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Tramways Weekend is just the ticket

It's all aboard for Whanganui Tramways Weekend as part of Whanganui Heritage Month. The fully-restored electric Tram No 12 (pictured) – also known as “Mable” – will be on display and offering rides at the Whanganui Tramways Museum at 27 Moutua Quay from 9.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday, 24 August and 11.00am to 3.00pm on Sunday, 25 August 2019.

As part of the weekend, children will have the opportunity to dress-up in vintage tram-driver uniforms and have their photo taken with the tram. There will also be free rides on Sunday for children under 12 if accompanied by a fare-paying adult (\$2).

The tram was built by Boon & Co in Christchurch in about 1911 and began operating in Whanganui on 26 September, 1912. It is believed No 12 operated mainly between Victoria Avenue and Castlecliff. Whanganui Corporation Tramways ceased operating in September 1950 at which time all of its assets were sold, including the trams.

Tram No 12 was gifted back to Whanganui in 2005 and is now operated as a community asset by the Tramways Whanganui Trust in association with Whanganui District Council.

For more information about Whanganui Heritage Month, please visit: www.whanganuiheritagetrust.org.nz



Upcoming Heritage Month events include:

- *The Sarjeant Collection Store Tours* at 2.00pm on Saturdays, 24 August and 31 August 2019 at Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupō Quay – tickets cost \$10 from Sarjeant on the Quay, or call (06) 349 0506. Numbers are strictly limited

- *The Street Where You Live* at 2.00pm on Sunday, 25 August 2019 at St Andrew's Church, 42 Glasgow Street – local historian Kyle Dalton will provide entertaining facts about many of Whanganui's streets. Door sales are \$5, call (06) 343 8232 for enquiries

- *Frank Denton's Whanganui* at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 27 August 2019 at Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupō Quay – a free illustrated talk about historic Whanganui photographer, Frank Denton.

Nominations time for Whanganui Sports Hall of Fame

Whanganui Mayor Hamish McDouall has joined the selection panel for the Whanganui Sports Hall of Fame, which recognises significant sporting achievements and contributions to Whanganui's sporting heritage.



Charlie Phillips, left, and Robin Hood were last year's Sports Hall of Fame inductees

Mayor McDouall was appointed at a Whanganui District Council meeting on Tuesday, 13 August 2019, following the passing of former panel chair, Sue Westwood. He is a sports writer and sports historian, as well as a former Whanganui roller hockey representative.

Mayor McDouall will join Ron Palenski (New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame chief executive), John Phillips (sports journalist), Mark Stoneman (multisport event organiser), Ken Mair (Whanganui iwi representative), Sue Haden (Whanganui sports representative – badminton, swimming and tennis) and Keith Smith (Hall of Fame panel chair) to select the 2019 inductees.

This year's nominations for the Sports Hall of Fame close at 5.00pm on Friday, 20 September 2019. An online nomination form is available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/sportshall For more information, please email Nicky Malipaard at Sport Whanganui: nicky@sportwhanganui.co.nz or call her on (06) 349 2880 or 021 246 6184.

Gonville Library turns 10

Gonville Library and Gonville Health are celebrating their tenth birthday next weekend. All are welcome at the Gonville Centre, 44 Abbot Street, from 2.00pm next Saturday, 31 August 2019 to join in recognising a decade of service to the Gonville community.

There will be a free sausage sizzle, children's entertainment and, of course, a birthday cake. Kids – dress up as your favourite book character and be in to win prizes for the best costumes!

WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on the following topic:

- **Climate Change Discussion**

To share your ideas and insights on how Whanganui can become a resilient district in the face of climate change, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/haveyoursay

Have your say

Kōrero mai

Public meeting

Castlecliff Rejuvenation Project

Progress Castlecliff, in partnership with Whanganui District Council and Horizons Regional Council, invites all interested people to a public meeting at Castlecliff School Hall this **Thursday, 22 August 2019, at 5.30pm**.

The meeting is to further discuss and finalise community aspirations for Stage 2 of the Castlecliff Rejuvenation Project: North Mole, Morgan Street and the river bank, and to give an update on progress towards bringing this community vision to reality.

An update about the temporary closure to vehicle access at the North Mole roadway is also scheduled.

Rates reminder

Instalment 1 due date 28 August 2019

A reminder to all ratepayers that the due date for payment of Instalment 1 rates for 2019-20 is on **Wednesday, 28 August 2019**.

For people who pay by instalment, Whanganui District Council offers direct debit as a payment method. Frequency of payments can be weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly or yearly. Please contact the Council's rates department on (06) 349 0001 for further information. You can also visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz for online credit card payments.

Rabbit baiting

Heads Road / Aramoho cemeteries

Rabbit baiting has begun at Heads Road Cemetery and Aramoho Cemetery, and will continue until **Friday, 27 September 2019**.

The bait (Pindone) is in approved bait stations and signs are in place. Dog owners are advised to keep dogs on leads at all times in these areas until the baiting is finished.

Call for *vibe* volunteers

Event-organising helpers needed

The summer music festival *vibe* takes place on Saturday, 14 December 2019, and Whanganui District Council's Youth Committee is seeking volunteers who want to be part of organising this event.

If you'd like to be involved, please apply online before **Sunday, 25 August 2019** at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/vibe-volunteers

Council meetings

You are welcome at our meetings

Meetings next week

Audit and Risk Committee	1.00pm Monday 26 August	Nagaizumi-cho Room, 101 Guyton Street
Council Meeting – Community Contracts	1.00pm Tuesday 27 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street

Agendas are available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas or you can view hard copies at 101 Guyton Street or the Davis Library.

WHANGANUI HERITAGE MONTH

2 AUGUST – 15 SEPTEMBER 2019

Join Whanganui Heritage Trust for more than 40 events to celebrate Whanganui's built heritage

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