries from irrigators, schemes, water user groups, environmental groups, industry, university students and researchers are now being sought and close on 1 March 2010.

Nomination/entry forms from [www.irrigationnz.co.nz](http://www.irrigationnz.co.nz)

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## COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed on Council's website at [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)**

#### Golden Bay Community Board

Golden Bay Service Centre, Commercial Street, Takaka, Tuesday, 9 February 2010, 9.00 am. *Public forum*

#### Motueka Community Board

Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Tuesday, 9 February 2010, 4.30 pm. *Public forum*

#### Community Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Wednesday, 10 February 2010, 9.30 am. *Public forum*

#### Corporate Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 18 February 2010, 9.30 am. *Public forum*

#### Full Council

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday, 18 February 2010, 1.30 pm or at conclusion of Corporate Services Committee. *No public forum*



The Wholemeal Café – it’s awesome. It has the best date scones and a lovely ambience.

The view from the top of the Takaka hill is worth coming over for by itself.

Taking time to browse the arts and op shops is my favourite way to spend a Saturday afternoon.

*Each issue we will be asking residents what they love about their small piece of Tasman. Are there hidden walks that everyone should know about, local sights that make their hearts sing or simply the best latté this side of Rome? This issue we look at Takaka.*

Everyone visiting Takaka should go to world famous Te Waikoropupu springs – it’s magic.

## Five reasons we love... Takaka

Great coffee onboard the Pirate Espresso (Jacques Cousteau’s first boat) near Ligar Bay in the summer.

# CRUISING INTO THE BAY

The first cruise liner visit to Golden Bay went “extremely well,” says Chris Silk, of shipping agency ISS-McKay.

The 105m *Clipper Odyssey* berthed at Port Golden Bay at Tarakohe on Saturday 16 January 2010. Passengers disembarked for a bus tour taking in the Abel Tasman memorial, Takaka, the Grove and Te Waikoropupu Springs.

The ship left on Sunday morning for Nelson, then on Wednesday it offloaded passengers in Wellington, picked up a fresh contingent of 95 passengers and returned to Tarakohe on Thursday for a repeat round of sightseeing. Passengers were reportedly delighted with the

stopover. *Clipper Odyssey* departed that evening to resume its tour of New Zealand.

Port Golden Bay harbourmaster Alan Kilgour says the “very successful” visit was two years in the planning. As for enticing further cruise ships, he says the port has berthed 130m vessels. Larger ships could drop anchor in the bay and ferry passengers ashore.

Mr Silk says the *Clipper Odyssey* is small by cruise liner standards but that allows flexibility in its itinerary. There is “probably a good chance they’ll come back” to Golden Bay.

The Nelson region overall would see a dozen cruise ships this season (October to March), down from 2008-09, he says, but the numbers normally fluctuate.




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