



# Community Link

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## Whanganui Masters Games on track

On your marks, sports fans – the New Zealand Masters Games is returning to Whanganui in 2021.

New Zealand’s longest running multi-sports event, with more than 30 years of competition, will be much more than the return of a well-loved and anticipated sporting event.

The Whanganui (New Zealand) Masters Games Trust understands COVID-19 has challenged New Zealanders in unprecedented ways. What better way to reconnect with friends, focus your competitive spirit and celebrate success than the New Zealand Masters Games 2021.

Games Manager, Rachel O’Connor, says, “The New Zealand Masters Games is vital for our community, now more than ever. The benefits this event will deliver are significant and will have a positive impact on Whanganui’s economy, support our local sports clubs and boost the wellbeing of our participants from near and far.

“Our partners and stakeholders have been extremely supportive through these trying times and we look forward to delivering the event in 2021,” she says.



Get ready to unpack your competitive spirit and sense of fun whether you are a solo competitor, part of a team, an old hand at the Masters Games or ready for a new experience. The Whanganui Masters Games runs from **5-14 February, 2021**.

## Now’s the time to register your canine companion

It’s time to register your canine friends. Dog registration notices are being posted – if you have not received your notice by 1 July 2020, please call Whanganui District Council on (06) 349 0001. Registration fees must be paid in full by **Wednesday, 31 July 2020** to receive a prompt payment discount.

Several payment options are available including online by credit/debit card (this is the Council’s preferred method of payment). Go to [www.whanganui.govt.nz/dog-registration](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/dog-registration) and choose the “Online” option. You’ll need your “Client Number”, which can be found at the top of your dog registration notice.

Other payment options are:

- **Internet banking** – Use the Council’s ANZ bank account: 01-0790-0157888-02 (Please quote your name, client number and animal number in the particulars and reference fields.)
- **Cheque** – Post to PO Box 637, Whanganui 4540.
- **Cash/Eftpos or credit card** – Visit us at 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui, Monday-Friday, 8.30am to 5.00pm.



## Airport café up for lease

A unique opportunity has arisen for an innovative food operator to lease Whanganui Airport’s café.



Whanganui Airport Chief Executive, Leighton Toy, says, “The facilities offer a commercial kitchen that may appeal to a tenant who can run an airport terminal café while taking advantage of the commercial kitchen facilities. This will provide an opportunity for an innovative operator to inject new ideas into a key tourism gateway.” For inquiries about leasing the space, please contact Leighton Toy on: [Leighton.Toy@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:Leighton.Toy@whanganui.govt.nz)

### WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

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

- Rates Postponement and Rates Remission Policies
- Review of Streets Infrastructure Bylaw 2015

For more information, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)



## United in Recovery

A post-COVID-19 Recovery Office has been established at Whanganui District Council’s Civil Defence headquarters at 101 Guyton Street and an integrated plan for local recovery is being developed. The current focus is to collect and evaluate information gathered throughout our region during the public health emergency. To complete a survey on your experiences during the COVID-19 lockdown and your ideas about what is needed in recovery, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/united-in-recovery](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/united-in-recovery)

## Weekend road closures

### Scheduled work at two rail crossings

Two road closures are planned for KiwiRail crossings from **8.00am this Saturday, 20 June to 5.00pm on Sunday, 21 June 2020**.

► Glasgow Street from Victoria Avenue to London Street will be closed to allow KiwiRail to replace the track and sleepers at the crossing outside Pak’nSave. Detours will be in place in London Street and Victoria Avenue. All nearby businesses will remain open and access will be available at all times.

► The Heads Road railway crossing near Gilbert Street will be closed to allow contractors to complete sealing. Traffic will be detoured along Gilbert Street during the closure.

Please follow all detour signs and keep to any signposted speed restrictions.

## Council meetings

You are welcome at our meetings

### Upcoming meetings

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| Council Meeting | 1.00pm Tuesday 23 June | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
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• including adoption of 2020/21 Annual Plan

### Meetings for July

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| Whanganui Rural Community Board | 3.30pm Wednesday 1 July | Nagaizumi-cho Room, 101 Guyton Street |
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| Strategy and Finance Committee | 1.00pm Tuesday 7 July | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
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| Policy and Bylaw Committee | 9.30am Wednesday 8 July | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
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• Rates Remission Policy

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| Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee | 1.00pm Thursday 9 July | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
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| Council Meeting | 1.00pm Tuesday 14 July | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
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• Strike rates

Agendas are available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas)  
 Full Council meetings are livestreamed at:  
 • [www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil)  
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Now is the time more than ever to **#arohalocal** businesses here in our community



This is a challenging time for many of our local businesses. The livelihoods of people they employ here in the region are also at stake. These businesses & people are an integral part of our community so now, more than ever, we need to support them. It is time to **#arohalocal** business & in turn **#arohawhanganui**

Go to [www.mainstreetwhanganui.co.nz](http://www.mainstreetwhanganui.co.nz) for information on how to support businesses within the town centre