Lincoln Community News

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Nigel Latta packs out Lincoln Event Centre – and leaves 450 parents laughing, breathing easier, and "adding more love"





Back in May, something pretty special happened here in Lincoln.

Over 450 parents, grandparents and caregivers packed into the Lincoln Event Centre to hear Nigel Latta – New Zealand's no-nonsense, straight-talking parenting expert – bring the house down with his signature mix of sharp wit, deep insight, and total honesty. And wow, did he deliver.

From the first moment, Nigel had the crowd exhaling.

"It'll be fine," he said – and somehow, we all believed him.

He didn't sugar-coat the hard stuff. He told it like it is, wrapped in real stories from decades spent walking alongside Kiwi families through the very best and worst of life. There were moments that made us laugh out loud, others that brought a quiet lump to the throat. And in the middle of it all, he gave us something rare: permission to be human, imperfect, and still doing okay.

"When he said 'add more love', I cried."

"So good to hear real common sense again."

"I actually felt like a good parent for the first time in ages."

This unforgettable evening was part of Selwyn Parenting Week 2025, run by local charity Selwyn Parenting Network (SPN) – and if you missed it, know this: it wasn't just a one-off.

Over the course of seven days, the SPN team supported more than 650 individual Selwyn families through a packed schedule of keynotes, workshops and online sessions. Topics ranged from brain development and nutrition to parenting neurodivergent children, tackling screen time, picky eating, emotional wellbeing and the pressures of modern parenting.

And the speakers? They were world-class. Not just Nigel Latta, butContinued on page 3

SELWYN PARENTING WEEK 2025 — AT A GLANCE

Delivered by a small local charity with a big mission



650 families reached through events, workshops, and webinars



155,656 people reached via social media in the past 28 days



95,817 reached in the lead-up week Alone – 60% engagement surge



All events delivered across Selwyn in one week



Nigel Latta +450 reached at Lincoln Event Centre

Julia Rucklidge Over 100 parents and caregivers in Rolleston



All events were free or kept as low cost as possible to keep things affordable and realistic



Lean delivery team: 1 part-time contracted position. Additional 60% of role volunteered



lincoln community and residents' association incorporated

Next meeting: 7pm, Monday 14 July at Community Care Lincoln.

Lincoln Community and Residents' Associaton AGM: 7pm, Monday 11 August at Community Care Lincoln.

Committee members:

Lindsay Wilson, (Chairperson); Bex Dollary (Secretary); Tanya Douglas (Treasurer); Andre Strauss; Cam Holmes; Kathryn Claridge; Sam Elder; and Ralph Scott

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Lincoln Community News is the official newsletter of the Lincoln Community and Residents' Association Incorporated. It is produced by The Selwyn Printing Company and comes out monthly, with the exception of January.

We're seeking stories!

Do you have a story to share? We are always looking for news and information about what is happening in Lincoln and the Selwyn District. We'd like to hear the stories of residents' achievements, exciting happenings, community developments and more! This is a community newsletter and we welcome your voice.

Deadline is 20th of month preceding publication month. Text should be supplied as a non-formatted Word or Text document. Please supply any images as high resolution JPEG files. Adverts should be supplied as print ready, high resolution PDF files.

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Birds, Bugs & Blooms

Nadine Campbell + Karen Gourley

n this joint exhibition hotographer Nadine Campbell and pastel artist Karen Gourley unite to reveal the interconnected dance of flora and fauna. With an eye for intimacy and a passion for the small but vital, their work celebrates the threads of life that bind pollinators, petals and birds into a quietly thriving ecosystem.





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also Professor Julia Rucklidge, one of New Zealand's leading experts in mental health and nutrition. This calibre of access is usually reserved for major conferences in big cities – but here in Selwyn, families got front-row seats.

"To bring these voices into our district and make it affordable for local families is something we're really proud of," says SPN's Operational Lead, Kate Webb.

"Parents told us this was the first time they could afford to attend something like this – and that it left them feeling seen, supported, and hopeful."

SPN kept tickets as close to free as possible, because that's what matters most: no waitlists, no barriers, just real support for Selwyn families.

Behind the scenes, the whole week was delivered by just one part-time staff member (who also volunteers 60% of her time) and a crew of incredible local volunteers – including 30 who helped pull the Nigel Latta event together, from setup

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to pack down.

The night wouldn't have been possible without generous local backing:

- Southern Woods Nursery event partner and all-round legends
- Spectrum Lighting & Sound who transformed the space into something special
- Every person who showed up, stacked chairs, or simply said thank you.

So what's next?

The momentum is real – and SPN isn't stopping. They're now launching their annual Selwyn Parenting Survey, asking families what they need most heading into 2026. The goal? To listen better, advocate smarter, and build the kind of practical, local support families truly deserve.

Because when it comes to parenting, one thing's clear: We don't need to be perfect. We just need to show up – and if in doubt, **add more love**.





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The new Selwyn Lions Club board, from left: Lynne, Kathy, Helen A., Alison, Raeleen, Jo, Lois, Sharon, and Jane with DG, Pam Harvey.



Lions incoming President, Sharon (left) presenting Kathy with her Media award.



Pam Harvey, right, presenting Jane Forrest with the Best Dressed award at convention.



These two stole the show at the 'Trash Fashion' event put on by Lions Club of Seaward Kaikoura.

Annual 'changeover' and awards ceremony

Each year our Lions Club holds a ceremony in June to appoint the new Officers for the next Lions year, (commencing 1st July) and to present awards to current members. This years' ceremony was at Larcomb Winery and included a delicious dinner. We were privileged to be joined by our District Governor, Pam Harvey. Unfortunately our current President, Helen Whittington, was unable to attend the evening but she was thanked for her very successful year. Then incoming President, Sharon Stockman, was given a warm welcome.

Two of the ladies received awards. Jane Forrest for her role as Past President; she also received our clubs' award for the best dressed Club at the last convention. Kathy Reid was presented with an award for her role in media for the club. All new officers were welcomed by Pam. 2025/26 promises to be an exciting year for our club.

Collection of recycled spectacles and Helen Keller centennial

Many readers will have taken the opportunity to view our Helen Keller display at the Lincoln Library. She certainly was a truly amazing woman, even flying an aeroplane, despite being blind. Thank you to those who kindly dropped off their un-



wanted spectacles for recycling. They will be forwarded on to be distributed to those in need in the Pacific Islands. We hope to have permanent collection boxes situated in Lincoln and Rolleston – information about the sites will be advertised once confirmed.



Selwyn Lions enjoying the Kaikoura sunshine.

Visit to Kaikoura Lions Fashion Show

Ten of our members travelled to sunny Kaikoura to support the Lions Club of Seaward Kaikoura by attending their 'Trash Fashion' show. What a show it was! The designs were spectacular, the models displayed them with confidence and our team had a night to remember. We will certainly be returning for the next one.

Selwyn Business Awards

Selwyn Lions Club has been operating for over 30 years and currently we have 23 members. We regularly work together on numerous projects and activities to support individuals, groups and events within our Selwyn communities. Some examples are – sewing over 1,000 Lisa Paget's Cuddle Hearts for NICU babies at our monthly sewing bees; raising \$5,000 for Canterbury Cancer at our "Decorate a Bra" event; a Fashion Event that raised \$4,000 for a much-needed Lifting Pillow for the Rolleston St Johns Ambulance; the sales of donated "end of use" Gerbera Plants have raised \$3,000.

Our Lions' mission states that we will "empower Lions Clubs volunteers and partners to improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services grants that impact lives".

Our club will continue to work tirelessly to achieve these goals through fundraising activities ensuring we have the means to fulfil our vision for our Selwyn communities, without personal financial reward. We would sincerely appreciate your support by voting for us in the People's Choice Award for the 'Community Volunteer' category of the Selwyn Business Awards, thank you. Voting closes on 20th July.



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Females a key part of strengthening the infrastructure workforce

Inviting women to choose a career in infrastructure could be the key to success for New Zealand's pipeline of infrastructure projects, says the sector's leading training provider.

Connexis, training provider for infrastructure industries such as civil, energy, telecommunications and water, hosts **Girls with Hi-Vis®** (GWHV) events around the country each June with the goal of attracting more women into careers in the sector and helping ease serious skills shortages.

GWHV sees employers invite female secondary school students onsite at some of the country's key infrastructure assets, sites, and projects for hands-on experience of the skills and experiences on offer when training for an infrastructure trade. A key component of Connexis training is that it's on-the-job, with apprentices working and getting paid as they study for their qualifications.

Connexis executive director Kaarin Gaukrodger says GWHV offers a unique opportunity for "real

world" experience for young women who may not have considered the opportunities available to them as an infrastructure trade apprentice.

"Our industries are keen to draw the attention of women toward infrastructure careers, as women have shown to add real value into the crews and teams they work with," Gaukrodger says.

"Women can bring a different approach to jobs which can benefit everyone. For example, they might adapt physically demanding tasks to find a new way of doing them. That can reduce fatigue and improve safety onsite for everyone. Other valuable skill sets they might bring are attention to detail and good communication skills."

Gaukrodger says most of the infrastructure industries Connexis works with are facing severe skills shortages so they are reaching out to everyone in their local communities to make them aware of the career opportunities available.

"Infrastructure apprentices and trainees have the chance to work on huge projects, operating impressive machinery with lots of opportunities to grow, while keeping our communities connected, healthy and safe.



Rolleston High School student Alisah Mayo picks up some new skills from Higgins' Operations Manager Adam Teale, while Hon. Nicola Willis chats to Hornby High School student Karlie Moreton-Smith at a Higgins Connexis Girls with Hi-Vis event.



Hon. Nicola Willis tries her hand at digger operations under the guidance of Higgins' Operations Manager Adam Teale at a recent Higgins Connexis Girls with Hi-Vis event. (Credit: National Leader's Office)

"The employers understand the opportunity that comes with bringing more females into their workforce, which is why so many of them have long supported GWHV. Our job is to make sure infrastructure trades are front of mind for the next generation of young women when they're making decisions about their future careers. GWHV is a really effective way to do that."

As well as showcasing the skills and offering the potential to work in some amazing locations, GWHV introduces the students to potential employers and other women already working in the industry who share their own experiences and the career pathways that can open up through work-based learning and apprenticeship training.

"They see first-hand how the work they're doing benefits their own local communities as well as the whole country," Gaukrodger says. "With 43 of the Government Fast Track projects announced last year designated as infrastructure, it is an exciting time to be starting

a career in these trades. There is the potential to be working on projects that will have a huge impact on the country."

While onsite at one of the 30 events being held around New Zealand in major infrastructure sites such as wind farms, hydro power stations, highway construction projects and water treatment plants, several hundred students will don hi-vis gear to try tasks such as installing a water meter, working in confined spaces, driving diggers and trucks, climbing power poles, and jointing cables.

For a full list of Girls with Hi-Vis® events, inspirational work stories and information visit connexis.org.nz/girls-with-hi-vis

About Connexis: Connexis (infrastructure) is a national industry training provider and business division of Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology. Connexis develops programmes, arranges training, undertakes quality management for consistency and quality outcomes, provides industry promotion, supports employers in growing capability and learners to obtain nationally-recognised (NZQA) microcredentials and qualifications through apprenticeships and traineeships in civil infrastructure, energy, telecommunications, and water. For further information: www.connexis.org.nz/about



A recent Girls with Hi-Vis event was attended by Hon. Nicola Willis and Selywn MP Nicola Grigg as well as about 25 students from: Rolleston College, Middleton Grange School, Hornby High School, Catholic Cathedral College, Christchurch Girls High School, Lincoln High School, Hillmorton High School, and Villa Maria College.

Selwyn Responsible Business Network: Engaging with businesses in 2025



I'd like to extend my thanks once again to the many businesses that participated in our 2024 Responsible Business Awards. It was a genuine pleasure meeting with Selwyn businesses to discuss and celebrate your achievements in sustainable and community initiatives.

It became clear that there are many incredible and unsung initiatives happening within our area. I look forward to continuing to share these stories and build upon the foundation already established. My role is to foster and strengthen business and community collaborations, and I am always keen to engage with new businesses.

I am eager to provide support wherever possible and encourage all businesses to get in touch. I am keen to hear your suggestions on where support might be helpful, as we aim to share resources and discuss these important issues.

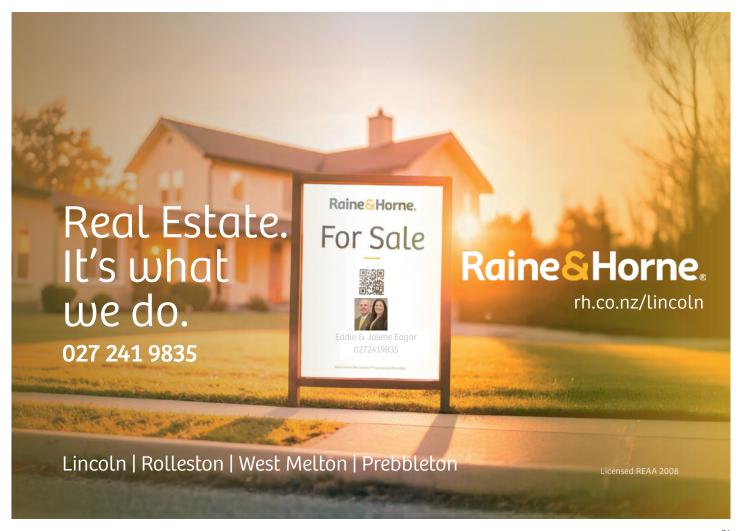
Businesses that are new to this project are especially encouraged to contact me. We can arrange a short visit to discuss your sustainable and community activities. You'll receive recognition, in the form of an award, for your current initiatives, along with helpful support and feedback.

All services provided are free of charge. Please contact me via mobile or email or scan the adjacent QR code.

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We are in the middle of the quietest time of the year in the garden. The compost heaps are waiting for their contents to be spread around in the spring, and bare patches of soil are protected with straw. Sheltering from the recent cold, damp weather, young vegetable plants are thriving in our glass-house.



Recent workshops

In May a group of bonsai enthusiasts came to a 'refresher workshop', which was conducted by Tony Bywater. He is willing to conduct the same workshop in 2026 for people who have participated in one of his previous workshops, or who are bonsai enthusiasts.



The most recent workshop on apple tree maintenance occurred twice because of the weather. On the first occasion, rain was threatened (and arrived), but a small, hardy group turned up, despite the likelihood of postponement. On the second Saturday (a much better day) another group arrived for the workshop. This included a keen Year 9 student from Lincoln High School who came along to learn all about apple tree growing. He had shown initiative by raising several apple trees in pots, and was wondering how to best nurture them. This question prompted a worthwhile discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of growing an apple tree from seed, when it is confined in a pot.



Gardening in clay soils

We often hear comments from people who have settled in Lincoln that their soil is a sticky clay through which water cannot drain away easily. Often their shrubs and trees die, or fail to thrive because of "wet feet". Many people try to fix this problem by digging in large amounts of sand to improve the drainage. Now, it is true that clay soils, made up of tiny mineral particles, can be very poor at allowing water to pass through. This is because the clay particles bind tightly together, with little space for water and air. Sandy soils, on the other hand, have comparatively large particles, allowing water to freely pass through. However, it takes a huge amount of sand to make any significant difference to a clay soil.

Fortunately, there is a much easier and cheaper way to improve the drainage of clay soils, using what occurs in nature. The action of the microbial life in soil creates a crumb structure, where fine clay particles are grouped into much larger pellets through which water passes easily. The tiny microbes feed on decaying organic matter, such as leaves, lawn clippings and compost to improve the soil. The good news is that you don't have to dig it in. The natural action of the worms will do it for you, while they create a network of tunnels to improve drainage at the same time.

Speaking of compost, here is the result of allowing about six months collection of kitchen scraps and garden green waste to break down. Only a small amount of manure was added during this time, with several bags of coffee grounds (courtesy of Coffee Culture) and thin layers of grass clippings. Now the waste has been turned completely into friable soil, and the worms are still busy.



Our next event:

Composting Workshop – Saturday 2nd August See the poster at Lincoln Library, Lincoln Events Centre, or Hammer Hardware for more details of this event.

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 Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens
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Garden Composting

A workshop at the Lincoln Community Gardens, on Saturday 2nd August*, from 10.30 to 11.30am

Compost is one of nature's best mulches and soil additives, and you can use it instead of commercial fertilisers. Best of all, compost is cheap. You can make it without spending a cent. Compost in your garden improves its soil structure, texture, and aeration, and increases the soil's waterholding capacity. It's also a great way of getting rid of your kitchen scraps and parden waste.



Our presenters, Errol Wood and David Grantham, will cover:

- Getting started it's easier than you might think!
- How to construct a compost heap the options available
- Which materials may (or should not) be composted?
- Moisture requirements for efficient composting the happy medium
- · The pros and cons of 'cool' or 'hot' composting
- The "Bokashi Technique" for disposing of kitchen waste

The Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens are located at 35 James Street, behind the former Lincoln Maternity Hospital.

A gold coin donation to support our activities will be much appreciated.

For more information, please contact the coordinator Ruth Wood (Phone: 021 074 3905 or Email: ruth.wood@xtra.co.nz)

* Please note - if the weather is unsuitable the workshop will occur on 9th August



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Smurfs Family/Adventure (G)

Everyone's favourite blue crew is back for more magical mischief in this delightful new chapter of the Smurfs!

When the beloved Papa Smurf is mysteriously kidnapped by a pair of evil wizards – Razamel and the ever-scheming Gargamel – the Smurfs must spring into action. Led by the brave and determined Smurfette, these tiny heroes venture beyond their enchanted forest and into the real world on a daring rescue mission.

Along the way, they team up with unexpected new allies and uncover hidden truths about their powers, their past, and their destiny. Packed with heart, humour, and plenty of blue-hued adventure, this family-friendly film is a magical reminder that even the smallest heroes can make the biggest difference.

Don't miss this colourful, fun-filled journey that's sure to cast a spell on audiences of all ages!

The Great Lillian Hall Drama (M)

A powerful portrait of passion, memory, and the fight to hold on.

Broadway actress Lillian Hall (Jessica Lange) has never missed a performance in her storied career. But as she prepares for what may be her final starring role, something begins to shift. Once sharp and commanding, Lillian finds herself struggling with moments of confusion and forgetfulness that threaten not just her role – but her very sense of self.

With opening night looming, Lillian must confront the fading edges of her memory and identity, all while clinging to the stage she has called home for decades. Lillian Hall is a moving, beautifully acted film about art, aging, and the courage it takes to keep going when the spotlight starts to dim.

Poignant and heartfelt, this is a must-see for anyone who loves theatre, character-driven drama, and stories of quiet resilience.

Superman Action/Sci-fi

From 10 July

The Man of Steel returns to the big screen this season as Superman!

Directed by James Gunn (*Guardians of the Galaxy, The Suicide Squad*), this fresh take on the iconic superhero blends epic action, heart, and Gunn's signature wit. In this new chapter, Superman is portrayed not just as a hero with extraordinary powers, but as a symbol of hope – driven by compassion and an unshakable belief in the goodness of humanity. *Superman* promises to thrill long-time fans and new audiences alike. Get ready for a cinematic journey that's as heartfelt as it is heroic – *Superman* is set to redefine what it means to be a hero for a new generation.

Four Letters of Love Romance/Drama (M)

From 24 July

A sweeping tale of destiny, devotion, and the magic of true connection.

Based on Niall Williams' internationally bestselling novel, *Four Letters of Love* arrives on the big screen in a beautifully romantic and deeply moving adaptation. Starring Pierce Brosnan, Helena Bonham Carter, and Gabriel Byrne, this lyrical film is a celebration of fate, miracles, and the enduring power of love.

Nicholas and Isabel are soulmates destined to meet – yet life, with all its twists and turns, seems determined to keep them apart. As elements of the mystical weave through their separate lives, a story unfolds that is as magical as it is human. Ghosts, grace, and the invisible threads of connection shape a journey that is both intimate and epic.

Four Letters of Love is a heartfelt, life-affirming tribute to the courage it takes to follow your heart. Uplifting and unforgettable, this romantic odyssey reminds us that sometimes love truly is written in the stars.

The Life of Chuck Fantasy/Drama (M)

From 31 July

From the mind of Stephen King comes a story about life, death – and everything in between.

Based on the novella by master storyteller Stephen King, *The Life of Chuck* is a deeply emotional and thought-provoking film that explores the extraordinary beauty hidden in ordinary moments.

Told in three parts – moving in reverse through time – the film follows the life of Charles "Chuck" Krantz, played by Tom Hiddleston, as seen through the eyes of those he's touched. From a collapsing world that bears his name to quiet childhood memories in a haunted house, the film weaves together themes of mortality, memory, and meaning with equal parts wonder and heartbreak.

The Life of Chuck is not your typical horror story – it's a celebration of one man's life and the quiet magic we so often overlook in our own. Mysterious and beautifully told, this is one to watch for those who love a film that stirs the soul.



What's on at The Laboratory



Our Sunday Music Sessions run every Sunday from 3–5pm. Come on down and enjoy the good food, good brews and good tunes!

Sun 6 July Sunday Music Session: *Matt Hantler*Sun 13 July Sunday Music Session: *Rockabella*

Sat 19 July Karma Keg 2-4pm for *Broadfield Netball Club*

Sun 20 July Sunday Music Session: *Anna & Damo*Sun 27 July Sunday Music Session: *DT Music*

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Check out the favourites still stealing the show:

Bank of Dave 2: The Loan Ranger (M)

Join Dave Fishwick, Jessica, and Oliver on the big screen as they take on the payday loan giants in an inspiring, high-stakes fight for justice that will have you cheering from your seat.

How to Train Your Dragon Fantasy/Action (PG)

Hiccup and Toothless return in this stunning live-action reimagining of How to Train Your Dragon, where a young Viking's unlikely friendship with a dragon sparks a thrilling journey of courage, change, and destiny.

Materialists Romance/Comedy (M)

Love, laughter, and a little chaos - this feel-good film is the ultimate pick for your next date night or girls' night!

Karate Kid: Legends Family/Action (PG)

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Rural Women New Zealand: Celebrating 100 years in 2025

Rural Women NZ originally formed as Women's Division of the Farmers Union (WDFU) in 1925, and from 1946–1999 was known as Women's Division of Federated Farmers (WDFF).

In 1925 a group of women who had accompanied their husbands to the national Farmers Union Conference in Wellington decided that the connection and solutions they found in sharing stories of their isolated rural lives, should be provided across New Zealand. While Helen Wilson wasn't there and was skeptical of the idea and her husband's enthusiasm for the new group, her frank memoir, *My First Eighty Years*, describes her swift change of mind after her first meeting!



WDFF in Greenpark.



WDFF in Broadfields.



Presidents of WDFF Kaituna branch.

Nearly 100 years on, Rural Women continue to provide funding, support, connection and give a voice to rural women, their families and communities across Aotearoa. Since 2023 their major project has been raising awareness and funds, nearly a quarter of a million dollars to date, to help control the bacterial disease, leptospirosis.

As a member of Rural Women, and Lincoln & Districts Historical Society, I've been exploring the archives to find out about WDFF's history in this area.

Groups were formed at Tai Tapu, Greenpark, Motukarara, Kaituna, Broadfield, and for a short time also at Ladbrooks. In the 1920's – 1940's the groups supported health stamps, Makogai Island (Fiji) lepers Christmas appeal, and Country Girls education week. They catered for rural events such as Gymkhana, ploughing matches and dog trials. Interclub invitations brought groups together and local delegates went to Wellington for the annual conference.

On 12 December 1934, *The Press* reported: The plan of holding group garden parties of the Women's Division of the Farmers' Union has been inaugurated in Canterbury with conspicuous success and there is no doubt that these friendly gatherings will become very popular. Most successful and enjoyable was the party organised by the Motukarara branch, of which Mrs Leonard Coop is president and held yesterday at Kaituna homestead the home of Mr and Mrs W. F. Parkinson. More than 100 women who had come from all parts of Banks Peninsula and neighbouring districts, attended the reception which was held in perfect weather in the beautiful grounds under the shade of some fine old oak trees.

Geraldine Parkinson reminisced that her aunt Marewa Parkinson, that is Mrs Leonard Coop, was also Dominion President of WDFF, and although only 4'11" tall managed to conscript the whole district into helping with those garden parties.

During World War 2 the Motukarara, Tai Tapu, and Kaituna Branch members knitted and sewed for the Mercantile Marines, and parcels were sent each month overseas to local boys.



1975 Commemorative envelope and memorial stamps.



Sisters and lepers at Makogai (SMSM Archives, Wikipedia).

Also many men of the United States Marines were billeted in and around the Banks Peninsula and several entertainments were held for them in the homes of members. Funds also supported an orphan child in Greece.

L&DHS would welcome photos and memories of local WDFF activities. Our thanks to Waimakariri Libraries and Rangiora Museum for images from *W.D.F.F. North Canterbury Provincial History*, 1953.

Find out more at **www.ruralwomennz.nz** and in Sandra Coney's 1993 book, *Standing in the Sunshine*. Also check out Selwyn Libraries' Rural Women centenary event, 7th August 2025 at Te Ara Ātea.

Lynette Harris
 VP, Lincoln & Districts Historical Society
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Canterbury Rural Women at their stall at 2025's South Island Agricultural Field Days in Kirwee.



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lincoln senior citizens

The 3rd of June this year was our "49th year birthday celebration time" and to make it even more special, we had, yes, 49 of our Lincoln Senior citizens come out to enjoy the day at the Lincoln Bowling Club clubrooms. There was even some bowling action on the greens for our members to watch, but it was a tad cold in that breeze out there.

Inside it was nice and warm with a friendly welcome greeting and smile from our committee members. Everyone quickly got those all important raffle tickets and found themselves a table with friends, then those who wished were able to purchase a drink from the bar.

Lunch was ready on time at 12.30pm and everyone got to choose and serve themselves which salads and veges they wished to go with the hot roast lamb for their main course. Then came dessert where there was a rhubarb crumble and pavlova on offer with most selecting some of each! Good choice folks as it was very enjoyable.

For entertainment we had eight lovely ladies from the Philippines, with their ukuleles, come along to play and sing for us. They were great! It was a joy to hear their voices with lots of smiles and interaction, and they were beautifully dressed as well. I saw a fair bit of toe tapping and singing along from our members with those popular songs from the past.

Then it was cake cutting time to celebrate the 49 years that Lincoln Senior Citizens has been helping our community. The cutting of the cake was done by two of our long-standing, valued, past committee members, Claire and Margaret – thanks again ladies. The yummy carrot cake was enjoyed by all along with of course a tea or coffee for those who wished.





Then it was raffle time which is always popular. We had five big gift baskets full of goodies. To top off the day there were also five spot prizes given out, lots of smiles and happy faces. A very special thanks must go to the team from Prebbleton Fresh Choice for their very generous gift voucher which enabled us to make the day extra special for our seniors. Thanks Prebbleton Fresh Choice!

Upcoming Events: On the 1st of July is our bus trip to Kirwee for lunch, followed by a tour around the area.

New members are always welcome and if you think this is for you and you would like to join us we would love to meet you. Contacts: Evelyn on 027 712 7195 or Gloria on 027 434 6554.

Changes in the Community Care Lincoln Board

This year's AGM saw the great changes in the volunteers that make up the Community Care Lincoln (CCL) Board. The Chairperson, Janice Burnett, became the Past President and four new volunteers have joined the Board.

Janice Burnett KSM

Janice joined the CCL Board in 2009 and rapidly became chairperson. After 16 years she decided to step down from this role and take up the less demanding role of Past President. Janice has led the Board during a period of transition. When the Selwyn District Council (SDC) wanted land for the new Lincoln Library, the small CCL building was to be demolished. Janice was the main



influence in pushing the SDC to put money into a larger building that would allow a greater range of CCL services and house associated community activities, such as Nurse Maude, Cancer Society, councillors and youth education. Janice later convinced Rata Foundation to support the construction of an extension which has allowed, for example, pilates, larger seminars and the Tuesday Friendship Club to expand its activities. Janice was also instrumental in raising funds for these ventures. Her famous "Spring Fling" has raised over \$200,000 over ten years.

Jennifer (Jenny) Lawrence

Jenny was a teacher of adolescent pupils before she and husband Malcolm developed a walnut orchard and processing business named 'A Cracker of a Nut'. As general manager, Jenny oversaw the growth of the business and introduced staff to the varied work in the factory over 20 years. Jenny performed many roles for the NZ Tree Crops Association including assisting organising national conferences. Now retired in Lincoln, Jenny will bring her ability to evaluate needs and work positively within a group environment to the Board.

Debbie Moody

Debbie has been a Bank Manager, Conference and Events Manager, Destination Manager and since 2020 a Retirement Village Sales Consultant for Bupa. Debbie has been honoured as a volunteer and fundraiser. Her belief that everyone deserves to age with dignity, support and a strong sense of belonging fits closely with CCL purpose. Debbie will use her experience especially in retirement organisations, sales, transition support and family liaison to strengthen the services, systems and community connections to ensure that CCL continues to thrive.

Jacquie Taylor

Jacquie's work experience is a perfect fit to one of the most important aspects of CCL assistance to the community. From





From left: Lester Ballantine, Margaret Reeve, Debbie Moody, Jenny Lawrence, Jacquie Taylor, Arthur Naziris, Janice Burnett, Pauline Noonan. (Absent John Ryan).

the age of 16 she has worked as a nurse with a special passion for the elderly, especially those with dementia. Jacquie has been in charge of secure units for dementia and tutored incoming nurses. Then for 17 years she has worked in home nursing, mainly for dementia and aged care. Beside bringing her specialist knowledge of care for the elderly, Jacquie will bring seven year's experience at the "coal face" of CCL, Tuesday Friendship Group and walking group, to the deliberations of the Board.

Atha (Arthur) Naziris

Arthur has a BSc in Biochemistry and a MEd in Counselling and has taught mathematics and science at Otago Boys High School for over 30 years. He was Head of Counselling and Career Guidance at the school. Being Greek, but living most of his life in New Zealand, and with a time teaching at International Schools in Athens and Munich, he will bring an international perspective to the Board. Arthur has a strong interest in many sports as well as music and theatre. As a retired olive grower he is also used to dealing with practical matters and will thus be a valuable addition to the Board.

Kind regards, Community Care Lincoln

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down by the liffey gallery

Did you know there's an art gallery in Lincoln?

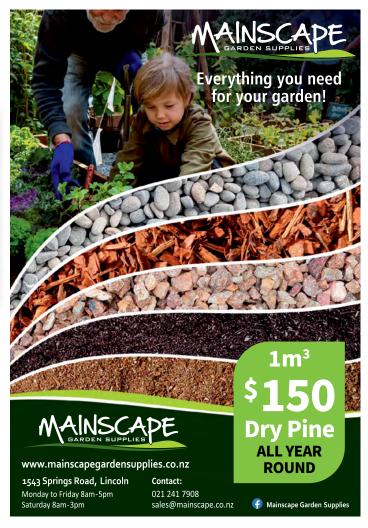
Each month Down By The Liffey Gallery features a selection of talented local artists in an exciting exhibition.

This month's exhibition 'Birds, Bugs and Blooms' is on from Wednesday 16th July to Sunday 10th August 2025. In this joint exhibition photographer Nadine Campbell and pastel artist Karen Gourley unite to reveal the interconnected dance of flora and fauna. With an eye for intimacy and a passion for the small but vital, their work celebrates the threads of life that bind pollinators, petals and birds into a quietly thriving ecosystem.

Opening hours are 11.30am–2.30pm Wednesday and Thursday, 10am–4pm Friday to Sunday.



Down By The Liffey Gallery, 1 James Street, Lincoln. downbytheliffeygallery.com







lincoln rotary



Lincoln Rotary Young Totara Award

This year the Lincoln Rotary Club's Young Totara Award was awarded to Bella Lammers.

The Young Tōtara award is a prestigious award that was established in 1993 to recognise young leaders in our community who demonstrate strength of character, courage of conviction, care of the community, and the pursuit of excellence to provide sound role models for other young people. They are the leaders of tomorrow. It seems fitting that we liken our young leaders to the totara tree and express the need for a forest of young tōtara to lead New Zealand into the future.



Lincoln Rotary Club has given the Totara Award to seven young people so far. Bella Lammers was named as this year's recipient for her strength of character, determination and commitment to her local community. As a long-time member of the Selwyn Special Olympics swim team, she was one of only four swimmers selected to represent New Zealand at the Special Olympics World Games in Berlin in 2023. Bella has volunteered at the local swimming pool in Rolleston in 2024 and local Salvation Army shop and Willowbank before that. Bella is an integral part of the Rolleston Canterbury Okinawan karate club and has already earnt her blue belt. She also recently received her Gold Duke of Edinburgh award from the Governor General. Bella was presented with her award by the Rotary District 9999 Governor Elect, Sandra Isaacs, at the club's meeting on 13 May. Then on the 31st of May, Bella planted her totara tree at the Lincoln Wetlands supported by members of the Lincoln Rotary Club.

Rotary Club of Lincoln meets every Tuesday evening and welcomes visitors and new members. If interested about Rotary activities, please ring David (029 999 8330) OR send an email to secretary.lincolnrotary@gmail.com

rolleston rotary

Free Kids Disco - Planned by Local Youth, Backed by Rotary

Saturday 12 July, Rolleston Community Centre

Selwyn's first-ever **Big Free Boogie – Junior Rotarians Edition** is here! It's a full-on glow-stick disco, created by young people, for young people – with music, games, lights, and plenty of feel-good fun. There's no cost to attend – just book your free ticket, come along, dance, and enjoy the night.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase; kids can bring a few dollars if they'd like a treat.

The event is organised by the Rolleston Junior Rotarians, a group of local students giving back to their community under the guidance of Rolleston Rotary. It's all about *Service Above Self* – and this is their way of making sure Selwyn families can enjoy a great night out. The sessions are:

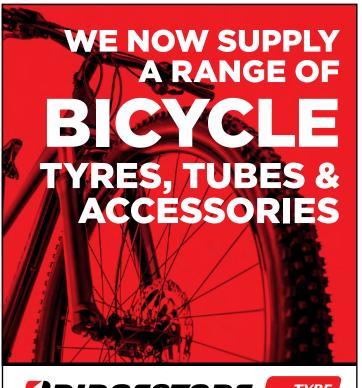
- Years 6-7 (ages 9-11) 5:30-6:30pm
- Years 8–9 (ages 12–14): 7:00–8:00pm

Book your free tickets here: bit.ly/JRBigFreeBoogie

Junior Rotarian events are fully supervised and supported by Rolleston Rotary – the same team behind the much-loved Lincoln Toot for Tucker food drive each November. And while this event is proudly led from Rolleston Rotary, the Rotary clubs across the district – including Lincoln – work together to support positive, community-driven initiatives like this.

Find us on Facebook & Instagram: rolleston_rotary_club

A NIGHT OF MUSIC, LIGHTS, AND NON-STOP DANCING-**ALL FOR FREE!** Get ready to light up the dancefloor, Rolleston — the Junior Rotarians are bringing the party of the year to town! Where: **Rolleston Community** Hom: Saturday, 12 July 2025 School Years 6-7 (ages 9-11): 5:30pm - 6:30pm School Years 8-9 (ages 12-14): 7:00pm - 8:00pm Glow sticks, DJ beats, games, and a whole lot of boogie — Entry FREE! Wear your coolest kicks, funkiest outfits. and get ready to dance like nobody watching! **Proudly Supported by** Selwyn District Council Food and drinks will be available for purchase on the night



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Lincoln Town Centre

Colour in your town!

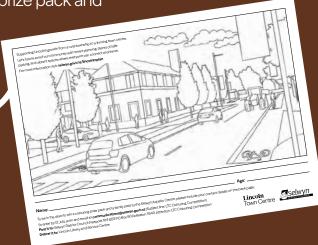
These school holidays colour in this design of the Lincoln Town Centre upgrade and go in the draw to win a colouring prize pack and a family pass to the Selwyn Aquatic Centre.



Find out more about the project and download the colouring competition here

For more information visit: selwyn.govt.nz/lincolntcplan

Entries close 12 July and full terms and conditions can be found on our website.



Consultation opens on safer speeds for Selwyn

Selwyn District Council is inviting community feedback on proposed speed limit reductions at 36 locations across the district to support new infrastructure developments and improve road safety.

The proposed changes are required to be consulted on under the new Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2024, which came into effect on 30 October 2024. The Rule sets out how speed limits are determined across New Zealand to improve safety, support economic activity, and keep people and goods moving efficiently.

The proposed changes reflect the way Waikirikiri Selwyn is growing. "As our district grows, roads that were once rural now connect new housing developments, schools, and commercial areas," says Tim Mason, Executive Director Infrastructure and Property. "This proposal is about making smart, targeted speed changes to keep people safe while supporting the district's continued growth."

The changes aim to:

- · Support growth and changes in land use
- Improve safety for all road users
- Help keep Selwyn's transport network flowing efficiently.

The proposed changes are being assessed under the Alternative Method option available in the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed

Limits 2024. This process is designed for targeted speed reviews where urgent safety needs or consistency issues exist. It requires both public consultation and engagement with key stakeholders, including road users, mana whenua, schools, businesses, freight operators and neighbouring Road Controlling Authorities.

Each proposed speed change is backed by a Cost Benefit Disclosure Statement, weighing up the likely safety benefits, impact on travel times, and implementation costs.

"Speed isn't the only factor in crashes, but it's a key contributor to how serious the outcomes are," says Mason. "Lowering speeds in the right places is one of the most effective tools we have to reduce harm."

Feedback from the community will help shape the final proposal, which will then be considered for adoption by the Council and submitted to NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi for final approval.

The consultation is open from 9am, Wednesday 25 June to 5pm, Wednesday 6 August 2025.

To learn more and make a submission, visit **selwyn.govt.nz/saferspeeds**

- Selwyn District Council

Selwyn residents share their views on Council services

Selwyn residents have shared valuable feedback on their experiences with Council services, with nearly 3,000 people taking part in a recent customer experience survey held between 14 January and 12 March 2025.

The results show that residents are generally happy with the service they receive – especially at the first point of contact. Frontline teams at Council offices and community facilities received high praise, with satisfaction scores as high as 93%. The overall average rating across all services was a strong 84%.

Executive Director of Community Services and Facilities, Denise Kidd, says the results are encouraging and reflect the dedication of staff across the organisation.

"We're really proud of the work our teams are doing to support our community. The feedback shows that when people get the help they need straight away – whether in person, online, or over the phone – they're satisfied. But we also know there are areas where we can do better, especially when it comes to follow-up and making sure customers stay informed once their request moves to another team," says Kidd.

While some areas scored highly, others received lower ratings, with the lowest at 68%. Kidd says this is where the Council is focusing its efforts.

"We're taking a 'whole journey' approach to customer service. That means making sure people not only get a good first impression, but also feel supported and informed throughout the process. We've already started work on improvements, including a new online booking system, better tools to manage customer requests, and clearer communication through our 'Together we Thrive' customer promise."

The Council has launched a three-stage improvement plan aimed at making services easier to access, improving internal systems, and building a stronger customer-first culture. During the survey period alone, the Customer Services team handled nearly 28,000 interactions, creating almost 4,000 service requests for other departments.

Kidd says the Council is also working to improve how it collects and uses customer feedback, as current systems have limitations.

"We're upgrading our digital tools so we can better understand and respond to what our community needs. We've also brought our customer services team together under one roof, so they're better equipped to support both Council and AA services, especially during busy times."

The last time the Council had detailed customer feedback was in 2020, when the overall satisfaction rating was 63%. Kidd says the latest results show real progress—but also a clear path forward.

"We've come a long way, but we're not stopping here. We're committed to making every customer interaction a positive one."

- Selwyn District Council

TAKING ORDERS – PEA STRAW AVAILABLE NOW Help the Lions continue with their current fundraising projects. Small bales \$8 and medium bales at \$70. Price includes delivery in Lincoln and Selwyn District. Contact: Richard Boyce, phone 027 7141 324 or 325 2279 or Alex Hayward, phone 324 4094. Email lionspeastraw02@gmail.com with name, address, telephone number and amount required.

AWA: A new chapter in digital library access

Selwyn District Council have partnered with Christchurch City Council to operate a shared libraries digital collection for a two-year trial period.

From 1 July, library members in Selwyn and Christchurch will have access to an increased range of eBooks, eAudiobooks and eMagazines available through the new service, which uses the existing Libby app.

The service will be named AWA, after the network of rivers and streams that flow through the Canterbury landscape.

"The name AWA symbolises the interconnectedness of our rivers and waterways and the flow between places and people," says Denise Kidd, Executive Director Community Services and Facilities. "This shared partnership means library users in the Selwyn District will see a 400% increase in access to eBook and eAudio content, totalling more than 100,000 titles,"

Ms Kidd says the partnership makes sense given the flow of people between our districts, where many residents live in Selwyn and work in Christchurch City and vice versa.

The partnership builds on the existing foundation of the Gammack Trust, where children and young people aged 0–18 years in the Selwyn District can register for a Christchurch City Libraries card to access their physical collections.

"We are hopeful that this will be the first of further library collaboration opportuni-



ties, such as programming and events, shared professional development, and extending the service to other neighbouring local authorities."

Over the trial period both Selwyn and Christchurch will conduct regular monitoring of data and usage with a review of the collaboration taking place prior to June 2027.

- Selwyn District Council

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Death Café Lincoln 020 425 0369

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Ellesmere Probus Club 325 6165
Junior Enviro Action Group

027 307 0767 Kaituna Golf Course 027 477 9425 Liffey Toastmasters 027 955 7996 Lincoln Badminton Club 347 9707 Lincoln Bowling Club 325 2289 Lincoln Bridge Club 325 3222 Lincoln Business Assn 325 2039 325 2007 Lincoln Community Care Lincoln Community Committee

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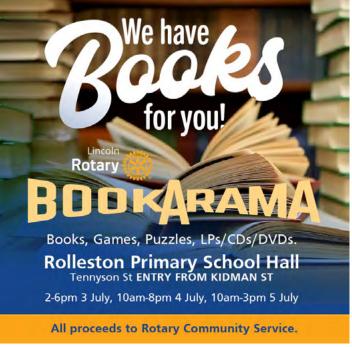
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Lincoln student crowned top plant producer at national comp

Lincoln University conservation and ecology student Jake Linklater has been named Young Plant Producer of the year.



Jake was one of five finalists who were put to the test at the Lincoln University campus in June. The two-day event had each contestant tackle ten challenges. Their tasks varied from setting up irrigation and tool maintenance, to interviews and spreadsheets.

Contestants came from a wide variety of backgrounds, but each are currently working in plant production.

Jake himself has been working in the industry for five years. His journey began in landscaping and arboriculture. Now he's leading the Nova Trust nursey, Nova Natives.

As a student, Jake is working away at a Bachelor of Science – Conservation and Ecology Major part time. He completes two courses each semester with the full support of his employer.

"I hope to have a deeper fundamental knowledge and understanding of plant science and ecology. It's been great studying part time, as I can chip away at it."

"A lot of what I learn here at Lincoln, I can apply practically at work."

Jake's found his studies very useful in the competition. He found Plant Pest Management and Soil Science 1 in particular to be hugely beneficial.

"I feel like I was quite well rounded, which probably helped as I didn't lack confidence in any one module.

"The Judges really pushed us on each module though. The spreadsheet task was very challenging, especially getting it done within the required time frame of 45 minutes."

Jake was up against a tough group of competitors, including Lincoln alum Johnnie Clay of Southern Woods Tree Nursery.

It was a surreal victory for Jake, who is still trying to let the win settle in.

"It's a reward for all the hard work I have put in at work and University over the last few years."

With his victory, Jake has qualified for the Young Horticulturalist of the Year competition. He'll be going up against New Zealand's best in a wide variety of disciplines, including award winning viticulturalist and Lincoln alum Nina Downer.

The Young Horticulturalist of the Year Grand Final will take place on November 5th and 6th. You can find out more about the competition and the other finalists at www.younghort.co.nz

Youth Summit challenges ideas of leadership

Three hundred high school students, one university, and expert leaders ready to share their wisdom. That's the scene of the Lincoln University Youth Leadership Summit.

The event held in June hosted year 12 students from around Canterbury to learn what it means to be a leader in the modern day, and how leadership skills can be employed in day-to-day life.

Co-organiser and speaker Kylie Horgan said students would walk away with a new perspective of leadership.

"We hope students will see that leadership doesn't come in one shape or style."

"Leadership today is less about hierarchy and more about how you relate to others. It's about lifting the people around you, knowing when to step forward and when to step back, and being someone others trust in uncertain times."

The diverse range of speakers exemplified that. Each were leading in unique and sometimes unexpected ways.

Former All Black captain Kieran Read opened the day with an honest exploration of how he struggled while performing on the global stage.

Kieran spoke to the students about how easy it can be to feel pressure throughout life, but how it was important to embrace challenges in life and push forward as a leader.

The other key speaker was Bariz Shah, co-creator of Project Fiftyone. Bariz turned his life around from an 18-year-old prison inmate to a leader in the Muslim community.

Following the 2019 Christchurch mosque attacks, Bariz and his wife Saba raised money to help establish 51 businesses in his home of Afghanistan – one for each life lost in the attacks. He has become a successful engineer, filmmaker, and father.

Students took part in a range of workshops throughout the day. They could try out a high intensity interval training session, reconnect with their body in an introductory Pulse Yoga session, Learn about healthier relationships with Betterman and hear from Lincoln University's Future Leader scholarship students.

They were also fed a Lincoln University dining hall lunch, offering a sample of what they could eat every day as a Lincoln student.

We hope to see some of these young leaders again in the future. Wherever they end up, it was a pleasure supporting this event and New Zealand's next generation of leaders.



community notices

Mid-Winter Christmas Market

Friday 11 July, 4pm -7.30pm at Lincoln Event Centre

A festive celebration filled with handcrafted treasures, delicious treats, and the spirit of Christmas. Wander through stalls, enjoy heartwarming drinks, and discover unique gifts from local producers. Enjoy live performances, engage in fun activities, and immerse yourself in the magic of the season. All ages welcome. Free to attend.

Kids Market

Thursday 10 July 2025, 10am -12pm at Lincoln Event Centre

Join us this winter for the famous Kids Market, where young entrepreneurs can buy and sell quality pre-loved goods! You'll find toys and books to sports gear and so much more. The Kids Market is the perfect chance for kids to declutter and earn pocket money – and for the buyers to find some amazing bargains.

Lincoln Scottish Country Pance Club

The Lincoln Scottish Country Dance Club meets in the Lincoln Events Centre, Meijer Drive, from 7.30pm on Tuesdays. Looking for fun, friendship and fitness? Then come along for a look as the first night is free. New members are most welcome as full tuition is given and a partner is not essential. For any further information, contact Annette (03) 349 7126 or Coreen (03) 344 2057. Email: lincoln@dancescottish.org.nz

Lincoln Spinning & Knitting Group

The Lincoln Spinning and Knitting Group is now meeting at Lincoln Library on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 11am to 1pm. All welcome to join our small, friendly group. For more information phone Adriana on (03) 325 3320 or Rosemary on (03) 337 4811. Find us on Facebook by searching 'Lincoln Spinning & Knitting Group - Canterbury, N.Z.'

Tai Tapu Garden Club

Our garden club meets every 3rd Monday at Ipm at Tai Tapu Community Centre.

Flower competitions each month, raffles and afternoon tea, with a variety of garden visits and speakers.

Please contact Lynne Parker (Secretary) on 027 505 9573.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Lincoln Bridge Club Free Beginners Lessons Tuesday evenings 7.30–9.30pm. Lincoln Event Centre Contact Stuart on 325 3222. Lincoln Bridge Club is a friendly, social club playing Duplicate Bridge. The club meets on Monday afternoons at the Event Centre from 1.30–4.30pm and on Thursday evenings from 7.00–10.30pm.



Lincoln Rotary Bookarama

3-5 July, Rolleston Primary School Hall

Come along and find bargains on books, games, puzzles and LPs/ CDs/DVDs. A fantastic chance to support your community as all proceeds go to Rotary Community Service. Bookarama runs for three days: 2-6pm Thursday 3 July, 10am-8pm Friday 4 July; 10am-3pm Saturday 5 July. At the Rolleston Primary School Hall, Tennyson Street, with entry from Kidman Street.

Springston Garden Club (Pay)

Springston Garden Club meets on the first Thursday of the month, 1.30pm at the Lincoln Events Centre. We have a variety of interesting speakers, raffles, sales table, and garden tours with like-minded gardening enthusiasts.

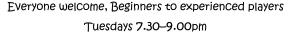
If you are an experienced gardener, novice or just curious to know more please contact Sue Warman, (Secretary) on 027 303 2706 or springstongardenclub@gmail.com. New members welcome.

St Patrick's Craft and Friendship Group

Join a small, friendly group of people, who either bring along a current craft project or come just for friendship and afternoon tea. Current group members include knitters, embroiderers and sewers so they can teach others or help with any problems. Everyone is welcome to come along. The group meet in St Patrick's Parish Centre, which is joined to St Patrick's Catholic Church at 31 Gerald Street, from 1.30pm to 3.30pm every Tuesday. For more information contact Yvonne on (03) 366 9795 or 027 334 1151.



Friendly Social Badminton



First Tuesday in April until last Tuesday in September

Lincoln Event Centre

\$5 per person/night

For more info contact Katinka 027 325 2044



GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Lincoln Community Trust has funds invested for the benefit of the community of Lincoln. Grant applicants should be Community organisations who must reside, ideally pay rates, or operate within the Lincoln Community rating area. Such funds may be distributed twice a year. Applications for such grants may be made at any time but must be in the hands of the Trust by the 31st of March or the 30th of September each year.

Application forms are available from Lincoln Community Care, 16 Lyttelton St, Lincoln or via email from admin@lincolncomcare.co.nz

EVERY SATURDAY: Lincoln Farmers' & Craft Market - On the green beside Lincoln Library. 10am-1pm

July 2025

3-5 JULY

LINCOLN ROTARY BOOKARAMA

Rolleston Primary School Hall, 2-6pm Thursday, 10am–8pm Friday, 10am–3pm Saturday. All proceeds to Rotary Community Service.

FRIDAY 4 JULY

Earth's Basement

Morning of craft and science adventures for kids 3–12 years, 10am–12.30pm, Lincoln Event Centre, \$5 per family events.humanitix.com/ earths-basement

SUNDAY 6 JULY

Mahoe Reserve Planting Day

2–4pm, Mahoe Reserve, Boundary Road, Lincoln

Pioneer Hall Open Day

Lincoln's first Library building. Corner Gerald St & Kildare Tce, open 2–4pm

Liffey Cottage Open Day

A house with a past! James Street, open 2–4pm

Pool Party

2–4pm, Selwyn Aquatic Centre, All ages, standard pool entry cost applies

Sunday Music Session at The Laboratory

3-5pm, feat. Matt Hantler

MONDAY 7 JULY

Roller Disco

Rolleston Community Centre 12–1.30pm. All skates and safety gear provided or feel free to bring your own. \$15pp

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY

Zumba® for Kids

10.30am, Selwyn Sports Centre, for ages 6-12yrs, \$7.40 per child, bookings via Humanitix

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY

Braided Rivers Seminar 2025

8.45am–5.15pm, Lincoln University, Tickets \$49 via Humanitix

THURSDAY 10 JULY

Lincoln Kids Market

10am–12pm, Lincoln Event Centre, free entry for shoppers

FRIDAY 11 JULY

Lincoln Mid Winter Christmas Market

Lincoln Event Centre, 4–7.30pm, Free to attend

SATURDAY 12 JULY

JUNIOR ROTARIANS: THE BIG FREE BOOGIE

Glow sticks, DJ beats, games and a whole lot of boogie! Rolleston Community Centre, 5.30pm for ages 9–11; 7pm for ages 12–14. Free, bookings required: bit.ly/JRBigFreeBoogie

SUNDAY 13 JULY

Sunday Music Session at The Laboratory

3-5pm, feat. Rockabella

MONDAY 14 JULY

Volunteer Management 101

6.30pm, Lincoln Event Centre, Free – register via Humanitix

WEDNESDAY 16 JULY

Workshop: Supporting Neurodivergent Teens

Rolleston Community Centre, 7.15pm, free to attend, bookings required

SATURDAY 19 JULY

Karma Keg at The Laboratory

Fundraising for Broadfield Netball Club, 2–4pm

SUNDAY 20 JULY

Sunday Music Session at The Laboratory

3-5pm, feat. Anna & Damo

EARTH'S BASEMENT

A Kids' Holiday Morning of Craft & Science Adventures!

Friday, 4 July 2025 10:00 AM - 12.30 PM Lincoln Event Centre

Explore the Hidden World Beneath our Feet.

Join us for exciting hands-on activities looking at the amazing creatures that live underground, including the soil and rocks where they live.

Fun Activities Include:

- See what you can find living in the leaf litter
- Design your own fungi
- Build underground habitat dioramas
- Create beautiful leaf art
- Learn about bats, kiwis, rocks and fossils

Ages: 3-12 years Cost: \$5 per family

Booking Required: Visit Humanitix

events.humanitix.com/earths-basement



Contact Dave, projectmanagerlet@gmail.com, 03 423 0445

SATURDAY 26 JULY

Selwyn Trap Library

Free trap hire and advice at the Lincoln Farmers' Market

Biffie's Bingo Fundraiser with Ethel & Bethel

Doors 6.15pm at The Tap, Tai Tapu Hotel. \$45 tickets from TryBooking

SUNDAY 27 JULY

Sunday Music Session at The Laboratory

3-5pm, feat. DT Music

TUESDAY 29 JULY

Strengths-Based Parenting Workshop

7–9pm, Rolleston Community Centre. Held over three consecutive Tuesdays, Pay what you can, bookings required via Humanitix

August 2025

SATURDAY 2 AUG

Garden Composting

Workshop at Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens, 10.30am

SATURDAY 2 AUGUST

SELWYN AWARDS 2025

Selwyn Sports Centre, 6pm, Tickets via Humanitix

FRIDAY 8 AUG

Family Games

Lincoln Event Centre, all ages, \$5 per person, bookings via Humanitix

SUNDAY 17 AUG

Lincoln & Districts Historical Society AGM

With guest speaker, author Clare Gleeson 2-4pm, Lincoln Event Centre



Lincoln group All welcome!

Termtime Wednesday mornings from 9.15am Te Whare Manaaki, 20 James Street, Lincoln \$4 per family per session

- · Friendly, welcoming and caring environment
- Meet other local mums, dads and caregivers
- Suitable for 0 to 5 years
- Fun songs, rhymes and actions which help your child's development
- · We provide instruments and props
- We provide morning tea, and toys for the children to play with before and after the music session



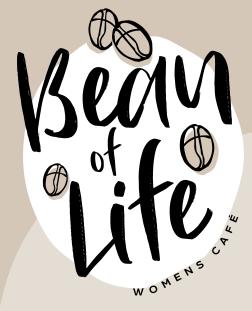
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Do you want to get to know people.

Maybe new to Lincoln.

Just want a place to have a coffee & chat.

We have the place for you.



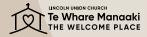
Great coffee & baking - No charge

Open every Tuesday morning,

9.30am-11.30am during school term time

Where: Lincoln Union Church in Te Whare Manaaki, 20 James Street

Preschoolers welcome Hope to see you there



Church Ph: 03 325 2257

faith in your community



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

31 Gerald Street, Lincoln

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm Sunday Mass: 8.30am Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday 9am

Parish Priests Fr Brian Fennessy, M: 027 675 8456 Fr Chris Orr, M: 027 659 1962

Selwyn Parish Leadership Team Chair Tricia Smith Ph: 325 2234

selwyncatholicparish@gmail.com

Life

LIFE CHURCH SELWYN

10am Sundays at Lincoln Event Centre (Meijer Drive). All welcome – an intergenerational and multicultural church. Life Kids programme available during service.

Campus Pastors: David & Jo Bennetts

Life Church Office: 1543 Springs Road, Lincoln

> www.lifechurch.nz selwyn@lifechurch.nz



LINCOLN BAPTIST CHURCH

109 Carnaveron Drive, Lincoln

10am Sunday Service All welcome. An intergenerational and multicultural church

Youth and children's programme available during service.

Life/home groups; Youth Groups

Phone: 325 3396 Email: admin@thelink.nz www.thelink.nz



LINCOLN ANGLICAN PARISH

Incorporating St Stephen's, Lincoln; St Mary's, Springston; St Mark's, Greenpark and St Paul's, Tai Tapu.

St Stephen's and St Paul's have a weekly service at 10am Sundays. The others meet at 9 or 9.30am, 2–3 times a month.

Contact for more details: Polly Warren, People's Warden Ph: 321 7370. Mob: 027 8787 643 Rev. Mark Barlow lincolnanglican.org



LINCOLN UNION CHURCH

20 James Street, Lincoln

Sunday Service 10am Together with God

Sunday School 10am during term time

Mainly Music 9:15am Wednesdays during term time

All welcome. For more information contact: Minister: Rev. Phyll Harris Ph: 325 2257 www.lincolnchurch.org.nz



LINCOLN CHINESE CHURCH

20 James Street, Lincoln

Sunday Service 2pm

Youth Group: Every Friday 6pm–9pm (Free meal, Bible study, Group sharing)

All welcome.

Pastor: Charles Yu

Tel: 325 3238 Mobile: 027 615 9796 Email: yuf228@hotmail.com



ALL NATIONS BAPTIST CHURCH

Join us – Everyone is welcome.

In our church you will find
• Traditional Hymns • KJV Bible
• Great Fellowship

• International Community

Every Sunday at 4pm Lincoln Community Care 16 Lyttelton Street, Lincoln.

Pastor Paul Anger Ph: 021 033 7274 Email: paul.anger@hotmail.com

Lincoln Community News

We welcome stories, listings, articles and news from community groups, organisations and residents of Lincoln and surrounding areas.

For more information or to submit articles, please email:

LCN@selwynprint.co.nz

LincolnTown Centre

New options for parking in Lincoln

Two new car parks are set to open in Lincoln, just a short distance from your local stores and services.

The north car park will open in July, and the south car park will open in August. Together the car parks provide an additional 124 spaces for the community to use.

The north car park: Access from both Lyttelton Street and William Street.

- 61 regular parks
- 4 accessible parks
- 4 EV parks (EV units to be installed in August 2025)
- 4 motorbike parks

The south car park: Access from Gerald Street and Maurice Street.

- 41 regular parks
- · 2 accessible parks
- 4 EV parks (EV units to be installed in August 2025)
- 4 motorbike parks

Parking Limits: Parking in these locations is free. There will be some shorter term parking, and most parks will be P120.



Lincoln Town Centre upgrades: Supporting Lincoln's growth from a rural township to a thriving town centre. Let's future-proof our community with smart planning, plenty of safe parking, and vibrant spaces where everyone can connect and thrive.

Bike stands for cyclists will be added to this area as part of stage one of the Lincoln Town Centre project.



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