

May 2025

**Our Annual General Meeting will be held on
Tuesday 3 June 2025
at St Ninian's, Newcombe Crescent, Karori

at 7.30 pm.
Members and friends welcome**

Business

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Confirmation of last year's AGM report

4 President's annual report

5 Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet

***6 Election of officers: President, Vice President, Hon. Secretary, Hon.
Treasurer***

7 Election of Committee

If you are keen to help run the Society and plan future activities and events, so are willing to join our Committee, please contact Adrian Humphris: adrianinka02@gmail.com.

8 General Business

9 Speaker – David Watt, "Threats and Opportunities with Heritage"

Supper will be served after the meeting

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 3 June

Threats and Opportunities with Heritage

After the AGM we will have David Watt, Senior Outreach Advisor, Regional Services, Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga speak to us on some current issues around heritage in the capital.



David has had over 27 years with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga, following a career in public relations in Parliament, in other parts of the public and private sector, a local body politician for 12 years, being the last Mayor of Tawa and a former deputy Mayor of Wellington for six years from 1989-1995. He has had extensive involvement with owners of heritage properties on conservation issues and coordinating heritage events around the Wellington region.

March speaker: Clare Gleeson - Alfred Buxton and His Gardens



We had a good turnout at our last meeting to hear Clare talk about the life and works of Alfred Buxton, the father of landscaping in New Zealand. As well as talking about his early life and broader career, Clare also shared images of gardens he designed in the Wellington area, particularly Homewood.

More detail about Clare's book on Alfred, *The Fairer Side of Buxton*, can be found [here](#).

[Alfred Buxton – Te Ara](#)

Annual subscriptions for 2025-2026

Subscriptions for the 2025-2026 year are due at the AGM; a hearty thanks to the super-organised people who have already paid them! We are retaining the same rate from last year, which is \$20 for individual membership and \$25 for a family membership.

You can pay your subs at our AGM, after which a reminder will be sent out. Subs can be paid via online banking; our account is below. Please note with confirmation of payee our account name is *The Karori Historical Society*.

Please enter your Name and phone number in the 3-panel payer space.

Bank account: 06 0501 0208280 00

If you have any questions or want to check when your subs are paid up to, please contact our Treasurer Liz via infokarorihistory@gmail.com.

Our new website is up and running

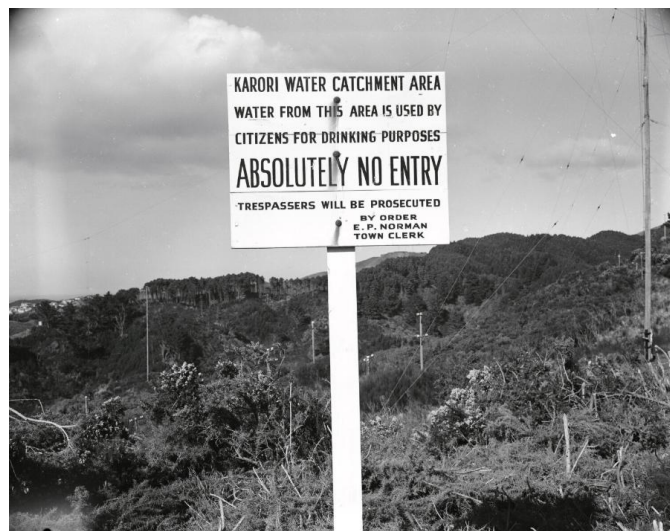
Just a note our new website is still being tweaked but is now live and can be accessed [here](#).

We are also posting details of upcoming meetings, as well as links to other heritage events and groups in Wellington, via our [Facebook page](#).

Stockade content is always appreciated!

As always articles and contributions are welcome, so if you have a story about Karori you would like to share, please contact Jo Elworthy, our editor via infokarorihistory@gmail.com. If you'd like to browse back through older issues, you can do that [here](#).

Adrian Humphris
President



Trespass notice at Karori Dam, 1951. Wellington City Archives, 00340-15