



Geography **Auckland**



Kia ora tatou ...

The Auckland branch of NZGS promotes the activities of geographers and the development of the discipline in the Auckland region. It has proven an effective platform for hosting and sponsoring public seminars and workshops, and talks by prominent local and international geographers; running competitions for schools; providing opportunities for young geographers to attend conferences; and for bringing geographers together to discuss issues of public and disciplinary concern. One recent initiative is to seek better links with professional geographers beyond the university and schools. One recent success has been the Innovative Fieldtrip Competition (see News for Teachers).

The Auckland Branch activities now include Monthly Geography Dialogues with Wine. The Branch invites any members with ideas for other activities to bring them forward for discussion and development. It also encourages new members to join. Membership of the New Zealand Geographical Society includes branch membership.

As mentioned earlier this year, the UoA has welcomed a cluster of new geographers to the School of Environment, including: Murray Ford, John Tunnicliffe, Francis Collins, Annie Bartos, and JC Gaillard. Professor John Morgan has joined the Education Faculty. All bring fresh ideas and talents to our community.

MORE CONGRATULATIONS:

Kiely McFarlane writes about her doctoral fellowship and Marc Tadaki writes about his doctoral scholarship on Page 2 of this newsletter. Both Kiely and Marc are at the University of British Columbia.

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What's on?

MONTHLY GEOGRAPHY DIALOGUES WITH WINE

These meetings give a chance for Geographers to talk informally about their research.

The Auckland Branch invites you to attend the second meeting

Wednesday 18 June

University of Auckland
School of Environment

Room 731

The speaker will be Nick Lewis

4.00pm to 5.30pm

**Celebrate Geography,
Get excited**

Karen Fisher (k.fisher@auckland.ac.nz)

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News for teachers:

2015 Innovative Field Trip Competition will be launched soon

For your diary:

Monthly Geography Dialogues with Wine

30th July, 20th August, 24th September,
22nd October, 19th November



Kiely McFarlane writes:

I was awarded a Four Year Doctoral Fellowship by the Institute for Environment, Resources and Sustainability, where I will be completing my PhD. The institute awards two fellowships each year to top PhD students, which provides financial support of \$18,000 per year plus tuition for four years.

Last week I was also awarded the Green College Tim and Ann O'Riordan Fellowship in Sustainable Development. This fellowship is awarded to an incoming doctoral student intending to research issues of sustainability, with particular reference to British Columbia and in a broad interdisciplinary perspective. The fellowship is worth \$3,500 per year for four years.

Marc Tadaki writes:

This is the link to the UBC Geography news story <http://blogs.ubc.ca/geognews/2014/04/30/killam-doctoral-scholarship-awardee-marc-tadaki/>

The Killam Doctoral Scholarship is the most prestigious award available to PhD students at the University of British Columbia. Only 15-20 awards are given annually, and the award is worth \$30kpa for two years, with a \$2k travel allowance over the 24 month duration of the award.

The official Killam Scholarship details page is here <https://www.grad.ubc.ca/awards/killam-doctoral-scholarships>