

Robert McDougall

Dayboy

1875–1877

College No. 607

Robert Ewing McDougall

Robert McDougall was one of Christchurch's most generous benefactors. His ultimate gift was to build a public art gallery in the Botanic Gardens that still bears his name today.

Robert's philanthropy was funded in large part by his highly successful biscuit and confectionery

company, Aulsebrooks. He was also a key figure in the city's manufacturing and industrial sectors both locally and nationally.

Described as a man before his time, Robert's generosity was far-reaching. He was well known for ensuring the welfare of his staff and families. He gave life-long support to the Christchurch Golf Club and other sports facilities. What was less well known was his involvement with many charitable organisations, both financial and by helping to run them.

Always helping those less fortunate than himself, Robert McDougall exemplifies the absolute definition of a philanthropist and our core value of service to others.



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