

# *CHRISTCHURCH ANTIQUE BOTTLE & COLLECTABLES CLUB*

## **UPDATE FOR MAY 2020**

Hello Collectors

Hope this finds you all well and happy with your collections all sorted and tidied during the lockdown. Many of you will be back to some sort of normality. And many will still be feeling quite isolated a committee member may make contact to with you just to say hello and ensure you are doing ok with the changes COVID 19 has made to our lives

The committee met this week the first time since COVID 19 struck and no hand-shakes, hugs, or kisses. We all know this is hard, but it is critical to keep a good distance away to prevent the spread of any bugs. So, we sat around on chairs a metre apart sorting out the events that had been planned for in our club calendar.

Firstly, this month's meeting for this weekend has been postponed it was to be our AGM and the committee decided that the situation being what it is we would postpone the meeting and look at having it later this year, depending on the developing situation.

The committee also decided that we would postpone the meetings in JUNE & JULY reconvening in the month of AUGUST.

This was quite a hard decision to make and it will be the second time in the club's history that we have postponed our events the first being during the Earthquakes



## **October Annual Show at the YMCA**

The committee also took this decision under much discussion and we decided that the cost versus revenue and the collectors and public attendance could really affect the event so we decided we would focus on Next year and hosting the National Show here in Christchurch



**THE ANNUAL SHOW IN OCTOBER has been postponed**

**Its hard to predict what things will be like in October and I know their will be many disappointed faces as you read this but the committee stands by the decision**



*A few words from our friendly Editor*

We hope that all our collector friends have successfully negotiated their way through the various Covid-19 regimes and can now look forward to the return of freedoms that we all enjoy. We are not quite there yet so please do continue to observe the various protocols that are still in force.

The Club committee met last night for the first time since February (observing social distancing requirements) and agreed on a basic timetable for the return to normality. Providing regulations permit, we aim to have the next Sunday night Club meeting on August 30. Yes, that is indeed a loooong way off, so to ease the wait, we plan to distribute by post (to members who have paid the higher sub.) and by email to other members, a special Covid edition magazine. This will be a 'bumper' edition of at least 20 pages with 12 in full colour. Therefore, lots of great contributions are needed. Copy deadline is June 16 - Tuesday night.

Of particular interest is articles with a related 'disaster' theme, e.g. the 1918 Influenza pandemic with relevant bottles and collectables.

Like me, I am sure some members will have scored some extra special 'new finds' to show off, without having to wait until the end of August. As always, relevant pictures enhance any article. Let's get cracking!

**Hugh**

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I imagine there has been many transformations to bottle rooms  
collectables displays during lockdown please share some of your  
stories to Hugh for the magazine so we can keep the contact





It is with sadness that I inform members of the passing of Fulton Finch he was a passionate collector and many of our members were privileged to have visited his museum and share his collection.

Please stay safe and we look forward to keeping in touch if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact Craig or a committee member I know there is quite a lot of interaction on the social media sites related to our collecting and there has been numerous auctions across the Tasman to keep the hobby alive.



Cordy's in Auckland this week of Ngaire Harts collection (which featured on 7 Sharp) and I am sure she would of been delighted to see her collection dispersed to fellow devotees across NZ



Stay safe everyone and keep in touch with your fellow collectors and remember put some time into a wee article for Hugh's monster magazine let it be a real COVID edition

Kind regards

Helen

