

## Special treats planned for Kiwiana Christmas Festival and Market



**THIS** year, our City Centre Christmas Festival and Market has a Kiwiana Christmas theme. Think native New Zealand bush: tui, pohutakawa and flax. We love celebrating Christmas and hope you can get into the spirit with us and come along in Kiwiana costume or dress up. There will be prizes for best dressed and you can get a photo of your costumes in the photobooth. Dressing up not your thing? Never fear, face painting will be available too. The Kiwiana Christmas Festival and Market will be held in Esk St on Saturday, 8 December from 10am to 2pm.

LEFT: City Centre Christmas Festival and Market organiser Gemma Crawford decorates the tree with Kiwiana baubles.

**Hot tip!** Keep an eye on Council's Facebook page for the latest info on our Christmas Festival and Market, and a special Kiwiana Christmas giveaway – check it out here: [www.facebook.com/invercargillcitycouncil](http://www.facebook.com/invercargillcitycouncil)



### Council meetings

Notice is hereby given of the following meetings:

**Community Services Committee**  
Monday, 26 November, 4pm

**Regulatory Services Committee**  
Tuesday, 27 November, 4pm

**Infrastructure and Services Committee**  
Monday, 3 December, 4pm

**Finance and Policy Committee**  
Tuesday, 4 December, 4pm

**Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, 11 December, 4pm

**Events Committee**  
Friday, 14 December, 9am

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

- [www.icc.govt.nz](http://www.icc.govt.nz)

## Bluff Community Board Bursary applications open

**APPLICATIONS** are now invited from Bluff residents for the Bluff Community Board Bursary. The purpose of the bursary is to facilitate and encourage the opportunities by which members of the community can undertake Tertiary or University education. The bursary is \$2000 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 Bluff Service Centre Manager.

Applications close on Monday, 21 January, 2019.

## Armistice Day Exhibition a huge success



ABOVE: Bluff School pupils during their visit to the Armistice Day Exhibition.

**MORE** than 1000 people visited a special exhibition which honoured Southlanders who fought and died in World War I.

The Armistice Day Exhibition held in Esk Street this month was such a success, it was reopened due to demand.

The exhibition, which initially ran from 1 - 10 November, was reopened on Friday, 16 November and Saturday, 17 November, thanks to volunteers from the Invercargill RSA and Awarua Communications Museum.

Council Archives Assistant Wendy McArthur said Saturday was the busiest day of all, with more than 100 people through the doors.

Volunteers from Awarua RSA and St Mary's Basilica also helped run the exhibition.

On average, about 70 people visited the exhibition on each day it was open, and feedback was 100 per cent positive, Ms McArthur said.

Several school and community groups were also able to visit the exhibition by appointment, outside of its opening hours.

The Invercargill City Council, the Southland Museum and Art Gallery, Awarua Communications Museum, Invercargill and Awarua RSAs and Invercargill City Libraries and Archives collaborated to create the multi-faceted exhibition.

## New sign installed at Stirling Point

**THE** new sign for Stirling Point was installed on a stormy evening earlier this week.

The old sign, which was a little the worse for wear, needed to be replaced after it was discovered some of the blades were not correctly positioned.

It was also an opportunity to improve the sign by adding a blade pointing to Invercargill's sister city Suqian, China.

The new sign was made by local business Bluff Engineering.



TOP: Bluff Community Board Chairman Ray Fife, Invercargill City Council Roading Manager Russell Pearson, and staff member David McCormick braved stormy weather to ensure the installation of the new signpost went to plan.

ABOVE: The old sign had seen better days.

## Invercargill street signs honour servicemen



**FOUR** new street signs featuring poppies to honour servicemen who fought for New Zealand have been put up in Invercargill.

The Poppy Places Trust launched the Places of Remembrance Project on 11 November 2014 to identify and record streets and other places that are directly related to people and events from our overseas military history.

The Trust works with local authorities to identify these places and develop the story behind the naming. The project involves including the RSA poppy symbol on road sign blades.

Invercargill City Council has registered four streets and a park. They are Mepal Place and Lancaster Street, Checketts Place, Hinton Court, and Russell Square park.

With Council approval, the street signs for the four streets, which feature poppies, are now in place.

The stories behind the signs have been uploaded onto the Trust's website [www.poppyplaces.nz](http://www.poppyplaces.nz) – or you can read about them on Council's website, [www.icc.govt.nz](http://www.icc.govt.nz)

The sign for Russell Square has not yet been placed.

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