

## FREEDOM CAMPING BYLAW GOES TO COUNCIL

Irresponsible camping is the target of the Freedom Camping Bylaw recently passed by the Environment and Planning Committee. The Bylaw, driven by public demand, now gives the Council the ability to deal with those treating the environment and public space as a rubbish dump and toilet.

While the Bylaw is seen as a blunt instrument by a number of submitters, striking at the core of the Kiwi tradition of camping, the Committee acknowledged that only those camping irresponsibly need to be wary. The Committee, after discussion, added the resolution that the Bylaw will be reviewed after one year.

"If, in a year, it is apparent the Bylaw is doing more harm than good we will have the tools to make the appropriate changes to preserve the rights of responsible campers while protecting the environment that attracted many campers and tourists in the first place," says Councillor Stuart Bryant, who chairs the Environment and Planning Committee.

"Submitters were divided on the Council's Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw, from those wanting more controls, to others who felt their civil rights were being eroded".

After hearing submissions on 21 April 2011, the Committee passed

three resolutions recommending the amended Bylaw to the full Council, which will consider it on 19 May 2011.

Under the Bylaw, any vehicle or camper that does not have a caravan or motorhome displaying a current self-containment certificate, indicating that they have tanks to take three days of wastewater and sewage, must not camp in a Council-controlled public place.

Certified vehicles can freedom-camp for a maximum of two nights in a four-week period in any single location. All waste must be discharged in approved dumpsites.

Prohibited areas include Kaiteriteri, Marahau and most Council reserves. Freedom campers must move on when directed by Council-authorized officers. Serious breaches of the Bylaw could result in a fine of up to \$20,000.

Stuart says that hopefully the new Bylaw will be in force by 31 May 2011, giving the Internal Affairs Department time to develop infringement regulations before the Rugby World Cup tourists start arriving.

You can view the proposed Bylaw on the Council website:  
[www.tasman.govt.nz/link/freedom-camping](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/freedom-camping)



### THIS WEEK:

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# MAYOR'S COMMENT

The Local Government Commission has recently informed the people of Tasman and Nelson they require more time to make their decision regarding the future of the proposed union between the two areas. No-one knows beyond the three Commissioners what that decision will be – drop the proposal or take a draft reorganisation proposal to Tasman and Nelson residents for consultation. If it does proceed to consulting on a draft proposal it is an opportunity for the people who live in each area to have a say on how the combined areas could be governed. While the Council will have a role, it will be limited to ensuring all those who choose to play a role have the information they require to do so. We want to avoid any political interference or the misinformation that has been evident at times. The Prime Minister is on record saying the Government will not lead any Council amalgamation unless it is supported by the respective communities. The Council will be keeping you abreast of the developments, the process and how you can play a role and I would strongly encourage our community to tell the Local Government Commission what you

think, should they choose to go to the next step of a draft proposal.

In the last few weeks the Council has passed a Bylaw governing freedom camping within Tasman. As expected this decision has split the community with many for and against. The majority of the voices against the Bylaw believed the Council is striking at the heart of a birthright of New Zealanders. The Council is not against freedom camping, the Bylaw is an attempt to manage irresponsible camping as requested by our community. In light of the interest in this Bylaw we have built in a 12 month review period.

– Mayor Richard Kempthorne



## MOTUEKA HAS ITS SAY ON STOPBANKS

Motueka residents have aired their views and offered new suggestions for the Motueka flood control project.

Tasman District Council put five options to residents in public meetings:

- **Status quo – use the existing stopbanks only**
- **Build secondary stopbanks (left bank only or right bank only)**
- **Build spillway(s) at selected locations**
- **Refurbish existing stopbanks**
- **Build new stopbanks.**

Council Transportation Planning Officer Sarah Downs says 23 residents attended an evening meeting on 20 April 2011 and 10 came along for the earlier afternoon session, with a “positive feeling” overall.

Rather than one clear option, attendees saw the need for a variety of measures – some new stopbanks, and improvements to others. Spillways found a measure of support, and there was a general call for greater maintenance of riverbed gravel, particularly on bends.

Costings can now be done as options are further refined based on

public submissions. People have also raised new ideas, which will be considered.

Sarah says a report will go to the Engineering Services Committee in June, and costings will probably be made public in August.

Once feedback from that has been evaluated, the Council will settle on a preferred option, which again will be open to public scrutiny. Sarah says a decision may be made in October-November 2011.

\* The existing stopbanks were built between 1951 and 1956, designed to withstand a 1 in 50-year flood with 600mm of the banks still above water.

The Lower Motueka Valley has flooded often – in 1957, 1974, 1983 and 1990, for instance. A stopbank reportedly failed in the big 1957 flood, and in 1983 the river came within 200mm of the top of the stopbanks.

In 2008 the Motueka Flood Control Project was started to provide protection against a 1 in 100-year flood, while taking into account climate change (sea level rise and more extreme weather).

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# SCALE THOSE PEAKS FOR CHOPPER RESCUE SERVICE



Climb Every Mountain will be a tune on many lips from late May 2011, and all in a good cause.

To celebrate its 20th birthday, the Summit Rescue Helicopter service and adventure racer Nathan Fa'avae have launched the 20 Summit Challenge, inviting Top of the South residents to walk, hike or bike up one, five or 20 of the region's peaks.

Scheduled across 16 weekends from 22 May to 28 August 2011, the fun and challenging community walks take in a variety of local peaks catering for a range of abilities. People can also choose their own times and have until the end of the year to complete the challenge.

At the start of each 'summit', walkers, hikers or bikers make a donation and meet celebrities such as the Makos, Nathan Fa'avae, triathletes Richard and Elina Ussher, or the local mayors. (Richard Kempthorne, Tasman Mayor, will be at Mt Arthur in late May 2011.) People can also register for all 20 climbs, pay upfront, then complete them as suits by taking their photo at each summit and then posting their snaps on the Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/SummitRescueHelicopter](http://www.facebook.com/SummitRescueHelicopter)).

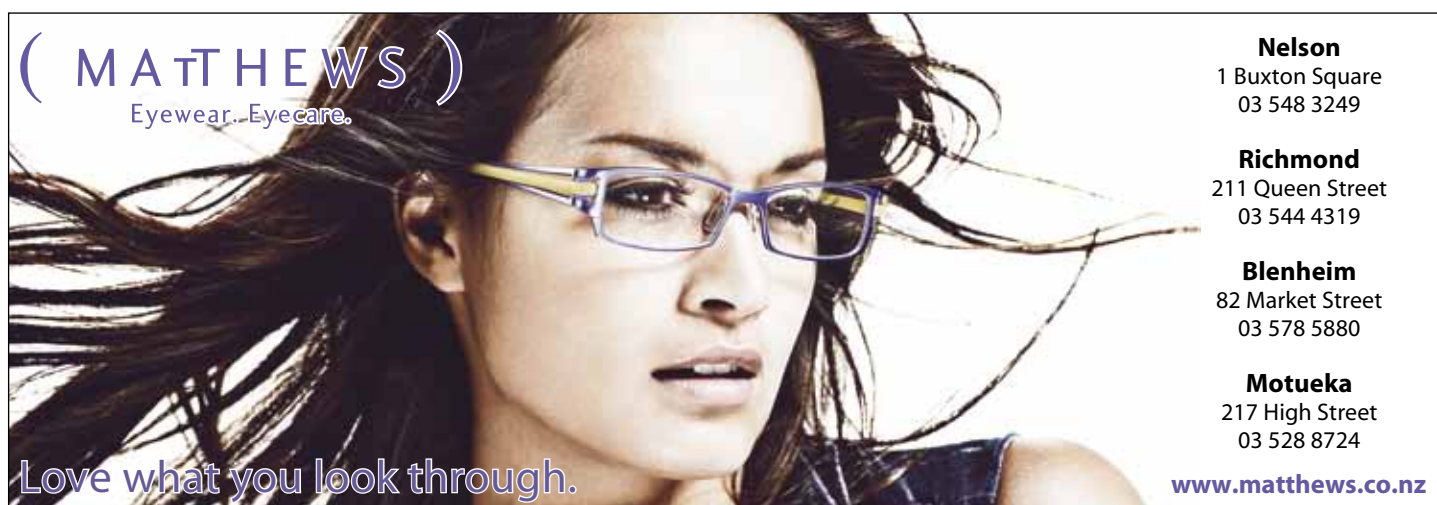
The invigorating fundraiser is a fitting way for the Summit Rescue Helicopter to celebrate two decades, given the hundreds of people throughout Tasman, Buller, Nelson and Marlborough who have been flown from accident and rescue sites to hospitals by this free service. It receives no direct Government funding, relying on principal sponsor

Summit Real Estate and a family of sponsors, gaming machine trusts, Heli Rescue Club members, local service groups, fundraising and donations from the community. The chopper completes more than 300 missions annually as part of its round-the-clock service. It is now equipped with night vision goggles, beacon trackers, GPS and other specialised gear – all bought with funding from the community.

Organiser Paula Muddle says the idea of the 20 Summit Challenge is to involve the public – including people who may have been rescued by the service – using places that the chopper often flies into in the course of its work.

Kickstarting the Challenge is the WHK Community Climb up the Centre of New Zealand on Sunday 22 May 2011. For more details you can visit the [www.20summits.co.nz](http://www.20summits.co.nz) website, view progress on [www.facebook.com/SummitRescueHelicopter](http://www.facebook.com/SummitRescueHelicopter) or contact Paula Muddle on [paula@helirescue.co.nz](mailto:paula@helirescue.co.nz)





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# PROFILE: TREVOR JAMES RESOURCE SCIENTIST

## What is your main role?

Monitoring and reporting about the health of our rivers, lakes and coast, particularly around water quality and aquatic ecology, as well as monitoring and reporting on air quality. I also provide feedback to policy and resource

consents about how we can better manage certain activities that can cause adverse environmental effects.

## What are the common challenges you encounter?

I enjoy the detective-type challenge of trying to find the cause(s) of pollution or a degraded state of the environment. The main problem is that there are so many issues to look into and so little time.

## Are there any misconceptions getting in the way?

The main misconception is when people talk about "water quality" as being the big ecological issue in our rivers and coast when it is most often degraded habitat, or disconnected habitat, that is the major issue for the life existing in or near the water.

## What's the most curly question or situation you have encountered recently?

How to come up with rules – without requiring fencing – to minimise the effect on water quality and stream habitat from stock trampling in streams. Some in the farming community do not want fencing, and rules around downstream water quality are difficult to implement because of the highly variable nature of contaminant discharge.

## What's the most satisfying part of your job?

Working with really good people in the community on both sides of an issue – landowners who are desperately trying to do the right thing to minimise their impact, and those on the receiving end who are very concerned.

## Tell us your favourite escape in Tasman District...

I can't get enough of our waterways! I love to get out kayaking on our rivers, journeying and playing in rapids. We have some very special rivers such as the Buller, Matakitaiki and Wairoa.

## SOCIAL AGENCIES TRY SPEEDY INTRODUCTIONS

Speed "dating" is coming to the Tasman District Council – but these participants won't be revealing their star signs.

A variation of the quick introduction format, called Speed Networking, will put up to 30 social service providers in a room at the Council Chambers in Richmond. Using an outer and inner circle of chairs, providers have three to four minutes to explain what they do, then move to a new "partner" and repeat the pitch.

Organiser Sonny Alesana says the concept allows providers to learn very quickly what other services are out there in the community, so they can refer clients on to appropriate help if necessary.

Sonny, who helps new migrants to settle in the Tasman/Nelson area, says Speed Networking worked very well in a trial run at Wakatu Marae earlier this year. A newly formed grouping of Tasman providers felt they wanted to give it a run on their patch.

Speed Networking takes place on Tuesday 17 May 2011 in the Council Chambers, Queen St, Richmond, from 10.00 am to 12noon.

For details, contact Sonny Alesana on 03 546 0305. He is also a Community Liaison Officer with Nelson City Council.

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# YOUTH IN SPOTLIGHT FOR A WEEK

Live bands, food, music in the library and a masquerade dance are just part of the activities planned for Youth Week 2011 in Tasman in the second half of May 2011.

Youth Week originated in 1995 when a handful of youth-focused events took place around Canada in a bid to raise the awareness of young people and celebrate their achievements.

Youth Week slowly grew to a global scale. This year's themes are: Step Up, Be heard, Take responsibility, Be YOUth.

**Tasman highlights include:**

## Youth Week Opening Launch Party

**Wednesday 18 May 2011, 6.30 pm - 9.00 pm, Richmond Recreation Centre.**

An interactive evening of live youth music and performances, games, drinks and food, and an opportunity for youth agencies to promote their upcoming Youth Week events and initiatives.

## Music While You Read

**Thursday 26 May 2011, 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm, Richmond Public Library.**

Live and unplugged performances from a selection of Waimea College's finest music students.

## Pride of Place Celebration

**Thursday 26 May 2011, 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm, St Peter's Chanel School Hall, Motueka.**

An evening to celebrate how young people in our community have

taken a proactive role in addressing and stamping out graffiti vandalism. Includes live performances, short films and exhibitions.

## Murchison May Masquerade

**Friday 27 May 2011,**

**8.00 pm - 11.00 pm, Murchison Sport, Recreation and Cultural Centre.**

Semi-formal masquerade dance, with fine finger foods, and pumping dance beats.

## You

**Sunday 29 May 2011, 10.00 am - 5.00 pm, Takaka Library carpark.**

Top Team-type co-operative games day presented by the Golden Bay Tasman Youth Council crew, with live bands and food stalls.



For more information, check out the 2011 Nelson Tasman Youth Week Events Listing Brochure, which can be picked up from Council Service Centres, libraries or viewed at [www.jamonline.co.nz/yw2011](http://www.jamonline.co.nz/yw2011). You can also keep up-to-date with all Youth Council events and goings-on at [www.facebook.com/JAM.Tasman](http://www.facebook.com/JAM.Tasman)

# ASB AQUATIC CENTRE UPDATE

The ASB Aquatic Centre is gearing up for the opening of its new fitness centre on Monday 30 May 2011. It will feature the latest fitness gear to suit every taste and ability, including exercycles, step machines, treadmills, rowing machines and a variety of resistance and weight machines.

The gym has been developed to provide a joint swimming pool / fitness centre facility in Richmond, widening the choice for recreation and well-being for the community. It will be managed by Community Leisure Management (CLM) on behalf of Tasman District Council, which owns the pool and fitness centre.

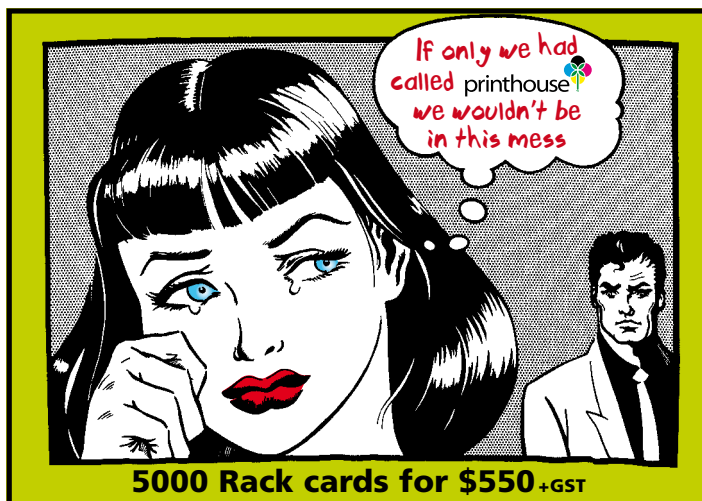
A recent survey of overall customer satisfaction of 19 pools in New Zealand and Australia gave the Richmond pool a rating of 93 out of 100, second only to Craigie Pool in Perth. Very high ratings were received for customer service, overall cleanliness, toilets, showers and carparking.

CLM has several staff with strong ties to the Greymouth region, and Richmond staff recently travelled to the West Coast as a gesture of respect to the 29 miners killed in the Pike River Mine tragedy. They gave the locals plenty to smile about with a family fun day at the Grey District Aquatic Centre, where the first 100 children were admitted for free. The day included face-painting, a sausage sizzle, fun with inflatables and with Kori the penguin mascot.

"For myself and the staff who travelled over it was an incredibly humbling experience, as you can only imagine what the last few months for some of these kids and their families would have been like,"

says Robert Kennedy, the Richmond pool manager.

The day was so successful that an annual exchange is being considered, possibly based in Richmond next time.





# CENTRAL RICHMOND REVITALISATION PROJECT

The revitalisation of Richmond’s central business district is set to make its first visible signs. While the initial changes are minor and cosmetic at this stage, they are a precursor to major changes being planned around the Queen Street precinct.

Over the next few weeks, the old rubbish bins and seats will be replaced with an upgraded style creating a more consistent theme.

In the last few months a series of workshops have highlighted a number of challenges:

- Giving Richmond an image – making it somewhere as opposed to anywhere;
- Improving the gateway experience into Richmond;
- Enhancing the visual quality of the town, and
- Cost.

At a recent workshop, urban design consultant Graeme McIndoe identified eight opportunities for revitalisation. The opportunities were discussed within the project’s local reference group and Councillors.

The identified opportunities include:

- Improve the gateway experience with a clear and direct entry to Queen Street.
- Intensify the retail experience by creating active frontages on Queen Street, plus having shared and coordinated car parking.

- The potential to have an intensification of mixed land use, especially around the fringes of the central business district.
- Revitalise Queen Street – this can be done in several ways but could be achieved by enhancing the streetscape and connections; increasing the number of reasons for people to visit and stay in the town centre and possibly allowing for taller buildings to support more people and activities to be located at the centre.
- Develop a ‘Memorial Avenue’ along Cambridge Street.
- Enhance linkages which are continuous, visible, safe and fit for purpose.
- More green elements and space, which is the item that was mentioned the most when we asked the community for ideas on how they would like Richmond to look in the future.

Council staff will develop the opportunities in preparation for the next workshop. The objective of the next workshop will be to develop an urban design concept, which will then be put out for public consultation.

If you have any comments, please contact Sarah Downs, Ph. 03 543 8542 or email [sarah.downs@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:sarah.downs@tasman.govt.nz)



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# Draft Annual Plan consultation meetings

The submission period for the 2011/2012 Draft Annual Plan closed on 21 April 2011 with 551 submissions received discussing 617 subjects.

The most popular submission subject was the building of a cycling track within Saxton Field, which contributed to nearly 70% of submissions.

As part of Council's consultation process it ran a number of community based meetings. These meetings have provided the opportunity for interested residents to meet with Council elected members and staff members, to ask questions and discuss any issues they have in relation to the Plan prior to the submission closing date. In the last edition of Newsline, we outlined the key topics discussed at the first six meetings, held in:

Murchison – 28 March 2011

Tapawera – 28 March 2011

Motueka – 29 March 2011

Brightwater – 5 April 2011

Mapua – 11 April 2011

Wakefield – 12 April 2011

Below is a brief overview of some of the key topics that were discussed at the subsequent meetings held in Takaka, Collingwood and Richmond:

## Takaka – 13 April 2011

**Chaired by Mayor Richard Kempthorne supported by Councillors and Council staff**

- Water resource investigations planned in Golden Bay
- East Takaka planning work
- Rates increases for farms compared to urban areas
- Targeted rates increases
- Reasons for the river rate increase
- Maintenance of road reserves
- Upgrade to the Takaka wastewater treatment plant and the pan charge
- Timing of a cycleway in Rototai
- Incentives for clean technology industry to come to Tasman
- Provision and quality of Council infrastructure
- Pohara water supply and any treatment upgrade
- Leasing of the Collingwood camping ground and presence of weeds
- Street sweeping and sump clearing.

## Collingwood – 13 April 2011

**Chaired by Mayor Richard Kempthorne supported by Councillors and Council staff**

- Coverage of Council's disaster insurance
- Funding of the James Road Bridge and who is contributing
- Targeted tourism rate
- River rates and river management
- The proportion of the general rate collected through the Uniform Annual General Charge
- Rates increases for farms compared to urban areas
- The General Disaster Fund
- Collection of money for use of Port Tarakohe and the public good component of the Port
- Council debt levels
- The Local Government Funding Agency proposal
- Level of financial information contained in the Draft Annual Plan

- Importance of people realising that everything they may want Council to do costs ratepayers
- Affordability of rates
- Possible Council office extension.

## Richmond – 14 April 2011

**Chaired by Mayor Richard Kempthorne supported by Councillors and Council staff**

- Uniform Annual General Charge
- Use of targeted rates
- Council staffing levels
- Council debt levels
- Financial information – Council deficits and surpluses, balanced budget
- Affordability of rates
- Rates rebate scheme
- Increase Council fees and charges
- Level of increases in water rates
- Reduction in central government funding for cycleways, roads, etc
- Levels of insurance of Council infrastructure assets
- The long-term impact on rates of deferring the projects outlined in the Draft Annual Plan
- Hope-Brightwater water supply

Council thanks everyone who came to the meetings and appreciates the feedback it received on the Draft Annual Plan. It is vital that the community engages in the Draft Annual Plan process. The meetings are a valuable element of the consultation process.

Council received over 550 submissions on the Draft Annual Plan. During mid-May Council will be holding hearings of the submitters who wish to present their submissions to the Council. The Annual Plan will be finalised in June 2011, once Council has considered the matters raised through the consultation process and in the submissions.

For further information regarding the Draft Annual Plan 2011/2012 go to [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)



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# NATIONAL HONOUR FOR BUILDING INSPECTOR

Tasman Building Inspector Phil Roberts went to Auckland to MC the annual conference of the Building Officials Institute of New Zealand – and was floored to receive the national Emerging Leader award.

Considering the organisation has 1200 members, “I’m pretty humbled by it ... it means you are doing something right on a national level,” says Phil, who heads the Nelson-Marlborough branch of the institute. BOINZ Chief Executive Nick Hill says Phil has energised the branch, with a talent for getting things done. Phil has received excellent customer service awards in the past from Tasman District Council Chief Executive Paul Wylie, but the surprise national honour in early April “blew me away”. The trophy sits proudly on his mantelpiece.

Nelson born and bred Phil, has been “on the other side of the fence” for four years, after a long career in the building industry. He was self-employed for his last dozen years with a hammer in his hand.

He sees the inspector’s role was a natural progression for him, and finds the job “really interesting and really enjoyable.” He also praises a good environment amongst his workmates and Council management.



# SAIL TRAINEE PUSHES HERSELF AND LEARNS RESPECT

Mustered on the deck of the sail training ship Spirit of New Zealand at first light in a cutting wind, Claire Salmond and other sail trainees were “forced/expected to jump off the side into the deep blue chilly water of Queen Charlotte Sound.”

She also climbed to the top of the 31m mast and clambered out on to the yardarms, balancing on a single rope while packing away the square-sails.

Back on land after her 10-day voyage in late March 2011, the 17-year-old Waimea College student misses such challenges, she told the Tasman District Council in a letter of thanks for its donation of \$200 from the “Ships” fund towards her great adventure.

Claire says she learnt to crew the big ship, took her turn on night watches, and tramped a tough eight-hour section of the Queen Charlotte walkway – in six hours.

Living in close quarters with 40 strangers round the clock was

a challenge on its own. No privacy and lack of sleep and space magnified the niggles. Trainees developed ways to keep them in check, and “lots of great friendships were formed”.

The teenage sailors had withdrawal pangs from their cellphones, internet and TV, but at the end of the 10 days “everyone said it was so great not having it hanging over you”.

The main lesson from the trip for Claire was social: “Everyone has a different upbringing that is so distant to my sheltered little life in Mahana, and if you are to lead or be part of a group you have to respect everyone in that group no matter what, and people sometimes don’t and therefore things can go pear-shaped.”



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# Community Recreation MAY 2011

## NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR NELSON TASMAN TRUSTPOWER COMMUNITY AWARDS

The search is now on for our region's most deserving volunteers, with nominations opening on Monday 9 May 2011 for the TrustPower Nelson Tasman Community Awards.

The awards, which are run in conjunction with Tasman District and Nelson City Councils, are open to all voluntary groups and organisations working to make the Nelson Tasman region a better place to live.

Anyone can nominate a voluntary group for the awards – groups can even nominate themselves.

The awards cover five categories;

**Heritage and Environment**

**Health and Wellbeing**

**Arts and Culture**

**Sport and Leisure**

**Educational and Child/Youth Development.**

Category winners receive \$500, runners-up receive \$250 and the Supreme Winner will take home \$1,500 and an all-expenses paid trip to the TrustPower National Community Awards.

Nomination forms for the Awards are available from the Council offices or service centres or by contacting Pip Tschudin at TrustPower on Ph. 0800 87 11 11. Nomination forms can also be downloaded from the TrustPower website or can be completed online at [www.trustpower.co.nz/communityawards](http://www.trustpower.co.nz/communityawards)

Nominations close Friday 15 July 2011.

## ARTS COUNCIL NELSON IMPRESSIONS ART AWARDS 2011

Arts Council Nelson and Impressions Picture Framers and Art Supplies are delighted to announce that entry forms are now available for the 2011 Arts Council Nelson Impressions Art Awards.

Entry is open to all artists residing in the Nelson, Tasman and Marlborough regions. The closing date for entries is 20 July 2011, with the exhibition of short listed works at the Refinery Artspace, Halifax Street, Nelson from 8 August – 3 September 2011.

Impressions and Arts Council Nelson are keen to support local artists in a tangible way through schemes that seek to advance the art of the region while assisting individuals to promote their work. Now in their sixth year, these Art Awards have established a respected platform to meet these goals and additionally provide an annual opportunity for our communities, across the Top of the South, to come together and celebrate the wealth and diversity of creativity within the region.

The 2011 Awards comprise of two judged painting sections, one of which is 'Open', and the other with the theme of "Celebration". Of course the awards would not be the same without the popular "Peoples Choice Award".

Entry forms and further information can be obtained from the Arts Council Nelson office at the Refinery Artspace, 3 Halifax Street, Nelson and also from Impressions Picture Framers and Art Supplies, 11a Sundial Square, Richmond. They can also be download from [www.impressionsnelson.co.nz/art-awards](http://www.impressionsnelson.co.nz/art-awards)

## YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARDS OPEN

Nominations are now open for the 2011 Nelson Tasman Youth Volunteer Awards.

Jointly run by Volunteer Nelson, The New Hub, and the Tasman and Nelson Youth Councils, the annual awards celebrate the voluntary efforts of young people aged 12 to 25.

Any young person working in a voluntary capacity can be nominated. This can include everything from helping with school drama productions, mentoring and providing peer support, to helping at the SPCA, tree planting or coaching sports teams.

Ten special awards, split evenly between the Tasman region and Nelson City, will be presented to young people. The event will take place at The New Hub in Nelson on Thursday 23 June 2011.

Tasman District Council's Community Recreation Officer Paul McConachie acknowledges that "the awards are a great opportunity to recognise the huge amount of voluntary work done by young people in our community. It also helps to break-down some of the stereotypes about young people and how much of a contribution they make to society."

Nominations must be submitted by Friday 3 June 2011. Forms are available from Council offices and public libraries in the region, or can be completed online at [www.jamonline.co.nz](http://www.jamonline.co.nz)

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# NEWS UPDATE

## RESOURCE CONSENTS

The Council has received applications for resource consents, 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:** G D Wyllie, A J Wyllie and D G Beatson.

**Location:** 441 Kaihoka Lakes Road, Whanganui Inlet.

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

**Subdivision Consent (Application RM080459):**

To subdivide a 74.52 hectare title to create the following:

- proposed Lot 1 comprising 4.2 hectares including a right of way;
- proposed Lot 2 comprising 12.0 hectares including a right of way, with no esplanade reserve or strip adjoining the foreshore;
- proposed Lot 3 comprising 2.1 hectares;
- proposed Lot 4 comprising 36 hectares to be amalgamated with the balance of CFR NL1A/711 and Section 4 Block II Pakawau Survey District (CFR NL 32/168), with no esplanade reserve or strip adjoining the foreshore;
- proposed Lot 5 comprising 9000 square metres to vest in Council as esplanade reserve  
10 metres wide adjoining proposed Lot 3;
- proposed Lot 6 comprising 1.4 hectares to vest as seabed;
- proposed Lot 7 comprising 1.0 hectare to vest as seabed;

and to amalgamate Section 3 Block II Pakawau Survey District (CFR NL123/154), Section 5 Block I Pakawau Survey District (CFR NL29/116) and Section 2 Block II Pakawau Survey District to create one title.

**Land Use Consent (Application RM080548)**

To erect a dwelling and undertake earthworks in the Coastal Environment Area on each of Lots 1 – 3 of the subdivision application described above (Application RM080459).

The subject land is zoned Rural 2 and part of the property is within the Coastal Environment Area as defined by the Tasman Resource Management Plan.

**Submissions due:** 4.30 pm on Tuesday 10 May 2011.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Hall and Reserve Management Committees – triennial elections

Management Committees are groups of volunteers who look after some of our Districts halls and reserves on behalf of Tasman District Council, taking care of bookings/usage and maintenance. The committees are elected three yearly.

#### Stanley Brook Hall

**Tuesday 10 May 2011, 7.30 pm, Tapawera Motueka Highway.**

#### Waimea West Recreation Reserve

**Saturday 21 May 2011, 10.30 am, Waimea West Hall.**

For further information please contact Francie Wafer, Community Services Administrator, Tasman District Council, Ph 03 543 8468 or email [francie.wafer@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:francie.wafer@tasman.govt.nz)

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**Applicant:** Wakatu Incorporation Ltd.

**Location:** 278 Whakarewa Street, Motueka.

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

**Subdivision Consent (Application RM110277):**

To subdivide 6.9305 hectares of land as follows:

- 1 Lot 1 with an area of 2.3 hectares containing an existing dwelling and coolstore complex.
- 2 Lot 2 with an area of 4.6 hectares.

The land has a Rural 1 zoning according to the Tasman Resource Management Plan.

**Submissions due:** 4.30 pm on Monday 23 May 2011.

### 24 Hour Assistance – Phone your local office

<b>Richmond</b>	<b>03 543 8400</b>	<b>Motueka</b>	<b>03 528 2022</b>
<b>Murchison</b>	<b>03 523 1013</b>	<b>Takaka</b>	<b>03 525 0020</b>

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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

Fire Station Hall, Collingwood, Tuesday, 10 May 2011, 9.00 am. *Public forum*

#### Motueka Community Board

Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Tuesday, 10 May 2011, 4.00 pm. *Public forum*

#### Council Enterprises Subcommittee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Wednesday, 11 May 2011, 9.30 am. *No public forum*

#### Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Wednesday, 11 May 2011, 2.00 pm. *No public forum*

#### Environment and Planning Subcommittee (Richmond South Halls Trust)

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Monday, 16 May 2011, 9.30 am. *No public forum*

#### Full Council Meeting

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 19 May 2011, 9.30 am. *Public forum*



# NEW TOOLS IMPROVE SAFETY FOR SENIOR DRIVERS

A new set of tools aimed at keeping older road users safe is available free online and being boosted by local classroom-based courses.

The New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) has launched the Staying Safe online education resources for people over 70 years of age. The tools are now available at [www.nzta.govt.nz/traffic/senior-road-users](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/traffic/senior-road-users).

Tasman District Council Road Safety Co-ordinator Krista Hobday says the Staying Safe course content and supporting material will help organisations such as Road Safe Nelson Bays to provide refresher workshops for older drivers. The free Staying Safe workshops are held every 6- 8 weeks. Drivers re-familiarise themselves with traffic rules and safer driving practices as well as increasing knowledge about other transport options available to keep them mobile for as long as possible. Courses can be tailored to suit various needs – for example, they can be held in a retirement village and focus on mobility scooter training.

In addition to regular classroom-based courses, Krista says a dedicated section on the NZTA website caters for individual older drivers.

“For many older people driving is a key to their independence, and many seniors rely on their car to get around, for shopping, appointments or visiting friends and family. These resources are designed to help people maintain that independence while also staying safe on the road.”

Older drivers don't have as many crashes as younger drivers, but if they are in an accident they are more at risk of being seriously injured or killed, because of their increased frailty.

Krista says all drivers, regardless of age, should regularly and honestly assess their own driving capabilities to keep themselves and others safe.

“It's important to remember that the ageing process can affect a range of skills essential to driving – including eyesight, memory, decision-making and reaction times.”

For more information on the workshops or to access the senior road user section, go to [www.nzta.govt.nz/traffic/senior-road-users](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/traffic/senior-road-users) or contact Krista at Tasman District Council, Ph. 03 543 8551. To book a spot on the next course, which takes place on 21 June 2011, contact Peter, Ph. 03 547 1217.



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# DOG REGISTRATION EXPIRES 30 JUNE 2011

Dog registrations will expire on 30 June 2011 and anyone who keeps a dog aged three months or older is required to register their dog by 31 July 2011.

Registration forms for all dogs currently on Council's database will be posted at the end of May 2011. If you have moved from another area, or have changed address within the Tasman area, and do not receive a registration form, please immediately contact your nearest Council office on Ph. 03 543 8400 to update your details so that a form can be sent to you.

As Infringement Notices will be served on owners who fail to register their dogs, it is essential that your invoice goes to the correct address. Any change of detail, whether it is a change of dog owner or address, must be made in writing.

Registration update forms are available from all Council offices, or by emailing [dogcontrol@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:dogcontrol@tasman.govt.nz), or as a pdf download from Council's website [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz)

The fee for dogs that have not been registered by 1 August 2011 will increase by 50% on top of the standard urban or rural registration fee.

## The Registration Fee structure for 2011/2012:

Urban Dog for a dog living on a property of less than one hectare	\$50.00
Urban Dog – Late fee (paid after 31 July 2011)	\$75.00
Rural Dog for a dog living on a property that is one hectare or more	\$30.00
Rural Dog – Late fee (paid after 31 July 2011)	\$45.00
Replacement tag or disk where current one has been lost or damaged	\$5.00

## Impounding Fees for 2011/2012:

1st Impounding	\$70.00
Neutered Dog	\$35.00
2nd Impounding	\$90.00
Neutered Dog	\$50.00
3rd and subsequent impoundings	\$110.00
Neutered Dog	\$65.00
Sustenance – charged per day	\$13.50
Drop off fee where dog is not impounded	\$30.00
Microchipping impounded dogs if required	\$25.00

Upon application to Council a \$30.00 refund applies to a dog that is de-sexed during the registration year following its impounding.

<b>Kennel Licence:</b>	Initial application	\$100.00
	Annual Renewal	\$40.00
(plus any additional costs associated with staff time, hearings and inspections)		

If you have any queries, please call Tasman District Council Dog Control, Ph. 03 543 8407.



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