



# Preservation Post

Newsletter of the  
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**“Looking to the future to preserve our past”**

**Christ Church Taita  
Part of the Hutt Valley for 160 years**

## **Upcoming Events**

**160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open Day and Service  
Sunday 6 April 2014  
from 12.30, service commences - 2.30 pm**

**Annual General Meeting  
Wednesday 16 April, 7.30  
at Christ Church**

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### **What's been happening at Christ Church?**

A small subcommittee has been working hard over the past few months towards the dream of creating a heritage centre at Christ Church and acquiring a small section adjacent to the north side of the Church. We have moved a little closer with the purchaser

of the adjacent four flat property offering to sell the section to the CCPS and creating an easement over the driveway to gain access. There is still, however, a lot of work to do, including obtaining agreement from the Wellington Anglican Diocese. Once that happens, the fundraising will begin!

2014 marks the 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Christ Church Taita. Our small committee has not been in a position to organise a large celebration and the third Heritage Garden Party has now been reduced to an Open day from 12.30 pm, concluding with a special celebratory service at 2.30 pm. This will replace our normal annual service in June, when it is often very cold and wet. We will have graveyard tours and encourage people with a connection to Christ Church to come along and share their family memories. Bring a picnic lunch or purchase a tasty sandwich and cake from our selection for sale.

Requests for weddings at the church have seriously declined in the past few months and there are very few bookings for the remainder of 2014.

### **Annual General Meeting – Wednesday 6 April**

It is vital that the current committee receive support and interest from the membership in order to be able to continue with future plans for Christ Church. 'Many hands make light work' and your attendance will encourage us all to keep going.

### **Pew Cushions**

Our stitchers should have almost completed their cushions and hopefully we will have some available at the Open Day.

Please contact Mary Stevens if you are keen to do one.

[j.m.stevens@xtra.co.nz](mailto:j.m.stevens@xtra.co.nz) or telephone 04 4766247

### **Membership**

Welcome back to Aileen Long, a descendant of the Buck family. We had lost contact with Aileen and are delighted she has contacted the Society to renew her membership.

We also welcome Jim Hansen as a life member of the Society.

Still looking for . . . . .

**Mercia Lancaster**, Tauranga

**Monica Adams**, Island Bay Wellington

**Bill Triplow**, Ohau, Levin

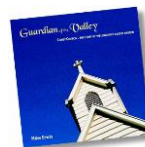
**Jack Sanders & Norma Triplow-Sanders**, Ohau, Levin

**Murray Hirst**, Hamilton

**Dale Pullen**, Wellington

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Copies of the Guardian will be available at the Open Day at a special price.

### **Ashes Wall**

The extension to the Ashes Wall has now been completed. Another 36 niches flow seamlessly from the original wall. Cost for a niche is \$750.00 incl GST.

### **Weddings**

29 March

**Leigh McGregor to Paul Martin**

### **Funeral**

27 December

**Colleena Blair**

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