Wellington Meeting – May 1991

Date 3rd 4th 5th May.

The meeting was held in the Newlands Primary School hall, Newlands.

Friday night began at 7.30 pm with a social get-together. Several films were then shown, followed by a very nice supper and more chatting to round off the evening.

Saturday began at 8.30 am and soon after, the six monthly meeting took place. Once business had been completed, the auction got under way. With a large and varied selection of goodies for disposal, auctioneer John Bell assisted by Michael Woolf made short work of this. At the conclusion of the auction, lunch was served.

After lunch we boarded the buff's bus for the start of the afternoon's activities. First stop was the National Film Archive, where we were entertained as guests of David Lascelles and his most able staff. Several early short films were shown and it gave members a better understanding of the work being done by the Archive. Our next visit was to Eric Clarke's theatrette where we were treated to afternoon tea and a programme of films.

The evening meal on Saturday night was held at the Burma Lodge and consisted of a beautiful smorgasbord dinner. At the conclusion of the meal, we adjourned to Brenda and John Woodall's home at Khandallah where we were again treated to more food and a programme of films shown in their theatrette. Our action-packed day wound to a close at about 11.45 pm.

Sunday morning saw us assemble at Hoyts Mid-City complex at 9.30 am, where we viewed the new rear-projection cinemas which were installed recently. From here we had the option of visiting John Bell, Snow Bartholomew, or Ces Cowan to view their respective theatrettes before returning to the venue for lunch. After lunch, the official farewells took place, which brought another successful weekend to an end.