

Time to register your dog

Registration notices will be sent to all known dog owners in the Gore District in the next week or so. You can register your dog online at www.goredc.govt.nz, follow the link under Hot Topics.

Dog owners have until 5.00pm on Friday 17 August 2018 to register their dogs and avoid a late fee. Dogs that remain unregistered after Friday 21 September 2018 will incur an infringement notice, which carries a fine of \$300.

The following fees, adopted by the Council this week, will take effect as from 1 July 2018:

Registration Fee – Urban Dog		\$120
Less		
(a) Fenced or a controlled property		-\$20
(b) No dog complaints, impoundments or infringements within a two year period		-\$30
(c) Neutered or spayed		-\$10
Registration fee inclusive of (a), (b) and (c)		\$60
Licence fee (<i>three or more dogs</i>)		\$150
Registration Fee – Rural Dog		\$25
Plus		
(a) Dog complaints, impoundment or infringement within a two year period		\$30
Late Registration Fee		
Urban dog		40%
Rural dog		40%
Poundage		
First impoundment – current registration		\$50
First impoundment – unregistered		\$80
Every subsequent impoundment		\$150
Euthanasia fees or veterinary costs		Actual
Daily care – includes food, shelter and exercise		\$15
Microchipping		
Standard microchipping of dogs released from the pound		\$36
Non-standard microchipping procedures will be charged at cost		
Additional fee for impounding or releasing dogs at weekends, public holidays or outside the Council's office hours		\$50

Alcohol licence applications now notified online

All alcohol licence applications must be publicly notified. This applies to applications for new On-licences, Off-licences and Club Licences and also to applications to renew existing licences. Previously the applicant placed these public notices in the newspaper at a cost to them. Now all public notices will be exclusively notified on the Council's website without charge. For details go to www.goredc.govt.nz and click on Public Notices.

Time to tell your tale

The Eastern Southland Gallery will host the first in a series of workshops inviting Southlanders to share their thoughts, hopes and dreams as part of the project to redevelop the Southland Museum and Art Gallery. A working group will be talking with communities throughout the region to gather information that will feed into an upcoming museum redevelopment review. People can also visit the website www.ourtale.co.nz and complete an online survey.

The workshop is on Thursday 5 July, from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

Upcoming meetings

NB: There are no Council meetings scheduled for July.

Tuesday 2 July

The Mataura Community Board meets at the Elderly Citizens Centre, McQueen Avenue, starting at 5.30pm.

The agendas for meetings are available on the Council's website www.goredc.govt.nz the week before, with the exception of meetings held in committee.

Historical showcase

The complete 27 published books by well-known Gore historian Herries Beattie (1881-1972) along with Bill Dacker's books covering Maori history of the lower half of the South Island, are on display at the Gore Library. The son of four-term Gore mayor James Beattie, Herries' works are based upon interviews with Kati Mamoe and Ngai Tahu elders, and Pakeha pioneers. They describe the traditional lifestyle and history of southern New Zealand in the nineteenth century. Dacker is a noted Otago historian and researcher, who is currently conducting Maori research in association with the Eastern Southland Gallery and the Hokonui Runanga.