

Editorial

Another successful Archaeology Week has been held, and you can see details and images from some of the events around the country in the report in this issue of AINZ. These events have been very good at raising the profile of archaeology, but past years' Archaeology Weeks have not had much impact on increasing NZAA membership. This is a dilemma, as while the profession has been growing, membership numbers have remained relatively static. We know that not all practising archaeologists are members of NZAA, but membership of some relevant organisation should be essential for all practising professionals: you cannot maintain and develop skills and knowledge while working in isolation. So check with your workmates (for the working archaeologists out there) and if they are not members give them a gee-up regarding joining. For the amateur membership, much the same applies: through the website, AINZ and other publications you can keep abreast of what is happening in New Zealand archaeology.

And on the subject of what is happening, the next major NZAA event is the annual conference, to be held on Rakiura/Stewart Island in late August. Registration is open (check the website: www.nzarchaeology.org.nz), and you should book accommodation early as although it is the off-season, Oban is a small place and some businesses will be closed. It promises to be a good conference: the general consensus is that the small-town ones are usually the most enjoyable.

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