

### **Greetings**

To all Friends of the Libraries around the Hurunui District. Our third newsletter has been a long time coming, because once the pressure of fundraising for the new library decreased, so did the Friends' level of activity. However we have continued meeting through the last year, have organized some fundraising, and have some further events in the pipeline.

### **Hurunui Memorial Library**

After some local controversy, the councillors have decided that the library will be known as the Hurunui Memorial Library, in honour of the RSA and in recognition of the history of the building site. The building has become a focal point on the main street of Amberley, and is causing favourable comment throughout the district. The official opening is planned for Saturday August 6 at 2pm and all Friends are warmly invited to attend. Please regard this as a personal invitation and RSVP by Friday July 22 to a committee member:  
Pat at 314 4160  
Nancy at 315 6315  
Susan at [ronball@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ronball@xtra.co.nz)  
We hope to see the Friends out in force!

### **AGM**

This year's AGM will be held in the lounge of St Andrews Presbyterian Church, Pound St, Amberley, at 2 pm on Wednesday July 6, 2004. Erika Currie of Top View Media in Rangiora will be our guest speaker and there will be afternoon tea to follow. We would love to see you there and nominations for new committee members would be welcome.

### **Building Fund**

We had hoped to hand over the proceeds from our fundraising to the Council several weeks ago, but were unable to do so until a decision on the name had been reached. As our fundraising was all done under the name "Hurunui District Library" and the connotations of the new name add a different dimension, we are required to consult our donors before the money can be transferred.

### **Display Unit**

A group of volunteers did a library tour earlier in the year and noticed a particularly well designed display unit at one of the libraries. The committee decided to have a similar one made as the Friends' gift to the new library.

### **Donations and Membership**

Membership of the society is free to current library volunteers and honorary members. Members outside these categories are asked to give an annual donation. The membership period begins at July 1 each year and membership may be renewed at any of the libraries. Membership does not commit you to involvement in the society's activities but if you could spare some time to help us, please indicate on the renewal form at the end of this newsletter.

Please help us keep our membership database current by notifying Susan of any changes of address or volunteer status.

## **Fundraising Review**

### **Book Sales**

These have been our main fundraisers this year, with the usual one at the Amberley show raising nearly \$1000 and one at the Hawarden show in March raising nearly \$500. A big sale is planned at the old library in conjunction with the opening of the new one.

### **Pens**

Our pens, in two styles attractively customized with the Friends' logo, have proved excellent sellers at the book sales and in the libraries, especially before Christmas. These are still available and are excellent value at \$1.25 each or \$5 for a packet of five.

### **Clothing Sale**

We have a few items of our range of monogrammed garments in navy and gold to be sold at a reduced price. They wear well, look smart, and many volunteers find them good to wear while on library duty.

Please contact Janet Manning at 314 3448 for:  
Caps - \$10  
Short sleeved polo shirts - \$20  
Sizes S, M, L

Please contact Carole Littlejohn at 314 8344 for:  
Short sleeved polo shirts, S, M  
Long sleeved polo shirts - \$30  
Sizes S, M, L, XL  
Polar fleece vests - \$50  
S, M

### **Book Marks**

These have proved surprisingly profitable, and are always available at Amberley library in a range of styles suitable for adults or children.

## **Coming Events**

As well as the AGM on July 6 and the new library opening on August 6, mark Sunday October 2 on your calendar. A tour featuring table settings on various themes in different venues around the Amberley area is being organized. Watch out for advertising closer to the time.

## **Membership Renewal, July 2005-6**

Please return to your local library.  
Name:

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Membership Type (please indicate)  
Current library volunteer  
Subscribing member

May we call on you to help with Friends' activities? YES/NO  
Do you require a receipt? YES/NO

Contact details (if changed)

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