

OUR STREAMS



Healthy Streams
From the Mountains to the Sea
ki uta ki tai

Nelson City Council
Te Kaunihera o Whakatū

WATER IS LIFE – CELEBRATE IT!

International World Water Day on 22 March aims to raise awareness worldwide about water supply, sanitation and ecosystem health.

This year the theme of the day is water and climate change. Climate change is expected to change patterns of rainfall, with more extreme droughts and heavy rainfall events more frequently.

This summer we've seen this in reality, as some parts of the country dealt with water shortages and others were faced with flooding, slips and erosion.

You can help keep our water healthy

by using less, and storing more!

By reducing domestic water use, the pressure on water sources during dry weather is reduced.

By storing rainwater for domestic use (usually in the garden) you catch some of the stormwater that would otherwise cause flooding, and set yourself up with a water supply for your garden during dry weather.

You'll find some handy videos on how we measure water, why we have restrictions, and how to store rainwater at:

nelson.govt.nz/healthy-streams/videos



22 MARCH IS WORLD WATER DAY



We will be celebrating **water** at Race Unity Day, Victory Square, on Saturday 22 March, 11am – 4pm.

Find information on water in our urban environment at the Nelson City Council Healthy Streams stand. Learn about the Drains to Harbour

stormwater education programme, pick up a pack of the new Go Fish card game (for a fun way for the whole family to learn about Nelson's fish species), and enter the draw to win a Marley Twist to harvest rainwater from your roof for use in your garden.

itson.co.nz/2020/20724-race-unity-day-2020

NELSON HAS 19,036 RESIDENTIAL WATER CONNECTIONS

Average per connection
272 L/day, 99,280 L/year



If every home saved 10 litres per day, we would save 75 million litres per year – that is equivalent to 13.5 days of water for our city's domestic users.

NATIVE FISH SWIMMING INTO NELSON HOMES

Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT) Design and Media Arts students were challenged to raise awareness and celebrate Nelson's fish species in a twist on the classic card game, Go Fish.

The students were given a brief to design a card game for Healthy Streams that would help educate people of all ages about our native fish.

Student designs were creative and interesting, and student Georgia Marshall's design was chosen to go into production. The game was launched at Elma Turner Library

by Councillor Kate Fulton on 6 March with the students involved. Packs of Go Fish will be available for the community to take home at the Nelson City Council Healthy Streams stand at Race Unity Day, Victory Square, 22 March 11am – 4pm.

The Nelson region has 17 fish species (including freshwater, estuary and intertidal), many of which travel between the river and Tasman Bay as part of their natural lifecycles. Maintaining and improving our fresh and sea water quality is vital to ensuring these fish populations are healthy and sustainable.



COLLECTING RAINWATER



USING STORED WATER

