



**FRIENDS of  
BOLTON STREET  
CEMETERY** INCORPORATED  
PO BOX 2336 WELLINGTON

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**September 1992**

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**The Cemetery Trail - Bolton Street Cemetery  
Sunday 20 September**

As part of the Floriade Spring Festival programme organised by the City Council Culture and Recreation Department, the Friends are taking a public guided walk through the cemetery on Sunday 20 September, starting at 2 o'clock at the Seddon Memorial. Members of the committee will act as guides and we hope to see members of the Friends on the walk.

**Membership Renewal**

If you have not already paid your subscription for 1992-93, you will receive a renewal form with this newsletter. Please take a minute to record your name and address so that we can keep our records up to date, and let us know your particular interests so that we can contact you when something of special interest to you is being planned.

**Annual Meeting**

The newsletter features reports and minutes from our AGM in June.

The meeting re-elected the previous committee, with the addition of Sue Upton of Khandallah. We welcome her to the committee. Nick Perrin was re-elected as Chairperson and Chris McGrath as Secretary. Our long-serving Treasurer, Mac McCormick, has stepped down and becomes Deputy Chairperson. We record special thanks to Mac for his sterling work on the Friends' finances. John Daniels has replaced Mac as Treasurer.

**Randle Cotton Mainwaring Esq**

In another in our series about prominent or interesting people buried in the cemetery, this newsletter features an article by Mac McCormick on Randle Cotton Mainwaring.

## Chairman's Report for May 1992

The replica chapel has been in place for over two years, and has attracted a lot of interest from passers-by. During the Floriade the chapel was open for a display of old-fashioned roses on 16-17 November 1991, and nearly 1000 people visited it. The rose display was very popular, and our members who attended were kept busy looking up information for people interested in the cemetery itself.

A permanent display for the chapel is being organised with Margaret Alington acting on behalf of the Friends, liaising with the City Council. A meeting was held in the chapel on 23 April with City Council staff to look at proposals for the display. Chris Cochrane pointed out features of interest in pieces from the original chapel.

The burial list project is now well in hand, with records being entered into computer databases. Eventually there will be as complete and unified a list as the records will allow, and a complete list of disinterments for the motorway can be made as required by Finance (No 2) Act, 1967, No 159, section 6. The index to map B217 (which is a list of all visible monuments) is being taken as the starting point, and Giles Alington is to be thanked for organising the database program to allow the expansion of these records and to allow the addition of the other (approx 5,000) records. All the public cemetery (Sydney St) worksheets have been filled in and several members, notably Annette Fairweather, Betty Krebs and Meryl Lowrie, are currently checking the registers to compile the full data required, and have made a start in entering these into the database. Margaret Alington is compiling the Church of England data direct into the database.

Two newsletters have been produced since the last AGM, both by John Daniels with help from Anne Burnett and articles provided by Mac McCormick and Annette Fairweather.

A walk-through by some of the committee and the City Council staff was held on 10th December 1991, primarily to meet with Mike Oates, the new Curator of the Botanic Gardens who is also responsible for the memorial park. There was some discussion on repairs and maintenance, and we have requested that the Pearce stone (one of the two oldest) be raised and tilted slightly to display it more prominently.

There have been many enquiries for information during the year, which have been handled by Margaret Alington and Mac McCormick. The Friends have been consulted by the City Council over the return of a stone which was taken by relatives at the time of the motorway excavation, and a suitable place for it has been found. One of the more unusual requests received by me was from the descendants of William Barratt who wanted to donate a memorial seat, which has now been placed near the chapel.



Nick Perrin  
Chairman



# Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 1992

1991	INCOME	1992
655	Subscriptions for Year	578.00
14	Donations	22.00
35	Index Wellington City Council	
291	Interest	224.92
995		822.92
137	Plus Excess Expenditure over Income	42.86
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<u>1,132</u>		<u>\$865.78</u>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
292	Typing	284.69
175	Postage	156.55
10	Stationery	224.19
60	Research (Helyer)	30.00
67	Newsletter Expenses	60.00
50	Rent	50.00
77	Sundry	60.35
236	Photo Panels (MA)	
165	Draft — Bolton Street Development	
<u>1,132</u>		<u>\$865.78</u>
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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 1992

2,935	Accumulated Funds 1/4/91	2,798.17
137	Less Excess Expenditure over Income	42.86
<u>2,798</u>		<u>\$2,755.31</u>
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	<b>Represented by:</b>	
755	Wellington Savings Bank	717.84
2,000	Term Deposits	2,000.00
30	Subscriptions in Arrears	30.00
13	Sundry Debtors (Interest accrued due)	7.47
<u>2,798</u>		<u>\$2,755.31</u>
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<b>Notes:</b>	The Term Deposits are represented by	
	Australian Guarantee Corporation 8.5% due 25 September 1992	1,400.00
	Westpac Banking Corporation 5% due 14 July 1992	<u>600.00</u>
		2,000.00

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Friends of Bolton Street Cemetery Incorporated and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account represent fairly the financial position of the society at 31 March 1992 and the results of its activities for the year ended on that date.

  
R. BYRNE, A.C.A., HON AUDITOR

  
A.W. McCORMICK, A.C.A., HON. TREASURER



File Reference:

Exempted by:

## CULTURE &amp; RECREATION

## FRIENDS OF BOLTON STREET MEMORIAL PARK: REPORT TO 1992 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It has been a busy year in the Park with continuing development of the rose plantings. This aspect of the Park is becoming more widely appreciated as the collection becomes more comprehensive. This year the following roses were planted: Albertine, Bracteata, Macrantha, Dusterlone, The Garland, Bloomfield Abundance, Glauca, Sanders White, Max Graff, Double Cream, Single Cherry, Henry Hudson, Anne Endt, Flabriata, Lady Curzon, Pink Grootendorst, Crepuscule, Gallica Versicolour, Maiden's Blush, Tausendschon, Minnehaha.

The Floral Festival and National Rose Show last November introduced many people to the Park. On the Friday, Claire Douglas and Rod Read set up an information table at the Seddon Memorial, and answered questions on the Park. On the Saturday and Sunday, the replica chapel was decorated with roses and flowers from the Cemetery, attracting over 1000 people.

We have also started work on a permanent information display on the Park to be located in the chapel. The display should be finished by the end of the year. The chapel will then be open during the week and will be opened and closed by Botanic Garden staff.

## MEMORIAL SEATS

The Barrett family recently purchased a seat which can be seen in the lower part of the Park near the chapel. The area can accommodate 4 or 5 more seats and we are actively seeking other benefactors. The seats are \$1400, plus the cost of the plaque.

## MAINTENANCE

The Lyon Path was raised and metalled to improve drainage. A section of Observatory Path was tarsealed. Flagstones were placed on the path leading to Robertson grave.

Vandalism was down on previous years with about 8 headstones pushed over or broken.

The footbridge over the motorway is in need of work with many tiles lifting at the City end. We are currently looking at ways of replacing these tiles.

The macrocarpa trees near the Anderson Park entrance to the Cemetery have been cleared of ivy which was threatening to smother them. Some of the other large pines required work after storm damage.

Several areas of old man's beard were found in the Park and removed during the year.

#### GRAVES

Headstones are repaired as time and resources permit. The Ropiha, Dorset, and Mudge headstones were repaired during the year.

The Henry Hughes Headstone is to be returned to the Park by his family.

The Department of Internal Affairs have surveyed the Seddon Memorial and the Wakefield grave and have agreed to carry out essential maintenance on both. This work should be completed in the next couple of months.

*Nike Oates*

NIKE OATES

CURATOR: WELLINGTON AND OTARI BOTANIC GARDENS



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting  
held Monday 18 May 1992 at 7.45 pm  
at St Andrew's on The Terrace**

**PRESENT:** N Perrin (chair), A McCormick (Treasurer), C McGrath (Secretary), A Burnett, A Fairweather, J Daniels, V Bogle, S Upton, J Upton, K Smyth, M Alington, W Alington, R Barrington, M Oates, R Read, R Brown, F King.

**APOLOGIES:** V Cryer, D Dunsheath, B Krebs, D Luke, H Fullarton, M Fullarton, J Wellings, J Aim, J Murray.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the 1991 AGM were read and confirmed.  
(CARRIED Burnett/McCormick)

**MATTERS ARISING:** Rodney Read said that Mike Oates would be giving an update on seats in his WCC Cultural and Recreation report (see this newsletter). The chapel was used by the Heritage Rose Society during the Floriade Festival and this was very successful.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:** Nicholas Perrin presented his report which included reference to the progress made on the permanent chapel display. It was moved that the Chairperson's report for 1991-92 be received.

(CARRIED Perrin/McGrath)

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mac McCormick presented the annual financial report for the year ended 31 March 1992. It was moved:

That the financial report for the year ended 31 March 1992 be received and the audited annual accounts be approved.

[CARRIED McCormick/W Alington]

John Daniels suggested that subscriptions be referred to the committee for discussion. Margaret Alington said that the Turn bull Library has been printing negatives of photographs which might be an expense in the future.

Mr Byrne has agreed to audit the accounts for a further term.

**WCC CULTURAL AND RECREATION REPORT:** Mike Oates tabled the work done by the Cultural and Recreation Department over the last year. He said that the notice outside the chapel would be changed to include opening times.

The Denis McGrath footbridge's tiles have cracked and are no longer made. The Works Department will be responsible for tarsealing the areas affected.

The Trade Union History Project people approached the Mayor about the grave of Samuel Duncan Pamell, instigator of the 40 hour week. They want a memorial signpost for this and other major graves.

## AGM minutes continued

Nicholas Perrin asked Mike Oates should be approached about repairing the William Wakefield stone.

Mike Oates said that when new leaflets are printed they will include information about the roses in the park. He suggested a charge of 30-50 cents should be made for these leaflets. Margaret Alington proposed a vote of thanks to all the Parks staff for the excellent state of the gardens.

(CARRIED M Alington/Perrin)

**GENERAL BUSINESS:** It was suggested that the Friends offer to contribute half the cost of a seat to WCC, that is, \$700.

(CARRIED Perrin/McGrath)

Nick Perrin will send a letter to the council to this effect. Margaret Alington said that Hugh Fullarton wants to know if there would be paving under the seat. Mike Oates said this would be looked into.

Rachael Brown mentioned that next year will be the anniversary of women's suffrage in New Zealand and wondered if some research could be done on suffragettes buried in the cemetery for the Suffragettes Memorial Trust. The committee will look into this.

Annette Fairweather presented an historical map of the 1920s on behalf of the Wellington Botanical Society - cost is \$5.

Margaret Alington proposed that the meeting recognise Richard Nanson's association with the Friends.

(CARRIED M Alington/Burnett)

## ELECTION OF COMMITTEE:

Chairman	Nick Perrin was re-elected unopposed
Deputy Chairman	Mac McCormick
Secretary	Chris McGrath
Treasurer	John Daniels
Committee	Anne Burnett, Annette Fairweather, Vivien Cryer, David Dunsheath, Ken Smyth, Evan Haine, Sue Upton

(CARRIED W Alington/Read)

After a special welcome to Rosemary Barrington as General Manager of Culture and Recreation Department, formal proceedings finished at 9.15 pm.

## HISTORICAL ADDRESS by Francis King

Francis King, Director of the British Council in New Zealand, then gave a most interesting talk about six families from Poor Houses in the Weald of Kent who travelled to New Zealand in the ship *Bolton*. Thank you, Francis, for a very stimulating address.



## Randle Cotton Mainwaring Esq (1840-75)

BY A W McCORMICK

Randle Cotton Mainwaring was the third son of Sir Harry Mainwaring, 2nd Baronet of Peover Hall, Cheshire, and was born on 27 August 1840. He arrived in Auckland on 17 May 1860 on the White Star liner *Red Jacket* and was listed as a saloon passenger along with J E Gorst (afterwards Sir John Elden Gorst). At the time of his arrival he was 19 years of age.

It is not known what he was doing during his first years in New Zealand but when in 1862 Gorst was appointed Resident Magistrate and Justice of the Peace at Te Awamutu, Mainwaring was appointed his assistant manager and on occasions he acted as aide to Bishop Selwyn. He also accompanied Gorst to prepare the college at Kohimarama for the reception of Maori students. In 1863 he was sent to Sydney to enlist recruits for the colonial forces but does not appear to have been particularly successful. He was also appointed staff interpreter to General Carey. Apparently he had become fluent in Maori since his arrival in 1860.

On the third day of the engagement at Orakau (31 March-2 April 1864) Ensign W G Mair (afterwards Major Mair) of the 12th Regt as interpreter was instructed by General Cameron to give the Maoris an opportunity to surrender. They gave their famous reply that they would fight on for ever and ever. Mainwaring accompanied Mair to the head of the "Sap" and took part in the negotiations. Major-General Alexander in his *Bush Fighting* states that Mainwaring alone conducted the negotiations but the available evidence does point to Mair as the principal negotiator.

On 23 May 1864 Mainwaring was gazetted as Resident Magistrate at Whatawhata and also as a Justice of the Peace at an annual salary of £350. His address was given as Auckland. As Resident Magistrate for Waikato stationed at Whatawhata he held his court generally with Colonel Moule or Captain East and the local Justices of the Peace. On two occasions he did not arrive. "It was whispered that duty gave way to pleasure." He appears to have left his position at Whatawhata and in 1872 he was appointed Clerk and Interpreter, Poverty Bay at £160 per annum. It is not known when he left Poverty Bay but in the list of interpreters for the 1874 *Gazette* his address was shown as Otaki.

Mainwaring was called upon to make numerous reports. In February 1864 he reported to the Colonial Secretary on an engagement at Mangapiko in which four colonial soldiers were killed and two seriously wounded. The report was given from Te Rore on 12 February 1864. In October 1864 he was requested by the Hon W Fox to give translations of letters from Te Wheoro to the rebels and to report to the Government on the growth of the Pai Marire Maori religion. He was also instructed by J E Fitzgerald, Native Minister, to interview William Thompson (Wiremu Tamihana) to try and secure the final permanent support of that influential chief to the cause of the Queen and of the law. His report was presented to both Houses of the Assembly by Command of His Excellency Sir George Grey.

In 1872 he married Miss Caroline Jane Good of Auckland and they had a daughter, Emma Caroline Eugenie, born 19 November 1873. It is not known when he came to Wellington but he died of pneumonia on 6 September 1875, and although his death certificate shows his occupation as Clerk Native Department, his name does not appear on the official list of Native Department Employees for that year. His funeral notice in the *Evening Post* of 7 September indicated that his funeral would leave Osgoods Metropolitan Hotel but his name was shown as "Robert" instead of "Randle" Cotton Mainwaring.

Mainwaring's stone is located at M145 Map B 217. GRID REF M14-01