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CDHS – SUMMER NEWSLETTER



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Summer in Taratahi



Madam Chair Pene Will

Chairperson Pene's "Contemplations"

Tēnā koutou katoa and greetings to you all, our CDHS members and friends. Welcome to our 2025 CDHS Summer newsletter. Another year and summer have come and gone. Now it's time to enjoy this Indian summer and the vibrant autumn colours that Carterton does so well.

CDHS has continued to work through the summer fielding enquiries, publishing articles, cataloguing our collection, seeking funding and taking part in events. You can read all the details below.

There are more events in the pipeline and don't forget to keep an eye on our window displays, website, facebook page and digitalNZ posts. There are many more Carterton heritage stories to be told.

Our AGM is looming at the end of April, on Sunday the 27th. We encourage you all to attend as it will include a guest speaker and a delicious afternoon tea, not just the election of committee members! You'll find the details below.

Remember, if you have any Carterton related family treasures you would be happy to share, please bring them into our rooms and with your permission, we will photograph them and add them to our archive to help tell the stories of Carterton's heritage.

This will be my last Chairperson report, as I will be standing down from the committee after the AGM, but I'll still be involved in CDHS. It has been a great four year journey during which I've met so many interesting people and discovered such a lot about the heritage of my home town, Carterton. It has been, and continues to be, a great community!

Finally, I wish to thank the fantastic CDHS Committee team members I've worked alongside. Together we've brought in some new initiatives and made new and lasting friendships. I especially wish to thank Deputy Chairperson, Cimone, who has covered for me as Chairperson over the last few weeks.

Ngā mihi nui
Pene

CDHS - FUNDING UPDATE

A-hah, finally it's the news you've been waiting for (as you eagerly flick from page to page of this CDHS Newsletter searching for further news) ... it's the funding update!!

Our last exciting installment shared details of our successful submission from Trust House (\$7k) and we left you on a cliffhanger: what would our funding application with Eastern & Central Community Trust (ECCT) bring? Well, we can finally share that our most recent grant has been received from ECCT with another \$4k heading our way. Admittedly, it's never as much as we apply for or indeed what we hope it to be but, like everything else 'times are tough' and even for funders, who are stretched so much further as applications mount up and charitable causes all vie for money so they can stay afloat, funders too are trying very hard to align the money with so many good causes.

We are tremendously grateful that ECCT is supporting us with \$4k that will (literally) allow us to keep the lights on. Thank you to the ECCT team who assess so many grant applications each month and still see us as worthy recipients.

Do you know of any potential sponsor or generous benefactors who might be keen to support our lovely little society? If you do, we would love an introduction to them. And, over a cuppa we can see, if maybe, just perhaps, they might be able to put a few more pennies into the CDHS tin so our team can keep teaming and the history can keep being shared with you all ...



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CDHS - WEBSITE UPDATE

The active CDHS team (including committee members and regular volunteers) reminds me of the proverbial duck on the water who seems effortlessly calm as they glide along. When in truth, there's such an awful lot of work that goes on behind-the-scenes and so many hours are spent keeping our little historical society ticking over, it might look easy but it takes dedication, time and more time.

Our website launch felt like a real culmination of all of the toiling, writing, researching, cataloguing and general hard work contributed by the CDHS team - past and present - for so many years. The CDHS website captures just a glimpse of everything that our society has created and now we are sharing it on the world wide web, which means our doors are effectively open 24/7 with our audience broadening to anyone who has access to the internet and is keen to explore Carterton, NZ's history.

If you haven't taken a look yet, visit www.cartertondistricthistoricalsociety.org to share in a raft of information from Crier articles, historical stories and society Newsletters, to learning the benefits of being a sponsor or browsing through old photographs. There is a huge amount of historical detail shared, and remember, it represents years of CDHS volunteers who have worked quietly (or not so quietly!) to ensure that our community's past is documented and shared for everyone wanting to learn more.

Here's a task for all you taking the time to read this story, please do us a favour and forward our website to someone you know who would enjoy reading some thoughtful and informative stories about Carterton. Perhaps they'll be so moved that they'll become a CDHS member OR perhaps they'll think of joining as a business sponsor and share in crafting the next steps for our hard working and well deserving Carterton District Historical Society.

Carterton Crier Articles

DECEMBER EDITION: The December edition of the Carterton Crier highlighted Miss Berrill's Girls Club which was formed on 10 July 1931 and by August 1933 the Club numbered 100 members. Each year the Girls Club endeavoured to put on a yearly Revue and these occurred most years during the next twenty years. As far as we can tell the Club came to an end in 1955. Miss Constance Berrill passed away in 1959 aged 71 and is buried at Clareville Cemetery. She certainly gave much to the young women of Carterton not only with the Girls Club but also piano and elocution lessons.

READ ARTICLE

FEBRUARY EDITION: February marked the 150th anniversary of the opening of St Mark's church in Carterton and the Society was asked to write an article for the occasion.



Here are some snippets from the article:- Picturesque St Mark's Church was completed on its present site in 1875. It stands as a calm oasis on Carterton's busy High Street, at the Richmond Road intersection, surrounded by majestic trees planted in 1887.

The initial works were funded by a loan from Mr Walker and by a subscription list. Amazingly, when St Mark's was consecrated by Bishop Hadfield in May 1875, the church was debt free.

READ ARTICLE

MARCH EDITION: In the March issue, we thought it would be a good idea to let the community know how we are progressing with the technology age from when we started back in 1987 with no computers. Having the ability to now record and store our information, we now have a website, have a presence on DigitalNZ and Facebook.

READ MORE TO LEARN MORE



If you have a suggestion then please feel free to contact our Secretary Vivienne on our email for Carterton District Historical Society carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com or phone Vivienne on 0274 655 663.

Miss Berrill's Girls Club



Rajah's Dancing Girls

Back Row - Verna Irwin, Beth Steel,
Gwen McKenzie, Monica Morris,
Mollie Dunn

Middle Row - Marion Every, Jeanie
Smith, Mollie Smart

Front - Dolly Knutson



Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover from 1949

Girls in the photo are Anne Gregor,
Margaret Andersen, Judith Knutson,
Betty Hodder, Nancy Andersen,
Molly Sullivan, and Jane Millar.

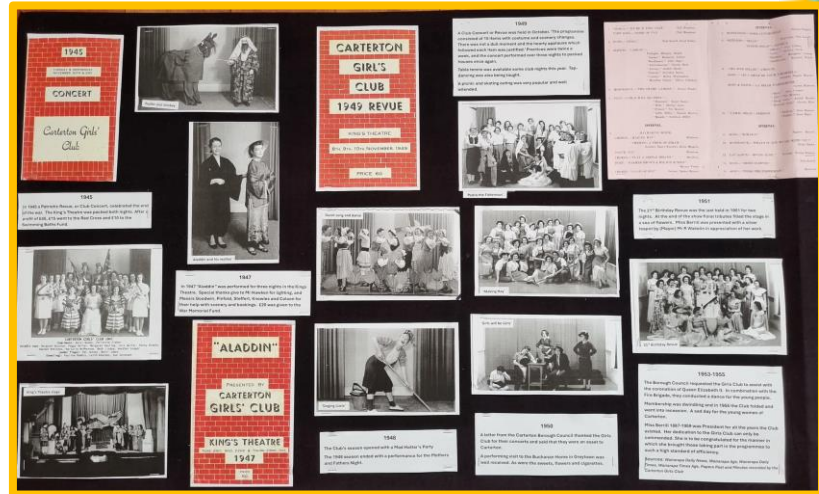
Can you help?

Please let us know if you can help
identify the girl wearing the hat,
second from right at the front.



In keeping with the Carterton Christmas Parade theme of Christmas Around the World, our window display had stories of Christmas traditions in Scandinavian countries and the Netherlands. Also included was a cheeky version of Jingle Bells with a Kiwi slant.

In January our display was on the Carterton Girls' Club run by Miss Connie Berrill from 1929-1955. We are fortunate to have some fabulous photos of these very talented girls.

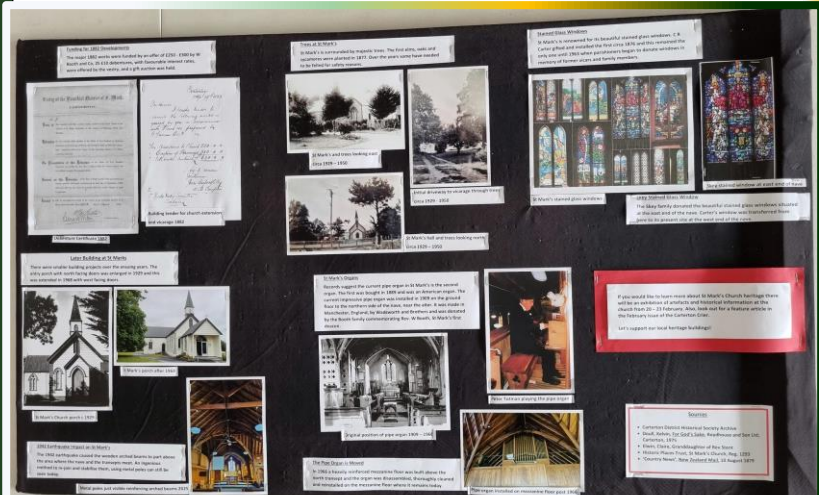
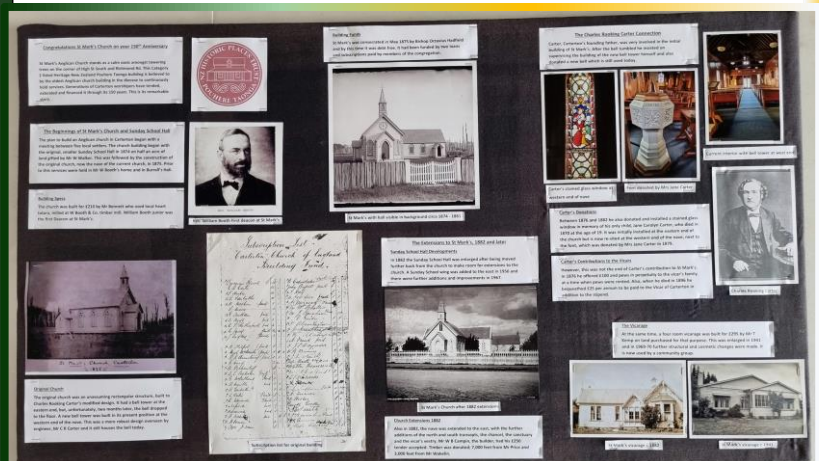


CDHS WINDOW DISPLAYS

The February display coincided with St Mark's 150th birthday. It was a great display with much information.



Our Anzac display will be of the War Memorials in Carterton and Maungarakī Gladstone.



CARTERTON GIRLS CLUB

The Carterton Girls Club was the brainchild of the wife of the Rev Rayne (St Mark's) in 1929 and in 1930 Miss Connie Berrill took over the reins. A committee of very keen girls was formed with Miss Berrill as President. Misses Olive Walters, L Fisher and Molly Cole were Vice Presidents. The girls had to be 16 and over, left school and unmarried. The season went from May to November, meeting every week. The costumes and scenery were locally made, though in later years costumes were sometimes hired.

1931

Their first big event was a ball in 1931, held in the King's Theatre, with a decorations colour scheme of orange, green and yellow. Music was supplied by Kirk's Orchestra. With more than 300 guests present it was voted a huge success. The newspaper article goes on to describe which colour each girl wore.

1932

In July 1932 a birthday banquet for members was held in the Presbyterian Hall, and in October a dance in the Galaxy Hall was attended by a large crowd. Featured on the programme were the Broom Dance, Barney Google and Cinderella dances which were heartily enjoyed. Several dancers possessed squeakers and trumpets adding to the fun.

1933

In 1933, more social events were held, raising money towards the Mayoress Relief Fund.

The members of the Club now numbering 100 held an event for their mothers in the Presbyterian Hall, performing small plays, and a display of eurythmic physical exercise, the girls being trained by Mrs Vivienne Hawken.

In August a Combined Clubs Ball was held, the clubs being the Savage Club, Tramping Club and the Girls Club. Miss Berrill organised a savoury supper with many willing helpers and requiring three sittings with each person receiving a hat to wear until the end of the ball.

A dance held in October had guests dressed as Senor's and Senorita's. There were also small items to entertain the guests, even a bull fight.

This year 5 members climbed to the top of Mount Holdsworth with a glorious view from the trig. They noted evidence of vandalism at Mountain House.

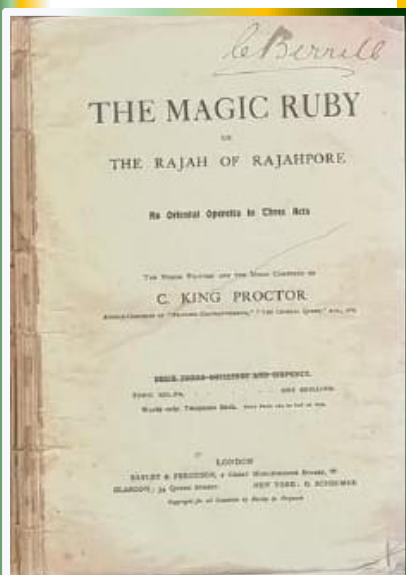
They tidied up as best they could.

An end of the season banquet was held in October.

1934

In July 1934 a dance at the Galaxy Hall was attended by over 120 young people. A dainty supper was supplied by the members. A 4th birthday party was held in the St Andrew's Hall in August.

1934 saw the first of many successful shows. "The Magic Ruby" was held in the Kings Theatre and well rewarded. The whole production was tunelessly bright, splendidly dressed and artistically performed. There was a repeat performance the following night.



1935

The 5th Birthday party in 1935 was attended by the mothers in the Presbyterian Hall. Miss Nessie Moncrieff spoke on China, a country she had lived in for several years, showing slides and memorabilia, with Chinese dresses being modelled by some of the girls.

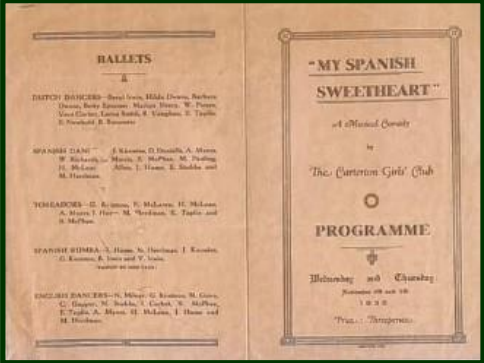
At the Annual General Meeting after considerable discussion a mention that the admission age of 16 be raised to 18 was rejected.

The end of the season party saw Miss Olive Wolters congratulated on becoming the first lady member of the Carterton Borough Council in October 1935.

1936

"My Spanish Sweetheart" was performed in 1936 and was another roaring success.

A function held to entertain 'Our Mothers' was much appreciated, and included folk dancing taught by Mrs Hawken.



CARTERTON GIRLS CLUB

1938

"Cinderella" was performed in the Kings Theatre in 1938 and another great success. The season was brought to a close after the performance. Messrs Tom Udy and J Pearson were given three cheers when it was known they had given their services to the orchestra free of charge.



1939

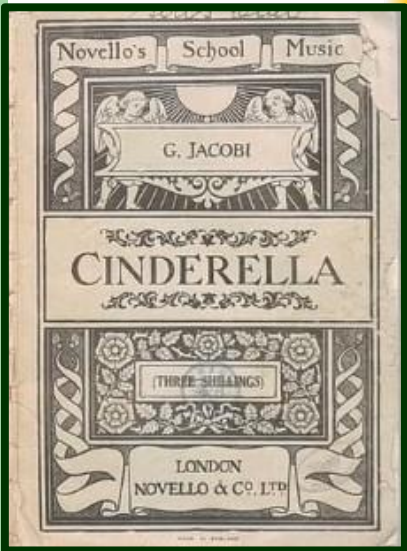
In 1939 at the 9th annual meeting of the Club Miss Trixie Millichamp, who had been secretary for a number of years resigned as she was getting married. Later in the year she was presented with a beautifully embossed fire screen and musical honours were performed for her.

At the annual meeting several new activities were discussed, and arrangements were to be made with Miss Thompson, Government Recreation Officer, for physical culture and games. It was decided to open the season with a skating party. Picture parties were also held meeting at the hall prior to going to the pictures and tea.



1940

A Revue made up of small plays, songs and dance and the drill squad display was held in 1940 and repeated the following night to full houses. The Revue was also repeated at Solway College, Masterton. £40 of the proceeds of the revue will be handed to the £1,000,000 Fund as part of the district quota.



1942

With only 22 members in 1942, seven concerts were given to soldiers in different camps in the Wairarapa. These were very popular and always had packed houses. Members also assisted with YMCA Sunday teas at the Camps, and suppers at the Saturday night dances for soldiers in the State Theatre. A dance was held in the St Mary's Hall for soldier friends of members.

The Presbyterian Hall was not available for performances due to blackout concerns and the Fire Brigade Hall was used until after the earthquake when that hall was condemned. The final club night was held in the St Mary's Hall.

1943

In 1943 it was agreed that wives of husbands serving in the forces may join the club for the duration.

Concert parties given to the soldiers in Camp continued throughout the 1943 season. Entertainment was also provided to the American soldiers on R & R in the Wairarapa.

Two Patriotic Concerts was held in November with £40 the proceeds going Soldiers Farewell Fund and £10 going to the Red Cross Society.



CARTERTON GIRLS CLUB

1944

Activities for 1944 included Physical Drill classes & Glee and Dramatic clubs, speakers arranged and several picture parties.

Due to illness of both the President and Secretary no big functions were attempted this year. Club concerts were also held and well attended.

Since the commencement of the war the members have contributed £98 10s towards the soldiers' funds.

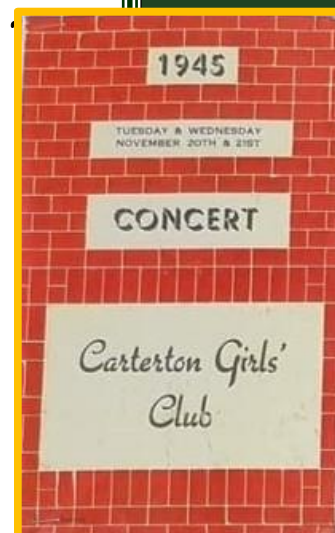
1945

In 1945 a Patriotic Revue, or Club Concert, celebrated the end of the war. King's Theatre was packed both nights. After a profit of £45, £15 went to the Red Cross and £10 to the Swimming Baths Fund.

1946

1946 Season started with a Fancy Dress Party, commencing with a banquet and concert.

It was also decided to put together a concert for this year and offer the funds to the new War Memorial fund. They also assisted fundraising in surrounding towns for the same cause.



CARTERTON GIRLS CLUB

1947

In 1947 "Aladdin" was performed for three nights in the Kings Theatre. Special thanks goes to Mr Hawken for lighting, and Messrs Goodwin, Pinfold, Steffert, Knowles and Colson for their help with scenery and bookings. £20 was given to the War Memorial Fund.

1948

The Club's season opened with a Mad Hatter's Party. In 1948 a tramping group was formed and assistance in Physical Drill with a request for dumbbells. Lectures and play-reading were also given. A scavenger hunt and folk dancing were also on the agenda.

The 1948 season ended with a performance for the Mothers and Fathers Night. £5 donated to the United Nations Children's Appeal.

1949

A Club Concert or Revue was held in October. 'The programme consisted of 15 items with costume and scenery changes. There was not a dull moment and the hearty applause which followed each item was justified.' Practices were twice a week, and the concert performed over three nights to packed houses once again.

Table tennis was available some club nights this year. Tap-dancing was also being taught.

A picnic and skating outing was very popular and well attended.

1950

A letter from the Carterton Borough Council thanked the Girls Club for their concerts and said that they were an asset to Carterton.

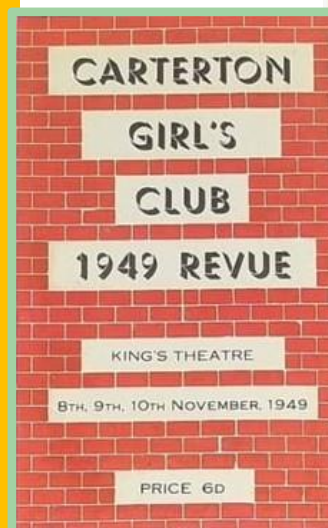
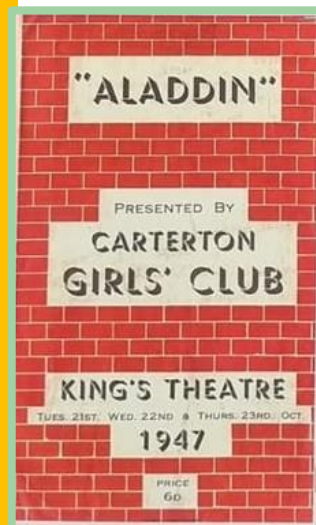
A performing visit to the Buchanan Home in Greytown was well received. As were the sweets, flowers and cigarettes.

1951

The 21st Birthday Revue was the last held in 1951 for two nights. At the end of the show floral tributes filled the stage in a sea of flowers. Miss Berrill was presented with a silver teapot by (Mayor) Mr R. Wakelin in appreciation of her work.

1952

The Club continued to meet weekly with outings to plays and concerts and Physical Culture classes.



CARTERTON GIRLS CLUB

1953-1955

The Borough Council requested the Girls Club to assist with the coronation. In combination with the Fire Brigade, they conducted a dance for the young people.

The Girls Club supervised suppers at the Borough Council's request.

They didn't seem to put on any more performances as there are no newspaper articles or minutes which record this even though the membership was still very good.



"The Magic Ruby" was to be performed but there was a big issue with the scenery, and although rehearsals were well under way, it was decided to abandon the idea. The Club assisted at a concert sponsored by the Carterton Band with a 2-part chorus and a tap dance. The season ended with a barbecue at the Waiohine River.

Membership was dwindling and in 1955 the Club folded and went into recession. A sad day for the young women of Carterton.

Miss Connie Berrill 1887-1959 was President for all the years the Club existed. Her dedication to the Girls Club can only be commended. She is to be congratulated for the manner in which she brought those taking part in the programmes to such a high standard of efficiency.



Sources: Wairarapa Daily News, Wairarapa Age, Wairarapa Daily Times, Wairarapa Times Age, Papers Past and Minutes recorded by the Carterton Girls Club.



HADLOW SCHOOL PUPILS VISIT TO CDHS

On March 31st, we hosted about 18 students aged between 9-12 years old from Hadlow School in Masterton. The children who all happen to live in Carterton, arrived just before 9.30am with Deb Nelson their teacher, Bryant Booth and a couple of parents.

Maria and I had done some preparation for the visit, which was to focus on the history of Carterton and notable people from the area.

We were a little unsure of how the morning would go, but Maria came to the fore and the children, who sat on the floor, were very interested in what we had to show them.

We talked about John Fensham and the Fensham Reserve, Richard Sayer and Sayers Slab Whare, Mt Dick, Sister McKenzie and her role in early Carterton, Ellen Dougherty the first registered nurse in the world, the early settlers including The Polish community and how the township moved from South Carterton to where the centre is now.



They asked lots of questions and afterwards spent some time looking at the collection of artefacts, we have around the room.

After leaving our rooms, we walked over to Memorial Square, where the students were informed about the War Memorial Cenotaph and to learn about the ANZAC's.

Our ANZAC window display provided an excellent insight for the students, as they left the society premises.

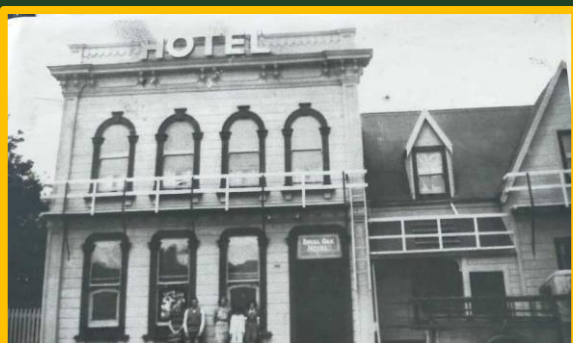
The children were well behaved, and happily went away with some knowledge about early Carterton, along with our pamphlet with information on the plaques around town. It was a great morning.

DIGITAL NZ – THE ROYAL OAK HOTEL

The Royal Oak Hotel, Carterton, Published in DigitalNZ

The Society is busy planning a series of articles about Carterton's history for inclusion on our DigitalNZ platform. Two articles about Carter Court have already been added and in the next addition to the platform we provide a potted history of that iconic hotel, The Royal Oak. Take a look at our entries at DigitalNZ.org and search for the Royal Oak Carterton.

The story can be viewed at this link: <https://digitalnz.org/stories/67aaaaaf99db1deddaf13d61>



CDHS FACEBOOK PAGE



During the summer months we have been adding items of interest to our Facebook page. Included are our window displays, which we change to coincide with events happening in Carterton, such as our Christmas display depicting the way different countries celebrate Christmas and St Mark's Church 150th celebration. Other items we put on the Facebook page are photographs of old local buildings of interest such as Victoria Hall where Keinzely Agvet now stands, or the Krahagen's building in High Street, which was a grand 2 storey building before the 1942 earthquake. The damage from the quake required the top storey to be removed. It is great to read the comments from locals who have good memories of these lovely old buildings.



As quoted on their website, "St Mark's Carterton has been sharing the Anglican faith since 1875 in our slice of the Wairarapa. We are a family-oriented parish worshipping God in the Anglican way and working in community development in our region. Our church is a beautiful heritage listed building brought alive by our vibrant church family."



Victoria Hall



Krahagen's Building

We have many photographs in our collection that are of people who we have no names for and so request help to identify those on the photograph.



CDHS launched it's website to the world in December and it was a good opportunity to put this on our Facebook page for those interested to see what we do. Thanks to funding from the Carterton District Council Community Grants we obtained funding to employ a company to build a brilliant website. Check it out at www.cartertondistricthistoricalsociety.org



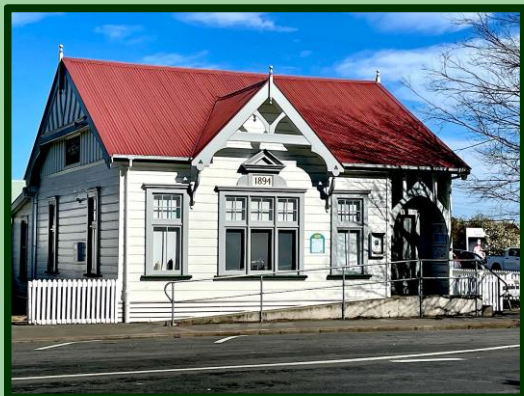
We received this postcard of three young ladies c 1900. We are interested to know the names of these ladies. On the back of the postcard there is reference to the Parker girls of Belvedere and that one could be Olive Parker. Does anyone know who these ladies are?

MARTINBOROUGH MUSUEM

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Martinborough Musuem



Martinborough Library celebrated 130 years on 18th October, 2024 and it all started in the building pictured above. Now known as Martinborough Museum, this building was opened as a library in October 1894 by John Martin.

It was designed in the style of a club house by an architect known as Mr Natusch, who was credited with its design in the Martinborough Star on 20 October 1894. The library was reported to be well stocked with books and periodicals when first opened.

Martinborough Museum volunteers celebrated the end of a busy year in November 2024, and as we have developed a connection with their group, they invited some of our committee to attend.

Martinborough Museum volunteers were about to embark on the journey of cataloguing their paper-based archive, and invited Pene, as guest speaker, to share the joys and challenges CDHS is still experiencing on the journey to cataloguing our own collection.

Maria is the driving force behind our CDHS cataloguing process and she and Deputy Chairperson, Cimone, also contributed to the discussion.

The gathering was held in the home of one of their members and included a delicious afternoon tea with much chatter and sharing of ideas.

We were pleased to return the invitation and host Chris Cassells, Martinborough Museum Chairperson, at our 2024 CDHS festive season celebration.

Building connections between local heritage groups, serves to strengthen us all.

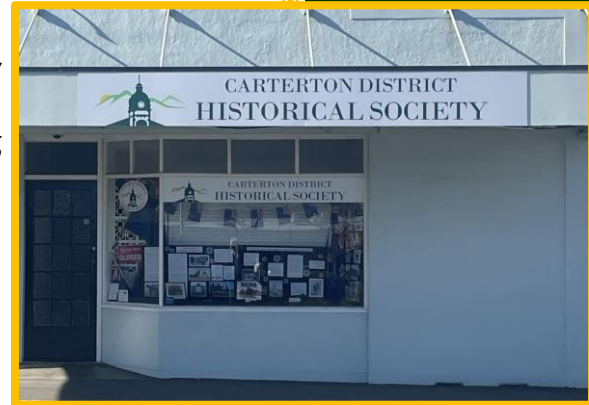


QUERIES, RFI'S and WALK IN'S

Even though we were closed during the Christmas period, we still managed to receive a number of queries.

The descendants of Thomas and Mary Reid keep popping out of the woodwork wanting information. Thomas and Mary Reid lived in Chester Road and farmed further up beyond the railway line.

We are lucky in that we have local people with great knowledge of the couple, so we can be of good help.



A question we've had before is "What is the history of the old chimney standing at Carters Reserve?" From what we have been told it has no reference to an old house chimney. The chimney is the remaining evidence of a shelter used by picnickers and sports groups. Previously, the open area around the chimney and shelter was mown and the shelter was open ended, similar to a tramping shelter, with the fire place in the middle. Did you know this?

We recently received an old map of the Kaipatangata area which we didn't have and welcomed to our collection of maps. If you have old Carterton maps topographical or otherwise and don't want them then please contact us. Once in the bin they're gone forever.

A local resident called on CDHS for assistance to help establish the history of Sister McKenzie's maternity home and hopefully we were able to verify information for them.

CATALOGUING

Digitisation of our records

At present we are working on cataloguing the maps drawers. We have farm location maps and some very old survey maps which are pored over when visitors wish to see where their ancestors farmed. Following that will be our newspaper collection.

Our cataloguing of the collection, is sitting at 640.

PLOTBOX

CDC - PLOTBOX



Ancestry

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Papers Past



BDM

On Tuesday 17th December, the Carterton District Historical Society Committee, welcomed CDHS members to their premises at 142 High Street North, to enjoy a glass of bubbles, a slice of cake, and celebrate the fast-approaching Christmas Season.

Society Chair Pene Will welcomed members, thanking them for their continued support of the organisation. Pene then gave members an informative insight into the society's work over the last 8 months, since the 2024 AGM.

Vice Chair Cimone Grayson introduced members to the society's new website (designed by local company "Spinning Plates"), followed by committee member David presenting on his "Carter Society" article uploaded to DigitalNZ.



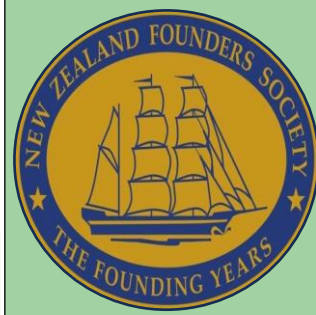
CDHS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Following the presentations, it was a chance to mix & mingle, while enjoying a glass of bubbles or juice, along with a selection of sweet treats. Members had the inevitable task of having to choose between a slice of Christmas Cake or Chocolate Mud Cake, with some unable to decide, thus enjoying a slice of both.

Sadly, the afternoon had to come to an end, after everyone had enjoyed the wonderful fellowship on offer. Thank you to those members who joined in the celebration and we welcome all our members to join us again in December, 2025.



PIONEERS & SETTLERS



On Wednesday 25th January 2025 three members of the Carterton District Historical Society were invited to join the NZ Founders Wairarapa Branch on a bus to Petone to celebrate the 185th anniversary since the arrival of the ship Aurora at Petone, Wellington.

After picking up the passengers along the way from Masterton, Carterton and Greytown we headed over the hill to Taita to visit Christ Church.

The land for this lovely church was donated by a member of the English parliament, Algernon Gray Tollemache who had purchased 34 sections in Wellington from the New Zealand Company. Totara trees that were on land owned by John Ings-Daysh were donated by the family for the building of the church. Timber from both John Ings-Daysh and Abraham Harris was milled by Abraham who owned a pit-sawn timber yard in Taita. The building of the church was done mainly by Sidney Hirst, a carpenter from Yorkshire, with assistance from many of the pioneers in the Taita area. The church is of significant technical interest in that the method of its original construction did not require nails. In a tribute to skills of a past era, the original mortise and tenon dowel joints still remain in the window frames. Sidney is buried in the churchyard.



The charming church and the churchyard are well worth a visit if passing through that way.



From Christ Church we travelled on to the Early Settler Museum on the Petone foreshore to see their displays. The Museum is a local history museum located within the Wellington Provincial Centennial Memorial, and is an historic building. It memorialises the site where local Māori welcomed the first ship carrying organised British settlers to Wellington on 22nd January 1840. Originally constructed to mark the Wellington provinces centennial Commemorations, in the front of the building is a stone replica of the prow of the ship Aurora facing the street. The museum opened in the building in 1977.

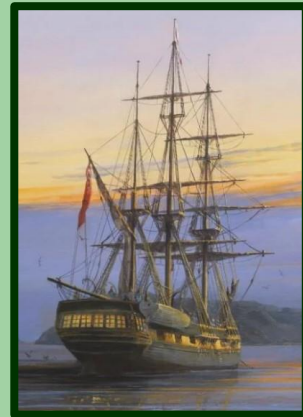
On the way from the Museum we drove past the Udy house and stopped for a photo shoot as several people on the bus are

descendants of the Udy family. Our next port of call was to the Māori urupa which is on the site of the Pa of Te Puni the local Paramount Māori Chief. Unfortunately, we were running short on time so this was a shortened visit. Te Puni was one of the signatories of the Treaty of Waitangi and the deed of purchase of the land about Wellington.

On the 22nd January 1840 he welcomed the first New Zealand Company settlers to the beach and then shortly afterwards on the 29th April signed the Treaty of Waitangi in Port Nicholson. Te Puni became a firm friend of the new arrivals. His people built houses for the settlers and supplied food in exchange for European clothing and other goods. Chief Te Puni died on 5th December 1870 and he is buried in the family cemetery the urupa at Petone. The Lower Hutt suburb of Epuni is named after him. Petone also has Te Puni Street, Atiawa Street and the Honiana Te Puni Reserve on the Esplanade.

From here we drove to the Petone Working Mens Club where we all had lunch and then headed back over the hill to the Wairarapa.

A great day was had by all and we appreciated being included in this journey back in time.



The ship Aurora was the first New Zealand Company ship to arrive in Wellington, docking at Petone on January 22, 1840. It carried immigrants to establish the new settlement, which later became Wellington. The Aurora was a barque of 550 tons, carrying 169 passengers under Captain Theophilus Heale.



Honiana Te Puni (unknown - 1870), a Te Ati Awa chief of high lineage who was descended from Takarangi and Rau-Mahora.

CDHS MEMBERSHIP

The support that the Society receives from members and the community is essential to ensure the continuation of the Society's work in collecting and preserving the history of Carterton.

Your involvement by joining, will ensure this work carries on.

See the attached Membership Form as shown here, complete and return to our email address carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com

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We aim to collect and store the history and heritage of Carterton district for the use of future researchers. We welcome the opportunity to receive or copy your local photographs and records.

Your continued support to the Carterton District Historical Society is appreciated and helps towards keeping the Society operating.

CDHS - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The Carterton District Historical Society Inc.

Annual General Meeting

is being held on Sunday 27th April 2025

Venue: Carterton Community Courthouse

60 Holloway Street, Carterton

Time: 2pm - 4pm

We welcome all members and guests along to our AGM.

The business session will be closely followed by our guest speaker, with an afternoon tea provided at the closure of the meeting.

Guest Speaker : Graeme Gray from Cobblestones Museum

A brief history of Greytown's Early Settlers Museum.



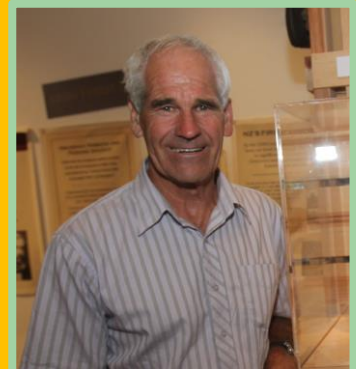
We look forward to seeing you all at 2pm.

Secretary: Vivienne Hawken

Email:- Carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com



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Courthouse
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**Graeme Gray
Cobblestones Museum**





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