

## Mayor's Christmas Message

### Civic Awards

Waimate District's unsung heroes are again being sought, with nominations now being accepted for the 2014 Civic Awards. Entry forms are available from Council's office, the Information Centre, and on our website. If you know anyone who has given significant time and effort into one or more voluntary groups, please think about nominating them for the award. This is a very prestigious event, with the recipients chosen by a committee consisting of representatives from community and service clubs, Rūnanga as well as Council.

### Significant Events

We have had a number of very successful events in our district over the last couple of months, including the Waimate Theatre Company's "Lost in the 60's" show, the Waimate 50, the South Canterbury & North Otago Show-jumping Association's Show, the Southern Canterbury A & P Show, Christmas in the Park, Strawberry Fare and Waimate Rodeo. I extend my thanks to all those people who give up their time and skills to organise and run these events.

### Merry Christmas

Lyn and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas. Let's work together to ensure 2014 will be a positive and prosperous year for us all.



*Rowley*

Mayor

## Local News

### Community Grants Fund

Organisations within the Waimate District are advised that applications for grants from Council's Community Grants Fund are now being invited.

The fund is open to all organisations except those qualifying for grants under the Sports and Recreation Grants Scheme and the Creative Communities New Zealand Arts Funding scheme.

Further information and application forms are available from LeeAnn Smart, Waimate Information Centre, phone 03 689 7771. **Applications close Wednesday 26 February.**

### The Hunt is on to recognise

#### Waimate's Volunteers

Waimate's unsung heroes are again being sought, with the 2014 Civic Awards now open for nominations.

The awards are held to recognise the district's volunteers who work tirelessly for often little thanks or recognition.

Council have coordinated the awards since 2010, with the Mayor adding last year the committee received the most nominations ever, and had a 'real struggle' to select just four recipients: Christine Bailey, Barry Morgan, Steve Venrooy and David White.

Mayor Rowley says it is important our volunteers have the opportunity to receive recognition in our own district. He says these volunteers play a vital part in making small district such as Waimate into such wonderful places to live. Application forms are now available from the Information Centre, Council's website, and Councils main office or by emailing [Karalyn@waimatedc.govt.nz](mailto:Karalyn@waimatedc.govt.nz). **Nominations close 4.00pm Fri 7 Feb 2014.**

The 2014 recipients will be recognised in a formal ceremony in March.

### Utilities Service

For water repairs the Utilities Service team will be available as normal. Ring the Council number and the after-hours service will take the details and contact the relevant person

### Waimate Urban Water Supply - Water Awareness

The warm sunny days of summer will soon be settled in. Council would like to give a friendly reminder of water awareness in the garden; it can be as simple as watering late evening or early morning and not leaving unattended hoses running.

In the event of severe dry weather Council may have to put conservation measures in place. If you notice any water leaks please phone Council.

### Waimate Rural Water Supply - Water Line/Pipe Awareness

Waimate Council has an extensive network of water supply pipelines throughout the rural areas.

If you are planning on excavating or any major land disturbance Council can provide you with details of where the pipe lines go through your property.

Before you commence work please ring Council for assistance.



### Summer Planning Civil Defence Message:

**Camping:** For many of us summer is a great time to go camping and often our best spots are beside waterways: the sea, lakes or rivers. All beautiful spots but they come with their own dangers; often our East coast lakes and rivers can be adversely affected by West Coast rain even when we have no rain. So remember when you go camping take a battery operated radio or listen to your car radio for weather forecasts. Also don't forget to have an emergency plan if the weather does turn ugly and let your loved ones know what your plan is.

**If you are in trouble, always remember in an EMERGENCY phone 111**

## Council News

### Christmas/New Year Hours for Waimate District Council Services

#### The Waimate District Council Local Government Centre

will be closed on the following days over the holiday period:

From 12noon Friday 20th December 2013 reopening 8.00am Monday 6th January 2014

#### The Information Centre

Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day only. Open 10am - 2pm on all other statutory holidays, otherwise normal business hours 9am - 5pm Refuse bags available

#### The Norman Kirk Memorial Swimming Pool

Closed 25th & 26th December 2013 and 1st January 2014

Open 11.30 - 5.00pm on 27th - 31st December and 2nd - 5th January Normal hours resume 6th January 2014

#### Waimate District Library hours

24th December 2013 - Open 9.00am - 5.00pm  
25th - 26th Dec 2013 - Closed  
27th December 2013 - Open 9.00am - 6.00pm  
28th December 2013 - Open 10am - 1.00pm  
31st December 2013 - Open 9.00am - 5.00pm  
1st - 2nd January 2014 - Closed  
3rd January 2014 - Open 9.00am - 6.00pm

#### Resource Recovery Park (RRP)

Closed 25th - 26th December 2013  
Open 23th 24th and 27th to 31st December 2013  
Closed 1st - 2nd January 2014  
Normal Opening Hours Resume 6th January 2014  
Monday to Saturday 10.30am - 4.30pm  
Sunday 12.00pm - 4.30pm

#### Refuse and Recycling Collections Urban refuse/recycling collections

Wednesday 25th December will now be 24th December 2013

Thursday 26th December will now be Friday 27th December 2013

Wednesday 1st January will now be Tuesday 31st January 2014

Thursday 2nd January will now be Friday 3rd January 2014

#### Green waste

Monday 23rd December 2013

Rural collection Monday 30th December 2013

CBD same days as normal on Tuesday

Rural recycling days remain the same Monday and Friday

Normal service will resume Monday 6th January 2014

### Waimate District Council

#### 24 hour phone service

#### for all enquiries

03 689 0000

## Council News

### Waimate District Lakes

#### Camping Reserves

#### Waste & Recycling Facilities

Waimate District Council has provided recycling areas at each of the official camping sites. **Mixed waste** to be placed in drums while labelled wheelie bins will be provided for **glass, cardboard/paper, aluminium/steel cans and plastics.**

#### Season / Overnight Camping Tickets

All on-site campers, caravans, tents etc **must** display a paid up season ticket or overnight camping ticket at all times.

Season tickets can be obtained from Waimate District Council, Waimate Information Centre, Whitehorse Motors Waimate and Kurow Auto Services, while overnight tickets are available from ticket booths at all official camping sites.

**Tickets to be purchased upon arrival** and clearly displayed for Supervisors to view.

Camp Supervisors will be onsite daily over the Christmas and New Year periods.

**Dog owners please note: Dogs must be kept under control at all times**

### Norman Kirk Memorial

#### Swimming Pool

**Hours:** Mon-Fri (Opening hours are dependent on weather conditions)

7.00am-10.00am Lane Swimming

10.00am-5.00pm Public Swimming

Saturdays, Sunday, & Public Holidays

12noon-5.00pm

#### Prices:

Adults	\$3.00	Per swim
Child	\$2.00	Per swim
Pre-school	\$1.00	Per swim

### Library Happenings

#### The Zoo Quest.. collect your own zoo!

Children read your way through the Christmas holidays to collect animals and create your very own zoo.

Read one book for each of the different zoo visits; have your book signed by a Librarian, and collect animals for your zoo along the way. Complete the collection of animals and you're in to win! Register at the Library.

**The competition runs between Mon 16th December 2013 and Fri 31st January 2014**

### Please Clean up After Your Dog

Waimate District dog owners are reminded that it is the responsibility of the owner or person having control of a dog in public areas, to remove and dispose of any dog faeces immediately.

Dog walkers should carry suitable receptacles when walking a dog.

Further information on the Waimate District Council dog Bylaws can be viewed on our website, or by speaking to the Animal Control Officer.



### Waimate District Council Meetings

in the Council Chambers

Council Meeting.....Tuesday 18 February 2014, 9am

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PUBLIC FORUMS ARE HELD AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH MEETING.

Agendas available for inspection three days prior to the meeting from Councils reception area and website. Public are invited to attend meetings.

If you require assistance or further details, please contact Karalyn ext 838

Waimate District Council

Phone 03 689 0000 - 24 hours

Website: [www.waimatedc.govt.nz](http://www.waimatedc.govt.nz)



## Reminder

Refuse Bags available at Information Centre

