



Preservation Post

Newsletter of the
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“Looking to the future to preserve our past”
Christ Church Taita

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 8 December, 7.30 pm

Annual Christmas Service

Officiating Minister: Rev. John Daysh

Choir: David Dell & the Take Note Singers



Heritage Month – Open Day Sunday 25 September

Once again the weather decided it would be dull, windy and sometimes wet for our celebration of Heritage Month. However, a few brave souls came along and the committee made some really important connections with families of early settlers; even booking a wedding for a Daysh family descendant.

Mary Stevens brought along 7 completed tapestries for pew cushions. There are four more being worked on at the moment. The picture shows the

seven completed and one Mary is still working on (bottom left).



The designs are taken from the carpet (fleur de lis) and the carving on the font. The incomplete one is the church building.

If anyone is interested in contributing a tapestry, please contact Mary: mhrstevens@gmail.com, or phone 04 476 6247.

It is obvious that on any day, someone visits our little church to connect with family, or just out of curiosity; many travelling from great distances both within New Zealand and overseas. We propose to add a comment on the website stating that the Church can be opened on request, subject to prior notice.

Annual Christmas Service – Thursday 8 December, 7.30 pm

Mark this date in your diaries now. The Christmas Service is a very joyful event.

Proposed Heritage Visitor Centre/Cottage Museum – progress

The Charitable Trust is in the process of registration with the Charities Commission and once this is achieved, the Christ Church Cottage Museum will be in a position to uplift the \$40,000 seed funding from the Hutt City Council and proceed with the purchase of the section.

For further information contact John Daysh, john@unicef.org.nz; Ph.04 815 9370 (Wk) or 04 977 2055 (Hm) If you would like to make a donation, the bank account is

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Heritage Roses

In response to Mary Stevens request for heritage rose cuttings in the last Preservation Post, Elizabeth Bargh a descendant of Esther, daughter of John and Elizabeth Ings Daysh, made contact and donated 12 roses from Trinity Farm to plant in the graveyard. What a great gift! Thank you so much Elizabeth.

Mary and her husband John, have planted seven and the rest are in their vegetable garden awaiting planting when the fence and paved areas are completed. Here is a list of the roses:

1. Bishop Darlington
2. Moonlight
3. Bourbon Queen
4. General Gallieni
5. Comtesse du Cayla
6. Trinity Farm Hybrid Musk
7. Danae
8. Rugelda
9. Dublin Bay
10. Veilchenbleu
11. Shower of Gold
12. Cynts Apricot Cluster

Boundary Fence on northern side and paving around the Toilet/Utility block

Work will commence soon on the new fence and paving.

Noticeboard

The noticeboard at the front of the church fell victim to the latest southerly storm and needs to be replaced. Chris Pynenburg and his team will be attending to this. We are so fortunate to have Chris' expert experience and knowledge on the committee.

New Caretakers

We are delighted that Susan Caulfield and her son Philip have joined the team as caretakers. Susan has recently retired and because she lives close by in Naenae, is able to keep a close eye on our little church.

Member Update

We record with sadness the death of Glen Evans, a member of the Society for many years. Glen was the Mayor of Lower Hutt from 1986 to 1995 and was active in the restoration of Christ Church after the fire in 1989. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Barbara and their family.

Bequests for Christ Church Taita

We have at last received the bequest advised to us in July of 2015. The amount received will allow us to invest funds as well as complete the new fence and paving.

Including a bequest for The Christ Church Preservation Society is a wonderful way to honour those who have gone before us and to ensure that we can continue to preserve and develop Christ Church. Our vision is to enhance Christ Church Taita as a heritage centre by establishing a colonial house and shed as a museum to celebrate our pioneers. If you would like to talk about how you may be able to support this vision please contact our President, John Daysh, email john@unicef.org.nz; Ph.04 815 9370 (Wk) or 04 977 2055 (Hm)

Ashes Wall

A niche in our Ashes Wall costs just \$750.00 plus GST. Contact Janice Henson, Secretary, for further details.

Janice-klaw@xtra.co.nz



Weddings

8 October

Melanie Griffith to Peter Hill

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