

Tasman. The exhibition made use of all the Library's collections and was enhanced by the loan of items from the National Museum, the Union Steam Ship Co. and Air New Zealand. In planning the exhibition it was hoped to show the development of civil and military aviation in New Zealand up to the 1940s, and also to capture some of the freshness and excitement which characterised aviation in an earlier era. It was also hoped that the exhibition would attract more material related to aviation into the Library's collections, and already information leading to possible acquisitions has appeared. Not the least valuable aspect of the exercise has been the cooperation with the Aviation Historical Society of New Zealand, whose members have been generous in providing information and checking the accuracy of information contained in the captions.

Cook bicentennial memorial publication

To mark the bicentenary of the death of Captain James Cook RN at Kealakekua in Hawaii on 14 February 1779 the Alexander Turnbull Library Endowment Trust Board has published the text of a lecture 'The Death of Captain Cook' given by Cook's editor and biographer J. C. Beaglehole OM. The lecture, first published in a periodical in 1964, has not previously been issued separately as a monograph. The Endowment Trust Board, conscious of the value that John Beaglehole placed on the physical book, comfortable to the hand and pleasing to the eye, and his belief, shared with Alexander Turnbull, that scholarship deserves the courtesy of good printing, commissioned Alan Loney's Hawk Press to produce a limited edition of 50 copies printed on one of the Library's Albion presses on dampened hand-made paper and quarter bound by hand in oasis goatskin and cloth. From this typesetting a facsimile edition has been produced in 1000 copies by Whitcoulls to enable this example of New Zealand book design and printing to be made available to a wider audience at a modest cost. The hand-printed limited edition will sell for \$130 and the facsimile for \$10. Half of the facsimile edition has been reserved for Friends of the Turnbull Library and these copies are available to members at a substantial discount on the retail price.