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NOTES AND NEWS

New members

Gretel Boswijk, Andy Brown, James Culley, Aimee Foster, Owen Graham, Gail Henry, Andrew Hoffman, Vanessa King, Jane Leighs, Sheryl McPherson, Melanie Mintmier, Catherine Morgan, Lisa Murray, Willy Ngamoki, Hirere Ngamoki, Mika Ngamoki, Natasha Phillips, Kirsty Potts, Carmen Sarjeant, James Slater, Ben Teele, Karen van Halderen, Mike Vincent, Tristan Wadsworth, Paulette Wallace.

Donations (received with thanks)

W.R. Ambrose, Doug Bray, Mike Burtenshaw, Jonathan Carpenter, Hayden Cawte, P. Fletcher, D.J.A. Gray, David L. Harrowfield, Ken Horner, Anne Leahy, S. Macready and R. Clough, John Mitchell, I.J. Morrison, Srey Muth, E.L. Phelan, K.E. Prickett, Charles Sedgwick, C. Wheadon, Les Wright, Joanna Wylie.

From the editor

This is my last issue as editor of *AINZ*. The next editor will be confirmed at this year's AGM. In the meantime I would like to thank all who have contributed to a very enjoyable 5½ years in this job and I hope you will all give the new editor the same support you have given me. Cheers!

Mat Campbell

NZAA Council

At the 15 March 2008 meeting of the New Zealand Archaeological Association Council the following matters were discussed under General Business:

2008 conference

The Powhiri will be held at Aratoi, the Wairarapa Museum of Art and History, Bruce Street, Masterton commencing at 4.30 pm on 4 June followed by a cup of tea and an opportunity to view the 'Wairarapa Whakaputa Mohoi – Settling the Land' exhibition at Aratoi. The Evening Welcome Event will commence at 6.30 pm (complimentary drinks and light supper) at Aratoi. The welcome event is being sponsored by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust. A table will be set up in the Aratoi foyer for conference registration.

Conference Dinner

To be held at the conference venue on the evening of Friday 6 June commencing at 7.30 pm. DJ booked for after dinner dance.

Fieldtrip

This will be a full day trip on Saturday 7 June, led by Nigel Prickett. The key visit points will be Brancepeth Homestead and the Waikekeno Historic Area. The trip probably should be limited to 90 people in order to keep the group size manageable. A paper bag lunch will be supplied by the conference venue managers.

Upgrade project

Karen noted that the steering group had decided to extend the project to the end of the year, so there had been six months of the Project running without Central Government funding. It would from now on be reshaped onto a series of regional projects, each of which would have a separate funding strategy.

Moved (Bain/Brooks) that the Upgrade Project continue to operate at a regional level to meet existing contractual obligations. Agreed.

Digital Strategy update

Pam reported that the contract had been signed with Insitu, who will manage the contract on behalf of NZAA. Garry Law, as convener of the steering committee will pick up the role of liaison with Insitu and the DIA.

There will be a meeting with the larger steering group in May about issues of governance and negotiations about the management of the central file. A meeting in June will focus on the scoping document. NZAA input is needed before that meeting.

Filekeeping issues

The Central File has requested direction on the current and future role of the silent files within the Site Recording Scheme.

Wellington file

Moved (Darmody/Greig) that Council approve the appointment of Simon Duff as the Wellington filekeeper and thanks Emma Brooks for her contribution to the Site Recording Scheme. Agreed.

Southland

It was noted that Rachel Egerton has moved the Southland file from the Southland Museum and Art Gallery to the Southland DoC office and that Karl Gillies' access to the file in this new location was to be arranged soon.

Groube Award

The call for nominations for this award, presented every two years, was about to be posted on the website, the e-news, and on the PIN.

Treasurer

Moved (Bain/Brooks) that Rachel Darmody be confirmed as the NZAA Treasurer. Agreed.

The List

As agreed following the last Council meeting we now have one single national list, with names only. Anyone who didn't contact Pam has had his or her name removed from the list. A preamble has been drafted saying that contact regarding the list should be through Emma Brooks, in her role as Membership Secretary.

The meeting noted its gratitude to Ian Barber for the work he has put into the Directory over the years.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 5 June 2008

Aerial photos

Enquiries to the Minister of Lands have revealed that early aerial photos are no longer held by LINZ and, in order to keep them publicly accessible, have been transferred as follows:

- a complete set is held by Archives NZ (reference@archives.govt.nz, 04-499-5595)
- the former Auckland LINZ set is held by Auckland University Library (bwmarshall@auckland.ac.nz, 09-373-7599 x88452)
- the former Hamilton LINZ set is held by Waikato University (jrobson@waikato.ac.nz, 07-856-2889 x6625)

John Coster