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Community Awards return the love

Love Whanganui? It's time to nominate your community heroes! The Whanganui Community Awards are back and nominations are now open to the public.

Whanganui Mayor, Hamish McDouall, says, "Many in our community will remember the Whanganui Community Awards that were launched in 1983 and ran until 2007. During this time, more than 90 people were recognised for outstanding voluntary community service to Whanganui."

This time the awards will focus on community wellbeing with categories recognising environmental, social, arts, culture and heritage initiatives for individuals, organisations and youth.

Pick up a nomination form from any of the Whanganui libraries, or from Council Customer Services at 101 Guyton Street.

Return your form to:

The Mayoral Office, Whanganui District Council, PO Box 637, Whanganui 4541, or email it to: awards@whanganui.govt.nz

You can also make a nomination online at:

www.whanganui.govt.nz/community-awards-2020

Nominations close at **5.00pm on Friday, 3 April 2020.**



Taking pride in Pride Week

Pride Whanganui will host Whanganui's second annual Pride Week from **Monday, 2 March to Sunday, 8 March 2020**. Among events during the week is the Pride Walk on Saturday, 7 March 2020. Participants are asked to meet at the silver ball sculpture near the Whanganui River Markets on Taupō Quay at 9.45am for a lap starting at 10.00am around the Dublin Street and City bridges. (Gold coin donation please.)

Pride Whanganui is a local charity that aims to improve the lives of the LGBTQIA+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual +) community in Whanganui through resources, education and advocacy. For more information, please contact Christina Emery at: info@pridewhanganui.co.nz or call 021 084 04336.



Household hazardous waste

Do you have any unwanted chemicals like insecticides, batteries and solvents at home? Whanganui District Council is once again running a hazardous waste drop-off service for households only on **Saturday, 28 March 2020**.

Your hazardous waste must be registered and approved by the Council before this date to be accepted.

Once registered, you'll be contacted with a drop-off location and time between **9.00am and 1.00pm on Saturday, 28 March**. Spaces are limited to a "first in, first served" basis and only registered and approved hazardous waste will be accepted. To register, please visit the Council's website at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/Household-Hazardous-Waste-Day



Stormwater main renewal

Whanganui District Council advises that a section of Somme Parade between Halswell and Glasgow streets will be closed for two weeks from **Monday, 2 March 2020** for renewal of a stormwater main in nearby Gloucester Street.

The stormwater main is being renewed to reduce flooding risk to properties in low-lying areas of the catchment north of London and Halswell streets. The project is expected to be completed by mid-September 2020.

The two-week Somme Parade closure, **from 7.00am on Monday, 2 March to 6.00pm on Monday, 16 March 2020**, will allow contractors to work safely and provide access for heavy machinery. During the closure the following access provisions will be in place:

- Access for residents and emergency services only will be provided at all times to properties on Somme Parade and Gloucester Street.
- All trucks and buses must use Pitt and Glasgow streets at all times during the closure because of low trees and the roundabout in Halswell Street.
- Light vehicles are to use Halswell Street only.
- Gloucester Street from Glasgow Street to Somme Parade will also be closed.

For more information, please visit www.whanganui.govt.nz/Gloucester-Street-stormwater-upgrade

Pākaitore celebrations

Partial Taupō Quay road closure

Whanganui District Council advises that Taupō Quay from Market Place to Bates Street will be closed from **7.00am to 7.00pm this Thursday, 27 February to Saturday, 29 February 2020** for Pākaitore Celebration Day at Pākaitore Moutoa Gardens.

Exhibition opening

2020 patillo Whanganui Arts Review

The 2020 patillo Whanganui Arts Review exhibition will open at Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupō Quay, this **Saturday, 29 February 2020 at 10.30am**. The Sarjeant's curatorial team will also host informal floor talks with some of the winning artists between 10.30am-12.30pm on the day. The exhibition runs from Saturday, 29 February to Sunday, 17 May 2020 - entry is free and all are welcome. For more information, please visit: www.sarjeant.org.nz/arts-review-2020

Seaweed at Museum

Whanganui Regional Museum is offering a range of events to mark Seaweed - Kaupapa Moana, New Zealand's annual national week celebrating the sea, from this **Saturday, 29 February to Sunday, 8 March 2020**.

For more information, please contact Museum Programmes Presenter, Lisa Reweti, at: lisar@wrm.org.nz or go to seaweed.org.nz

Positive Ageing Forum

The first Positive Ageing Forum for the year will be held in Whanganui District Council's Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street, on **Wednesday, 4 March 2020 from 1.00pm-3.00pm**. Free parking will be provided on St Hill Street from Guyton Street to Maria Place. For more information, please contact Safer Whanganui Manager, Lauren Tamehana, at: lauren.tamehana@whanganui.govt.nz

Traffic signals upgrade

Victoria Ave/Glasgow St intersection

Whanganui District Council's upgrade to traffic signals at the intersection of Victoria Avenue and Glasgow Street has begun. Removal of the old signals and the installation of a temporary roundabout in the intersection will occur in early March. Work is scheduled to be completed by the end of March 2020. For more information, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/glasgow-intersection-upgrade

Council meetings

You are welcome at our meetings

Meeting this week

Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee	1.00pm Thursday 27 February	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
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Agendas are available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas or view hard copies at 101 Guyton Street or the Davis Library.

