

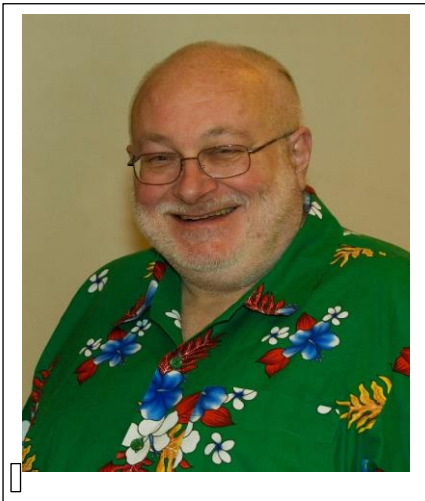
# Epsom & Eden

## District Historical Society Inc

You are warmly invited to the next meeting of our society at  
St Andrew's Church Hall, 100 St Andrews Rd. Epsom  
to hear Iain Wakefield's story of  
**Dr Thomas Moore Philson**

**2.30 p.m. 3 June 2024** (King's Birthday weekend)

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### Our speaker Iain Wakefield

Iain was born in Edinburgh. He attended school in London where he developed his initial love of history.

After medical school in London, he worked in Leeds, Edinburgh, Guernsey and Brisbane before settling in New Zealand in 1990.

He has held academic positions at the University of Auckland. He worked as a single-handed family doctor in Drury for 22 years before retirement. His rooms were situated opposite 'The Jolly Farmer' pub. He called himself 'The Jolly Doctor'.

He has been a member of the Papakura District Historical Society for 29 years. In that time, he has given three talks to the Society and written five articles for its journal 'Sentinel'. He won the national excellence award of the NZ Military History Society in 2007 for a paper on Reverend Thomas Norrie

In retirement, he is assisting Curator Alan in the preparation of the up-coming exhibition on the story of Ring's Redoubt outside Papakura.

**This afternoon's talk will tell the story of Dr Thomas Moore Philson, an early colonial soldier and surgeon and his life as one of the most eminent doctors in late nineteenth-century Auckland, and the man after whom the library in the Medical School is named.**

