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Author talk at
Elma Turner Library

Monday 2 May, 12.30–1.30pm,
Elma Turner Library Activity Room.
All welcome.

Owen Clough will talk about his new book "Whispers of the Past." A book in which a hunting trip into Tongariro National Park, takes three men into a different space as mist, sulphur and rain envelop them and propel them back to the start of the New Zealand Wars of 1863. Will they get home? Will they change history? This is their story. Book sales and author signing will be available at the end of the talk.

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Community planting
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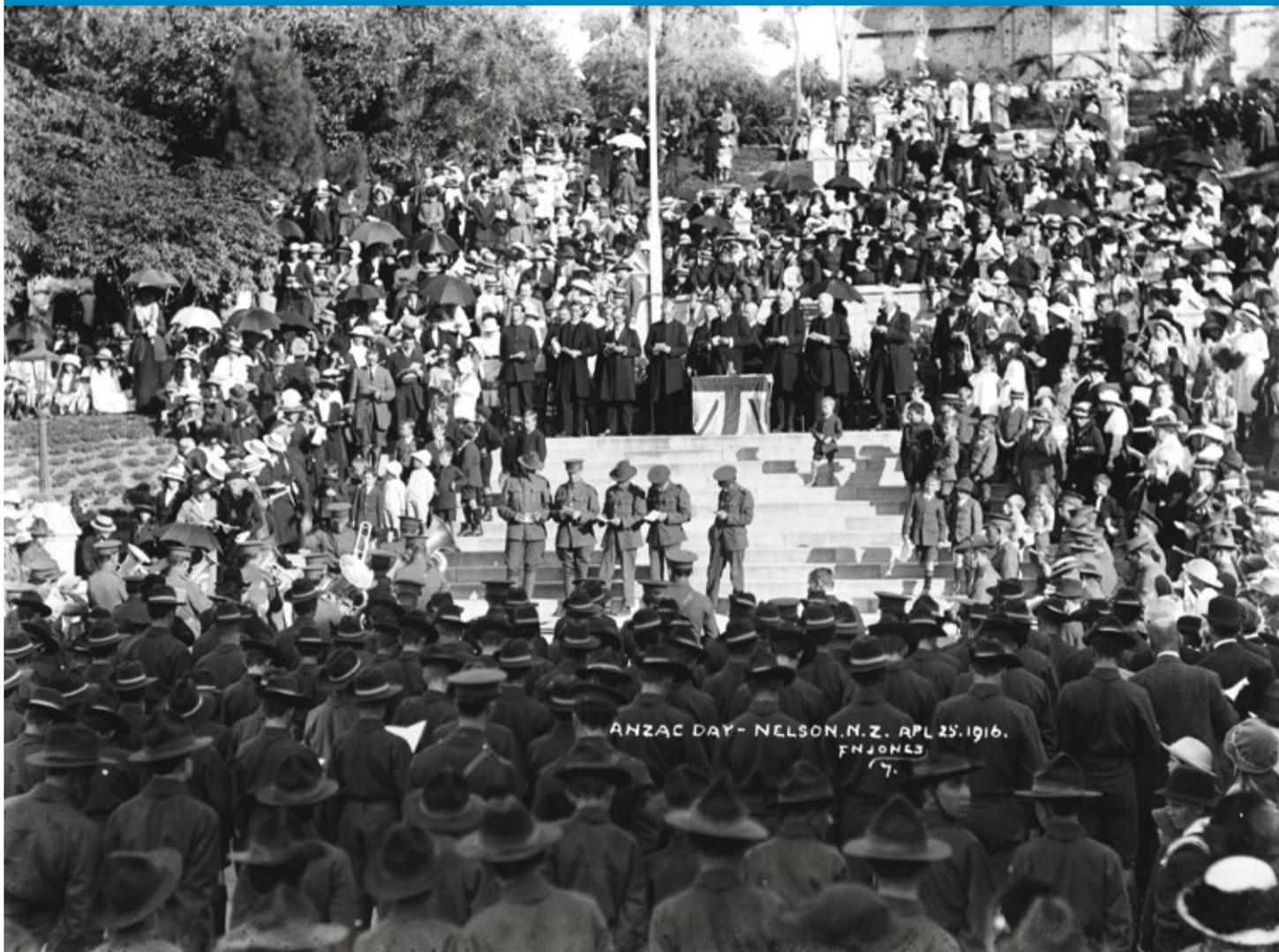


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NZ Music Month at
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Marking 100 years since our first Anzac service



Anzac Day, Nelson, N.Z., 25 April 1916. Nelson Provincial Museum, F N Jones Collection: 311332

Monday 25 April will mark 100 years since the first Anzac Day service. Come and join us as we honour the soldiers who fought at Gallipoli and other conflicts in which New Zealand has been involved.

New Zealand sent more men to fight in World War I per head of population than any other Commonwealth nation. Of those killed, almost a third were buried half a world away in unmarked graves.

Private Charles McConochie wrote in a letter home to his parents in Nelson: "Anyone who has never been on a field of battle cannot in the least realise what it is like. We have here chaps who were in South Africa fighting in the Boer War and they say it was only a flea bite to this. It is, in plain speaking, awful. In fact it is like being in the depths of Hell itself."

Anzac Day is a chance to remember the more than two-thousand people from the Nelson region who left New Zealand to serve in the conflict says Mayor Rachel Reese.

"The weekend of commemorations is also an opportunity to celebrate the community spirit of a place such as Nelson," she says.

"Just as thousands of men and women joined the war effort overseas on the battlefields, many more stayed behind in Nelson working tirelessly to keep the province running."

Founders Heritage Park will also mark Anzac weekend by re-creating the war time spirit with an old-fashioned fete on Sunday 24 April from 10am–3.30pm.

Anzac services will be held at dawn and later in the morning. Be a part of Anzac Day commemorations on this important occasion.

Anzac events are as follows:

- **Founders Heritage Park Old-Fashioned Fete**
Sunday 24 April, 10am–3.30pm
- **Anzac Day – Nelson**
6am – Dawn Service at Anzac Park
9am – Civic Service at Church steps, top of Trafalgar Street, with wreath laying and 100th anniversary commemoration of the first Anzac Day service.
- **Anzac Day – Other services**
8am – Service at Wakapuaka Cemetery
8.30am – Boer War Service at Queen's Garden
11am – Stoke Service at Isel House

Try the NBus Stoke Loop for free

You can use this voucher to check out the NBus Stoke Loop for free anytime until the end of June.

This service was introduced late last year and makes handy connections throughout the Stoke area. It also links with the Nelson to Richmond route at stops on Main Road Stoke and Waimea Road.

The Stoke Loop travels in a continuous figure eight every hour on weekdays and Saturdays. It heads north from Stoke along the Ridgeway to Enner Glynn, then back to Stoke via Nayland Road and Putaitai St before heading south along Suffolk Road to Saxton Road, across to Nayland Road and back to Stoke.

It's an easy way for students to get from school or home, to sports at Saxton Field or other activities in the area.

There is now a kneeling bus on this route so it is much easier for anyone with limited mobility

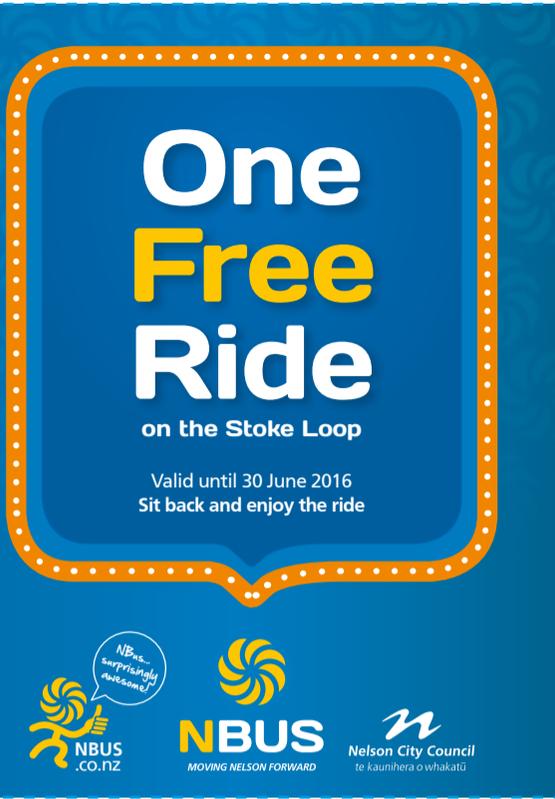
to get on and off. The driver can lower a ramp for wheelchair access.

The Stoke Loop is "hail and ride" too so there is no need to wait at a formal bus stop. Just signal the driver and the bus will stop anywhere on the route it is safe to do so.

Don't forget to download the updated NBus app from iTunes if you want the latest timetable info on the go or you can check it all out on nbus.co.nz.

Please enjoy a free ride on the Stoke Loop and find out how surprisingly awesome this NBus service is.

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Suter Redevelopment project update

Work is progressing well on The Suter – Te Aratoi o Whakatū – Redevelopment Programme (a 50:50 partnership between Nelson City Council and the Bishop Suter Trust) with most of the construction on track to finish at the end of June.

The heritage Bishop Suter Memorial Art Gallery is the oldest exhibiting gallery space in continuous use in the country, originally opened in 1899. This extensive redevelopment will ensure it has an exciting future as well as a rich history.

One of the key areas of work at the moment is the installation of the climate control system for the building. This will offer carefully controlled air conditioning in the exhibition spaces and collection storage facility.

This is a major factor in protecting the sometimes fragile artwork. Its installation, along with improved fire and security systems, will mean The Suter may in future be able to host high calibre touring exhibitions.

The cladding of the exteriors is complete with the use of zinc and stone offering a textured look.

The exhibition spaces are well underway inside. These are much larger, versatile spaces and feature

specialist track lighting suspended from the ceiling so each exhibition can have tailored lighting.

Earthquake strengthening of the original gallery has been done as part of the project.

A new education room will cater for The Suter's highly regarded art education programmes.

The entry foyer is taking shape with a seven metre long reception desk soon to be installed. Floor to ceiling windows at either end of the foyer and in the café, ensure the best use is made of the natural light and the views from Bridge Street to the Eel Pond.

Outside, a boardwalk alongside the edge of the pond is under construction and will create a lovely and accessible link between the Gallery, the Gardens and Albion Square.

The project is well on the way to creating a wonderful asset for the community that all can enjoy when it reopens later this year.



Dig in at the Glen

Everyone is welcome to join a community planting day at the Glenduan Reserve from 9.30– 11.30am on Saturday 30 April.

All equipment is supplied so just dress for the weather, wear some strong footwear and join the fun. There'll be a sausage sizzle and refreshments for the volunteers.

Also at 10.30am, Mayor Rachel Reese will officially open the playground in the reserve. This opening recognises the almost ten year partnership between Council and the local community, dating back to the land purchase for the reserve in 2007.

Planning and development of what the reserve and playground should contain has been a joint effort throughout, especially helped by the Friends of the Glen voluntary group. They have been instrumental in the whole process including fundraising and donating over \$3500 for the installation of the flying fox.

The Glenduan Reserve and playground has become a well-used and much loved facility for the local community so pitch in with the planting and then stay and play a while.



Work carries on in what will become the café area at The Suter.



Discover peace this Heritage Week

Heritage Week is now in full swing. This year, we are celebrating Nelson's rich history of discoveries with the theme *Discover the Unexpected*. There are walks, talks, theatre, film, children's workshops and much more. The activities are free and low cost for the whole family to enjoy.

New history panels celebrating Nelson's Peace movement will be unveiled at the Peace Grove on Saturday 23 April.

The Mayor and members of Nelson's Peace movement will introduce the stories behind the new colourful history panels installed as part of Heritage Week.

Nelson City became nuclear free in 1983, and other areas followed, leading to New Zealand becoming recognised for its nuclear free stance.

Murals painted by school children at the time feature on the panels.

Come with friends and family and bring your picnic, and fly your kite with messages of peace made at our free kite workshops during Heritage Week or bring your white poppies.

Mayor Rachel Reese has signed her own peace kite which reads:

"Stand up for peace, for it can be fragile. Hold onto peace, for it is precious."

Park at Miyazu Gardens car park and walk through to the open area behind the garden

closer to State Highway 6.

If you are on your bike, or walking from the city, follow the Trafalgar Cycleway and turn at the pathway by Newman Grove.

If raining a gathering will be held at Founders Heritage Park.

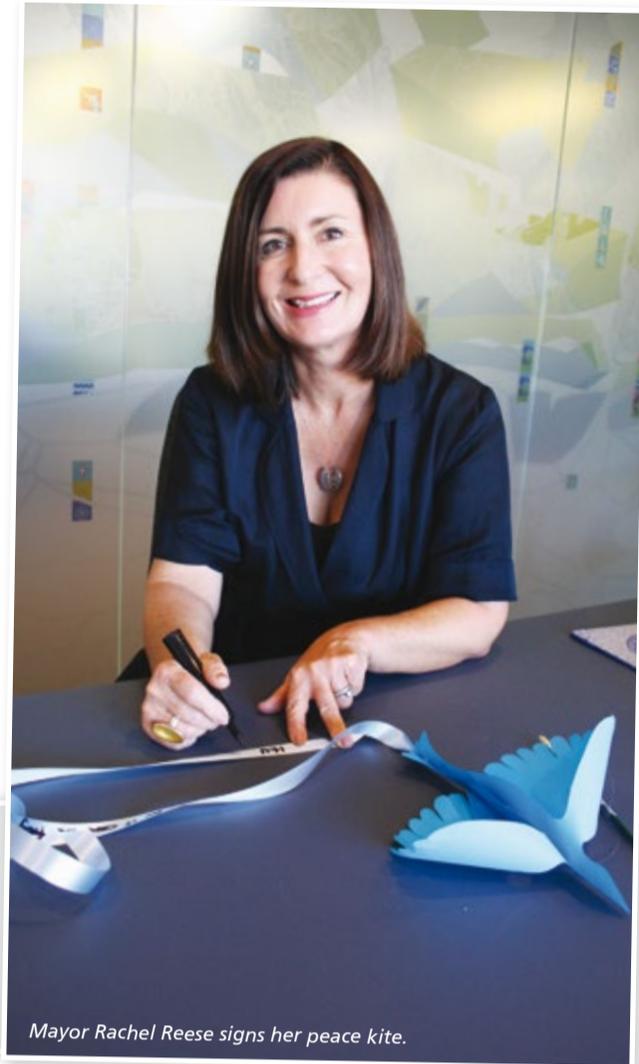
Kite making workshop: April 22 at Founders Heritage Park (The Granary) 10am–12pm. To discover more Heritage Week events visit nelson.govt.nz (search = Heritage Week 2016).

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What: Unveiling of the new history panels

When: Saturday 23 April, 12pm

Where: Peace Grove, behind Miyazu Gardens, Parking by Miyazu Gardens, footpath access off Trafalgar cycleway.



Mayor Rachel Reese signs her peace kite.

New projects underway

There are many Council projects already underway around the city and within the last week even more have started. If you were curious about the new work sites you've seen springing up, here is what we're up to.

Nayland Road watermain renewal

We are replacing a watermain that has reached the end of its serviceable life. This is along the western side of Nayland Road from Langbein Street to Rosebank Terrace. The project is expected to be finished by the end of June.

Todd Bush Road upgrade

We're building a footpath in this growing area. Kerb and channel work and some road pavement repair will be done in conjunction with that. This project is also expected to be finished towards the end of June.

Road resurfacing

There are three sites where road resurfacing will be happening for a

few days at a time through to the end of April.

- Van Diemen Street from Waimea Road to Trafalgar Street South
- Toi Toi Street, from St Vincent to Emano Street (in conjunction with UFB work)
- Quarantine Road

The Ridgeway road repairs

Programmed pavement rehabilitation work on The Ridgeway between Arapiki and Marsden Road intersections is due to start this week. Expect some delays as this section will be reduced to one lane with traffic lights in place.

Please respect all the signs in place, slow down and take care around all these work sites.



Todd Bush Road.

Nelson to celebrate Sister City connections

Nelson will host the 2016 Sister Cities New Zealand Conference (SCNZ) from 28–30 April with the theme "Connecting People – Celebrating our Past, Creating our Future".

With New Zealand currently holding around 150 sister city relationships with 17 countries around the world, the SCNZ conference aims to celebrate those connections.

It will bring together a vast array of passionate individuals and organisations, including business groups, grass-root community organisations, schools and education-providers, local government and non-Government organisations.

Mayor Rachel Reese says she is looking forward to hosting the conference.

"We are very proud of our longstanding connections with our Sister Cities. Just last year, we celebrated our 20 year relationship with Chinese sister city, Huangshi, by re-signing our Memorandum of Understanding.

"This year, will see us

celebrate the 40-year anniversary of our relationship with Japanese city, Miyazu, and we will acknowledge this special milestone at the Conference," she says.

Mayor Reese says a relevant and varied conference programme will be well supported by inspirational speakers.

The Conference also incorporates the Sister Cities New Zealand Annual Awards Dinner.

This year, the dinner will celebrate 35 years since the establishment of Sister Cities New Zealand and 60 years since the creation of the Sister Cities movement with Sister Cities International being established in 1956 by President Eisenhower. One of the Global Envoys, Nancy Huppert, will give the keynote address at the Nelson conference.



Helping landowners protect what they value

As part of Nelson City Council's move to restore and improve Nelson's environment, owners of recognised or potentially significant natural areas will be contacted from later this month to provide feedback on what they value on their land.

Council is keen to find out the type of support people would like to receive to care for these areas, whether they're open to their natural areas being confirmed and identified, and what protection is required.

Many of the most precious natural areas in Nelson are found on private land, with invasive pest plants and animals often the biggest threat to their future. Council's 10 year Nelson Nature project has a key focus of working with owners to address the threats pests pose to these special areas of native bush, wetlands and coastal margins.

Council is also reviewing the current Nelson Resource Management Plan and drafting its

replacement: the Whakamahere Whakatū Nelson Plan. The new plan is being developed under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). The RMA obliges the Council to include measures in the plan to protect areas of significant indigenous vegetation and significant habitats of indigenous fauna.

When Council spoke to the community in November last year about the Nelson Plan review, feedback made it clear that the community wanted Council to provide owners with more assistance to protect these areas.

Later this month, Council will be sending letters and surveys to owners of recognised or potentially

significant natural areas, offering the chance to meet and provide feedback on their values and preferences for assistance and protection.

Through both the Nelson Nature project and the Nelson Plan review, the Council aims to find a balance between meeting its obligations as a regulator and as a partner with owners to achieve real environmental gains.

Nelsonians will have a chance to provide further feedback on the Nelson Plan review when the discussion document for the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) is released in May, which will include the Council's possible approach to protect biodiversity values.



This remnant native bush in Delaware Bay is protected by a QEII covenant.

Some rural addresses (RAPID numbers) to be changed

Council has recently reviewed the addresses of rural properties as we were aware that some rural properties were not numbered correctly, in accordance with the RAPID numbering system.

Where an existing number was found to be incorrect, or where the property did not have a RAPID number, Council has issued a new RAPID number.

It is very important for all RAPID numbers to be correct, so that emergency services can quickly locate a property when called to an emergency.

Where the existing RAPID number is incorrect

Council will write to those affected in the first week of May to let you know what your updated address will be.

During the first two weeks of June, Council will deliver the replacement RAPID number plate to your property. You can either erect that number plate on your letter box yourself, or our contractor can do that for you.

It is very important that property owners display the new number plate on their property, so that they can be easily located.

For properties that don't currently use an official RAPID number

Council will issue you with an official RAPID number, and will notify you of this early in May. It will be your choice as to whether you obtain an official RAPID number plate, but we advise you to do so.

When do the changes take effect?

All new numbers take effect from 1 June 2016. From that date, the new or corrected RAPID number will be the official address in Council records, and will be the only address that will be recognised by Emergency Services, Land Information NZ, Valuation NZ etc.

If your postal address is different from the physical property address, this won't change in our system – Council information will still be posted to the address you have requested (unless that address has changed as a result of the review).

For more information on this process, contact Kathy Mardon, 546 0258. For information about how the RAPID numbering system works, head to nelson.govt.nz (search = rapid street number).

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Search = rapid street number



Air New Zealand commitment sees positive impact

L-R: Philippe Petre, Presidency Member of the Government of New Caledonia; Jean-Raymond Postic, Director of Cabinet at the Ministry of Transport of New Caledonia; Mayor Rachel Reese; Samuel Hnepeune, Chairman of the Board of Air Caledonie; Artemis Bouyer, Director of Air Caledonie.

The positive economic news continues for our city with Air New Zealand's recent investment in our region.

Not only has Air New Zealand committed to expansion of business at the ATR maintenance facility, but it has partnered with NMIT to provide an aviation technician course which closely integrates with the facility.

This ongoing investment is already proving beneficial, with Air New Zealand signing their first maintenance contract with an international partner, Air Caledonie. Recently we had a visit from members of the airline and the New Caledonian government, to inspect the maintenance operations here in Nelson. It also provided an opportunity for government officials to explore Nelson, and understand our City's approach to economic development, particularly the development of partnerships between local government and businesses.

Mayor Rachel Reese provided

a warm welcome to these visitors. "We are delighted to welcome Air Caledonie and government officials to Nelson. This is a fantastic achievement for Air New Zealand to attract international partners to our City. We are sure this relationship will be a long and successful one."

Monsieur Philippe Petre from the New Caledonian government indicated the potential for the relationship between Nelson and New Caledonia to grow. "The agreement between Air Caledonie is one thing, the other is the exchange between Nelson and New Caledonia."

The development of these initiatives has arisen from the strong relationship between Air New Zealand, Council, and key organisations such as Nelson Airport Limited and Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology.



A handful of green initiatives at Nelson City Council

Just a few of the things Council does to make Nelson an even better place.

Best practice for sustainable use of landfill gas

Methane gas from Council's York Valley landfill is piped to Nelson Hospital where it's used as an alternative energy source to fire the boiler. The hospital has reduced its coal consumption and carbon emissions, cut energy costs and the scheme has helped Nelson's air quality.

Open orchards

Edible walks are a popular activity in Nelson, thanks to Council's policy to plant food throughout the city. Fruit and nut trees and berries have been planted in a number of reserves and public parks. People are welcome to help themselves to the produce, guided by handy maps. Grab a copy from Council's website, nelson.govt.nz (search phrase = edible walks).

Walking and cycling

Did you know that 18 per cent of Nelsonians cycle or walk to work – the highest percentage in New Zealand? Council is rolling out a \$7.4 million package of walking and cycling improvements over the next three years to provide a safe, accessible network of pathways and roads for walkers, cyclists and other active users. The aim is to boost our walking and cycling commuters to 25 per cent of the population.

Sugar free drinks policy

Council has been working with a group of partners to increase the availability and appeal of water for everyone as part of its sugar free drinks policy. Nelson City Council became the first council in New Zealand to take action on sugary drinks by discouraging sugar sweetened drinks in Council workplaces, buildings and events. The Nelmac water tanker is now available at many public events, offering free drinking water to those people with water bottles or biodegradable cups.

Lightening up

Street lighting upgrades, subsidised by the NZ Transport Agency, are being rolled out in areas around the city where all road users will get the most benefit. The lights are a new sleek and flat design and feature the latest LED technology. They are significantly more energy efficient, require much less maintenance, and have a much better spread of light over both the road and footpath.

Walking the 'sustainability' talk

In the clock tower, staff are encouraged to save electricity and their health by using the stairs instead of the lifts. Compost and recycling bins are available on each floor and Council uses non-pasteurised milk in glass bottles by local supplier Oaklands to reduce the amount of plastic refuse generated.

Nelson Tasman region gets mapped

This month, Nelson Tasman Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group (CDEM) will publish comprehensive tsunami evacuation maps for the entire region.

The online maps, which are also being produced by civil defence groups around the country for their respective regions, are intended to act as a guide for residents about what areas could be affected should there be a threat of tsunami. They identify risk areas and explain the expected evacuation zones.

The maps will be published on the Civil Defence website, nelsontasmancivildefence.co.nz, on 27 April and are based on information from a study by GNS Science in 2014.

Nelson Tasman CDEM is holding community meetings throughout the region in May

to further discuss the maps including helping people understand what to do in a tsunami.

Public meetings in Nelson

- Wednesday 4 May, 6.30–8.30pm, Nelson North, Nelson North Country Club, Wakapuaka
- Saturday 7 May, 10am–12pm, Nelson Central, Tahuna Function Centre, Tahuna Campground
- Saturday 7 May, 1.30–3.30pm, Stoke/Richmond, Club Waimea, Richmond

nelsontasmancivildefence.co.nz



Days Track repair confirmed

Council has accepted a recommendation from the Works and Infrastructure Committee that the missing section of the Days Track Walkway on the Port Hills be reinstated as a gravel track.

The gravel track with wooden edging and wooden steps will be less liable to damage from any further land movement.

As part of the project, utility services that have been operating on a temporary set up since December 2011 will be made permanent.

Work is due to start before the end of the calendar year.



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Search = edible walks



New Zealand Music Month at the Library

Every year, during the month of May, we celebrate New Zealand music and musicians. Nelson Public Libraries are offering lunchtime concerts to celebrate our local performers. All performances are free and you are welcome to bring along your lunch.

Cindy Batt

Monday 2 May, 9.30–9.40am

Welcoming in NZ Music Month with pukaea/karanga/waiata

Eva McComb, lute player

Wednesday 4 May, 12.30–1pm

Hungarian born Eva has lived in Australia, then New Zealand, for the past 24 years. She plays hammer dulcimer and piano, but is most passionate about the renaissance lute. Eva will play a selection of tunes on the lute demonstrating music mostly from 16th century Europe.

Steve Mitchell, guitarist

Tuesday 10 May, 12.30–1pm

Steve Mitchell is an English songwriter, guitarist and singer, now based in Nelson. Steve's band Humankindness has developed a strong reputation for powerful, inventive live shows, but his appearance during NZ Music Month will be an opportunity to hear his original songs as they were written – stripped back to just voice and acoustic guitar.

Laura Lowe, country and western singer

Thursday 12 May, 12.45pm

"Music is definitely a big part of my life in every aspect, but singing country is one of the biggest highlights. I perform regularly at community events and charity

shows, as well as in competitions and gigs all over New Zealand. I believe if you can connect with your audience, you have instantly allowed them into your mind to see the emotion behind the lyrics."

Harim Oh, clarinet soloist

Friday 13 May, 12.30–1pm

- Mozart Clarinet Concerto
- Schumann Fantasie
- Penderecki Prelude

Harim is currently in his third year of studying Classical Performance on the clarinet at the New Zealand School of Music (Victoria University) in Wellington, having started at the age of 16. Harim gained his Trinity Guildhall ATCL Diploma when he was just 14. In 2013, Harim placed first at the NZ National Young Performer of the Year Awards and in 2014, he was awarded the Professor Jack Richards Woodwind Player award at the Gisborne International Music Competition.

Trevor Menzies, guitarist

Tuesday 17 May, 12.30–1pm

Trevor plays 6 string and 12 string rhythm guitars and bass guitar (not simultaneously) and sing in a covers band called Nine95. He performs mainly country rock, ballads and modern folk songs.

Hot Club Nelson

Wednesday 18 May, 12.30–1.15pm

Hot Club Nelson plays acoustic

Parisian Swing in the style of the Django Reinhardt. Ivan Outram – guitar, Iain Clarke – clarinet, Jak Karaitiana – upright bass, Paul Gilmour – guitar.

Annabelle Laing and Tersha Coppel, flute duo

Saturday 21 May, 12.30–1pm

A selection of beautiful flute tunes to brighten up your Saturday lunchtime. Annabelle and Tersha perform with the Nelson Symphony Orchestra and teach regularly.

Cindy Batt, Māori instruments

Tuesday 24 May, 12.30pm

It will be an introduction to 'Taonga Pūoro in today's world' = 'Taonga Pūoro i te Ao Hurihuri.' This will cover an explanation of the different traditional Māori instruments, their uses and purpose in today's contemporary music scene. It will also cover different instruments that can be used to aid in the healing process and other holistic uses of these taonga and I will also have resources for people to make their own koauau (small Māori flute) from bamboo.



Extra features and replacement roof confirmed for Trafalgar Centre

Council has agreed to proceed with additional features it requested as part of the larger Trafalgar Centre strengthening and redevelopment project.

When considering these features late last year, Council decided not to allocate additional funds, preferring to wait to see whether savings could be made from the project's contingency budget.

Savings have not been possible and so a \$350,000 budget has been provided. Additional features that will be funded are:

- Extending the western corridor to link the new northern building with the southern extension without having to go through the main stadium.
- Thermal insulation and lining the north wall, which is currently only zinc cladding.
- Adding an office in the northeast corner that can be used by event organisers and/or a custodian.

Mayor Rachel Reese says, "Adding these features during the construction phase is the most

cost effective approach, and will add greater functionality to the centre."

Council also allocated an additional \$250,000 for a replacement roof at the Trafalgar Centre. During the course of the strengthening work severe corrosion was discovered under the roofing overlaps.

The funding will be used to treat the corrosion in the existing roof and build a new roof over top of it, as that has the least effect on the rest of the building and its users. It will also provide additional benefits such as improved heat and sound insulation.

Mayor Reese says, "These decisions reinforce Council's commitment to creating a safe, functional and much improved Trafalgar Centre."

There was also discussion about the installation of a lift for access to the mezzanine seating on the eastern side of the stadium and television broadcast quality lights. Business cases will be developed for these projects shortly to see if the investment is justified.



3D view – northwest corner



Mayor's Message

With Heritage Week now upon us, the city is celebrating with a dedicated programme full of activities for everyone to enjoy.



While we are surrounded by Nelson's impressive heritage all year, this week really showcases our city's history. Our heritage gives us a sense of identity, it reminds us of who we are and where we have come from.

Council's own historic facilities come to the fore during this time, acting as the backdrop to a variety of activities and events. Isel House has been transformed with the exhibition 'Outside Inside' which recaptures the spirit of Victorian research and discovery with interesting taxidermy and specimen collections that were extremely popular in the 1800s. You can also experience spiders at the heritage home of Spider Atkinson and find secrets at Broadgreen Historic House.

Heritage Week allows us to build strong communities, through our shared history and I am also pleased to see our youth taking a

front seat this year, with the Youth Council led exhibition, Picturing the Prow. It really is fantastic to see the passion for heritage on show this week.

Of course, we will also be marking the 100th anniversary since the first Anzac service this long weekend. As Mayor, I am always very moved by the impressive turnouts to mark Anzac Day and I'm sure this year will be no different. Along with a dawn service at Anzac Park, there will also be a civic service at the Church Steps. Founders Heritage Park will also recreate Nelson's war time spirit with an old-fashioned fete on Sunday 24 April.

Remembering our past is an important part in ensuring our future is bright, and I look forward to enjoying more Heritage Week events as well as marking Anzac Day with you all.

Youth Council update By Isabella Lorandi, Fynn Sawyer and Elaine Ang

This month, Nelson Youth Council has been busy putting together our submission for the Annual Plan, which includes projects such as a new Performing Arts Centre and the Fringed Hill Gondola.

There is currently a survey going out to Nelson youth to get their opinions on these issues.

We have also been writing a letter to the Hon. Hekia Parata about improving careers education to increase the number of youth in employment. The aim for this is to get businesses to come into schools and talk to students about their employee responsibilities, and having more government funding for careers education, allowing careers teachers to do their jobs more effectively.

Nelson Youth Council is celebrating Nelson

history with our Heritage Week project. This year it features an exhibition of mounted photos provided by 2015's Heritage Week photo competition winners. The photos will be displayed at the Refinery Art Gallery till 28 April.

We encourage you to keep an eye on the various projects we have going on through our Facebook page.

[facebook.com/nelsonyouthcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/nelsonyouthcouncil)

Youth theatre alive in Nelson

Mayor Rachel Reese talks about the great work being achieved by the Youth Theatre Company.

Founded in January 2000, the Nelson Youth Theatre Company is run entirely by volunteers and has not only produced over 150 shows, but has also run over 60 professionally taught theatre courses for young people in Nelson.

Not only that, but it also provides scholarships for youth actors to attend local, national or international training courses in theatre arts.

I witnessed the magic of the Youth Theatre Company recently, sitting in the audience of its latest production 'Legally Blonde'. With 70 volunteers behind the scenes, along with the 45 performers, the Youth Theatre Company is successfully ensuring theatre is alive and well in Nelson.



The Youth Theatre Company mission is simple – it aims to create opportunities for young people to develop valuable life skills and self-confidence, while expanding their abilities through theatrical productions. They are certainly living up to their slogan, "Inspiring the Future through Creativity".

I'd like to congratulate the company on its continued success and look forward to many more successful productions to come.

Upcoming shows for 2016 are currently, 'A Christmas Carol', 'Annie', and 'Oliver!'.



MEETINGS

The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled:

Council meeting – to hear submissions to the draft Annual Plan 2016/17 (if required)
11am & 9am respectively 3 & 4 May

Hearings Panel – Other – Proposed Temporary Road Closure Applications – Ruma Mārama
8.15am 5 May

Council meeting – Ordinary
9am 5 May

Works and Infrastructure Committee
9am 10 May

Audit, Risk and Finance Subcommittee – Ruma Mārama
To follow Works and Infrastructure Committee 10 May

Commercial Subcommittee – Ruma Mārama
To follow Audit, Risk and Finance Subcommittee 10 May

Council Meeting – to deliberate on submissions to the draft Annual Plan 2016/17
9am 11 May (12 May if required)

Planning and Regulatory Committee – to hear submissions to the draft Fees and Charges for Resource Consent, Resource Management Act Planning documents and applications under Housing Accord and Special Housing Areas Act, Food Act 2014, and Fencing of Swimming Pool Act 1987 (if required)
9am 19 May

Planning and Regulatory Committee – Ordinary
To follow hearing of submissions meeting 19 May

Chief Executive Employment Committee – Ruma Ana
1pm 23 May

Community Services Committee
9am 26 May

Other Meetings

Nelson Youth Council
1pm 13 May

Notes:

1. Unless otherwise shown, the meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson.
2. A public forum is held during the initial period of the Committee/Council meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at this public forum is asked to give prior advice to an Administration Adviser on 546 0200.
3. Agendas will be available for perusal at the Customer Service Centre in Civic House, or at Nelson Public Libraries, two days prior to the meeting.
4. Agendas and minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on Council's website nelson.govt.nz.

Share with care

Nelson is lucky to have some wonderful off road paths for walkers and cyclist to enjoy.

They have become increasingly popular so with more people around it's even more important to share them with care. The key things to remember are:

- Keep left
- Slow down
- Warn people with your bell or a greeting when you approach



- If you stop for a chat, move off the path
- Keep your dog under control.

Please show courtesy and consideration for others when you are out on one of Nelson's shared paths so everyone can enjoy the experience.



Wet or green wood makes more smoke and less heat, so if we burn dry wood from a GOOD WOOD supplier our homes will be warmer, the fire will be cheaper to run and the air quality will be healthier for everyone.

Council approved GOOD WOOD suppliers will ensure you get dry wood and can give you good advice on storing wood for the following winter.

Check out the full list of Good Wood suppliers online at: nelson.govt.nz or tasman.govt.nz



Please let the bus go first

We'd like to remind all motorists to please let the bus go first when it needs to get back into traffic.

Don't be concerned about getting stuck behind a "slow" bus. They stop to pick up and drop off passengers very regularly so you will soon get past.

The NBus tries hard to stick to the timetable so your consideration in letting the bus go first, especially at peak times or where road works are affecting traffic, makes a really big difference.

Your courteous driving is much appreciated by drivers and passengers alike.

Law for Lunch at the Library

Community Law are delivering another series of talks at the Elma Turner Library. All free and all welcome, 12–1pm in the Activity Room.

- **Family Dispute Resolution** – care of children after separation: May 5
- **Retirement villages** – the right move for you? Issues to consider: May 12
- **Setting up a Trust:** May 19
- **Buying online and returning damaged goods** – changes in consumer laws: May 26

What's on – at a Council venue near you



Founders Heritage Park

Heritage Week – Kites for peace at The Granary – family workshop: 20 April, 10.30–12pm,

Heritage Week – Crazy Atoms with Mr Science: 21 April, 10.30–11.30am

Founders ANZAC Fete: 24 April, 10.30am–3.30pm

Saxton Sports Complex

Nelson Shoe Clinic Half and Quarter Marathon and 5km Fun Run: 1 May, 8.30am, 9.15am and 9.30am

Pickleball and Badminton at Saxton Stadium: 21 and 28 April, 9.30–10.30am

Trafalgar Park

Fader, youth dance party: 22 April, 7–11pm

Nelson Airport

Rescue Helicopter Base Open Day: 1 May, 11am–3pm

Peace Grove behind Miyazu Gardens

Heritage Week – Discover Peace, hear the stories behind the new colourful peace panels: 23 April, 12pm

Isel House

Heritage Week – Outside Inside: 8–10, 12–17, 19–24, 26–28 April, 11am–4pm

Anzac Day Service: 25 April, 11am

Broadgreen House

Heritage Week – Broadgreen Legends: 8–28 April, 10.30am–4.30pm

Stoke Memorial Hall

Save the Children Fair: 23 April, 9–12am

Melrose House

Heritage Week – Guided Tours of Melrose: 23–24 April, 10am & 2pm

Tahunanui Beach

Heritage Week – Turn Back Time in Tahuna – guided walk: 24 April, 10am

Nelson Public Libraries

Elma Turner Library

Small Time at the Children's Library – Stories and songs for under 2yr olds: Wednesdays, 10.30am, during term time only

Story Time at the Children's Library – stories and songs for over 2yr olds: Thursdays, 2pm, during term time only

STEMwriters: Second Tuesday of each month, 2pm

Computer classes at the Library (book at the desk): 10am–noon

Minecraft for Adults: 20 April, 10–11.30am

Device Advice: Every Tuesday, 10–11am and Thursday, 2–3pm

Craftnooks for Adults: 5, 6, 13, 20 April, 1–2pm

Law for Lunch: Family Dispute Resolution, 5 May, 12–1pm. Retirement villages – Issues to Consider, 12 May, 12–1pm

Author Talk and Book signing – Owen Clough 'Whispers of the Past': 2 May, 12.30–1.30pm

Heritage Week (at Elma Turner Library)

- Marvellous Maps: 20 April, 10–11.30am
- Discovering Top of the South Maps: 20 April, 1–3pm
- Pocket Pets: 20 April, 1–2pm
- Life in the River: 21 April, 10.30–11.30am
- Heritage Hike on a Bike (for the family): 21 April, 1–3.30pm
- The Case of the Dead Dog: See the clues at the library all week and then come to talk to the scientist, 22 April, 12–1pm
- The Tahuna Armchair Tour at the library: 23–24 April, 2pm
- The Place and Paintings of Jane Evans and Rutherford: a Tenacious boy: 16–24 April, screening continuously

Stoke Library

BookChat: Third Wednesday of each month, 5pm, until 16 Dec

Small Time – stories and songs for under 2yr olds: Tuesdays, 10.30am, during term time only

Story Time – stories and songs for over 2yr olds: Wednesday, 10.30am, during term time only

Computer Classes at the Stoke Library (book at the library): 8.15–9.15am

Device Advice: Every Friday 11am–12pm

Museums and Galleries

Nelson Provincial Museum

Weekdays, 10–5pm; weekends and public holidays, 10–4.30pm

Nelson Mail 150 Years 1866–2016:

Until 12 June

Vital Statistics: Until 30 June

Victory Medal: Until 12 June

Heritage Week – Extraordinary Inventions: 22 April, 3pm

Heritage Week – Extraordinary late night at the museum: 22 April, 6pm

The Suter on Halifax Street

Gallery open 9.30am–4.30pm, 7 days

The Suter Te Aratoi O Whakatū – Euan MacLeod – Painter: Until 30 April

Refinery ArtSpace

Weekdays, 10am–5pm; weekends, 11am–4pm

Heritage Week – Picturing the Prow, youth photography exhibition: 14–16, 18–23, 26–28 April

Surface & Line – exhibition by Yvonne Hammond, Helena Morris & Taylor P Wood: 4–9, 11–16, 18–23 April

Nelson Fringe Festival – A low cost theatre festival packed into one week: 2–8 May

Anzac Celebrations on 25 April

Anzac Park Dawn Service: 6am

Wakapuaka Cemetery Anzac Day Service: 8am

Queen's Garden Boer War Service: 8.30am

Civic Service at the Church Steps with wreath laying and 100th commemoration of the first Anzac Day service: 9am

Isel House Anzac Day Service: 11am

CHECK OUT

The Nelson Fringe Festival 2016, Refinery ArtSpace, 2–8 May

The Nelson Fringe Festival – Where Edges Meet! The event, in its second year, sees a convergence of theatre artists from Nelson, New Zealand and the world, in a flurry of activity in the Refinery ArtSpace. The entire week is packed with a daytime programme of professional workshops and an evening showcase of experimental new theatre works, all at a low cost to the public. Last year's season was a sell-out, so pick up a programme and chart a course for the Fringe 2016!