# NIWA South and East Auckland Science and Technology Fair Prize Giving Ceremony

Tuesday, 5 September 2017 Mission Heights Junior College Theatre 7 to 9 pm

Welcome

Guest Speaker

Presentation of Category Awards

Musical Interlude

Presentation of Special Awards

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Catherine Hunter

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A very warm welcome to the 2017 NIWA South and East Auckland Science & Technology Fair.

It's a great pleasure for NIWA to support this outstanding event once again, and we congratulate all the students, parents, teachers and supporters who have worked so hard to bring it to life.

NIWA Science & Technology Fairs are a wonderful opportunity for students to showcase their talent and enthusiasm for science, and to gain recognition for their excellence and innovation. Across the country, thousands of students have been involved in researching, constructing and presenting exhibits. Participation is, on its own, a powerful learning tool. The experience is all the greater because these Fairs are above all else, fantastic fun.

Of course NIWA has a vested interest in nurturing a passion for science and technology among young New Zealanders. Enhancing knowledge in NIWA's key areas of scientific focus – the atmosphere, the ocean, and freshwater – is critical to the sustainable growth of New Zealand as a nation. We need fresh enquiring minds to maintain this momentum. A career in science and technology is as rewarding as it is important – and right here is where we hope a spark may be lit.

NIWA is the main sponsor of the South and East Auckland, Auckland City, Wellington, Waikato, Bay of Plenty and Canterbury-Westland Science & Technology Fairs. These events form part of our long-term commitment to enhancing engagement with science and technology by young New Zealanders.

Thank you to the organising committee, judges, schools and other sponsors for your commitment and support in promoting the NIWA Waikato Science & Technology Fair. Without you, this exciting event simply wouldn't happen.

Tracey Burton
NIWA Science Fairs Co-ordinator

# Message from the Convenor



Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Congratulations to all the award winners we are celebrating tonight. After hours of hard word and determination these students have proven themselves to be the top student scientists from the South and East Auckland regions.

Every year bar is raised as projects amaze the judges and get the public talking about the impressive results. No two projects are ever the same, as students bring their own perspective to the experimental design or technology brief. Without these unique ideas and viewpoints science and technology would come to a standstill. I always encourage students to carry on with their research after finishing a science fair project, asking themselves what questions have arisen from the collected data. Some researchers spend their entire careers on a niche area of science. There is nothing wrong with students doing the same, carrying on with their own projects, enhancing their findings each year.

Behind every student there are countless people supporting them. Thank you to mentors within the community, families, and teachers. Your continuous support ensures students have someone to get inspiration from, that there are sounding boards available when the unexpected pops up, or when they are in need of more glue sticks at 9 pm to finish gluing their boards together.

I would like to thank our incredibly generous sponsors and judges. Without their financial contributions or the time given for judging, we would not be here tonight. Lastly, many thanks to the Committee for your hard work and dedication to the Fair. Your advice and collaboration ensures we host a successful community event each year.

Catherine Hunter Science Fair Convenor

### Category 1 - Years 7 and 8 Living World

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Presented by Fair Committee Member, on behalf of Wai Shing Ltd

#### **FIRST PLACE**

Exercise: Getting Results?

Josh Radford

Somerville Intermediate School

#### SECOND PLACE

Stressed Out

**Matthew Jones** 

Farmcove Intermediate School

#### **THIRD PLACE**

Tamaki's Tiny Toxins

Luke Franich

Saint Kentigern College

#### **HIGHLY COMMENDED**

Fend off the finicky fruit fly

**Sophie Clark** 

Pukekohe Intermediate School

### Category 2 – Years 7 and 8 Physical and Material World

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#### FIRST PLACE

Don't Judge a Pool by it's Cover

**Jessica Dixon** 

Somerville Intermediate School

#### SECOND PLACE

Electromagnetism

Gareth Choo

Somerville Intermediate School

#### **THIRD PLACE**

Don't Cry Over Spoit Milk!

Vienna McDowell

Maratei Beach School

#### HIGHLY COMMENDED

Compression Obsession

**Zoe Purvis** 

Howick Intermediate School

#### HIGHLY COMMENDED

The Pressure is On

Jesse Loubser

Elim Christian College

#### **HIGHLY COMMENDED**

What type of energy is the most efficient?

Sarah Stewart

Clevedon School

#### HIGHLY COMMENDED

Shake, Rattle and Roll

**Mathilde Peace** 

Saint Kentigern College

Category 3 – Years 7 and 8 Environmental Science / Planet Earth and Beyond

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Papatoetoe

Category 4 – Years 7 and 8 Intermediate Consumer Science

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Drury



Presented by John Bell, President, Kiwanis Club of Papatoetoe

FIRST PLACE
Food Waste Fuel
Thomas Donnell

Somerville Intermediate School

SECOND EQUAL
What's with the weather?

**Lucas Pryce** Somerville Intermediate School

SECOND EQUAL
What Goes Around Comes Around: A
Composting Trilogy
Jack Buckingham

Somerville Intermediate School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Wave Busters
Jake Welsh
Howick Intermediate School

Presented by Fair Committee Member on behalf of Kiwanis Club of Papatoetoe

FIRST PLACE
Who Knew? ShampHoo!
Brooke Conover

Somerville Intermediate School

SECOND PLACE
Don't Spoil the Oil
Finn Mayer
Saint Kentigern College

THIRD PLACE
What Wrap?
Archie Manning
Somerville Intermediate School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
The Burning Question
Daniel Osborne
Somerville Intermediate School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Spintastic
Rohnan Nankivell
Howick Intermediate School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Tempting Tempering
Hillary Zhong
Somerville Intermediate School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Watt Survival
Sam Waiheke Leigh Cato
Pukekohe Intermediate School

Category 5 – Years 7 to 10 Technology / Innovations

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Category 6 – Years 9 and 10 Living World

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Clarks Beach



Presented by Jacqui Davidson of KP Group Ltd

FIRST PLACE

Hyper Hydro

Aadi Golchha and Ricky Bassano

Mission Heights Junior College

SECOND PLACE

XLJ The Future of Security

**Xavier Burger and Josh Schreuder** 

Pukekohe High School

**THIRD PLACE** 

Get in Behind

Jasmine Niederberger

Pukekohe High School

Presented by Fair Committee Member on behalf of Kiwanis Club of Waiau Pa-Clarks Beach

FIRST PLACE

Dyslexic Dilemma

Leane Te Boekhorst and Solana

Carpenter

Mission Heights Junior College

SECOND PLACE

How Sweet Is It?

**Camryn Chetty and Jamini Patel** 

Mission Heights Junior College

THIRD PLACE

Ready, Set, Pineapple

**Amelie Laing** 

Howick College

HIGHLY COMMENDED

I Must Admit, I've Bean Curious

Trishika Nand, Caitlin Pillay and Ariel Kim

Mission Heights Junior College

HIGHLY COMMENDED

The Truth to the 'Five Second Rules"

Siying Huang

Howick College

Category 7 – Years 9 and 10 Physical and Category 8 – Years 9 and 10 Material World Environmental Science / Pla

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Category 8 – Years 9 and 10
Environmental Science / Plant Earth and
Beyond

Sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Papakura





Presented by John Escudero, Area Project Manager

Presented by Ewan Beck, Past Gov. NZSP District of Kiwanis International

FIRST PLACE
Archievable
Alex Coleman-Chaiman
Pukekohe High School

SECOND PLACE
To Drink Or Not To Drink
Krystal Lal
Howick College

FIRST PLACE
A fan of the fan worm?
Ethan McCormick
Howick College

SECOND PLACE
Sand Saver
Alyssa Thompson
Howick College

Category 9 – Year 9 to 13 Secondary Consumer Science

Sponsored by Auckland Science Teachers Association



Category 10 – Years 7 to 13 Scientific Photography

Sponsored by Storage King, Botany South



Presented by Fair Committee Member on behalf of the Association

FIRST PLACE
Roti Rules
Dania Shafiq
Manurewa High School

SECOND PLACE
How Happy is Your Burger?
Ann Rawinia Cato
Pukekohe High School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Fluffin' Muffins 3
Joanne Ting
Mission Heights Junior College

HIGHLY COMMENDED

Myth and Go

Rajbir Sandhu

Mission Heights Junior College

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Protein Performance
Suhena Kumar
Manurewa High School

Presented by Peter Limpus, Store Manager, Storage King, Botany South

FIRST PLACE
Spintastic
Rohnan Nankivell
Howick Intermediate School

Category 11 – Years 11 to 13 Senior Science
Sponsored by NIWA



Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager

FIRST PLACE
Concussion Conundrum
Dylan Townsend
Ormiston Senior College

SECOND EQUAL Predator Pressure Atrena Youkhana Manurewa High School

SECOND EQUAL
Fluorosensing Waiuku
Jojo Coleman-Chaiman
Pukekohe High School

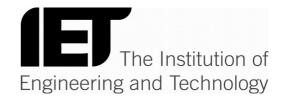
THIRD PLACE
Water You Reading?
Marlene Iripa and Rida Basharat
Manurewa High School

HIGHLY COMMENDED
Save Our Soles
Latutama Finau, Sione Finau and
Amelia Pasikala
Manurewa High School

#### The IET Innovation Awards

Sponsored by the Institution of Engineering and Technology

Presented by Andy Peacock, IET Member



### **Award for Best Application of Electronics** Sponsored by NIWA

Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager, NIWA



### Science Award Trust (Years 7 and 8 Only) Sponsored by Science Award Trust

Presented by Fair Committee member, on behalf of the Trust



### **MIT Engineering Award**

Sponsored by Manukau Institute of Technology, School of Engineering

Presented by Blake Wong-Ling, Schools and Youth Liaison, MIT



### **Best Project by a Maori Student**

Sponsored by Manukau Institute of Technology

Presented by Blake Wong-Ling, Schools and Youth Liaison, MIT

Best Project by a Pasifika Student Sponsored by Manukau Institute of Technology

Presented by Blake Wong-Ling, Schools and Youth Liaison, MIT



The Environment Award Sponsored by NIWA

Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager, NIWA



**Best Soil Science Related Project Award** Sponsored by NZ Society for Soil Science

Presented by Fair Committee member, on behalf of the Society



**Auckland Transport Travelwise Award** Sponsored by Auckland Transport

Presented by Eadaoin Butler, Community Transport Co-ordinator, AT



#### **Best Use of Flour Award**

Sponsored by the Baking Industry Research Trust

Presented by Fair Committee member, on behalf of the Trust



Prizes for Best Innovation, Invention, or Investigation by Year Level Sponsored by NIWA

Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager, NIWA

Year 7

Year 8

Year 9 (Not Awarded)

Year 10

Year 11

**Year 12 (Not Awarded)** 

Year 13

The Student Encouragement Award Sponsored by New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology

Presented by Nick Parker and Margie Hunt, NZIFST





New Zealand Heritage Award Sponsored by NIWA

Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager



**Best Application of the Scientific Method** Sponsored by the University of Otago

Presented by Xenia Bilton



The Eric Clague Kiwanis Award Sponsored by Kiwanis Clubs of Counties Manukau

Presented by Ewan Beck on behalf of the Kiwanis Clubs of Counties Manukau



**Premier Award for Best Exhibit of the Fair** Sponsored by NIWA

Presented by Ken Becker, Regional Manager, NIWA



# Special Thanks to our Judges and Committee

Our team of judges are recognised as specialists in their fields. Judges are a mixture of professionals from local schools, universities, technology institutes and the science and technology industries.

### **Judges**

Alastair Caine	Kipi Paea	
Andy Peacock	Lynn Dunbar	
Anna Ponnampalam	Matire Harwood	
Bo Hensley	Michael Browne	
Carol Duffield	Nataly Martini	
Catherine Ma	Nicholas Kondal	
Cheryl Frankis	Nishalia Maharaj	
Chris Quill	Odette Jennings	
Dorit Naot	Petr Tomek	
Eryn Kwon	Sarah Morgan	
Ira Mautner	Sarbjot Kaur	
Irene Liang	Shannon Adams	
Jamie Chow	Sophie Roberts	
Jinfeng Zhao	Vanisha Patel	
Jose Derraik	Xiaoying Guan	
Karen Bishop		

#### **Science Fair Committee**

Convenor	Catherine Hunter
Secretary	Angela Rees
Treasurer	Dion Cowley
Chief Judge	Chadar Dewar
Sponsorship	Melanie Kindley
Registration / Webmaster	Ben Doughney

A special thanks to Mission Heights Junior College for hosting the Fair and Prize Giving, to Somverville Intermediate for providing the musical interlude at Prize Giving, and the Mission Heights Junior College Family and Friends for their support throughout the event.

We would also like to thank teachers for their ongoing commitment in supporting students entering the Fair.

Website: www.sciencefairmanukau.org.nz

# 2017 Participating Schools

Clevedon School Elim Christian College Farm Cove Intermediate School Howick College Howick Intermediate School Maraetaí Beach School Manurewa High School Mission Heights Junior College Ormiston Senior College Pukekohe High School Pukekohe Intermediate School Saint Kentigern College Somerville Intermediate School Tangaroa College Tyndale Park Christian School Waiuku College



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