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City calendar coming to letterboxes

A new-look Invercargill City Council Calendar will hit letterboxes throughout the city and Bluff next month.

FEATURING photographs taken by more than 70 people who submitted dozens of entries to the Epic Invercargill competition run earlier this year, the 2018 calendar shows the best of the best.

All of the photographs in the calendar were taken by amateur photographers, one of whom was Bluff resident Yvonne Pickford.

Two of her photographs were winning entries and feature as January and October.

Ms Pickford said she had been working on her photography skills for the past five years when she decided to enter the Epic Invercargill competition.

While she had always enjoyed her own photos, knowing someone else liked them too meant a lot, she said.

"I wanted to get some of my shots out there. I think they're good [but] me liking them is a whole different story to seeing them getting picked and getting printed."

Ms Pickford had the chance to get a sneak-peek at the calendar and said her photos were among good com-

pany.

"There's some fantastic shots in there, really really fantastic."

She would also encourage others to enter photography competitions in future, Ms Pickford said.

"It's not just about entering, it's about showcasing your province and getting your little piece of what you like out there."

Council Communications Manager Eirwen Harris Mitchell announced the names of the other winning amateur photographers, who were: Nancy Crawford, Ann Cain, Sarah Ward, Darren Shuttleworth, John Youngson, Kate Pita, Brogan Campbell and David Whelan, while Sasanga Roshana won the youth section.

The winning photos will be revealed when the calendars arrive in letterboxes.

"We were overwhelmed by the quantity and the quality of the entries, and are incredibly proud to offer residents a beautiful calendar made up of images showcasing our wonderful area that were submitted by their peers." Mrs Harris Mitchell said.



Photographers David Whelan, left, and Yvonne Pickford check out the new 2018 Invercargill City Council Calendar. Mr Whelan and Ms Pickford both had winning entries in the Epic Invercargill competition, meaning their photographs feature in the calendar.

Calendar deliveries to Invercargill and Bluff will begin in the first week of December.



Council meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings:

Community Services Committee
Monday, 27 November, 4pm

Regulatory Services Committee
Tuesday, 28 November, 4pm

Infrastructure and Services Committee

Monday, 4 December, 4pm

Finance and Policy

Tuesday, 5 December, 4pm

Events Committee

Thursday, 7 December, 9am

Council Meeting

Tuesday, 12 December, 4pm

The above meetings will be held in the Council Chambers / Committee Room, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 101 Esk Street, Invercargill.

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October Funding Allocations

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES

Glengarry Community Action Group

- Drumming Festival
Tagged awaiting further information

Bluff Promotions

- Summer Sounds Concert
\$1,000

Foveaux Harmony Chorus

- Workshops for members
Tagged awaiting further information

Shakespeare in the Park Charitable Trust

- "As You Like It" production in Otepunu Gardens
\$2,805

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES

Sport Down South/Aurora College

- School holiday programmes equipment and volunteer training
\$1,000

Southland Softball Association

- Equipment
\$750

Southland Badminton

- Online booking system and associated equipment
\$2,000

Southland Softball Association

- Bases for playing diamonds
\$1,600

The next funding round closes on December 15th at noon with decisions being made before Christmas.

Buskers Festival to return



Mighty Mike, of Canada, is just one of many international acts which promise to impress crowds attending the 2018 Southland Buskers Festival, to be held from February 1 until February 4.

THE Southland Buskers Festival will return to Invercargill in February, and promises a little something for everyone.

The four-day family friendly circus and street theatre festival has become a highlight of Southland's summer events calendar.

In 2018, the ninth annual event will feature some of the best acts from around the world including The Mighty Mike Show, Bex in Motion, and Tianna the Traveller from Canada, The Old Time Rags from the UK, The Red Trouser Show from the USA, as well as local entertainers Mr Quirk, Vinyl Burns aka Kim Potter, and 3 Three Ring Riot from New Zealand.

The festival will kick off on Thursday, February 1, at 6pm in Queens Park with the ILT Busker Cabaret, and will continue to make magic and laughs around the city until Sunday, February 4.

Festival programmes will be available from January.

The annual SBF is produced by the Invercargill City Council Charitable Trust, in partnership with the Invercargill Licensing Trust, ILT Foundation, The Community Trust of Southland, Southern Trust, Venture Southland, Creative Communities and MORE FM.

Have your say on public transport plan

THE Invercargill City Council is calling for feedback on proposed changes to city bus routes and fares, among other suggested changes to the Regional Public Transport Plan.

The Regional Public Transport Plan is a strategy document which sets out the intentions and policies for how buses and subsidised Total Mobility Scheme will operate during the next three years. It shows what it costs, where the money comes from, the levels of service expected and what is likely to change during that time. Presently, approximately 199,000 bus trips are taken, along with 54,000 subsidised Total Mobility trips.

Council Roding Manager Russell Pearson said the proposed plan also included changes to Total Mobility, and members of the public were invited to have their say about where they believe bus travel should be improved.

The proposal includes three new connecting Invercargill Bus Smart routes and a new timetable, which, if approved, will replace the current four loops introduced in 2012.

The new routes look to address customer comments that the routes took too long, were not direct enough, and that timetables did not get them into town at the

right time, particularly in the mornings.

The buses will run generally from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and Saturday, 10am to 3pm.

This is similar to current timetables, but there will be extra buses on during the morning business run and again in the evenings to make travelling into the CBD and home again more desirable.

Also suggested is a change to the fare structure, which recognises that the service has a strong community focus and that the use of peak and off-peak fares was a disincentive.

The proposed fares are:
Children under five years – free.

Supergold Card Holders, 9am to 3pm and Saturdays – free

All other users – at all times:
Payment by Bus Smart Card (and trip tagged on and off) \$2 per trip

Payment by cash \$3 per trip

Visit the consultation of Council's website at www.icc.govt.nz for more information including a diagram of the proposed routes, the draft Regional Public Transport Plan, and submission forms.

Submissions are open until December 15, and are expected to be heard by the Community Services Committee on February 26.

Bluff Community Board Bursary

APPLICATIONS are now invited from residents of the Bluff Ward for the Bluff Community Board Bursary.

The bursary is \$2,000 per annum for three years for:

Candidates enrolled for a full-time course of study at University or other agreed establishment within New Zealand.

Candidates who are making applications for admission to a University or other agreed establishment within New Zealand to a full-time course of study in the coming year.

Further information and application forms can be obtained from the Service Centre Manager with whom applications close on Monday 15th January 2018.

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Dog panel appointed

THE newly appointed Community Advisory Panel which will consider euthanasia and rehoming of dogs in Invercargill and Bluff has met for the first time.

Six people have been selected to engage with the public and sit on the Community Advisory Panel for the Invercargill City Council's Dog Rehoming and Euthanasia Review.

They are Katy Barker, Colin Morrison, Jo Miller, Mike Sheppard, Rodney Tribe and Erik Oostendorp.

Deputy Mayor and Chair of Regulatory Services Rebecca Amundsen is working to help co-ordinate the panel and ensure the members have access to, and receive all the information they need to make a recommendation to Council about the future of rehoming and euthanasia in the area.

Cr Amundsen said the first meeting of the panel was held on

Monday, and included introductions and an overview of the task ahead.

"This included a folder of information provided to each member, ensuring everyone knew the scope of the panel, which is to focus on rehoming and euthanasia methods and processes," she said.

The panel also discussed site visits to Council's Animal Care Facility and the SPCA, and talked about various groups and people to meet with.

"The panel will be gathering information and learning about rehoming and euthanasia over the weeks between now and Christmas, and after Christmas will be looking to the community to gather feedback from them before making a recommendation to council," Cr Amundsen said.

When the Panel makes its recommendation there will also be a report which explains how they came to their conclusions.

Draft bylaw to be discussed at workshops

THE Invercargill City Council is taking the next steps in the drafting of a bylaw that will require all tattoo, piercing, nail technician, and beauty therapy businesses to be inspected and registered to ensure public safety at all times.

Two workshops will be held later this month, to which business owners and staff are invited to view and discuss the new draft bylaw.

Council Policy Analyst Anna Goble said staff had sent more than 120 letters out to businesses Council knew would be affected by the new bylaw, but there were many more people working from home who might not be aware of the draft bylaw, or the impact it could have on them.

"We know there are lots of people who work from home, or offer one-off services, like make-up for special occasions, for example," Miss Goble said.

"Often these people get their clients through word-of-mouth or via social media pages, which means we haven't



been able to ascertain just how many businesses the bylaw might affect.

"We'd love for members of the public to encourage anyone they know working from home in these areas to register for these workshops to make sure they, too, can have their say on the draft bylaw which might affect the way they work in future."

The bylaw has been drafted following the workshops held earlier this year, at which staff received some amazing feedback and information from industry members.

Register your interest in coming to one of the following workshops:
• Monday November 27 – 9am to 11am, Council Chambers
• Monday November 27 – 7pm to 9pm, Council Chambers
RSVP to Anna at policy@icc.govt.nz

SOUTHLAND LOSS AND GRIEF CENTRE

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

6PM

DECEMBER

13TH

COME ALONG, JOIN TOGETHER AND LIGHT A CANDLE FOR YOUR LOVED ONE THIS CHRISTMAS.

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