



# THE Society Scoop

News from the Ferrymead Printing Society

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### New Rear Doors

Our exterior access has been improved dramatically.

### Boot Camp

If you know of anyone interested in attending our popular Boot Camp then ask them to get touch.

### 2018 Calendar

Our Junior and Twilight Group members have been working on our 2018 Calendar.

### Bud visits The Platen Museum

And sees more hand presses than ever before!

### Building News

The Library contents have been moved so the wallpaper can be stripped, plastered and painted!

### Working Bee

Saturday 25 November from 10am onwards, stripping the remaining wallpaper from the Library walls and tidying up.



## New Rear Doors

Hadleigh Lill, our top builder/restorer and Ashton's Garage Doors have installed a new motorised, sectional door at the rear of the building (replacing the wooden sliding door), as well as a full-height access door beside it recently. No more ducking to enter the printery or hitting your head!

This will now make the building warmer and drier at all times of the year and will make it far easier to enter or move equipment and supplied in or out of our building.

We required a large vertical beam to strengthen the uprights and framing and when Rob van Peer, the Managing Director of Bromley Steel found out it was for Ferrymead, he kindly donated it to us, saving us over \$180. Thank you Rob and Bromley Steel.

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## Boot Camp Interest

Our Letterpress and Typography Boot Camp was so popular this year that we have already had people requesting another one! No date has been set but anyone interested can send us a message at [ferrymeadprint.org.nz/bootcamp](http://ferrymeadprint.org.nz/bootcamp)

## Bud visits Paul Aken at the Platen Press Museum

While Bud Obst was back in the US of A he and his daughter visited Paul Aken at his Platen Press Museum in Zion, Illinois. Paul featured prominently in the Pressing On film we displayed earlier in the year.

Paul has a huge range of pretty much everything and anything you could think of related to typesetting and platen presses with a huge array of catalogued hand presses lining walls in his Museum.

For more on the Platen Press Museum visit: <https://platenpressmuseum.com/>



## 2018 Calendar

Creative designs and carefully thought-out colour selections have been made by our Junior and Twilight group members as they prepare their individual monthly A5 pieces for inclusion in the Ferrymead Printing Societies 2018 Calendar. Emily Langdon and Olivia Hawtin will also be having their months (March and November respectively) included in the Association of Handcraft Printers 2018 Calendar which we are collating on behalf of their members around the country.

## Building News & Working Bee

Hadleigh Lill has made great progress around the building, some window panes on the northern wall have been replaced and bordered up windows now have daylight streaming through them. The new rear door is the biggest improvement you will see though. The upstairs Library area has also had a window pane replaced and this coming weekends' Working Bee on Saturday 25 November will be focussing on the removal of the wallpaper so that Hadleigh can continue to plaster and prepare the area for painting. Special thanks must be made to Gary Parker and Pippa Judge for their work in the Library boxing and moving all our books, resources and archives into the smaller upstairs room while the work is being done.

This is the last Working Bee for 2017 so we will also have a general tidy-up in the printery and studio areas if you are available to help any time after 10am would be appreciated.

That's all for now folks!