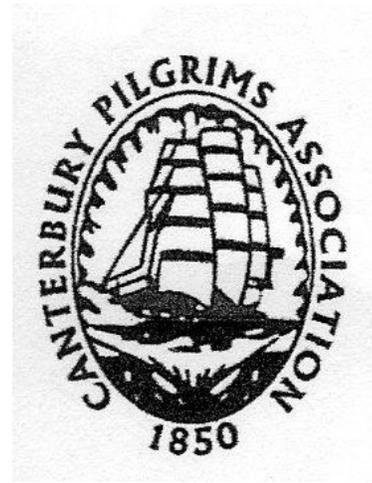


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### Meetings and Outings

Unless otherwise notified meetings and outings are held on the third Sunday of each month, with meetings being held in the, Te Hāpua Halswell Library Centre, Halswell Road at 2pm.

### 2019 Meeting and Outing Dates

February 17	March 17 AGM	
<b>April 14</b>	<b>May 19</b>	<b>June 16</b>
July 21	August 18	September 15
October 20	November 10	December 16

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### Committee Meetings

Generally the committee meets directly after each meeting in the Te Hāpua Halswell Library Centre, Halswell, or on the following Friday morning.

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Dear Members,

I would like to thank all those who came to our AGM this year. It was about 48 hours after the awful shootings in Christchurch and we were still all reeling in shock and horror. It is at the AGM that we have the opportunity to make changes to our Association. This year the committee asked everyone for approval to alter our Rule 12.5 to enable us to have a Review done of our Financial Accounts each year instead of an Audit. It is much the same as an Audit, still performed by an outside Chartered Accountant, but less expensive. The motion was passed unanimously. A few small changes are envisaged for one or two other Rules in our Deed and the committee is going to draft them out for your approval during the rest of this year to have you vote on them at the next AGM. This has been brought about partly by changes to the Incorporated Societies Act. Our expenses keep rising, but at the moment we are holding our own and have not changed our membership fee. From next year an additional charge of \$10 per annum will be made for a printed copy of our newsletter to be mailed out. So if you this affects you and you have an email address make sure we know to avoid the levy.

You will notice a few committee changes on page 2. John Thompson after 7 sterling years as our Vice President stepped down, and Patsy Wardell was voted in as his replacement. We also welcomed two new committee members, Elizabeth and Brian Dixon. A big thank you from all of us.

We received a request through our website page from Mahina Marshall who works at Broadgreen Historic House in Nelson for information on Edmund Buxton who was on the Castle Eden in 1851 bound for Nelson. If you have any information Mahina can be contacted on [Mahina.Marshall@NCC.govt.nz](mailto:Mahina.Marshall@NCC.govt.nz) which leads me on to my next request.

Our Website page does generate interest in our Association. To enhance this we would ask you to add a few small stories, maybe about your ancestors or a place, pictures are welcome, not a great tree or book, something that would 'add meat to the bones' as they say. Could even be something about what you used to do in your school holidays or over Christmas when you were a child, a touch of nostalgia. Winter is coming so time to sit and reminisce and write a little. Forward it to Linda or myself, we will do the rest, it would be appreciated.

For those of you in Christchurch I look forward to seeing you all at our meetings in the next three months, we have an interesting and informative program ahead of us so make sure you keep the third Sunday in each month free to join us.

Kindest Regards to you all, Beverly.

**April 14**  
**Governors Bay Old School**  
**1.30pm. (note the earlier date and time)**  
**112 Main Road Governors Bay .**



For the 1868 Old School which has just been repainted you need to park on the Main Road and walk up to the school. There are 3 spaces by the old school for those who cannot walk. Parking is tight in Governors Bay as I'm sure you are all aware so make plenty of time for arriving. David Bundy will be there to talk to us about the school. We will spend about

30mins at the school then go on by car to Allendale.

**1877 Allendale old Lock Up.**



**Governors Bay Rd-Teddington Rd.**  
**Near corner of Bamfords Rd.**

This is all that remains of the last Police station from 1877. There are two cells. The building is steel lined so not too many break outs from there one would think! David Bundy will be on hand to answer questions .

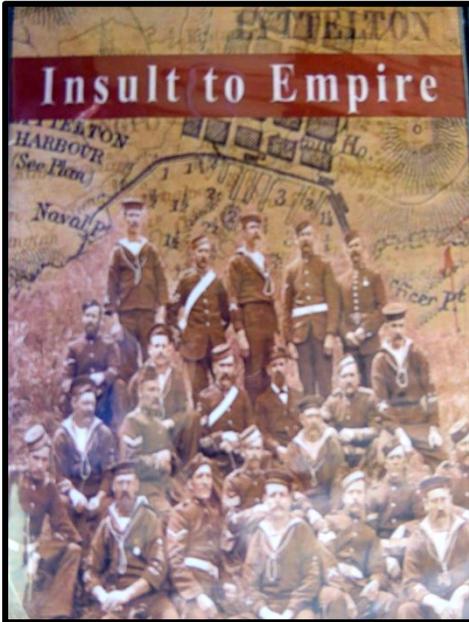
**Orton Bradley 1848 cottage restored.**



We are having coffee/tea at Orton Bradley Park cafe so will get to see in all its glory the 2018 restored stone cottage that is now an Information and Museum centre. As many of you know Linda has strong family links to this place. It promises to be a great afternoon out, I can't hardly wait.

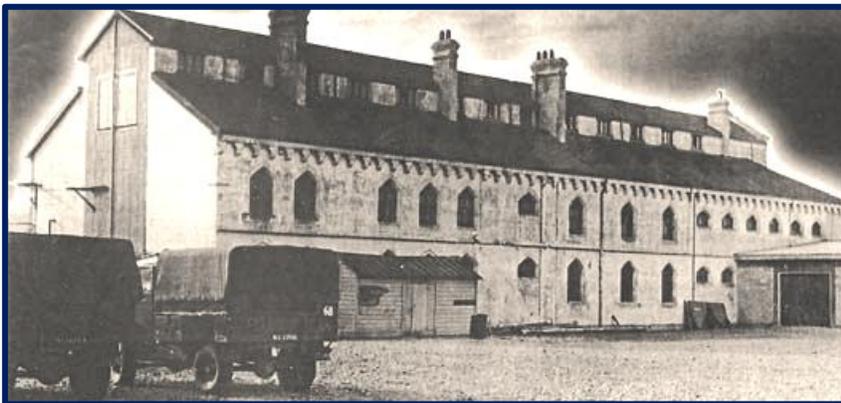
**May 19**  
**2pm The Hao Room**  
**Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre**  
**341 Halswell Road**

**Torpedo Boat Museum DVD**



We wanted to go to the Torpedo Museum in Magazine bay but the access is a bit precarious at the moment, especially after it has been wet. So we have been fortunate that the Museum has agreed to allow us to show the DVD that they had made, telling the story of the Torpedo Boat 'Defender' that the NZ Govt purchased in 1884 to defend ourselves against an attack from Russia. It runs for approx 35mins, well worth seeing and hearing about. Come and see a bit of Lyttelton Harbour history that doesn't get mentioned often.

**Addington Prison**



Those of you who attended our AGM will recall that due to time constraints we were unable to do full justice to the visual presentation that one of our members, Annette Bulovic, made for us on the history of

Addington Prison and early Jails in the Canterbury area. We only got half way through! Well here it is in its entirety. Some of us have been lucky enough to see inside the old Prison now that it is a very trendy backpackers. Nothing like its former intimidating self I may add! Make sure you come to see and hear about a place we hope none of our ancestors visited!

**June16**  
**Chateau on the Park Double Tree Hilton**  
**189 Deans Avenue**  
**11.30 for 12 o'clock Lunch**  
**\$32.each**



We are having a mid winter lunch at the Chateau this year. We have a set menu that looks really nice and reasonably priced too. With 5 choices of mains and 2 desert choices, including tea or coffee. As usual drinks are your own responsibility.

**As the Hilton charges for the number booked, regardless if you don't turn up it is essential that we have final numbers by the 7th June and your prepayment in our hands/account by this date. We cannot make any exceptions this time. The Hilton are quite firm with their charges/requirements. So be sure to get your name down and payment made well in advance, a clipboard will be doing the rounds at our May meeting.**

There is plenty of parking and the venue is always nice and warm during the winter months. So make sure you let Beverley or Linda know you are coming, it will be great to have a catch up with you all over a glass of wine and some good food on a winters day.



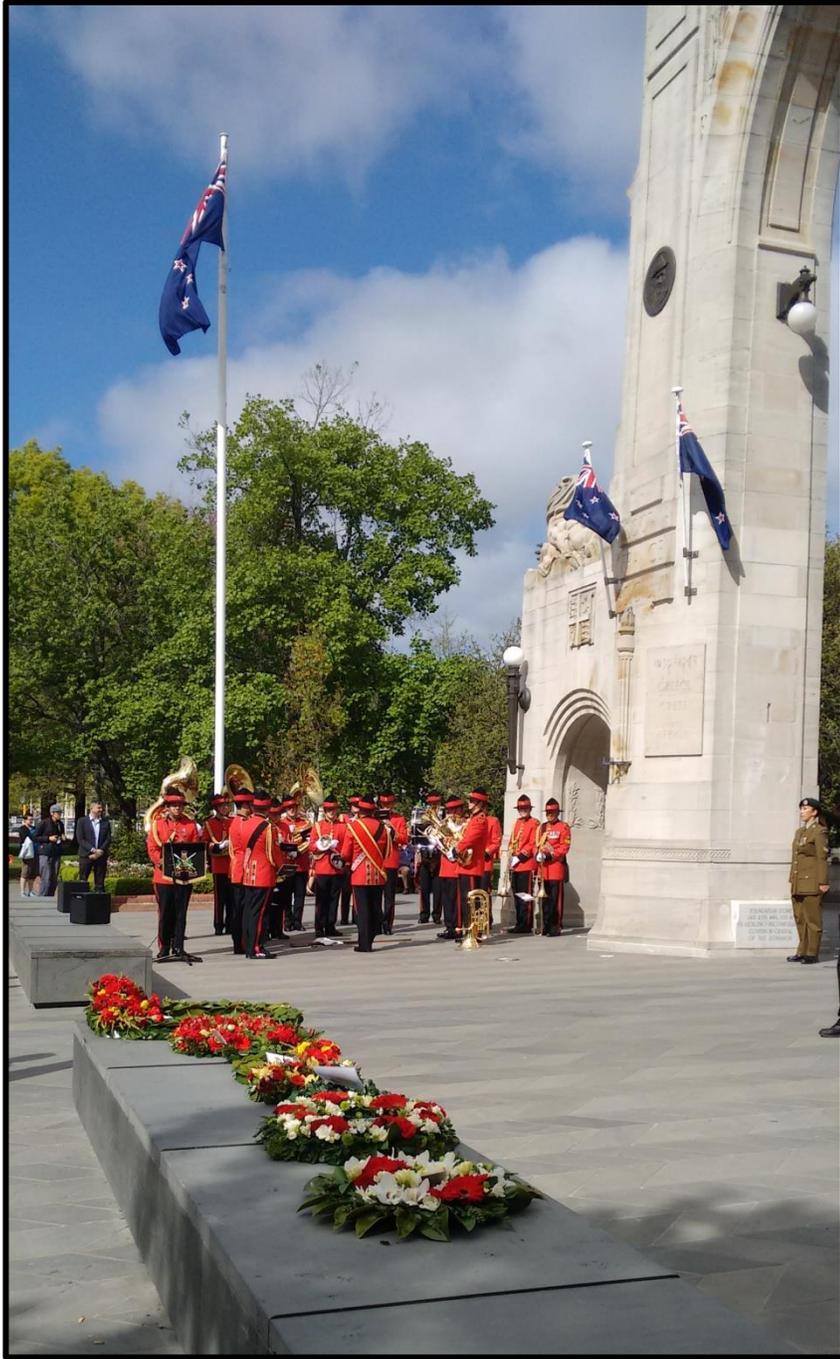
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Christchurch remembered those who died in a moving ceremony at the reopening of the Bridge of Remembrance in 2017 after the earthquake repairs, along with a display of the New Zealand Mounted Rifles Regiment on horses.

# LEST WE FORGET



Where ever you may be on April 25th take time out to remember those who died at home and abroad as a result of all those awful wars so that we may continue to have the freedom that we hold so dearly to live in peace. Do not let the lives of all those sons and daughters be forgotten.

The recent shooting tragedy here in Christchurch should bring home to us all that freedom and peace is to be treasured. A place to call home, raise your family and live out your life in safety is not to be taken lightly, it is hard won, with many lives. New Zealand's reputation as a good place to come to and raise your family peacefully without fear has been tarnished and we all rightly feel shocked and horrified

that this should have happened, as you can see by the floral tributes that are swamping the Hagley Park fence line in Rolleston Avenue in an affirmation of our sorrow, support and regret.

**Don't let all those who died be forgotten, remember them.**