

# Light Up Bike Spectacle sparkles

Fairy lights, shiny bike helmets and costumes galore took to Whanganui streets on Friday, May 4 for the first Light Up Bike Spectacle.

The family-friendly spectacle saw around 500 people stretch along the Te Tuaiwi Shared Parthway on St Hill Street and the City to North Mole Shared Pathway, either on illuminated wheels, walking with lanterns, watching from the sidelines, recording the magic or performing.

They were entertained along the way by glowing performers from the River Rockers Whanganui, Wanganui Community Choir, Kung Fu School, Community Drumming Whanganui and the Wanganui Boys & Girls Gym Club.

During the school holidays lantern-making workshops were held by the Whanganui Regional Museum and Rangiwahia Environmental Arts Centre. The results were on display throughout the parade – both handheld versions and many attached to bicycles and scooters.

Whanganui Camera Club members were also there, taking photos throughout the event. Lamp Studios have produced a video too, which is available on the Council's Facebook page.



Photos by John Smart (top) and Lynette Vallely of the Whanganui Camera Club

Council Arts Facilitator, Riah King-Wall, says the event was a real testament to Whanganui's creative community.

"The fantastic vibe throughout the night was all down to each person involved in the parade.

"From our hardworking volunteers, to our community group performers, to all of the people who made lanterns and bedazzled their wheels, everyone got into the spirit of having fun on our awesome shared pathways. It was so cool to see our community getting creative with active transport."

The parade and workshops were funded by Whanganui District Council, the New Zealand Transport Agency and Whanganui & Partners. The event was also supported by Green Bikes, the Bike Shed and Velo Ronny's Bicycle Store.

## Big band to play at the Sarjeant

What: The River City Big Band concert!

When: Sunday May 13, 4.30pm Where: Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupō Quay

**Details:** Tickets \$12.00, Gallery Friends & Stars \$10.00; buy

from Sarjeant or phone 06 349 0506.

This is a 19 piece 'Big Band' with full sections of trumpet, trombone, saxophone and rhythm and includes three vocalists.

The concert is part of a series of performances under the banner of Musicians for the Sarjeant.

# Pensioner housing units available

For information or to download an application form visit our website www.whanganui.govt.nz Our District > Facilities > Pensioner Housing

#### Seismic work for War Memorial Centre

The War Memorial Centre has closed for seismic strengthening.

During the Centre's closure, the Venues & Events team can host you at the Cooks Gardens Event Centre or the Royal Wanganui Opera House.

Bookings are also being taken for the War Memorial Centre from January 2019, when it will reopen.

The Venues & Events team is located above the i-SITE Visitor Information Centre at 31 Taupō Quay.

For more information, call 06 349 0513 or email events@whanganui.govt.nz

**\$112.00**/week for one person

**\$141.50**/week for couples

Or contact Keri-Ann Thompson, Whanganui District Council Property Group, phone (06) 349 3087 or email keri-ann.thompson@whanganui.govt.nz Whanganui District Council ♀ 101 Guyton Street ▷ PO Box 637, Whanganui 4500 └ 06 349 0001 ♀ wdc@whanganui.govt.nz ♀ www.whanganui.govt.nz ✔ @whanganuidistrictcouncil ◎ @whanganuidc ↓ @WhanganuiDC

### **Planned works**

#### May 2018

**Recovery from 2015-2017 flood events:** Whanganui River Road (Jerusalem Bluff and Oyster/ Shellrock Bluff), Papaiti Road at Mosquito Point (realignment), Garlands Road (bridge abutment protection), Waikupa Road, Makirikiri Valley Road and Okoia Hill Road (dropout repairs), Burmah Hill Road (culvert replacements)

**Pre-sealed road maintenance:** Heads Road and Mosston Road

**Unsealed road grading:** Papaiti Road, Kauarapaoa Road and Rangitatau East Road

For a full list of planned works, visit www.whanganui.govt.nz/plannedworks

#### Property Group enquiries

**Reception moves to Customer Services** 

For Council enquiries about parks, property and pensioner housing, please visit the Customer Services Counter at the Council's Guyton Street building.

The Property Group reception area at the Cooks Gardens side of the main Council building is now closed.

## **Toilet repainting**

Moutoa Gardens/ Pākaitore and Mowhanau Beach

Beginning Monday May 14, the Moutoa Gardens/ Pākaitore toilets will be repainted. The toilets will be available at times while the work is being carried out. A portaloo will also be on site. This work is expected to take a week.

From Monday May 21, the Mowhanau Beach toilets will also be repainted. Work will take about a week and a half. One unisex toilet will be available at all times.

#### **Council meetings**

We welcome the public to our meetings.

Council meeting Deliberations - Long Term Plan	9.00am Wednesday, May 16 Thursday, May 17	Council Chamber
Audit & Risk	1.00pm Monday, May 28	Council Chamber
Property & Community Services	1.00pm Tuesday, May 29	Council Chamber

Agendas are available at the Customer Services Counter, 101 Guyton Street and the District Library or at www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas

Full Council meetings are live-streamed at www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil and www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings

