

Queens Birthday HONOURS LIST 2018

Justices of the Peace appointed:

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(Auckland)

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DAME COMPANION OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

EMERITUS PROFESSOR CHARMIAN JOCELYN O'CONNOR, CBE, JP *(Auckland)*

For services to education and chemistry

Emeritus Professor Charmian O'Connor is internationally recognised for her contributions to chemistry and education.

Professor O'Connor was instrumental in establishing the independent Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust (KEECT). The KEECT, through its academic dress hire business, is now one of the largest non-governmental funders of women's higher education in New Zealand. She chaired the Trust from 2005 to 2013 and remains a **Trustee. She has chaired the Trust's Awards Committee since inception, wrote the Awards Manual**, and introduced new awards as money became available. She has overseen an increase from \$75,000 in awards at inception to more than \$600,000 across 110 grants and research awards annually for women undertaking tertiary education. As a Professor at the University of Auckland from 1986 and Emeritus Professor from 2004 she has been a member and **chair of a range of the University's** advisory committees and a member of fellowship selection committees. She was a member of the Manukau Institute of Technology Council and helped establish a research committee. As a Ministerial Representative on the Council of Unitec from 2005 to 2014 she played a key role in advancing the construction of the wharekai **and wharepaku to complete Unitec's Marae facilities. Professor O'Connor** has continued her involvement with chemistry organisations and conferences at national and international levels.

HONOURS

Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE), Queen's Birthday 1989

COMPANION OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

MS ELIZABETH MARGARET BANG, MNZM, JP

(Waikato)

For services to health, women and the community

Ms Elizabeth Bang was CEO of Hospice Waikato from 2002 to 2012 and led the fundraising team to purchase and develop a specialised hospice facility in Hamilton.

As CEO Ms Bang oversaw a nationally significant operation and the increased availability of greatly improved services and facilities for people with life-limiting and life-threatening illnesses throughout the Waikato region. This included the Rainbow Place facility for the care of children and their families while undergoing treatment in Hamilton. She was President of the National Council of Women New Zealand from 2008 to 2012, having previously been a Board member and Vice President. She was made a Life Member of NCWNZ in 2014. She was appointed to the Waikato Institute of Technology Ethics Committee in 2016 and later became Chairperson. She has been Fundraising Ambassador for the Waikato Medical Research Foundation since 2013. She has been a committee member of the Awatere Club for a number of years and was Chair from 2014 to 2015. She has been a Trustee of

Waikato/Taranaki Diocesan Board from 2010 and Chair from 2013. She was a member of the Waikato/Taranaki Diocese Strategic Plan and Review Group in 2013. Ms Bang has been a Justice of the Peace since 2005.

HONOURS

Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, New Year 2003

OFFICERS OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

MR ROBERT JAMES KERRIDGE, MNZM, KSTJ, JP

(Hawkes Bay)

For services to animal welfare and governance

Mr Bob Kerridge was Executive Director of the SPCA in Auckland from 1984 until 2016 and in this capacity greatly increased public awareness of animal welfare.

Mr Kerridge served as National President of the RNZSPCA from 2010 to 2013. He has been a member of the New Zealand World Society for the Protection of Animals Board and the St John Auckland Trust Board and Priory. In conjunction with St John he developed Outreach Therapy Pets. In 2008 he established the SPCA Cat Coalition to support volunteer efforts to assist stray cats. He was founding Chair of Companion Animal Workshops and, in association with the New Zealand Veterinary association, established the New Zealand Companion Animal Council (NZCAC) in 1997. Through the NZCAC he has introduced the micro-chipping of pets, the New Zealand Companion Animal Register in 2007, and the New Zealand Companion Animal Trust in 2008. In 2011 he commissioned and published the first comprehensive statistical survey of Companion Animals in New Zealand with the NZCAC. Recently he established the Bob Kerridge Animal Welfare Fellowship to recognise animals, humans and the environment living in harmony. Mr Kerridge established the Saint James Saviours Group in 2009 to undertake the preservation of the historic Saint James Theatre in Auckland and later founded the St James Auckland Trust in 2012.

HONOURS

Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, New Year 2005

MR DESMA KEMP RATIMA, JP

(Hawkes Bay)

For services to Māori

Mr Des Ratima has given significant service to the development of the Whakatu community over the past 14 years.

Mr Ratima has chaired Whakatu Kohanga Reo for 10 years, reviving it from a struggling early childhood education provider to a successful learning nest. He organised the inaugural Whakatu Christmas in the Park event in 2003. He has been Chairperson of the Te Kupenga A Maui and Whaia o te Ara Police committees since **2007, helping to develop strategies to reduce the number of Māori involved in crime.** He is Chair of the post-settlement entity Ahuriri District Health Trust, having previously been a negotiating member of the claims committee for five years. He

has worked with Māori Wardens regionally and was Deputy Chair of New Zealand Māori Council (NZMC), during which time he reorganised the local structure and created the Takitimu District Māori Wardens. He has represented Takitimu District Māori Council on the NZMC since 2012. He has been a cultural and environmental advisor for regional and district councils and a member of the Hawke's Bay District Health Board Māori Relationship Board. He is Chair of the Marae collective Nga Marae O Heretaunga and has helped organise various projects. Mr Ratima was instrumental in establishing the first military marae in Waiouru in 1995.

MEMBERS OF THE NEW ZEALAND ORDER OF MERIT

MR ANDREW KERRY DELLACA, JP

(Canterbury)

For services to children and sports governance

Mr Kerry Dellaca has been a Board member of **Cholmondeley Children's Centre** since 2005 and Chairman since 2012.

Mr Dellaca has overseen the rebuilding of the Chomondeley Children's Centre following the Christchurch earthquakes and led a fundraising campaign that saw the \$6 million facility delivered debt free. He has held a number of roles with the Buller Cricket Association, including representative player, Secretary from 1980 to 1990, Treasurer from 1977 to 2008, and as Buller delegate to Cricket New Zealand meetings. As Treasurer he oversaw a **turnaround in the Association's finances and operations to become one of the highest ranking in New Zealand Cricket's District Associations**. He was Chief Financial Officer for Cricket New Zealand from 1998 to 2010 and General Manager of domestic cricket from 2010 to 2012. He is a past Chairman and Executive member of the Canterbury Cricket Association. He was the inaugural Chairman of Christchurch Metro Cricket from 2012 to 2014. He has also had governance involvement with the Buller Basketball Association, Westport Golf Club, and Banks Peninsula Trotting Club. Mr Dellaca was Chairman of Westport South School Board of Trustees from 1989 to 1995.

DR SHARON ELLEN BARCELLO-GEMMELL, JP

(Marlborough)

For services to Māori and education

Dr Sharon Gemmell was a Trustee of Te Atiawa Manawhenua ki Te Tau Ihu Trust until 2003 and was involved in progressing their successful Waitangi Tribunal Claim.

Dr Gemmell was one of the principal negotiators for the Aquaculture Settlement for Te Tau Ihu o Te Waka a Maui. She was a key driver of the establishment of Te Kakama Ltd in 1998 in Blenheim as an Iwi Education training establishment for second time learners. Te Kakama later became Koru Institute of Training and Education in 2003, and she has continued as Director having held the role with Te Kakama previously. Koru has seen hundreds of students gaining qualifications from the community and has received a number of business awards since 2006. She was Chairperson of the Marlborough Advisory Komiti that worked with the Marlborough **District Council on issues affecting Māori and in developing relationships with iwi**. She was Chairperson of the working party in the early 1990s that developed and established the Marlborough Community Law Centre, overseeing the raising of

funds and liaising with various groups. She became inaugural Chairperson of the Law Centre once established. Dr Gemmell has had a long involvement with the **Blenheim New Zealand Māori Council and was appointed Chairperson in recent years.**

MISS JANETTE MAISIE TASKER, JP

(Auckland)

For services to the community and education

Miss Janette Tasker has been involved with the Methodist Church in a number of roles at Parish level, with the Auckland Synod Executive for 20 years, and nationally.

Miss Tasker was Chair of the Board of Ministry from 1997 to 2007, served on the Council of Conference, the Stationing Committee, the Budget Group, and is currently a member of the Law Revision Committee. She was Vice President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand from 2012 to 2014. She has held leadership roles with Girls Brigade, both locally and with the National Executive for 14 years. She was Deputy Principal of Target Road Primary School from 1987 to 2011, where she made a significant contribution to special needs education. She oversaw growth of the department to two dedicated classrooms and was a driving force behind the **purchase of a house, which was relocated to the school grounds as the 'Sunshine House' for the special needs department. Miss Tasker trained teacher aides to support the particular needs of the children, who were mainstreamed into classrooms with their peer groups for part of the school day.**

THE QUEEN'S SERVICE MEDAL

MS VIRGINIA CHONG, JP

(Auckland)

For services to the Chinese community

Mrs Virginia Chong has dedicated more than 30 years to serving the Chinese community in New Zealand, particularly in Auckland.

Mrs Chong was appointed a Trustee of the Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust in 2014. As an active member of Auckland Chinese Community Centre she has taken the lead in organising many sporting, cultural, social and fundraising activities. Her association with the New Zealand Chinese Association started in 2001 and she served as the first woman National President from 2011 to 2014. She is currently a member of Women Leaders, a network of women leaders across the public, private and non-profit sectors. She has also had a successful career in local government as an elected member of the Eden/Albert Community Board Auckland City and its predecessor from 1995 to 2010. From 2005 to 2010 she was a Foundation Trustee and Council representative on the community trust tasked with raising funds and restoring the 120-year old Mt Eden Methodist Church. From 2012 to 2014 she was a member of New Zealand China Council Advisory Board, a group of individuals and organisations active in the New Zealand/China relationship to provide advice, **support and funding for the Council's work programme to progress the government's NZ Inc Strategy for China.**

MR TAFAFUNA'I FA'ATASI LAUESE, JP

(Auckland)

For services to the Pacific community

Mr Tafafuna'i Fa'atasi Lauese has contributed to the Pacific and wider South Auckland community for more than 30 years.

Mr Lauese is a current member of the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board and has been a strong advocate for maintaining and protecting local parks, reserves and sports fields, and local arts and culture projects. He has been Chairman of the Pacific Peoples Advisory Council for Auckland Remand Prison since 2004. He is Treasurer and an Elder of the Mangere PIC Church. He is an Executive Board and founding member of the Mangere Cosmopolitan Club. He is an Executive Board member and Club Captain of the Aviation Golf Club and Secretary of the Samoan New Zealand Golf Association. Mr Lauese is a Justice of the Peace, has volunteered with the **Mangere Citizen's Advice Bureau, and provided translation/interpreter services for the Samoan community.**

MR HATETE JOE MANUKAU, JP

(Bay of Plenty)

For services to Fire and Emergency New Zealand and the community

Mr Hatete Joe Manukau has been a volunteer fire fighter with Fire and Emergency New Zealand for 33 years.

Mr Manukau initially joined the Katikati Volunteer Fire Brigade in 1985 and rose through the ranks to become Chief Fire Officer in 2002, a position he continues to hold. He was a key driver and worked with other stakeholders to provide a high quality fit-for-purpose facility for the Katikati Brigade. He has been involved with Region Two, Bay of Plenty Coast Area, United Fire Brigades Association and the Auckland Provincial Fire Brigade Association. Within the wider community he has been involved with the Katikati RSA/Citizen Club, serving as Vice President and a **committee member. He has been Māori liaison and a member of the Board of Trustees of Katikati Primary School and Katikati College, and a delegate to the Western Bay of Plenty School Trustees Association.** He has been involved with college rugby as a coach, manager and referee, and JMC Rugby with the Katikati Rugby Club. He was an executive committee member of the Katikati Bowling Club. Mr Manukau is currently Chairperson of the Horahora Marae Trustees Association.

MR RICHARD HENRY SHEPHERD, JP

(Northland)

For services to Māori and the community

Mr Richard Shepherd has been kaumatua for a range of organisations including Whangarei District Council, New Zealand Police, Northland Kindergarten Association, local schools and his own hapu.

Mr Shepherd has been a member of the Whangarei District Council's **Te Karearea** Strategic Planning Forum and as kaumatua has provided guidance on protocol for the official openings of buildings, bridges and parks in the district as well as at citizenship ceremonies. He was involved with planning the British and Irish Lions game against the New Zealand Barbarians in Whangarei in 2017. He was involved

with the Youth Development Programme at Tikiguna High School Service Academy and was a member of a team of veterans that designed and organised a character building programme. He has worked on developing a historical education trip for students to South East Asia to follow in the footsteps of Vietnam War veterans. He was involved with the veterans claim as part of Ngapuhi Treaty of Waitangi Claims from 2009 to 2016. He is an ambassador for the Northland Emergency Service Trust **and has worked on building relationships between the Trust and Māori throughout Te Tai Tokerau.** Mr Shepherd was a member of the New Zealand Police Commissioners Iwi Forum from 2012 to 2016.

REVEREND LUCKY RICHARD SLADE, JP

(resides Te Atatu)

For services to the Samoan community

Reverend Lucky Slade has been a Church Minister in New Zealand for 33 years, during which time he has led the Congregational Christian Church of Samoa in Te Atatu.

Reverend Slade is currently Chair of the Ekalesia Fa'apopotoga Kerisiano i Samoa (EFKS) New Zealand Board, which is working with the Ministry of Education to roll out early childhood education playgroups throughout EKFS churches throughout New Zealand. He has developed programmes within the Church to provide services for men, women, and youth. He was Director of Christian Education for EFKS from 1979 to 1984, which involved work in the South Pacific. He is also involved as Reverend Elder for 11 other Samoan congregational churches in West Auckland. He has led a number of national remembrance services for the Samoan community, including the Museum Service commemorating 100 years of military service in 2015, and Samoan Tsunami Commemoration services. Within the wider community Reverend Slade has been a member of the Board of Trustees at Rutherford Primary School and Club Captain of Chamberlain Golf Club.

MRS ELAINE OLIVE DAWN UTTING, JP

(Auckland)

For services to the community and netball

Mrs Elaine Utting has been involved with Netball North Harbour for 63 years as a player, coach, umpire, Treasurer for 10 years, and President for four years.

Mrs Utting was on the committee of the inaugural Golden Oldies Netball Tournament held at Orewa Domain in 2012 and was responsible for organising North Shore Primary School Netball Competitions in the early 1970s. She has been involved with **the New Zealand 60's Up movement, having been Secretary and Entertainment Officer** of the Takapuna branch for 13 years and Treasurer for the national organisation covering 34 branches. She organised a regional meeting of all North Shore branches to assist each other with bus trips. She has been involved with Red Cross Meals on Wheels for 50 years as both a driver and roster coordinator. She has been involved with Hospice North Shore for 27 years. She is Treasurer of Greenhithe Residents Association and a Neighbourhood Support Street Coordinator. She is a member of the Auckland Schools Community Education Association and has run evening business classes for the community for more than five years. Mrs Utting has served as a Justice of the Peace since 2004.
