

# Nikau News

*"Inspiring local giving for local needs"*



Spring 2013

*The Nikau Foundation is dedicated to benefitting the greater Wellington region. It is part of a worldwide family of community foundations that build endowment funds for their local regions.*

## Investing in the Future of Kapiti

In June this year we launched the Nikau Kapiti Fund at a function hosted by the Mayor of Kapiti, Jenny Rowan. Over \$20,000 has already been contributed. This is the first time that donors to the Nikau Foundation are able to focus on their own district within the Wellington region. Our aim in time is to grow the Fund to \$5 million and benefit the whole Kapiti community forever.



"I strongly encourage those of you who can to get in behind Nikau Kapiti and make it a success - this is a great way for people to give back to Kapiti."

Jenny Rowan, Mayor, Kapiti Coast District Council

## Youth Quest - inspiring positive futures on the Kapiti Coast

Youth Quest Manager, Jeremy Neeve said at the Nikau Kapiti Fund launch "We deliver quality programmes and mentoring to the young people by building independence, mastery, generosity and belonging. These key elements are fundamental to inspiring positive futures for all."

Nikau Foundation supported Youth Quest last year.



*Supported by the Tindall Foundation*



Youth Quest helped at the Nikau Kapiti Fund launch.

"With Nikau Foundation's support, children's lives in Wellington continue to be transformed."



*Julie Bartlett, CEO & Founder of StarJam*

StarJam empowers young people with disabilities (jammers) through performance. Seven programmes are held in Wellington where the children's lives are transformed. The kids all have different disabilities and are never asked about them. What they have in common is through StarJam's programmes they are able to overcome their challenges by putting on cool performances and changing people's perceptions. Their confidence increases out of sight and it changes how other people see them.

Through the generous grants from Nikau Foundation, we have seen such joy on the faces of the Jammers and it is hard to adequately express our thanks. Nikau Foundation has helped Wellington Jammers stand tall and proud.

Thank you from everyone at StarJam.

*Supported by the Willscott Endowment Fund*



## Join the Nikau Club

Nikau Club members are generous individuals committed to the development of community philanthropy in the Wellington region. They continue to support the administration and development of Nikau Foundation through an annual donation of \$3,000. In June, Nikau Club members were entertained by the talented youngsters from StarJam.

# Give where you live

## Donations and bequests make the impossible attainable

Nikau Foundation receives funding from generous donors and invests it wisely and well. The income is distributed to community projects in Wellington, Porirua, Hutt Valley, Wairarapa, and the Kapiti Coast. Here are some of the great causes that have benefited.



Contributed to Wellington Sculpture Trust's Katherine Mansfield sculpture.  
*Richard and Doreen Evans Charitable Trust*



Established the Speech New Zealand inaugural scholarship.  
*Laurie Bushell Endowment Fund*



Built two learning gazebos at Nga Manu Nature Reserve, Kapiti Coast.  
*Barbara Milne Endowment Fund*



Purchase of the Sim-Man Essential mannequin for medical training.  
*Richard and Doreen Evans Charitable Trust*



Supported vet costs for Foundation for the Blind.  
*Henry & Eileen Wise Medical Fund*

Last year, Nikau Foundation gave over  
**\$210,000**  
throughout the Wellington region



Helped Kaibosh Food Rescue expand.  
*Tindall Foundation*



Youth Cricket Camp. With Wellington Youth cricket Development Fund



Fees subsidy to the Naenae Youth Charitable Trust.  
*Tindall Foundation*



Volunteer Wellington's iconic Nikau Corporate Challenge.  
*Richard and Doreen Evans Charitable Trust*

Heartfelt thanks from Nikau Foundation



It's great to see the new Nikau Kapiti Fund is well on its way. A special thanks to the following:

- The companies and individuals who became founder donors of the new district fund. Income from this fund will go to Kapiti charities ever year, while the fund itself will continue to grow.
- Mayor Jenny Rowan who understands the concept of a community endowment fund and encouraged by the future benefit she could see for her district, hosted the launch, then became a founder donor herself as a personal commitment.
- Hartmut Reichelt of EuroMetals who donated the founder donor plaques and to *Kapiti News* for pro bono assistance in spreading the word about the Nikau Kapiti fund.
- Youth Quest for providing staff for the launch from the boys who attend their courses.

Finally, thank you to our Board, all of whom are voluntary, who give their time and expertise to help grow philanthropy and the joy of giving in our region.

*Adrienne Bushell, Development Manager*

Committed to growing philanthropy



I am pleased to tell you about an exciting development. Community Foundations of New Zealand (CFNZ) was established in April 2013 to connect and support the growing network of local community foundations. I am proud to have been appointed to the Board.

CFNZ is committed to philanthropy, through community foundations, as a powerful catalyst for strengthening communities in New Zealand. We encourage collaborative relationships among members, staff, volunteers and other organisations that respect independence and diversity and foster dialogue and sharing ideas and experiences.

*Brian Burge, Administration Manager*



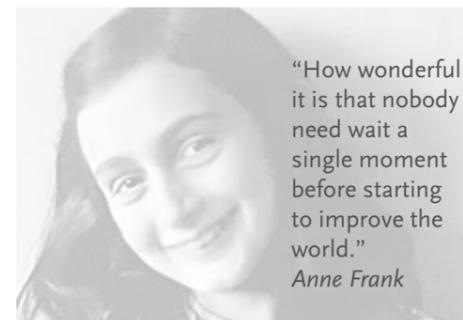
Capital E National Arts Festival.  
*Willscott Endowment Fund*



Foundation for Youth Development STARS programme and Project K - Heretaunga College.  
*Tindall Foundation*



Contributed to the purchase of a new van for Mana Recovery.  
*Richard and Doreen Evans Charitable Trust*



"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."  
*Anne Frank*

# Welcome to Nikau

## Kitty Hilton - Chief Executive

A passionate Wellingtonian, Kitty has extensive experience and skills in strategic planning, leadership and relationship management, as well as fundraising and marketing in the not-for-profit sector.

Kitty is well known in New Zealand and overseas in both the philanthropic and charitable areas.

Based in the Nikau Foundation office on a half time basis initially, Kitty can be reached on:

04 472 2470, or 021 740 979 or via email [kitty@nikaufoundation.org.nz](mailto:kitty@nikaufoundation.org.nz)



## Liz Koh - Trustee

Liz is the owner of Moneymax, a financial planning business based on the Kapiti Coast. She is a Certified Financial Planner and Chartered Accountant. Prior to establishing her business in 1999, Liz had a successful career in general management. She is a member of the Institute of Financial Advisers, the New

Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants and the Institute of Directors. Liz is a Trustee of Skylight, and the Kapiti Community Recreational Turf Trust and is an active Rotarian. Liz is a well known writer and commentator in the area of personal finance.

## Nikau Kapiti Fund Founder Donors lead the way with generosity



**Corporate Founder Donors**  
**Coastlands Shoppingtown Ltd**  
**Kapiti Coast Funeral Home**  
**Rotary Club of Kapiti**

**Private Founder Donors**

Amnico Trust  
Adrienne Bushell  
Liz Koh  
Ian and Lyn Lyndsay  
Andrew and Merryn Malcolm  
Bruce and Lyn Robertson  
Jenny Rowan  
Margaret Trotter  
Margaret and Roger Tucker

You can contribute to the Nikau Kapiti Fund. All donations make a difference!  
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Hartmut Reichelt (pictured right) from the Kapiti based company EuroMetals, generously produced and donated commemorative plaques for Nikau Kapiti Fund Founder Donors. With his patented new technology, Hartmut saturates high quality images, like the award winning Kapiti photo by Diana McDonald, permanently into metal.



[www.eurometals.co.nz](http://www.eurometals.co.nz)

## How You Can Help

Gifts through donations, endowment funds and bequests can help our community reach seemingly unattainable goals. We offer a rewarding and personal way for you to contribute. We welcome the opportunity to provide you with further information.

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Kitty, Adrienne and Brian

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