



DECEMBER 2017 ISSUE

Landmarks History Talks

We have completed our tenth year of talks - tales, histories, and experiences from all over the Hastings District - so thank you to our recent speakers for generously sharing your lives:

Jim Judd	Morrison Industries
Hamish Whyte	Furnware Ltd
Dr. Ted Ward	Anaesthetic Advancements in Hawke's Bay
Tony Bone	F.L. Bone Ltd
Peter Lester	Quantum Laboratories – HB soils & their historic mistreatment
John Pryce	Hastings Comedy Playhouse
Alan Berry	Arataki Honey
Rex Bartlett	25 years - HB Prison Dentistry
Harold Trigg	Soma President Ltd.
Lisl Prendergast	Stortford Lodge Father: his Greek capture and Stalag 18 Experiences
Dennis Coon	100 Years of the Hastings Methodist Church

Your preparation, presentations and enthusiasm shone through.

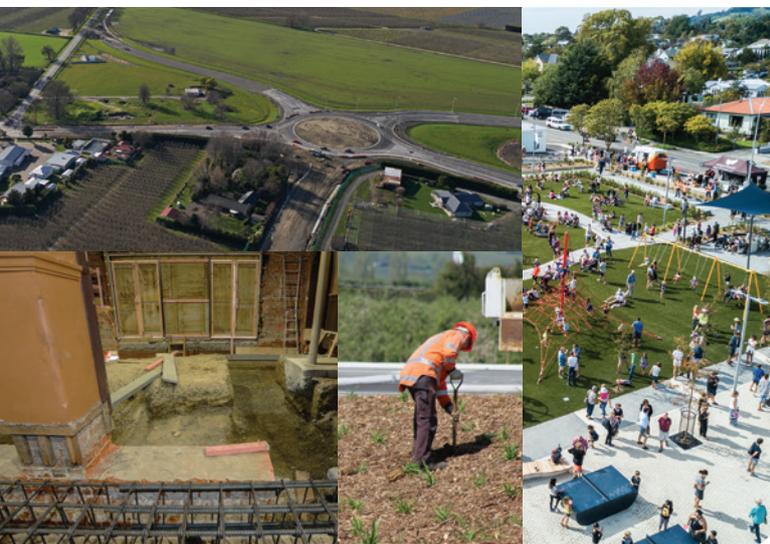


HB Knowledge Bank Volunteers
Jeremy Dwyer Supreme Award/Trophy

Sadly some businesses closed but many have adapted, regrown and then flourished. Special thanks to Jim Newbigin and the Hawke's Bay Knowledge Bank for your diligent recording which ensures this history lives on for future generations. None of this would run so smoothly without our loyal librarians and excellent public support. Talks start again in March 2018 on the second Tuesday of each month through to November, and we look forward to the sharing of more great stories.

5:30pm Tuesday 13 March 2018
Hastings War Memorial Library
Gold coin entry

To receive e-mail notifications of upcoming meetings, email cynthia@actionwoman.co.nz with the subject line 'History Talks'.



Beautification Regeneration Restoration

The Landmarks Trust has the privilege of participating in the decision-making process in many Council projects. These centre on 'Landmarks' relevant issues that cover our tenets on landscape, history, architecture and public art.

Our Landmarks Councillors: *Geraldine Travers, Sandra Hazlehurst, Ann Redstone and Bayden Barber join us along with the Council Officers.*

Achievements:

- **Upgrade of Karamu Road:** the 'greening' of the entries to Hastings continues. This has been a difficult road due to the multiple infrastructure upgrades and the impact on retailers but the new realigned paving, lighting, flags, and plantings of rata trees with corten steel grates and supports have substantially improved the appearance of this main access to our city centre.
- **Street Flags:** adding colour and a touch of art, these have proved effective for sharing information for a modest outlay, and their use will be increased.
- **Whakatu Link:** progressive planting of over 13,000 (mostly native) plants along this important transportation route adds a corridor of trees and shrubs through the heart of our district. (aerial and planting)
- **Te Mata Park:** construction has commenced on new toilets, a bike wash, and picnic areas plus re-vamped carparks at top and lower entrances.
- **Southampton Street:** our 'blossom city' theme is to be bedded in with the planting of prunus cerasifera nigra (flowering plum) along the main stretch of Southampton Street. This route has gained hugely in use and these deep contrasting colours will resonate.
- **District – wide regeneration:** over 17,000 shrubs and



400 new trees were allocated across our 160+ parks, edges and green spaces. Several replaced dead or failing species, but many were newly planted in redeveloped areas. A strong emphasis is placed on drought tolerance species in harsher locations.

- **Restoration:** George Thompson-Pritchard Paintings - these reside at Duart House and the last four are up for restoration. The Landmarks Trust has allocated \$8,000 towards two of these and the funds sourced from the Abbott Bequest, an HDC-held fund for artistic projects.

Acknowledgements:

- **Opera House:** for HDC in presenting a monthly time-lapse video of progress of this massive strengthening project - most of it hidden. *See the Council website or Opera House Facebook page to view the videos.*
- **Keep New Zealand Beautiful:** Havelock North won the 'best suburb' award at this year's competition. The beautiful re-development of the Havelock North Domain would have contributed substantially to this success.
- **Spring Spruce Up Community Competition:** acknowledging the efforts of homeowners for their street appeal, which all contributes to the beautification of our District. Winners were announced at the end of November and are published on the Council website.



2017 Landmarks Awards

Held every two years, the awards recognising projects that preserve and enhance Hastings' individuality. We felt so proud to highlight so much community involvement and achievement. The following recipients were worthy winners:

- **Waimarama Surf Life Saving Tower Architecture**
- **Hastings Icons History – Art**
- **Mackersey Family Pavilion History**
- **Lions' Community Park, Windsor Park Landscape**
- **Te Waiwaia Language Suite – HGHS Landscape, Art History**
- **HB Electric Power Board Restoration Architecture, History**
- **Hutchinson's Leadlight Restoration Architecture, History**
- **Edible Fashion Awards Public Art**
- **Te Papa Otanenuiarangi Whakatu Pou Public Art**
- **Jubilee Building Façade Enhancement**
- **Alexander's Menswear Building Façade Enhancement**
- **HB Knowledge Bank Volunteers Jeremy Dwyer Supreme Award/Trophy**

SPECIAL (PRIVATE) MENTIONS:

Wine Country Crafts and St. Andrew's Estate

