

Newsletter

May 2016

Greetings to our members,

With the colder weather arriving this week it makes one more inclined to head indoors. We have two great inside events on the calendar over the next two months and we hope they will inspire you and any like-minded friends to come and join us.

Saturday June 11—How to Research Your Home workshop—this is being run by Heritage NZ in conjunction with the Ashburton Museum. Details on page 3

Sunday July 3—HPMC Afternoon visit to Aeroview—*more details below.*

Hope to see you soon, Kind regards, Julie Luxton-Chairperson

You are invited to a social afternoon at



Sunday July 3rd

starting at 2pm—All welcome

Situated just on the outskirts of Ashburton, owners **Peter (Mac on the local radio station) and Larraine McQuarters** have spent their lives gathering fascinating jewels from a by-gone age all lovingly displayed for us to view.

Their obsession with all things vintage extends to the colourful collection of antique Edison Phonographs, 78 rpm Gramophones, valve radios, vintage Black and White TV's and classic broadcasting equip-

ment. There's even old radio broadcast consoles, studio microphones from the 40's, and an example of the first type of NZBC Studio Television cameras used in the pioneering days of television in New Zealand, the ubiquitous Marconi Mk IV.

AEROVIEW THEATRE is a compact, fully functional retro-style theatre and during our visit we will be viewing some fascinating clips from bygone eras.

Our visit also includes a **scrumptious afternoon tea** in cosy surroundings with plenty of time to chat and wander.



Members \$15 per person

Non members \$20 per person

You are welcome to ask friends and family to join us at this interesting and friendly gathering.

Please express your interest and numbers by phoning Julie Luxton on 308-3866 or emailing jules(dot)glassart(at)xtra(dot)co(dot)nz. An early indication would be appreciated, numbers limited. Transport available if required.

How to find Aeroview: If driving from the south, drive to the northern end of Ashburton on State Highway One and turn right before the Racecourse where a yellow AA sign points to the airfield. After travelling along Seafield Rd for approximately 2km, turn left into Morris Rd. Aeroview is just 100 m from the turnoff on your left.





Victorian Tea Party Photographs



A huge thanks to Kathleen Shea for inviting us for a Victorian Tea Party in January. Also to Kathleen Stringer for speaking and appearing in her bathing custom—much to every ones amusement!

And of course, thanks to the wonderful bakers who put on such a grand spread!





Historic Places Mid Canterbury congratulates Heritage New Zealand in conjunction with Ashburton Museum and Ashburton District Council on bring us this seminar and encourage all interested persons to attend to both learn and show you care about our local heritage.



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Find us on Figure 1. If you have facebook onter Water in the need to invite people to search bar and seek membership. There you will find the Living Heritage article

and photographs on Anama Woolshed. We would love to see you follow us and as membership grows so too will interesting posts, views and articles.

Updates:

The historic **Cates Grain and Seed** store that we opposed application for demolition has at this stage gone very quiet with on further communication to our group this year from the owners or their lawyers.

The former **Tuckers** building beside the Z petrol station on West Street is in the process of being demolished.

The former Anglican vicarage on Burnett Street has been demolished. Although we initially opposed demolition, engineering reports deemed it too expensive to warrant repair. We did however ask that any special features be saved, but have no accounts of this happening.

The Hakatere Stone Cottage is in the process of restoration! Congratulations to the hard working committee and friends of Hakatere who have contributed so much time and commitment to this project. Once the work is finished we will re-look at a group visit, perhaps incorporating Lagmhor stables.

On The Radar: We note that the Ashburton District Council has added the Ashburton Methodist Church site to the short-list of possible sites for Ashburton's new civic centre and library. Also one member of our committee is working very hard to ensure necessary maintenance on the Methven Road Board Office is being attended to by those concerned.



Living Heritage

We hope you managed to find our most recent Living Heritage articles that were published in The Courier Newspaper. The one on Anama Woolshed, perhaps the oldest surviving woolshed in NZ, is also on our website www.historicplacesaotearoa.org.nz as well as our facebook page.



Waitangi Day on East

We had another great day talking to locals at our site on Waitangi Day. Our new display proved very popular-it shows a



feature point of a local building and you have too guess which one it is, lift and flap and it reveals the complete photograph!

We also took this display to the Antique Fair in March.



Our Committee

We are a small but supportive group who have an amazing way of pulling together to make things happen. Feel free to contact us if you would like to be more involved or have concerns about heritage. They are:

Chairperson: Julie Luxton—phone 308-3866 or email jules(dot)glassart(at)xtra(dot)co(dot)nz

Secretary: Marian Martin—phone 308-8342 or email mart(dot)ash(at)xtra(dot)co(dot)nz

Treasurer: Maxine Watson

Committee members— Kathleen Stringer, Mark Gerard, Diane Scott and Nigel Gilkison.