

## **6. FRIENDS OF AKAROA MUSEUM - PRESIDENT'S UPDATE**

### **6.1 AGM**

At the AGM on 1 October, 2010, Jane Chetwynd stood down as President and David Miller was elected President, subject to his approval. However, David declined to take office at this time. At the November committee meeting, Vice President, Jim Sunckell was elected President and Nigel Harrison, Vice President.

The speaker at the AGM was Peter Tremewan, author of "French Akaroa. He spoke to us about the revised edition of his book. The new material has helped to confirm "French Akaroa" as the foremost account of the French settlement in Akaroa.

### **6.2 GARDEN OF TANE**

The Christchurch City Council has confirmed a Management Plan for the Garden of Tane. Resource material from the "Garden of Tane" exhibition, and other material from the museum, was used extensively in helping form the Management Plan.

### **6.3 INSIDE OUT GARDEN TOUR**

On 20 and 21 November 2010, the Friends of the Akaroa Museum (FOAM) and Akaroa District Promotions (ADP) combined to organise, and run, a house and garden tour on Banks Peninsula. A lot of work went into finding people willing to allow access to their properties, and also in finding gate keepers and house minders, for the two days. We ended up with a net profit of \$7,000, to be shared between FOAM and ADP.

### **6.4 ANTIQUES FAIR**

On 1 January 2011, we held our Antiques Fair at the Gaiety Hall. It was a great fair, which many people attended. We raised \$2,580.

### **6.5 JESSIE MOULD**

We wish to record the passing of our Patron, Miss Jessie Mould, local historian, whose work for the Akaroa Museum's archives and rose garden, was invaluable.

### **6.6 FRANK WORSLEY**

The bust of Frank Worsley has been accepted by the Christchurch City Council. The paper work, confirming the transfer, has been completed.

### **6.7 ORAL HISTORY PROJECT**

The oral history project is quiet at the moment, as we are endeavouring to find a new co-ordinator, or leader for this project.

### **6.8 FINANCIAL**

- FOAM is to buy two work tables for the museum. The cost will be approximately \$1,000.
- We will be providing morning tea, at the opening of the Pelton Wheel Exhibition, on Saturday 10 September 2011
- We have opened a bank account where money, raised for the Exhibition - space development, can be deposited.
- FOAM continues to fund the cost of maintaining the garden, shrub and tree maintenance, and also regular hedge cutting at the museum.

Jim Sunckell,  
President.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Friends of Akaroa Museum, President's update be received.