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NOTES AND NEWS

New Members

Sally Burgess, Meredith Robertshawe, Andrew Dodd, Chris Hill, Simon Holdaway, Charles Sedgwick, Peter Wilberfoss, Crown Forestry Rental Trust.

Queen's Birthday Honour

In the Queen's Birthday honours list Emeritus Professor Graham Connah was awarded an AM for his services to historical archaeology. This is a great honour for Graham and for the discipline of historical archaeology which Graham, as founding editor of the ASHA Journal and author of numerous books and papers, has helped establish.

International Recognition for University of Otago Anthropologist

University of Otago Professor Charles Higham has been elected a Corresponding Fellow by the British Academy in recognition of his high international standing in the field of archaeology. Professor Higham is one of only 14 overseas scholars elected this year, and is believed to be only the second New Zealander to be elected a Corresponding Fellow, the highest honour conferred by the Academy for "scholarly distinction."

The British Academy, founded in 1901, is the humanities and social sciences equivalent of the Royal Society of London, which serves the biological and physical sciences. The Academy distributes about \$100 million annually for research in the arts and humanities in Britain, and represents and promotes the interests of learning and research nationally and internationally.

Being elected a Fellow of the British Academy is an honour which recognises the results of many years of research in Southeast Asia, his most recent project being supported by the Marsden Fund. He acknowledges that The Fellowship also reflects the work of his team of researchers in the Anthropology

Department at the University of Otago. As well as the Fellowship, Professor Higham has received further recognition from the British Academy. He has been invited to give the Albert Reckitt Memorial (Archaeological) Lecture, one of the most prestigious lectures by invitation in the UK, to the Academy in London in 2002.

Professor Higham is the longest-serving professor at the University of Otago. After completing his PhD at Cambridge University, he joined the Department of Anthropology as a Lecturer in 1966, and was appointed Foundation Professor of Anthropology in 1968. He graduated with the distinction of Doctor of Science from Cambridge University in 1991.

Professor Higham is a specialist in Prehistory. His current research focuses on the origins of the civilisation of Angkor in Cambodia and Thailand. He holds a number of professional affiliations and memberships and has published widely in books and academic journals. He is on the editorial board of several leading international journals and is an editorial consultant to the Oxford Companion to Archaeology and the Oxford Gazetteer of Archaeological Sites. (Extract from a University of Otago Press Release).

Joan Maingay Retires from DoC, Northland

This is a personal testimonial about a very special person I have worked with called Joan Maingay. It is based in part on a speech that I gave at Joan's retirement function and any inaccuracies in it are entirely my fault.

Adi and I have known and worked with Joan for over 15 years. Despite not being renown for talking about herself, we managed to pick up the outline of a very remarkable life that we would like to share with you. Many people here may be unaware that Joan led a fascinating life before becoming an archaeologist. Indeed her life can be seen to follow a series of distinct and diverse phases, tied together by the common themes of creativity, honesty and courage.

The first of these phases began when Joan was born in England and spent many of her formative years with her grandparents in Wales. Due to problems with her father's health, Joan and her parents emigrated to New Zealand in the 1950s. After completing her schooling Joan attended Christchurch University as a fine arts student, and became part of a community of artists that were central to what (we now realise) was a golden period of artistic creativity in New Zealand. During this time Joan became an accomplished painter who's work was

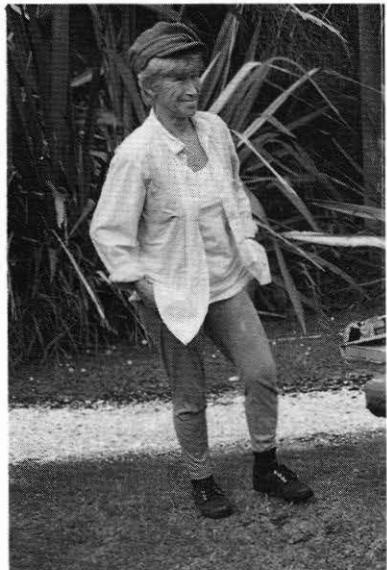
respected by her contemporaries who included the likes of Colin McMahon and Patrick Hanley.

Following a number of years as a teacher, Joan entered her second phase of life when she married and produced the amazing Maingay clan who are with us today. Adi and I have had the privilege of working with Mark, Sally and Lou and have found that like their mother they are each distinctly talented and creative. This is reflected in Mark's hand made furniture, Lou's photography, Sally's jewellery making and Sally and Lou's world class archaeological cartographic skills. We await with interest to see which direction grandson Max's creativity will be expressed!

After training and working as a teacher for a number of years, Joan's life entered its third phase when she returned to University as a mature student and became an archaeologist. By chance Adi and I were both at Auckland University in the early 1980s when Joan was completing her scholarly thesis work 'Te Hue' on the bottle gourd. The quality of this work is reflected in Professor Green's earlier comment that Joan's prediction that at least one species of te hue used in prehistoric New Zealand came from South America has just recently been proved correct.

Both Joan and I were tried and tested by Prof. Green's marathon 3 hour Friday afternoon lectures, but where as I just struggled to keep awake, Joan used the far more successful ploy of pandering to Roger's weakness for good food by bringing to class delicious home baking. For a number of weeks this resulted in the usual 15 minute teabreak being extended amazingly - before Roger picked up on Joan's subversive activities!

The fourth phase of Joan's career began when in the mid 1980s she started working for the Historic Places Trust Regional Archaeologist Sue Bulmer. This was an exciting period for public archaeology with the boom in building



in the Auckland region leading to numerous archaeological surveys and rescue excavations. Sue's team worked first on the Maori settlements and garden fields of South Auckland and later with the explosion in high rise development, worked on excavating some of the important early historic sites in the central business district of Auckland. It was during this time that Sally and Lou joined Sue's Historic Investigation Team (HIT), were involved in many excavations and developed their cartographical skills.

Joan's area of responsibility was Northland under contract to the Historic Places Trust. It was at this time that she met many of the future DoC staff while working out of the offices of first the Wildlife Service and then Lands and Survey. While Joan was a 'one woman band' in the North, she would often appear down in Auckland driving her mini loaded to the gunnels with excavation material, and call on the larger Auckland Historic Investigation Team for logistic and personnel support. This led to Joan working closely with Leigh Johnson and later Adi and myself on a number of excavation projects in Northland.

This was a period of high productivity where Joan produced her first major report titled 'An Initial Report on Northland Archaeology', and regularly worked 80 hour weeks to carry out extensive fieldwork to protect and rescue Northland's Historic heritage. It is fair to say that for nearly a decade Joan either ran, set up, or provided accommodation for the crews of much of the archaeology that occurred in the North and in the process helped train up a whole generation of archaeologists. Some of the most significant excavations instigated or run by Joan from this period included;

- * The Mill site excavation, Whangarei (involving Cathy Barr)
- * Whirinaki Road refuge pa excavation, Hokianga (directed by Dr Clayton Frederickson)
- * Pompallier House Excavation, Russell.
- * Kokohuia Marae Excavation, Hokianga.
- * Butler Pt Pa Excavation, Mangonui (made possible by the Fergusson Family)

Joan's latest and most widely recognised phase of life came about with the establishment and Joan's transfer into the new Department of Conservation in 1987. With the split up of the Northern region into two Conservancies, Joan became Northland Conservancy's first archaeologist and argued successfully for

more staff, which ultimately led to Adi and myself moving north in 1990 and so the infamous 'archie's team' had arrived.

Throughout the 1990s Joan developed Conservation archaeology in Northland. A key part of this was the development of friendships and working relationships in Maoridom at a tribal, hapu, whanau and individual level. Joan has the respect of many people, that include Raumoana Kawiti, Boxer Hepi, Graham Rankin, Joe and Gracie Kereopa and Emma Gibbs, some of whom are here today. However a particular mention must be made of Joan's great friend Viv Gregory who passed away a number of years ago.

In the wider public arena Joan worked with many other groups and organisations, but especially with the Historic Places Trust. In recent years Joan has consistently supported Kim Tatton and Amanda Young in the Trusts archaeology unit, and from the start worked closely with the Regional Committee of the HPT. Members of this committee present today include historian Neva Clarke McKenna, long time chairman and New Zealand Archaeological Association File Keeper Stan Bartlett, who has been a font of knowledge about Northlands history; and the present chairman Vic Hensley, a renaissance man of many talents became from the start of Joan's tenure in Tai Tokerau, Joan's eyes in the north. This undervalued committee has included amongst its members many others who have worked long and hard to protect Northland's historic heritage, none more important than Joan's old friend Jack Lee who sadly passed away a year ago.

So what is Joan's legacy?

- Joan has produced a family of outstandingly creativity and achievement.
- Joan has single handedly made DoC Northland realise that protecting historic values is a core function of the department.
- Joan has an enviable ability to write clearly and logically about complex heritage issues, and in a way which both the general public and professional archaeologists can understand.
- Joan has left us a very high standard of professionalism and ethics that the historic staff must strive to maintain.

In conclusion Joan has been tough, stropky, and fearless in her fight to save Tai Tokerau's priceless historic and cultural heritage, while at the same time being a kind and sensitive and generous friend to many people - especially to Adi and myself.

Dr Simon Best - Joan's only equal where it came to witty and erudite debate - bluntly described her as 'that small obdurate woman' and then added the ultimate accolade that Joan is passionate about archaeology.

James Robinson
Adrienne Slocombe

New Publication

WAIHOU JOURNEYS: THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF 400 YEARS OF MAORI SETTLEMENT by Caroline Phillips, published by Auckland University Press is to be launched at 6 pm on 12th October in Waipapa Marae, University of Auckland.

Caroline Phillips has a PhD from the University of Auckland, specializing in the archaeology of Maori settlements. Nowadays, she divides her time between teaching at Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi, doing research into Taranaki wetland sites, and undertaking resource management work as an archaeological consultant.

Waihou Journeys is an unprecedented investigation of the Hauraki Plains that sheds light on the fundamental assumptions of New Zealand archaeology. Using a 'landscape approach' it draws together Maori oral history, European written accounts, environmental reconstruction and archaeological excavations and analysis to build up a rich and complete picture of Maori social and cultural change over 400 years. While the focus of the study is a particular geographical location, its comprehensive treatment makes it a radical and refreshing approach.

Waihou Journeys is presented in an A4 format to highlight the intricate detail of the 65 maps and figures, and 19th century paintings and drawings. It is a paperback, approximately 150 pages, and will cost \$49.95. The marae is located on Wynyard Street off Grafton Road, and parking is available in the street. Please come, share in the total joy of completing what has been a very long journey, and bring your cheque book!

Australasian Archaeometry Conference 2001

Australasian Connections and New Directions

February 5-9th 2001, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand

The Australasian Archaeometry conference meets every four years. This year for the first time the conference will be held outside Australia. In 1997 this

conference was attended by several hundred scholars with involvement in the fields of Archaeology, Anthropology, Geography, Conservation, Museology, Material Science and Applied Nuclear Science (e.g. dating, materials analysis etc). Some topics covered at past conferences included advances in dating (14C, TL, OSL, OHD), bone chemistry, technological and provenance studies, prospection, environmental impact and geoarchaeology.

The conference is organized by a Local Organizing Committee which extends invitations to a broad range of researchers working in the Australasian region and beyond. The main host for 2001 will be the Centre for Archaeological Research and Department of Anthropology at the University of Auckland in collaboration with a number of other New Zealand research centres and academic institutions.

The theme session for this Symposium will be Issues and Developments in Australasian Chronology: New Directions for the New Millennium.

Sessions

1. Chronometry

Part 1: Radiocarbon Dating

Convenor : Tom Higham (Waikato University, Radiocarbon Lab)

Part 2: Other Dating Methods

Convenor : Martin Jones (University of Auckland, CAR)

Part 3: Modelling chronometric data

Convenor : Geoff Nicholls (University of Auckland, CAR)

2. Sourcing/Characterisation

Convenor: Marshal Weisler (University of Auckland, Anthropology)

3. Residue/Useware

Convenor: Peter Sheppard (University of Auckland, Anthropology)

4. Palaeoenvironment

Convenor: Mark Horrocks (University of Auckland, CAR)

5. Diet/bone-chemistry/DNA

Convenor: Lisa Matisoo-Smith (University of Auckland, Anthropology)

6. Prospection/Conservation

Convenor: David Nobes (University of Canterbury, Geology)

7. Theme: Dating of SE Asia and Oceania including Australia.

Convenor: Peter Sheppard/Harry Allen (University of Auckland, Anthropology)

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Registration and Abstract Submission

Online registration and downloadable registration forms will be made available on the Archaeometry Conference Web site during the first week of July. This will be announced via email. In order to register interest in attending this conference and to be included in the mailing list please fill in this form.

Please submit abstracts as plain text according to the following format

Paragraph 1: Title

Paragraph 2: Author list (first name last name with a comma between each author)

Academic/institutional affiliation (principal author only)

Address (principal author only)

Fax (principal author only)

Email (principal author only)

Paragraph 3: Keywords: (please provide up to 5 keywords for this abstract)

Paragraph 4: Abstract text

Abstract submission via either email (as an attachment or in the body of the message) or via an abstract submission form available on the Conference Web site is preferred. However if the abstract is submitted by mail it must be accompanied by an electronic version on diskette. The deadline for abstract submission is October 31, 2000.

Registration cost is \$NZ150, and is payable by cheque (made out to Archaeometry 2001), international money order or credit card through the online registration form.

Proceedings

The conference proceedings will be published as an edited Monograph in the Research Papers in Anthropology and Linguistics series ISBN0-9583686-0-0. It is intended that this will appear soon after the conference. Accordingly we

request that all papers (both oral and poster) are accompanied by a completed paper for submission in the Proceedings.

Venue and Accommodation

The Conference will be held at The Conference Centre, 22 Symond St, University of Auckland.

Accommodation bookings and inquiries can be made through Paul Collins at travel.co.nz, 52 Emily Place, P.O. Box 4141, AUCKLAND

Tel : (649) 3588 213

Fax : (649) 3588 217

Mobile 021 621 050

Email : paulc@travel.co.nz

Or alternatively at Tourism Auckland

Timetable

4 days Feb 5-8, Field Excursion on the final day. Details of Social Activities will be announced in October. 3 Sessions per day

The NZAA Site Recording Scheme Upgrade Project

During the winter months little project fieldwork has been completed. This has been partially due to weather conditions, but is also the result of the limited availability of experienced archaeologists and the funding constraints of the project.

Mary O'Keeffe, Chris Jacomb, Katherine Watson and Peter Petchey visited 207 recorded sites on Banks Peninsula during May. Site retention on the peninsula appears reasonably good, with erosion posing the greatest threat to sites. Landowners displayed a high level of awareness about sites on their properties and were generally supportive of the project. From Banks Peninsula, Mary O'Keeffe and Katherine Watson moved to Ashburton district in late May. The aim was to visit 38 recorded sites, with an additional 13 having been excluded from the exercise as they had been recently recorded, visited, or because they were burials or findspots. The majority of the 38 sites to be visited were ovens or middens, recorded in the 1960s and early 1970s in the context of ploughed land. Most of these sites were unable to be relocated, and in many cases it is highly probable that the sites have been completely or substantially destroyed.

Fieldwork in Canterbury was suspended after the completion of work in Waimakariri, Banks Peninsula and Ashburton districts. It is scheduled to recommence in late September within Hurunui, McKenzie and Timaru districts.

Bridget Mosley and Vanessa Tanner completed further work on the East Coast in May and June. There are now less than 400 sites remaining to be visited in Gisborne district. Work on the Eastern Bay of Plenty portion of the East Coast file is now underway in conjunction with Opotiki District Council.

Funding is currently being sought in order to commence fieldwork within the Bay of Plenty file district. Mary O'Keeffe recently completed a paper review of the file, which has provided information on the number of sites that require field visits within each of the Bay of Plenty district council areas. This information will be used in discussions with both the regional and district councils in order to secure funding over the next few months.

The success of the project does ultimately depend upon the support of NZAA members. We are able to offer a limited amount of assistance to members in return for completed site upgrade forms. If anyone is contemplating work in their area involving visiting recorded sites, please contact me to discuss how we may be able to work together in order to achieve the aim of updating the site recording scheme information.

Lynda Bowers
Project Manager
Telephone tollfree 0508 272 423

Historic Places Trust

Life continues at a frenetic pace in the Archaeology Unit of the Trust. While we still have the same number of authorities rolling in, the amount of advocacy work with iwi, councils and other stakeholders is slowly increasing resulting in large workloads for all of us. We are very lucky to have John Coster in the position of Acting Regional Archaeologist for Auckland / Northland while we wait for Stuart Bedford to take up his position in the Auckland office at the beginning of October. On top of all this we are in the middle of a review of the Maori Heritage Division, which is looking at the service delivery and management structure of both the Archaeology and Maori Heritage Units.

We have just released a new archaeology pamphlet "Protecting Archaeological Sites" which has been distributed to all Regional and District Councils, Department of Conservation offices and a range of other stakeholders. This is the first of a range of pamphlets we will be producing over the next two years to update the early 1980s series.

The Trust has had another successful prosecution for an individual who damaged a pa site on the Coromandel. While we are taking a hard line and now investigating all reports of site damage we receive, prosecution is seen as a last resort and not necessarily the only outcome. We also have a case against a bottle-collector in the court system at present and have coupled this with a strong advocacy approach to the bottle-collecting community at large to tell them of their responsibilities under the Historic Places Act, and point out that many of their activities on pre-1900 sites are an offence, if they do not have an authority from the Trust to dig.

The InMagic authorities database is now fully functional and provides us with a more streamlined authority process and ability to retrieve information about all authorities and permits issued by the Trust. As we slowly clear the backlog of authorities we are currently processing my aim is to reduce the turn-around time that it has been taking for them to be processed. Trust staff have tidied up the authority application form and this is now available in both electronic and paper form.

Rick McGovern-Wilson

NZAA Council Meeting

At the 15 July meeting of the Council of the New Zealand Archaeological Association General Business included the following matters:

1. *Upgrade Project Report.* Tabled last two monthly reports. Since May have completed fieldwork for three districts in Canterbury and data is waiting to be processed. Ran Heritage Workshop from Bay of Plenty Regional Council. Fieldwork in abeyance until more field funding becomes available. Lynda concentrating on advocacy and fund raising. It was noted that as we move from Central Index of New Zealand Archaeological Sites (CINZAS) to a database, it must be clear that CINZAS information from the Central File remains free but charges must be made for information from the database.
2. *Best Practice Guidelines - Subcommittee progress.* As of 1 July the Trust ceased to operate the previous list of contract archaeologists. Rick to send a letter to everyone on the old list informing them of this fact but that N.Z.A.A. had agreed to hold a directory of members who were contract archaeologists, and if they wished to be included on this they should contact Ian Barber. Ian to prepare a note to this effect for PIN, the website and AINZ. Subcommittee had decided that separate Forestry Guidelines were no longer appropriate given that the Trust has developed guidelines in conjunction with industry.

3. *Auckland File*. Need a physical space for the file and a new filekeeper(s).
4. *Conference 2001*. Lynda put forward a proposal for holding the next conference in Akaroa and some preliminary outlines. Suggestion of a workshop day before the AGM to discuss, among others, the ethical issues raised in the 2000 AGM. Joint Australian/New Zealand: not time now to include this as an option for 2001. Moira to write to Simon Holdaway asking for information so it can be considered for the future.
5. *LEOTC*. Following up on a suggestion from Pam Bain that N.Z.A.A. may be able to avail itself of the Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom network or apply for funding. Need to find out if there are any national bodies associated with this. Broader discussion of possibilities for other interactions with schools.
6. *Lobbying Government*. Looked at letters from the Ministers of Conservation, the Environment, and Arts, Culture and Heritage. Note the shift in opinion about DoC as a heritage agent. Need to note in replying that we don't feel that DoC has ever really met the expectations to which Section 6 of the Conservation Act gave rise.
7. *RMA Amendment Bill Submission*. Our opportunity to appear in person has been changed for the Christchurch hearings to those which will happen in Wellington; probably some time in August.
8. *Website, www.nzarchaeology.org*. Rick had recently spent a day working on the website. Tom and Gary Law have been doing an immense amount of work on the old pages - not sure if they have yet been moved to the new domain name. Tom and Gary have sole responsibility for preparing material for the site and material for inclusion should be sent to them. With Rick (link with Council), they have final decision-making authority.
9. *Auctioneers Act Review Submission*. This appears to be essentially a review and updating of the 1928 Act. Kath will continue to find background information.
10. *Membership Survey Questionnaire*. Kath to circulate draft to Council for comments. Envisage sending it out to members with one of the 2000 issues of AINZ.
11. *Publications*. Need for a working party to consider various issues surrounding our publications as a whole, especially in light of falling income from subscriptions. Invite current Editors and Publications Manager to join Lynda Bowers and Ian Barber.

SIZE OF CENTRAL FILE as of 31 March 2000

On 31 March 2000 the Central File held a total of 53,131 records. This is an increase of 709 on last year's figure of 52,442. This represents an increase of about 1.4%.

Regional totals are as follows:

| Region | 1999 | 2000 | Change |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Northland | 9673 | 9761 | + 88 |
| Auckland | 8360 | 8579 | + 219 |
| Coromandel | 3997 | 4035 | + 38 |
| Waikato | 3249 | 3255 | + 6 |
| Bay of Plenty | 7788 | 7824 | + 36 |
| Taupo | 411 | 455 | + 44 |
| East Coast | 2709 | 2710 | + 1 |
| Taranaki | 1533 | 1535 | + 2 |
| Inland Patea | 294 | 294 | |
| Hawkes Bay | 1760 | 1885 | + 125 |
| Wanganui | 802 | 846 | + 44 |
| Wellington | 1012 | 1018 | + 6 |
| Nelson | 1523 | 1536 | + 13 |
| Marlborough | 527 | 526 | - 1 |
| Canterbury | 1173 | 1242 | + 69 |
| West Coast | 853 | 853 | |
| Otago | 2451 | 2458 | + 7 |
| Central Otago | 2030 | 2033 | + 3 |
| Southland | 1445 | 1454 | + 9 |
| Outlying Islands | 832 | 832 | |
| | 52422 | 53131 | + 709 |
| Summary | | | |
| North Island Files | 41588 | 42197 | + 609 |
| South Island Files | 10002 | 10102 | + 100 |
| Outlying Islands | 832 | 832 | |
| | 52422 | 53131 | + 709 |

A. Walton
Central Filekeeper
31 March 2000