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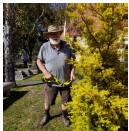
Preservation Post

Newsletter of the
Christ Church Preservation Society (Inc.)

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Upcoming Events: Church of Tonga Service – Every Sunday Annual Service - Sunday 19 May at 2pm

From the President



Our little team of committee members and volunteers recently enjoyed a successful working bee in the beautiful

Christ Church churchyard, followed by a shared lunch and a productive



committee meeting. With input from teams of community service workers provided by the Corrections Department, our contracted gardener Angie and our volunteers, we can be very satisfied that we are maintaining the property as a beautiful place to spend time in.

Looking to the future, we do need to be mindful of the considerable costs associated with the maintenance of the church. Expenses such as insurance and security and fire protection are increasing considerably. Please do think about the

contribution our families can make by signing up more of you as members or making a donation. Also please think about the condition of your family graves and whether it is time for a renovation. A major development on site has been the completion of the fence on the northern boundary. Committee member Chris Pynenberg has done a great job of this and we thank him for doing it with such skill.



And it is great, after so many years of uncertainty, to see the progress being made by the Christ

Church Cottage Museum Trust with building of the visitor centre. We look forward to its completion and its use for education about the history of the valley and its people.

We do hope to see many of you at the events advertised in this issue. And if passing nearby, please take time to look in and spend some time reflecting on our heritage. If you would like the church opened for a visit or arrange a function, please email info@christ-church.org.nz

John Stevens

Family Grave Repair

It was pleasing to see Geoff from Glovers repairing the lead lettering on a Hooper grave.



Annual Service

Please join us for our Annual Service on **Sunday 19 May at 2pm**. Come along to the service and then hear from one of our founding families.

Wedding Expo

The Preservation Society will have a stall at the **Wedding Expo** at Hutt Events Centre on **7 July**. There will be a draw for a free venue for any bookings made at the Expo or within a period after. Let friends and family know now.

Wellington Heritage Festival 2024

is on from 26 October to 17 November. We will have an open afternoon at the church on **Sunday 3 November**. Pop the date in your diary.

Kind regards

Margaret Hutchings
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Weddings

Christ Church Taitā was honoured to host the Wedding this 170th Anniversary Summer of a glowing young couple, with their family and friends decorating the grounds for their Reception amongst the trees and flowering roses.

Congratulations to
R. Faith Quijano and William Sutherland
Saturday 24th February 2024

Bequests for Christ Church Taita

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.

Ashes Wall - A niche in our Ashes Wall costs just \$750.00 plus GST. For further details email: info@christ-church.org.nz.

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