



## WAIKATO BRANCH of the NEW ZEALAND GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

### Provisional Branch Programme for 2009

(All times, dates and places should be regarded as provisional, subject to correction and advice circulated by e-mail to members no less than seven days before the event)

- 12 February, Thursday. ***The Challenge of Promoting Geography: Agency and Priority.*** Michael Solem, Association of American Geographers. 7:00 pm Room I2.22, Department of Geography, Tourism and Environmental Planning, University of Waikato.
- 26 March, Thursday. ***Changing Relationships between Town and Country: Farmers' Markets.*** Lex Chalmers. Presidential address to the NZGS Waikato Branch AGM.
- 23 April Thursday. ***Graduate Student Geography Graduate Student/Staff Barbecue*** at Ruakura. 4:30pm. Lynda Johnston (Geography Department) and Tony Hall will host the event at the Ruakura Social Club. Committee Meeting at 7:00pm.
- 27 April, Monday. Notice to be delivered in schools about the Year 12 IGI in-class ***Photography Competition.*** Guidelines prepared by the Branch, photography provided for member schools, with submission date of 25 May.
- 1-2 May Friday Saturday. ***NZBoGT Annual Meeting*** in Wellington. Lex and Nick attending.
- 8 May, Friday. ***Open Day*** on Campus: Geography activities to be arranged by the Department of Geography. An "orienteeing" activity has been arranged.
- 21 May Thursday. Earliest date possible for regional round of ***Maatangi Whenua.*** Committee Meeting at 7:00, Room I2.22 at the University of Waikato.
- 21 May Thursday. Earliest possible date for consultation on Secondary ***Achievement Standards Alignment.*** Nick Page to confirm, School Support Services may be involved.
- 13 June (Saturday) Teachers' visit to ***Fieldays*** with dairy industry theme focused on sustainability and dairying. Fonterra and DairyNZ contacts will be invited to provide a supported lecture and other activities.
- 25 June Thursday. ***Geographers' Cup*** (4:30pm) and announcement of Year 12 Photography competition results.
- 16 July, Thursday. ***From Graduate to Employee.*** Work transition evening for graduates. Meeting facilitated by Kathryn Carter, Chris Pellowe and Toni White. Committee Meeting at 7:00, Room I2.22 at the University of Waikato.
- 23 July, Thursday. Christine Ralph, Senior Planner, BECA, will talk about ***Urban Planning and aspects of New Urbanism.*** 7:00pm. Otumoetai College. Transport will be provided from Hamilton if number warrant it.
- 20 August, Thursday. ***Academic Presentation*** (topic to be announced) from visitor/faculty to Department of Geography. Committee Meeting at 7:00, Room I2.22 at the University of Waikato.
- 24 September, Thursday. ***Innovative Graduate Research.*** Presentations of three papers from current graduates. Committee Meeting at 7:00, Room I2.22 at the University of Waikato.
- 20 October, Tuesday. ***NCEA day for senior school geographers.*** Support is offered by the faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (including Geography) for those students sitting Level Three NCEA papers.
- 19 November, Thursday. Committee Meeting and Final activity for 2009.
- 20-23 January. National offering of a ***Geographical Education Conference*** at the University of Waikato.