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A Word From Our Chair



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Welcome to the busy part of the year for us, where we launch our national training event where we Educate, Empower and Excel.

Patrol leadership is where we will focus much of this year and this includes all those that step up to lead, coordinate, manage funds and more. Having travelled the country I can avow to the fact that we have some fantastic leaders in CPNZ. But it is essential that we have good leadership in every Patrol around the country.

The development of the Best Practise Manual is an important aspect of preparing new leaders. It's effectively the bare bones of what we do and how we do it. The first draft is off to the printer so that we can launch it at the EEE in Palmerston North. If your Patrol is not represented at this important event, we will ensure a copy is sent to you. Patrols will have time to look over it and give us feedback. It's a work-in-progress and will be the go-to resource for current Patrol leaders and part of the curriculum for future leaders.

Our get-together in March is the start of leadership focus, but there is much more for us to work on as well. With a new Commissioner comes changes in Police hierarchy. As of the 1st March 2021 we come under the new Police section of Iwi and Communities which sits under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner Wally Haumaha QSM, ONZM. Fortunately, we have lost none of our Police relationships in the changes at Police Headquarters, in fact we have what I think is the best option for us. I am looking forward to working with the Deputy Commissioner and the wider team he has working with him.

Despite COVID interruptions, the year is moving ahead fast. It's going to be a keystone year for CPNZ, and I am glad you are all here to enjoy it with us all.

All the best,

Chris Lawton,
Trust Board Chairperson

Chris Lawton

Tips, Tricks, & Other Bits

Training

Thank you to all those Patrollers who have logged on in the past month and completed their training. It is good to see our number of fully trained Patrollers rising.

Keep up the good work, everyone!



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NATIONAL TRAINING EVENT

EDUCATE, EMPOWER, EXCEL

Announcing some of our guest speakers for our National Training Event in March, we've gone with some inspiring and talented members from around the policing, volunteer, and mental health sectors this year.

CPNZ National Training Event

Palmerston North March 13th & 14th

GUEST SPEAKERS

Andrew Coster

Police Commissioner

Gerard Vaughan

Mental Health Advocate

Michelle Kitney

Volunteer NZ CEO

Lance Burdett

Ex-Police Negotiator



Educate



Empower



Excel

Recognizing Excellence

CPNZ Patroller Graduates Police College

Volunteering for Tauranga CP from 2016, before moving to Queenstown CP in 2018, Harmajot Singh has been helping his community wherever he goes. Now a recent Police College graduate, he's ready to transfer the skills he gained on Patrol to his new career as a Police Constable.

Speaking of his time with CPNZ, Singh said "Patrolling was a strong motivator to work hard and achieve his dream of being a uniformed Officer." We'd like to congratulate Harmajot on accomplishing his dream, and wish him all the best for the future.



Harmajot Singh

Martinborough Patrol Turns 25

Back in November, Martinborough Patrol celebrated a major milestone by passing the 25 year mark. Some of its original members turned out to celebrate.

Certificates were awarded to a number of members.

In recognition of 25 years service and recent retirement from the Patrol, Julia Squire was awarded a CPNZ Silver Shield with bar, CPNZ 25 year of service certificate and a certificate of appreciation from PLO, Senior Sergeant Ian Osland.

Surrounded by many of her fellow volunteers and grateful members of the community, it was a fitting send off for this long time volunteer for CPNZ.



From left to right: Ian Osland, Michael Hubbard, Strat Canning, Pat Dette, Pam Colenso with Julia Squire in the front

Dannevirke CP welcome new local Police Chief

Back in November the Tararua District welcomed new Police Chief Senior Sgt. Dave Fraser. Dave Fraser has 32 years of experience in the force, serving in districts all over the country, along with bringing six months experience with the UN Peacekeeping Force overseas. Right alongside him was the local Dannevirke CP, taking the time to forge a strong relationship with their new partner in crime prevention.



Pictured to the right, Patrol members Murray Lawson and Peter Le Cheminant alongside their district's Maori Wardens and new Senior Sergeant Dave Fraser at the Police Station.

Great job everyone!

Bob Stephenson Awarded Service Certificate

We would like to congratulate Bob Stephenson on being awarded his 2 year service certificate. Patrol Leader Niki Bailey had the following to say about Bob:

"One of Bob's support people contacted us over 2 years ago to ask if we would consider letting Bob, a gentleman with Down Syndrome, become a Patroller. I asked around the Patrol to see if anyone was interested in mentoring Bob and one of our Patrollers who has experience with people with special needs put his hand up. We met with Bob and his support worker to assess his ability and discuss what role we could offer Bob. We also talked to Chris Lawton (CPNZ Trust Board Chairperson) to check National Office were happy."



Bob Stephenson receiving his 2 year service certificate from PLO Sam Yerro

Two year later, at the Patrol's Christmas Parade last year, Bob was presented his 2 year service certificated (and a chocolate fish) by the Patrol's PLO, Community Constable, Sam Yerro. Congratulations Bob, we wish you and everyone at Te Atatu Glendene Patrol all the best!

Looking Back at February

We've got some fantastic photos of the Patrol vehicle for Taumarunui CP. The Patrol's was kindly donated this Daihatsu Terios by Trust Power some time ago. The Patrol car has recently undergone a revamp, now displaying the CPNZ livery.

With the Patrol vehicle's increased visibility, Taumarunui residents will certainly know that the local Community Patrol is out and about as the extra eyes and ears for the local Police.



Porirua Opens New Police Station

Porirua City has a new reason to celebrate in the form of a brand new, state-of-the-art Police Station. Officially opened on February 10th, celebrations were attended by Police Minister Poto Williams, Police Commissioner Andrew Coster, local PLOs, and Maori Wardens. Alongside them were Tawa CP & Porirua Pasifika CP members Anne Masoe, Brendan Herder, Chuni Juna, Scott Bailey, and Steve Milner.

When asked for a comment, Porirua Pasifika Patrol Leader Anne Masoe said "the Patrol was honoured to have been invited and proud to stand alongside their Police partners." Anne also gave us the following statement:

"Porirua Pasifika Community Patrollers are already benefiting from our strong working relationship with Police, which has been strengthened by the new facilities. On Waitangi Day we met our Community Police Liaison Officers in the Hub and following the opening ceremony we were given a guided tour."



Porirua Pasifika Community Patrollers, Area Commander Tracey Thompson & Patrol Leader Anne Masoe

Final Words

The recent events in Auckland should serve as an important reminder to remain vigilant, and in Ashley Bloomfield's words "use the jolly app!"

For the most up-to-date information, check the **Ministry of Health NZ** website here:
<https://www.health.govt.nz/>



March 15th marks two year since the terror attacks at the Al-Noor & Linwood Mosques in Christchurch. This will be a time of reflection for many of those in our communities, and it's a time for all of us to remember those who we've lost. Take a moment to reach out to your friends and neighbours this month and help make your community one where everyone feels welcome.



From March 15th-21st is the **Red Cross Annual Appeal**. The money we donate during this week helps give food, bedding, shelter, education, and plenty of other life changing essentials to our communities. Even better, if you can volunteer time to be a street collector, you can help make an even bigger impact on people's lives.

To find out more, check our the Red Cross Website here: <https://www.redcross.org.nz/get-involved/fundraise-help-others/redcross-annualappeal-march-2021/>

