

# KARORI HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

The next meeting will be held on

Tuesday 1 December 2015

at St Ninian's, Newcombe Crescent, Karori

at 7.45 pm.

Members and friends welcome

## Talk

Our speaker is Dr Christopher Pugsley, ONZM, FRHistS, who will speak on "The NZ experience at Gallipoli and what it means today and its future importance".

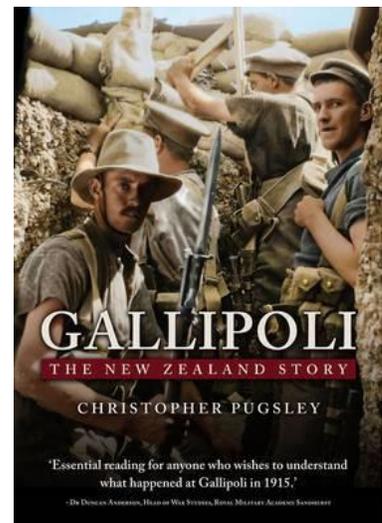
Dr Christopher Pugsley is one of New Zealand's leading military historians who has written on all aspects of New Zealand military history. A former New Zealand Infantry officer, he is an authority on New Zealanders at war.

His works include *Gallipoli: The New Zealand Story*, now in its fifth edition; *On the Fringe of Hell: New Zealanders and Military Discipline in the First World War*; and *The Anzac Experience: New Zealand, Australia and Empire in the First World War*. His recent work *A Bloody Road Home: World War Two and New Zealand's Heroic Second Division* was a finalist in the 2015 Templer Medal for British and Commonwealth Military History and the Ernest Scott Prize for Australian and New Zealand history.

He has just co-edited with Charles Ferrall, *Remembering Gallipoli: Interviews with New Zealand Gallipoli Veterans* (Victoria University Press).

Visit or contact Marsden Books if you would like to browse or purchase his books.

Supper will be served after the talk.



## ***September Speaker***

Oliver Sutherland presented a talk on '**Ivan Sutherland (1897-1952): academic and social activist**'. The talk outlined in fascinating detail the range of activities Ivan took on or was involved in, from attacking the rise of the eugenics movement, campaigning for public radio and helping to launch the Wellington Film Society. Together with friend and colleague Professor Philip Robertson, he was a patron of the controversial Wellington-based English artist Christopher Perkins.

His commitment to social psychology drew him into the world of Ngati Porou where Sir Apirana Ngata became a second mentor and lifelong friend. In his 1935 publications *The Maori Situation* Sutherland denounced pakeha 'racialism' and affirmed his commitment to a bicultural New Zealand and to Ngata's vision for the economic, cultural and social development of Maori.

## ***Unpaid subscriptions***

There are a small number of subscriptions yet to be paid for this year. Elizabeth Bradford will be following these up by mail but if you haven't paid your sub yet, please get it in. You can pay in person at our December meeting, otherwise contact Elizabeth Bradford at [e.bradford@paradise.net.nz](mailto:e.bradford@paradise.net.nz) or Valerie Carter at [vecarternz@paradise.net.nz](mailto:vecarternz@paradise.net.nz).

## ***Check out our website and see what's new***

A reminder a wealth of information about the society and our activities can be found online at our website, <http://www.karorihistory.org.nz/>.

Here you can check previous newsletters and speakers see what is coming up at the next quarterly meeting, as well as viewing a selection of historic images held in our archive collection.

We have just added scans of early copies of the *Stockade*; check these out at <http://www.wrhpc.org.nz/archive/khsindex.htm>. They go right back to the first ever issue in 1973; well worth a browse.

A reminder also of the hard work put in by Don Picken, who kindly administers our website at no cost. Don is also the current website administrator for the Wellington Regional Heritage Promotion Council <http://www.wrhpc.org.nz/>.

In lieu of administration fees Don is soliciting donations of 'treasures', examples of which are currently showing on their archive page <http://www.wrhpc.org.nz/archive/menu.php>. All you have to do is take a photo of the said item with a brief explanation or story relating to it. All donations will be accepted with gratitude and treated with respectful anonymity with regards

to ownership of these treasures. If any members are interested in donating in this way, could they please contact committee member Peter Anderson, e-mail: [pv.ander@paradise.net.nz](mailto:pv.ander@paradise.net.nz)

We are also on facebook; check it out and contribute! <https://www.facebook.com/Karori-Historical-Society-184528484931598/>



### ***Christmas Greetings***

We look forward to seeing you on 1 December, and we wish all our members and their families a happy and healthy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous 2015.

With the festive season approaching remember also we have a range of publications available for purchase, including back issues of *The Stockade*, *Terawhiti* and the *Goldfields*, and of course *Karori and its people*.

**Karori and its people** is also now discounted to the low price of just \$30, and will make a great Christmas present for those who have not got a copy.

You can get more details online, or feel free to contact me on [inkagh@clear.net.nz](mailto:inkagh@clear.net.nz).

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