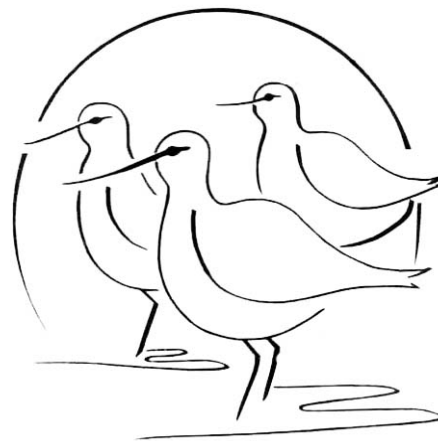


# 10<sup>th</sup> Annual BIRDSaPLENTY Festival



September 24<sup>th</sup>  
to  
October 16<sup>th</sup>  
2011

**Sat Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm Festival Opening** at REAP House.  
Celebrate 10 years of BIRDSaPLENTY with wine, finger food, and "Cutting the Cake".  
Phone Morley (07) 312 5116

**Sun Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Opotiki Field Trip.** Meet at the Ohiwa Domain Reserve, walk to Bryans Beach, then visit Hukutaia Domain, see enormous Puriri trees.  
Phone Morley (07) 312 5116

**Tues Sept 27<sup>th</sup> Port Ohope Playcentre "PreSchool Ramble"** along to Sandcastle looking at birds and collecting "treasure" to make model birds.

**Wed Sept 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Inter-School Debate**  
REAP House

Watch the Local Secondary Schools battle it out debating. One moot will be "Saving Kakapo is a waste of money" Koha please

**Fri Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Ruud Kleinpaste "the Bug Man" visits Whakatane**  
**1:30pm** Ohope School Children walk and talk with Ruud in the Pohutukawa Forest.

**7:00pm Key note Address** Whakatane Little Theatre  
Ruud Kleinpaste entertains us with the talk *Our Biodiversity in Whakatane -privilege and responsibility.*  
Entry Adult \$15.00 School Children \$5.00  
Tickets at **Good Life**

**Sat Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00am The Dotterels of Port Ohope.**  
**Surf and Sand Holiday Park**

Meet Hemi Barsdell, DOC Biodiversity Ranger, at the **Surf and Sand holiday park**. We will have a cuppa and Hemi will talk to us about managing the dotterels. This will be followed by a walk with Hemi along the spit to see these amazing cute little birds.  
BBQ brunch sponsored by BOPRC.

**Sun Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:00am Opening of the new Cheddar Valley walk**  
**Meet at Cheddar Valley Pottery**

Join the Nukuhou Salt Marsh Care Group at the opening of the "Cheddar Valley Inanga Loop Track" and walk to the whitebait spawning pools.  
BBQ brunch provided by BOPRC

**Tue Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm Bird Spotting along the Whakatane River Bank**

Meet at the Amphitheatre, walk along to the Information Centre and back again spotting birds. Discover just how many different species of birds live here in town. Bring a picnic tea and be there for the drawing of spot prizes.

**Thur Oct 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am Waitotane Reserve**

Meet at the beginning of Te Kooti Road. A moderately difficult walk around part of the reserve. We will check traps, enjoy the bush and hear about the Kiwi Project. Bring your lunch.

Book with Stuart Slade (07) 312 4583

**Thur Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Looking After the Birds of Ohiwa Harbour REAP House**

An amazing group of volunteers spent several weeks wading through the Ōhiwa mud at dawn surveying marshbird populations in November last year. The survey was undertaken as part of ecological work involved with the Ōhiwa Harbour Strategy, and compared results with a survey conducted by the Department of Conservation in 1990. This talk discusses the survey results, and their wider significance.

**Fri Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm An evening of Bird Photography REAP House**

Join Mandy Hague, Jill and Colin Harland. Enjoy a presentation of some of their wonderful bird photos with comments about where when and how.

Koha please

**Sat Oct 8<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am Forest & Bird Plant Sale.**

F&B Nursery Fortunes Road

Buy plant packs to attract birds to your garden.

Phone Jo (07) 308 0411

**Motuhora Island**

Join the Whakatane Kiwi Trust on a trip to Motuhora (Whale Island) \$90

Details and booking Eastbay REAP 07 308 4098

**Mon Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm Life Force :New Zealand**

**REAP House**

Green Screening joins in the celebrations of the BIRDSaPLENTY Festival. This month's screening shows the unique evolution of New Zealand's wildlife complementing Ruud's talk admirably. Koha please

**Wed Oct 12<sup>th</sup>**

**2:30 – 4:00 pm Afternoon Tea at Cheddar Valley Pottery**

Enjoy "Coffee and Cake" while chatting to the artists and viewing the extensive range of Bird Pottery for sale.

**7:00 pm Historical NZ Bird Art**

**REAP House**

An evening with Narena Olliver from NZBirds. Narena will be talking about NZ historical bird art. Koha please

**Thur Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30 am Rotorua Field Trip**

7:30am Leave REAP car park

9:00am Lake Okareka Board Walk

11:30am Kiwi Encounter, \$24.00. Limit 20,

1:30 pm Falcons at Wingspan, \$26.00 Limit 20

Bookings essential. Own Transport -we will car pool if possible

Contact Morley (07) 312 5116 gwest@wave.co.nz

**Fri Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** 1:00pm **Gifting of the Birds Mural at Port Ohope**  
Come and see the work of local school students at Otao South Reserve.  
Afternoon tea at Sandcastle to follow.

**Sat Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00am Open Day with the Manawahe Kokako Trust** Bird viewing followed by a BBQ breakfast. See and hear kokako, tui, bellbird and kereru. \$5 per person. 12yrs and over, moderate fitness required. Must register Ph Jude (07) 3088585 office hours

**Otamatuna Overnight trip to hear the Dawn Chorus**

Learn about the Mainland Island, hear the dawn chorus and see the kokako. Limited to 10 people. Book with Greg Moorcroft DOC Te Urewera Area Office Whakatane.  
(07) 307 2783 [gmoorcroft@doc.govt.nz](mailto:gmoorcroft@doc.govt.nz)

**Sun Oct 16<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 am **Welcome Back The Godwits. Ohiwa Holiday Park.**

Walk out to meet the Godwits. Adrian Riegen and a team from Miranda Shorebirds will bring their telescopes and share their knowledge with us. Afterwards gather at the Camp Ground for talk and brunch. \$5 cover charge.  
BBQ brunch provided by BOPRC.

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> – Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Sept** **Radio Bird Quiz**

Listen to 1XX. Answer a question correctly and go into the draw to win trips to White Island  
Sponsored by White Island Tours and 1XX

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct, Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Oct, Thur 6<sup>th</sup> Oct, Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Oct**

**Nocturnal Kiwi Listening Walks**

The Whakatane Kiwi Trust is carrying out a series of nocturnal kiwi listening walks during the BIRDSaPLENTY Festival. The walks start at 7:30pm and last for two hours,

Adults: \$15 Children (aged 6 to 17): \$10

Family Group (2 adults and 2 Children): \$40

Children must be accompanied by one adult to each child.

For more information and bookings please contact  
[walks@whakatanekiwi.co.nz](mailto:walks@whakatanekiwi.co.nz).

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Surf and Sand Holiday Park  
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Bank of New Zealand Whakatane  
Energy Options  
Whakatane Beacon

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