

OTAMATEA VETERINARY CLUB INC.

A.R.V.P. CONFERENCE – WAITANGI MARCH 2018

(HOSTED BY THE ARVP NORTHERN REGION, ORGANISED BY THE VET CENTRE)

EVENTS PROGRAM

SUNDAY 11TH MARCH 2018

- 1) 3:30 Bus leaves Whangarei airport for Whangarei town basin
- 2) 4:00 Bus leaves Whangarei town basin for Waitangi (approx. 2 hours max)
(shuttle service from Kerikeri airport for those taking this option)
(Organising committee will require numbers asap for this service – we will strictly abide by the RSVP dates to determine transport requirements)
- 3) 4:00pm Registration commences at Copthorne Waitangi
- 4) 5:00pm – 6:00pm meet and greet at Copthorne Waitangi bar
- 5) 6:00 for 6:30 Wander along path from Copthorne to Whare Waka Café – bush walk, traditional challenge, walk up onto treaty grounds to Marae to experience a complete Maori cultural performance then back to the café for a buffet hangi meal
(wander back to Copthorne – approx. 10 minutes max)

MONDAY 12TH MARCH 2018

- 1) 6:00am Breakfast available from 6am
- 2) 7:00am Late Registrations
- 3) 8:00am Ken Couper - official opening and introductions
- 4) 8:10am Greg Gent – Kaipara Mayor, Ex board member and Deputy Chair Fonterra
- 5) 8:30am Michael Ahie – outline of Tuesday morning workshop
- 6) 9:00am Mike Borrie - Farmsource Regional Head
- 7) 9:30am Morning Tea
- 8) 10:00am Lance O’Sullivan – High profile Far North GP and NZer of the year
- 9) 11:00am Gerard Vaughan – Farmstrong
- 10) 12:00noon Lunch
- 11) 1:00pm Hole in the Rock boat trip – Fullers brand new catamaran (private charter)
- 12) 3:30pm Afternoon Tea – Otehei Bay, Urapukapuka Island
- 13) 4:00pm Boat returns to Copthorne wharf (time to cat- nap and freshen up)
- 14) 6:00pm Pre dinner drinks in Copthorne bar
- 15) 7:00pm Pre dinner speaker – Sir Lockwood Smith -overseas situation and ramifications for NZ
- 16) 7:45pm Dinner – Meal from the Sea
- 17) 8:45pm Pre-dessert speaker – Lady Alexandra Smith
- 18) 9:00pm Dessert (courtesy bar ceases)

NOTE: Partners trip into Kerikeri Monday morning for coffee, explore the town etc
Buses leave after breakfast about 8:30 returning for boat trip at about 12:30.



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TUESDAY 13TH MARCH 2018

- 1) 6:30am Preparation for Waka race – Copthorne wharf
- 2) 7:00am North Island v South Island waka race
- 3) 7:45am Breakfast
- 4) 8:45am Workshop – Michael Ahie (“ensuring your constitution works for your organisation and provides value for its members)
- 5) 9:45am Morning tea
- 6) 10:15am Workshop continues
- 7) 11:45am ARVP AGM
- 8) 12:30pm Lunch – conference ends for ARVP delegates
- 9) 1:30pm CEOs meeting – wholesale and major supplier reps invited to initial part of meeting to discuss ‘out of stock and supply issues’ that seem to continually confront our practices.
- 10) 3:30pm Afternoon tea – close of business.

NOTE: Partners trip to Russell Tuesday morning. Buses leave at 8:30am for ferry trip to Russell from Paihia returning about 12:30pm. Opportunity to absorb the ambience of NZ’s first Capital. Please ensure any early departures home meet this time table.

Individual representatives and conference attendees to organise their departure plans. We will provide transport to the Kerikeri airport on Tuesday afternoon from close of conference at around 1:00pm and after the CEOs meeting from around 3:30pm. This service will be determined to suit departures.

We will provide one bus back to Whangarei airport to suit the final flight departure irrespective of close of business at the conference or the CEOs meeting.

REALLY BIG WARNING – FLIGHTS INTO BOTH WHANGAREI AND KERIKERI ARE LIMITED. BOOK EARLY, AND WE SUGGEST YOU MAY REQUIRE FLEXIBILITY RE YOUR TIMETABLE BEFORE AND AFTER THE CONFERENCE.

OUR SUGGESTION: Make this a holiday and see some of the North.

Suggested ‘must see’ sites on your coastal trek up or down Northland: Cape Reinga, Hokianga Harbour, Waipoua and/or Trounson Kauri Forests, Matakohe Kauri Museum, Waipu Settlers Museum.

Our East Coast abounds with beautiful bays and white sandy beaches.

The West Coast has miles of beaches that can be traversed by 4WD at the correct tide, with awesome surfcasting.

We suggest you check out ‘book-a-bach’ and who knows- you may not return home. Enjoy the North, see you at the conference – from The Vet Centre Team

(Conference registration forms and further details about trips, sights etc following in a few days)