

Website

The Society has a new website which will hopefully give people a real feel for the Society, our history (which is SO important!) and what we are currently about. Check out the link in the article.

Working Bee

Its the end of the month so its that time again on Saturday. Be nice to see you along for ONE Saturday!

Pressing On

This is a great new high quality film on Letterpress printing produced by a group of American Enthusiasts. We hope to screen it and promote the Society in July!

Book Binding Classes

The Printery is all set up and final preparations are under way for classes on Book Binding to begin. Watch out for more info!

Subscriptions

Have you paid your 2017 sub? Time to do something about it

Survey

Please give us your thoughts are to how we are doing / where we are going etc. Your thoughts and ideas are important to us. See details for the link and give us feedback!

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New Website for the Society



Welcome to the Ferrymead Printing Society

We are thrilled to announce that the Society has a new website! Check out <http://ferrymeadprint.org.nz/>

This is a work in progress and there are still bits to be completed and added to, but we hope you find this a source of inspiration and information.

Our huge thanks to Stephen Tweedy for hosting the website for us, which is a HUGE savings for the Society.

Inevitably with such a lot of information to enter, there will be errors, links that don't work or other parts of the site that need a sort out. If there is anything you notice or feel the site needs, or even if you would just like to give us some feedback, please don't hesitate to contact the webmaster - howard.pettigrew@xtra.co.nz

Thanks to many members who have contributed to the site in many ways, with their stories, photos, etc.

Notes from the June Exec Meeting

- * Minutes of the Previous meeting were read and accepted as was the Financial Report.
- * The new Constitution has been uploaded to the Societies Commission for ratification.
- * Our wonderful gaffer, Chris Horsham reported on some new equipment acquisitions which included a later model photocopier donated by Konica Minolta. This is not intended as an exhibit of modern printing equipment (!) but will assist us in producing tutorial materials etc. We have also been gifted a little hot foiling machine which will enable people to make members to make interesting business cards, etc.
- * A Proposal for running Book Binding classes along with the costs for running these was presented to the Exec and approved subject to some minor changes.
- The borrowing of equipment by members was discussed and the process for this is to be formalised with an agreement form prepared and any items borrowed to be marked permanently, the Acquisitions Record be kept more up to date and photos taken of lent equipment.
- Gary outlined the organisation and costs, etc of Kidsfest which proved so popular when undertaken for the first time last year.
- * It was approved that a security light be added above the rear door way for lighting for our Groups that meet at night.
- * The possibility of showing the film Pressing On: The Letterpress film was discussed with the decision to go ahead with this, subject to further investigation.

Working Bee

As this coming weekend is the last weekend of the month, it is Working Bee time! Can you donate us an hour of your time? We'd love to see some new faces along!

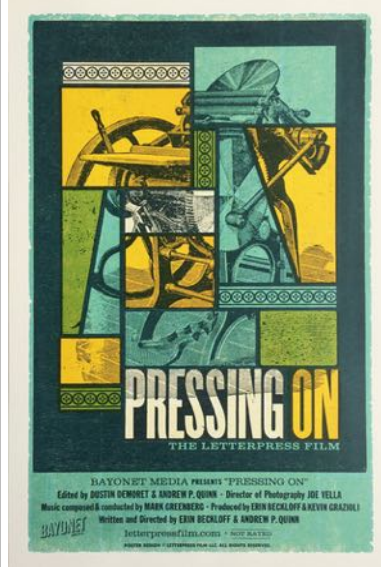
Jobs to be done

- * General tidy up / cleaning
- * Machine maintenance
- * Cabinets to shift / displays to set up
- * Machinery and some resources to be shifted
- * Further development in the Bindery area.

Social time 3:00ish or when the jobs are done!

Exciting Developments

Pressing On: The Letterpress Film.



There has been mention of doing something about this on our FaceBook Page. I have been working on getting a screening of this in Christchurch in a central location early next term so watch this space. We are hoping to make quite a night of this to really promote the Society with food and drink, examples of our work on display as well as some smaller presses for people to try their hand at letterpress printing.

We are also investigating having a weekend of activities at the Printery soon after the filming, for people who want to follow up on their interest stimulated by the movie.

There is a trailer for the movie here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RD0lRVEwz2g>

and a movie about the Project here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jO5XX9R9f9o>

If you can help in any way (and we had already had offers to be tutors on the follow up weekend!) we would love to hear from people, especially people that can spread the word or help out in other ways as this will be a huge commitment for our Society.

As they are trying to recover their costs for the production of the movie, their are quite considerable expenses involved in running this movie, but the Exec feels it will be worth the

Book Binding Classes

Gary and Sandy have set up the Bindery area and with Sandy's help, we will shortly be offering Book Binding classes. There will be a range of classes available depending on abilities so again, more information will be released shortly. Planning is underway for a Book Binding Group that meets on a regular basis to support and help each other, as well as receive further tuition. Thanks to Gary and Sandy for all their work which will lead to more new members but also different skills and crafts being learnt and displayed. The Society is in good heart!

Subscriptions

It is now six months since these were due so if you haven't paid your subs yet for this year, would you please consider sorting this out. We are a small Society reliant on our membership subs and for that, you get unlimited access to a huge range of resources, great expertise from people who give an awful lot of their time, plus this newsletter, etc, etc. And all of this for a fraction of what is charged for yearly subs in other organisations. We are aware of some members using our resources without a current 2017 membership which, being the kind hearted people we are, we haven't taken action on. We really don't want to become draconian or introduce restrictions on our facilities, etc so if you haven't paid yet, we would appreciate your prompt action. Attached is a subs renewal form.

Your thoughts are very important to us!

How do you think the Society is going? What would you like to see changed or the Society consider. As we look toward setting some long term goals for the Society we would like to work toward, now is your chance to tell us. There is a completely anonymous survey we are inviting you to complete where you can share your thoughts and brilliant ideas. It won't take you long - it only has three questions! And you don't have to answer them all! Check it out (and complete it!) here - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BLJ3RZ6>

Building Developments

Our wonderful builder Hadleigh Lill has been working away quietly over the last few months undergoing lots of repairs to the building which is making it more watertight and ready for painting. Spouting has been fixed, boards replaced, leaks sorted and he is about to start work on the Library which will have the top of the stairwell walled up and a door added to make this area more secure, temperature controlled and private for meetings. It is all slowly coming together.

We are currently getting lots of quotes for a new back door, which has passed its use by date. This will make the Workshop more weather proof and also easier to open for equipment to be shifted around or to enjoy late afternoon sunshine on warm days.

Kidsfest



Do you have children, grandkids or neighbours kids that like doing interesting hands on activities? Don't forget there are Kidsfest sessions, morning and afternoon at the Printery on Monday 10th July, Wed 12th and Friday 14th. Last year, parents told us this was the best Kidsfest activity their children had ever done so book now before the sessions fill. Book here <http://www.kidsfest.co.nz/event/printing-crafts-and-hobbies/>

Thanks again to Gary for all his hard work organising and preparing for this great fund raiser for us.



Ferrymead Printing Society

Membership Renewal 2017

'All members (and Executive Members) shall promote the purposes of the Society and shall do nothing to bring the Society into disrepute'. (From Constitution 13.1)

(Please complete a membership renewal form even if a Life or Honorary member.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Type of Membership: Full (\$25) Junior (\$25) Business (\$60)
 Life Honorary

Declaration: I support the Objectives of the Society outlined above and wish to be a member for 2017.

Payment Enclosed \$_____ (Please post to Ferrymead Printing Society, P.O.Box 41177, Ferrymead, Christchurch)

Paid Online \$_____ (Ferrymead Printing Society, Account number 03 0830 0338510-01 - use name as reference)

Signed _____ Date: _____