



NEWSLETTER, August 2017

The next Meeting will be held on

Tuesday 5 September 2017

at St Ninian's, Newcombe Crescent, Karori

at 7.45 pm.

Members and friends welcome

Talk

Please join us to hear Local History and Rare Books Librarian Gábor Tóth, Wellington City Libraries, present his talk Heading for the Hills: The Western Access Scheme 1920–1940.

Each weekday, thousands of commuters travel to and from the central city to the hill suburbs of Karori and Northland via Tinakori Road. This talk will reveal the story behind this remarkable feat of civil engineering that took 20 years to complete and cost the equivalent of tens of millions of dollars.

To find out more about the work Gabor does, and a wealth of resources and information about Wellington history, check out <http://www.wcl.govt.nz/heritage/heritageindex.html>



June Meeting - AGM

The following officers were elected at the AGM:

President, Adrian Humphris

Vice-President, John Harper

Secretary, Henry Brittain

Treasurer, Valerie Carter

Committee members:

Peter Anderson

Jo Elworthy

Kristin Gibson

Wendy Lynch did not seek re-election for the forthcoming year; a hearty vote of thanks is passed on for Wendy's input and commitment over the past year.

Valerie has also announced since the AGM that she and her partner Rick are moving to England to live for a year or so. Valerie has been our Honorary Treasurer since 2011, and also taken responsibility for innumerable other tasks, from managing sales of our publications to managing our membership records. We wish Valerie safe travels and all the best for her trip, and hope to see her again when she returns! In the meantime we welcome Maurice Horner who has offered to act as our Treasurer.

We are a small committee, and are always looking for help and support. If you are interested in getting involved in our quarterly meetings, helping with an event, or know of a speaker you would love to hear present, then let me know at inkagh@clear.net.nz.

March Speaker Talk



In March we were lucky to hear Ben Schrader talk about his book *The Big Smoke: New Zealand Cities 1840-1920*.

Ben's presentation took us through the early history of New Zealand and detailed the development of urban areas. He discussed how our cities grew the way they did, in what ways did Māori experience and shape cities; and posed questions around the future of our cities and whether they reflect where we have come from.

The talk was a taster of his book, which reveals how our urban origins have shaped the people we are today. If you are interested

in finding out more, or missed the talk, check out <http://bwb.co.nz/books/big-smoke>

Have you paid your subscription?

We still have a number of outstanding subscriptions, so if you haven't paid yours yet now is the time! The rate for this year is the same as the past year, , which is

\$20 for individual membership

\$25 for a family membership.

You can either pay this at our August meeting, or via online banking. If you would like to pay online our account is below. Please enter your Name and phone number in the 3 panel payer space

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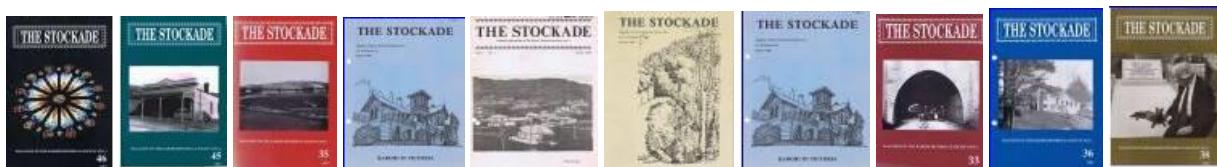
If you have any queries please contact me (Adrian Humphris, inkagh@clear.net.nz) or Valerie Carter at vecarternz@paradise.net.nz.

Your Stockade needs you!

Jo has begun work on this year's Stockade, and is on the lookout for content. The success of Stockade depends on members contributing articles, images or stories to be included.

You may have a family connection to Karori you could share, or an early image or document people will find interesting. You could also uncover an untold story or fact about Karori via our Society archives; you can find these on the top floor of the Karori Library.

If you do have something to share or are prepared to write an article, please let the Committee know.



Remember also you can browse copies of earlier Stockades online, via the following link:

<http://www.wrhpc.org.nz/archive/khsindex.htm>

Don't forget to check out our website and see what's new

A reminder a wealth of information about the society and our activities can be found online at our website, <http://www.karorihistory.org.nz/>.

We are also on Facebook; check it out and contribute! <https://www.facebook.com/Karori-Historical-Society-184528484931598/>



Adrian Humphris
President