



NEW ZEALAND
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ASSOCIATION

NEW ZEALAND ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK

1-7 APRIL 2017



ABOUT THE LAUNCH OF THE INAUGURAL NEW ZEALAND ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK

New Zealand Archaeology Week will run from 1 to 7 April 2017. The New Zealand Archaeological Association is working to increase public awareness and highlight the importance of protecting our archaeological heritage by promoting the work of New Zealand archaeologists both at home and abroad.

WHY?

To bring archaeology to the public and tell our country's story. Promoting our archaeological heritage increases public recognition, leading to greater appreciation and protection of the record of our past.

WHO?

Around the country, a variety of events are being hosted by consultant archaeologists, museums, heritage organisations and iwi. These include public talks, historic walks, and displays in regions from the Far North to the Deep South.

ARCHAEOLOGY IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand has a short but dynamic history of settlement, characterised by rapid environmental and cultural change. Archaeological sites in New Zealand relate the story of the first settlers from Eastern Polynesia around 1300 AD, the development of a unique New Zealand Māori culture within a few generations, and the 19th century settlement by European, Chinese and other immigrants. These sites inform us of New Zealand's domestic, maritime, military, industrial and farming history.



Top left – Pa, Hawke's Bay © Kevin Jones

Top centre – Homeward Bound, Otago; top right – Rastus Burn Hut, Otago © Peter Petchey

Bottom image – Medicine bottles, Victoria Street Retail Development, Whanganui © Naomi Woods

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HIGHLIGHTED REGIONAL EVENTS

NORTHLAND

- Public visit to the 1842 Mair's Landing and historic boatsheds.

AUCKLAND

- Events being organised by the Polish Heritage Trust Museum – please see polishheritage.co.nz for further details.

THAMES-COROMANDEL

- Getting to the Goldfield: A guided tour of four wharf sites in Thames borough.

WELLINGTON REGION

- Historic walk from Courtenay Place to Parliament including Te Aro Pa, Chews Lane and the Supreme Court.

DUNEDIN

- Archaeological displays at the Dunedin Public Libraries (City and Mosgiel branches).
- Heritage walk along Dunedin's former shoreline.
- Several events at the Otago Museum.

OTAGO

- Archaeological tour of Arrowtown including the Chinese Village.
- Question and answer session: Māori and Goldfields archaeology within the Wakatipu Basin, Lakes District Museum, Arrowtown.

SOUTHLAND

- Murihiku – Stories from Beneath (Also part of Southland Heritage Month, March 2017).

FOR A FULL LIST OF EVENTS AND UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION VISIT US AT:

Website: nzarchaeology.org

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Email the National Coordinator, Kathryn Hurren, at archaeologyweek@nzarchaeology.org

ABOUT THE NZAA

The New Zealand Archaeological Association is a volunteer organisation that works to promote research and teaching in archaeology, strengthen links between professional archaeologists and non-professionals, as well as encourage conservation of archaeological sites within New Zealand. We lobby on behalf of our members, and work alongside local government, Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga and the Department of Conservation.

The NZAA hosts an annual conference and publishes two journals and a monograph series.

Join the NZAA

Please contact the Membership Secretary, Kathryn Hurren, at membership@nzarchaeology.org

