Devonport Historical & Museum Society

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Devonport Museum, Cambria Reserve, Vauxhall Rd



Guest speaker

Joyce Fairgray, editor of a book about Devonport author Isabel Maud Peacocke recently published by the Library Associates, will speak about her research for this book and other research she is currently working on.

Annual General Meeting

Sunday 7 May 3pm

Also

- Check out the new display space (see overleaf)
- Election of officers
- Copies of the newly completed business plan will be available

Changes to Committee

Dave Elsby

We are sorry to lose Dave Elsby from our committee. Dave has been a wonderful help for the past couple of years while he lived at Cambria Court but his re-location to Matakatia Bay

Whangaparaoa has necessitated his resignation.

His unfailingly good humour and helpfulness (not to mention his fruit cake!) were great assets to the museum. We will all miss him but he promises to keep in touch.



Rob Allen and Daisy

Rob came to us from the UK with his wife Ann and brought extensive experience in managing an historic house. His knowledge

was invaluable in drawing up the Business Plan for the museum which will direct our way forward.

We are pleased Rob will stay on the volunteers' roster and will welcome him back on the committee when his work commitments allow.



If you would like to join us on the committee, please contact Rod or Helen on 445 2776, or Peter on 445 8669, to put your name forward for election at the AGM.

Museum building alterations - new display space

Painting and electrical work is all completed in the new display area which used to be used for storage. Also we now have a designated space for our historic clothing collection. These areas were made available when we moved into the new extension with its wonderful storage shelving.

I-SITE DISPLAY

Did you know that the museum has a display above the I-Site office at the bottom of Victoria Road? - check it out!

DRIVEWAY

We have been advised by NSCC that the sealing of the drive will be completed within the next two months. Potholes are made worse by continued use by kindergarten traffic.

Situations Vacant

We are looking for someone to take on the general maintenance of the gardens directly in front of the Museum and the raised gardens along the driveway as you approach the Museum.

Skills required: able to water and weed. Knowledge of gardening a bonus but not essential!!

Remuneration: MUCH GRATITUDE!

In Memoriam Anne Ellison

It is with much sadness we note the passing of Anne Ellison. Anne was a roster volunteer, friend, and tireless helper in the gardens with Clemency, for over 15 years.

RESTORATION

Framing, cleaning and calligraphy now completed on the proclamation document on the old racecourse - beautiful job!

New acquisitions



- Devonport Borough Council Hawker's arm band
- Wedding dress and christening robe passed on from the Puhoi Bohemian Museum

Word Find

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Open weekends 2 — 4 pm.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Devonport Museum please contact the President of the Devonport Historical & Museum Society (Rod Cornelius) — ph: 445 2776

