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The days are certainly getting chillier and the evenings darker – we might not officially be in winter yet but it's sure starting to feel like it – we've been getting wrapped up at the Essence office! And if you're getting ready for the chilly season – then check out our winter ready pages 17 - 21.

Luckily for all of us that live in South Canterbury – this is a region for all seasons. Don't let a little wintry weather put you off checking out the beautiful historic Royal Arcade in Timaru or finding a place for winter fashion or a warming brunch, lunch or dinner in our Shop, Eat, Enjoy South Canterbury feature on page 6.

This month we were also lucky enough to get out and see the wonderful Kyle Park Transport Museum where you'll find steam and traction engines from all eras – check out our story on page 4. It got us thinking about transport and so we

went to find out a little bit more about Timaru Airport – did you know it has between 40 and 50 flights taking off and landing each day? No wonder it needed an upgrade. You can read all about that on page 7.

For those of you looking to moving home – don't do anything until you read our Buy or Build feature on page 9 - 11.

We love South Canterbury whatever the season! And we're dedicated to showcasing local business, people and places in our wonderful backvard!

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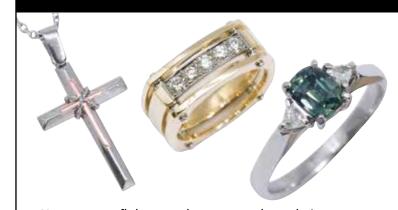


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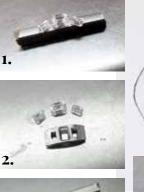


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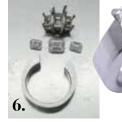
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It was a club for owners and drivers and charged a membership fee of just one pound. In the early 1970s they did a deal with the Levels County Council for some land at the Council's yards in Washdyke. They soon found a shed to use as clubrooms and a workshop – the only slight problem was that it was located in Ashburton. The club members got together and found a way to haul it down the road and set it up at their spot in Washdyke. Then when a fierce windstorm hit South Canterbury in 1975, the club were donated some fallen trees from the Winchester Domain – using steam engines they dragged them to the Winchester mill and they were used to finish off the club's workshop building.

n April 1974 the South Canterbury Traction Engine and Vintage Machinery Museum Inc became an Incorporated Society and the Club was registered.

That club is still going strong but earlier this year, with funding from Venture Timaru, they were advised to change the name to something a bit more manageable.

Today the club's site is on land that was part of the Kyle family's farm. The Kyles were always part of the club and subdivided the land off their farm to lease to the club in 1983 – for \$100.00 a year. A short time later, 1988, the land was gifted to the club – with the consent condition that they were only allowed to fire up the steam engines 24 days a year.

In 2017 the club had another change of name to the South Canterbury Traction Engine and Transport Museum Inc. This was to let people know that the trucks had now been added into the club's activities. In 2018 a new museum was built to display

The Kyle family have always been heavily involved with the club and have always had a strong connection to steam and traction engines. And they also had the vision to preserve this important part of farming history for our future generations.

So, when it came to deciding on a new name for the club and museum – Kyle was front of mind for many.



Just before the 2022 Horsepower Rally Venture Timaru helped the club with funding for marketing.

"It was the marketing company that requested us to use a marketing name and something special to the club. I remember suggesting this at a committee meeting and asking members to think of a name over the following month," recalls museum president, George Handy. "One member suggested Kyle Park that night."

This was officially agreed at the next meeting by all members present and last month the Kyle Park Transport Museum was launched. It's come a long way from those early informal meetings and the future is looking bright for the club and its



Kyle Park **Transport Museum**

The former SC Traction Engine and Transport Museum celebrated the unveiling of its new name Kyle Park Transport Museum at an open day on April 22nd. The new name was unveiled by Timaru mayor Nigel Bowen and John Kyle along with a big group of spectators. There were traction engine rides, bouncy castles, and people enjoyed the progress made in tractor development as they celebrated 100 years of Farmall tractors. People could remember those that were lost at war, as they commemorate ANZAC Day with a major military display.











Illuminate Light & Sound Experience

Timaru Botanic Gardens Thursday 25th May - Sunday 28th May, 5:45 - 9:30pm

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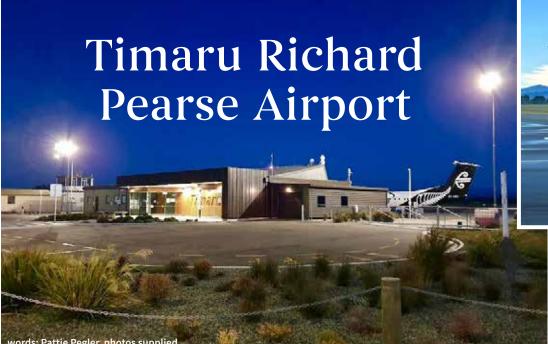
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In 2015 a \$1.3 million upgrade was approved for our local airport at Timaru. It consisted of refurbishing the terminal, road improvements and an expansion of the car park. Today the airport has around 40 to 50 flights landing and taking off each day and the largest transport aircraft currently landing at there is the O300. The terminal has been built with the purpose of catering for all travellers whether they are travelling for business or pleasure.

In addition to passenger flights there is an active Aero Club (South Canterbury Aero Club), which carries out flight training, and participate in regional and national flying competitions.

The airport is also home to Southern Wide Helicopters, and both a helicopter and an aircraft maintenance company.

The airport is also home to the South Canterbury Aviation Heritage Centre, showcasing our local and national aviation history.

The first public airport in South Canterbury's was initially made in Washdyke

A new airport was then opened on 9 April 1932 at Saltwater Creek at the site of the Redruth landfill for commercial flights. This continued until two major floods promoted authorities to find a more suitable site.

A new airport was opened on 12 September 1953 at the present site at Levels, inland and north of Timaru. Regular air services between

Christchurch, Timaru and Oamaru began in 1956 initially using a DC3 aircraft and later a Fokker Friendship. And in 1982 the airport was renamed in acknowledgement of aviator/inventor Richard Pearse

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EN (CHATHAM ISLANDS As well as keeping up with changing CAA rules and safetv requirements, the key things to consider for the airport and the Timaru District is making sure there is a runway suitable for all aircraft whether they are used for regular transport operations in and out of the airport, or in an emergency situation.

There is a terminal expansion being planned at the moment to meet expected future peak of passenger flow and new aviation safety requirements.

A runway extension is also in the pipeline to safeguard additional future passenger transport requirements as well.

As for future challenges, these include the introduction of aviation security screening on regional flights, which may require a greater terminal space. And the possibility of electric planes which would require a significant electrical infrastructure upgrade.

Key Dates For Timaru Airport

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- Relocation to current site September 1953.
- Construction of airport terminal April 1957.
- Scheduled services commencement in April 1957.
- Sealing of runway in January 1969.
- Air New Zealand / Eagle Air Beechcraft 1900D scheduled air service replaced byQ300 service in 2016, providing a larger aircraft and improved level of service.
- Terminal refurbishment and car park expansion to meet increasing demand in 2017.

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The Timaru Town and Country Club is more than just a space to catch up with friends, it's a place to make memories.

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Keeping your child safe

Keeping your child safe is one of the most crucial jobs you have as a parent, and one of the most important things you'll buy for your child is a carseat.

Right from the beginning, whether you take your baby home from hospital or the first time leaving your home, you need an appropriate car seat until they grow big enough to fit an adult seatbelt, at approximately 148cm tall. That's why we say "It's safer to wait until 148"

There is no single "best carseat" out there. The best car seat is the one that fits YOUR child's weight, height and age, and is properly fitted into YOUR vehicle, ensuring maximum safety if the unfortunate event of a crash was to happen.

As your child grows, you will need to transition from one car seat stage to another, but with each stage you may lose safety and protection, so it is important not to make the move to the next stage too early.

Five ways to ensure your child's carseat is safe.

Make sure that the seat fits the child. Make sure that the seat has Different carseats have different height, weight and age limits, which can be confusing so make sure you check out the specifications of the seat before you purchase. You could have the "Safest" seat on the market but if your child is not in an age appropriate seat, they may receive life threatening injuries in a crash.

Make sure the seat fits the vehicle.

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Different makes, models and years of cars have different shaped seats, different material. differing usable space to work with. Some cars don't have an anchor point installed, some vehicles don't have isofix compatibility, some cars have inflatable airbags in the seatbelt. You could have the "safest" seat on the market but if it doesn't fit your vehicle then it will not preform how it should in a crash.

Make sure the seat is being used consisting. This involves having tight, untwisted straps. Chest clip in the correct position (if there is one as some seats do not use them). Straps at the correct height. No aftermarket accessories added. You could have the "Safest" seat on the market but if your child is not properly restrained in the seat, they may be ejected from the seat in a crash.



Make sure it is installed correctly. This involves making sure the tether (if the seat has one) is attached to the appropriate anchor point. A tight install on either seatbelt or isofix (but not both!) The seat is reclined to the appropriate angle if rear facing. The carseat is not braced to the vehicle's front seat unless specified in the carseat and vehicle's manual. You could have the "Safest" seat on the market but if the seat is not properly installed, it may be ejected from the vehicle in a crash

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The last couple of years or so has seen us all spending more time at home. And it means many of us noticed more about how we live and use our spaces and are choosing to change or improve our homes and outdoor spaces.

Looking at practical and functional elements of our houses is really important. If your space doesn't work for you no amount of beautiful wallpaper will change that. On a large scale this can mean things like house layout – moving rooms and walls often involves a major renovation. But smaller tweaks can also improve your space – improving lighting, changing room uses, getting that heat pump working properly.

When it comes to the appearance of your home there are so many fabulous and inspiring ideas around in magazines and on social media but it's worth taking some time to think about what you really like. There are plenty of awesome materials in all types of textures, colours and forms and an interior designer can be invaluable in guiding you and helping you achieve the look you want. Rethinking open plan spaces; expanding the home office or just going for a bit of a design revamp.

Whatever you plan to do to your home over the coming months – you will find a fantastic array of talented professionals ready to help in South Canterbury, so read on and get inspired

Are you looking to buy or build your dream home?

Look no further than Mortgage Advisor Jacqui Fraser from Mortgage Express Timaru!

With Jacqui's expert guidance and advice, you can navigate the complex world of mortgages with ease. Whether you're a first-time homebuyer or a seasoned property investor, Jacqui has the experience and knowledge to help you find the right mortgage solution to fit your unique needs and goals.

Jacqui understands that buying or building a home can be a daunting process. That's why she's committed to working closely with you every step of the way, providing clear and concise explanations of the various mortgage options available to you, and helping you make informed decisions about your home financing.

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Which one is the better option for you, depends on your own personal circumstances.

Building a home offers the advantage of customization, where you can design every aspect of your home to suit your specific needs and preferences. New homes come with a warranty, are built to meet current energy efficiency standards, and often include the latest technology, making them a smart choice for those looking for a modern, lowmaintenance home

Buying an existing home offers the convenience of moving in as soon as the sale is finalized. You can also benefit from the charm and character of an established neighbourhood with amenities like parks, schools, and shopping centres. Negotiating the price of an existing home can also save you money, making it an ideal choice for those who want to invest in a property without breaking the bank.

While building a home can be expensive and timeconsuming, the end result is a personalized and

unique living space that's worth the effort. Similarly, while existing homes may require more maintenance, they also come with a sense of history and character that can be hard to replicate in a newly built home.

Whichever way you choose to go one of the most important things is to get the right people to work with who can guide you through the process. From our personal experience one of the biggest challenges when building is in the co-ordination of trades, sourcing products and ensuring the process runs smoothly and costs are under control. Timaru is blessed with many excellent building companies offering a range of options.

When it comes to buying, again getting the right team onboard with a dedicated agent and not to forget your Banks, Mortgage Brokers and Solicitors.

Ultimately, the choice to build or buy a home comes down to your personal circumstances and preferences. Whether you opt for a brand-new home or an established one, you can rest assured that you're making a wise investment in a beautiful and vibrant part of the Country.



How to finish a room by adding layers, not clutter.

After putting a lot of work into painting a room and finding the right furniture, finishing the space so that it feels warm, welcoming and personal can be a daunting task. The trick is to layer in texture (for warmth and interest) and meaning (for inspiration and joy).

But adding layers doesn't equal adding clutter back into a room. Minimalist and essentialist spaces can successfully be layered and feel comfortable and "finished" without a lot of "stuff." Make sure that what you add into your space fits the tried and true design quote from William Morris, "Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be functional or believe to be beautiful."

This could translate to adding a fuzzy rug to keep your feet warm in the living room, a painting that mesmerizes you, a side table built by your grandfather, or books that motivate you. The layers layers will be meaningful and a reflection of your values and the life you live (or want to).

Research before you start The thought of building, renovating or simply redecorating

can be overwhelming- where to start? The web is now the first place we turn to these days when looking for answers. So get clued

up and do your research before you start. www.builderscrack.co.nz - Many people check out tradies on this site, but they actually

also have an interesting blog covering everything from up to the minute kitchen design trends to pool-fencing, smart homes and tips on creating indoor/outdoor flow.

www.smarterhomes.org.nz - This site is packed full of great info on creating warmer, drier, healthier homes. So you'll find plenty of ideas on insulation; double-glazing; heating along with construction methods and design ideas.

www.buildingguide.co.nz - Here you'll find plenty of advice and ideas on every step of the building process. You can also look for builders in their listings and get some inspiration from their product guide which covers all sorts of things from exterior cladding to central vacuuming systems.



www.timaru.govt.nz - If you're not sure what the legal requirements are with your building project then check out your local council website where you'll find the forms you need along with FAQs and

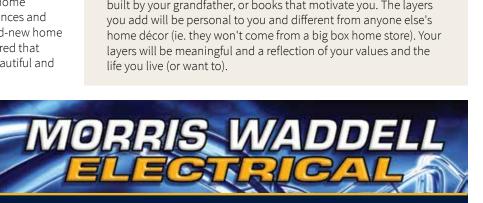
www.designguide.co.nz - If you're looking for some inspiration then this site has plenty of wow factor ideas and images. It takes a look at projects from leading architects and designers covering everything from rural homes to townhouses and lighting to interior finishes

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We forget that most people killed or injured are not at fault. Think about the passengers and then the family or friends left behind. It affects more people including the first responders, roading staff, witnesses, medical staff, and other road users affected by delays caused by road closures and

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Celebrating those who are passionate about Road Safety in our community





























Here are five safety tips that could save a life.

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- 3. Allow more time for a trip. Leave at least 10 minutes
- 4. Drop your speed especially before entering a bend and stay in your lane.
- 5. Drive phone free Is that phone call or text worth the life of another person? Instead, pull over safely and deal with it.

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The Royal Arcade

words: Pattie Pegler

Timaru is bursting with wonderful retailers. areas, were a common feature in major people in - The Royal Arcade.

This historic retail pedestrianised walkway leads from Stafford Street to Sophia Street and its distinctive form, glass roof and interesting mix of shops makes it as much of a shopping destination today as it was back in the early 1900s.

The arcade was initially developed over the late 1800s by businessman and local politician David Mitchell Ross. He settled in Timaru around 1874 and it would appear that he acquired the land on which the Royal Arcade was developed in 1877. He shingled the footpath through the arcade in May 1886 and commissioned a number of the early buildings.

At the time, these kind of arcades, with ornate steel and glass framed shopping

But there's one spot that particularly draws cities. But not so in towns, which meant that Timaru's arcade was a real drawcard.

> In old newspapers there are all kinds of businesses advertising their Royal Arcade location. Including a solicitor in 1899, a music saloon in 1902 and a maker of brass name plates in 1916.

And today the Royal Arcade is still a popular shopping area with a wonderful range of businesses.

From ladies fashion to skincare treatments and a barber, architects to consultants and eateries such as Rasa Asia – a popular takeaway – the Royal Arcade is home to many businesses.

So whatever you're looking for in Timaru, the Royal Arcade is well worth checking





History of the Arcade

Thought to be NZ's oldest surviving example of an intact late Victorian/Edwardian commercial arcade. Ornate glass and steel shopping arcades were a feature of many 19th-century cities, but they were less common in towns. Timaru's Royal Arcade is a fine example, and a sign of the town's 'big city' aspirations. Cast iron columns above allow for maximum glazing of shop fronts.

It was developed by mayor (1888-1891) David Mitchell Ross (commission agent and notary public) between 1887-1907. six months after he finished his term as mayor he and his partner Sims were adjusted bankrupt. Apparently his books had not been balanced for 12 years. He was later trialed for fraud in 1892 and sentenced to nine months hard labor and did not return to Timaru. "Judge Ward said for the last twelve years Ross had been a perfect pest to the district, and he wondered how anyone trusted him coming from Dunedin with such a record as he did" - Poverty Bay Herald, 3 September 1892, Page 2. He is burred in Timaru with his wife Jane 1889 and a month later his mother Mary died.

The stone work was entrusted to Mr McBride; the bricklaying to Mr Emil Hall; the plastering to Messrs Oldrey and Guthrie; the joiner's work to Messrs Tooth and Pearson; the painting to Mr Murdoch; the plumbing to Mr Forbes, and the signwriting to Mr Dickenson, all of whom carried out, their duties in a manner that has given the greatest satisfaction.

The arcade was redesigned in 1886. In 1996 a roof was added and the redesigned Royal Arcade was opened on the 31st May 1996 by Mayor Wynne Raymond.



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Craffy Cook Made New Zealand's First 'Craft' Beer

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Captain James Cook was more than just an explorer, excellent mapmaker and seaman; it also turns out he was a pretty fair hand at craft brewing.

Cook's attempts at creating a scurvy-busting beer from Rimu and Manuka (Tea Tree), has to be acknowledged as New Zealand's first craft beer. Cook created this beery concoction on Resolution Island in Dusky Sound in the autumn of 1773. Scurvy was a very real threat to seafarers in those days, and in an effort to provide his crew with some vital greens, given vegetables were in very short supply; Cook's solution was to create a liquid green fix. From all accounts his brew was drinkable, unlike a much later disastrous (yep I tried it) attempt by one of New Zealand's largest breweries to emulate and celebrate Cook's brewing talents. Latterly, Wigram Brewing have created a version that is most certainly very drinkable. This 5% brew has been described as 'a nice malty drop with a slightly smoky character.'

To continue along the 'craft beer' route, we must acknowledge the country's first commercial brewery established by Joel Polack at Kororareka (Russell) in 1835. New Zealand's first recognized craft brewery was Mac's, the late Terry McCashin's Stoke brewery established in 1981. Like much of our beer history, some craft beer aficionados' will argue this and many other points over a pint or two. However, general consensus on New Zealand's original commercial craft brewer gives Terry the edge as the first out of the blocks.

Since then, the terminology and definition of what is 'craft beer' has generally been accepted as being any beer that is not produced by the

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major breweries. This is an area that is as hazy as many ales, simply because the big players saw the money-making potential in craft brewing and they decided to cash in. In many cases the biggies bought out existing craft brands. Or, they set about creating what they would have the beer-drinking public believe were genuine craft operations. Not all, but many of these brands were simply hidden under the big corporate umbrellas. The purist naturally enough will always ask the question "Is this really a craft beer?" However, when you check the small print on the can or bottle in your hand, it may surprise you to see who actually makes your favourite craft beer

Anyway, love them, loath them or just like them, the big outfits will always be here. But genuine craft beers are also most-certainly here to stay, and by the thousands. Many of the award-winning crafties such as Emerson, Panhead, Good George, Behemoth, Garage Project, Tuatara, 8 Wired, Bach Brewing, Wigram Brewing and Brew Moon are just some of the names most of us know and whose products we enjoy. There are hundreds of other great brews out there to discover. Just take a look at the huge selection you'll find in any good supermarket. Seeking out that 'special drop' is a sacred mission for many of the beer lovers I

Remember, if you want a genuine 'craft beer' check the fine print, and if you do find that your favourite drop is actually the semi-illegitimate offspring of the big boys such as Asahi, DB, Lion, Heinekin, etc - is that really such a bad thing? After all, at the end of the day it's your beer and



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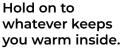
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All that rain, snow, hail and wind, combined with cold temperatures, can be tough on your house's exterior and make it harder to keep the interior warm and dry. Get your house prepared for the coldest months and (hopefully) avoid having to make any claims on your house insurance policy with our checklist of must-dos.

Check the gutters

If it's been a while since you last cleaned out your gutters, now's a good time to clear them of all the autumn leaves and dirt that might have accumulated. Clogged gutters can cause all sorts of problems with water backing up under eaves and down internal walls. While you're up there, it's a good chance to also check them for any leaks, cracks, problems with filters and the 'fall' (the amount of slope that's needed to send the water down the drainpipe).

Winter-proof your garden

If you have trees close to your house, make sure any overhanging branches are trimmed back from your gutters and roof, and away from any power cables. Not only will this stop your gutters getting clogged again, or your power

getting knocked out in a storm, you'll also maximise your

Check your smoke alarms

Chances are you're going to be using your heating appliances or log fires a lot more during winter, which raises the risk of house fires. Make sure you change the batteries in your smoke alarms and check they're still working properly. It's also important to make sure you have your smoke alarms positioned in the right spots throughout your house. Fire and Emergency NZ recommends placing alarms within three metres of each bedroom door, or in every room where a person sleeps.

Make sure your heating appliances are working for you. Clean filters in heat pumps and dehumidifiers to make sure they're running at their best. And if you use a log burner, get your chimney cleaned to remove any blockages or buildup that can cause dangerous chimney fires.

You should also consider whether your heating strategy is effective. It's often better to keep your home's temperature at a consistent 18-20 degrees, rather than blasting the heater for a few hours when you get home, which can create conditions for condensation and mould growth.

It's also more cost effective to maintain a constant air temperature, since it uses more energy to get cold air back up to a comfortable temperature.

Stop gaps and draughts

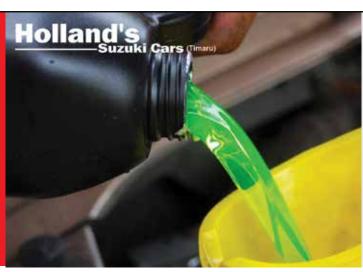
The gaps and draughts that you barely noticed in summer can make your house hard to heat in the winter. Block up any unused chimneys and use draught stoppers around doors and windows. You can buy weather strips or clear sealant from DIY shops to block any more significant gaps around door and window trims. If you can, look into permanently upgrading any doors and windows that are causing problems.

Fort your emergency supplies

Now's a good time to check your household emergency kit is fully stocked – or, if you don't have one, it's time to put one

You'll need a torch, battery-powered radio, spare batteries, first aid kit and essential medicines, and enough food and water for all members of your household for at least three days. For a full list and more information on planning for an emergency, read the NZ Government guidance.

With cooler temperatures you must take extra care of your car.



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- Get your car serviced
- Check the battery
- Top up engine coolant with antifreeze
- Check your tyres
- Clean your lights
- Wash windscreen and wipers

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This winter take care of your animals

Ninter weather can be rough on all of us, including our furry friends. Don't forget to consider the safety of your pets during cold weather. Here's some tips to make sure your animals stay warm and healthy during the colder months.

- Keep pets indoors when possible
- Provide outdoor shelter for your pets
- Care for your pet's feet
- Provide extra food and water
- Use leashes when walking near water
- Don't lock pets in cars
- Keep antifreeze out of reach from pets
- Check your vehicle before starting the engine
- Senior pets are likely to struggle more, particularly if they have joint issues such as arthritis. Keep them warm and comfortable in a

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- Plan to drive during daylight hours when visibility is better and hazards such as ice and snow are less likely. Avoid driving at night when hazards rapidly
- Dress for the conditions, carry additional warm clothes and keep a survival kit in your vehicle in case you do get stuck.
- Ensure your car is roadworthy and keep at least half a tank of fuel in your vehicle in case you get diverted onto another route or you are forced to
- Be prepared for snow and carry tyre chains that you know how to fit and use.

(1) hen you're on the road

- Drive slower than you normally would it only takes a split second to lose control in wet or icy conditions
- Avoid sudden braking or turning that could cause you to skid. Accelerate smoothly and brake gently, and use your highest gear when travelling uphill and your lowest downhill
- For vehicles without anti-skid braking systems, pump the brake pedal in short rapid bursts rather than pressing long and hard to avoid skidding or
- Drive at a safe travelling distance because it takes longer to stop on slippery roads. In winter, especially in poor weather, double the two-second rule to ensure a safe distance between you and the car in
- When travelling in fog, rain or snow, drive with your lights dipped for increased safety
- As well as other drivers, there could be winter maintenance vehicles on the highway helping to keep the road open. If you come across any of these vehicles, stay a safe distance behind them and don't pass unless you're instructed to.

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- Engine coolant (if needed) and fill it with quality antifreeze

before the winter

- Lights and reflectors keep spare fuses in the vehicle
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- Brake, clutch and transmission fluid levels
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- Sand/bag of cat litter or other traction aid
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Steps to prepare your car for winter

With cooler temperatures you must take extra care of your car, here's some tips to look at.

Get your car serviced: If your car is due for a service, get it done before the winter.

Check the battery: with colder temperatures and increased use of lights and heating, the output will be reduced. If your car won't start because of a flat battery, you can try giving it a jump start.

Top up engine coolant with antifreeze Engine coolant should be a 50/50 mix of water and antifreeze.

Check your tyres: Your car's tyres are key to both steering and braking, make sure they are in good condition. Recommended a 3mm depth during winter also.

Clean your lights: Check that all lights, indicators and rear reflectors are clean.

Wash windscreen and wipers: Give your windscreen a thorough clean inside and out and top up your screen washer fluid with antifreeze. Check for nicks and tears on your wiper blades and any chips in the windscreen, as these can grow in the cold weather.









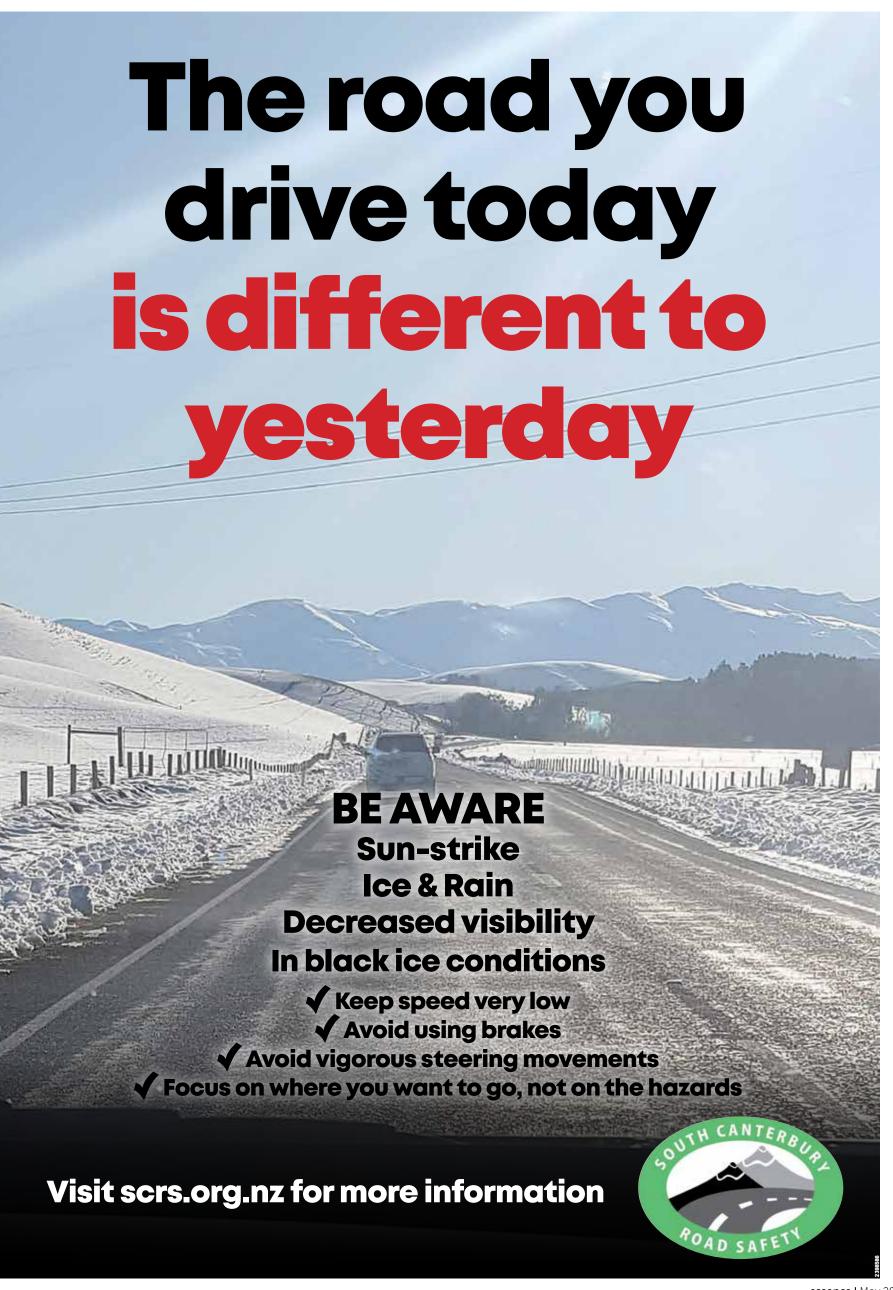






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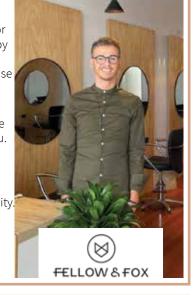
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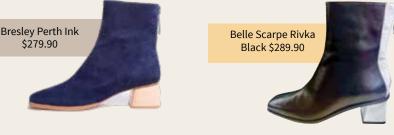
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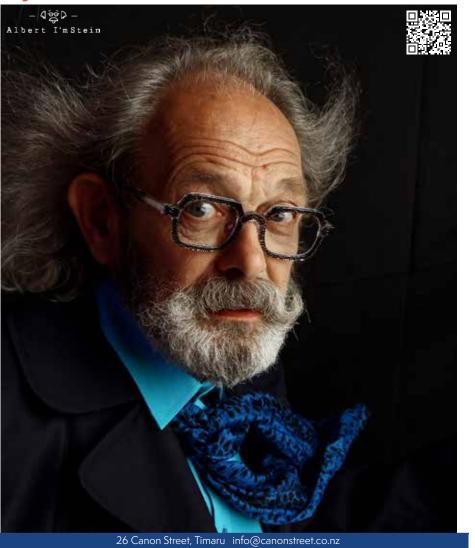


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