

GIFTS • DONATIONS • BEQUESTS

You can help

The generosity of those who make donations directly or through provisions in their Wills to the Association greatly assists the growth and variety of the Museum Collection.

A monetary donation or bequest can be used to enhance the Museum galleries or to purchase items for the collection. A recent bequest, for example, was instrumental in completing the redevelopment of the archive room, which is of great benefit to the ever increasing number of people wishing to research their family history.

Offers to donate artefacts should be made directly to the Museum's curators, who can then assess the objects' suitability for the collection.

Your support can take several forms

If you wish to consider making a gift / bequest to the Otago Settlers Association, the possibilities are:

- a cash gift
- a general purpose legacy in your Will
- a specific purpose legacy in your Will
- a donation via your Family Trust
- donation of an artefact

Your personal advisors can discuss with you your gifts of money or other property for the general purposes of the Otago Settlers Association, for specific areas of research or for particular projects.

Bequests will be acknowledged in the Association's Annual Reports and, where appropriate, in Museum exhibitions.

The Otago Settlers Association invites support from individuals, companies, charitable trusts and foundations and thanks you for your consideration and support.



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*Friends of the
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*Your support will
be appreciated*



OTAGO SETTLERS ASSOCIATION

The Otago Settlers Association, established in 1898, recognises and celebrates the cultures and achievements of all peoples who have been and are part of the settlement of Otago and supports the Otago Settlers Museum in its care of Otago's heritage.

The Association also encourages the present day population to value and remember its ancestors.

You can contribute to this activity by remembering the Otago Settlers Association with gifts made during your lifetime, or in your Will.

Your contribution will give support and encouragement to the Association as it continues the work it started in 1898 of preserving Otago's history for future generations.

Over 100 Years of History

The Otago Early Settlers Association was established during Otago's fiftieth jubilee in 1898. It began by organising reunions and social events for the pioneers and their families. Soon it extended its activities to collecting information, photographs and artefacts from the early days of Otago's European settlement history. This formed the basis for the Otago Settlers Museum.

For many years the Association financed and staffed the Museum from its own resources and the occasional grant. As the collection grew, the Association was unable to meet all the operating costs. In order to safeguard the future of the collection the Association gifted it to the City of Dunedin in 1991 to hold in trust for the people of Dunedin and Otago.

Today the Museum houses a wide range of material relating to the history of all peoples of the region; here you can find photographs and diaries, costume, transport items and domestic and technology collections.

This priceless collection installed and displayed at the Otago Settlers Museum belongs to all of us.



Photographs show various artefacts the Otago Settlers Association has purchased or acquired for the Otago Settlers Museum.

The Otago Settlers Association Today

The Association strongly supports the Museum in all of its activities concerned with the care and preservation of Otago's heritage.

It does this in several ways:

- making regular donations to the Otago Settlers Museum
- adding to the Museum Collection items of special importance to the history of Otago
- supporting the publication of books relating to the history of Otago
- organising an annual Anniversary Day dinner
- regularly publishing the *Otago Settlers News*

The Association's regular income is limited to members' subscriptions and donations. It relies on bequests from its members and friends to enable it to carry out its primary task of preserving our heritage for our children and grandchildren.



The Association's centennial history, *To Fame Undying*, by Seán Brosnahan.



Membership

Membership of the Association is another valuable way in which you can support the work of the Otago Settlers Association. If you and your family are not already members we encourage you to consider joining.

A membership brochure providing information about benefits and subscriptions is available. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Association.