

KARORI HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

The next meeting will be held on

Tuesday 3 March 2015

at St Ninian's, Newcombe Crescent, Karori

at 7.45 pm.

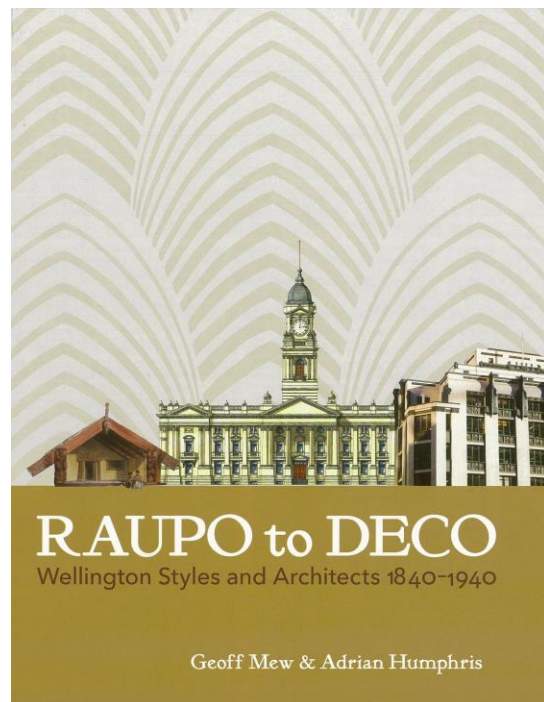
Members and friends welcome

Talk

Adrian Humphris and Geoff Mew will give a power point presentation of their latest book:
Built Wellington - The Raupo to Deco Story

Raupo to Deco documents Wellington architecture from 1840 to 1940. It presents biographies of the key architects who practiced in Wellington, as well as discussion of how architectural styles and design evolved. In this talk Geoff and Adrian will highlight some of the more interesting people and buildings from the book, in particular architects who lived or designed buildings in Karori. The presentation will include selected illustrations from the book, which will also be available for purchase on the night, at the special price of \$65.00.

Supper will be served after the talk.



December Speaker

Vincent O'Malley gave a very interesting and comprehensive talk about 'the upsurge of interest in the New Zealand wars' particularly relating to the Waikato region. The Waikato war was important as it was a turning point in the development of NZ and led to the capital shifting to Wellington, and the introduction of Julius Vogel's schemes. But until recently these wars have been sanitised and attention has been on commemorating WWI. However, Vincent considered that there is now a more even handed effort to acknowledge what took place. Vincent's talk created a considerable amount of discussion amongst members.

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The Karori Historical Society's rules are to be re-written to conform to current practices and will be discussed. This is necessary so that the Society can conform to the Charities Commission requirements.

Future trips and outings

John Harper contacted the Film Archive about the Society visiting. The committee agreed on a selection of short films about different aspects of Karori. It is hoped that this will be held sometime in May. At the March meeting we will get details of those who want to come.

General

Karori Karnival is being held on Sunday 22 February. As in previous years the Society will be selling copies of Karori & Its People, Terawhiti & the Goldfields, The Wreck of the Penguin and back copies of The Stockade. We realise these occasions offer an opportunity for people to come and talk to us about the Society and what it does.

Application Form - We now have a very attractively designed Application Form to hand to those people who are interested. Our thanks go to Jan Heynes's grandson, Arlo Heynes, for carrying out this project.

AGM is in June. Please think about people you would like to nominate as members of the committee. There are likely be some vacancies and it is always good to get new members.

The Stockade – issue No. 46 will be available soon. Any undistributed receipts will be included.

Death – Mary Brackenbury who was a member of the Society for about 15 years has died.

The Website Administrator's Fees for our website

Since June 2014, we have enlisted the help of Don Picken to administer our website <http://www.karorihistory.org.nz/>. Don has kindly offered his services at no cost. In lieu of administration fees Don is soliciting donations of 'treasures', examples of which are shown on the archive page <http://www.wrhpc.org.nz/archive/menu.php>. We invite members to submit 'treasures', that is, anything of heritage value. This may be a rare book, family war medals or anything of historical significance in your personal possession. One only has to take a photo of the said item with a brief explanation or story relating to it. All donations will be accepted with gratitude and treated with respectful anonymity with regards to ownership of these treasures. If any members are interested in donating in this way, could they please contact committee member Peter Anderson, e-mail: pv.ander@paradise.net.nz

We hope everyone has been able to have a break from routine over the Christmas-New Year period and to enjoy Wellington. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 3 March at 7.45pm.