

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST 2017

Justices of the Peace appointed:

OFFICERS OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

GRAY, MR WAHIAO RAYMOND JAMES (JIM), JP *(Rotorua)*

HIHA, MR RURUARAU HEITIA (HEITIA), JP *(Hawkes Bay)*

DUFFY, MR BRENDAN JOSEPH, JP *(Central Districts)*

MEMBERS OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

FARRINGTON, MRS ANNE LILLIAN, JP *(Auckland)*

GRAY, MR WILLIAM THOMAS, QSM, JP *(Gisborne)*

KENNEDY, MR GRAHAM RUSSELL, JP *(Ashburton)*

THE QUEEN'S SERVICE MEDAL

BYRNE, MR DERMOT PETER, JP *(Wellington)*

COATES, MRS ANNIE NAW, JP *(Wellington)*

COSLETT, MR NEVILLE TERENCE, JP *(Franklin, resides Papamoa)*

DE VOS SANCHEZ, MRS ANA MARIA, JP *(Auckland)*

HART, MR DUNCAN JOHN, JP *(Whanganui)*

JOHNS, MR WILLIAM RICHARD (DICK), JP *(Canterbury)*

LOWE, MRS JULIA ROSEMARY, JP *(Hauraki)*

RAVI, MRS PRABHA, JP *(Hutt Valley)*

TE TAI HOOK, MRS MARARA KAWEORA, JP

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GRAY, MR WAHIAO RAYMOND JAMES (JIM), JP

For services to Māori and governance

Mr Jim Gray has contributed significantly in the area of Māori governance and trusteeship, holding a range of chairmanships and directorships across various organisations.

Mr Gray has worked closely with the Māori Land Courts where he has been appointed a Professional Trustee on close to 40 Māori Authorities. He is recognised as one of the foremost authorities on the workings of Māori Trusts in New Zealand. Amongst other projects he has contributed to, he spent 20 years working on the Tikitere Geothermal Development project for the construction of a geothermal power station which would eventually become the first and only 100 percent Māori-owned power project in New Zealand. He developed and published 'Introduction to Governance of Māori Authorities' in 1996, the only NZQA local approved book on the subject. He was Vice President from 2007 to 2010 and then President from 2010 to 2013 of the New Zealand Trustees Association (NZTA). He is currently a Trustee for the NZTA Charitable Trust, the overseeing body for the Trustees Association. Mr Gray was the recipient of the Trustee of the Year Award in 1996 and the Trust of the Year Award in 1996 and 1997.

HIHA, MR RURUARAU HEITIA (HEITIA), JP

For services to Māori

Mr Heitia Hiha is a kaumātua of Ahuriri Hapū and a key driver of progress on the Ahuriri Hapū Treaty claims, having made clear submissions to the Waitangi Tribunal on seven different claims and been committed to attending negotiations.

Mr Hiha was a Māori All Black in the 1950s and has been a teacher and respected representative on a wide range of committees representing the interests of Māori within local and central government. He has been iwi liaison officer for Hawke's Bay Regional Council and kaumatua for Napier City Council, and chaired the Napier City Council's Māori Consultative Committee from 1991 to 1999. He was appointed to the Hawke's Bay Conservation Board in 1993. He has been a Trustee for Mana Ahuriri Inc since 2009 and a Trustee of Te Awahohonu Trust and Tatarakainga C Block Trust. Mr Hiha has been a Justice of the Peace since 1982 and was a Trustee of the Waiapu Diocese Board from 1987 to 2006.

DUFFY, MR BRENDAN JOSEPH

For services to local government

Mr Brendan Duffy was a Councillor from 1995 to 2004 and Mayor of the Horowhenua District Council from 2004 to 2016.

As mayor Mr Duffy oversaw the progression of a number of projects that benefitted the District, such as the Shannon drinking water and sewerage plant upgrades. He facilitated the establishment of the Lake Horowhenua Accord in 2013 to establish a programme of activities towards restoring the Lake's environmental health. He helped drive the project to construct Te Takere Horowhenua Culture and Community Centre in 2012. He led an initiative in 2011 which led to the establishment of the Horowhenua Older Persons' Network. He engaged with the local education sector to identify ways in which the wider community could contribute to children's education, which resulted in Education Horowhenua, a collaborative approach between local schools and community education providers. He was Vice President of Local Government New Zealand from 2014 to 2016 and Chairperson of LGNZ Provincial Sector and LGNZ Zone Three from 2010 to 2016. He has been Chairperson of Life to the Max Horowhenua since 2006. Mr Duffy was a member of the organising committee of New Zealand Secondary Schools Mountain Biking Championships and has previously been involved with Lions Club of Levin, St Joseph's School Board of Trustees, and Levin Waitarere Surf Lifesaving Club.

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FARRINGTON, MRS ANNE LILLIAN, JP

For services to women

Mrs Anne Farrington has been involved with Soroptimist International since 1975 at local, regional, national, federation, and international levels.

Mrs Farrington has held a range of leadership positions with her local North Shore club. She has been Regional President of the Upper North Island clubs and Treasurer of the Māori Scholarship Trust, among other regional leadership roles. At the national level she has been Treasurer and Regional co-Trustee of the Betty Loughhead Soroptimist Scholarship Trust, which provides scholarships for second chance education for women later in life. She has been Councillor, Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer of the Federation of Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific, currently comprising 13 countries. She was a member of the international team which chose the Soroptimist International Programme focus for four years and Treasurer of the Soroptimist International umbrella organisation comprising four Federations. She was a founding member of the Birkenhead Heritage Society in 1979 and remains actively involved in the general and financial management of the Society. She and her husband presented an old villa to the Society, which was renovated to become the local museum, now named Farrington House. Mrs Farrington has led the Women's Fellowship of All Saints Anglican Church in Birkenhead and was Parish Auditor from 1996 to 2016.

GRAY, MR WILLIAM THOMAS, QSM, JP

For services to Māori and the community

Mr William Gray has been Chairperson of Te Rawheoro Marae since 2000 and sits on the Te Aitanga-a-Hauiti iwi forum of six local marae.

Mr Gray is a Trustee on the Te Aitanga-a-Hauiti Centre of Excellence and provides community and cultural support for Te Whare Hauora o Te Aitanga-a-Hauiti, the Tolaga Bay Area School and Kahukuranui. He has coordinated successful marae/whanau-based sports teams to compete at the regional level. He has been involved in the organisation of adult education programmes for the past 20 years. He leads the Uawa community's ANZAC Committee and has been involved in developing Anzac Commemorations over the past five years to include a focus on a duty to whanau and community well-being. In his formal role as Padre he has organised hundreds of church services locally and has led significant services such as the funeral for The Honourable Parekura Horomia, ANZAC commemoration services with foreign dignitaries in attendance, and the opening of the new Tolaga Bay Police Station. He is involved with Restorative Justice with the Ministry of Justice and regularly organises duties for young offenders to help them rehabilitate. Mr Gray was a cultural advisor for the development of the National Marae of the New Zealand Army, which opened in 1996.

HONOURS

Queen's Service Medal for Community Service, Queen's Birthday 1987

KENNEDY, MR GRAHAM RUSSELL, JP

For services to business

Mr Graham Kennedy has been actively involved in the business community in the fields of accountancy and corporate governance.

Mr Kennedy has held a range of corporate governance roles in Ashburton since 1973. From 1977 to 2011 he was the Director and then Chairman of Brophy Knight Ltd, a local chartered accountancy practice. He has been extensively involved in providing business advice to numerous commercial enterprises, voluntary organisations and individuals. He has held governance roles in the Building Society sector since 1985, culminating in being a founding Director of the NZX listed Heartland Bank Ltd. He is Chairman of several businesses, including Cates Grain and Seed Ltd and Earth and Sky Ltd. He is a Trustee of the Ashburton Aquatic Park Charitable Trust and he was a driving force behind the establishment of Lake Hood and the Ashburton Aquatic Park. In 2005 he was awarded a District of Ashburton civic Honour for services to the establishment of Lake Hood. He has held voluntary administrative positions in a number of organisations, such as serving as the Branch Treasurer of the New Zealand Red Cross for eight years. In 2010 Mr Kennedy was appointed as a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in recognition of his contributions to the Accountancy field.

THE QUEEN'S SERVICE MEDAL

BYRNE, MR DERMOT PETER, JP

For services to the community

Mr Dermot Byrne has contributed to a range of community organisations in the Khandallah community since the 1970s.

Mr Byrne has been involved in several fundraising efforts in Khandallah. In the 1970s he led the fundraising efforts to build the Onslow Free Kindergarten and became its founding Chair. In 1983 he was a key player in establishing the Cornerstone Resource Centre Trust and was the Chair of the Trust several times over 33 years. In the 1990s he fundraised for and led the extensive upgrade of Khandallah Village. He helped fundraise more than \$250,000 over a period of nine years for the adaptive restoration of Khandallah Town Hall and he also oversaw its conversion into a multipurpose community centre. From 2005 to 2006 he served as the President of the Rotary Club of Wellington North. Mr Byrne was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2011.

COATES, MRS ANNIE NAW, JP

For services to ethnic communities

Mrs Annie Coates has been involved in supporting refugees, particularly from South East Asia, and helping them settle in New Zealand since the mid-1980s.

Mrs Coates has provided pastoral care for international students and has been involved with English as a Second Language groups. She worked as an ESOL teacher at the Wellington High School Community Education Centre for 17 years. She was a Cross Culture worker at Refugee Services from 2006 before moving to the Change Makers Refugee Forum in 2009. She has been Chair of the Wellington Myanmar Community, through which she has been involved in a wide range of events from cultural festivals to local sports tournaments and regular pre-school playgroups for young mothers. She was involved in the establishment of the New Horizons for Women organisation in the early 1990s, which was set up to raise funds for scholarships for women who had not been able to undertake tertiary education. She has been a member of Pan Pacific and South East Asian Women's Association for 30 years and has served as Vice President and President and as Vice President for the Pacific Region on the International Board. Mrs Coates has also volunteered with the City Mission, Mary Potter Hospice and the Cancer Society.

COSLETT, MR NEVILLE TERENCE, JP

For services to the community

Mr Neville Coslett has been a Justice of the Peace since 1989 and has been a sitting JP/Judicial Officer at Papakura District Court since 1994.

Mr Coslett has been a community representative for the Ministry of Social Developments' Benefits Review Committee since December 2000. He has been President and Chair of the Auckland Welsh Club and between 1992 and 1994 he was the coordinator for community sponsorship for Welsh emigrants, advising on and supporting the immigration process for a large number of Welsh emigrants to New Zealand. He has served as Chairperson of the Club's Board of Trustees. He was the presenter of the fortnightly programme 'Echoes of Wales' on Access Community Radio in the 1990s. He was involved with the Auckland Chamber of Commerce from 2000 to 2005. He has been a Council member of the New Zealand Institute of Management and a Committee member of the Association of Factory and Production Managers. Mr Coslett has been involved with a number of local rugby clubs in administrative and leadership positions.

DE VOS SANCHEZ, MRS ANA MARIA, JP

For services to ethnic communities

Mrs Ana Maria de Vos Sanchez is a member of the Auckland Multicultural Society Incorporated, has been Treasurer since 2005 and a volunteer event organiser.

Mrs de Vos Sanchez has coordinated a range of events such as exhibitions, stage performances, festivals, the annual Multicultural Expo, and the North Shore Lakeside Multicultural Festival which is now in its 20th year. As an exponent of Latin American dance she has been a teacher and performer of Flamenco – Spanish dance, Chilean Folk dance, and has supported the Auckland Dutch dancers. She has served as Vice President and coordinator for performing dance groups for the Viva Eclectika challenge competitions. She taught Basic English skills to immigrants and refugees for 12 years. She has supported Mano Amiga (Helping hand), a group of South American women supporting Latin American families in New Zealand. She served for 11 years as coordinator for Citizen Advocacy Auckland Incorporated and has delivered presentations at conferences in Australia and nationally. She has supported victims of domestic violence through Shakti Asian Women's Centre in Auckland. She has represented the Auckland Branch of National Council of Women on the Auckland Council "Ending domestic violence in Auckland" committee. Mrs de Vos Sanchez was on the Executive Committee of the Music Association of Auckland from 2006 to 2010.

HART, MR DUNCAN JOHN, JP

For services to the community

Mr Duncan Hart has contributed to the Marton community for more than 60 years.

Mr Hart has been a member of the Marton Returned and Services Association for more than 70 years, President for more than 20 years across three different periods, and was awarded life membership in 1977, the Gold Star and Special Honours from the NZRSA. He was a founding member of Marton Lions in 1963, holding various positions locally and nationally, and was made a Life Member in 1988. He continues his membership after 50 years. He has held various positions in the Rangitikei Masonic Lodge and holds 50 and 60 year service awards. Mr Hart has been a member of the Justices Association since 1975 and has been involved with many other groups, committees and organisations in the Marton community over the past 60 years.

JOHNS, MR WILLIAM RICHARD (DICK), JP

For services to the community

Mr Dick Johns has contributed to the wider Canterbury community for several decades.

Mr Johns has volunteered for 57 years as a register leader of The Boys' Brigade, a Christian organisation that aims to facilitate the development of boys into leaders and responsible citizens. He has served as the Deputy President for 10 years and since 1996 he has been a Trustee of the Boys' Brigade's "Sure and Stedfast" Trust and has contributed to the management of the Brigade's various campsites throughout Canterbury. He was a volunteer at the New Zealand Police Kiosk in Cathedral Square and since early 2016 has been a weekly volunteer at Burwood Hospital to assist staff and patients. For several years he served on the Board of the organising committee for the Lions Club's Camp Quality, an annual Camp for children with cancer. He has also volunteered his time for Santa's Workshop Trust to create wooden toys that are donated to children in need at Christmas. Mr Johns has been a member of the Oxford Terrace Baptist Church since 1956 and has regularly hosted a 'drop in' centre every Friday night for 10 years to provide support and care for vulnerable persons in Christchurch Central City.

LOWE, MRS JULIA ROSEMARY, JP

For services to the community

Mrs Julia Lowe is a valued member of the Paeroa community, giving her time to a range of community activities including the Girl Guide movement and serving as a Justice of the Peace.

Mrs Lowe has served as a Justice of the Peace in Hauraki for 24 years. She was made a Life Member of the Hauraki Justice of the Peace Association in 2011, having served it as Councillor, President, and training officer. As training officer she trained 35 new Justices of the Peace and provided quarterly refresher training for the geographically diverse Hauraki JP community. She was a Trustee of the Paeroa Community Support Trust for 18 years and was involved in various sub-committees. During this time she was principally involved in the Trust's children's programmes, the community bus and volunteer driver programmes, and has been actively involved in supporting and organising the Day Camp outdoor programme. She has been involved with Girl Guides for more than 30 years, both at a regional level and as a National Event Committee member. Mrs Lowe was awarded an Outstanding Award in 2007 in the Hauraki District Council's Citizens' Awards.

RAVI, MRS PRABHA, JP

For services to ethnic communities and dance

Mrs Prabha Ravi has dedicated many years to promoting Indian art and culture in New Zealand.

Mrs Ravi founded the Natraj School of Dance in Wellington to teach Indian Classical Dance. The school specialises in teaching Bharatanatyam, which is a classical dance from South India. A number of its students have performed at community events in Wellington. She has performed in Canada, Sri Lanka, India and New Zealand. Over the past 17 years she has also supported a number of community organisations including the Filipino community, the Multi-cultural Council of Wellington, the Wellington Tamil Society, the Upper Hutt Multi-cultural Council, the Wellington Malayalee Association, Wellington Malaysian Association, Asia New Zealand Diwali Festival and ethnic celebrations hosted at New Zealand Parliament and for New Zealand Police. She has made an ongoing contribution to Wellington Mutamizh Sangam, a non-political, not-for-profit organisation which promotes the South Indian culture through language, music and drama. She also founded the voluntary group Namasankeerthanam in 2010. Mrs Ravi was a recipient of Civic Honour Award by Hutt City Council in 2012 and a Cultural award by Upper Hutt Multicultural Society in 2013.

TE TAI HOOK, MRS MARARA KAWEORA, JP

For services to Māori

Mrs Marara Te Tai Hook has contributed significantly to the Hapu of Ngati Kuta and Patu Keha in Te Tai Tokerau.

Mrs Te Tai Hook has been heavily involved in traditional activities on Bay of Islands Marae, especially on her home Marae of Te Rawhiti. She is recognised as the senior Kuia and has passed on her tikanga knowledge to the younger generations. As a central figure in the establishment of Te Mahurehure Marae and Hoani Waititi in West Auckland, she also helped establish a welfare committee to provide food, clothing and shelter for people in need in the urban community. The first Māori to do shorthand in English and Māori, her secretarial skills were honed by serving on various Trust Boards for years under notable Māori leaders. She was Secretary and Treasurer for the Te Rawhiti Marae Trust for many years. Mrs Te Tai Hook has been a 'hands on' leader for her Hapu, her involvement in pest control projects has helped ensure the successful return of native birds to the Islands and mainland and restore fishery in the Bay.