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REPORT on the SITE SURVEY

by Tony Fomison (local file keeper)

In Canterbury, most of the field work is being carried out by a loosely associated group of varsity students: Annette Jones; Owen Filkes; Russell Turner; Peter Johns (lecturer); and myself. Each of us has found it convenient to record in those districts which we know, and where we have connections - but we visit one another's areas to compare notes, and we will be combining for excavations.

At Banks Peninsula, Annette & Owen have concentrated on Port Levy - Pigeon Bay - Akaroa; Russell on the Outer Bays; and myself on Lyttelton - Lakes Forsyth & Ellesmere. To inaugurate our existence as a group, the four of us combined for a weekend's survey of Akaroa, in August 1960.

Further afield, Owen has been recording in the Karamea - Nelson area, and Peter in the Marlborough Sounds. I have been progressing with a survey of Kaikoura Coast and North Canterbury, and with regard to Kaikoura I have been able to provide the Trust (Marlborough Regional Committee) with information to assist in the pin-pointing and signposting of historic pa sites. Also, the Kaikoura County Council has been provided through its Consultant Engineer with locality maps of archaeological sites, for consideration in the County's town and country planning scheme - this should prevent the inadvertent destruction of sites by any Council work.

In South Canterbury, most of the field work was done in pre-war days by Messrs McCally, Irvine, Griffiths and Hornsey, and they have not hesitated to make their findings available for the files. The most distinctive archaeological remains in South Canterbury are the rock drawings, and I have recently concluded a 9 weeks' survey on them for the Trust (South Canterbury Regional Committee). This survey was in the nature of an exploration, preparatory to fencing and other protective measures, and 185 shelters with drawings were located.

In conclusion, mention must be made of some recent field recording by the Canterbury Museum Archaeological Society. A member, and son of the Museum's Director, Ian Duff, has been working with Russell and myself in the Outer Banks Peninsula bays, and now operates there with his own team comprising Dave Harrowfield (late of North Otago) and John Longbottom.