

AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD

AKAROA MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY 26 MARCH 2012

2.30PM

IN THE AKAROA SPORTS COMPLEX 28 RUE JOLIE, AKAROA

Committee: Leigh Hickey - Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board representative

Jim Sunckell and David Miller - Friends of the Museum representatives (FOAM)

Lyndon Graham - Community representative Meri Robinson - Ōnuku Rūnanga representative

Pam Richardson - Chairman Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board - ex-officio.

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1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 28 NOVEMBER 2012

The minutes of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee meeting held on Monday 28 November 2012 are **attached** for members' information.

The Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board received these minutes at its meeting held on Wednesday 14 December 2011 and acknowledged the many years of service that Elizabeth Haylock has given to the Akaroa Museum and the Advisory Committee.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee held on Monday 28 November 2011 be received.

3. PRESENTATIONS

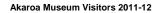
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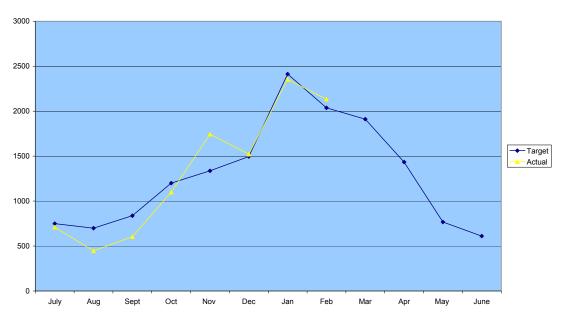
4. AKAROA MUSEUM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

4.1 VISITORS

Visitor numbers

Cruise ship visits during the summer have delivered us enough visitors to meet, and in some cases exceed, our target for each month since November.





Visitor survey

Museums Aotearoa, the museum sector's national body, has provided us with an opportunity to participate again in a national visitor survey of museums and galleries. We will be sampling our visitors over a period of six days this month and feeding the data collected into the national survey. Museums Aotearoa uses this national visitor data for its sector advocacy work.

Friends of Christchurch Art Gallery visit

About 35 Friends of the Christchurch Art Gallery visited the Museum in mid-February, one of their stops on a bus trip to Akaroa.

4.2 EXHIBITIONS

Current - Akaroa on Holiday

Akaroa on Holiday is proving popular with our visitors, reviving memories in those who had holidayed in the town in the past and providing some historical context for those who are visiting for the first time.

Upcoming – photograph competition, Akaroa on Holiday

In a collaboration with Akaroa District Promotions, we have offered our temporary exhibition gallery as a venue for exhibiting the best entries in a photograph competition. With the theme *Akaroa on Holiday*, the exhibition complements our summer show perfectly. The competition attracted well over 200 entries, and the best 20 of these will be exhibited at the Museum, with an opening planned for Friday 30 March.

4.3 COLLECTIONS

Storage spaces rationalised

We continue to work through our storage spaces, rationalising and improving as we go. The small object store is the most recent space to receive our attention, with new shelving installed to suit its primary purpose, that of an art and photographs store. Other objects are gradually being re-housed in the larger new store.

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Earthquake damage

Architects and engineers are looking at options for the repair/reconstruction of the Langlois-Eteveneaus house chimney. It has been agreed that an inspection of the chimney below roof level is required, so linings will need to be removed from the chimney breast to enable this inspection. Obviously, this involves the removal of all collection items from the parlour half of the cottage, a process that will be managed by museum staff.

4.4 PROJECTS

Detailed Engineering Evaluation

Although the Museum's three heritage buildings have received their Detailed Engineering Evaluations (DEEs), the more modern Museum buildings have not. Council has approved a prioritised list of almost 1000 facilities for DEE assessments, part of the Facilities Rebuild Plan, and indications are that our buildings are among the top 25%.

4.5 OTHER

Thanks

The November 2011 meeting was the last attended by Liz Haylock as a representative of the Friends. I wish to record my thanks and appreciation to Liz for her commitment to the Museum over a very long period of time, during which she has effectively influenced the direction of the Museum, advocated for it when the need arose, and strengthened the Museum's links to the community.

4.6 EVENTS

Opening of Akaroa on Holiday photograph competition 5pm, Friday 30 March 2012.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum Director's update be received.

5. FRIENDS OF AKAROA MUSEUM (FOAM) - PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

5.1 CHRISTMAS FUNCTION 2011

The Friends of Akaroa Museum's Christmas party was held in the Akaroa Presbyterian Hall on Saturday 10 December 2011. Jo Dwyer did the catering. Good company and good food made for a pleasant evening.

5.2 ANTIQUES FAIR

The Antiques Fair was held in the school gymnasium over the weekend of 7 and 8 January. It was very successful, with a very good attendance on the Saturday, but only fair on the Sunday. It should be noted that no cruise ships were in port on either day – a minus for us. We will continue with the two days next year to be held on 5 and 6 January 2013. The net profit this year was \$2,600.

5.3 AKAROA MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Haylock announced her retirement from the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee, owing to a change in her work schedules. David Miller was elected as our new representative on the Committee.

5.4 JESSIE MOULD'S HOUSE, RUE BALGUERIE

A letter was written to the Mayor's office seeking finance and assistance to buy the Class 2 Historic house, which would have been a real asset to the Akaroa Museum. The property could have been subdivided and a section sold off to reduce the costs. Unfortunately no reply was received and the property has since been sold.

5.5 RETIREMENTS

Kate Clare and Elizabeth Haylock have given early notice that they wish to retire from the Friends of Akaroa Museum Committee from the next annual general meeting. We have six months to replace the irreplaceable!

If you know of anyone who would help support the Museum by taking on an active part in very rewarding work please encourage them to join our committee.

Jim Sunckell President.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 FRIENDS OF AKAROA MUSEUM INC.

A letter is **attached** from Friends of Akaroa Museum Inc. advising that David Miller has been nominated as its representative to the Akaroa Museum Advisory Committee.

The Akaroa/Wairewa Community Board received the letter at its meeting held on Wednesday 14 March 2012 and approved the appointment of David Miller to the Advisory Committee.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the letter be received and the appointment of David Miller be endorsed.

7. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

7.1 **MEETING SCHEDULE**

It is proposed to follow the same format for meetings in 2012 as for the meetings in the previous year, that is, for the Committee to meet quarterly at 2.30pm on the last Monday, except that the December meeting will be held in November.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee adopt the following schedule for its meetings in 2011/12:

Monday 25 June 2012 – 2.30pm Monday 24 September 2012 – 2.30pm Monday 26 November 2012 – 2.30pm

Meetings to be held at the Akaroa Sports Complex, or as otherwise advised.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION