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## National Marine and Freshwater Education Wānanga Conference 2015

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 - Northland - Whangārei

Whakapaumahara Marae, Whananaki, Northland

**Theme** "HOW TO.....for marine and freshwater conservation action and/or education"

### Purpose

An inspirational professional development and networking opportunity for all those involved or interested in freshwater and marine conservation.

### Objectives

- ✦ provide a forum for marine and freshwater educators to network about education for sustainability initiatives and projects around science communication
- ✦ provide professional development opportunities
- ✦ provide a forum to discuss the effectiveness of existing and potential partnerships that foster action for marine and freshwater conservation
- ✦ ensure strong delivery of the Experiencing Marine Reserves (EMR) and Whitebait Connection (WBC) concepts around New Zealand
- ✦ raise the profile and value of conservation action "engagement" with a wide range of stakeholders

### Wānanga registration will include

- ✦ powhiri at 11am on Saturday 11th April
- ✦ marine & freshwater keynote presentations, including Fred Litchwark and Dan Godoy
- ✦ fresh wholesome meals and marae style accommodation over the 3 day conference- wānanga
- ✦ marine and freshwater field trips including local conservation initiatives
- ✦ an opportunity to share your own project during 'show n tell', displays & facilitated workshops
- ✦ inclusion of local residents, tangata whenua & conservation groups throughout the programme
- ✦ snorkel adventure to the Poor Knights Islands Marine Reserve
- ✦ an additional day of specialist training workshops for Experiencing Marine Reserves & Whitebait Connection coordinators prior to the wānanga
- ✦ airport transfers

Previous wānanga proceedings [http://www.emr.org.nz/information.php?info\\_id=99](http://www.emr.org.nz/information.php?info_id=99)

**Registrations essential** \$390 waged professional      \$290 non waged/student/teacher/not for profit

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## National Marine and Freshwater Education Wānanga Conference 2015 programme

**Updated 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015 - this is an evolving programme, please expect updates. For the most recent version check [www.emr.org.nz](http://www.emr.org.nz) or [www.whitebaitconnection.co.nz](http://www.whitebaitconnection.co.nz)**

### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Coordinator Training/team building**

Before the official start of the wānanga, 1 day of specialised training/meeting will be on offer for Experiencing Marine Reserves/Whitebait Connection programme coordinators (or those seeking more information about the programmes).

**10:00am Whakatau**

**11.00am EMR and WBC Regional Coordinator meeting**

1pm Coordinator field trip training sessions (stream and snorkel workshops, also covering the new requirements under the Adventure Activity Regulations 2011)

6.30pm Dinner

7.30pm Presentation and resource use training

### **Official Start - all participants**

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – day one**

**11:00 am Powhiri and local orientation from Te whānau whero**

**12.00 pm Lunch**

**12.50 pm** Introduce programme & housekeeping  
**Introductions** – what people want from wānanga and what is their favorite freshwater and/or marine species - average of 1min per person

**2:20 pm Mountains to Sea Conservation Trust**  
**HOW TO** Experiencing Marine Reserves & Whitebait Connection presentations

**3.00 pm Freshwater address**

**3.30 pm Afternoon Tea**

*We extend an invite to the community to attend the afternoon/evening presentations for gold coin koha*

**4.00 pm Marine address – Dr Nick Shears (Senior Marine science lecturer, Auckland University)**

**4.30 pm**      **Freshwater Keynote address – Fred Lichtwark**  
“How to get your catchments waterways fenced and planted”

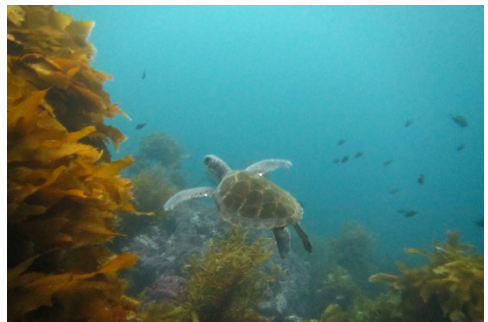
**5.30 pm**      **Intermission – Questions and discussion**

**6 pm**          **Marine Keynote address - Dan Godoy** “How to learn from marine turtle research and conservation’

**7pm**          Dinner

**8pm**          **Official close of day one – Moe time marine movie**

**8pm**      **Optional night-time spotlighting stream visit**



**Sunday 12th April - day two**

**7.00 am**      **Big Breakfast**

**8:00 am**      **Show n tell** – a chance to showcase your projects – “HOW TO themed” (Pecha Kucha style- 10 or 5 minute limit) *7 opportunities available, plus speaking slots on the way to the Poor Knights*

**9.10 am**      **Facilitated workshop – HOW TO facilitate with Sioux Campbell**

Ideas on topics...

- ^ Working with tangata whenua
- ^ Event planning – Seaweed and World Wetlands Day or World Fish Migration Day ideas

**11:30 am**      **Field trips – briefings, travel logistics, travel to site**

**12pm – 4pm Field trip option one – Freshwater**

Hikurangi Floodplains – Mudfish, Planting sites, challenges, successes

**12pm – 4pm Field trip option two – Marine**

Local snorkelling experience with Samara Nicholas and how to do ‘Reef Rescue’ with Vince Kerr

**4.00 – 5pm**      Free time and evaluation feedback in whare kai

**5.00 pm**          Showers at the marae

**6.00 pm**      **Sunset gourmet beach dinner and conference social – featuring a special performance!**



Field trip skits

**8:00 pm**      **Return to marae**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - day three**

**7:30 am**      **Breakfast – pack up**

**8:30am**      **Poroporoake**

**9:30 am**      **Leave for the Poor Knights Islands Marine Reserve with Dive! Tutukaka**



**4:00pm**      **Back at Tutukaka – official close of wananga**

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**Registration Details:**

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