

MR. BREE'S COTTAGE, KA-RORI ROAD, WELLINGTON

SINCE our last publication, intelligence, of an important and interesting character, has been received from this hitherto ill-fated Colony. The details will be found elsewhere; and as the information will, doublies, have the effect of drawing public attention to the progress of the Settlement, we are persuaded that the annexed Views, representing scenes from the active colonisation of the Islands, will be acceptable to our readers.

Sches from the active commanion to the islands, with be acceptante to duri readers. These three views are from the pencil of Mr. S.C. Brees, (now of Lincoln's Ian Fields), who was the Principal Surveyor and Civil Engineer to the New Zealand Company, from the year 1841 to 1845. It was this dury to lay out the land purchased of the Company, to find the best roads and communications through the country; and to construct them, also the bridges, and other engineering works.

Those who have not considered the subject, can form no conception of the preliminary operations necessary before a new country can be occupied. The rivers and ranges of hills, harbours, &e., are obliged to be surveyed and laid down upon a map, in order to show their position in reference to cost, and this before the country can be subdivided. The Wellington Staff of Surveyors amounted to be tween twenty and thirty; and some hundred of field-men were generally employed.

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Ka-roit is one of the suburban districts of Port Nicholson; and the cottage, originally occupied by Mr. Bress, lies on the road to it. It is trying work for the settler, until he has cleared sufficient ground for his house and offices, and put them up. The large tree standing in his view is all that is now left of the once proud forest that covered all this district. The view affords people in England a notion of a houre in New Zealand: with goats, pips, turkeys, fowls, ducks, and stock, the settlers may make themselves very comfortable. The climate is so fine that the surveyors bivouse for month stogether - in fact, at all seasons of the year - in the open air; and live stock of all kinds flourish exceedingly.



Recent photograph of the Garrod family in this "UN Year of the Family" From left to right: Pamela, daughter Claire, son Mark and Ron.

A Message from our National President – Ron Garrod

Dear Members

Hearty greetings to you all, on behalf of my family and your National Executive. I do hope that you have all enjoyed the warmer weather and where possible, taken leave to recharge the batteries. Although the economic reforms that we have all experienced over recent years were urgent and necessary, it has definitely brought uncertainty and hardship to many of our members. However, as pioneer stock, I am sure that many will have embraced the hardship as a positive contribution to the secure future of our country.

Your National Executive has been most sensitive to this state of affairs, being charged with both the responsibilities towards its current members and the future survival of the New Zealand Founders Society. I personally believe, that we are at a stage in our development, that does not allow for further retrenchment, or we would find ourselves as many similar national organisations have, as only a pleasant memory. This would be most unfortunate as I believe that our unique organisation has enormous potential to benefit New Zealand. Surely, that is what our forebears would have wished of their descendants.

Like our country, we have been through a period of upheaval, reassessment and stabilisation. This is now substantially over and congratulations should go to delegates of the National Council, the National Executive and to all the Branches and their loyal and enthusiastic leaders, who so often must bear the brunt of change.

It is not necessary to restate here the benefits of a National Organisation but it is necessary to say that it is only worthwhile if its members perceive value in it. A strong organisation can be of great help, offering unity, national representations, funding opportunities, new branch support and development, inter-branch communication and much more. Your National Executive is working towards providing the platform that will make this possible.

I look forward to meeting many of you during the remainder of this year and to pass on some of the positive happenings within the NZ Founders.

A is for ARAB All Part of Our History SMALL WORLD

My father was a country joiner and, about 65 years ago, when the local authorities decided that either the roofs of the single storey houses in a neighbouring village called Marywell had to be raised or the houses would be condemned, my father contracted to take off the existing rafters. Resting on the ledge formed by the two feet thick stone wall was found a letter in beautiful script and bound by thread to form a small booklet.

– John Gould 1970 (Scotland)

The below is an extract from a letter sent to Mrs O Finch of Eastbourne from a distant relative in England and relates the circumstances under which the *Arab* letter was found. "This letter is all part of our history.

Note: Your Editor came by a copy of the *Arab* letter via a Founders member, now resident in Cambridge, Waikato. He wondered if the original letter might be linked to the late Mrs O Finch of Eastbourne, Wellington, through a current office bearer of the Eastbourne Historical Society. Indeed Mrs O Finch was his mother who had died in 1985 aged 100 years. When asked for permission to reprint the letter Mr B Finch agreed saying "this letter is all part of our history. I'll be glad to have the Founders Bulletin use it in whole or in part as you think fit."

Here is a sampling of the letter - only a small extract from the full 8-page (foolscap document) which for a modest contribution and a stamped addressed envelope will be sent to anyone interested.

Letter – October 1841 (Note: Spelling & grammar left as in original text) From Port Nicholson, Wellington, NZ

Passenger George Darling (aged 27), Agricultural Labourer and his wife (aged 21) who arrived on the "Arab" October 16th, 1841.

Dear Parents and Friends

I have taken the opportunity of giving you an account of my passage from old Scotland to New Zealand, therefore I think I will commence from London on the 31st May. There was 2 doctors examined our arms, they who had not had the Small Pok. In the evening Mr Mears and Smith gave us 7 shillings and sixpence and we gave 1 shilling each, so we had a very merry night. On the 1st of June there was 2 barges brought to Deptford Pier so we were very busy all forenoon getting our boxes on board of them, about mid-day we all got on board of them, and set sail for the Arab which was lying 2 miles further down the river. We were all in high spirits so we gave old England three hearty cheers. We all got on board. Everyone was very anxious to see what part of the ship they were to be put in; by good luck mine was opposite the main hatch, as good a berth as was in the ship. There was three tubes about 30 feet long one at each hatchway for to give us plenty of fresh air, she was fitted up in the first Style. On the 3rd they weighed anchor. There was a steamboat to tow us down the river. There was another ship sailed with us. Her name was the Oriental. We sailed down the Thames close to each other. The Oriental cast anchor at Gravesend, but we stood out for sea, the wind being favourable. The steamboat left us so the Arab proceeded on her

first voyage, about 10 o'clock in the evening. The wind began to blow some stronger. It stood out very well all night. In the morning the wind got right ahead of us till the 7th it changed about 2 in the morning. It came on in an instant. For about 5 minutes it was guite a hurricane. There was twice we were almost on our beamends. The Prince Ruepart, the ship who sailed 6 weeks before us was thrown twice on her beamends at the same place. She had to put in for a month to get repairs as she was waterloged. The wind being favourable we shaped our course for Dartmouth. We got to anchor in the evening. There was 2 or 3 boats came alongside full of carpenters wanting to take the job. They got her all right on Saturday, but when we were taking up the anchor something gave way which made us stop till another week. We were making way, on Monday afternoon but the youngmen went to the cabin and lodged a complaint against the steward. He was put to the bar and found guilty for a crime which I will not mention it was horrid. The Surgeon and Captain went on shore with a Constable on each side of him. He was put into prison but how they had decided his case I do not know for he was only out of prison six months for the same offence. When he went out of the ship into the boat, everyone on board hissed and spat at him.

RECENT ARRIVALS into the membership ranks of the Founders Society ... The National Secretary and especially the National Registrar supplied the following listing of those new members who have joined since the last Bulletin and up until approximately the beginning of October 1993.

A CATCH-UP MEMBERSHIP LIST FOR THE PERIOD Nov 1990 to Sept 1993

Name	Area	Ship	Date	Ancestor
Mrs L M Skinner	Waiheke Island	Southern Cross	1855	George & Sophia SUSTINS
Mrs D Hulse	Auckland	Fifeshire	1842	John CARGILL
				& Mary MEREDITH
Mrs Y J Fraser	Rotorua	Tyne	1841	Edward & Sarah HART
Mrs P E Dunstan	Gisborne	Blenheim	1840	James & Mary BROWN
		Oriental	1840	Thomas WRIGLEY
		Oriental	1840	William & Ann WELCH
Mr T D Colson	New Plymouth	by	1857	Alexander & Mary Ann COLSON
Mr W M Neilson	Wanganui	Bengal Merchant	1840	James NEILSON
Mrs M K F Murcott	Hamilton	by	1857	Stephen Herbert TOWGOOD
		(in Tai	ranaki)	
Mr R B McGregor	Napier	Katherine	1852	William Ward YATES
		Stewart Forbes		
Mrs B E Holmes	Hastings	Alma	1857	Harriet & Sam FLETCHER
Mr N Holmes	Hastings	Associate		
Mr T W Cook	Waipukurau	Alma	1857	Harriet & Sam FLETCHER
Mrs F M Cook	Waipukurau	Associate		
Mrs K M Edwards	Waipukurau	Lady Nugent	1841	George Francis & Fanny BEACHEN
Mrs D P Bebbington	Wellington	Katherine	1841	George & Jane ALLEN
	1.1	Stewart Forbes		
Mrs D Hulse	Auckland	Fifeshire	1842	Mary MEREDITH
Mrs D Andrew	Auckland	Duchess of	1842	Robert & Mary ANDREW
(Broadfoot)		Argyle		- AND
Mrs S Holdsworth	Gisborne	Associate		
Mrs A M McLachlan	Hamilton	?	1865	Thomas C TODD
Mrs M Donaghy	Wanganui	Blenheim	1840	Duncan & Marjory
	0			(Margaret) FRASER
		Blenheim	1840	Gregor McGREGOR
Mrs E M Burgess	Wanganui	Canterbury	1864	Cornelius & Sarah CHIDGEY
Mrs J C Bennett	Eltham	Blenheim	1842	Thomas WILKINSON
				Alice WILKINSON (nee Nessu)
Mr J F Elmsly	Rotorua	Ellen Lewis	1860	Dr Joseph ELMSLY
Mrs C M Elmsly	Rotorua	Associate		
Mr G Eteveneaux	Tauranga	Comte de Paris	1840	Jean Baptiste ETEVENEAUX
		Aurora	1840	Joseph CARTER
Mrs G Eteveneaux	Tauranga	Associate		Jeech. e
Mrs H M Munday	Waipukurau	Associate		
in strin and y	Taipanaraa		(1873)	(Andreas & Maren OLSEN)
Mr W W Rayner	Auckland	British Sovereign	1845	Robert Henry WYNYARD
Mrs E T Wakelin	New Plymouth	Osprey	1841	Valentine HARRISON
Mrs B M McIntyre	New Plymouth	Osprey	1849	Walter C W CLEMENT
Mrs J M Moyle	Napier	London	1840	William CHITHAM
inis j in moyle	hapier	Oriental Queen	1849	Thomas STEEL
Mr G R Moyle	Napier	Associate	1049	HIGHES STELL
Mrs T C Watts	Napier	Sir George Osborn	01826	James HAMLIN
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Mrs C M Davidson	Waipukurau		by 1863	H J PILCHER
		Royal Albert	1853	Peter AYSON
Mrs J C Johnstone	Waipukurau	?	by 1855	Walter J STODDART
Mr A F Aldridge	Waipukurau	?	1858/9	Thomas MORRISON
Mr N H Wouldes	Auckland		By 1840	John WEAVELL
		Clifton	1848	James FINNERTY
		Inchinnen	1852	Thomas NAUGHTON
Mrs L R Wouldes	Auckland	Associate		
Mrs D M Dalton	Hamilton	Minerva	1847	Charles Joseph HARE
Mrs A M Eade	Hamilton	Timandra	1842	Samuel JOLL
Mrs D M McTaggart	Hastings	Strathallan	1859	John & Elizabeth WILSON
Mrs D E Holmes	New Plymouth	William Bryan	1841	William COWLING
Mrs D J Karageorge	New Plymouth	Bengal Mercha		Alexander YULE
Miss K H Bragg	Masterton	Gertrude	1841	Richard & Charlotte BRAGGE
Mrs M A Knight	Ballarat, Aust.	Oriental	1840	labez & Ann DEAN
Mrs D Ropiha	Dannevirke	onentar	1847	John & Nancy NORTHE
Mr R D J Parkinson	Hamilton	Ajax	by 1839	William GILBERT
Mi K D J Larkinson	Hamilton	Flying Foam	1864	Thomas PARKINSON
		Caducesus	1859	William WRIGHT
Mrs O M Parkinson	Hamilton	Lady Nugent	1841	Edward & Mary Ann PRINCE
MIS O MIT alkinson	Tranniton	Birman	1842	Samuel & Eliza CROWTHER
Mrs A F Freeman	Orewa	Mooltan	1849	Catherine PERKINS
Mr R T Le Lievre	Rotorua	Comte de Paris		Etienne Francois LE LIEVRE
Mrs E C P Le Lievre	Rotorua	Associate	1040	
Mrs W C Stevens	Masterton	Samarang	1852	Henry PIPER
Mrs B J Seymour	Masterton	Deborah	1826	James Reddy CLENDON
IVITS D J Seymour	Masterion	Jane Gifford	1842	James & Janet McLELLAN
Mrs A C Poud	Martinhorough	?	1855	Albert West SEDCOLE
Mrs A G Boyd	Martinborough	?	by 1846	James MARTIN
Mr K H Henderson	Mainukurau		1864	William HENDERSON
MIN I HEIDEISON	Waipukurau	Tiptree Cornwall	1851	William BOAG
Mrs L A Henderson	Waipukurau	Associate	1051	William BOAG
Miss E E Willis	Hastings	?	by 1857	John JACKSON
Miss S I Willis	Hastings	?	by 1857	John JACKSON
Mrs A M Watson	Gisborne	sir George	1826	William WILLIAMS
MIS A M Watson	Gisbonie	Osborne	1020	
Mrs J Humphreys	Gisborne	?	by 1865	John Griffiths THOMAS &
				Jessie Dalrymple THOMAS
				(nee Taylor)
Mrs F P Simpson	Wanganui	Lady Egidia	1861	Jessica McRAE & Hugh CLARK
Mrs H S Hunter	Te Puke	Indiana	1858	John & Jane LEE
Mr A B Stace	Te Puke	Mary Ann	1842	George & Helen (Ellen) McRAE
Mrs P A Gorrie	Upper Hutt	Olympus	1841	William & Henry BURTON
				Eliza BURTON
			by 1858	Henry HOWARD
Mrs C B Traue	Masterton	Prince of Wales	the second second second second	Charles & Sarah STAGG
Mr E W Thomas	Masterton	Associate		
Mrs M O Benton	Gisborne	Mystery	1862	George Russell JOBLIN
Mr T C Ellis	Waitara	Aurora	1840	James & Sarah Ann BARROW
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Mr K A Thomson	Havelock North	Associate		and Conservation of the Constant of Constant o

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Mrs M R Newland	Masterton	Tory	1839	Thomas W TANKERSLEY
		Aurora	1840	Sarah DRAPER
		Catherine	1841	Charles & Mary COTTLE
		Stewart Forbes		
Mrs O M Metcalfe	Pakuranga	Victoria	1839	George & Jane GRAHAM
Mrs J B Kirkham	Auckland	Amelia Thompson	1841	James & Grace BAYLY
Ms E D Nicholls	Auckland	Lord Auckland	1842	Thomas John THOMPSON
Mrs N Young	Rotorua	Fifeshire	1842	Mary Ann JONES
				Mary Ann MEREDITH
Mrs K T Kemp	Gisborne	Gertrude	1841	Philip & Catherine MURCH
Mrs W D Tucker	Howick	Aurora	1840	William Arthur MORRISON
Mr R S Tucker	Howick	William Bryan	1841	Edward TUCKER & Emma PHILLIPS
Mrs W E Purdy	Hamilton	by	1846	James & Jane MIDDLETON
Mrs V Feisst	Hamilton	Associate		
		Mermaid	1859	James & Catherine QUALTROUGH
Mrs V A P Smith	Hastings	Whitby	1841	John ARMSTRONG
		Indus	1843	Aurora ARMSTRONG
			1859	Nathaniel WILLIAMS
Mrs E F Alexander	Mana, Wgton	London	1842	Timothy BENTON
Mrs D A Newman	Whangaparaoa	Arachne	1841	Nathaniel William LEVIN
Mrs P J Powell	Auckland	Southern Cross	1855	George & Sophia SUSTINS
Mr W K Gordon	Auckland	Helenslee	1864	Mrs Samuel GORDON
Mrs G E Kynman	Auckland	Jane Gifford	1842	John & Agnes HILL
		Viola	1865	Matthew & Jane WALLACE
		CORNUBIA	1857	Thomas & Maria OSBORNE
Count M Subritzky	Renwick	Saint Pauli	1843	Sophie Elisabeth SUBRITZKY
Mr P P Pearse	Hamilton	London	1840	Henry Hodges WHELCH
Mr R H Hennessy	Auckland	Mooltan	1849	James McNEIL
Mrs S E Huntley	Napier (Assoc)	Hovding	1873	Maren & Andreas OLSEN
Mr D Huntley	Napier	Associate		
Master G M Burns	Greytown	Cressy	1850	William FROST
	<i>27</i>	Bolton	1842	John & Amelia KIDSON
		Thomas Harrison	1842	Abel & Sarah GRAVES
		Sir Charles Forbes	1841	Edward & Sarah GROOBY
		Whitby	1841	Henry LUNN
		Lloyds	1842	Sarah LUNN
Mr C Ramsbottom- Isherwood	Gisborne	Glentanner	1857	William David DOGGETT
Mrs B J Powell	Gisborne	Bolton	1840	John Frederick CHURTON
Mrs B G Maude	Gisborne	General Gates	1819	James KEMP
Mr B I Currie	Gisborne	Kate	1840	William CURRIE
Mrs B Currie	Gisborne	Assoc iate		
Mrs J A Babe	Waipukurau	Lord Auckland	1842	Francis OTTERSON
		Victory	1851	Barbara BURNETT
Mrs O Alexander	Porangahau	Magnet	1840	Emanuel GOMEZ
Mr J B Holdaway	Marton	Whitby	1841	John HOLDAWAY
		Mary Ann	1842	Mary HOLDAWAY
Mrs H N Holdaway	Marton	Cuba	1840	William Mein SMITH
		Adelaide	1840	Mrs Louisa Babgrave SMITH
Mrs Z J Whyte	Kingston on		1842	Israel & Julia Ana PELLEW
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Dr B W Scott	Eltham		1863	Helena Lydia CARPENTER
Mrs E M Kurth	Hamilton	Essex	1843	Richard & Jane OLD
		Essex	1843	Nicholas & Zenobia KNUCKEY
Mrs J I Johansen	Hamilton	Duke of Portland 1	861(?)	John FLYNN
		William Bryan	1841	Valentine HARRISON
Mrs B M Garden	Wellington	Isabella Hercus	1856	Janet ALLISON
			1862	John SOWDEN
Miss A C Colman	Wainuiomata	Blenheim	1840	Hugh & Catherine McKENZIE
R. Hon. F M Colman	Wainuiomata	Blenheim	1840	Hugh & Catherine McKENZIE
Mrs D E Brown	Auckland	Oriental	1840	Cecilia Eliza RODGERS
Mrs F M Evans	Wanganui	William Hyde	1852	Alexander & Sarah WILLIAMSON
	5	Rajah	1853	Charles & Jane PARKINSON
Mrs A Bullock	Hamilton	Roslyn Castle	1837	James Robinson CLOUGH
		Chariot of Fame	1863	Ellen REGAN
Mrs N M E Moore	Wellington	Blenheim	1840	James & Mary BROWN
	0	Oriental	1840	Thomas WRIGLEY
		Oriental	1840	William & Ann WELCH
Mrs J M Hunt	Napier	Oriental	1840	John & Mary SUTHERLAND
Mrs P D Marsden	Napier	Oriental	1840	John & Mary SUTHERLAND
Mr S B U McKenzie	Wanganui	Oriental	1840	Thomas Urguhart McKENZIE
Mrs M E Paton	Katikati	Aurora	1840	Rowland John DAVIS
Mrs D M Ramsbottom-	Gisborne	Associate	1040	Kowiand John D/W15
Isherwood	Clisbollie	Associate		
Mr B M Odgers	Hamilton	Clifford	1842	Thomas VERRY
Mr A S Miller	Tauranga	Associate		
Mrs N R Miller	Tauranga		1852	William LAMBERT
Mrs A E McKay	Waipukurau	Jura	1858	John & Isabella KERR
Mrs I T Bennett	Napier	Bolton	1840	John & Elizabeth GOLDSWORTHY
Mrs O M Unverricht	Hastings	Bosworth	1857	Ellen CHASE
Mrs D P Wells	Napier	African	1860	Joseph BAKER
	· ·ep·e·	John Scott	1859	William & Susan ALDERTON
Mr F W Marsden	Napier	Associate		
Mr J P Hunt	Napier	Associate		
Mr J A Pinkham	Wairoa	London	1842	Thomas & Jane ALLPORT
	rrunou	Timandra	1842	James & Betsy WILLS
		Jura	1858	Margaret CHAPMAN
		Pekin	1850	James & Mary SIMPSON
Mrs P J Browne	Auckland	Joseph Fletcher	1855	Charles Ebenezer BROWNE
Wils I J Diowne	Adekiand	Birman	1842	Joseph CLAPHAM
1947		Olympus	1842	John EDWARDS
MRS V I Cammell	Auckland	Birman	1842	Joseph Charles CLAPHAM
Miko V) Calilinen	Auckianu	Olympus	1842	John & Mary EDWARDS
Mrs A E Taylor	Auckland	Eveline	1865	
MISAE TAYIOT	AUCKIANO			Thomas & Margaret FERGUSON
		Steinwarder	1864	William John FERGUSON
Mr D A Colore	Mastartar	Eveline	1865	John & Catherine FRASER
Mr D A Spiers	Masterton	Oriental	1840	James & Harriet SPIERS
Mrs J M Spiers	Masterton	Cuba	1840	Robert WYETH
	i	Duke of Roxburgh	1840	Jane RUNNALLS
Mr R M Steel	Lower Hutt	London	1842	Charles & Mary DIXON
Mr R W Blair	Auckland	Aurora	1840	James MAXWELL
		Bolina	1842	Thomas Belton KEMP

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Mrs M W McKenzie	Napier	Cornubia	1855	David DUNN
Mr D McCaskey	Wellington	William Miles	1864	Dugald & Margaret McLAREN
Mrs D McCaskey	Wellington	Gananoque	1860	Richard & Jane THOMPSON
Mrs M A Vennell	Auckland	Bengal Merchant	1840	
		Buffalo	1840	
	1.1.11	Bolton	1840	Eliza HARGREAVES
Mrs N A McCann	Hamilton	Oriental	1840	William & Ann WELCH
Mrs M R McLachlan	Masterton	Louis & Miriam	1848	Mary CHEW
Mrs H E Martin	Whangarei	Lady Nugent	1841	John & Sophia SOUTHEE
		Gertrude	1841	John Ingl & Eliza DAYSH
U. D. U. S	1.1	Cameo	1859	John & Mary KNOWLES
Mr A D Martin	Whangarei	Whitby	1841	Samuel WELLS
		Mary Anne	1842	Martha WELLS
Mrs J I Bowman	Waipukurau	Hovding	1872	Ole ERICKSEN
Miss F E Schofield	Auckland	Merchantman	1855	Family HAMPSHIRE
Mr F Gaukrodger	Gisborne	Indus	1843	Charles GAUKRODGER
Mrs S Pinkham	Wairoa	Associate		
Mr J E Trounson	Plimmerton	Hanover	1862	James & Sarah TROUNSON
Mrs A J Jackson	Tauranga	20 C	1855	Mary & Thomas HEMPTON
Mrs D C Baxter	Havelock North	Bolton	1842	John & Amelia KIDSON
Mr K W Baxter	Havelock North	Associate		
Mrs N D Moat	Hastings	Oriental	1841	Robert WILTON
Mrs M Chrisp	Gisborne	Sandford	1856	Edward William KNOWLES
		Constantine	1860	Diana Eden BROWN
Mrs W K Rudd	Hamilton	Minerva	1853	Anne Elizabeth COOPER
		(?ex Australia)	1851	Robert CHAPMAN
Mrs J F Stirling	Clive	Hovding	1872	Berthold GUNDERSEN
(Associate)	Hawkes Bay			
Mrs J H Goodison	Whangarei	Westminster	1842	Thomas Sparrow CARMICHAEL
		?	1853	Dr & Mrs Samuel STRATFORD
		?	1853	Thomas CHILD
		Shooting Star	1859	Nathaniel CLOTWORTHY
		Shalimar	1859	Amelia CLOTWORTHY
Mrs M A Burnell	Auckland	Aurora	1840	James PREBBLE
		Duke of Portland	1849	Andrew DAWSON
Mr W H Burnell	Auckland	Gananoque	1860	Jabez Richard KITCHINGMAN
		Mermaid	1865	William GIMBLETT
Mrs J A Kirby	Wellington	London	1840	Henry & Elizabeth OVEREND
		London	1842	Joseph & Mary DIXON
		Birman	1842	Samuel & Eliza CROWTHER
Mrs N M Taylor	Wellington	Oriental	1841	Robert & Elizabeth WILTON
Mrs J J Goodwin	Wellington	London	1842	Joseph & Mary DIXON
Mr I M Gentleman	Wellington	Associate		
Mrs J M Brandts-Giesen	9	Zelandia	1859	Sarah RICKETTS
Mrs J Brown	Te Karaka	Lord William	1841	Robert, Charlotte & Sarah HOPTON
		Bentinck		
		Osprey	1849	John CLEMENT (Jnr)
Mrs A F Davy	Taradale	Duke of Roxburgh		Thomas UREN
Mrs A Nickless	Upper Hutt	Bolton	1840	Zachariah CATLEY
	opper ridit	London	1840	William SIGNAL
		Ursula	1843	William TROTTER
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		Bengal Merchant	1840	Samuel BURNETT
Mrs I Hebden	Masterton	Matilda Wattenbach	1862	Alfred STEVENTON
		Annie Wilson	1863	John WILSON
Mrs N C Lawrence	Masterton	Lady Nugent	1841	John MARTIN
Mr R I Hunter	Carterton	New Zealand	1842	Robert HUNTER
		Fifeshire	1842	John KERR
(Also claims but not pr	oven)	Pekin	1849	Robert SIMPSON
Mrs R Douglas	Auckland	Jane Gifford	1842	John & Agnes HILL
Mrs D J Franklin	Waipukurau	Ganges	1863	Thomas & Elizabeth HOBSON
Mrs K M Millar	Leeston	Roehampton	1858	John LILLY
Mr G R Millar	Leeston	Echunga	1862	Joseph & Margaret LEWIS
Mrs C Watt	Southbridge	Echunga	1862	Joseph & Margaret LEWIS
Mrs V K Webster	Hamilton	London	1842	William & Mary Ann BARRATT
Mr J G Wilkins	Hamilton	Minerva	1847	James WHITE
Mrs H C Walker	Hamilton	Cashmere	1854	George & Mary HONNOR
Mr J Pyers	Onga Onga	Associate		
Mrs P J Cooper	Masterton	London	1842	Charles DIXON
Mr W J Cooper	Masterton	Associate		
Miss D Jurgens	Wanganui	St Pauli	1843	Rev. J W C HEINE
Mr S C Edwards	Auckland		1830s	John Henry EDWARDS
Mrs M E Farquharson	Kamo	Claremont	1863	George DREADON
Mrs E A Newland	?	? by	1864	Lewis REES
Mrs L J Carrel	Wanganui	Bolton	1842	George William &
				Sarah Ann CLARKSON
		Victory	1863	John & Mary WHITTAKER
Mr A C Carter	Rotorua	Eden	1850	George & Jane FITNESS
Mr I R Henderson	Rotorua	Phoebe	1843	Francis & Sarah GROOBY
Mrs L I Chapman	Victoria, Aust.	Bolton	1840	James Henry NASH
Mrs N P Pailthorpe	Wellington	Bolton	1840	James Henry NASH
Mr R L Greville	Upper Hutt	Almeda	1862	Joseph Henry Earle GREVILLE
Mr O R Thomas	Martinborough	Duke of Roxburgh	1840	William THOMAS
Mr A M Simmonds	Carterton	Q Margaret	1855	Ann BASSETT
Mrs N L Simmonds	Carterton	Robert Henderson	1861	Alexander & Margaret GALLON
Mrs L M Shuker	Puketapu	Lady Nugent	1841	Ezekial & Mary Ann THORBY
Mrs L P de Berri-Wharrie	Haumoana	Fifeshire	1842	Thomas BERRY
Miss M A Rippey	Wellington	Duchess of Argyle	1842	Thomas RIPPEY
Mr V Armstrong	Tauranga	Associate		
Mrs I O'N Guscott	Masterton	Mary Ann	1836	John Milsome JURY
Mrs A J Campbell-Lash	Havelock North?	by	1851	Alexander MacDONALD
Mrs M D Round	Tauranga	Lloyds	1839	William Watson WOON
Mr E W Round	Tauranga	Associate		
Mrs M C Sivertsen	Christchurch	Castle Eden	1851	James WRIGHT
Mrs J A Field	Havelock North	Arab	1841	Ann & Charles HOLLARD
		Lady Nugent	1841	Robert & Ann ROBINSON
Lady D M Grace	Wellington	Bengal Merchant	1840	Capt Frederick George MOORE
Mrs E G Gunn	Hastings	Oriental	1840	Thomas Urquhart McKENZIE
		Blenheim	1840	Duncan & Marjorie FRASER
Mrs E S Lichtnecker	Wellington	Lord Wm Bentinck	:1841	William & Ann DEW
Mrs M Smith	Upper Hutt	Bengal Merchant	1840	Peter & Elizabeth BROWN
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Mr H L Smith	Upper Hutt	Associate		

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Mr G A Crawford	Upper Hutt		1842	Josephus & Jane HARGREAVES
Mrs G D Sweeney	Wellington		1864	Thomas & Jane SANDERSON
Mr S A Gunn	Hastings	Helenslee	1863	John & Jane Tait DAVIDSON
		Silistria	1862	George BAIN
Mrs M M Walker	Waipukurau	Stately	1852	John & Elizabeth Reid DEMPSTER
Mrs R A Hoskin	Waipukurau	Will Watch	1841	George BIGGS
		Lloyds	1842	Frances BIGGS
Mr K J Hoskin	Waipukurau	Associate		
Mrs M R Hunter	Waipukurau	Larkin	1849	Thomas Martin ANDERSON
Mr E Round	Tauranga	Brothers Pride	1863	Elijah ROUND
Mr J B Mortimer	Hamilton	Sir John Falstaff	1841	Dr Richard MATTHEWS
		Gwalior	1852	Thomas HIRST
Mr F G Sneddon	Whangaparoa	Bolton	1840	James TYLER
Mrs A E Bell	Auckland	Thomas Harrison	1842	Samuel & Jean MANSON
Mr J S Nixon	Wanganui	London	1840	John & Eliza Julia NIXON
		Oriental	1841	Richard & Mary FOREMAN
Mrs T M Garthwaite	Wanganui	Platina	1836	Rev James BULLER
		William Hyde	1852	William McGRAIL
Mr F G Oldham	Waipukurau	Ramillies	1847	Charles & Ann DURBRIDGE
Mrs A J P Oldham	Waipukurau	Associate		
Mrs M Clark	Napier	Oriental	1840	Thomas Urquhart McKENZIE
		Blenheim	1840	Margaret FRASER
Mr J Clark	Napier	Magnet	1840	Benjamin & Mary COLEMAN
Miss L M Brown	Havelock North	Oriental	1840	William Alfred LUMSDEN
Mr D J Brown	Havelock North	Oriental	1840	William Alfred LUMSDEN
Mrs S F Thorburn	Napier	Will Watch	1841	Thomas RAWLINGS
Mr B C Thorburn	Napier	Associate		
Mr P M Clarke	Rotorua	Star of Tasmania	1863	John & Mary BATHGATE
Mrs J M Campbell	Auckland	Lord Auckland	1842	Thomas John THOMPSON
		Lord Auckland	1842	Sarah HARGREAVES
Mrs P D Graham	Havelock North	Bengal Merchant	1840	Peter DORREEN
Mr T M Graham	Havelock North	Associate		
Mrs J N Thomas	Martinborough	Birman	1842	Joseph & Sarah CLAPHAM
Mrs B Flower	Wairarapa	Eleanor	1841	Joseph MASTERS
		Maria Theresa	1842	Sarah MASTERS
		Agra	1852	John & Helen McKENZIE
Mrs H Dreadon	Whangarei	Fifeshire	1842	Joseph & Margaret PATON
		Indus	1843	Charles & Dinah Clarke
Mrs L J Furniss	Te Puke	William Bryan	1841	Edward TUCKER
		William Bryan	1841	Emma PHILLIPS
Mr B W Furniss	Te Puke	Duchess of Argyle	1842	Richard BELL
Mrs A B Heath	Whakatane	Duchess of Argyle	1842	Mary MUIR
		Jane Gifford	1842	George HILL
		John Bunyan	1861	George & Janet PEEBLES
Mr C W Day	Wellington	British Trident	1859	William DAY
Mrs R Day	Wellington	Associate		
Mr G M Ellis	Wellington	Bernicia	1848	John & Caroline ELLIS
Mr A R Newman	Te Karaka	London	1842	Francis & Annie BEE
Mrs D G Newman	Te Karaka	Associate		
Mrs M S Bree	Wanganui	Triton	1840	Rev Thomas BUDDLE
Mr A R MacLean	Gisborne	Sir George Osborne	1826	William WILLIAMS

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Miss E G Rankin	Wellington	Will Watch	1841	Richard & Elizabeth CHING
		Tyne	1841	Alexander & Elizabeth RANKIN
Mrs A B Nicholls	Wainuiomata	Birman	1842	Joseph HURLEY
		Rose of Sharon	1857	Edward Charles CARTER
Mr I G Palmer	Wellington	Lady Cornwall	1853	John & Helen RAYNER
		Gertrude	1841	John Ings & Eliza DAYSH
Mrs V J Clements	Wellington	Bolton	1840	William & Sarah CLARKSON
Mrs G Jenkin	Auckland	Berhampore	1849	Andrew & Jane McMAHON
		Berhampore	1849	Thomas PATTEN
Mrs V E Dahlberg	Masterton	by	y 1857	George & Jane BORER
Mr M G Beauchamp	Wellington	Katherine	1848	Arthur BEAUCHAMP
		Johnson		
		Blenheim	1842	Richard JULIAN
Mrs B C Webb	Paraparaumu	Maori	1852	Sarah GILLAN
		London	1842	Daniel & Sarah DOUGHERTY
Mrs P M Whiteman	Lower Hutt	Echunga	1862	Patrick & Catherine HOARE
		Echunga	1862	John & Mary Ann MOORE
Mrs A K Doyle	Wellington	Victory	1863	Robert & Ellen CROTON
Mr E N Clayton	Wellington	Bombay	1842	William & Sarah McGOWAN
		Ivanhoe	1864	Robert White CLAYTON
Mrs D I Greville	Upper Hutt	True Britain	1852	James & Mary Anne BUCK
Mrs A W Kennedy	Wellington	Arabia	1861	Thomas Nichol DOWNES
		Andrew Jackson	1864	Isabella LIVINGSTONE
Ms P M Reesby	Wellington	Prince of Wales	1842	Charles & Sarah STAGG
		Golconda	1859	Johann & Johanna HAASE
Mrs J C Lodge	Auckland	Bernicia	1848	John & Caroline ELLIS
Mr G Stewart-Duncan	S. 8.00.000.000.000.000.000.000	Ramillies	1847	John & Mary McPIKE
Mr I Grover	Hastings	Will Watch	1841	Thomas RAWLINGS
		Lloyds	1842	Eliza RAWLINGS
Mr J N Watt	Whangamata	Palmyra (?) by	y 1842	James Haldane WATT
Mrs N B Forbes	Hamilton	Gertrude	1841	Thomas PARKER
		Joseph Fletcher	1856	Joseph & Eliza BRIMICOMBE
Miss V B Sandford	Hamilton	Donna Anita	1863	Alexander McNEILL
		Blenheim	1842	Thomas & Elizabeth RUSDEN
Mr W J Wright	Waikanae	Castle Eden	1851	James & Francis WRIGHT
Mrs R M Newman	Gisborne	Surge	1855	Isaac Edward TAYLOR

1994 is United Nations YEAR OF THE FAMILY

EVERY FOUNDER SHOULD ENCOURAGE EVERY MEMBER OF THEIR FAMILY TO JOIN

HOW LITTLE WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT THE WAKEFIELDS!

The likeness of E.G. Wakefield is our society's logo - on our letterhead; the masthead of our Bulletin and yet little, except a runaway marriage at Greta Green - linked to politics in large part – has been mentioned of the Wakefields very considerable scope and merit in work of community worth, etc in NZ, Australia, Canada, Europe.

50 years ago (1944-1994) a Wakefield – last of the Daniel Bell Wakefield line – was killed in action while fighting with the Partisans of Yugoslavia against Hitler's army. Capt. Edward R. Wakefield, Royal Artillery Commandos) died a hero's death in the Dalmation Islands, Yugoslavia.

It is not well-known that, as the Wakefield family tree details below left, the owner of our former national Headquarter (Wakefield House, 90 The Terrace, Wellington) was Mrs Priscilla Mitchell (formally Mrs Williams) who toured NZ more than once meeting members of our Founders Branches. Priscilla Mitchell was sister of Commando Captain E.R. Wakefield . . .

By October 1944 the part played by the Commandos on the island of Vis was at an end, and the last of them withdrew. They had accomplished much. The garrison of Vis, of which they had formed so strong a part, had been directly responsible for tying down three German Divisions to the coast of Yugoslavia, and maintaining two more uneasily in the background to repel an invasion which, thanks to the aggressive tactics of the Commandos, seemed always imminent. This was no mean achievement, and in fulfilling it they had displayed precisely those qualities in action which made them the unique force they were. Those whom they left behind them slept in graves beside their forefathers who had fought if with different weapons - in the same manner and with the same courage against the soldiers of the great Napoleon. In the naval cemetery at Vis there stands to-day a stone, and upon it is written:

AFTER MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED YEARS BRITISH SOLDIERS AND SAILORS WHO FOUGHT AND DIED FOR THEIR COUNTRY'S HONOUR ON THE SEAS AND ISLANDS OF DALMATIA HAVE AGAIN BEEN LAID TO REST IN THIS ISLAND CEMETERY

1944

HERE DEAD LIE WE BECAUSE WE DID NOT CHOOSE TO LIVE AND SHAME THE LAND FROM WHICH WE SPRUNG LIFE TO BE SURE IS NOTHING MUCH TO LOSE BUT YOUNG MEN THINK IT IS AND WE WERE YOUNG

Houseman

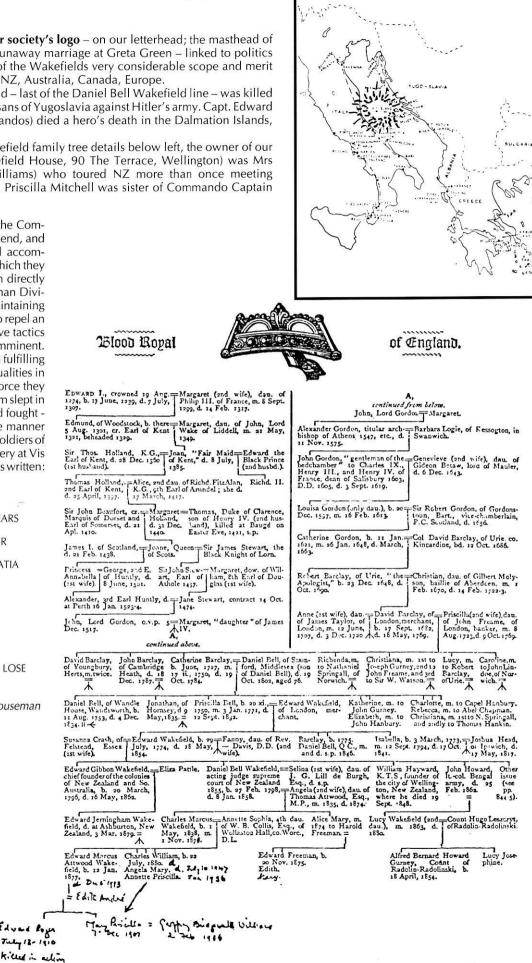
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COMMANDO SOLDIER (Gilbert Edward's model for the Combined Services memorial in Westminster Abbey)



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The reputation of Captain E.R. Wakefield (Royal Artillery) had stood very high in the ranks of the Commandos, who did not lightly forget his constant courage and devotion. "With all possible military ceremony" these and the men who died with them were buried where they fell in a common grave, dug by their comrades who laid them there before they were marched off to captivity. (Acknowledgements for extracts from "The Green Beret" by Hilary St. George Saunders.)

Our Active Branches Reports at 1993 National AGM

AUCKLAND BRANCH

Since the 1992 National Council meeting the Auckland Branch have held 11 very interesting luncheons, with speakers. The Christmas Luncheon was held in November and the Branch AGM in March as usual. Our meeting place has continued to be the Ellen Melville & Pioneer Women's Hall as it is the cheapest accommodation for meetings that we can find in the central city. The meetings since the 1992 meeting have been as follows:

August

Garden History Society representative and another on Electoral Reform.

September

Mr Reg Lockstone on the history, and present running of Eden Gardens.

October

Member Ian Madden on 'Family History, Heraldry and the Law'.

November

End of Year party with amateur musical troupe **February**

A trip to Rangitoto for a picnic lunch and stroll with some climbing to the top.

March

The AGM - with no time for a speaker.

April

An ex-missionary telling of life in the Solomon Islands over three years at a Bible School.

May

A Show & Tell session based on the theme "Mother's & Women's Sufferage".

June

Associate Professor Joan Robb on interesting off shore islands of New Zealand.

July

Member Ian Madden on "Beasties in Heraldry". August

Major Goldsack of the Salvation Army of their "Bridge" programme.

Forthcoming meetings will deal with the setting up of a Women's File for biographical purposes and our End of Year luncheon. September's meeting is to be an Extraordinary General Meeting to inform and consider aspects of today's meeting and the future of our branch.

As in previous years we have continued representation on the Central Committee of Patriotic Societies, and members have attended the Combined Commonwealth Day Service at Holy Trinity Cathedral. The Hobson Service, once an annual event in September has been completely abandoned.

Editors Note: With this Hobson Service and the abandonment Wellington's annual recognition of NZs Principal Founder, at the Wakefield family grave at the Bolton Street Cemetery, it could be thought that local body government officials are markedly neglectful toward paying tribute to our early settler beginnings.

During the year attendance has been fairly good - as low as 25 and as high as 45 - we still do our own catering and setting up the tables On two occasions we have asked the members to bring food for a shared lunch and lowered the door charge, and had a wonderful response in all areas - we still provided the tea. In an earnest effort to cover some costs we have now instituted a raffle and trading table at each luncheon instead of selecting certain months.

As a result of our auditor's report on our financial report to the branch AGM the committee recommended that we raise our branch subscription as we had made a small loss during the year and only a meagre return of interest on a small investment had stopped us from being in the red. After a considerable amount of open discussion the meeting voted to leave the subscription at \$15 for the ensuing year and the overall opinion was that it had reached a high enough rate for the foreseeable future. We are pleased that some honorary life members still donate toward the funds, however, that still does not take us off the very edge of closure, and no amount of profit from our raffles and trading table will help us should we have higher financial demands made on us in the future. These, we know, will come from increased hall hireage. foods costs, newsletters production, and postage, etc.

Auckland Branch sends greetings to all companion branches, and headquarters, wishing them all the best of the remainder of 1993, and for Christmas and the New Year.

J P WEBSTER Branch Chairman

BAY OF PLENTY BRANCH

Dur last AGM was held at Poppa's Restaurant, Pukehina Beach (south of Te Puke) where we had an enjoyable lunch. Our guest speaker was Mr Gerry Hiha, a local Maori elder, and spoke of the Maori settlement in the Pukehina area, including intertribal battles, migration over the years and also visited the local Maori cemetery.

In May we lunched at the 'Ohope Beach Resort' followed by an interesting talk by our Secretary Mr Winstan Hall on early settlers in Lower Hutt.

Our next interesting meeting in July was at the Princess Gate Hotel in Rotorua, and a very informative talk was given by local historian Mr Phyl Andrews, followed by a tour of the restoration of the Edwardian Tea House in the Government Gardens.

It is with regret that we have to report four deaths during the year and five resignations but still with a membership of 115. We have very good attendances to all meetings, between 40-60 members and friends, quite surprising as so many travel long distances.

I must thank all people on the committees for doing a great job for their local district when called upon and in particular our Secretary Mr Winston Hall for his enthusiasm and dedication. Thank you all for supporting our meetings and continued interest.

GRAHAM ETEVENEAUX President

CANTERBURY BRANCH

A full bus of members from Founders, Summers & Redcliffs Historical Society and "Friends of the Museum" went on a trip to Akaroa. We stopped at Robinsons Bay to visit the remains of the Nuts Wheel on the site of the First Sawmill in Canterbury. At Barrys Bay Cheese Factory we saw cheese in the making and we were able to buy from a very large assortment. In arriving at Akaroa we lunched and then went through a colonial cottage which was to be auctioned next day. We also saw the Museum and the Custom House. On the journey home westopped at a fruit and vegie stall and everyone voted it a very pleasant outing.

Our Christmas Party was again combined with Summers & Redcliffs Historical Society and

although it was pouring with rain members enjoyed the party spirit.

In March I attended the Federation of Historical Societies in Timaru. I have written my report and I would like to add that it was a most informative, enjoyable, friendly and action-packed weekend. Their Museum is truly a credit to the people of Timaru.

The highlight of our year was Mr Garrod visiting our Branch to give "For Service" medals to three of our members. Mr Keith Thwaites, Mr Leo Prendeville and Mrs Veronica McSweeney. Reading back through our minute books I think it's the first time our Branch has had the honour of receiving these medals. Mrs Garrod joined 27 members for a meal at the Riccarton Racecourse Hotel after which she spoke of the work as National President. Mr Thwaites spoke of the honour to welcome Mr Garrod and sincerely thanked her for her visit to us.

In June we were invited to attend the Last Fiction Search Christchurch Screening Programme. The project of the Last Film Search is to re-film old pictures and movies on to new film. The old films were mostly made on nitrate film which has a life of approximately 50 years. The response of old film from Christchurch was beyond expectations with 1,500 films being uncovered from public and private sources. We saw parts of 9 films, made from 1913, 2 from 1920s, 3 from 1930s, 1940s & 1950s.

In August a bus load visited Peacock Springs, a wildlife private project built on 11 acres to the now held 410 acres. About 7 miles from the Square this Park holds emus, keas, wallabies, llamas, cockatoos, wood pigeons, ducks and swan to mention just a few. The white swan is an endangered species and numbers are being built up. When the cygnets are one year old they are sent to farmers all over New Zealand who promise to protect and rear them. The wild life guardians visit and check on these cygnets every year to assess that all is well. Many peacocks, peahans, guinea fowl and ducks seem happy living on the water. Salmon are farmed in several pools but are kept in guarantine. Every drop of water used in the sands, waters, races and domestic comes from springs on the property Hence the name Peacock Spring.

(See also 1850 Prospectus for the founding of "The Lyttleton Times" on page 19.

HAWKES BAY BRANCH

We started the new season's activities with a visit to Chesterhope between Hastings and Napier. This is an historic home with a large garden belonging to Miss J Fernie. Although it was September the weather was cold and showery, but as this is a difficult venue to visit, about forty members carried on and enjoyed the outing.

At the end of October a bus load of us visited Wanganui for the second time. We were to have visited Pipiriki and other places on the river road. Unfortunately recent rain made the road impassable, so with the aid of member of the Wanganui Branch we hastily rearranged our programme. Next morning we visited the well known Bushy Park Estate, owned by the Forest and Bird Protection Society, after which we left for our second visit to the Tawhiti Museum, just out of Hawera. This complex is well worth a visit. At Waverley on our return to Wanganui we called at the ancestral home of our Minister of Finance, Ruth Richardson, Mr & Mrs Richardson greeted us warmly and invited us to stroll around their magnificent garden. This visit was a real bonus thanks to our Wanganui members who later joined us for dinner at our hotel.

On 22 November 120 members attended our Christmas picnic lunch at the home of Mr & Mrs MacDonald, Mangatarata Station, one of the earliest stations in Central Hawkes Bay. Later we moved on to the home and beautiful garden of two of our members, Mr & Mrs Keith Davidson, where a local church group provided us with a more than adequate afternoon tea! We were pleased to welcome Mr & Mrs Garrod on this occasion, but wished they had left the Wellington weather behind!

125 members attended our Waitangai Day dinner at the Windsor Lodge Restaurant in Hastings on 4 July. Here at last we have found another venue large enough to accommodate us.

On 7 March 125 members returned to the Argyll district, near Waipawa, for our AGM which was followed by a debate between a team we organised, and a team of local settlers. The subject was "That New Zealand would have been better off if women had not been given the vote". This was a pretty raunchy affair with no holds barred! However, calm was restored by the usual lavish afternoon tea supplied by the parents of the local school.

Early in April, one bus load of members left via the Wairarapa for Lower Hutt. En route we visited the Mount Bruce Wildlife Sanctuary, the paua Shell factory in Carterton and the lead toy factory in Greytown. Each was well worth a visit.

Next morning we met Mr Lindsay Buick-Constable at the Petone Early Settlers Museum where we were well looked after and shown many interesting exhibits. Later in the morning, Mr Buick-Constable boarded our bus to escort us on a very interesting tour of Petone and the East Coast Bays. After lunch at the Sharella Motor Inn, we visited the new complex at the Botanic Gardens, where, after a very informative talk by the Curator, we were divided into groups and escorted around the gardens. That evening Mr & Mrs Buick-Constable joined us for dinner at our motel. We were very grateful to them for making our visit so enjoyable. It is most important on such trips to have an escort with local knowledge. On our way home the next day, we stopped for lunch at Duncan Estate in Foxton.

In May 90 members enjoyed a short concert by tenor Mr Roberts followed by an interesting talk on the history of the wine industry in Hawkes Bay. This was at the well appointed Arataki Camping Complex in Havelock North. On 4 July 126 members returned to Windsor Lodge for our always popular winter lunch. Three young girls who have been blind since birth and known as Triple Trouble, entertained us with a collection of songs accompanying themselves with electronic instruments. Considering their disability, they were very talented. On this occasion, we were delighted to have Miss Ann Burnett with us.

More interesting outings are already planned for the next twelve months.

PETER HARDING President

NOTE: Branch Parties up to 40 members are welcomed.



NORTHLAND BRANCH

We have continued to have lunch meetings every month except January. We have had three meetings with members bringing along items of interest and speaking about them. Other members have told us about their travels plus we have had speakers from the Red Cross on the history of the organisation in Whangarei and a very nice young woman from the Cancer Society.

March was a busy month with the Victoria League asking us to their commonwealth Day Church service and lunch. A bus trip to Mangawai Heads where Ian Tapp (transferred from Wellington) joined members for lunch on the beach.

Our AGM was our 20th all office holders were returned for another year. We celebrate our 20 years with a catered lunch at the June meeting. Christmas was also celebrated with a lunch.

We paid for a tree planted in a Whangarei park. A National Council of Womens project for Sufferage year.

Membership is fairly static with new members joining to fill the gaps left by departing members, also over the last couple of years we have had a few new members under 60 years also this year we have some of our resigned members wishing to rejoin.

I hope you have a fruitful meeting and if you are in Northland we would be pleased for you to make contact and come to one of our meetings.

BARBARA WALSH Secretary

POVERTY BAY BRANCH

Once again it give me great pleasure to present another report. Our AGM was held at the O'Waiapu Lodge, 14 March and our committee members are now Barrie Currie (Treasurer), Beryl Currie (Secretary), Pat Dunstan (Telephone Secretary 06-868 5780), Frank Gaukrodger, Myrtle Hyland, Beryl Lyle, Ivy Maguire, Hugh Mills, Barry Pollard (Trip Co-ordinator), Verna Pollar (Social Secretary), Keith Stichbury (Friends of Founders Representative) and your President Cynthia Dobson. It is good to see a steady increase in interest and membership. I would like to thank my committee for their hard work, enthusiasm and support. We are very grateful to our auditor Bill Harding and our finances are to date in a healthy state thanks to some care and forethought. It is however with extreme concern that I see the Executive Committee in Wellington moving to increase our membership levy for 1994 to \$12 a head. Be assured that we will be looking at how we will address this matter at our next committee meeting, as our local financial climate does not encourage increases in costs.

We began our monthly luncheons at the home of Shirley and Jim Holdsworth and a very pleasant 'pot luck Birthday Luncheon' led to a function overlooking the Pacific Ocean at the Chalet Rendezvous, followed by regular winter luncheons at the Gisborne Hotel on the last Sunday of the month. Carolyn Dixon accompanied by Jack Roderick sang old time favourites from the shows; Beryl Lyle spoke on geneology; your president gave a brief saga leading into what we hope will be regular historical chapters of our heritage so that the Branch has its own rich historic chapters for the future. Sheila Robertson, a well known local historian will speak in August; Ingrid Searanche may be giving us an account of early migration in September - it is not generally known that the Spanish and Portugese were in our waters in those early days, and this district is fortunate in having some excellent orators in their midst. A trip is being planned to Moonlight Station/Waipaoa Station as soon as weather conditions are favourable. (Perhaps our national President Mr Ron Garrod and his wife Pam would like to consider joining us so we can hear of their recent visits to Hawkes Bay, Wairarapa, Taranaki and Canterbury). If the outing is as successful as our Anaura Bay Trip and our American sister city mayor is still saying it was the highlight of his trip to New Zealand - it will be another day to remember!

Illness has struck many of us and it is to be hoped that everyone is well on the way to recovery from winter ailments or worse! The 6.4 earthquake did little for our nerves! (As your president is recovering from the flu) Beryl Lyle will bring our representative in Wellington 30 August. She will be visiting family in Masterton and attending the NCM and AGM. We wish her well. Now in the words of a former committee member, the late Doctor Richard Waddington - "A Founder is One Who Keeps Alive the Past to Benefit the Future".

CYNTHIA DOBSON President



Ida Piper Popular long term Branch Secretary for Taranaki. Ida retired after some 30 years service.

TARANAKI BRANCH

In a busy 1992/93 year the undoubted highlight was the visit earlier this year by the National President. Mr Garrod took part in both of our annual anniversary functions, joining us at the annual thanksgiving church service, then at the luncheon where he gave a very informative talk on the Founders Society in the 1990s. It was very pleasant for everyone, both the executive and member alike, to be able to enjoy an informal chat with Mr Garrod during the day.

Our main activities continue to revolve around monthly meetings. There are always interesting speakers, and the problems the chairman often has in rescuing a speaker from abnormally extended post-speech question and answer sessions show just how much they are appreciated.

An innovation in 1991 was an end-of-year function in the form of a pot luck tea in November. It proved a highly successful move.

The year saw the deaths of a number of members, notable among them being our vice-president Malcolm Belcher and long serving New Plymouth City Councillor Mrs Audrey Gale. The year also saw history made with the stepping down of Mrs Ida Piper from the post of Secretary after more than 30 years on the job. Her long and loyal service was marked with two presentations, one by Mr Garrod on behalf of the national body, and the other from local members. The committee counts itself fortunate that Mrs Piper is still available to give her valued advice and assistance when required.

WHANGANUI BRANCH

Our numbers have dropped somewhat since last year, mainly through deaths. We now have 108. Committee members continue to take turns in organising our monthly meetings which are usually lunchtime or afternoon ones. The following is our programme since the last Council meeting.

In August Mrs Lenore Stewart spoke about her extensive research into the history of the Wanganui Hospital Board, which culminated in the publication of the book "Caring for People".

For September we joined with the Historical Society and the Retired Persons Group to see "Fashion on the Move", a parade of costumes over the last 100 years.

October saw us on a bus trip to Hunterville guided by Mr Vryn Aldworth, a local historian, who took us first to Bruce Park for a bush walk and then to the historic churches of St Andrews (Presbyterian) and St John the Baptist (Anglican). At the end of that month some of us met the Hawkes Bay Branch at Virginia Lake and accompanied them to the Putiki Maori Church, joining them again at their hotel for dinner.

Another bus trip in November took us to Seaview Gardens, Mowhanau Beach and the Basin Botanical Reserve.

Our Christmas function was held at the Upokongaro home of one of our members, Mr Jim Tasker. After strolling in the garden and having tea, we went to the church to sing carols and enjoy several solos by Tieron Jones from Wales.

On Waitangi Day, we went by bus to the Maungaraupi Country Estate, between Marton and Hunterville, after which we visited the Tututotara church yard where Bishop Hadfield is buried. On the way home we called at a 130



W L (WILF) FAULL President

Archdeacon (afterwards Bishop) Hadfield, Archdeacon of Kapiti in the early days. year old farmhouse belonging to Mrs Cockburn who has lived there for the past 60 years.

After our AGM in March, Paul Melody the president of the Marton Historical Society, spoke about the history of Marton.

Ron and Helen Gordon welcomed us in April to Rongoiti Woodland Garden at Mataroa, near Taihape. Helen is one of our members and Ron spoke about the trees from many parts of the world which, for 40 years, he has planted on a steep hillside.

In May Mrs M Sherriff, who served as a nurse in Egypt during the war, told us about her journey to the El Alamein commemoration.

Ans Westra, who is the current artist-in-resident at our historic Tylee Cottage, spoke about her photographs at the June meeting. Many deal with Maori subjects and have been published in several books.

As our planned speaker for July was ill, we visited the Wanganui Museum to see a display on Women's Suffrage, and to hear a talk by Michelle Horwood who had set the display up.

IN August we attended a Wanganui Music Society concert by the Collier Trio, Helen Gordon (our member), Marie O'Leary and Gloria Streat.

Other Events

The Wanganui District Council organised a service at the grave of John Ballance to mark the centenary of his death on 27th April 1893. A number of our members attended the service and also a function at the Council Chambers at which several speakers dealt with facets of his life.

The Historic Places Trust, the Wanganui Historical Society, our branch of the Dounders Society and the Church Missionary Society all contributed to a new headstone for the grave of the Reverend John Mason at Putiki cemetery, as the old one was illegible. John Mason first missionary to Wanganui, arriving in 1840 and drowning in the Turakina river in 1843. The dedication of the new stone took place in May this year and was well attended by our members.

Our annual magazine, the 57th was published last October. To mark Women's Suffrage Year we have republished our 1987 booklet "Pioneer Women of Wanganui".

N J MACKENZIE Chairman

PROSPECTUS OF NEWSPAPER To be established IN THE CANTERBURY SETTLEMENT

It is proposed to establish a NEWSPAPER, to be published immediately after the arrival of the First Body of Colonists, to be called the "*Lyttelton Times.*"

The Paper will be published Weekly. Its objects will be twofold - in the first place, to supply the inhabitants in the Colony with the advantages of a local organ of public opinion, local information, and general New Zealand news, together with an abstract, from time to time, of English and European intelligence; and, in the second place, to supply to parties in this country, who may be interested in the progress of the Colony, and the welfare of the First Settlers, the most complete and authentic information respecting all proceedings in the Canterbury Settlement.

Promises of support to the Paper have already been received from a large number of the First Body of Colonists now about to sail for the Settlement; and it i not too much to anticipate that every respectable inhabitant in the Colony will become a subscriber to it immediately after the Paper shall have been started.

It is thought, however, that a considerable number of persons in this country, friends to the undertaking, as well as friends and relatives of the departing Colonists, may desire to become Subscribers to such a Paper, with the view of obtaining regularly the best and most certain information respecting their friends, as well as the general progress of the Settlement.

To meet the anticipated wishes of such parties, this Prospectus has been issued; and any person wishing to have the Paper may, by paying one year's Subscription in advance, (£1 1s.,) have his name entered on the Home Subscription List, and will have the Paper regularly forwarded to him in this country.

The Council of Colonists undertake the responsibility of seeing the Paper established and continued; and authorize Subscriptions to be paid to them through their Honorary Secretaries, Edward Robert Ward, Esq., and the Hon. James Stuart Wortley, at their Rooms, Adelphi Terrace, Strand.

1, ADELPHI TERRACE, LONDON August 5, 1850.

WAIKATO BRANCH

It is with much regret that we have to advise of the deaths of two great stalwarts and past chairpersons of our branch.

On the 20th December 1992 **Wilfred Archer Bridgman** died from cancer after a long illness which he bore with great courage. At the request of his Maori friends his funeral was held in the Marae at Gordonton. The very large attendance was a tribute to Archer and showed the very great respect in which he was held. He was an ex-serviceman and Justice of the Peace.

A number of Founders' Society members attended the funeral. Our deepest sympathy to his widow Molly and family.

On the 19th June 1993 we lost our chairwoman **Dorothy Mary Ella Clark** after a short illness. I will now read to you a report presented to the B.P.W. Conference in Auckland, 1993.

Is it not often the case that you think you know about a person during their lifetime, yet after death their true worth comes to light and makes you feel rather humble?

Archer and Mary were true "Founders" and remarkable characters. They will be very sadly missed, by a large number of people. We also regret the passing of several other members.

Our Bus Trip in October 1992 was to the Fabia Shoe factory in Te Kuiti. We were joined on this trip by members of the Waikato Historical Society. An interesting trip, and an opportunity to get good shoes at a good price. On the way home we called at the Kiwi House in Otorohanga.

Our Christmas Party was held a little early on 12th November to avoid clashing dates with other functions. Ferrybank Lounge (Raewyn Smith) turned on a great festive Christmas dinner. We were entertained by country and western singer Joy Adams.

Sunday 14th February 1993 saw us at "Woodlands", Gordonton for our Annual Garden Party. A beautiful old home in a lovely setting. Mrs Peg Hebbend, a member, read us some of the history of the Estate and we were entertained by two flautists with gentle music.

On 8th April we held a Luncheon and our AGM at the Ferrybank Lounge. Three of our members

spoke for 10-15 minutes about their families since coming to New Zealand prior to 1865.

On the 10th June we again had a Luncheon at the Ferrybank. The guest speaker was Mrs Mamie Rae, whose subject was "How I Became a War Trophy". A delightful lady who gave an excellent address.

On 10th August another Luncheon was held at the Ferrybank. An excellent meal for \$10 per head. We were entertained by Mrs Jocelyn Fish, Convenor of "The Waikato Suffrage Centennial Committee" and friends who presented a short play, "What They Said", and "Background of the Suffrage".

In August 1992 the late Mary Clark and Peter Mowbray attended the AGM and the National Council Meeting in Wellington. They told everyone they were off for a 'naughty weekend' and both stayed in Karori - Mary with her daughter and Peter with his brother.

At the Council meeting we promised to check out our financial position at the end of our financial year, and if possible make a further contribution to the Research Award Fund. I am pleased to say we were able to remit \$1000. We will again check out the position at the close of our next financial year.

At present we are appealing for new members, with the aid of the recently produced Society Brochure and Membership Form which we consider is an excellent production

PETER MOWBRAY (Waikato National Councillor)

WAIRARAPA BRANCH

At the AGM it came as a bit of a shock when I retired as President, the Secretary Miss Vi Watson and Mrs Amy Goodin the Treasurer resigned. However, all vacancies were filled and Miss Vi Watson agreed to fill the position of President.

I have been able to be supportive in my role of Immediate Past President. Adverse weather caused my committee to decide that the visit to South Wairarapa should be postponed to the 6th February but the trip was cancelled because of the lack of support of members. On 19 October Mr Ricky Long gave an amusing talk to a good attendance of members at Lansdowne House.

In November there was a bus trip to Eastbourne and Wellington which proved tiring but most enjoyable. Members took the East/West ferry, calling at Soames Island before proceeding to the Frank Kitts Harbour View complex, then to the Wellington Civic Centre. We wish to thank Wellington Branch members who joined us at the terminal, it was very nice to meet these people.

The Christmas dinner at Solway Park was again a great success. The newly elected President of the Society, Mr Garrod and his wife attended.

We did not have a meeting in January and for the first time in many years we did not celebrate Waitangi Day.

The AGM held at Lansdowne House was well attended and all vacancies were rapidly filled.

In April we drove to Fernside, Featherston, where we had afternoon tea. We visited Cobblestones, Greytown, on the way. South Wairarapa members joined us in making the occasion enjoyable.

In May we had a Pot Luck Luncheon at the Red Cross rooms. Gareth Winter gave an interesting talk on early nurserymen in the District to whom some of our members were related.

In June we held a "Salute to Royalty" afternoon to which members were asked to bring Royal memorabilia. It was amazing the treasures that were shown, ranging from Queen Victoria to a record of the Prince & Princess of Wales wedding celebrations. Members spoke about their exhibits. There was such a wealth of items displayed that members wished that the display could be extended to give them time to examine each item.

In July there was a Soup Luncheon at Lansdowne House with a good attendance of members. Margaret Christiansen spoke on the beginnings of the Suffrage movement which proved very informative. At the conclusion of the meeting, members were given the choice of going to the Mormon Church Archives, or to Mrs Peggy Armstrong's Doll Exhibition. Very favourable comments on both these venues.

In August we plan to take a bus load of members to the Police College at Porirua. We should find

this educational, then there will be free time to enjoy the Porirua Mall and Museum.

The Archive Films taken in the Wairarapa played to packed houses in the now truncated Regent Theatre. This proved so enjoyable that we have a projectionist and a collector of old films to show some of his films in September.

In October we shall be guests on the Pirinoa Marae. Mr Ben Couch will talk to us about the Marae and its historical past. We shall return via Lake Road and it is hoped that it will be a fine day as this is a very pretty part of the Wairarapa.

This year for a change we will hold our Christmas Luncheon early, on Sunday 28 November at Lansdown House. We are not dissatisfied with Solway Park but thought a change of time and venue would be appreciated by members.

The Society will be in recess over December & January, but the committee will meet to plan something for 6 February 1994 as we were so disappointed we did not celebrate this important date last year.

I thank Mr Barr for compiling our past activities and those to come. As he says our meetings were well attended with a good representation.

After thirteen years as Secretary I was happy to relinquish this position and accept the job of president.

Having lost some members and gained a few our membership remains mainly stable. Keeping our running costs as low as possible, we have managed to keep our membership fee the same as the previous year.

Regretfully I see that at the 1993 AGM the Executive Committee will move "that the levy for 1994 be increased to \$12 per head". To offset this increased levy, our Branch will need a considerable raise in subscription, which will I am sure lose members, which as the new President I would be very unhappy to see happen. Our new Secretary and Treausurer have already installed new ideas appealing to our members and they both, I know will be an asset to our Branch.

We are looking forward to another successful year with hopefully new members gained and not too many lost.

V M WATSON President

WELLINGTON BRANCH

Our membership currently stands at 276. A few months ago the branch directed its energies into a membership drive. An information pamphlet was drawn up and NZI Guardian Trust kindly agreed to sponsor its printing. These pamphlets have been distributed to branches who are invited to purchase more if required. In addition an advertisement was placed in a local newspaper recently which has resulted in over a dozen enquiries from prospective members. A total of 11 new members have applied for membership in the last three months.

The year's social programme commenced with a harbour cruise in February and over 40 members and friends enjoyed a beautiful evenings cruise around Wellington harbour and on board meal. Speakers during 1993 have included John Barlow talking on Antique Silver, Chief Inspector Sherwood Young talking on History of NZ Police, Bob Burnett on Historic Places Trust.

At the branch AGM (its first) in April a new committee of eight members were elected under the chairmanship of Mr Neil Hollebone.

In May members were invited to a wine tasting evening at O'Reillys. In addition to the sampling

six NZ wines Mr Raymond Chan entertained us with an interesting talk on NZ wines and their history. Last month a group of 45 members visited the Police Museum at the Royal NZ Police College. After enjoying a pleasant meal in the Police dining room we were given a guided tour of the Police Museum.

Functions to be held later this year include a talk from Frank Fyfe on the Great Drive and a tour of Wellington Cathedral of St Paul in Molesworth Street. For our Christmas Party we will be joining again with the Wellington Early Settlers and Historical Association who invited us to share their Christmas party last year.

Early in the year the Wellington Branch helped co-ordinate a meeting of representatives of historical groups in the Wellington area with the aim of sharing information between groups. A further meeting is planned to be held later in the year.

Throughout the year the Wellington Branch has held morning tea sessions in the library on the second Thursday of each month. Members are invited to come along, share morning tea and use the library and Societies records.



Upmarket socialising is a feature of the relatively new Wellington area Branch. A particular success was a get together at the Basin Reserve's National Cricket Museum where currator Stan Cowan gave members a run down on the treasures on display. From left: Arthur Prosser, Neil Hollebone (Branch President), Brian Frederikson, Phil Gare, Ray Greville and John Winder – Evening Post

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