

## WHO ARE WE?



The Otago Goldfields Heritage Trust is a non-profit organisation whose aims are to develop, represent and promote the historical sites, trails and events of Otago.

Annual Cavalcades, field weekends, National Gold Panning Championships along with interpretation signage and brochures encourage an awareness of the part gold played in our history and development. By being promoted as a significant historical attraction, the Goldfields have become internationally recognised as unique and are steadily enjoying an increase in tourism

This brings benefits to the individual communities throughout Otago, as well as the region generally. More specifically, by using local groups and clubs to provide the catering and services for the events listed above, the Trust contributes many thousands of dollars to a wide variety of local worthy causes.

The Trust Membership is made up of keen outdoor individuals with an interest in Otago's Heritage. Over the years the Trust has had the help and support of the Department of Conservation, the New Zealand Tourism Board and more recently the Central Lakes Trust.

### WHAT MEMBERS CAN EXPECT

- Communication to keep them informed on Trust activities such as those mentioned over →
- One months priority on your Goldfields Cavalcade trail of choice
- Opportunities to get involved with local projects and make a tangible contribution
- Voting rights at the AGM where members can have their say about the running of the Trust

## TRUST ACTIVITIES

The inaugural Goldfields Heritage Trust Celebrations were launched in 1987, with the gold coach visiting each of the communities. Now, each year one community hosts the major celebrations with the arrival of the Goldfields Cavalcade. Hundreds of people on foot or horseback, or riding in horse drawn wagons and gigs, having travelled over classic Central Otago high country stations for up to a week all converge on a Host Town for a grand parade, afternoon's entertainment and evening Hoe-down.

The Trust also organises the National Gold Panning Championship - now held in conjunction with the Arrowtown Autumn Festival each year.

About 3 Field Weekends are organised each year to areas of gold mining and heritage interest. These weekends provide an opportunity to discover new places and relics alongside local expert guides and key speakers all in the company of other like-minded individuals.

The Trust produces high-quality brochures for national and international distribution, highlighting the goldfields sites and the heritage trail throughout Otago. Tear-off maps also guide travellers to visit goldfields sites.

Extensive signage throughout the heritage trail has been developed and many more are in the pipeline.

Preservation and restoration projects are also an important part of the Trust's activities, from large jobs like the 'Come in Time' stamper battery to smaller jobs like stone wall stabilisation.

### CHECK OUT THE OTAGO GOLDFIELDS HERITAGE TRUST WEBSITES ON:

[www.goldfieldstrust.org.nz](http://www.goldfieldstrust.org.nz)  
[www.cavalcade.co.nz](http://www.cavalcade.co.nz)  
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## OTAGO GOLDFIELDS HERITAGE TRUST MEMBERSHIP INVOICE FORM 2016 - 2017

FULLNAME .....

POSTAL ADDRESS .....

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PHONE(home) .....

### MEMBER CATEGORY

- Individual \$50
- Family \$70  
(For people living at the same address)
- Community Group \$75
- Business Member \$85
- Life membership (single) \$500
- Life Membership (family) \$700
- Donation .....

(Tax deductible - a receipt will be sent)

First instalment towards the cost of the Cavalcade Trail fee? \$200

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