What a Ride - Change @ the Presbyterian Research Centre by Anne Jackman

The Archive & Library for the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa NZ

Our role

- Preserving the history of the life of the Presbyterian Church in NZ
- Supporting the Knox Centre for Ministry & Leadership staff & students
- Providing resources for ministers, and those working in the church
- Giving access to all members of the church, and others with an interest in theology

Knox College site, Dunedin



We also

- · Support the academic programs of the Universities in NZ, particularly the University of Otago
- · Work within the heritage sector (GLAM) to ensure NZ's heritage resources are protected
- · Provide access to groups such as genealogists, independent historians



Hewitson Library

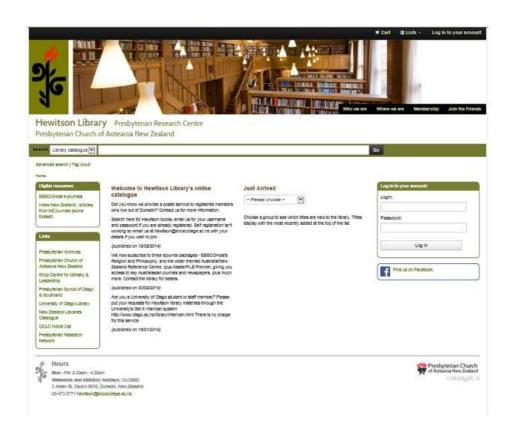
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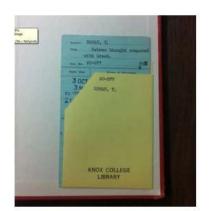
Strategies

- Work to a plan, be clear about priorities
- · Bring the staff along with you
- Target key members of stakeholder groups
- Use accessible technology, often at little or no cost
- · Be visible and noisy
- · Show increased value to funders
- Improve online presence
- · Be open to opportunities



Successes

- Better balance of use by key groups
- Supportive manager
- · Some wins in funding
- Staff own the processes
- Some way towards better online presence
- · Positive feedback and appreciation
- · Collaborations with external organisations
- · Capacity to deal with born digital



From a manual system



To the benefits of an automated one

Thank you

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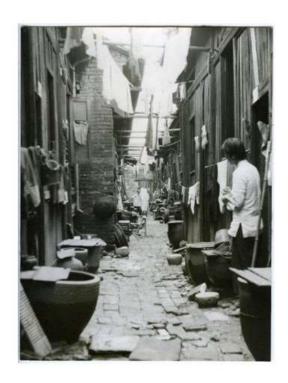
Some photographs from our collection for question time ...



Alexander Don Album: Nokomai River Congregation 14.1.1903 [PCANZ Archives A-S12-49.8]



Canton - Canal at Shameen



Canton – street scene



Dr Annand's study, Mission House, Tangoa, c1899 [PCANZ Archives A-S17-79.4-6]



Volunteer party to New Hebrides – fence building



Postcard of a 'tea party' held by the Tokomairiro Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union (PWMU)



St Johns (Wellington) and St Paul's (Christchurch) Bible Classes, 1898 [PCANZ Archives P-S19-2]



Children from a PSSA Home. n.d. [PCANZ Archives A-S18-76-3001]



Rt Hon Seddon opening Turakina Maori Girls' School, 13 April 1905 [PCANZ Archives A-S2-8.47-114]



Rev. D.C. Herron conducting military funeral at Gommecourt, France, 1918 [PCANZ Archives P-L22-22(A)]



The women attending their first Assembly as Elders are: (I-r) Mrs W.H.O Johnston, Tokomaru Bay; Sister Margaret Hewson, Wellington, Mrs. E.M. Webb, Papatoetoe.



Rev K A Hadfield standing on a steel girder overlooking Cathedral Square, Christchurch, during the construction of the Bank of New Zealand building, 1966 [PCANZ Archives, P-A120.25-51]