

# COMMUNITY PATROLS OF NEW ZEALAND



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## NOVEMBER 2020 PATROLLER BRIEFING



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Wellington based Patrols represented CPNZ at the Wellington Emergency Services Expo (see high vis in top right corner) to inform hundreds of people about the work that CPNZ does.



## A Word from our Chair.....

Welcome everyone to our new addition of the Patroller Briefing. This is an important means of communication within CPNZ and it is therefore important that everyone should get a copy or access to it. Remember - it is also available on our website as are the back copies.

As I write this, I am in both the Central and the Bay of Plenty Districts. On Saturday Greg Canty, Central District Support Leader, ran a very good district training day, very well aided by Constable Dan Timutimu (PLO) from Palmerston North and our National Training Administrator Toni Ferris. Police Manawatu Area Commander Sarah Stewart spent the afternoon and made

herself available for some very enlightening and important discussions with the patrollers in attendance from all over the district. National Support Manager Cheryl Watson provided excellent updates on initiatives from our National Office. On Sunday I attended a community promotion set up by local Police Officer John Malpas and District Support Team Leader Dave Reader to support and develop the Turangi Community Patrol. A great event held at the Turangi Fire Station.

As the CPNZ Board gets close to our last meeting of the year, a two-day workshop, we are ramping up our work on the Manual of Best Practice. When completed, it will include all policies, practices, guidelines and more, in an effort to gather all our governing and operational documents into a single, easily accessible document. It's a big effort, but an essential one under our Organisational Excellence priorities that support our Strategic Plan.

Importantly this document will form the basis for the development of future training initiatives that support Patrol Leadership. These are the Patrollers that step up to manage the Patrols activities, manage volunteers, roster patrollers, manage fundraising and money, maintain health and safety standards, attend meetings with Police, Councils etc.

And last, as you plan end-of-year operations (Xmas and New Year), which may need extra funding, please remember that if you need any support funding, you can apply to the CPNZ Board.



I wish you all the best and safe patrolling,

**Chris Lawton,  
Trust Board Chairperson**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Chris Lawton'.



# SUMMER HATS

As more and more patrols become involved in events and daytime foot patrols, we have had a number of patrols enquire about CPNZ summer hats.

A final design and supplier has been agreed on. The hat comes with the CPNZ logo on the front. They are available to patrollers at their own cost of \$53.20 + \$7.00 delivery.



# INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER DAY

International Volunteer Day (IVDay) is an international event run by UN Volunteers and celebrated every year, worldwide, on 5 December. It champions the impact volunteers have in communities, nationally and globally. 2020 has been a challenging year and many of us have lost the opportunity to enjoy important social events with our fellow Patrollers. Given that we are lucky enough to be safe in Aotearoa, we hope that everyone will work together to ensure that International Volunteer Day is celebrated in one way or another. Some examples from last year included Patrol dinners, a day out together to do some fun activities, and award ceremonies. We look forward to receiving the photos and stories of how you celebrate this important event!



# CASKET FLAGS

In response to recent requests for CPNZ casket flags, a design has been finalised and these are now available upon request.

These flags are to honor those who have dedicated part of their lives to their community through service to CPNZ, at their funeral or memorial service.

Anyone who would like to have a casket flag incorporated into their own end of life celebration should make their wishes known to their family and Patrol Leader to ensure that this wish is fulfilled.



New Zealand/Aotearoa lost eight people to road incidents over the Labour long weekend. PLEASE slow down, drive to the conditions and arrive alive!



# FAREWELL PETER AND WELCOME FRED

After four years as the volunteer storekeeper for CPNZ, Peter of Onehunga CP is retiring from the role and Fred is kindly taking over. Peter had this to say.....

*After a year of being retired and enjoying my freedom to do what I wanted I decided I needed to do something constructive that benefitted the community, so I joined the Onehunga Community Patrol in September 2015.*

*At some stage in 2016 the CPNZ store moved to Auckland to a storage unit in Onehunga, not far from Chris Lawton's place of business. Chris contacted the Onehunga patrol to see if anyone was interested in taking on the job of part time storeman.*

*Since the store was not far from our home and I still had spare time available I volunteered for the role. I soon learned that there was a lot to do in sorting orders and then packing them in courier bags or boxes so my wife, Marianne, joined me and, having neater handwriting than me, took on the role of addressing all the courier bags. After packing, we delivered the orders to Chris's office for his receptionist to arrange courier pick up.*

*In those days' orders were quite frequent and covered a wide range of items. We packed polo shirts, caps, beanies, leaflets, first aid booklets, window stickers, Be Aware signs, magnetic CPNZ signs, certificates etc.*

*In 2018 CPNZ purchased equipment, vests, and jackets to make up 10 Startup kits for new patrols. These kits were tricky to pack as the items were different shapes and sizes and generally involved creating 3 separate packages.*

*These days, the numbers and size of orders has greatly reduced. Polo shirts for example are purchased from Arrow directly by patrols and the Training manuals replaced things like the first aid booklets. Orders now are typically Pull up banners, service badges or Be aware signs.*

*As well as packing orders we also counted stock for 5 end of year stock takes. This became easier over the years as the range of stock reduced.*

*In 2019 Marianne and I moved to Summerset retirement village in Ellerslie, not too far from Onehunga and I still actively patrol with the Onehunga team. However, it is not so easy to 'pop down the road' to the store to pack a quick order so I have decided to retire from the storekeeper role. I will however remain actively patrolling with Onehunga and filling the role of coordinator jointly with Caroline Knights. The storekeeper role will be taken over by another Onehunga patroller, Fred Dessauvague, however I will still be around to stand in or assist as needed.*

**Thank you Peter and Marianne for all your hard work!**



Peter Grainger (Left) and Fred Dessauvague (Right)



# RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE

## THANK YOU FROM KAPITI CP

At the recent meeting for the Paraparaumu Raumati Community Board (PRCB), the Kapiti Community Patrol took the opportunity to say thank you for their support. Due to the lack of fundraising during the lockdowns for Covid 19, the patrol had fallen behind its budget for the year. This was exacerbated by the withdrawal of their major sponsor, creating a major gap in the finances.

As an organisation staffed purely by volunteers, who need to raise nearly all of their own funding, the input from PRCB came at an opportune time and gave the patrol much needed breathing space. Roy South on behalf of the Patrols committee thanked the PRCB for their continued support, and it is appreciated not just by the patrol, but also by that community that they both serve.



From left to right, Les Buckley KCP, Martin Halliday, Kathy Spiers, Guy Burns, Jonny Best, Mark de Haast, Bernie Randall and Roy South KCP.

## GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND - THANK YOU DAVID

As everyone is aware, the South Island's Lake Ohau Village and surrounding countryside was devastated by a fire which started at 3am Sunday 4th October. One of the affected areas is home to the Patrollers of Twizel Community Patrol.



David Scott of Christchurch South Community Patrol decided to help Ohau and Twizel area recover. Over Labour Long weekend, David filled his motorhome with flowers, plants and gifts for those who lost their houses and to share with the Ohau and Twizel community.

CPNZ has donated \$100 to David's cause, who plans to make several trips over the coming months. Any support is greatly appreciated. If you would like to offer David a donation to assist with this mission, we ask that you send your details to [office@cpnz.org.nz](mailto:office@cpnz.org.nz) for us to pass along to David.



# LOOKING BACK AT SEPTEMBER

## MOTUEKA QUIZ



Members of the Motueka CP took part in the RSA Quiz night fundraiser and raised just over \$400 for the Patrol!

## NORTH HARBOUR - BOYS TOYS

North Harbour CP took part in Boys Toys which was celebrating its 22nd Birthday this year with some special innovation and entertainment to mark the occasion. The Patrol raised over \$300 and signed up some new volunteers!



## FOOT PATROLS IN RANGIORA



Norma and April spent some time Foot Patrolling Rangiora doing great public relations for the Patrol by stopping to chat to the locals.

## SELWYN CP THANKING SUPPORTERS



Selwyn CP's new Patrol car was taken to the Ellesmere Lions Club, who were one of the main sponsors towards the purchase of the new vehicle. The club was very happy with the final product and some had already seen it patrolling their local community.



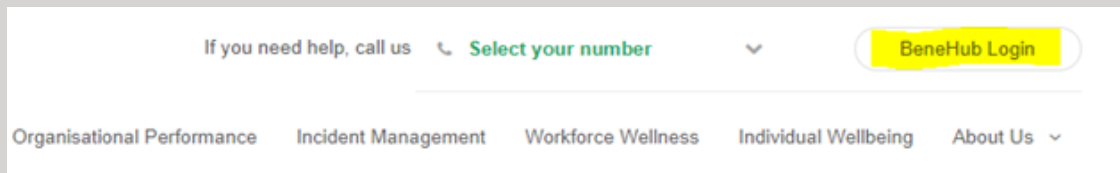
# Everyone needs some extra support sometimes...



CPNZ is launching with the help of Xero, a free and 100% confidential support programme offering face-to-face, live chat, online and telephone counselling. Help is available for anything from work, financial or family challenges to depression, drug and alcohol or social problems. No issue is too big or small. This is currently a pilot program and will end in June 2021.

Each active patrol member who uses XAP can have three (3) free and confidential counselling sessions per issue, which might be either a physical, mental, social or financial issue impacting wellbeing. So if you or anyone in your patrol needs support, visit the Benestar website at <https://benestar.com/>

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1. Input the Company Identifier (XEROCUSTNZ) and Token (XEROCUSTNZ1), details can also be found on the XAP website at <https://www.xero.com/nz/xap/>
    - Alternatively, you can call Benestar 0800 360 364 or email them at [counsellingsupportnz@benestar.com](mailto:counsellingsupportnz@benestar.com), just make sure to tell them that you are a Xero customer.
  2. Search for a counsellor by region, city, suburb or town or by counsellor name.
- To make an Appointment:
1. Select a Counsellor
  2. Ring or email the counsellor direct (Contact details on profile)
  3. If you need to leave a message, leave your name, contact number and say you are calling for the XAP program and you are a Xero customer.

**Please know that it's OK to not always be OK, and that your health and wellbeing is really important to us. If you or any of your patrol need help, please use this service.**

