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## Head online for all your summer information

It's been a glorious summer in Tasman District, although the extended dry spell early on has posed some challenges as well.

There's heaps of information on our website to keep you up to date and help you stay safe over the summer period – including swimming water quality results, boating safety, events and the latest water restrictions.

### Swimming

We regularly monitor the water quality at popular swimming spots throughout Tasman District. Land Air and Water Aotearoa presents the information provided by councils nationally in a clear, easy to understand format. Visit [www.lawa.org.nz](http://www.lawa.org.nz) to check whether your favourite spot is safe for swimming.

We also keep an eye on toxic algae levels in rivers and streams and publish the results online – check out [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/toxic-algae](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/toxic-algae).

### Boating

Tasman District is a boating paradise. Important information about the local rules and conditions is available at [www.tasman.govt.nz/boating](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/boating), including a downloadable copy of the Guide to Boating and Water Sports in Tasman District.

### Events

Music, movies, outdoor activities and family fun are all on in our region this summer. Download a copy of the Summer Events Guide from [www.tasman.govt.nz/events](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/events), or visit [itson.co.nz](http://itson.co.nz) for details of upcoming events.

### Water restrictions

The extended dry weather in late 2017 meant an early start to the seasonal water shortages we've come to expect for the Waimea Plains. Restrictions are intended to make sure we don't run out of this important resource. Up to date information on water restrictions can be found at [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/water-restrictions](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/water-restrictions).

### Fire safety

When it's dry and windy, the fire risk rises. All outdoor fires in Tasman District require a permit, including beach fires. Head online to [www.checkitsalright.nz](http://www.checkitsalright.nz) to learn more about local fire conditions and apply for a permit, or phone Nelson Tasman Fire and Emergency New Zealand, on 03 544 2441.

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**Wishing you all a safe and fun start to 2018.**

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## Council Meetings

There are no meetings in January. For a list of all Council meetings in February, please visit [www.tasman.govt.nz/council/council-meetings](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/council/council-meetings).

## Mayor's Message

Hello everyone and welcome to 2018! I hope you were all able to enjoy time off with family and friends this festive season and were able to make the most of our beautiful Tasman District.

Once every three years the Council reviews what we need to deliver for our community and the costs associated with that. We call this process the Long Term Plan, and this year the Council will make decisions for the next 10 years, with a particular focus on the next three. We are preparing a consultation document for you to consider, which will be publicly available early in April. This process has taken a lot of preparation, but is very important to ensure our focus is on the right things for our community.

We must consider now what our generation needs to provide in terms of infrastructure and planning for future generations. Of particular focus is providing infrastructure to meet the needs of residential development, driven by the high level

of population growth in our District. Safe and secure water supplies are a key ongoing focus for us. We need to look after the environmental health of all the rivers in our District and make decisions that benefit our whole community.

We really appreciate all the submissions that came in on the Waimea Community Dam funding and governance proposal. The Council will now take time to consider the issues that were raised. We will work towards making a final decision on whether or not the project proceeds in the first half of this year.

Finally from me, I'd just like to urge you to be particularly careful driving on our roads. I've noticed some very considerate driving, but we also need to be mindful of the occasional loon! For now, enjoy the summer, look out for one another and stay safe.

**Mayor Richard Kempthorne**



## Next steps for Waimea Community Dam

Deliberations on the funding and governance proposals for the Waimea Community Dam will be held on 1 and 2 February, with a decision likely in late February 2018.

Councillors will consider the 1,515 public submissions that were received on the proposals during the consultation phase between 21 October and 26 November 2017. Hearings were held in Richmond, Takaka and Motueka in mid-December.

A panel of technical and legal experts will be present at the deliberations to provide clarification on points raised in submissions, and to answer any questions councillors may have. The deliberations will generally be open to the public.

The Council's decision on funding and governance is not the final go/no go decision for building the dam. Several other pieces of work must be completed before that decision can be made, including:

- Waimea Irrigators Ltd successfully raising their required financial contribution to the project
- A firm construction tender price
- Confirmation of Nelson City Council's proposed contribution
- Final land acquisition and access agreements

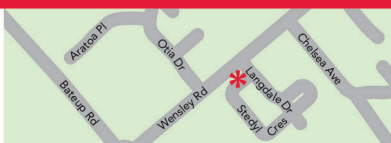
- Confirmation of central Government funding – from Crown Irrigation Investments Ltd and Ministry for the Environment
- Finalisation of project contracts and legal agreements

**Find out more: All the public submissions, as well as more information about the project, is available on our website. Visit [www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback) and click on Recently Closed Consultations.**

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## Skatepark Tour

It's the final week of the Skatepark Tour – a chance for young people to show off their skate, BMX and scooting skills and compete against other contestants. Competitors span three age groups – junior (5–11 years), senior (12–17 years), and open (18+ years).

Sport Tasman have come on board again to run the events this year and their support, along with that of our generous sponsors Cheapskates, Village Cycles and Skydive Abel Tasman, means the tour remains a free community event. Alcohol-free event. Entries are taken on the day. Helmets are compulsory for all competitors.

**Richmond:** Saturday 20 January, 3.00pm – 5.00pm, Richmond Skatepark, Jubilee Park

**Nelson:** Sunday 21 January, 3.00pm – 6.00pm, Nelson Skatepark, Neale Park

Visit [www.tyc.co.nz](http://www.tyc.co.nz) for more information.

## Motueka Aerodrome Management Plan review

The Motueka Aerodrome Management Plan, which was first adopted in 2011, has undergone a complete review. The draft management plan 2017 and its partnering development plan are now available for comment.

The consultation period closes on **7 February 2018**.

Copies of both plans are available either online at [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz) or at the Motueka Library and Council offices in Motueka and Richmond.

Submissions can be made online at [www.tasman.govt.nz](http://www.tasman.govt.nz) or by writing to: Mark Johannsen, Property Services Manager Tasman District Council, 189 Queen St, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.

## Camping numbers limited at McKee Memorial Recreation Reserve

Pressure on some of our infrastructure at the McKee Memorial Recreation Reserve means we need to limit the number of campers at the site this summer. Most of the reserve is still open for camping, however please be aware we may need to turn campers away if the site gets too full and there will be a small area that is not available for camping. The sewage system at the reserve comes under pressure during heavy rain, so in the event of stormy weather please be aware the dump station could be closed at short notice. Alternative dump stations can be found at Hickmott Carpark, Motueka, and Fittal St, Richmond. The toilets may also need to be closed for short periods of time after rain.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank campers for their patience while we work on a long-term fix.

## Golden Bay Community Board By-election

A by-election for a vacant seat on the Golden Bay Community Board will be held on Saturday 17 February 2018.

The candidates for the by-election are :

- Barker, Rod
- Grant, Averill
- Rhodes, Deborah
- Shaw, Dylan

### Meet the candidates

- Monday 22 January, 7.00pm, Senior Citizens Hall, Takaka
- Thursday 25 January, 7.00pm, Collingwood Sunday School Hall

**Find out more: More information about the candidates, enrolling and voting in the by-election is available at [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/elections](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/elections).**

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## Trade in your old lifejackets

The Old4New Lifejacket Upgrade is now underway, with the van travelling to boat ramps in our region this summer. We're encouraging boaties to bring down their old lifejackets to the van, for a great discount on a brand new Hutchwilco lifejacket. Over the past three years more than 8,000 lifejackets have been traded in, meaning thousands of boaties are now safer on the water.

### Van Location Schedule

- Saturday 20 January, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm:  
Akersten Street Boat Ramp, Nelson
- Sunday 21 January, 8.00 am – 11.00 am:  
Bays Boating, 15 King Edward Street, Motueka
- Sunday 21 January, 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm:  
Kaiteriteri Beach Front, opposite the  
campground, Kaiteriteri-Sandy Bay Road.

More information at [www.old4new.nz](http://www.old4new.nz).

## Go By Bike Day

Wednesday 14 February, 7.30 – 9.00 am.  
Join us for a free breakfast and celebrate with other cyclists - giveaways, entertainment, great food and coffee.

**Richmond:** Sundial Square, Croucher Street  
**Takaka:** Quiet Revolution, Commercial Street  
**Motueka:** Motueka Museum, High Street

## Sounds of Summer

Come and relax in the sun and enjoy some summer vibes and great tunes!

**Friday 19 January and Friday 9 February**  
4.30 – 7.00 pm at 140 High Street Motueka  
(courtyard out the front of the Motueka Museum). Alcohol-free event.

## Freedom Camping Bylaw 2017

The rules for freedom camping in Tasman District have changed. To find out where you can and can't freedom camp in our District, head to [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/freedom-camping](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/freedom-camping) for details of the new Freedom Camping Bylaw 2017.

## Upcoming maritime events

Temporary reservations and speed limit uplifting for maritime events.

Pursuant to provisions of the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2015, the Tasman District Council Harbourmaster has (or may soon) grant authorisations for the following known events during the upcoming holiday period.

**Event:** Jet Boating Family Day

**Date:** 21 January

**Location:** Lake Rotoiti

**Event:** Waka Ama Event

**Date:** 9 – 10 February

**Location:** Lake Rotoiti

TBA Lake Rotoiti Power Boat Regatta

TBA Lake Rotoiti Classic Boat Show

Due to Navigation Safety requirements, water users not involved in these events may be excluded from defined areas during these activities. Notices will be placed at nearby access points during these events.

Further details for these and any new events may be viewed at [www.tasman.govt.nz/link/boating](http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/boating).

## Road Closures

**Event:** Nelson Drag Racing event

**Date:** Saturday 20 January 2018

Rain date is Sunday 21 January 2018

**Time:** 7.30 am to 4.00 pm

**Location:** Queen Victoria Street (from King Edward Street to Green Lane)

**Event:** Nelson Drag Racing event

**Date:** Saturday 24 February 2018

**Time:** 7.30am to 4.00pm

**Location:** Queen Victoria Street (from King Edward Street to Green Lane)

**Date objections close:** Friday 26 January 2018

**Event:** Nelson Drag Racing event

**Date:** Saturday 31 March 2018

**Rain date:** Sunday 1 April 2018

**Time:** 7.30am to 4.00pm

**Location:** Queen Victoria Street (from King Edward Street to Green Lane)

**Date objections close:** Friday 2 March 2018

*Note: The drag racing will be held on the aerodrome runway. The road closure notice is in place to assist with spectators entering and exiting the site.*

### How to make an objection

If you would like to object, just write to us. Please include the applicant name and the date of the event and your reasons for objecting.

- 189 Queen Street, Private Bag 4, Richmond, Nelson 7050
- Phone 03 543 8400
- Fax 03 543 9524
- Email: [info@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:info@tasman.govt.nz)

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