

The Kindy Chronicle

Anderson Park

Anderson Park House is one of Southland's most iconic heritage properties, set within beautifully maintained gardens and bush-clad grounds in the north of Invercargill. Designed in 1924 by architect Cecil Wood, the grand Neo-Georgian home has long been admired for its symmetry, elegant proportions and striking two-storey bay window.

Today, alongside its historical significance, Anderson Park House has become a sought-after venue for private hire, offering a unique setting for celebrations, gatherings and community events and this can be achieved by contacting the Anderson House Trust directly to make a booking.

All catering is done by MASH Catering.

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Relay for Life 2026

This year, Kindergartens South is proudly stepping up for the Relay for Life - walking, running and rallying together to honour those we've lost, support those still fighting and celebrate survivors. Cancer touches every corner of our community and we believe that even the smallest feet can make the biggest difference.

Each Kindergarten is fighting it out to raise the most money and complete the most laps to win Kindergartens South's Annual Shield, which is currently held by Waikiwi Kindy for their impressive efforts at the 2020 Surf to City.

There is still plenty of time to register your own team, or feel free to make a donation, big or small. The most important part of this year's Relay for Life is the event on the day, so if you feel like a bit of exercise, make your way down to the stadium and do a few laps of the Velodrome. And wear purple!!!

When
14 March 2026
10am - 10pm

Where
ILT Stadium



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Te Ngahuru o Poutūterangi

Rakaunui/Full Moon - 4 Mar 2026

Whiro/New Moon - 19 Mar 2026

Te Wharepuni o Anehana

Wharepuni was constructed in 1925 and is a taonga tuku iho | treasure of Ngāti Tarāwhai and is nestled behind Anderson House, and in 2019, was the first whare to be given wāhi tūpuna status in Te Waipounamu.

Created by master carver Tene Waitere, who was born in Mangamuka around 1853, and was trained by tohunga whakairo Wero Taroi in the Ngāti Tarāwhai carving style. The inside is decorated with whakairo | carvings and tukutuku panels.



Wharepuni can be hired, just like the Anderson Park pavillion and grounds, but this time from the Invercargill City Council Parks & Recreation team. The inside is open plan and is the perfect site to host classroom activities and visits.

Scan the QR code and it will take you to the ICC Bookable system, create an account, make a booking and submit your Health & Safety plan and it is as easy as that.



Book Here

Wharepuni

= guest/sleeping house

Don't miss checking out this newly refurbished space and take your tamariki on a journey back in time.

Contact e-mail: parks.recreation@icc.govt.nz

Coming Up...

 **On the Fly Maitara River Festival**
@ River Terrace, Gore
28 Feb, 12pm - 4pm

 **Southland A & P Show**
@ Donovan Park, Invercargill
7 Mar, 9am - 4pm

Southland Multicultural Food Festival
@ ILT Stadium Southland, Invercargill
21 Mar, 10am - 6pm

 **Try Whānau Festival**
@ Bluff Rugby Ground, Bluff
22 Mar, 9:30am - 1pm

Kupu o te Marama



NGAHURU
(nga-who-roo)



= Autumn

- The time of year when to harvest kai.
- Ngahuru is also another name for the tenth month of the Maori calendar.

How to Pronounce the 'R' in Te Reo

Slightly roll the 'r' sound, like a purring cat.

Try touching the roof of your mouth with your tongue and let the 'R' sound roll.