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## NOTES AND NEWS

### **Editorial**

I don't intend it to be my usual practice to write an editorial each issue—my job is to provide a venue for your ideas and opinions, not to burden you with my own. However, this is my first issue as editor, and it would hardly be right for me not to begin by thanking Joan Lawrence for all her wonderful work as editor of AINZ for the past ten years. I am sure I speak on behalf of all our members when I say that, and I hope I can do as good a job for you as she has done. My second motivation in writing this editorial comes from reading through the responses to the membership survey, reported by Kath Prickett in this issue. One of you said “Would like soapbox opportunity in AINZ for readership.” Well, AINZ is a soapbox—its *your* journal, and it can only happen if you, the NZAA membership, write words to fill its pages. Other respondents to the survey seemed to be suggesting that professionals, or academics, or whoever, are taking over the Association. Apart from the fact that it was founded by professionals and academics, if the non-professional, non-academic membership wants a say, AINZ is the place to do it. I welcome letters at any time, and in order to encourage you I propose to start a new section of AINZ called “Soapbox” (unless any correspondent has a better name!). I hope it works, but its up to you.

### **New Members**

Euan Butters, Nicholas Cable, Simon Hodge, Charlotte Judge, Mark McGhie, Helia Lewis, Craig Osborn, Jonathon Procter, Carla Purdue, Esma Rubini, Jenny Stone, Fiona McFarland, Kiri Sharpe, Andrew Stewart, Ken and Mary Tustin, Ivan Bruce, Mark McCoy, Ministry for Culture & Heritage

### **New Zealand Archaeological Association Annual Conference 2003**

The 2003 Conference will be held in Alexandra, Central Otago, from the 23 – 27 April 2003.

The Conference venue will be the Alexandra War Memorial Hall, located in the centre of Alexandra. Alexandra has a wide range of accommodation options available. Information on accommodation can be obtained from the Central Otago Visitor Information Centre (03) 448 9515 or by visiting [www.alexandra.co.nz](http://www.alexandra.co.nz). Alexandra is two and a half hours drive from Dunedin,

or one and half hours drive from Queenstown. There are several bus coach services operated from both Dunedin and Queenstown. Bookings and timetables are available from the Central Otago Visitor Information Centre.

Confirmed conference schedule:

Wednesday 23 April	All day fieldtrip—a round trip departing from Alexandra and travelling to Queenstown Evening—Welcome event, 6.30 pm Alexandra War Memorial Hall
Thursday 24 April	Registration Opening Address Papers day Evening—Public Lecture, 7.00 pm Alexandra War Memorial Hall (Dr Jill Hamel)
Friday 25 April	Morning—Fieldtrip to historic winery and cherry orchard Afternoon—Practical Demonstrations (field visits) Evening—Conference Dinner (Orchard Garden, Clyde)
Saturday 26 April	Papers day Close of Conference 3.00 pm AGM 3.30 pm
Sunday 27 April	Morning bus trip—Alexandra to Queenstown.

### **Fieldtrips/Conference Shuttle Service**

The fieldtrip on Wednesday 23 April will depart from Alexandra at approximately 9.00 am, travelling to Queenstown. It will depart from Queenstown at approximately 10.30 am, returning to Alexandra and arriving at around 5.00 pm. Conference attendees can join the fieldtrip at Alexandra or Queenstown. Cost \$22 per person (Lunch supplied).

The fieldtrip on the morning of Friday 25 April will depart from the Alexandra War Memorial Hall at 8.45 am. Lunch will be held at the Bannockburn Goldfields Park (catered by Olssen's of Bannockburn) and the bus will then travel on to the 45<sup>th</sup> Parallel Vineyard. Historic gold workings on the property will be used for the afternoon practical demonstrations. The cost for the day is \$25 per person.

The bus on Sunday 27 April will depart from Alexandra at approximately 8.00 am, arriving in Queenstown at approximately 9.30 am. Cost \$12 per person. Pre-booking for these trips is essential as space is limited.

For further details of these trips, and bookings, please contact Katharine Watson, ph. (03) 337 3781 or email: [katharine\\_watson@xtra.co.nz](mailto:katharine_watson@xtra.co.nz).

Updates for Conference 2003 are available on the NZAA web site: [www.nzarchaeology.org](http://www.nzarchaeology.org). Or contact: Lynda Bowers, Conference Coordinator, c/- NZAA, P O Box 6337, Dunedin North. Ph (0508) 272 423 or email [kylie.bop@clear.net.nz](mailto:kylie.bop@clear.net.nz).

### **Call for Papers: NZAA Conference, Alexandra, Central Otago 23-27 April 2003**

Proposals on any aspect of archaeology in New Zealand are welcome. Papers on Pacific archaeology, world archaeology, or archaeological method and theory that are of interest or relevance to the NZ archaeological community are also welcome. Proposals for sessions on particular topics or for poster presentations may be submitted as well.

A cash prize of \$150, sponsored by Clough and Associates Ltd, will be awarded for the best student paper. Eligibility is restricted to NZAA members.

Most papers slots have now been allocated, so if you plan to present a paper, please register promptly. Paper titles and abstracts of no more than 200 words should be submitted on or before 20 March 2003 to:

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c/- NZAA  
P O Box 6337  
Dunedin North.  
Ph (09) 408 6014  
Email: [cbarr@doc.govt.nz](mailto:cbarr@doc.govt.nz).

### **Call for Nominations: Award for Contributions to Public or Scientific Archaeology**

This award is open to members of NZAA and to the wider community, including individuals, groups and organisations (for example territorial authorities, iwi) and members of other scientific disciplines.

Nominations should be in the form of a letter to the secretary and must reach the NZAA box (P O Box 6337, Dunedin North) before 5.00 pm on 31 March 2003. The NZAA Council will take the following factors into account when considering nominations:

- Contribution to the identification, protection and preservation of archaeological sites
- Contribution to the enhancement of public awareness and enjoyment of, and education about, archaeological sites or archaeology in general
- Contribution to the strengthening of the relationship between the archaeological community and Maori
- Any other relevant information.

The Award will be made at the 2003 Annual Conference in Alexandra.

### **NZAA Council Report**

At the 1 February meeting of the of the New Zealand Archaeological Association Council, General Business included the following matters:

#### *1. 2003 Conference*

Information pack has been mailed out to members. Will add day rates to the website. Need a roster of people to sit on the Treasurer's desk.

Call for nominations for the Public Archaeology Award.

#### *2. New Topographic Map Series*

Karen Greig tabled copies of a preliminary discussion document on the impact of the new boundaries on our SRS. Our file keeping system needs to be sufficiently flexible to be unaffected by future changes. Discussed the possibility of using regional council boundaries. Will put on the AGM Agenda for discussion at Alexandra.

#### *3. 2004 Conference*

Looked at a proposal to hold the 2004 conference in November in New Plymouth. Need to meet the requirements of the Constitution for the timing of the AGM and accommodate university exam dates. Will look at possibility of running it in sequence with the two Australasian conferences planned. Need a title.

#### *4. Royal Society Membership*

Correspondence on the funding for the stone circle was tabled. There was some discussion on the value of membership in the face of apparent lack of support for our programmes and area of expertise.

#### *5. CHI Policy and Procedure Manual*

Need to ensure that NZAA has no liability for use of data that was originally recorded for a different purpose.

#### **6. Membership survey**

Kath tabled the results, which will be published in AINZ and on the website.

#### **7. Site Recording Scheme Upgrade**

See separate report from the Project Manager.

### **The NZAA Site Recording Scheme Upgrade Project**

The upgrade of the Bay of Plenty file is on-going. In October 2002 the Tauranga District Council area was completed and the upgraded data has been returned and incorporated into the Council GIS. Fieldwork in Western Bay of Plenty district is now well underway, but progress has been hampered by some landowner fears arising from the recent registration of a wahi tapu in the Welcome Bay area. Adverse media reaction has led to some landowners withdrawing or refusing property access consent for the upgrade project fieldwork. The majority of landowners, however, have remained supportive and work is continuing. It is hoped that we will be able to expand fieldwork into the Rotorua district in the next few months.

Progress on the expansion of the project into the Northland file district is stalled at present as we have not been able to engage a suitably qualified archaeologist to undertake the role of primary contractor. Due in part to the restricted resourcing it is proving difficult to secure archaeologists prepared to work on the project.

Karen Greig and Amanda Young have been completing upgrade project fieldwork in the Tasman District over the summer. Fieldwork in the Nelson City Council area will commence shortly, and preliminary Marlborough district work will be completed this winter, anticipating a commencement of fieldwork in that district next summer.

The Taranaki Regional Council, in partnership with New Plymouth, Stratford and South Taranaki District Council's have agreed to provide funding support in order for the Upgrade Project to begin work in the Taranaki region. This funding will become available during 2003 allowing the process of Iwi and landowner consultation to begin.

District reports for the Upgrade Project in Tauranga and Gisborne have recently been prepared, and copies can be obtained by contacting the Project Manager.

We recently lodged an application with Lotteries Environment and Heritage Committee for core funding to maintain the Upgrade Project for 2003/2004. The outcome should be known in March, and this will determine whether the project can continue to operate beyond April 2003. To date NZAA has been unable to obtain central government funding support for the project, but efforts are continuing.

Finally my usual plea. Please ensure that you complete an update of the Site Record Form if you do visit a previously recorded site, and pass it on to your local filekeeper. This will reduce the number of sites the Upgrade Project has to reassess in the field.

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### **Conference announcement and call for papers**

Kia Ora and Welcome to the Third Announcement: Call for Papers for the 18th International Radiocarbon Conference, in Wellington, New Zealand, September 1 to 5, 2003. The Third Announcement includes on-line forms for Registration and Abstract Submission, Pre and Post Conference touring offers, and descriptions of Special Sessions.

You can find the refreshed conference Website at  
[www.gns.cri.nz/14conference2003/](http://www.gns.cri.nz/14conference2003/)

While we expect the bulk of Registration and Abstract submission to be made via the Web, on-line forms may also be downloaded and posted. If you do have any problem accessing this site, please send us a message at [14Conf-info@gns.cri.nz](mailto:14Conf-info@gns.cri.nz)

Please note that there is a Special per diem Registration for New Zealand-based Delegates. New Zealand resident scientists and students are offered the option of per diem rates to attend the 18th International Radiocarbon Conference. The Royal Society of New Zealand has also provided limited funding for New Zealand students; please see the Conference website for more information.

We look forward to seeing you all in Wellington in 2003.  
Wellington 2003 Conference Organizing Committee

### **NZAA 50th Anniversary**

Next year, 2004, marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of our Association. While planning is in the early stages, a number of events are being considered to mark the occasion. Among these will be a special edition of Archaeology in New Zealand, celebrating the Association's history, its members and their work. At this early stage I am putting out a call to anyone who has photographs of excavations, the characters of NZ archaeology, conferences etc., that they think will be of interest to our members, and that they wish to share. Many of you will have large collections of photos and the stories that go with them. With your help we can make the special edition a memorable one. Please contact me directly. At this point it is intended that the Anniversary Conference will be held in New Plymouth in late November, and several overseas speakers have already been confirmed. Further details will be available in AINZ and through the website as they come to hand.

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