

Port development breaks ground

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Whanganui on Wednesday, 13 September 2023 to mark the start of construction of the Te Pūwaha Stage One Whanganui Port civil construction works.

Stage One work involves the construction of a heavy-pavement vessel hardstand and concrete structures out over the water capable of carrying Q-West Boat Builder's 380 tonne-capacity mobile boat hoist. In addition, a specialist water treatment plant to service the vessel maintenance heavy pavement is to be built, along with demolition and ground preparation works.

Whanganui Port director Mark Petersen acknowledged the momentous occasion. "Rebuilding the port will strengthen our position in New Zealand's 'blue highway', while also enabling the building and maintenance of world-class vessels right here at our own back door. The opportunities this will bring to our community cannot be under-estimated."

"To share this day with Minister McAnulty is particularly fitting, as without the support of central government this project would not be possible," Mark Petersen said.



Breaking
ground at
Whanganui
Port last week
were Regional
Development
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Whanganui
Port director
Mark Petersen,
Whanganui
Mayor Andrew
Tripe and Te
Pūwaha chair
Kahureremoa
Aki

Mark Petersen broke ground alongside Minister McAnulty, Te Pūwaha project chair Kahureremoa Aki, and Whanganui Mayor Andrew Tripe.

Mayor Andrew shared his pride in being involved with Te Pūwaha. "What makes this project really special is the way it's brought people together and upheld the values of Te Awa Tupua legislation, acknowledging the Whanganui awa as a living indivisible whole."

To read more, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/news

Artist talk tomorrow at the Backhouse from 7.00pm

Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui's next artist talk is with Matthew McIntyre-Wilson (pictured) in the Nikaū Room at The Backhouse, 28 Taupo Quay, from 7.00pm tomorrow, Thursday 21 September 2023.



Matthew was artist-in-residence at Tylee Cottage in 2020, during which time he began his ongoing project, *Mahi ki te Awa Whanganui*, the aim being to return the art of hīnaki (eel / fish traps) and kupenga (net)-making to whānau that live on the Whanganui River Road. He will discuss this project and how he is working towards an installation as one of the opening exhibitions at the redeveloped Sarjeant Gallery at Pukenamu Queen's Park in mid-2024.

This event is free – for more information, please call o6 349 0506 or email: info@sarjeant.org.nz



Your Vision for Whanganui



Whanganui District Council is working together with Iwi and Hapū to develop a new vision and strategy for the Whanganui District and we're asking for community input.

Formal consultation starts in March next year but if you're passionate about Whanganui and would like to give some early feedback, answer our short survey on or before 15 October 2023. The survey focuses on social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing and how these could be enhanced in our district. Find more information and the survey at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/vision-for-whanganui

Want to share your ideas in person? We'll be at these locations over the next few weeks:

- Friday, 22 September 10am-12.30pm Davis Library
- Saturday, 23 September 8am-1pm Whanganui River
- Sunday, 24 September 11am-2pm Grandparents Day at the Davis Library
- Tuesday, 26 September 1pm-3pm Trafalgar Square
- Wednesday, 27 September 10am-12 noon Gonville Library
- Thursday, 28 September 12.15pm-1.30pm World Café session at Article café
- Friday, 6 October 11am-1pm Majestic Square.

WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on this topic: • Vision for Whanganui More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

Daylight saving time

Clocks go forward 1 hour this Sunday





1 hour

Daylight saving time begins **this Sunday, 24 September 2023 at 2.00am**. Make sure to put your clocks FORWARD ONE HOUR on Saturday night before bedtime.

Friends of the Sarjeant

Annual meeting on 5 October

Notice is hereby given that the annual general meeting of the Friends of the Sarjeant Gallery Incorporated will be held at **7.00pm on Thursday, 5 October 2023** in the Pioneer Room at the Whanganui War Memorial Centre, Watt Street. The guest speaker will be Andrew Clifford, director of the Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui. Andrew will provide an update on the current redevelopment of the Sarjeant Gallery at Pukenamu Queen's Park. All are welcome – for any enquiries, call **06 349 0506** or email: **info@sarjeant.org.nz**

Seven candles for NZG!

Get your entry in by 4pm this Friday

New Zealand Glassworks Te Whare Tūhua O Te Ao is celebrating its seventh birthday with a design competition open to all ages. The winning design will be made into glass by the skilled team of artists at NZG. To enter, send your glass design drawing to NZG by 4.00pm this Friday, 22 September – drop off or post to: New Zealand Glassworks, 2 Rutland Street, Whanganui 4500 or email your design to:

info@nzglassworks.com For more details, includir

For more details, including previous birthday competition entries, please visit:

www.facebook.com/nzglassworks

10th Literary Festival

Sarjeant Gallery events this Saturday

As part of the 10th Whanganui Literary Festival, the Sarjeant Gallery is hosting three separate events at the Davis Lecture Theatre in Watt Street **this Saturday. 23 September**:

- New Moon in the Old Moon's Arms
- 11.00am-12 noon
- Celebrating Robin Hyde 2.00pm-3.30pm
- Robin Hyde: An Unconventional Woman
 4.30pm-5.30pm

Tickets for each event are \$12 plus booking fee – purchase from Whanganui isite at 31 Taupo Quay, or online at: **iticket.co.nz** More details at: **www.literaryfestival.co.nz**

Ranana Bridge repairs

River Road closure 25, 26 September

Whanganui River Road will close to all through traffic from 8.00am until 4.00pm next Monday, 25 September and Tuesday, 26 September 2023 for Whanganui District Council's Roading Alliance partner Downer to make repairs to the Ranana Bridge. The Ranana Bridge is about 600m before Ranana and just over 44km from the SH4-Whanganui River Road intersection – road closure signs will be displayed at this intersection and at the Raetihi end of Whanganui River Road.