

# Pānui

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## • Andrea's report •

We are back in full swing at work here in Wellington and sweltering in our offices without the benefit of air conditioning. We keep our windows open and the noise of the city annoys, the wind blows the papers around and we enjoy the parades, with bands playing, rugby players waving, graduates with balloons, fans in dress-up and last but not least the protests marching to Parliament. We hope you've had a great holiday and that 2006 is a productive and satisfying year for you all.

### **Hon Luamanuvao Winnie Laban Minister for the Community & Voluntary Sector**

Kevin and I visited Winnie Laban last week to talk about Funding Information Service, our databases and services. These are a real strength in our sector as they are unique information and we have built knowledge from working with funders, grantseekers and the information itself.



We discussed how we can work with the Minister to make more people aware that this information exists and how to use it. Making politicians more aware of these services means they can let people in their electorates know about where to get them.

We also offered an analysis of funding based on our data and this shows the information we're getting from government and other funders and what is missing and also the amount of funding going to different areas of work.

Winnie will be travelling soon to meet with groups in various regions so she can build up her picture of the sector and its strengths as well as its needs.

### **Welcome to the new Trust Waikato Chief Executive**

The Funding Information Service extends a warm welcome and congratulations to Bev Gatenby on taking up the position of Chief Executive with Trust Waikato.

Bev has wide experience in the voluntary sector with active participation in many organisations - as a job, as a volunteer, as an initiator and as a family.

She was most recently CEO of Social Services Waikato an organisation that works with community and voluntary sector organisations to develop capacity and strength.

With Trust Waikato Bev will have the opportunity to help organisations carry out charitable, cultural, philanthropic and recreational projects to benefit people in the Greater Waikato. The Trust was set up as Trust Bank Waikato Community Trust in 1988 and over 15 years it has had two name changes and has distributed over \$65m.

Bev brings great knowledge, competence, humour and strategic overview to the position and we wish her well and look forward to working with her in this new relationship.

### **COMVOICEs – funding and sustainability**

COMVOICEs is a group of national and umbrella organisations working to identify common issues across the sector and to get them acknowledged, talked about in the media and by government and worked on for improved relationships and development in our sector and ultimately in our country.

We collect case studies to use in counteracting the critical stories politicians and media are prone to blaze across the headlines and we're trying to build the profile of the sector and awareness of its independence, size and value to our society and our economy.

We've identified some of the messages to work with under the heading 'Funding and sustainability' and they are: part-funding, reporting and accountability, integrated contracts, funding for sustainable development, gambling funds and how sustainable or effective they are, salaries and cost of living increases in the voluntary sector.

COMVOICEs is a way of working. If you're interested in setting up a similar group in your region please contact [andrea@fis.org.nz](mailto:andrea@fis.org.nz) or [comms@nzfwo.org.nz](mailto:comms@nzfwo.org.nz).

Check out [www.allaboutfunding.org.nz](http://www.allaboutfunding.org.nz)

# FundView and BreakOut Stats

FundView and BreakOut Information Collectors are constantly looking for new records to list on our databases. Recent additions are:

## FUNDVIEW

There are currently 640 published records on FundView. New schemes include: the Manukau Community Foundation, SPARC Rural Travel Fund (Central Otago); Selwyn District Council Sport and Cultural Fund and the Graduate Diploma Not-For-Profit Management - Pacific Scholarship.

### Highlight:

Te Kawai Toro is a new scheme administered by the J R McKenzie Trust. Te Kawai Toro is aimed at supporting projects run by Maori, iwi, hapu, or whanau led organisations that will have benefits for whanau and lead to ongoing development. The closing date for applications is 24 March.

## BREAKOUT

There are five new records in BreakOut, bringing the total to 2,312. The new records are from IPENZ, the Southland Art Foundation, the Epilepsy Association of New Zealand and the Genesis Oncology Trust.

### Spotlight

The St John's Pauline Crimmins Scholarship provides \$500 to \$1,000 to a student with epilepsy in the Greater Wellington region to assist with their study costs. The scholarship is awarded in memory of Pauline Crimmins, who actively supported the Wellington Branch of Epilepsy New Zealand and was a founding member and chairperson of the St John's Opportunity Shop in Karori, Wellington.

### CorporateCitizens on FunderNet

At long last our contacts at companies who list on CorporateCitizens can edit their information via FunderNet. We're really pleased about this development as we believe it will not only help those people keep their information up to date, but will also speed up the process by which new companies join CorporateCitizens which can only be good news!

# Te Kāwai Toro

Strengthening innovation and development through partnership If you have a great idea for strengthening whānau, a new fund is now available through the J R McKenzie Trust that could get your project up and running. Te Kāwai Toro is a new funding programme starting in 2006 aimed at supporting projects run by Māori organisations that will benefit whānau. Projects must be about promoting and strengthening whānau development. Funding is available for projects of up to three years starting in 2006.

The Trust is looking for projects that:

- develop a new approach to whānau development
- build on whānau strengths
- have practical outcomes
- promote mana whānau
- address whānau issues
- enhance whānau participation in decision making
- establish whānau networks
- provide for long-term sustainability of healthy whānau.

If you are interested in applying, you need to submit an Expression of Interest (Eoi) by Tuesday, 24 March 2006. Details of how to prepare your Eoi can be found on the J R McKenzie Trust website at [www.jrmckenzie.org.nz](http://www.jrmckenzie.org.nz). If you want to talk with someone about your idea or how to apply, please contact: J R McKenzie Trust, P O Box 10 006, Wellington, ph (04) 472 8876, fax (04) 472 5367 or email: [info@jrmckenzie.org.nz](mailto:info@jrmckenzie.org.nz).

# CD Delivery

Subscribers who use the CD instead of or as well as the Internet edition will have received the latest CD with this newsletter.

The CD contains the latest data update and we hope you can find time to install it straight away. While FundView will carry on working until mid-April on the old data, the new update includes all the changes that funders have made via FunderNet since last September as well as all the edits that have come in by post and email since then. Not to mention the new records!

Keep in mind we also make the data updates available on our website each month, which is how you can keep your CD edition of FundView up with the latest changes and additions we've been working on. Go to [www.fundview.org.nz](#), click on FundView, then click on Downloads, fill in the form to give your name and licence details (licence name, serial number and password, the same that you give when installing FundView) and follow the links to download the data.

You can also view the latest Calendar here too.

**Don't delay, install today!**

# Charities Commission Update

The Charities Commission is on track to begin receiving applications for registration under the new Charities Act from mid-2006.

While registration is voluntary, existing charitable organisations will have until 1 October 2007 to register before their tax exemption is affected.

Registration is free of charge; however, registered entities are required to file an Annual Return at a cost of \$50 online and \$75 on paper. Charities with an annual income of \$10,000 or less are exempt from these fees.

There will be a seamless approach to registration, which will minimise the costs of complying with the Charities Act and the tax acts. For instance, your charity does not need to provide its documents to both the Commission and Inland Revenue. Instead, the Commission will tell Inland Revenue that they have registered your charity and if you receive donations from the public.

We are pleased to note that the revised draft registration forms have incorporated feedback from the charitable sector, including our suggestion that the Commission should gather further information to help us all understand the sector better. For example, both Annual Return forms now contain a measure of volunteers and voluntary hours.

These latest draft forms are available on the Charities Commission website. Please take advantage of this preview to get a feel for the level of information the Commission is likely to ask you to provide. The Commission expects its forms to be confirmed by regulation at the end of April 2006.

In the meantime, we have asked the Commission to provide answers to the following frequently asked questions:

## 1. What is an officer?

An officer is the person (or persons) responsible for the general control, management or administration of the charity. In the case of a trust, an officer is one or more of the trustees of the trust.

For any other type of organisation, an officer is a member of the board or governing body of the entity.

If your organisation does not have a board or governing body, an officer is the person occupying a position with significant influence over the management or administration of your organisation (for example, a treasurer or a chief executive).

The charity's governing body can also be referred to as the management committee, executive committee, board, directors or some other title.

The relevant section of the Charities Act relating to the qualifications of officers is Section 16. A copy of the Act can be viewed at [or purchased from any Bennett's bookshop.](#)

## 2. What is a charitable purpose?

The Charities Commission uses the well-established common law test for charitable purposes. The test requires a charitable organisation to have a purpose that either:

- advances education
- advances religion
- relieves poverty; or
- is otherwise beneficial to the community.

The Commission's assessment of charitable purpose will be on a case-by-case basis.

Over the next few months, the Charities Commission will produce guidelines to assist organisations with the registration process. Visit [or freephone 0508 242 748](#) for more.

# Keeping it legal

The New Zealand Federation of Voluntary Welfare Organisations (NZFVWO) and the Office for the Community and Voluntary Sector (OCVS) have jointly produced a brilliant new information kit entitled Keeping it Legal – E Ai Ki Te Kure. It is a development of the NZFVWO's previous Risk Management: Managing Legal Risks for Voluntary Organisations. It has a clever design, consisting of an easily-recognisable (bright green!) folder containing four colour-coded brochures and 16 or more fact sheets. The brochures take you through legal processes step-by-step, with a question-and-answer format so you can quickly identify where you might need extra advice. There is also space for you to make notes and draw up a plan of action for your organisation.

The fact sheets focus on specific aspects of law and practice. For instance Fact Sheet 9 looks at people, volunteers, employees and contractors and works through all of these, explaining the differences and your legal obligations. The fact sheets also direct you to relevant legislation.

The brochure/fact sheet format means the information can be edited and added easily without having to republish the entire resource. Updates will be made available on line (see below) to reflect changes in legislation in the future

The language used and the way the material has been broken up into tasks makes the burden of legal responsibility much easier to tackle and less scary, particularly for those without legal expertise and for whom lawyers' fees represent a difficult cost to meet.

Tangata Whenua, community and voluntary organisations can obtain a copy free of charge by logging on to [www.nzfvwo.org.nz/keepingitlegal](http://www.nzfvwo.org.nz/keepingitlegal). The Federation and the Office for the Community and Voluntary Sector have also organised a series of presentations around the country to explain effective use of the Keeping It Legal resource. Use the same link to find out the nearest presentation taking place in your area and reserve a seat. We strongly recommend it!

# Volunteer Awareness Week: 12-18 March 2006.

While International Volunteer Day focuses on celebrating the contribution of volunteers, Volunteer Awareness Week looks to the year ahead and aims to encourage greater participation in volunteering. The incentive for having an Awareness Week came from New Zealand's volunteer centres in the 1980s and was picked up as a national event in the 1990s.

Volunteer Awareness Week is a great opportunity to highlight the wide range of volunteering roles, (such as those listed at [www.volunteernow.org.nz/home.html](http://www.volunteernow.org.nz/home.html)), and encourage first-timers to give volunteering a go.

Volunteering New Zealand, the Department of Internal Affairs and the Office for the Community and Voluntary Sector are working collaboratively to build a comprehensive picture of activities planned for the week. Traditionally, the week's activities include MPs getting involved in community volunteering, 'Mayoral Challenges', and various award ceremonies recognising the contribution of existing volunteers.

If you have activities planned for Volunteer Awareness Week, we'd love to hear about them. E-mail your activity details to: [ocvs@msd.govt.nz](mailto:ocvs@msd.govt.nz).

## Philanthropy New Zealand News

Philanthropy New Zealand has a new-look, upgraded, website. It is packed with information pages, research papers, speeches, links relevant to philanthropic and grantmaking work. It has practical material for those thinking about giving and for those who are already making a difference to their communities. Take a look.

## A date for your diary

We have confirmed Tuesday May 2nd for this year's National Funders Forum. This is a great professional development opportunity. Last year's Funders Forum was heavily subscribed with the keynote speaker Carol Lukas (head of the Fieldstone Alliance, USA), providing much food for thought as did other speakers. Philanthropy New Zealand is currently finalising details for this year's lineup. We are taking advance registrations and expressions of interest. E-mail Jolly Fernandes or phone 04 499 4090.

## Sales and Liaison - Funding Expo season

This year Trust Waikato has gone on the road to meet community organisations face-to-face. They, with other funders, are travelling throughout their region in February/March. I've attended three road shows in Otorohanga/Te Kuiti, Taumarunui and Huntly and I will also attend Waihi and Paeroa.



It is the funding expo season and I will also attend the Auckland Funding Expo, Christchurch Community House Funding Expo, the HAPCOSS Manukau Funding Expo and funders' seminars in the Central Otago and Lakes regions.

In addition I will be visiting local authorities, funders and customers in these destinations over the coming months:

### Mar 7-9, 22-24

Christchurch Expo, Blenheim, Waimakariri, Hurunui, Kaikoura, Selwyn, Waihi, Paeroa, Tauranga, Thames, Papakura, Manukau Funding Expo

### April 18-22

Dunedin, Balclutha, Invercargill, Queenstown, Alexandra, Wanaka, Cromwell, Waimate, Waitaki, Fairlie

### May 22-26

Hawera, Stratford, New Plymouth, Te Kuiti, Otorohanga, Te Awamutu, Hamilton, Matamata, Tokoroa, Taupo, Rotorua

### Jun 13-16

Marton, Wanganui, Feilding, Palmerston North, Tararua, Horowhenua, Masterton, Carterton, South Wairarapa

### Jul 3-6

North, Whangarei, Dargaville, Rodney, Waitemata, North Shore

### Aug

no planned visits

See you soon.

Kevin



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# Search for community skills and spirit

Calling all skilled people with a sense of community spirit: The 2006 Community Internship Programme needs you!

Community and Voluntary Sector Minister Luamanuvao Winnie Laban is today urging skilled people to put their talent to good use within the community. "I'm inviting book-keepers, IT people, lawyers, marketing professionals, administrators and similarly skilled people to share their skills and knowledge as an intern with a community organisation for up to six months," says Winnie Laban.

The programme provides nearly \$270,000 in grants each year for experienced and skilled people from the public, private or community and voluntary sectors to work within community organisations on a capacity building project.

"The programme delivers long-term benefits, because the projects aim to build capacity, so the intern's work lives on well after they return to their usual jobs. "Community organisations endorse the programme's value," she said.

Napier's Timi Kara Marae committee member Georgina Kurupo said they benefited from intern Maia Kaukau's strategic planning and governance skills, giving them confidence that their project objectives would be realised. "We now have a long-term plan for achieving our goals and we've built two whanau homes this year, with plans to build four more next year. Whanau living outside our area have commented on the positive development of the whanau and marae," she said.

In 2004, the Kaipataki Ecological Restoration Project (KERP) on Auckland's North Shore got a much needed boost from Outdoor Action marketing coordinator Bevan Woodward, who joined the group for a six-months. KERP committee secretary Marie Bradley said the group set up to save a threatened area of suburban bush but was at a standstill after seven years of rapid growth.

"Bevan brought us up to date technologically and helped put good administration systems in place, as well as finding new ways of getting our name out there."

Next year's Community Internship Programme closes on 23 March 2006. For information go to: [www.dia.govt.nz](http://www.dia.govt.nz) or freephone 0800 824 824 (x 5266).

## Thank you!

The Information Collection Team would like to thank all the funders that sent back their updated records. Keeping the information on FundView, BreakOut and CorporateCitizens up-to-date is just as important to funders as it is to fund-seekers because it ensures focussed and appropriate applications. We accept updates and new information all year round so funders can still contact us if they have records to update.

# Te Reo Maori

Funding Information Staff and Board recently attended an introduction to Maori language and culture. Here is some of their feedback

## Greg Bishop - Board Member

I enjoyed the introduction to the Maori language and the introduction to Maori culture and beliefs. As a result, I now better understand Maori connection with the land and the concept of reciprocity (of which koha is an example). However, the highlight was definitely the visit to the Marae, my first.

Tena koutou katoa

Ko Maungatua te maunga

Ko Taieri te awa

Ko Pakeha te iwi

Ko Bishop te hapu

No Mosgiel ahau

Ko Greg ahau

Tena koutou katoa



## Dylan Packman - Staff

I found the course to be a great introduction and refresher to Maori language and culture. The course focused on pronunciation and powhiri and finished off with a Marae visit.

Tena koutou katoa

No Te Whanganui-a-Tara ahau

Ko Dylan ahau

Tena koutou katoa



## Susannah Goble - Staff

I got a lot out of the course, especially becoming more confident with my pronunciation. I really enjoyed learning about the history of Victoria University Marae.

Tena koutou katoa

No Taranaki ahau

Ko Susannah ahau

Tena koutou katoa



# Recent Success Stories

## Six Tertiary Students win John Burns Study Award

### - presented by the Navy

Six local students were presented with the John Burns Study Award by Chief of Navy Rear Admiral David Ledson, at Naval Headquarters in mid-February.

The Study Award is granted to tertiary students living in the Wellington area who have exhibited outstanding qualities of courage and perseverance. Rear Admiral Ledson's presentation speech emphasised the winners' courage and commitment to their studies, two elements at the heart of the Navy's core values. The grants vary depending on individual needs. The winners are:

• Jessica Mortlock (21) carries on with a bachelor of nursing degree at Wellington's Massey University. Jessica lives in Wellington

• Wellingtonian Alexander O'Connor (18) continues with a Diploma of Information Technology at the Wellington Institute of Technology



• Teresa Vaughan (20) hopes to complete a BSc at Victoria this year. She is also living in Wellington

• Kalpesh Bhula (20) is to complete his final year of the Bachelor of Information Technology at the Wellington Institute of Technology. Kalpesh lives in Lower Hutt

• Raumati's Findlay Biggs (18) is to start a double degree in law and commerce at Victoria this year

• Brendan Chong (19) continues his third year of a bachelor of information technology at the Wellington Institute of Technology. Brendan comes from Upper Hutt

The award is a memorial to John Burns, a naval officer, who died in 1967 after suffering years of ill-health. The John Burns Study Award was established by Patricia Burns, John's sister, after her death. Patricia Burns wanted John's memory to live on, and for recipients to know that success could still be achieved despite adversity.

The John Burns Study Award is administered by Public Trust. Recipients are chosen by an advisory committee comprising Public Trust and the Royal New Zealand Navy.

"The Royal New Zealand Navy and Public Trust are very pleased to be able to make the awards to these six outstanding students. They were chosen from over 20 impressive applications. We wish them well in their studies and look forward to following their progress," said Pat Waite, chief executive, Public Trust.

Applications for the John Burns Study Award are called for in late July and close on 30 September. For more information and an application form, students should contact Graeme Munro, Trust Manager, Public Trust, Wellington on 0800-371 471.

Public Trust administers over 400 charitable trusts with interests as diverse as science, medicine, disability and agriculture. Collectively, the trusts provide the means for many people to live better lives, enhance their skills or enjoy better community facilities.

## Science Alive!

**"I read and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand."**

Science Alive! is a Lottery funded centre in Christchurch that seeks to inform young people about the merits of science through the use of interactive experiences.

We all learn through experience, and children are no exception. Science Alive! maintain a key philosophy that if young people can physically engage with scientific ideas, not only will they remember the experiment, they will understand it.

Lottery Grants help to provide salaries for the staff at Science Alive!

Staff can then take groups through the exhibitions and activities, providing expert advice on the scientific principles behind the experiments.

