



## THE EPSOM & EDEN DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

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### NEWSLETTER : JUNE 2010

The next Outing will be to

The Epsom Community Centre, Gillies Ave

**SATURDAY 3 JULY 2010**

**3.30pm – 5.30pm**

Campbell Farquharson of the National Film Archive

will be showing the film

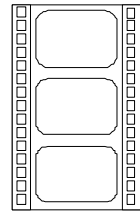
**“New Zealand in the 1960s”**

running for 45 minutes.

He will also talk about the work of the Film Archives.

Refreshments served at 3.30pm – Film will begin at 4pm.

NOTE: This entertaining show is to be held on a **SATURDAY** rather than a Sunday.



### **Cornwall Park Information Centre (Huia Lodge)**

**Open 10am – 4pm daily.**

Our Society is joining Blockhouse Bay, Onehunga and Panmure  
Historical Societies

in presenting a collective display featuring their local areas,  
landmarks and sites to visit. Come along and see what they are doing to  
preserve Auckland's vibrant history.

*The History of Epsom* (Reprint) will be available for sale at \$65.

The display will be on view from **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2010.**

**MAY MEETING:** Speaker, **Dame Christine Cole Catley** was introduced by Val Sherwood who noted:

“The young Christine was always passionate about writing. She became head of New Zealand’s first Polytechnic Journalism Course in New Plymouth, then was book and theatre reviewer for Wellington’s *Dominion* newspaper and its first television critic.

Chris entered publishing as a freelance editor for AH and AW Reed. In 1973, with her husband Doug Catley, she set up the Cole Catley publishing company. Along the way she became aware of the need for the support of women and families and, with our late member Mary Dobbie, took a leading role in the Parent’s Centre.

During a stint in the advertising world, Chris was asked to come up with a new name for the **Chinese Gooseberry**. Her submission was accompanied by a cartoon strip – the first picture was of the New Zealand Kiwi bird – the second showed it minus a head – the third, without its legs and feet. What remained had turned into a **Kiwi-Fruit**. Yes, Chris is responsible for the name.

Today, Chris is one of the best-known teachers of journalism and writing in New Zealand – and now writes and publishes from her home in Devonport – and she is assured of a warm welcome here tonight”.

At the conclusion of Dame Christine’s fascinating anecdote, she was thanked by Eric Laurenson for leading us on a journey – a stream of consciousness very much enjoyed by all.

**The Epsom & Eden District Historical Society Inc  
10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**

The Society will celebrate its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
by hosting a Luncheon at  
**Eden Gardens Café, Omana Ave, Epsom**

**Sunday 19 September 2010 at 12 noon**

Following the Luncheon Jack Baker’s book, ***A Baker’s Dozen*** will be launched  
at 2pm.

Jack is a long-time Epsom resident and historian.

Next Meeting  
Monday 2 August 2010 at 7.30 pm (Annual General Meeting)