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COME ALONG TO EXPERIENCE

the VELODROME!

SUNDAY 1 JULY
11.00 AM – 3.00 PM

Saxton Velodrome Opening

You're invited to the community opening of the new Saxton Velodrome! The velodrome is a fantastic public facility for riders of all skill levels, from beginners through to competitive racers.

On Sunday 1 July we're holding a community open day to celebrate the completion of the velodrome. Bring your bike and helmet and try out the track. Beginners will have a blast on the learn to ride area, complete with roundabout, intersections and road signs – everything you need to practise cycling in a road environment.

Local bike clubs and shops will be on hand with information on their services, and demo bikes to try out.

Plus, there'll be track races, giveaways, bike check-ups and more!

Support Junior Worlds Hopeful Shaane Fulton

Elite junior cyclist Shaane Fulton will race at the opening as a fundraiser for her upcoming trip to the Junior World Championships in Switzerland. Competitors can try their luck in the race against Shaane for a \$20 entry fee. Shaane will also be selling raffle tickets – come along and support our local favourite to make her mark on the world stage.

Entry to the velodrome is via Champion Road.

RIDE THE VELODROME

KIDS 'LEARN TO RIDE' AREA

BIKE CHECKS AND TUNE UPS

BIKE DEMOS

PROFESSIONAL RACES

Mayor's message

I am pleased to advise that the Mayoral Fund Hardship Grant process has now been finalised and all the money available has been distributed to those experiencing hardship as a result of Cyclones Fehi and Gita in February.

This has been shared amongst the 40 people and organisations that requested business or personal assistance. Everyone who applied for a grant has received some assistance, although unfortunately we were not able to give everyone the full amount they requested.

Independent advisors assessed the applications against the criteria and made recommendations to a panel of myself and two councillors, who approved the final grant allocations.

The hardship grant funding has been provided by the Ministry of Civil Defence, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, the Tasman Mayoral Relief Fund, and donations from community members and organisations. The hardship funding is in addition to the \$5 million the Council has spent on flood recovery work to public land and infrastructure such as roads, pipework, parks and public reserves.

My appreciation goes to those who have provided funding. I would like to acknowledge donations from Pokororo Women's Club, Motueka Valley Association, Tama Asset Holding Company and others who wish to remain anonymous.

While the financial impacts on people in our district are far greater than the grant funding we had available to distribute, I hope it will go some way towards easing the hardship felt by members of our community. We know there are many other people who have also been significantly impacted both personally and financially as a result of the cyclones.

It is good to see that the Takaka Hill road is now open day and night. I urge you all to drive safe, especially in the winter conditions, and adhere to the Stop/Go and traffic lights on the one-way sections.



Richard Kempthorne
Mayor



In case you missed it ...

A summary of recent Council meetings and the decisions made.

Environment and Planning Committee – 14 June 2018

- Regulatory Manager Adrian Humphries reported the new Freedom Camping Bylaw had reduced issues caused by freedom camping overall, with far fewer public complaints and positive feedback from campers. However, storms in February had meant non-self contained camping was not possible at several sites, leading to a surge in use of Decks Reserve in Motueka and negative feedback from residents. Adrian said problems with inadequate signage, too few facilities and a lack of free alternatives would need to be dealt with before next summer.
- Compliance Manager Carl Cheeseman reported the team had responded to 550 complaints from the public in the second half of 2017, mainly about stormwater run-off and wastewater odour. Over the past six months, compliance officers have carried out 1404 inspections, which includes targeted monitoring of resource consents, dairy and water activities. Carl reported there were five prosecutions currently before the court.
- The committee renewed its support for a Ramsar nomination for the area including Whanganui Inlet, Mangarakau wetland and Lake Otuhie. Ramsar is an international treaty to promote conservation and wise use of wetlands of international importance.

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Good practice guide for outdoor burning

Winter is not a good time to light outdoor fires, as calm, clear, cold days don't allow smoke to rise and disperse.

Instead, the smoke sits low to the ground and can cause significant negative health effects, while odour and ash can cause also a nuisance for neighbours.

There are rules for outdoor fires in our District, as well as good-practice guidelines that everyone lighting an outdoor fire must follow.

And remember, all outdoor fires in Tasman District, at any time of year, require a permit from Nelson Tasman Fire Emergency New Zealand.

Outdoor fire bans

- Outdoor burns are banned year-round in Richmond and Motueka townships.

- An outdoor fire ban is in place from 1 June until 1 September in all other Tasman townships and the outskirts of Richmond and Motueka. The exception is if you are burning diseased horticultural crops.

Good practice guidelines

If you are outside the fire ban areas, and must conduct an outdoor burn, the following guidelines will help keep pollution and nuisance to a minimum.

- Check the weather conditions, wind speed and direction and continue to check throughout the burn
- Wind speeds of 10-20 km/hr are ideal (a gentle breeze, leaves and small twigs move in the wind)
- Burn well-seasoned, dry vegetation only
- Stack vegetation and untreated wood loosely. Do not compact the material.

- Only burn between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm. Do not add any more vegetation after 3.00 pm.
- Do not leave a fire to smoulder overnight – restart fires the next day.
- Get the fire burning hot as quickly as possible and keep it hot throughout the burn– lower temperatures mean more smouldering and more smoke
- Minimise the frequency and number of fires as much as possible.

Find out more

- More information on good outdoor burning practices and Tasman-specific requirements can be found on our website, www.tasman.govt.nz.
- More information about fire permits from Nelson Tasman Fire and Emergency NZ is at www.checkitsalright.nz.

Winter driving tips

Winter driving conditions can be unpredictable. Here are some tips for safe winter journeys.

Slow down

- Take your time – it only takes a split-second to lose control in wet or icy conditions.
- Avoid sudden movements. Accelerate smoothly and brake gently.
- When travelling uphill, use a higher gear than normal. When going downhill use a lower gear.

Plan your journey

- When conditions are bad, postpone your trip if possible.
- Check road conditions. Call 0800 44 44 49 for state highways, visit www.highwayinfo.govt.nz, or listen to local radio stations.
- Carry warm clothes in case you get stuck or break down. On a long trip, take food and something to drink.

See and be seen

- In fog, rain or snow, turn your lights on.
- Switch headlights on earlier in the day.

- Clear windows before driving. De-ice and wipe windows.

Watch for danger spots

- Ice lingers in shaded areas such as high banks, tall trees and road cuttings.
- Bridges can stay slippery longer than other road surfaces.
- Expect a dawn frost. If it is not frosty at 6.00 am, it could be an hour later.
- Slow down in glare from low winter sun.

Pick up a free windscreen ice scraper at Council offices and libraries!

Council recognised for positive ageing work

Age Concern has honoured Tasman District Council with an award for its work to support older members of our community.

The AgeConnect award recognises the Council for promoting positive ageing and encouraging community connections.

Councillor Dana Wensley was delighted with the award, and paid tribute to the other winners.

“Every little bit individuals, businesses and community organisations do to build connections, friendships and social interaction makes a difference. Congratulations to all the winners and

thanks to Age Concern for leading this initiative.”

Out of hundreds of nominations, the awards ceremony recognised finalists and winners in eight categories including a supreme champion, which was won by Stoke Seniors.

Annetta Hodges won the "one person makes a difference" category. She was active in many organisations including Arthritis New Zealand.

The intergenerational champion winner was Age to Age, a programme founded by Vicky Jackson that brings together school pupils and older people.

Other winners included Hurst & Taylor Unichem Pharmacy, Wakefield Four Square, Neighbourhood Support Waimea Inc and Neighbourhood Support Nelson. Nelson City Taxis and Mitre 10 Mega Nelson also won awards.

The recycling challenge

Tasman's recycling system – along with recycling systems worldwide – is facing significant challenges.

China's decision to reject most recycling materials has caused difficulty for recyclers worldwide, and is having an effect on your local recycling service.

So what exactly is the problem, what are we doing about it – and how can you help?

State of play

Most of New Zealand's domestic recycling processing facilities are in the North Island and don't have the capacity to process all the

material collected throughout the country. South Island recyclers therefore often have to export recycling overseas.

The international market for recycled materials has reduced because China has introduced new contamination requirements for the recyclables it will accept. Most kerbside recycling systems, including ours, struggle to meet the new requirement and we have had to look for alternative international markets.

Unfortunately other countries do not have the capacity to process the large volume of material China could. As a result, demand and prices for recyclable material have dropped globally.

Impact on Tasman District

The change in global markets has affected our ability to export materials and reduced the value of some materials.

Tasman's recycling in 2018



GLASS

51%

OF TASMAN'S RECYCLING

Sent to O-I New Zealand to be recycled into new bottles. This market is steady – no change in demand or price.



MIXED PAPER AND CARDBOARD

41%

OF TASMAN'S RECYCLING

Exported for recycling. Now being sent to alternative offshore processing facilities to be turned into corrugated cardboard and recycled paper. Value has dropped by 90%.



TIN AND ALUMINIUM

3%

OF TASMAN'S RECYCLING

Sent to local steel merchants for recycling on-shore or overseas. These markets are steady – no change in demand or price.



PET AND HDPE PLASTICS (TYPES 1 & 2)

3%

OF TASMAN'S RECYCLING

Soft drink and clear milk bottles. These are sent to recycling facilities in Lower Hutt and Christchurch to find new life as strawberry punnets, food containers and infrastructure pipes.



MIXED PLASTICS (TYPES 3 – 7)

2%

OF TASMAN'S RECYCLING

Ice cream, yoghurt and similar containers, along with cleaning product bottles. Currently being stockpiled while we seek alternative markets. No plans to send to landfill.

What are we doing?

We are working with our contractor Smart Environmental on several fronts to address the recycling challenge.

- 1 Identifying alternative processing facilities for our recyclables – both onshore and overseas
- 2 Taking part in the industry-wide working group looking at ways to develop a more sustainable recycling model.
- 3 Reviewing the Nelson-Tasman Waste Minimisation Plan. This plan is the Tasman and Nelson councils' blueprint for achieving waste reduction across the region. The plan is under review and public input will be sought through a consultation phase – likely to be in August this year.
- 4 Increasing kerbside audits of recycling bins – and rejecting bins containing contaminated materials if need be. Please do your best to put out only clean materials – and be aware we may not collect your recycling if we find it also contains non-recyclable stuff.

How can you help?

There are a couple of key things you can do to help.

- 1 **Conscious purchasing**
Think carefully about your purchases to reduce the amount of packaging waste you then need to dispose of. Can you bulk buy using your own reusable containers? Will one large box or bottle of product do instead of several small ones? Is there a glass alternative to that plastic bottle or container?
- 2 **Clean recycling**
Please only put clean recyclables out for collection. Give plastics a good rinse with warm water. Paper and cardboard should also be free of dirt, food or other contaminants. Improving the quality of recycling improves our chances of selling it, and of getting a good price.

CupCycling comes to Richmond

The successful CupCycling campaign that has been running in Motueka for the past 10 months is now expanding to Richmond.

The innovative programme aims to cut the number of disposable coffee cups people throw away and reduce the waste that ends up in our landfill.

We're supporting the initiative to Make New Zealand Disposable Cup Free and CupCycling, led by local business IdealCup, because it ties in perfectly with our focus on waste minimisation. Even compostable cups often end up in landfill – they need to

be processed in commercial composting facilities, which adds cost and complexity.

How it works

Pay a \$10 bond at any participating Richmond cafe and receive your hot drink in a reusable CupCycling cup. Return the used cup at any participating CupCycling cafe, for a fresh cup when you need your next caffeine fix. Every hot drink purchased will receive a discount.

Initially, the Richmond Aquatic Centre Cafe will be the first to participate; with the Wooden Spoon Cafe and others in Richmond to follow soon! Watch this space.

To date the Motueka campaign has diverted more than 10,000 disposable cups from

landfill in less than 12 months. With three new cafes coming on board soon, that number is likely to grow to an estimated 30,000 fewer cups making their way to landfill every year.

We hope you will join us in the push to Make New Zealand Disposable Cup Free!

JOIN US

LET'S MAKE
NEW ZEALAND
DISPOSABLE
CUP FREE!



Free waste minimisation workshops for events

Event organisers are invited to a workshop with waste reduction experts Beyond the Bin.

Tasman District Council and Nelson City Council are proud to support these workshops, which aim to give event organisers practical tips and tools for designing waste out of their events.

A more advanced second workshop is available for those who already have some experience in implementing waste minimisation.

Zero Waste Events 101

Feeling overwhelmed by the volume of waste created at your event? Want to build understanding and confidence, and reap the rewards of becoming a zero waste event? Join us for an invigorating session for event organisers who are new to reducing waste at events.

We'll cover:

- What a zero waste event looks like and how to organise it
- Common barriers and how to overcome them
- How taking responsibility for waste will make your event shine.

Wednesday 27 June, 11.00 am – 1.00 pm (morning tea provided) at Saxton Pavilion, Stoke.

Advanced Zero Waste Events

Have you started your event waste minimisation journey, but want to advance to higher diversion rates with cutting edge solutions? Join us for a master class in event waste minimisation.

Using case studies and interactive workshoping, we'll cover:

- Cutting waste out of your system
- Reusable solutions and learning which containers will suit your event
- Capitalising on sponsorship opportunities
- How to become a leader in event waste minimisation.

Wednesday 27 June – 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm (afternoon tea provided) at Saxton Pavilion, Stoke.

Register for a workshop:
Visit www.eventbrite.co.nz and search for "Zero Waste Events".

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Mudcakes and Roses Survey

Mudcakes and Roses is a magazine for over-50s living in Nelson-Tasman. It is funded by the Tasman District and Nelson City councils, and aims to keep its readers up to date with services, events and opportunities for older residents in the region. We want to know if Mudcakes and Roses is meeting the needs of its readers – do you love it, or hate it?

Head to www.surveymonkey.co.nz/r/mudcakes to fill in the survey. The survey closes on Friday 3 August.

Help at hand for Community Grant applicants

Online applications for this year's Community Grants are open now, and we're running drop-in sessions in July for anyone who needs a little help getting started. You will need to bring all the information for your application, including details of your organisation (such as a Charities Commission number if you have one), the project you're applying for funding for, the community benefits it will bring and the budget.

Drop-in sessions

Sessions run from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm at:

- Richmond Library, Tuesday 3 July
- Motueka Library, Wednesday 4 July
- Takaka Library, Thursday 5 July

And from 1.15 – 3.00 pm at:

- Murchison Library, Tuesday 10 July.

For more information head to our website, www.tasman.govt.nz/link/grants.

AgRecovery chemical collection

Book in by 22 June 2018 and AgRecovery will dispose of your unwanted agrichemicals for free. Storing old or unwanted agrichemicals on farms creates unnecessary risks to staff, family, livestock, pets and the environment. Rural recycling programme Agrecovery has partnered with the Tasman District Council to collect and safely dispose of farm chemicals in the region this month.

The Agrecovery programme collects and safely disposes of old agrichemicals. Some chemicals need to be sent to France for high-temperature incineration and collections can usually only be carried out in each region every one to two years. The programme has recovered more than 100 tonnes of unwanted agrichemicals since it began 11 years ago. It is funded by voluntary levies paid by 60 manufacturers of agrichemical, animal health and dairy hygiene products – enabling Agrecovery to provide these programmes to farmers and growers free of charge. Products from participating brands are free to dispose of through the scheme. For non-funded products, user-pays fees apply. Book via the Agrecovery website www.agrecovery.co.nz, by phoning 0800 247 326 or by emailing info@agrecovery.org.nz.

Representation – have we got it right?

We're seeking public feedback on our representation arrangements – the number of councillors, community boards and elected officials in Tasman District.

Submissions close on 9 July – head to www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback to find out more and have your say.

Rock the Bay

Saturday 30 June, 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm. Pohara Hall, Golden Bay. Youth event Rock the Bay returns to Golden Bay's Pohara Hall with an all-ages music gig featuring some of the finest in Golden Bay musical talent. Not only will young people feature exclusively on stage, but they will also feature behind the scenes, undertaking a range of production and event management roles. Rock the Bay is supported by the Tasman District Council and the Ministry of Youth Development. A free bus service will operate on the night, thanks to Golden Bay Coachlines.

The service will depart Collingwood Area School at 6.00 pm, and pick up at Golden Bay High School at 6.30 pm and continue on to Pohara Hall. The return service will depart Pohara after the last act.

Stanley Brook River meeting

Thursday 28 June, 7.00 pm, Stanley Brook Hall. All landowners with property along Stanley Brook are invited to a meeting to discuss a co-ordinated approach to ongoing maintenance of the river's bed and bank.

Stanley Brook has a River Z classification which means adjacent property owners are responsible for its maintenance. The classification has led to a somewhat ad hoc maintenance record which led to issues in the recent cyclones Fehi and Gita.

For further information call Giles Griffiths 03 543 8400.

Wakefield Community Council AGM

Monday 16 July, 7.30pm at St John Anglican Church, Edward Street, Wakefield.




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Register your dog

You can register your dog in person, by mail to any Council service centre, or pay online. Remember to register by 31 July to avoid an extra fee. More information is available online at www.tasman.govt.nz.

Moturoa/Rabbit Island access restriction

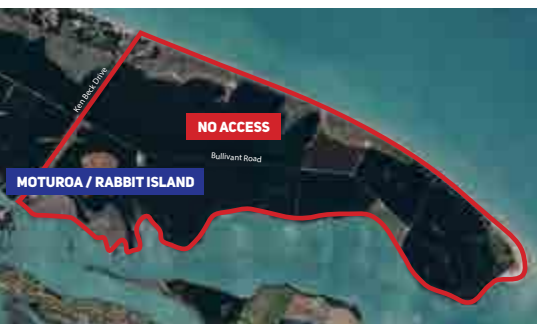
Public access to the eastern half of Moturoa/Rabbit Island will be closed on two days this winter while an organised game bird hunt takes place. The closure includes the beachfront at the eastern end of the island. Fish and Game organises the hunts, which are permitted on a trial basis under the Moturoa/Rabbit Island Reserve Management Plan.

The hunts are timed to coincide with low tide to avoid any effect on shore birds. No hunting is allowed within 100 metres of the high tide mark.

Closure dates 2018:

- Saturday 23 June, 8.30 am – 3.00 pm (reserve day 24 June)
- Saturday 21 July (reserve day 22 July)

Map of closed area:



Temporary water chlorination

Short-term chlorination of the Richmond and Kaiteriteri water supplies is planned to ensure a safe water supply while water infrastructure work is carried out over the next few months.

Richmond: A low level of chlorine will be introduced in mid-June and again in August to ensure your water supply is safe from contamination while two large water mains are relocated.

Kaiteriteri: In July we will test the emergency chlorination system at the new water treatment plant in Riwaka. The chlorination will last for no more than a week.

Rivercare Meetings 2018

Join us for a conversation about river management issues and works. Topics will include flood protection, riparian maintenance and erosion control. If you have a specific question or topic you would like discussed, please contact Rivers and Coastal Engineer Giles Griffith on 03 543 7244 or

Email: giles.griffith@tasman.govt.nz.

Upper Motueka Catchment

Tuesday 10 July 2018, 3.00pm, Tapawera Community Rooms

(Upper Motueka, Motupiko, Tadmor and Sherry Rivers)

Dove River

Tuesday 10 July 2018
7.00pm, Dovedale Hall

Waimea Catchment

Wednesday 11 July 2018, 10.00am, Richmond Council Chambers (Waimea, Wai-iti and Wairoa Rivers)

Lower Motueka Catchment

Thursday 12 July 2018, 4.00pm, Motueka Service Centre (Lower Motueka, Riwaka, Brooklyn, Little Sydney, Hamiltons and Scotts Drains, Pauley Creek, Company Ditches and Moutere Rivers)

Takaka Catchment

Friday 13 July 2018, 10.00am, Rec Park Centre Golden Bay (Takaka, Waingarō and Anatoki Rivers)

Aorere Catchment

Friday 13 July 2018, 1.30pm, Collingwood Tavern (Aorere and Kaituna Rivers)

Funding for community arts projects

If you have a great community arts project needing some dollars, the Tasman Creative Communities Scheme may be able to help. The next round closes on 10 July 2018. For more information and application forms: Head online: www.tasman.govt.nz (search for 'creative communities').

Ngatimoti School turns 150

Ngatimoti School is 150 years old this year. Celebrations are planned for Labour Weekend, 20 and 21 October, which will include our annual Ngatimoti Festival! We welcome expressions of interest for the Saturday activities. Please contact us at office@ngatimoti.school.nz or phone 03 526 8842.

Road closures

Event: Matariki (entertainment and food event)

Date: Saturday 21 July 2018 (rain date Sunday 22 July)

Time: 1.00 pm – 10.00 pm

Location: Sundial Square (for length of Croucher Street) and Queen Street (from Cambridge Street to Pat's Plaza)

Council Meetings

Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed on Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz.

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

Nelson-Tasman Regional Landfill Business Unit Committee

Friday 22 June, 9.30 am. Public forum

Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit Committee

Friday 22 June, 1.00 pm. Public forum

Full Council

Thursday 28 June, 9.30 am. Public forum

Community Development Committee

Thursday 5 July, 9.30 am. Public forum

Everyone is welcome to attend our public meetings. There is a public seating area where you can observe the meeting, with many of the meetings having a 'public forum' providing an opportunity to speak to the meeting if you wish. At the beginning of ordinary meetings up to 30 minutes is set aside for public forum. Each speaker is allocated five minutes. You don't need to pre-register your intention to speak – just take your turn when invited by the chairperson. These presentations don't form part of the formal business of the meeting – a brief record will be kept of the matters raised. Any matters requiring further investigation may be referred to staff by the Chairperson.

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FROM THE TASMAN DISTRICT LIBRARIES



What's On at Your Library

If you're a regular visitor to our Upcoming Events page on the library website, you'll have noticed that it's looking a bit weird at the moment. Without getting all technical on you, the gremlins have been at work and have broken the link that usually takes you to our It's On posts.

While we're fixing the problem, we've created a new page – What's On at Your Library. You'll find all our events listed there. Link from the banner on the home page directly to the new page and keep up to date with events at your local library.

We're still posting our events to It's On. If you want fuller information about library events, visit itson.co.nz and enter a date range and the library name e.g. Motueka Library.

Pick n Mix reading for adults

Winter is reading season. Long evenings, cold days – what better to do than escape into the pages of a good book? To spur you on we're running Pick n Mix, a winter reading challenge for adults. All you have to do is read one book from four of the twelve categories listed on the reading record. Write the title and author alongside the categories you've chosen, add your details to the form and go into the draw to win. You can enter as many times as you want. You create the level of challenge you want through the categories you choose to read.

Pick n Mix is running at all Tasman libraries from 17 July to 31 August. If you haven't already selected your Pick n Mix reading, head into your local library, pick up your reading record and get started today.

Get yourself sorted at Richmond Library

Throughout July and August we're offering a range of workshops at Richmond Library to help you get sorted. With topics as diverse as preparing to buy your first home, planning for retirement, embracing change, improving your sleep, learning about wills, looking after your mental health and assorted computer courses, there's bound to be something to interest you. You'll find full details on our Featured Events page. Or pick up a flyer when you're next in Richmond Library.

Wedding planning at Motueka Library

Wedding panic setting in? Join Terri Everett, international award-winning wedding consultant, celebrant and chauffeur for an inspired look at planning the next big life step. Terri will share tips, tricks and recommendations to help guide you through the minefield of planning your wedding. Terri will be at Motueka Library on Tuesday 31 July 11.00 am – 12.00 noon.

Boggle and Bananagrams in Takaka

Takaka Library has got you covered for Winter with Word Game mornings. Boggle, Wordspeed, Bananagrams, Upwords and Wordigo are guaranteed to get you out of bed and your brain into gear for a fun morning of mental gymnastics. Takaka Library's Word Game mornings are on every Thursday morning 10.00 am to 12.00 noon. Give us a call on 03 525 0059 for further details.

Winter comfort food at Motueka Library

Do you love cooking good mood food or nostalgic foods that remind you of another time and place? Soups, casseroles, slow cooking, the Sunday roast, winter veges or sweet indulgences – what tempts your tastebuds in winter? Join us for tastings and tips on creating delicious winter comfort foods at Motueka Library on Friday 27 July 11.00 am – 12.00 noon. Enjoy connecting with other like-minded cooks and bakers and take home some new recipes and inspiration. And while you're in the library browse our extensive range of cookbooks.

New on the shelf



Love & Ruin
by Paula McLain



Bono
by Helen Brown



Rebel Prince
by Tom Bower



The Blood Road
by Stuart Macbride

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