

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.