



Salsa dancing is set to spice up this year's Hokonui Culture Feast.

The Vuelta Dance Group, from Dunedin, are guests at the culture feast and will be hosting workshops, as well as performing. So for those wanting a taste of Latin American salsa, the culture feast is a must.

The feast also features the traditional array of sumptuous international foods and chance to enjoy the many cultures of our community.

It will be held on **Friday 28 June, starting at 6.00pm** at the Gore Town and Country stadium.

## Sports Café Invite

Are you passionate about sport in Eastern Southland? Do you have ideas about what could make your sport better?

Then come along to the Eastern Southland Sport Café and share your successes and challenges with like-minded people. It's a great opportunity for us all to work together to help sport in Eastern Southland be the best it can be.

**When:** Wednesday June 26, at 6pm **Where:** James Cumming Wing lounge  
*Tea, coffee and nibbles provided*

**RSVP** to [gemma.oneill@sportsouthland.co.nz](mailto:gemma.oneill@sportsouthland.co.nz) by Monday June 24

## Upcoming meeting

### Tuesday 25 June

The Council will hold its full six-weekly meeting in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Ave, starting at **5.30pm**.

The agendas for meetings are available on the Council's website [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) the week before, with the exception of meetings held in committee.

## Meeting cancelled

A meeting of the Matura Community Board, scheduled to be held on Monday 17 June, has been cancelled.

## How do you rate Gore's country music festival?



Let us know your thoughts about the 2019 country music festival, held a couple of weeks ago, and **BE IN TO WIN** tickets to next year's main events and \$50 voucher to spend at the Gore Visitor Centre.

You will find the survey at [www.gorenz.com/events](http://www.gorenz.com/events)

**NB:** To be eligible for prizes surveys must be completed online before 30 June. The winner will be notified by 5 July.



Gore District Mayor Tracy Hicks took time out of his busy schedule this week to talk about the future of the Gore District with a group of West Gore School students. They had written to Mayor Hicks as part of a school literacy project on persuasive writing. The letters included requests for new sports stadiums, a mall, a hydroslide and affordable housing. Mayor Hicks said he was impressed at the standard and quality of the letters.

*"It was great to hear everyone's ideas, all of which were very insightful. Our young people are our future and it is great to see them so engaged in what that future could look like."*

Mr Hicks said he was particularly impressed with the students' understanding of the current economic climate. *"They understood we need to encourage people to visit and stay here, and to make sure our town remains a wonderful place to live, now and in the future."*