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## Entries on BreakOut - 1831 and rising

[www.fis.org.nz/BreakOut/](http://www.fis.org.nz/BreakOut/)

- comprehensive and fast growing, BreakOut database of awards, scholarships and grants is available on the Internet, or on disk by annual subscription. It provides funding information for high school students, undergraduates, post-graduates and those who wish to undertake research in a chosen field of study, or individuals wanting to upskill.

Please feel free to write to us with your comments.  
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## Andrea's Report

The Funding Information Service was set up to collect funding information and make it widely available to the community. This means working with both funders who provide the information and grant seekers who need the information to meet the challenge of getting it right for everyone.

Over the last few months we have enjoyed working with an advisory group comprising funders, community organisations and community workers. We've been working on the project which is designed to add information that will assist groups with resourcing their organisation; and with changes to the wording and placing of the selections you make when searching FundView.

We'd like to hear whether you think the extra information is useful

and whether the changes make searching FundView easier. Your feedback is the best base for developments to the service so that you get the best service for your needs.

## FundView gets a Facelift

When you install the latest edition of FundView you'll notice we've made a couple of changes. Nothing too much to learn, we hope; we're trying to make FundView easier to use to help you identify a sensible shortlist of funding opportunities.

The first thing you'll notice is the new layout on the search screen. The questions FundView asks you are the same, but we've clarified what each question is about. We've also cut down on the number of costs (previously "activities") for which you can seek funding in any one search, to help users target their grant seeking better.

## Introducing Other Stuff

There are a few other cosmetic changes, the main new feature is the addition of some text-based material to support community groups, particularly when they're first starting out. We'll be adding to these as time goes by; indeed, if you have any ideas for future material, please do let us know (see below for contact details).

You'll find this "other stuff" listed at the bottom of the FundView screen (Internet subscribers will find it on the grey panel on the left). The documents are also available at our website - <http://www.fis.org.nz> and click on Subscriber Resources.

These improvements have been suggested to us by our Community Resources Action Group (Wellington City Council, Downtown Ministry, Hutt City Council, Wairarapa REAP, People's Centre/Ronald McDonald House) and we'd like to express our thanks to them for their ongoing input.

## Future developments

It seems that we've no sooner got one development finished and ready to go when we're discussing the next one! With the assistance of our users and subscribers all over the country we continually develop and improve both FundView and BreakOut. We haven't finished with FundView yet: we're planning to add in a new feature which would let you easily discard irrelevant fund names from your search results, so that you can target and concentrate on realistic funding opportunities. What do you think? Let us know (email [cathi@fis.org.nz](mailto:cathi@fis.org.nz), write to us at PO Box 1521 Wellington or phone us on 04 499 6518).

## Todd Foundation changes

The Todd Foundation has changed its funding policy. Its primary objective today is to award major grants targeting particular areas of need. The current focus for the Foundation's **General Fund** is Youth. For the next few years, the Foundation expects to make major grants (generally a minimum of \$10,000) for significant projects, initiatives and activities of direct benefit to children and young people.

Since its establishment in 1972, the Foundation's practice has been to provide small, across-the-board, grants. However, a fluctuating economic situation and changes to government social policies over the years, has meant Trustees have been faced with the growing dilemma of meeting increased community needs. They have therefore decided in future to concentrate on one specific area; the focus will be reviewed from time to time.

In addition to the General Fund, the Foundation expects to make two or three major grants (generally a minimum of \$20,000) from its **Centenary Fund**. These grants are awarded each year for significant projects in either environment, conservation, arts, culture, education, health facilities or research in any of these areas.

*Shirley Day  
Todd Foundation*

Shirley is pleased to be back with the Todd Foundation - she was involved when it was first set up in the early 70's. The voluntary sector has seen enormous changes since then, and Shirley is looking forward to working with the community to find ways that the Foundation can assist under its new funding criteria.



## Lottery Grants Board Funding 2000/2001

The **Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness and Leisure** receives the largest allocation of \$27.080 million with a further \$3.810 million going to High Performance Sports; **Creative New Zealand** receives \$20.310 million and the **Arts Foundation of New Zealand** \$100,000, while the **New Zealand Film Commission** share is \$8.801 million.

At \$11.25 million **Lottery General**, which regularly funds the country's outdoor safety organisations, has the largest slice of the funds available to the Board's distribution committees.

**Lottery Welfare** receives a 2000/01 budget of \$11.08 million while its special sub-committee, which makes grants to people with disabilities to help them achieve independence, has \$3.2 million to distribute.

The "bricks and mortar" committees, **Lottery Community Facilities** and **Lottery Marae Heritage and Facilities**, have \$10.25 million and \$5.79 million respectively to service building projects nationwide.

**Lottery Environment and Heritage** has \$9.09 million for the year with \$1.25 million of this earmarked for Te Papa (Museum Of New Zealand) and a further \$650,000 tagged for the New Zealand Film Archive.

A \$5.22 million fund is available to **Lottery Youth**, and **Lottery Aged** has \$3.12 million to distribute. **Lottery Health Research** receives \$3.11 million.

In other decisions, the Grants Board made \$500,000 available for one-off projects recognising the International Year of Volunteers 2001, and the Minister of Internal Affairs Discretionary Fund has a budget of \$350,000.

*For enquiries about Lottery Grants funding, telephone: 0800 824 824.*



*Jane Selby  
Community Development Group  
Department of Internal Affairs*

## **Community Sector Roundtable**

The Community Sector Roundtable is an open forum of individuals and organisations committed to the development of improved relationships with government, and to promote the development of a stronger, more cohesive community sector. The roundtable meets on the first Tuesday of each month (next meeting will be September 5th) at level 4, 175 Victoria St., Wellington from 12:00 - 2:00.

Organisations and individuals outside Wellington can keep in touch with developments via e-mail. Contact Pat Hanley at email [lawler.hanley@paradise.net.nz](mailto:lawler.hanley@paradise.net.nz) or phone 04 239 9727 if you want to be included on the distribution list.

The government's Community and Voluntary Sector Working Party, chaired by Dorothy Wilson, work closely with the Roundtable and will be organising meetings, together with the Social Services Relationship Project and the

Roundtable throughout New Zealand, over the next three months. So if you are interested in having a meeting in your community or want information about meetings near you, contact Pat Hanley.

This is an important initiative and we want to hear your ideas on how we can improve relationships between government and our sector. Any community or voluntary sector organisation (health, education, women Maori, arts, sports) is welcomed.

*Pat Hanley, Chair  
Community Sector RoundTable*

## **Annette's report**



### **Our South Island Odyssey**

It has been a long time between visits, so it was with eager anticipation that Cathi and I stepped on a plane bound for Christchurch for the start of the long awaited southern trek.

Expecting a perma-frost in late June isn't as extreme a notion as it might seem. We were well and truly bundled up on our arrival only to find the weather almost balmy, and it was to continue this way for the duration of our trip.

We received a warm southern welcome from Christchurch Polytechnic and the University of Canterbury, both long standing subscribers to BreakOut. Maggie Dodd at the Ashburton Resource Centre amazed us with her energy and dedication and we were really pleased to visit a new subscriber to FundView, the Ashburton District Council. We hope that the database is widely used at the Ashburton library and that there is an increasing awareness of the usefulness of FundView to the local community.

Cathi presented FundView at a funding day organised by Carol Ball from the Waimate Resource Centre. It was Carol's vision and ability to organise that made it possible for FundView to be installed at Waimate, Kurow, Twizel and Temuka.

While in Oamaru we visited the North Otago Citizens Advice Bureau as well as the Waitaki District Council and then on to Dunedin and a visit with the Otago Polytechnic and the University of Otago.

We visited the Clutha District Council and the Central Otago District Council for the first time. The Central Otago District Council is a new subscriber to FundView and was keen to have a training session for their district librarians, REAP office and Citizens Advice Bureau.

We ended our South Island Odyssey, meeting with Dame Elizabeth Hanan from the Dunedin City Council. It was a trip conducted at a fairly hectic pace but proved to be useful in terms of forging new relationships and a greater understanding of issues that are important to South Island communities.

### **Cathi's report**

As well as going to the South Island with Annette, I also went to the Bay of Plenty to present at two Funding Expos, **Tauranga** and **Kawerau**. Both events were very successful and well attended, and people were glad to have come to them. Both events had speakers from Lottery Grants and Trusts, Bay of Plenty Community Trust, and the Hillary Commission. We find that funding days reach many people who have not tried FundView before, and that

they appreciate the chance to meet with funders from the local area too.

We're hoping to get to the **Central Hawke's Bay** district soon - watch this space!

### **Diploma in NFP Management**

Did you know there is a great training program for leaders and managers of the not for profit sector? Unitec's Graduate Diploma in not for profit management is now in its fifth successful year.

This part time practical programme is now taught in Northland, Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu. It is rumoured the course will open in two other NZ cities next year as well as two other Pacific states.

The course is very practically based, uses co-operative learning methods, which suit the community sector and is led by active practitioners. Scholarships and other help with fees are also available. Further information from:

Email: [courses@unitec.ac.nz](mailto:courses@unitec.ac.nz)

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*John Stansfield, Program Leader*

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### **Fundview and Breakout Updates**

Database information is updated monthly on our website. Simply go to the Subscriber Resource page, click on login below, enter the licence name, serial number and password that match the FundView or BreakOut database (if you are subscribed to both)- then follow the instructions.

You'll find it a convenient and easy way of updating the most recent funding, scholarship and grant information.

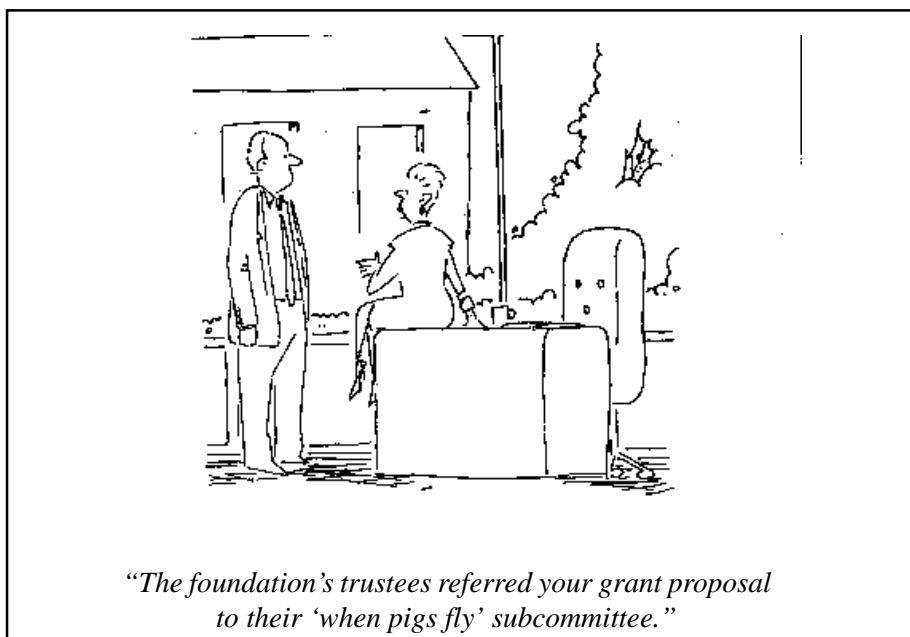
### **Funding Calendar Updates**

This is an added feature for subscribers to the Windows edition of FundView. The latest copy of the Funding Calendar can be downloaded from the Subscribers' Resources section of our website. You'll need the same log in details mentioned above.

Try it at [www.fis.org.nz](http://www.fis.org.nz)  
*Internet users get their Funding Calendar built in!*

### **New Location for FundView**

Welcome to Central Otago District Council where FundView can now be viewed free of charge. We hope that the local community in Alexandra and surrounding areas put it to good use.



*"The foundation's trustees referred your grant proposal to their 'when pigs fly' subcommittee."*

