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Introduction

The chronology is a celebration of the tangata whenua of EONZ. It explicitly recognises the massive amount of largely voluntary support provided by individuals for colleagues, the profession and ultimately the children of Aotearoa in the pursuit of quality outdoor learning.

Many of the whanau have contributed archival material, memories and mahi to the hītori. I particularly mihimihi to Hilary Chidlow, Jill Dalton, Catherine Kappelle, Phil Kay, Chris Knol, Fiona McDonald, Susan Miller-Thevenard, Liz Penman, Gemma Periam, Wayne Putt, Gerald Rawson, Lynley Stewart, Arthur Sutherland and Liz Thevenard. I gratefully acknowledge the publications *Mātauranga o Aotūroa (MOA)*, *Journey, Out and About* and *Te Whakatika* as wonderful repositories of EONZ history and knowledge.

Congruous with all versions of history, the manuscript has nuance, error, contentious details and absences. As this is a contemporary, tangata owned document intended as a living history, EONZ welcomes the identification of additions, amendments and adjustments.

In the pursuit of supporting and influencing quality learning through education outdoors; *kia tere te kārohirohi* - may the warmth of summer fall upon us all.

The Background Years Pre 1993

1930-50



Marton school visit to Ratana Pā¹

1930 -70's From the 1930's, learning by direct experience through progressive liberal education philosophies is greatly valued. Accordingly, teachers are educating pupils in the outdoors for general education, nature studies, health education and physical education, and have been for many years.² Many teachers employ the outdoors as a teaching and learning resource through outdoor excursions and field trips across the curriculum.

Located in nature, school camps are convenient locations to meet a wide range of curriculum objectives in general and of subjects in particular. Outdoor education undergoes a rapid expansion³ and a number of permanent standing camps are established: e.g. Port Waikato (1956), Akatarawa (Salvation Army - 1958), Castle Hill (1965), Rotoiti Lodge (1966), Motutapu Island Outdoor Education Centre (1966), Kaitawa (1967), Arthur's Pass (1968), Mangatepopo School (1969), Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre (1969), Borland Lodge (1973), Boyle River Lodge (1978) etc.⁴

By converting small country schools closed through lack of numbers, Education Boards set up residential school camps available to all schools. Equipment pools and gear trailers are established and staffing and funding mechanisms set up. The PE Advisory Service often takes a lead role⁵ particularly in the production of resources for teachers⁶. The field is being grasped by the grass roots, leaving the central Department of Education infrastructure well behind.

¹ Mike Boyes, 'Marton school visit to Ratana Pa,' abt 1958

² Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), Ch 1-2

³ Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), Ch 6-7

⁴ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in NZ 1840-2011*. (Journal of Physical Education New Zealand, 45(1), 2012), 7-12

⁵ Email from Hilary Chidlow, 1 August 2021

⁶ For example, see Outdoor education school handbook (South Auckland Education Board Camps Committee) Sept 1966

1948 Philip Smithells, the first director at the School of Physical Education, University of Otago, introduces outdoor education into the curriculum of the university.⁷ The School of Physical Education is initially focussed on the preparation of physical education teachers. The programme consists of a mandatory residential camp in the Matukituki valley before moving to Trotters Gorge, Otago in 1950; later relocating to Paradise in the Southern Alps in 1973. The camp programme moves to an expedition / journey base in 1996. Influential staff members are Gouke (Bob) Leek 1965-1995, Shona Thompson (1986-1994), Martha Bell 1995-7, John (Rowdy) Maxted 1996-2006, Mike Boyes 1998-2018, Chris Charteris-Wright 2003-4, Annie Dignan 2005-8 and Geoff Ockwell (2008-18).

In addition to the mandatory camp, in-depth optional courses (practicals), are offered in a range of outdoor pursuits that broadens over the years to include large boat sailing, winter tramp, cross country skiing, kayaking, Canadian canoeing, snowshoeing, rock climbing, mountain biking, surfing and others.

Late 1950's Physical education advisors, supported by advisors from other curriculum areas, conduct one to three day teacher training/orientation programmes at school camp sites. The courses initiate in-service teachers into school camp philosophies, logistics and activities available in the different localities. Many Boards set the requirement of mandatory attendance for those wishing to run school camps.⁸

1970's



*Rangitikei College adventure camp, Resolution Bay*⁹

1972-3 Graeme Dingle establishes the Outdoor Pursuits Centre at Tawhitakuri, adjacent to Tongariro National Park, to run residential outdoor pursuits

⁷ Rex Thompson, *History, events and people of the school*.

https://www.otago.ac.nz/sopeses/about/sopeses_history.html

⁸ Pip Lynch, *Fifty years of teacher training for outdoor education*. Out and About 7, Summer 2001, pp.8-13.

⁹ Mike Boyes, 'Rangitikei College adventure camp, Resolution Bay' 1967

courses for secondary schools.¹⁰ The Spirit of Adventure Trust is formed by Auckland businessman Lou Fisher to provide large boat sailing programmes for youth.¹¹

- 1973 The New Zealand College of Education hold a two day symposium on outdoor education in New Zealand. The symposium is held in Dunedin and attracts 62 participants. The symposium strongly advocates that the Education Department prepare a national policy and handbook on outdoor education together with the material and financial provisions necessary for these to be effective.¹² A total of 63 recommendations are made to the Department.¹³

Six papers are published including from notables such as Professor P. A. Smithells¹⁴ of the University of Otago. Smithells's paper is the first to advocate for a broad outdoor education encompassing the whole person, outdoor living, spirituality and nature.

- 1973 Following political pressure and the surge in numbers of children engaging in school camps,¹⁵ the Kirk Labour government, with strong support from education minister Phil Amos, approves a capitation grant of 10 cents per pupil from Form 1 to 7, to be used for OE equipment and maintenance. Each of the ten education boards is asked to establish an outdoor education advisory committee to advise on outdoor education in general and the spending of the capitation grant.¹⁶

Established school camps, where they meet minimum standards, are formally recognised and can be maintained from school budgets. Furthermore, resident teachers at the well-established existing camps are funded from existing budgets.¹⁷ Approval is given for the use of disused buildings and sites for future camps.

- 1973 Soon after its inception, the NZ Council of Recreation and Sport (NZCRS) appoints Australian Colin Abbott as a national outdoor recreation advisor.¹⁸ Colin was an industrial chemist and is a keen climber and outdoor pursuits enthusiast who comes to the Council from a role as the first chief instructor at the Outdoor Pursuits Centre.¹⁹

¹⁰ Sarah Moodie, *OPC The adventure starts here* (Wellington: OPC, 1998)

¹¹ Retrieved from: <https://www.spiritofadventure.org.nz/the-trust/our-history>

¹² New Zealand College of Education Occasional Papers Vol. 4 Nos. 1-8. Symposium "Outdoor Education in New Zealand"

¹³ Recommendations from the NZ College of Education Symposium to the Department of Education, 1973

¹⁴ Philip Smithells, Towards a philosophy of outdoor education. (Paper presented in Symposium "Outdoor Education in New Zealand" March 1973), 2-5. [Reprinted in NZEI Yearbook *Outdoor Education* 1978.]

¹⁵ Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), 129

¹⁶ Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), 137

¹⁷ Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), 136

¹⁸ Email from Gerald Rawson, 8 August 2021

¹⁹ Graeme Dingle, *The seven year adventure*. (Auckland: Hodder and Stoughton. 1981 p.14)

- 1974 The yacht *Spirit of Adventure*, the first boat built for the Spirit of Adventure Trust, has its maiden voyage in January to Kawau Island with an all-boys crew. The first trip for girls is to Coromandel in June.²⁰
- 1974-78 The Department of Education run a series of national in-service courses for teachers on outdoor and environmental education at (1) Wallis House Wellington, (2) Lopdell House Auckland and (3) Hogben House Christchurch. Their purpose is to help prepare a national policy and curriculum framework for outdoor education (later to be called EOTC).²¹
- 1974-6 The Johnson Report (*Growing, Sharing Learning*) is commissioned by Labour education minister Phil Amos to report on how the healthy growth and development of children may be fostered in school curricula. The report advocates for outdoor education as a key component and legitimises outdoor education within education and with the government.²²
- Jan 1975 The Teachers' Refresher Course Committee hold a 7-day outdoor education course at Fell House, Nelson College, Nelson on 19 – 24 January. The course is directed by Mike Prebble (Nelson College) for about 100 participants. The course provides an opportunity to examine case studies of school OE programmes, participate in practical options in the outdoors, examine the social, recreational and environmental aspects, visit school outdoor education lodges, and evaluate the objectives and needs of outdoor education.²³
- 1975 The Curriculum Development Unit of the Department of Education circulate the booklet publication *Outdoor Education Recipes*. The resource includes pragmatic recipes for large numbers of people, for staff working in camp kitchens or outdoors.²⁴
- 1976 The New Zealand Department of Education School Publications Branch and Curriculum Development Division develops the guide book *Outdoor Education - Planning the School Camp*, as part of the Physical Education – Standard 2 to Form 2 teacher resource series.
- 1977 - 1982 The Outdoor Education Supervisor's Scheme is established by the Department of Education to train a cohort of teachers in advanced outdoor pursuits skills who would then conduct local/regional courses for teachers. The initial supervisors scheme courses are 10 weeks long, residential at the Outdoor Pursuits Centre at Tongariro. Later courses are reduced to six weeks. The scheme is initiated by Joe Hughes and Graeme Dingle and supported by Noel

²⁰ Retrieved from: <https://www.spiritofadventure.org.nz/the-trust/our-history>

²¹ Email from Gerald Rawson, 8 August 2021

²² Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006), 143-144

²³ Mike Prebble, Outdoor Education refresher course outline. 4 Oct 1974.

²⁴ Curriculum Development Unit, Dept of Education, *Outdoor education recipes*, 1975.

Scott (District Senior Inspector).²⁵ With Departmental funding, Stu Allan is appointed as a permanent resident teacher to run the courses. About 87 people are trained²⁶ and many graduates including: Sam Beamish (Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre), Mike Boyes (Okato College), Peter Dale (Rotoiti Lodge), Phil Kay (Colenso High School), Barry Law (Otago Boys High School), Brian Neville (Mangakino High School), Wayne Putt (Newlands College), Sam Sampson (Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre), Eric Schusser (Dunstan High School), Brian Staite (Borland Lodge) and Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School) became influential in EONZ and the outdoors.

- 1977 After the publication of the Johnson Report, Ruth Upchurch, an ex-principal of Otago Girls High School, is appointed to develop the Department of Education's policy on outdoor education.²⁷ Joe Hughes, an ex-physical education (PE) teacher and a school inspector in Hamilton, is given national responsibility for PE and outdoor education in primary and secondary schools.²⁸
- 1977 Bert McConnell establishes outdoor education courses at Christchurch College of Education, beginning with a group of 18 students. By 1980, numbers have grown considerably and Ian Culpan is employed as an outdoor education lecturer. In later years Cathye Haddock, Barry Law (1987) and Arthur Sutherland join the staff for varying lengths of time.²⁹
- Nov 1977 Peter Macpherson, of the Curriculum Development Division of the Department of Education, directs an in-service course at Lopdell House, Titirangi on developing guidelines for outdoor education. The course participants are Ray Aitcheson (Dept. of Education, Auckland), Ewan Crouch (Rotoiti Lodge), Graham Gladstone (Dept. of Education, Wellington), Jack Grasse (Tyn-y-Berth Mountain Centre, Wales), Barry Hill (University of Auckland), Jan Hoyle (Waitakere College), Alistair Kay (Auckland Normal Intermediate School), Gwennyth Lees (Tauhara College, Taupo), Bert McConnell (Christchurch Teachers College), Eddie Ngeru (Tarata School, Taranaki), Mike Prebble (Nelson Boys High School), Russ Shrimpton (Dept of Education, Timaru), Gerry Rawson (Borland Lodge) and Colin Abbott (Council for Recreation and Sport). The report develops a scope for outdoor education, programme guidelines, links to the Johnson Report, guidelines for

²⁵ (1) Sarah Moody, Training the trainers. *OPC The adventure starts here* (Turangi, OPC, 1998) 70-74; (2) Out & About, 7 (Summer) 2001, p. 11; Pip Lynch, *Fifty years of teacher training for outdoor education*. Out and About 7, Summer 2001, pp.8-13.

²⁶ Stu Allan, OPC Teachers' Courses list of participants (incomplete). Forwarded by email 19 April 2022

²⁷ Bob Stothart & Ian Culpan, *For the record* (Christchurch: University of Canterbury, 2012), 66

²⁸ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in NZ 1840-2011*. (Journal of Physical Education New Zealand, 45(1), 2012), 7-12

²⁹ 25 years of outdoor education at Christchurch College of Education (Out and About, 6 (Spring) 2001), pp. 10-12

principals and teachers and criteria for outdoor education centres. It also makes recommendations for the Department of Education.³⁰

- 1978 The Tihoi Venture School, is established by St Paul's Collegiate School, Hamilton out of the disused Tihoi timber mill at West Taupo. The mill workers' houses are the first student accommodation and the mill club room becomes the dining room. An 18-week residential back-to-basics outdoor programme is designed specifically for Year 10 boys. The on-site directors are Mike and Judy Shaw (1978 – 1980). Later directors include Brian and Jan Neville (1981 – 1992), John and Christine Furminger (1992 – 2006), Chris Wynn and Cyn Smith (2006 – 2016), Cyn Smith (sole directorship, 2016 - 2020) and Peter Evans (2020 – present).³¹
- March 1978 Peter Macpherson, curriculum development officer of the Department of Education, convenes an outdoor education conference at Head Office, Government Buildings, Wellington. The purpose of the conference is to inform on current developments in the curriculum area, to discuss future developments and to discuss ideas on outdoor education in secondary schools. Attending are: Colin Abbott (Council of Recreation & Sport), Pete Foster (Otago Boys High School), Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School), Sandy Saunders (Otaki College), K. Ross (Queen Elizabeth College, Palm Nth), Ian McDonald (PE Advisor), Stu Scully (Stratford High School), G. Hinchcliff (Makora College), Mike Prebble (Nelson Boys College), M. Loug (Porirua College), Austin Brookes (Kingswell College), Heather Coles (Central Hawkes Bay College), Hilary Evison (University of Otago), Ron Ward (NZMSC), Athol Lonsdale (PE Advisor), Ruth Upchurch (Dept. of Education).³²
- 1978 The Department of Education regularly seek feedback from the coal face about the efficacy of the Departments circulars to schools. In particular Gerald Rawson, Hilary Chidlow and Arthur Sutherland are asked for comment. Arthur Sutherland creates a document entitled '*OE Department Circulars with Comments*' for the Department of Education.³³
- 1978 The Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre is opened in North Canterbury. The Centre is established by the North Canterbury Alpine Trust made up of members from the Belfast, Kaiapoi and Rangiora Rotary clubs along with the Principals of Rangiora and Kaiapoi High schools. Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School) is an influential instigator.³⁴

³⁰ Outdoor Education – Towards Guidelines. Report from the National In-service Course. Lopdell House, 20-23 November 1977. [Govt Archives R17926315]

³¹ Tihoi history. <https://www.stpauls.school.nz/page/back-where-it-all-began>.

³² Peter Macpherson, Department of Education, Invitation letter to Departmental conference 27 Feb, 1978.

³³ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 15 March 2022.

³⁴ (1) Ibid; (2) Colin East, The history of the North Canterbury Alpine Trust & the Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre. 2008

- 1978-80 The Department of Education and the NZ Council for Recreation and Sport are instrumental in forming the New Zealand Outdoor Training Advisory Board (OTAB) which is a collaborative group of Ministry and non-government organisations. The purpose of the Board is to provide a co-ordinating agency for outdoor leader training, with the aims of establishing a framework of outdoor leadership training, developing suitable courses and pathways and to disseminate information from a central bureau. Part of the work of OTAB is to coordinate evening classes as part of the Continuing Education programme.³⁵
- The formation meeting is held on 23 May 1978. Present are: Stan Mair (University of Otago, Chairperson), Colin Abbott (NZ Council for Recreation and Sport), Pat Devlin (NZ Institute of Parks and Recreation), Mike Fitzgerald (Ministry of Recreation and Sport), Mike Frohlich (NZ Water Safety Council), Joe Hughes (Ministry of Education), Diana Jones (NZ Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation), Peter Kyle (Outward Bound Trust), Ralph Rollo (NZEI), and Alan Trist (New Zealand Mountain Safety Council). An apology was received from Stu Allan (Outdoor Pursuits Centre).
- A permanent board is elected of Stu Allan, Pat Devlin, Peter Kyle, Diana Jones, Stan Mair and Ralph Rollo. Nominated appointments made from key organisations are Margaret Clark (NZ Council of Recreation and Sport), Mike Fitzgerald, Mike Frohlich, Joe Hughes, and Paul McOscar (National Youth Council). In addition, Colin Abbott and Gerald Rawson (NZPPTA) are co-opted to the Board. The Board is chaired by Stan Mair (University of Otago) and later Alan Trist (NZMSC). Colin Abbott devoted time from NZCRS to be the administrator and later, chairperson. Initial outputs are the OTAB Outdoor training guide and logbook to promote leadership training.
- 1979 The Department of Education establishes an internal EOTC standing committee initially chaired by Peter Culliford, then Peter Brice (both senior curriculum development officers who reported directly to the Director General of Education). The committee was later chaired by Mike Prebble (ex Nelson Boys College).³⁶ The committee members are: Les Bayly (District PE Advisor), E. Crouch (PPTA), A. F. FAMILTON (NZEI), Athol Forrest (Dept. of Education Teacher Education), Joe Hughes (Secondary Inspector, Hamilton), Peter Macpherson (Curriculum Development Officer PE and Health), Ted Preston (Curriculum Development Schools), I. T. Young (Curriculum Development Secondary) and K. M Woodward (District Senior Inspector Wellington).³⁷

³⁵ OTAB newsletter 6 June 1978 [Govt Archives R17926315]

³⁶ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.

³⁷ Department of Education Director General's Outdoor Education Study Group meeting minutes 14 August 1979. [Govt Archives R17926315]

1979-80 Following on from the earlier publication, the New Zealand Department of Education School Publications Branch and Curriculum Development Division develops the guide book *Outdoor Education - Campcraft*, for teachers, instructors and students. This publication is number 16 in the PE Sports Instruction series.³⁸

In addition, as part of the PE Fitness for Living series, the handbook *Fitness for Living through Outdoor Education* is issued in 1980. This booklet adopts a broader view of outdoor education and contains a wealth of teaching material.³⁹

1979-80 The NZ Mountain Safety Council publishes an Outdoor Education resource handbook with Bev Abbott as the editor. Some of the modules are written by Gerald Rawson.⁴⁰

1979-81 The Department of Education establish 13 Rural Education Activities Programmes (REAP) to provide support services in rural centres lacking tertiary services. Three REAPs have 0.5 outdoor education co-ordinators. These are Kathie Gilbert (West Coast), Vicki Adams, (Buller) and Chris Petersen (Wairarapa). Gerald Rawson is at the Marlborough REAP in a full-time OE co-ordinator's position, primarily working for the Department of Education as a national adviser/coordinator (1980-95).⁴¹

1980-1990



*East Otago High School Routeburn track trip*⁴²

1980 Bill Renwick, the Director General of Education, formally introduces the term *Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC)* in order to embrace the full range of outdoor learning experiences across the curriculum.⁴³ Earlier discussions within the Department began with the term *outdoor education* before

³⁸ Curriculum Development Division, *Campcraft* (Wellington: Government Printer, 1979).

³⁹ Bob Stothart & Ian Culpin, *For the record* (Christchurch: University of Canterbury, 2012), 73

⁴⁰ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021

⁴¹ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.

⁴² Neil & Ron Sloan. 'East Otago High School students Routeburn track trip' 1980's [From Arthur Sutherland]

⁴³ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in NZ 1840-2011*. (Journal of Physical Education New Zealand, 45(1), 2012), 10

outdoor/environmental education was employed. Because the latter terms were considered disparate, further developments led to *Out of Classroom Education* and *Education Beyond the Classroom* before the term *Education Outside the Classroom* is agreed on.⁴⁴

- 1980's School advisors across the curriculum continue to be engaged in teacher support for EOTC. The school advisory service is located regionally as part of local Education Boards. Many advisers produce booklet style and other resources to support outdoor pedagogy within specific subject areas. Examples of these are: (1) *Maths for camps*; (2) *Art through observing and interpreting the environment*; and (3) *Wet weather and night activities at camp*.⁴⁵ The Education Boards through groups of advisers, run residential induction and professional development courses for EOTC teachers.
- 1980 A seminar for resident teachers of outdoor education centres is held at Rotoiti Lodge, St Arnaud on 18-21 April to discuss latest developments and matters of mutual interest. The course members are: Ray Aitcheson (Auckland Outdoor Education Centres), Stu Allan (Outdoor Pursuits Centre), Ross Bailey (DSI Nelson), Ewen Crouch (Nelson), Peter Dale (Rotoiti Lodge), Tony Entwistle (Rotoiti Lodge), Joe Hughes (Inspector of schools, Hamilton), Alistair Macdonald (Borland Lodge), Rob McKenty (Motutapu Outdoor Education Centre), Derek McLeod (Taranui Outdoor Education Centre), Gerald Rawson (REAP Marlborough), Sam Sampson (Tautuku Lodge), Brian Staite (Borland Lodge), Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School), Ruth Upchurch, Ian Young (Ministry of Education).⁴⁶
- May 1980 Early in 1980, the Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association (COETA) is formed.⁴⁷ From an inaugural gathering, a steering committee is established: Arthur Sutherland, Kaiapoi High School (Chair); Robin Besley, Burnside High School, (Secretary Treasurer); Dave Billing, Christ's College; Gottlieb Braun-Elwert, Linwood High School; Elaine Bryson, Hornby High School; Tony Budge, Papanui High School; Barbara Chinn, Christchurch Girls High School; Ian Culpan, Christchurch College of Education (CCE); David Duffy, Shirley Intermediate; Neil Kennedy, St Martins Primary; Bert McConnell, CCE; Geoff Norris, Mairehau High School; Sue Parkes.

At the time of the inaugural EONZ meeting in Nov 1992, COETA has 110 members and the Executive is Ken Bowater, CCE (Chair); Bert McConnell,

⁴⁴ Internal memo from C P (Peter) Brice, Director of Development, Department of Education to Bill Renwick, Director General of Education, and Peter Boag Assistant Director General. 9 April 1979. [Govt Archives R17926315]

⁴⁵ (1) John Borland (PE Adviser) & Mal Gazzard (Maths Adviser), *Maths for Camps*. Otago Education Board, 1980; (2) Bruce Hammond (Art Adviser), *Observing and interpreting the environment*, Taranaki Education Board, 1980; (3) Don Capon, (Science Adviser), *Wet weather and night activities at camp*. Taranaki Education Board, 1983.

⁴⁶ Report from Seminar for resident teachers at outdoor education centres, Rotoiti Lodge 18-21 April 1980.

⁴⁷ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in New Zealand 1849-1992*. (Wellington: PENZ, 1993), 14

CCE; Di Brown, Van Asch College; Barry Law, CCE; Clark Pollitt, Wainoni School; Mandy Holdstock, Villa Maria College; Arthur Sutherland, Kaiapoi High School; Mark Williams, Lincoln High School and Peter Cooper, Oxford Area School.⁴⁸ Clark Pollitt chairs the committee in 1994.

- 1981 Hilary Chidlow publishes an outdoor education resource book for educators: *No classroom was ever like this*. The book stems from the Department of Education making a request to practising teachers for outdoor education teaching resources. With the danger that good ideas may be unacknowledged and possibly disappear without trace, and in an idea ahead of its time, Hilary self-publishes the book, which is received with wide acclaim.⁴⁹
- 1982 A national outdoor education conference is held at Wellington Teachers College 21 – 24 August and attracts 350 participants. The conference is organised by OTAB and the NZ Council for Recreation and Sport (NZCRS) and the convenor is Colin Abbott (Chairman of OTAB and outdoor recreation advisor for NZCRS).⁵⁰
- 1983 The Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association is established following a 3-day in-service course held at the Avondale Outdoor Education Centre, Tongariro National Park. John Corcoran hosts the first meeting held at Green Bay High School.⁵¹ Margaret O’Conner is elected Chairperson and Jill Dalton (Papakura High School) the secretary. The committee includes Colin Bramfitt (Auckland Teachers College), Hilary Chidlow (Henderson High School), John Maine (freelance outdoor instructor), John Corcoran (Green Bay High School), John Furminger (Motutapu Island) and others. The association run regular meetings at Auckland Secondary Teachers College, offer workshops and circulate a newsletter.⁵²
- 1983 The Department of Education internal Head Office coordinating group on EOTC holds regular meetings. Sitting on this committee are: Peter Brice (chair), Margaret Campbell, Harvey McQueen, Joe Hughes, Bill Richardson, Les Bayly, Gerald Rawson, John Moore, Ash Milne and Ted Preston.⁵³
- March 1984 Les Bayly of the Curriculum Development Unit of the Department of Education convenes a conference on outdoor education at head office, Wellington. The purpose is to discuss and evaluate present and future developments in Outdoor Education. Attending are: Austin Brookes (Kingswell High School), Heather Coles (Central Hawkes Bay College), Harry Evison (University of Otago), Pete Foster (Otago Boys High School),

⁴⁸ Canterbury Outdoor Educators Association Newsletter 37, April 1993, p.4

⁴⁹ E-mail from Hillary Chidlow 1 Aug 2021

⁵⁰ OTAB & NZCRS, Proceedings of the National Outdoor education conference. (Wellington: OTAB/NZCRS, 1982).

⁵¹ E-mail from Phil Kay, 4 April 2022.

⁵² Interview with Jill Dalton, 2 Mar 2022.

⁵³ Minutes of the EOTC Head Office Coordinating Group 8 December 1983. [Govt Archives (R24232245)].

Sandy Saunders (Otaki College), Stu Scully (Stratford High School), Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School), Gordon Hudson (CRS), Warwick Buckman (Makora College), Malcolm Long (Porirua College) and Ruth Upchurch (DOE). Invited speakers are Ian Young (DOE), Colin Abbott (Council of Rec & Sport), Alan Trist (NZMSC), Athol Lonsdale (PE Advisor) and Ron Ward (NZMSC).⁵⁴

Aug 1984 The Department of Education convene a residential course to prepare EOTC guidelines for principals of primary and secondary schools. The course is directed by Joe Hughes and Ross Bailey from the Hamilton School Inspectorate and held at Lopdell House, Auckland. Twenty-four educators are invited including primary principals, secondary principals, tertiary representatives, teachers, school advisors, and guest speakers. The course members are divided into six sub-committees each addressing a section of the guide.⁵⁵

1985-7 Margaret O'Connor and Colin Bramfitt are made life members of the Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association (AOETA). Margaret is a keen tramper and skier and the inaugural chairperson of AOETA. She was instrumental in establishing a large and very effective branch. She is also an excellent networker being involved in the Mountain Safety Council and Search and Rescue.

Colin was HOD PE at Takapuna Grammar School and helped establish and was a founding committee member of AOETA. As senior lecturer in PE/OE at Auckland College of Education (ACE) he worked closely with Joe Hughes to establish ASTU in EOTC. The demise of OTAB led to Colin establishing, with Joe Hughes' determination and negotiating skills, a secretariat at ACE to assist teacher development in risk management.⁵⁶

1985 In a significant development for the outdoors, Peter Dale, the resident teacher at Rotoiti Lodge, is appointed as Outdoors Manager with the NZ Council for Recreation and Sport. From this position, Peter is a strong advocate for outdoor recreation and education. He is later promoted to one of two management position where he exerts even more influence. Funding levels for the outdoors are at their highest levels.

1985-89 The Department of Education publishes six influential documents on EOTC: (1) EOTC Safety and Supervision (1985); (2) EOTC Legal Aspects (1985); (3) Policy Statement on EOTC (1986); (4) Principals Guide to EOTC (1987); (5) Risk Management Scheme for EOTC (1987 & 1988) and (6) Outdoor pursuits

⁵⁴ Les Bayley, Curriculum Development Unit, Invitation to outdoor education conference 15-16 March 1984.

⁵⁵ Aitken, G. J., Department of Education, Invitation to national residential course. 28 June 1984.

⁵⁶ Email from Colin Bramfitt, 24 June 2022

Guidelines for Educators (1989).⁵⁷ These circulars and publications are written mostly by Joe Hughes and Gerald Rawson. Gerald reports that he wrote (1), (2), and (6) and he and Joe wrote (5) over a couple of wet days in Blenheim.⁵⁸

- 1986 The Spirit of Adventure Trust launches a new sail training vessel *Spirit of New Zealand*. The boat is a purpose-built, 42.6 metre, three-masted barquentine built by Thackway Yachts in Henderson. The tall ship accommodates 39 trainees and 17 crew. The key programmes are 10-day voyages with trainees aged 15-18 from secondary schools throughout New Zealand. Emphasis is on each trainee's personal development through the unique teamwork, discipline and adventure that the sea provides.⁵⁹
- 1986 Ian Culpan, Arthur Sutherland and Bert McConnell develop the booklet *Beyond Four Walls* as a resource for the Christchurch College of Education Professional Development programme. Barry Brailsford designed and edited the publication which focusses on the planning and management of school trips and includes planning models, case studies and safety considerations.⁶⁰
- 1986 Arthur Sutherland gains a study award under the Rotary Foundation Scholarship Scheme to study for 9-months at Eastern Washington University, Washington USA. Arthur is influenced by Prof Paul Green who leads the outdoor recreation programme and is a pioneer of risk management.⁶¹ In addition, Arthur and Eric Schusser, are introduced to the organisation and activities of Project Adventure USA where Erik completes an internship. Erik and Arthur then introduce the concepts and resources to New Zealand.⁶²
- 16 Dec 1986 Peter Dale at the Department of Recreation and Sport (NZCRS), convenes a meeting in Wellington to discuss the need and form of a training and assessment scheme for outdoor leaders in New Zealand. Twenty-six members of various national organisations are invited and it is agreed that an outdoor instructors training scheme is desirable, accompanied by a professional body to set standards and administer training (this became NZOIA).⁶³ The scheme is based around the specific pursuits of bush walking, mountain walking, kayaking, rock climbing, caving and sailing. A working group is established to further the proposal.⁶⁴

⁵⁷ Bob Stothart, A chronology of outdoor education in New Zealand 1849-1992. (Wellington: PENZ, 1993) 16-18

⁵⁸ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.

⁵⁹ Retrieved from: <https://sailtraininginternational.org/vessel/spirit-of-new-zealand/>

⁶⁰ Ian Culpan, Bert McConnell & Arthur Sutherland, *Beyond Four Walls*. Taking pupils out of the classroom. 1986.

⁶¹ Paul Green founder of outdoor recreation major, retires. 17 June 2015.

<https://www.spokesman.com/stories/2015/jun/07/founder-of-eastern-washington-university-outdoor/>

⁶² Email from Arthur Sutherland, 15 March 2022.

⁶³ Peter Dale & Chris Knol. *Proposal on outdoor leader training and assessment*. Casual paper, March 1987.

⁶⁴ Chris Knol & Grant Davidson. *Structure of outdoor leader training and assessment scheme*. March 1987.

- 17 Mar 1987 Joe Hughes who attended the 16 December meeting at NZCRS, believes that: "Education should acknowledge the responsibility for structuring its own [outdoor training and assessment scheme] scheme." To further this end, Joe convenes a meeting at the Auckland College of Education with the following participants: Hilary Chidlow (Henderson High School), Wayne Mullins (Westlake Boys High School), Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School), Ron Sylvester (Auckland Primary Teachers College), Colin Bramfitt (Auckland Secondary Teachers College), Gerald Rawson (REAP, Marlborough), Peter Dale (NZCRS), Jo Straker (OPC), and Alan Trist (NZMSC). The outcome is the development of a draft Risk Management and Training (RMTA) scheme for teachers that: (1) aims to provide teachers' with knowledge and understanding of risk management processes, particularly the concepts of real and perceived risk; (2) extends teachers' practical experience and outdoor management skills at an appropriate level for the age groups and activities undertaken; and (3) assesses teachers' ability to apply the principles of risk management in a range of practical situations. Furthermore, guidelines on logged experience and prerequisites are provided through a process of personal experience -> training course -> logged experience -> assessment course.⁶⁵ The Department of Education subsequently drafts the booklet *Risk Management Scheme for EOTC*.⁶⁶
- July 1987 A planning seminar to operationalise the RMTA scheme is held July 8 to 12 at the Boyle River Outdoor Centre. The director is Arthur Sutherland and the convenor of the discussion sessions is Alan Trist. The invited participants are: Gerald Rawson (Ministry of Education), Peter Dale (NZCRS), Peter Wilson (Secondary Schools Inspectorate), Cathye Haddock (MSC Canterbury Field Officer), Barry Law (Christchurch College of Education), Mick Hopkinson (St Andrews College), Shona Thompson (University of Otago), Ray Goldring (Craigieburn Forest Park), Bert McConnell (Christchurch College of Education), Joe Hughes (ISS Hamilton), Chris Knol (NZMSC Wellington), and Grant Davidson (OPC).⁶⁷ Vigorous discussion occurs on the need for a separate scheme for teachers, with the minority view being that the December 1986 scheme proposed for outdoor instructors should be applied for all. The majority disagree and consequently, the RMTA scheme for teachers is confirmed and planning proceeds for the first training and assessment courses.
- Aug 1987 A pilot RMTA training course is held at the Boyle River Lodge from 30th July to 5th August. The course is directed by Arthur Sutherland (Kaiapoi High School) and attended by 22 participants. The training team is: Cathye Haddock (MSC Canterbury Field Officer), Barry Law (Christchurch College of Education), Shona Thompson (University of Otago), Ray Goldring (Craigieburn Forest Park), Bert McConnell (Christchurch College of

⁶⁵ Joe Hughes. "Working Party – Risk Management" Memo from Joe Hughes, 11 March, 1987.

⁶⁶ Department of Education, *RMTA Scheme*, March 1987

⁶⁷ Joe Hughes, *Information sheet for RMTA scheme planning seminar* 11 April 1987.

Education) and Chris Knol (NZMSC Wellington). The course is evaluated at a subsequent meeting of the training team at the Christchurch College of Education on 8th October, chaired by Joe Hughes. The course is considered to be highly successful and planning proceeds for the first assessment courses.⁶⁸ In addition, Joe Hughes manages to secure funding from Arch Gilchrist, Director of Schools, for funding of at least two training courses and two assessment courses per year.

- 1987 Arthur Sutherland and Eric Schusser co-write and co-facilitate the first Adventure Based Counselling Course at the Boyle River Lodge.⁶⁹
- Sept 1987 The New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association (NZOIA) is established with Pete Brailsford (OPC) elected president at a meeting in Wellington, chaired by Terry Easthope (private company director). The Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness & Leisure through Peter Dale and the Outdoor Pursuits Centre Trust Board fund the set-up of the organisation which develops hand-in-hand with an instructors qualifications scheme developed by Grant Davidson.⁷⁰ Later presidents include: Mick Hopkinson, Ray Button, Bev Smith, Jill Dalton, Gaike Knottenbelt, Grant Davidson and Jo Straker.
- May 1988 A pilot 7-day RMTA assessment course is held at the Boyle River Lodge, 12-17 May 1988. The course uses field situations as a medium for instruction, discussion and experience to advance a teacher's ability to supervise EOTC activities in a safe and effective manner. Opportunities are provided for formal and informal assessment through practical exercises along with self, peer and assessors evaluation of individual performance.⁷¹ The course is advertised in the December to March Education Gazettes⁷² and 18 teachers are accepted. The course is directed by Arthur Sutherland with assessors being: Barry Law (Christchurch College of education), Ray Goldring (Department of Conservation), Chris Knol (NZMSC), Jo Straker (OPC), John Davidson (TOPEC), John Dalmeida (Outward Bound NZ) and Arthur.
- Several five to six day training and assessment courses are run throughout New Zealand over subsequent years and a wider staffing pool is also established under the co-ordination of Joe Hughes and Mike Prebble.⁷³ For instance, courses are run at Christchurch 1989 (Director - Law); Auckland 1990 (Bramfitt & McConnell); Dunedin 1991 (McConnell & Boyes); Hamilton 1991 (Simpkin); Motutapu Island 1991 (Simpkin); Christchurch 1991 (Sutherland); Dunedin 1992 (Boyes); Motutapu Island 1992 (McConnell); Boyle river 1992 (Sutherland).

⁶⁸ Joe Hughes, Minutes of the meeting to evaluate the pilot training course August – September 1987.

⁶⁹ Email from Arthur Sutherland 15 March 2022.

⁷⁰ Jo Straker, *NZOIA – the early years* Ki Waho (2012, 8) 63; Grant Davidson, NZOIA's History, NZOIA web page

⁷¹ Department of Education, RMTA booklet 1987, p. 5.

⁷² E.g. Education Gazette 1 Dec 1987, p.999

⁷³ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.; Email from Arthur Sutherland 15 March 2022.

- 1988 Following preparatory work by Joe Hughes, Mike Prebble (Education Officer EOTC, Dept of Education), co-ordinates Advanced Studies For Teachers (ASTU) units in EOTC incorporating material from the RMTA scheme. The units often employ from the same staffing pool as the RMTA scheme.⁷⁴
- 1989 Jill Dalton is made a life member of the Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association. Jill was the founding secretary of AOETA in 1983 and chairperson from 1987 to 1988. Jill's early passions were tramping and orienteering and she taught outdoor education at Papakura High School and Manurewa High School. Jill went on to become a National Field Officer with the NZ Mountain Safety Council and the president of NZOIA.
- Oct 1989 Following the report "Tomorrow's Schools" Education Minister David Lange abolishes Education Boards and a radical restructure in education takes place. The newly formed NZ Ministry of Education establishes the Education Outside the Classroom Planning & Co-ordinating Committee which sits outside the Ministry and is an advisory body to the Ministry.
- Consistent with the government's ideology of neoliberalism, it is recognised that the Ministry is to become policy rather than operationally focused and there is to be a devolution of curriculum development and implementation to local, regional and national curriculum-based associations. Consequently, one of the aims of the Ministry's EOTC committee is the support, reforming or creation of EOTC/OE Associations in the regions.
- Gerald Rawson (REAP Marlborough) is the convener⁷⁵ of the committee and the members are: Alan Trist (NZMSC), Bert McConnell (Christchurch College of Education), Bev Abbott (Dept. of Conservation), Chris Knol (Hillary Commission), Chris Price (Auckland College of Education), Grant Davidson (Outdoor Pursuits Centre), Graham Eggar (NZ Water Safety Council), Liz Dickinson (NZMSC), Liz Thevenard (Wellington College of Education), Mike Boyes (Dunedin College of Education), Peter Wilson (Ministry of Education, Dunedin) George Salter (Hamilton Teachers College), Mike Prebble (Ministry for the Environment) and Neville Kennedy (Palmerston North Teachers College).⁷⁶
- The committee is charged with: (1) linking with other Government Departments, Agencies and National Bodies responsible for outdoor activities or management; (2) advising the ministry and other educational agencies on all matters relating to EOTC curriculum and professional development; and

⁷⁴ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021

⁷⁵ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.

⁷⁶ EOTC Planning & Coordinating Committee minutes, 30 Nov 1990

(3) coordination and facilitation of EOTC curriculum and professional development within institutions.⁷⁷

- 1989 The Ministry of Education EOTC committee produces the curriculum guidelines *Anywhere, Everywhere Curriculum Guidelines for EOTC* and *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators*. These are overseen by Gerald Rawson, chairperson of the EOTC committee, as part of the expectations of his REAP role.⁷⁸ The former is produced internally and the latter with wide consultation with outdoor organisations.
- 1989 The first two-day risk management course designed by Bert McConnell, Cathye Haddock and Ray Goldring, is a Canterbury derivative of the 5-day course. The advantages are less time commitment, lower cost and attractive to more people. Instructors are paid \$120 per day.⁷⁹ Two-day courses are run at Castle Hill, Craigieburn Forest, and North Otago.
- April 1990 The formation of Project Adventure New Zealand (PANZ) gathers momentum with the workshop visits of USA Project Adventure legends Dick Prouty and Karl Rohnke. Dick runs a residential 3-day Adventure Based Learning workshop in Wellington and Karl a 3-day Silver Bullets and Adventure Programming workshop at MERC in Auckland, for teachers and outdoor professionals. The tour is funded and supported by Peter Dale and Chris Knol (Hillary Commission) with contributions made from workshop participants. The Hillary Commission also provides funding towards ropes courses at Henderson High School and the Boyle River Lodge.
- Following these workshops, PANZ is launched. The initial Trust includes Erik Schusser, Arthur Sutherland, Ross Merrett and Marg Cosgriff, with support provided by Chris Knol. Ross later stands down to become the Executive Director. Later trustees include: Hilary Chidlow, Garth Baker and Gerald Rawson. Annual PANZ workshops are run across the country and continue for many years.
- 1990 The Wellington Regional EOTC Committee is formed with membership based on the Department of Education's Wellington Camp Advisory Committee and interested others. Liz Thevenard (EOTC Coordinator, Wellington College of education) is the driving force behind the committee and the Convenor. The members are: Helen Young (St Patrick's College, Wellington), Alison Cowan, Marg Culley, Natalie Hema, Lorraine McKay, Peter Robins, Tony Jennings (Kayak instructor), Christine Vaughan-Dawkes, Chris Arcus (Wellington College of Education), Bruce Henderson, Sarah Ferguson, Liz Dickinson

⁷⁷ Memo from Gerald Rawson, Convenor, Ministry of Education EOTC Planning & Co-ordinating Committee, 4 Aug 1992.

⁷⁸ Email from Gerald Rawson, 18 August 2021.

⁷⁹ Bert McConnell, Cathye Haddock, Ray Goldring, Liz Dickinson & Jill Dalton. Risk management: Historical background. Casual paper NZMSC March 1977 (amended 1989).

(NZMSC), Garth Baker (Project Adventure), Jenny Pirie, Barbara Thompson (St Marks School), Ali Brodie, Robin House, Peter Lind (Wellington College of Education), Andy Fraser (PE Advisor, Teacher Support Services), Bob Fowls (PE Advisor, Teacher Support Services), Colin Walker and Wayne Putt (Newlands College). The association holds three meetings a year, produces a regular newsletter and runs activity weekends for teachers.⁸⁰

1991



Dunedin College of Education OE group on Temple – Huxley circuit⁸¹

- July 1991 The 3rd edition of *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators* is published by Quest Rapuara, edited by Gerald Rawson.

- Apr 1991 The Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association (AOETA) run a well-supported seminar for 70 teachers in Auckland on various aspects of outdoor education. In August the seminar is repeated, with a similar response in Hamilton.⁸²

- 1991 The Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness & Leisure XE "Hillary Commission" publishes *Training opportunities for outdoor leaders*, edited by Kay Messerli. The booklet provides a compendium of providers of training opportunities with their offerings and contact details. The booklet is revised annually for a few years.⁸³

- 1991-94 In joint ventures with Colleges of Education and Sports Trusts, the Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness and Leisure funds Hilary Chidlow (Auckland) [later held by Liz Penman, then Lissie Hogg], Arthur Sutherland (Canterbury) Liz Thevenard, (Wellington) [later held by Mitzi Austin then Lynley Ball], Marg Cosgriff then Susan Miller-Thevenard

⁸⁰ Wellington EOTC Committee Newsletter No.1. Term 1, 1990.

⁸¹ Mike Boyes 'Dunedin College of Education OE group on Temple – Huxley circuit' Feb 1991

⁸² Interview with Jill Dalton, 2 Mar 2022.

⁸³ Kay Messerli (Ed.), *Training opportunities for outdoor leaders*. Wellington: Hillary Commission. 1991.

(Manawatu/Hawkes Bay), and Annie Dignan (Otago), as outdoor education / EOTC advisers.⁸⁴ Kay Messerli (Hillary Commission) was a key driver.⁸⁵

1991-2 Following a visit by Gerald Rawson (Ministry of Education) and Chris Knol (Hillary Commission), Lynley Stewart (School Support Services) organises an outdoor activities day for educators later in 1991.⁸⁶ This leads to the Waikato / Bay of Plenty Outdoor Educators Association being formed and holding its first AGM. Chris Green (Hamilton Skills Centre) is elected chairperson, Denise Hird (Insoll Ave school) is the secretary and Lynley Stewart the treasurer. On the committee are: John Charteris (Waikato School Support Services), Theo Gerritson (Richmond Park School), Diane Cooper (Waikato School of Education), Sally Roe (Hillcrest HS), Max McLean (Waihi College) and possibly others. By 1993 they have 42 individual and 33 organisational members.⁸⁷ Outdoor activity days and targeted workshops are run including topics like Project Adventure, water ecology, bush navigation, use of the school environment, canoe bash, women in action and conservation.

In 1994 the Executive Committee is: Theo Gerritsen, (Richmond Park School) (Chair); Denise Hird (Insoll Ave School) (Secretary); Lynley Stewart (Treasurer); Diane Sowerby (Hillcrest High School); Chris Green; Diane Cooper (University of Waikato); John Charteris (Education Advisory Service); Martin Clark (Parafed); Rachal Spencer. From BOP: Peter Hoyle (Rotorua Boys High School); Laurie Durand (TWPT); Paul Sykes (John Paul College).⁸⁸

⁸⁴ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in NZ 1840-2011*. (Journal of Physical Education New Zealand, 45(1), 2012), 11

⁸⁵ Interview with Susan Miller-Thevenard, March 13, 2022

⁸⁶ Email from Lynley Stewart, 15 August 2021

⁸⁷ EONZ AGM minutes 12 March 1994

⁸⁸ EONZ Waikato/BOP Executive Committee list 1994/5

EONZ - The First Ten Years 1992 to 2001

1992



*Flax weaving at Karitane camp*⁸⁹

Jan 1992 The second national outdoor education conference “Step Outside” is held at the Wellington College of Education on 17 -20 January. The Hillary Commission (formally the Ministry of Recreation & Sport) is the major sponsor and Chris Knol and Peter Dale the key drivers behind the scenes. David Bailey (Hillary Commission) is the conference organiser and the staff are Chris Knol and Lorena Allister. The organising group is: Chris Arcus (WCE), Mitzi Austin (Wellington Teachers Support Services), Bernard Christeller (WCE), Craig Elliot (NZWSC), Stephanie Green, Bert McConnell (CCE), Gerald Rawson (REAP), and Liz Thevenard (WCE).

The conference is opened by Peter Dale and keynote addresses are provided by Charmaine Pountey (Waikato University), Bert McConnell (CCE), Mitzi Austin (Wellington Teachers Support Services), Bob McKerrow (Dept of Conservation), Lynn Scott and Corinna Dingle (Moving On). The conference attracts 450+ attendees with about 150 practical and workshop sessions.⁹⁰ The conference is closed by Hon John Banks, Minister of Sport and Recreation.

May 1992 The Otago Outdoor Educators Association of about 30 members is founded with Noel Johnson (DP, Kings High School) elected president and Mike Boyes (Dunedin College of Education) secretary. The committee is Pru Casey (Kavanagh College), Robin Crawford, Graham Dickie (Psyc Service), Annie Dignan (NZCYPS), Michelle Harris (St Bernadettes), Ted MacDonald (Sojourn Sailing) and Britta Taylor (Otago Girls High).⁹¹ The Association run monthly meetings with guest speakers, activity days, and produce a regular

⁸⁹ Mike Boyes, ‘*Flax weaving at Karitane camp*’ Dunedin College of Education, 1992

⁹⁰ Sandra Demster & Kay Messerli (eds), *Proceedings of the Step Outside 2nd National Outdoor Education Conference*, (Wellington: Hillary Commission 17-20 January 1992)

⁹¹ Otago Outdoor Educators Association, Inaugural meeting minutes, May 1992

newsletter. Later chairpersons were Annie Dignan (DCC), Steve Brown (Wild Earth Adventures) and Kathryn Fletcher (Fletch), (St Hildas).

- 4 Aug 1992 In line with Ministry of Education policy, Gerald Rawson, the Convenor of the Ministry of Education's Education Outside the Classroom Planning & Co-ordinating Committee, circulates a discussion paper to establish a new outdoor umbrella organisation based on the regional outdoor education associations.⁹² Included are a rationale for the proposal and many elements of a potential constitution. A date is set for a foundation meeting.
- Sept 1992 The first issue of Mātauranga o Aotūroa (MOA) is produced. The Editor is Chris Knol and Sub-editor Mitzi Austin. The first few issues are funded by the Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness & Leisure and Kay Messerli (Hillary Commission) becomes engaged in the editorial process. The intention of MOA is to produce a sector wide publication that embraces outdoor education and outdoor recreation in a broad sense.⁹³
- 19 Sep 1992 An initial foundation meeting to plan the way ahead is convened and funded by the Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness & Leisure. [We are yet to find the minutes of this meeting, but have reports from it]. The attendees are: Chris Knol, (Hillary Commission), Gerald Rawson, (Ministry of Education), Wayne Putt, (Wellington), Susan Miller-Thevenard, (Manawatu), Liz Penman (Auckland), Di Brown (Canterbury) Chris Green (Waikato/BOP).
- From Di Brown's report to COETA (Canterbury), the meeting discusses the importance of having an educationally focussed political and guiding voice to complement the voice of the New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association. The Association will have a legal constitution and be registered as an incorporated society. Gerald Rawson drafts a constitution which is discussed and edited for wider dissemination and feedback. The Executive is to be made up of two representatives of each regional association and College of Education representatives (Colleges to pair up and have one representative per pair). A commitment is shown to Mātauranga o Aotūroa (MOA) as a national magazine.⁹⁴
- 24 Sep 1992 An inaugural meeting of the Hawkes Bay Outdoor Education Teachers Association is held at Havelock North High School. The meeting is chaired by Marg Cosgriff, the Manawatu/Hawkes Bay EOTC Co-ordinator and is attended by 20 people, with two apologies. A steering committee was formed of Phil Kay, Guy Whitchelo, Dave Rennie, Bronwyn King and Gary Pettigrew

⁹² Memo from Gerald Rawson, Convenor, Ministry of Education EOTC Planning & Co-ordinating Committee to regional outdoor education associations, 4 Aug 1992.

⁹³ Mātauranga o Aotūroa (MOA) Volume 1, Issue 1, Summer 1992.

⁹⁴ Canterbury Outdoor Educators Association Newsletter 37, April 1993, pp. 4 & 7

to write a constitution, produce an information sheet and organise an activity.⁹⁵

The first AGM is held on 27 June 1994 at Colenso High School. The meeting is convened by Phil Kay and Susan Miller-Thevenard is the guest speaker. The elected committee is Phil Kay (Chair), (Colenso High School); Lenore Miller (Secretary), (Havelock North High School); Scott Kearsley (Treasurer), (Taradale High School); Paul Jennens (Guthrie-Smith Outdoor Education Centre); Cindy Good (Sport Hawkes Bay); Shirley Eddy (Sacred Heart Girls College); Lynne Arnold (Nelson Park School); Alan McDonald (Hastings Central School).

- 1992 The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) establishes an advisory group to develop 75 outdoor recreation programme modules. The chairperson is Gerald Rawson.⁹⁶ EONZ members have a major input into writing the modules.
- 27 Oct 1992 The Manawatu EOTC Association is formed with 23 schools and six individual members. By 29 Feb 1994 there are 31 institutional and 9 individual members. The chairperson is Susan Miller-Thevenard (Feilding Ag), and the executive includes Al Dodunski (secretary) (St Joseph's School, Feilding) Anja Snowsill (St James School), Jan Robertson (Primary School), Anne Mather, John Howells (Westmere Primary School, Wanganui) Greg Durkin (carpet layer, MSC) and Leeann Billinghamurst (Feilding Ag).
- 3 Dec 1992 The Hillary Commission fund a meeting at the Stella Maris Centre, Wellington, chaired by Judy Smith (NZWSC), to consider the Rawson discussion paper and the recommendations of the foundation meeting of 19 September. This is considered to be the first AGM, where the constitution is approved and the technicalities attended to.

It had been agreed that one funded branch representative and the option of one self-funded representative would be invited along with representatives of relevant outdoor organisations. The official invite list includes: the ten regional outdoor educators associations (Aotearoa Māori Outdoor Leaders, Auckland, Waikato, Hawkes Bay, Manawatu, Wellington, Top of the South, Canterbury, Otago, Central Otago); Colleges of Education (Auckland/Waikato, Palmerston Nth/Wellington, Canterbury/ Otago); and National Organisations: (NZOIA, Association of Polytechs, Private Training Providers, Dept. of Conservation, Hillary Commission, Ministry of Environment, NZEI, New Zealand Recreation Association, NZ School

⁹⁵ EONZ Hawkes Bay Newsletter No. 1, Term 3, 1994, p.1

⁹⁶ Bob Stothart, *A chronology of outdoor education in NZ 1840-2011*. (Journal of Physical Education New Zealand, 45(1), 2012), 11

Trustees Association, NZ Vice Chancellors Committee, NZWSC, NZMSC, Sir Ed Hillary OPC, NZPPTA, PANZ).⁹⁷

While an attendance list has not been located, from the minutes⁹⁸ the following are present: Di Brown, Arthur Sutherland (Canterbury); Mike Boyes (Otago), Mitzi Austin, Liz Thevenard (Wellington), Hilary Chidlow, Maureen Legge (Auckland), Steve Henry (Central Otago), Susan Miller-Thevenard, Anne Mather, (Manawatu); Tony Cooper, Dave Rennie (Hawkes Bay), Gary Pettigrew (Hawkes Bay), Gerald Rawson (Marlborough REAP & Ministry of Education), Chris Knol (Hillary Commission), Kay Messerli (Hillary Commission), Jill Dalton (NZMSC), Barry Law (Colleges of Education) and others. Apologies are given by Grant Davidson (OPC) and Pip Lynch (University Victoria Chancellors Committee).

The proposal meets the unanimous approval of the meeting and a caretaker committee is established to set up the structure and functions of the organisation. The object of the association is: To devise, advocate, promote, encourage, facilitate and co-ordinate the development of quality education outdoors within New Zealand.

The committee is based around the Manawatu / Wellington regions for convenient communication. The members are: Wayne Putt, Otaki College (Chairperson); Mitzi Austin Wellington College of Education, (Secretary); Al Dodunski, (St Joseph's School), (Treasurer); Chris Knol & Kay Messerli, (Hillary Commission); Susan Miller-Thevenard, (Palmerston Nth College of Education) and Gerald Rawson (Ministry of Education).⁹⁹ The second AGM is scheduled for March 1994.

1993



Colenso College, year 13 kayaking group in the rain¹⁰⁰

⁹⁷ Canterbury Outdoor Educators Association Newsletter 40, July 1994, p.10

⁹⁸ Minutes of the inaugural meeting of Education Outdoors NZ, 3 Dec 1992

⁹⁹ EONZ Report from Wayne Putt, (EONZ Canterbury Newsletter 40 July 1994) 11

¹⁰⁰ Phil Kay, *Colenso College kayaking group in the rain*, about 1993

- 29 Jun 1993 In the first half of 1993, Chris Knol (Hillary Commission) writes a draft management plan for EONZ with input from Gerald Rawson and Kay Messerli. The plan meets the approval of the EONZ Executive and is circulated to regional branches and others for discussion and feedback before the next national meeting.¹⁰¹
- 1993-1994 The first 15 months are spent working through the draft management plan and developing the structure and function of EONZ. In addition, the executive is heavily involved in NZQA outdoor recreation unit standard writing groups, changes to health and safety legislation and the Hillary Commission Vision 6 submissions. Vision 6 promotes the outdoors and focuses on outdoor education for primary and secondary school pupils. Furthermore, there is a focus on the co-ordinating role of national organisations, the training of leaders and participants and the provision of outdoor co-ordinators in regional networks. The vision states: “The great outdoors has as its goal ensuring New Zealand is a nation enriched by experiences in natural surroundings.”¹⁰²
- 1993 The NZ Mountain Safety Council produce the manual *Managing Risks in Outdoor Activities* edited by Cathye Haddock. The book incorporates Davidson’s Risk Analysis and Management System (RAMS) which becomes an industry standard for managing risk outdoors. The Davidson model is a derivative of the earlier RMTA scheme prototypes.
- 1993 A Māori Outdoor Leaders hui is held at OPC and is the beginning of formalisation of korero and outdoor courses over the next decade. The courses are operated by Māori outdoor leaders and embrace Māori philosophies. Funding is provided by SFRITO.
- 1993 The Aotearoa Māori Outdoor Leaders Association (Te Ao Turoa) is established with Howard Reti the chairperson. The board members are: Mere Taylor, Kataraina Pipi, Maui Te Po, Makere Schroeder, and Sonny Poutapu. The association is committed to increasing Māori participation in the outdoors.¹⁰³
- 1993 By 1993, ten outdoor education associations have been formed – Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Waikato / Bay of Plenty Outdoor Educators Association, Hawkes Bay Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Manawatu Education Outside the Classroom Association, Wellington Regional EOTC Committee, Top of the South Outdoor Educators Association, Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Otago Outdoor Educators Association, Central Otago Outdoor Educators Association and

¹⁰¹ (1) Education Outdoors NZ Draft Management Plan, 28 May 1993. Circulated to regions from the EONZ Executive. (2) Minutes of the EONZ Executive meeting 29 Jan 1993.

¹⁰² The Hillary Commission outdoors strategy. (MOA, Nov 1994, p.15)

¹⁰³ Māori outdoor leaders committed to promote increasing Māori participation in the outdoors (MOA, Nov 1994, p.6)

Aotearoa Māori Outdoor Leaders Association. Two more associations (Taranaki & Northland) are in the process of becoming formalised.¹⁰⁴

However by 1996, EONZ is listing seven regional branches, with Top of the South, Central Otago, Taranaki, Northland and the Aotearoa Māori Outdoor Leaders Association having disappeared.¹⁰⁵

- Mid 1993 The Top of the South Outdoor Educators Association is formed based around the Blenheim, Nelson and Golden Bay areas. Because of geographical isolation, face to face meetings are rare. The key members are: Margy Swainson (Nelson College for Girls), Hazel Nash (Whenua-Iti Trust, Moutere), Cathye Haddock (Rotoiti Lodge), Marcus Swain (Waimea College) and Gerald Rawson, (REAP, Marlborough).
- June 1993 Susan Miller-Thevenard is appointed as EOTC Co-ordinator, Teacher Support Services for the Taranaki – Manawatu – Hawkes Bay area. Funding is provided by Teacher Support Services and the Hillary Commission.
- Dec 1993-4 Under the Bolger National government and new ACT sports minister John Banks, staffing changes take place at the Hillary Commission as the focus moves to sport. Chris Knol had been appointed as Outdoors Manager in the late 80's and Chris appointed Dave Bailey as an assistant. On Dave's departure, Kay Messerli filled the position and also temporarily took over Chris's role when he left the Commission.¹⁰⁶ Kay was an American experiential educator with a strong background as a teacher, with experience in Camp America and Project Adventure. With the increased sport focus, Nigel Cass is recruited from the UK with little outdoor experience, to assume the permanent position in June 1994, spending 50% of his time on the OE portfolio.¹⁰⁷ His tenure ends about Sep 1994.¹⁰⁸ Over this time, staffing is reduced from 1.5 positions to 0.5 and outdoor recreation is becoming marginalised.

¹⁰⁴ EONZ Executive minutes 22 Sep 1994

¹⁰⁵ MOA, April 1996, p.34

¹⁰⁶ Interview with Chris Knol, 13 May 2022

¹⁰⁷ EONZ Executive minutes, 23 Jun 1994

¹⁰⁸ EONZ regional teleconference minutes, 11 Sep 1994.

Boyle River Lodge¹⁰⁹

1994 The Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association has 150 members and a committee of 16, chaired by Hilary Chidlow (Auckland School Support Services). Included on the committee are: Maureen Legge (Auckland College of Ed.), Gemma Periam (Te Kauwhata College), Grant Warner (Auckland School Support Services), John Furminger (Motutapu Island) Ross Berry (Mt Roskill Intermediate School), Sarah Ferguson (Diocesan Junior School, Auckland) and others. The newsletter is magazine like with about 28 pages and circulated around the country. Two workshops are offered a term and 'Have-A-Go' days are very popular.¹¹⁰

12 Mar 1994 The second AGM of the new association is held at Teacher Support Services, Wellington, chaired by Wayne Putt. The meeting is attended by 24 participants including 12 regional outdoor education association delegates: Hilary Chidlow (Auckland); Denise Hird, Lynley Stewart, Peter Hoyle (Waikato/BOP); Phil Kay (Hawkes Bay); Al Dodunski, Anja Snowsill, (Manawatu); Liz Thevenard (Wellington); Gerald Rawson, Marcus Swain (Top of the South); Tricia James (Canterbury); Mike Boyes (Otago); and representatives from Colleges of Education (Barry Law); Schools Trustees Association (John Nimmo); EOTC Coordinators (Mitzi Austin, Susan Miller-Thevenard); Dept of Conservation (Bev Abbott); Project Adventure (Ross Merrett); NZ Outdoor Instructors Association (Bev Smith); NZ Water Safety Council (Judy Smith); New Zealand Mountain Safety Council (Jill Dalton); University Vice-Chancellors Committee (Pip Lynch); NZ Recreation Association (Lesley Ferkins-Grey) and Ross Clapcott is an observer.¹¹¹

The meeting moves to establish an executive committee of six members with power to co-opt another three members. The three office holders are to come from adjoining regions, initially Manawatu / Wellington. Wayne Putt and

¹⁰⁹ Arthur Sutherland, *Boyle River Lodge*, 2005

¹¹⁰ Minutes of the EONZ AGM Mar 12, 1994.

¹¹¹ Minutes of the AGM of Education Outdoors NZ, March 12, 1994

Susan Miller-Thevenard jointly chair the committee. The Executive is: Mitzi Austin (Wellington), Daniel Bloomer (Hawkes Bay), Al Dodunski (Manawatu), Phil Kay (Hawkes Bay), Gerald Rawson (Top of the South), Anja Snowsill (Secretary) Manawatu and Lynley Stewart (Waikato/BOP).

The meeting unanimously resolves that subject to each association approval, the regions will take up the EONZ name with their regional identity attached e.g. the Auckland Outdoor Educators Association would become EONZ Auckland. A membership levy to Associations of \$10 per member is approved to provide ongoing funding for the national body.

- Mar 1994 The NZQA outdoor education unit standards are completed and placed on the qualifications framework. Qualifications at national certificate and diploma levels are being finalised and groups are applying for accreditation to deliver the units.¹¹²
- June 1994 The first EONZ logo depicting land, mountain, river, sea and tree is developed by Frog Graphics, Wellington; discussed, approved and put into use.¹¹³



- June 1994 Annie Dignan is appointed as Outdoor Education Advisor for the Otago area. Tripartite funding is provided by the Dunedin College of Education, Dunedin City Council and the Hillary Commission.
- Aug 1994 The Hillary Commission provides a grant of \$6000 to support the organisation with administrative functions.¹¹⁴ (By early 1999 this had reduced to \$4000, before being withdrawn completely in May). The work is mostly undertaken by Susan Miller-Thevenard and Lynley Stewart who also drew on the administrative expertise and networks of their home institutions.
- 15 Sep 1994 The Ministry of Education advertises a contract in the Education Gazette to promote the use of museums, zoos, art galleries and aquariums to implement learning outside the classroom. This is the beginning of the Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom (LEOTC) domain;¹¹⁵ compounding the semantic confusion between EOTC, LEOTC and outdoor education.

¹¹² *ibid*

¹¹³ EONZ Executive minutes, 23 Jun 1994 & 22 Sep 1994

¹¹⁴ EONZ Executive minutes 18 Aug 1994

¹¹⁵ EONZ Exec minutes, 22 Sep 1994

- 4-5 Oct 1994 The Hillary Commission Vision 6, Kiwi Outdoors framework is formulated by a working party including Hilary Chidlow, Lynley Stewart and Bert McConnell as EONZ representatives.¹¹⁶
- 12 Oct 1994 EONZ convenes a meeting to discuss the Hillary Commission's notion of an umbrella national body that is a council of all outdoor organisations (later to be Outdoors New Zealand (ONZ)). Chris Knol has been contracted to develop proposals for a possible structure and function. The meeting is convened by Susan Miller-Thevenard and attended by Nigel Cass, Chris Knol (Hillary Commission) and Bev Smith (NZOIA).¹¹⁷
- 15 Oct 1994 Susan Miller-Thevenard and Kay Messerli convene a training seminar for regional EONZ representatives through Teacher Support Services, Wellington. The agenda is to promote networking, set the future direction of national EONZ and discuss current issues. The issues discussed include the publication of MOA, the organisation of a national conference, a regional needs survey, the Hillary Commission Vision 6, NZQA and NZQF, and funding issues.¹¹⁸ Thirty minute discussion sessions are run by Hilary Chidlow (Auckland), Lynley Stewart (Waikato), Al Dodunski (Manawatu), and Wayne Putt (Wellington).¹¹⁹
- Oct 1994 An annotated bibliography of outdoor education in Aotearoa New Zealand with over 300 entries is produced. The editors are Pip Lynch, Robyn Massam and Catherine Peebles from Lincoln University.
- Nov 1994 The Outdoor Safety Institute (Directors Chris Knol & Grant Davidson), produce a series of tools and guidelines to help schools meet the requirements of the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992.
- Nov 1994 The Sport, Fitness, Recreation Industry Training Organisation (SFRITO) is established and holds its first AGM. Gerald Rawson is an inaugural board member representing EONZ and is on the Outdoor Recreation Advisory Group (ORAG). Chris Knol later becomes the EONZ rep on ORAG.
- Nov 1994 Following discussions between Nigel Cass (Hillary Commission), Bev Smith (NZOIA) and Wayne Putt,¹²⁰ the management of the outdoor magazine Mātauranga o Aotūroa (MOA) is taken over by a joint venture between EONZ and the New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association (NZOIA). The Hillary Commission continue to provide funding and Lyndsay Simpkin is the new editor assisted by an editorial team of Wayne Putt (Chairperson), Mike Boyes,

¹¹⁶ EONZ Executive minutes, 22 Sep 1994.

¹¹⁷ EONZ Exec minutes, 22 Sep 1994

¹¹⁸ Report to COETA from Clarke Pollitt on national training day 15 Oct 1994.

¹¹⁹ EONZ Exec minutes, 22 Sep 1994

¹²⁰ EONZ Executive minutes, 18 Aug 1994.

Eric Schusser, Hilary Chidlow and Baz Simmons¹²¹. About 1000 to 1200 copies of each issue are to be distributed.

- Nov 1994 The outdoor education research network is established as an EONZ initiative. The subcommittee includes Pip Lynch (Lincoln University), Martha Bell (University of Otago) and Mike Boyes (Dunedin College of Education). The committee will take a co-ordinating role and promote the development of research in OE.
- Late 1994 The Central Otago Outdoor Educators Association is semi-formalised¹²² with Craig Campion (Wakatipu High School, Queenstown) the chairperson, Steve Henry (Mt. Aspiring College, Wanaka) secretary and Eric Schusser (Dunstan College, Alexandra) and Dave Roberts (Mt Aspiring College) on the committee. Like the Top-of -the-South committee, the members are geographically well spread and face to face meetings are rare. The committee is largely built around secondary schools augmented with links into the primary schools.
- 7 Dec 1994 Work begins on setting a benchmarked set of national standards for outdoor instructors across EONZ, NZOIA and NZMSC, particularly those in the tramping and mountain areas. The group is chaired by Jill Dalton (NZMSC) and includes Wayne Putt, Bert McConnell (EONZ), Jim Hepburn, Ray Goldring, Dave Morgan (NZMSC), and Don Patterson, Jo Straker (NZOIA).¹²³

1995



Group of Kaiapoi High school senior leaders with Arthur Sutherland at Boyle River Lodge¹²⁴

¹²¹ EONZ Executive Report, August 1995

¹²² EONZ Exec minutes, 22 Sep 1994

¹²³ Jo Straker, An auspicious day. (MOA Jan 1995) p.12-16.

¹²⁴ Arthur Sutherland, *Group of Kaiapoi High School leaders with Arthur Sutherland at Boyle River Lodge*, 2004

Jan 1995 Lady June Hillary agrees to become the patron of EONZ. The EONZ logo is adjusted accordingly.¹²⁵



Jan 1995 As part of the Hillary Commission's Vision 6, EONZ will take a lead role in implementing the *Kiwi Outdoors* programme and the *Totally Outdoors* programmes in NZ schools.¹²⁶ Lynley Stewart leads *Kiwi Outdoors* and Phil Kay *Totally Outdoors*.

May 1995 Deb Hurdle is appointed to the position of Outdoors Manager in the Hillary Commission. While not from a strong OE background, Debra has a law degree and has been working with community, youth and family issues.¹²⁷

May 1995 Susan Miller-Thevenard is the EONZ representative on Gilbert Enoka's Physical Education Unit Standards writing group.¹²⁸

28 Jul 1995 The Hillary Commission calls another meeting to establish a National Outdoors body, tentatively called the NZ Outdoor Recreation Assembly. They plan to have the constitution ready by Dec 1995 and the inaugural AGM in Feb 1996. Bob Stothart is chairing the group and Susan Miller-Thevenard is the EONZ representative.¹²⁹

20 Jul 1995 A steering committee is established to prepare for the 1998 third national outdoor education conference proposed for Auckland. The committee is: Liz Penman, Hilary Chidlow (EONZ), Lyndsay Simpkin (NZOIA), Jill Dalton, Jim Hepburn (NZMSC), Howard Reti (Te Ao Turoa).¹³⁰

Jul 1995 Following the meeting of December 1994, the outdoor leadership qualifications of NZOIA and NZMSC have been rationalised between the organisations with a need for lower level qualifications to be included. Wayne Putt and Bert McConnell are representing EONZ and have written a bush leader syllabus which has been adopted and tweaked by NZOIA and NZMSC. In addition, NZOIA and NZMSC have developed abseil and flat-water kayak

¹²⁵ See article on Lady Hillary in MOA April 1995, p.11

¹²⁶ MOA Jan 1995, p.17

¹²⁷ EONZ Executive minutes 1 Jun 1995

¹²⁸ EONZ 6-monthly report to regions 6 Aug, 1995.

¹²⁹ EONZ Exec minutes 30 Jul, 1995.

¹³⁰ EONZ Exec minutes 20 Jul, 1995.

awards. These sit below the current Rock and Kayak awards and are an ideal entry point for teachers.^{131 132}

- Aug 1995 Concerns arise with the gaps in NZQF outdoor recreation unit standards relevant to risk management. An advisory group of Jill Dalton (NZMSC), Dave Bailey (NZOIA), Susan Miller-Thevenard (EONZ) and Gerald Rawson (SFRITO) is established to address the concerns and establish unit standards for risk management.
- 11 Nov 1995 The *Kiwi Outdoors* resource book and programme (Hillary Commission) is complete and prepared for launching through a series of 2-day training seminars for facilitators throughout the country. Susan Miller-Thevenard and Nigel Cass are the key drivers. Lynley Stewart is the project manager with a team of two national trainers and 36 regional trainers. EONZ is responsible for the programme which is to be launched in primary schools with about 140 workshops being offered through 1996.¹³³
- Nov 1995 Susan Miller-Thevenard is involved on a University Bursaries physical education writing group that incorporates outdoor education into the physical education curriculum at senior secondary school.¹³⁴

1996



*Otago teachers cross country ski course, Cardrona ski field*¹³⁵

- Early 1996 Two important publications that complement each other, are distributed:
(1) The 4th edition of *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators* is published by the Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness and Leisure, compiled by EONZ and edited by Jan Watts. Editorial assistance is provided by Chris Knol, Ross Clapcott, Gerald Rawson and Susan Miller-Thevenard. Chris and Ross wrote most of the text.¹³⁶

¹³¹ MOA April 1995, p.21

¹³² EONZ Exec minutes 20 Jul, 1995.

¹³³ EONZ 6-monthly report to regions 6 Aug, 1995.

¹³⁴ Interview with Susan Miller-Thevenard, March 13, 2022

¹³⁵ Eric Schusser, 'Otago Teachers cross country course, Cardrona ski field' Aug 1996

¹³⁶ EONZ 6-monthly report to regions 6 Aug, 1995.

(2) *EOTC Guidelines for Good Practice* is published by the Ministry of Education and written by Gerald Rawson. This resource is a comprehensive guide to Boards of Trustees, Principals, senior staff members and teachers. It applies standards of practice and a systematic approach to planning and implementing EOTC as a cross-curriculum approach.¹³⁷

- 1996 As the bush leader qualifications of NZOIA and NZMSC only partially meet the needs of school situations, EONZ develops a qualification called Outdoor 1. The award is based on Bush Leader and the scope is targeted to those leading overnight fixed camps and/or leading day tramps on established tracks. A regional network of training and assessment courses and assessors is established, and the national coordinator is a member of the EONZ Executive.¹³⁸ The key drivers are Wayne Putt and Bert McConnell.
- 1996 John Charteris is awarded life membership of the Waikato/BOP branch of EONZ. John taught in primary schools before being seconded as a science advisor with the Waikato Education Board in the early 70's. At the inception of the branch, John was the interim chairperson until the first AGM and played a lead role in setting up the branch. He was subsequently elected on to the first committee. During his time with EONZ Waikato/BOP John played a lead role in organising and facilitating many workshops for the region. Additionally, in his role as advisor, he supported numerous school camps and programmes.
- Nov 1996 With the withdrawal of ongoing funding by the Hillary Commission, the last issue of *MOA* is produced, largely funded by EONZ and NZOIA.¹³⁹ *MOA* is to be replaced by another magazine; *Journey* which will move to a subscription financial base.
- 7-9 Dec 1996 The Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre of New Zealand host an outdoor education conference *From Mastery to Mystery. Mai I Te o Ngaro Ki Te Ao Marama*, at Tawhitikuri, Tongariro. Grant Davidson, Chris Knol and the OPC staff are the main drivers. The conference features keynote addresses from a number of well-known international outdoor educators: Jackie Kiewa (Griffith University, Queensland); Richard Lemmey & Jean Corey-Wright (Charlotte Mason College, Ambleside UK); Chris Loynes, Editor JAEOL, (UK); Dr. Peter Martin, (La Trobe University, Bendigo); Prof. Simon Priest (Brock University, Canada); Martin Ringer (psychologist, West Australia); Bernadette Rutyna, (Queensland Corrective services commission). In addition, Graham Dingle also makes a keynote address. The conference is well attended by about 150 people and over 30 presentations are made.¹⁴⁰

¹³⁷ EONZ 6-monthly report to regions 6 Aug, 1995, p.3

¹³⁸ Lynne Arnold, Outdoor 1 – A chance to reflect. (Out and About, Spring 1999, p. 4-6).

¹³⁹ *MOA*, Nov 1996, p. 2. EONZ Exec minutes 26 Sept 1998.

¹⁴⁰ OPC, From mastery to mystery. Conference programme. Dec 1996; Email from Chris Knol 19 April 2022.



Group researching at Blumine Island, Marlborough Sounds¹⁴¹

- Jan 1997 As part of the national Teacher Refresher Course programme, Liz Thevenard runs an Education Outside the Classroom course for primary teachers on 13 to 17 January. The course is based at the Wellington College of Education and surrounding areas and focussed on experiential and innovative cross-curriculum integration. The course committee and facilitators are Sarah Ferguson, Moria Howard and Chris Arcus.¹⁴²
- 1997 The Hillary Commission's EOTC resource *Totally Outdoors* for junior secondary school outdoor education is launched. The resource focuses on giving young people the experience, skills and confidence to safely participate in outdoor activities. This has been compiled by EONZ members led by Phil Kay with Barry Cowley (Hillary Commission) the resource writer. The roll-out is co-ordinated by Leeann Billinghamurst (Waikato/BOP) with Phil Kay and Bert McConnell training the facilitators.¹⁴³
- Feb 1997 The School of Physical Education at the University of Otago offer academic papers and postgraduate study based on theory and research in outdoor education. The initial paper (Adventure Education) is developed by Martha Bell and an additional five papers are developed by Mike Boyes and John Maxted, including two that focus on human/nature relationships. By 2018, outdoor education is the most popular optional School of PE subject and over 70 students graduate with postgraduate qualifications including 18 with Masters and 16 with PhD degrees. In addition, 200 undergraduate students per year engage in the 10-day Paradise based expeditions. Sadly, the university abandons the outdoor education and physical education curriculum in 2018 for a wish to focus on sport science and sport management.

¹⁴¹ Arthur Sutherland, *Group researching at Blumine Island, Marlborough Sounds*, 2005

¹⁴² MOA November 1996. P.33.

¹⁴³ MOA, July 1996, p. 16-17; email from Phil Kay 4 April 2022.

6 Mar 1997 After many years of political negotiations, The NZ Outdoor Recreation Assembly (NZORA) is formed, with Graeme Dingle the chairperson and Sir Edmund Hillary the patron.¹⁴⁴ The NZORA Executive is Hugh Barr, David Bailey, Grant Davidson, Robbie Hawkins, Chris Knol, Catriona McBean and Bob Stothart. The Executive Director is Deb Hurdle.

In Dec 1998 the organisation briefly becomes the New Zealand Outdoor Assembly,¹⁴⁵ before settling on the name Outdoors New Zealand. The entity is a federation of outdoor recreation and outdoor education organisations with the aim to foster outdoor recreation and education.¹⁴⁶ Because of financial challenges and a withdrawal of SPARC funding, ONZ was dissolved in 2014.

March 1997 Gerald Rawson and Wayne Putt are made life members of EONZ. Gerald has a background in teaching outdoor education in secondary schools before becoming the resident teacher at Borland Lodge in Southland. He then worked with the Rural Education Activity Programmes (REAP) in Marlborough, although most of his workload was working in EOTC for the Ministry of Education. In this role he was pivotal in supporting the establishment of a number of EONZ regional branches and writing EOTC policies and resources. Gerald was a member of EONZ Wellington and EONZ Top of the South and served on the National Executive 1993-5. He wrote the initial foundation discussion paper for the establishment of EONZ.

Wayne is HOD PE at Otaki College and an active climber and paddler who holds a number of NZOIA outdoor instructor awards. Wayne was the inaugural chairperson of EONZ from 1992 to 1995 and the Deputy chair from 1995 to 1998. He was a foundation member of EONZ Wellington and instrumental in writing the first Outdoor 1 qualification. Wayne was the chairperson of the editorial boards of *Mātauranga o Aotūroa* (MOA) and *Journey*.

July 1997 The first issue of the magazine *Journey* is published. Lyndsay Simpkin is the editor, the editorial board from MOA remains the same, and the funders continue to be EONZ and NZOIA. To overcome funding issues, the publication moves to a subscription basis. Sadly, the subscriptions do not meet the expenses and coupled with political disagreements between EONZ and NZOIA means that by Sept 1998 the magazine is discontinued.¹⁴⁷

1997 The Ministry of Education publishes Circular 1997/12 which addresses the responsibilities of Board of Trustees regarding the personal safety of students in schools.¹⁴⁸

¹⁴⁴ MOA, July 1996

¹⁴⁵ Outdoor Assembly outdoor update Dec 1998

¹⁴⁶ MOA, July 1996, p.18.

¹⁴⁷ EONZ Exec minutes 26-27 Sep 1998.

¹⁴⁸ Email from Arthur Sutherland 16 May, 2022

1998



*P class sailing Auckland Harbour*¹⁴⁹

15 Jan 1998 The third national outdoor education conference, *Ara Matauranga: Pathway to learning* is held at the Auckland College of Education, Epsom, Auckland on Jan 15-18. The conference is a joint venture between EONZ, NZMSC and NZOIA. The conference is convened by Hilary Chidlow and Lyndsay Simpkin with an organising committee of Jill Dalton (programme), Liz Penman (social programme), Jim Hepburn (sponsorship & exhibitions), Grant Warner (promotion) and Fiona Driver (Conference Company Ltd).¹⁵⁰ Keynote speakers are Colin Mortlock, (Charlotte Mason College, UK) Jane Panicucci, (Project Adventure USA), Barry Law (Christchurch College of Education), Grant Muru (NZ Police) and Pip Lynch (Lincoln University). Ninety-six workshops and presentations are made to over 200 participants.

1998 The EONZ logo is amended to include the words Education Outdoors New Zealand (Inc) in the base.



PATRON
Lady Hillary

1998 The Northland branch hold its inaugural AGM with Derek Miller (Whangarei Girls High School) chairperson and Adrienne Battersby (Kamo Intermediate school, Whangarei) as secretary.¹⁵¹ Jane Russek (Sport Northland) and others

¹⁴⁹ Richard Robinson, '*P class sailing Auckland Harbour*' NZ Geographic, Issue 151, 2018

¹⁵⁰ Interview with Jill Dalton, Mar 2 2022.

¹⁵¹ Chairperson's report to AGM, 1998

are on the committee.¹⁵² The branch struggled for members and did not endure.

- April 1998 A quarterly newsletter *National Exec News* is produced to provide regular communication between the executive and the regions.¹⁵³ In particular, the newsletter provides information on regional workshops, executive projects and resources.
- 1998 The *Kiwi Outdoors* programme is rolled out with regional courses across the country. Di Cooper (Waikato) runs a weekend for facilitators and manages the day-to-day running of the programme.¹⁵⁴
- 1998 The Ministry of Education publishes Circular 1998/25 which addresses the dilemma of charging pupils for the additional costs of attending a school camp. Under the right to free education, there should be no charges associated with the delivery of the curriculum. However the circular acknowledges that parents can be asked to contribute towards the cost of food and travel to and from the camp.¹⁵⁵
- 1998 The Outdoor 1 qualification is continuing to be effective, with Lynne Arnold coordinating the regional branches who are actively involved in training and assessment.¹⁵⁶
- 1998 EONZ secures a further contract with the Hillary Commission to run professional development workshops on safety management and sequential planning. A training weekend for facilitators is run in Hamilton in June.¹⁵⁷ Over the year, eleven very successful workshops are run across the country in partnership between the Hillary Commission, the Regional Sports Trusts and EONZ. Sadly another 11 were cancelled because of poor advertising by the Sports Trusts and initial delays forcing a tight time frame in an already crammed term three.¹⁵⁸
- Sep 1998 Gemma Periam is appointed as Executive Officer of EONZ in a part time position to manage the increasing administrative and financial tasks of the organisation.¹⁵⁹ The position is mostly funded by the Hillary Commission.
- Sep 1998 A draft EONZ strategic plan is prepared and circulated for feedback.¹⁶⁰ This is duly adopted.

¹⁵² EONZ Northland report to AGM, 13 March 1999.

¹⁵³ National Exec News, Issue 1, April 1998

¹⁵⁴ Chairperson's report to AGM, 1999.

¹⁵⁵ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 28 May, 2022

¹⁵⁶ *ibid*

¹⁵⁷ *ibid*

¹⁵⁸ Di Cooper, Report to EONZ Exec, 12 Mar 1999.

¹⁵⁹ *ibid*

¹⁶⁰ EONZ Exec minutes 26-27 Sep 1998.

Sep 1998 With the prompting of the Hillary Commission, EONZ and NZOIA negotiate the possibility of a merger of the two organisations. Strategic plans are being exchanged and discussion continues.¹⁶¹

1999



*Lunchtime at camp*¹⁶²

1999 To supplement the 1995 Ministry of Education's *EOTC Guidelines for Good Practice*, and *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators*, EONZ prepares two very useful resources: *Outdoor Safety Management Systems* (Primary & Intermediate schools) and *Quality Management and Safety Systems for EOTC* (secondary schools). These include best practice examples of systems used in schools.¹⁶³

Feb 1999 Susan Miller-Thevenard develops *The Practical Logbook for Outdoor Educators* as a personal recording system for EOTC. The resource is published by Teacher Assist Resources, Auckland and encourages the recording of personal and professional skills, work experience and professional development.¹⁶⁴ The logbook is particularly useful for those obtaining Outdoor 1 or NZOIA and NZMSC qualifications.

March 1999 The proposed merger between EONZ and NZOIA hits troubled waters. While there are many synergies, it is clear that the two organisations differ in philosophy, membership, culture and structure. Tensions have risen and trust levels are low.¹⁶⁵ By July, NZOIA decide against a merger and the EONZ Exec is doubtful and cautious. In the interim, EONZ is happy to maintain communication, continue negotiations and work together on the next conference.¹⁶⁶

¹⁶¹ *ibid*

¹⁶² Waveney Parker. 'Lunchtime at Tamahere School camp', 2007

¹⁶³ Out and About, Autumn 1999, p.26.

¹⁶⁴ The Practical Logbook for Outdoor Educators, EONZ Exec minutes 12-13 Mar 1999; National Exec News Feb 1999

¹⁶⁵ Susan Miller-Thevenard, EONZ and NZOIA merger feasibility process report (Report to Hillary Commission Mar 1999)

¹⁶⁶ EONZ Exec minutes, 25 July 1999

- May 1999 The Hillary Commission withdraws all funding for EONZ, yet continue to fund other outdoor bodies (e.g. NZOIA).¹⁶⁷ Political manoeuvring appears to be the confounding variable.
- May 1999 Following the demise of the joint publications *MOA* and *Journey*, the first issue of the EONZ magazine *Out and About* is published. The initial responsibility has been adopted by EONZ Auckland with Editors Hilary Chidlow (Auckland Regional Council) and James Morris (Rosehill College).¹⁶⁸ Hilary becomes the sole editor in 2000 when James moves to Motueka.
- June 1999 The membership of EONZ currently stands at 240. The numbers are: Auckland 79, Waikato/BOP 41, Manawatu 31, Canterbury 29, Hawkes Bay 24, Otago 18, Wellington 15 and Northland 6. The numbers are down from 268 in 1998,¹⁶⁹ but rise to 308 by Nov 1999.¹⁷⁰
- June 1999 The EONZ Executive approves the purchase of an EONZ computer and software for the Executive Officer Gemma Periam. Prior to this, Gemma had been working on the family machine.
- June 1999 *Safety in the Outdoors*, a joint production of the Auckland Regional Council and NZ Mountain Safety Council is produced. The resource is based on the NZMSC Bushcraft manual and includes activity sheets on a wide range of bushcraft topics. The main drivers are Hilary Chidlow (EONZ) and Jill Dalton (NZMSC), with the writer being Sandy Bell.
- July 1999 The Safety Management course material is developed by Bert McConnell and collaborators and a training workshop for facilitators run at Capital House in Wellington. The two hour and full day options will be run in the regions in term four and in 2000.¹⁷¹ A Board of Trustees version is being prepared by Arthur Sutherland.
- 1999 To improve efficiency, the EONZ Executive focus on their organisational structure and writing policy statements for EONZ. Portfolios are allocated to the executive team members.¹⁷² The following standing committees are formed: communications, resources, training & qualifications, and systems.
- 1999 The NZ Ministry of Education publishes: *Guidelines for Environmental Education in New Zealand Schools*.

¹⁶⁷ Out & About, Autumn 1999, p.7.

¹⁶⁸ James Morris, Out and About is up and about. (Out and About, Issue 1, Autumn 1999) p.3.

¹⁶⁹ EONZ Exec minutes, 18-20 June 1999.

¹⁷⁰ EONZ Exec minutes 19-21

¹⁷¹ Out and About, Spring 1999. P.8.

¹⁷² EONZ Exec minutes, 18-20 June 1999.

Nov 1999 EONZ has a contract with NZQA to help write and trial outdoor education unit standards for the area Health and Physical Education in the New Zealand curriculum. Ten schools with 20 teachers are trialling the units and comment favourably on them from levels one to five.¹⁷³

1999 The membership numbers of EONZ is 307, made up of 35 organisations, 215 schools, 56 individuals and 1 student.¹⁷⁴

2000



Ravensbourne school kayaking on the Columba Camp dam, Southland¹⁷⁵

Feb 2000 The outdoors fraternity are shocked by a set of double fatalities where four children are drowned in two separate incidents. Two girls from Howick Intermediate school are drowned on a school camp near Thames¹⁷⁶ and another two pupils from Waimate High School lose their lives in a swimming hole on the Waihou river. Educators focus more on risk analysis and safety management.

2000 Liaison begins between the professional teaching groups involved in the Health and Physical Education (HPE) curriculum. Involved are: EONZ (represented by Lynne Arnold, Liz Thevenard & Catherine Kappelle); Physical Education NZ (PENZ); NZ Health Education Teachers Association (HETA) and the Home Economics & Technology Teachers Association (HETTA).¹⁷⁷ The initial meeting pledges unity between the associations and a commitment to work together for the common good.

Mar 2000 The first EONZ website is constructed and operational at a basic level at <http://eonz.org>.¹⁷⁸ Later in the year this is further developed into an award winning website (Best NZ Website August)!

¹⁷³ EONZ Exec minutes, 19-21 Nov 1999.

¹⁷⁴ EONZ AGM minutes, 1 Apr 2000

¹⁷⁵ Shannon McNatty, 'Ravensbourne school kayaking on the Columba camp dam, Southland' 2000

¹⁷⁶ Mother grieves for her lost son. 12 September 2000 (<https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/mother-grieves-for-her-lost-son/Z2LIRF2KMZJO2K6NEZTM226BDA/>)

¹⁷⁷ EONZ Exec minutes, 30 Mar 2000.

¹⁷⁸ EONZ AGM minutes, 1 Apr 2000.

- 2000 Safe Outdoor Learning Experiences (SOLE) workshops within the Health and Physical Education ministry contract, are delivered across the country to over 80 schools and 200 educators. These focus on syllabus content and safety management. Courses are well received with very positive feedback.¹⁷⁹
- Apr 2000 The National Executive raise the membership subscription fees from \$45 to \$60 for organisations and \$30 to \$35 for individuals and lower the fee from \$20 to \$15 for students. The regions receive all of the student fees and about one third of the other fees.¹⁸⁰
- Apr 2000 EONZ commissions the manufacture of sleeveless fleece jackets with an EONZ logo, that are sold to members and others for \$65. The vests are dark blue with green trim and become highly sought after.



Hilary Chidlow, Bert McConnell & Lynley Stewart model the new EONZ vest.¹⁸¹

- Jun 2000 EONZ has a strong presence at the Physical Education NZ (PENZ) conference in Wellington with a stall and new banner on display. A good number of resources are sold and brochures and copies of Out and About given away. An outdoor education forum on safety management is held and a number of outdoor presentations made by EONZ members.¹⁸²
- 2000 EONZ outdoor teaching resources are popular, with 249 being sold in 2000 up to September. Those most sold are *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines* (104), *Outdoor Safety Management Systems Primary* (63), *EONZ logbook* (33) and *Outdoor Safety Management Systems Secondary* (27).¹⁸³ The EONZ fleece vest is also very popular.

¹⁷⁹ EONZ AGM minutes, 2 Jul 2000.

¹⁸⁰ EONZ AGM minutes, 1 Apr 2000

¹⁸¹ Hilary Chidlow, Bert McConnell & Lynley Stewart model the new EONZ vest. Out and About 6, Spring 2001, p.8

¹⁸² EONZ AGM minutes, 1-3 Sep 2000

¹⁸³ EONZ AGM minutes, 1-3 Sep 2000

2000 Outdoors New Zealand (ONZ) endorses EONZ as the official education voice for ONZ. An EONZ executive member (Mike Boyes) sits on the ONZ Board and represents ONZ on the Ministry of Education's EOTC Advisory Group. Arthur Sutherland also sits on the Ministry committee as the EONZ representative.

Nov 2000 An Out and About editorial committee is formalised containing Hilary Chidlow (Editor), Gemma Periam, Liz Thevenard, Marg Cosgriff and Mike Boyes.¹⁸⁴

2001



*Bike day in the Bay of Plenty*¹⁸⁵

March 2001 Hilary Chidlow, Bert McConnell and Lynley Stewart receive life memberships of EONZ.¹⁸⁶

Hilary taught for 20 years at secondary school level in the UK, Palmerston North and Auckland. She is very active in the Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association and served as the Chairperson for 10 years. In 1981 Hilary published the outdoor education teachers handbook *No Classroom Was Ever Like This*. Hilary was the Auckland Outdoor Education Advisor 1991-6 before becoming the environmental education coordinator for the Auckland Regional Council. In 1998, she was the co-coordinator of Ara Matauranga, the third national outdoor education conference in Auckland. More recently Hilary was involved in lead roles in KiwiOutdoors and Safety Management programmes.

Bert McConnell was an inspirational geography and social science teacher before setting up the outdoor and environmental education programme at the Christchurch College of Education in 1976. The programme was groundbreaking and responsible for hundreds of teachers being passionate and effective teachers in the outdoors. Bert was a stalwart member of the

¹⁸⁴ *ibid*

¹⁸⁵ Waveney Parker, 'Bike day in the Bay of Plenty' 2001

¹⁸⁶ Out and About 6 (Spring) 2001, see profiles on pp. 8-9

Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association and served on the EONZ National Executive from 1995-99. Bert played leading roles in Outdoor 1, facilitator training for Kiwi Outdoors, Totally Outdoors, and Safety Management facilitator training.¹⁸⁷

Lynley was a primary school teacher before becoming a Health and Physical Education Advisor in the Waikato. She was instrumental in establishing the Waikato/BOP Outdoor Educators Association and sat on the committee for many years. Lynley served on the National Executive 1994-5 and became the National Chairperson 1996-8. In the National Executive, Lynley played lead roles in Kiwi Outdoors and Totally Outdoors.

- 2001 EONZ is represented by Lynne Arnold on the Health and Physical Education curriculum advisory group for the development of the Ministry of Education website Te Kete Ipurangi (TKI).¹⁸⁸

- 2001 EONZ facilitators continue to run courses for Outdoor 1, Outdoor Safety Management, and Safe Outdoor Learning Experiences across the country.

- Sep 2001 The EONZ Executive establish a financial sub-committee of Lynne Arnold, Waveney Parker and Mike Boyes to examine more closely the financial systems and policy of the organisation in an ongoing role.

- Oct 2001 The outdoor fraternity are shocked at the death of two girls from Hanmer Springs primary school while on a school canoeing trip on the Clarence river.

- 13 Nov 2001 Howard Fancy, the Secretary for Education NZ Ministry of Education, sends a strongly worded letter to all Boards of Trustees mandating a risk analysis management system (RAMS) process for all off-site excursions. This will ensure compliance with National Administration Guideline NAG 5; to provide a safe physical and emotional environment for students. It is also consistent with health and safety legislation.¹⁸⁹

¹⁸⁷ See tribute to Bert in Out & About 10, 2003, p.10

¹⁸⁸ EONZ Exec minutes 14-16 Sep 2001.

¹⁸⁹ Howard Fancy, Memo to Chairpersons, School Boards of Trustees. 13 Nov 2001.

The Second Ten Years 2002 to 2011

2002



Otago university OE group camping in the Caples valley¹⁹⁰

2002 With two double school fatalities in the outdoors in 2000 and another set at Hanmer Springs in 2001, an industry sector group led by the Water Safety Council and hosted by the Office of the Commission for Children establishes a working party on EOTC. The group is: Alan Muir (WSC – Chairperson), Cathye Haddock, Chris Knol and Brendon Ward (WSC). A key recommendation to the Minister of Education Trevor Mallard is that an EOTC national reference group be established in the Ministry of Education. The purpose of the group is: “To provide expert advice and guidance to the MOE and other education providers including schools on policies, guidelines and best practice associated with all aspects of EOTC.”¹⁹¹ Furthermore, the Ministry appoints Cathye Haddock to work daily on EOTC matters and lead the group. The fatalities sharpen the minds of educators on the safety management issues facing schools. The reference group are working on *Safety and EOTC – A good practice guide for New Zealand schools*, a national incident database (see entry in Nov 2002), updating the *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators* and developing a strategic plan for EOTC.¹⁹²

The initial reference group members are: Brendon Ward (Water Safety), Joe Green (NZMSC), Mike Boyes (ONZ), Arthur Sutherland (EONZ), Lewis Rivers (SES), Bill Sutton (NZPF), Barbara Hollard (MoE), Kay Phillips (MoE), Graham Gladstone (MoE), Cathye Haddock (MoE), Ron Mulligan (NZSTA), Gemma Periam (EONZ) and Chris Knol (ONZ).¹⁹³ Over subsequent years others to serve on the committee include Matt Claridge (WSC), Colin Donald (SPANZ), Ian Nicholson (MSC), Wakahuia Porter (TRKKMA), Laurie Stewart (School Support Services), Fiona McDonald (EONZ) and Alex Smith (administrative support).

¹⁹⁰ Mike Boyes, ‘Otago university group camping in the Caples valley’ 2002

¹⁹¹ Arthur Sutherland, What has been achieved? (Out & About, 8 (Winter) 2002) 9

¹⁹² Pip Lynch, Who’s who in the outdoors’ Lincoln University, 2004

¹⁹³ ibid

- 2002 Project Adventure NZ (PANZ) restructure to better provide Project Adventure training and development workshops and to improve access to their teaching resources.¹⁹⁴
- 2002 Water Safety NZ produce the *River Safe Resource* booklet and video targeted to year 9 and 10 students.¹⁹⁵ Provider training workshops are run in January / February.
- Apr 2002 The Hillary Commission continues to redirect funding away from outdoor recreation to elite sport. Chris Knol reports that funding has dropped from \$1.8 million to \$330,000 in seven years.¹⁹⁶
- 2002 The Blumine Island (Marlborough Sounds) initiative is launched in a collaborative venture between the Untouched World Foundation and DOC. Blumine Island is predator free reserve where several endangered bird species including orange-fronted parakeet, kiwi (rowi) and tīeke (saddleback) have been relocated. Outward Bound (NZ) support track work and maintenance through their community service ethic. The Untouched World Foundation support education work on the island and sponsor trips by young adults for field based environmental studies particularly involving Marlborough, Nelson and Canterbury schools. Barry Law (CCOE) is one of the main drivers.¹⁹⁷
- Aug 2002 The artist Emma Scott of Stonepeace, Hawkes Bay is commissioned to create a sculpture as a trophy for the newly created EONZ Best Programme award, to be awarded annually at the ONZ outdoor forum. The trophy is called the Koru Tuturu, the upstanding spiral of life. It "... symbolizes development as well as attainment, beginnings as well as arrival and, unfurling the force; the dance around the still point. The mantle around the form represents the sweet warm congratulatory embrace like the fur around the graduation gown".¹⁹⁸



*The EONZ Koru Tuturu trophy*¹⁹⁹

¹⁹⁴ Out & About 9 (Summer 2002/3) pp.21-22.

¹⁹⁵ Arthur Sutherland, RiverSafe resource very timely (Out & About 9 (Summer), 2002/3) 18-19

¹⁹⁶ EONZ Exec minutes 19 April, 2002.

¹⁹⁷ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 28 May 2022; <https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/marlborough/places/blumine-island-scenic-reserve>

¹⁹⁸ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 16 May 2022

¹⁹⁹ The Koru Tuturu trophy, 15 Sept, 2006

- Oct 2002 The Tihoi Venture School are the first recipients of the EONZ Best Programme award and Phil Kay (Colenso High School) is the recipient of the SPARC supreme award. Phil was the foundation chairperson of EONZ Hawkes Bay and served on the EONZ National Executive. He is currently Chairperson of EONZ and sits on the ONZ Board. He has made sustained and significant contributions to the leadership of a number of outdoor programmes.
- Nov 2002 The NZ Ministry of Education publishes *Safety and EOTC – A good practice guide for New Zealand schools*. The booklet is a cross-curricula resource to support school boards and staff to provide safety for students and to enable compliance with current health and safety legislation and guidelines.
- The writer and project co-ordinator is Cathye Haddock (Ministry of Education). Cathye's EOTC reference group included a strong EONZ influence from Chris Knol, Mike Boyes, Arthur Sutherland and Gemma Periam amongst representatives from other organisations.²⁰⁰
- Dec 2002 The New Zealand Journal of Outdoor Education is published. The journal focuses on original, refereed academic contributions on all aspects of outdoor education, broadly defined. The editor is Dr Mike Boyes (University of Otago) and the Editorial Board is: Matt Barker (Auckland University of Technology), Marg Cosgriff (Wellington College of Education), Grant Davidson (Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre), Cathye Haddock (Central Institute of Technology), Ihirangi Heke (University of Otago), Chris Knol (Outdoors New Zealand), Dr Pip Lynch (Lincoln University), John Maxted (University of Otago), Martin Ringer (Waiariki Institute of Technology) and Jo Straker (Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology). The journal is funded by Outdoors New Zealand under contract to the Hillary Commission.²⁰¹ The journal is widely distributed in New Zealand and Australia and builds a solid reputation internationally, with subscriptions obtained by numerous libraries across the globe. With the dissolution of ONZ in 2014, SPARC redirect the journal funding to the NZ Recreation Association who decide not to continue with the publication.

²⁰⁰ Cathye Haddock (Ed.) *Safety and EOTC. A good practice guide for New Zealand schools* (Wellington: Ministry of Education)

²⁰¹ New Zealand Journal of Outdoor Education, 1(1), p.3-4.

2003



*Curiosity!*²⁰²

- 2003 The Hillary Commission for Recreation and Sport (established 1987) is renamed the Sport and Recreation Commission (SPARC) following the Graham report on fitness, recreation, sport and physical education.²⁰³
- Mar 2003 EONZ membership numbers have been slowly dropping and are now 279, (down from 292 in 2001) with 206 organisations, 60 individuals and 13 student members.
- 2003 EONZ has a lead role in designing and delivering a professional development package for the Ministry of Education in supporting *Safety and EOTC – A good practice guide for New Zealand schools*. Two five hour workshops, one term apart, will be delivered. The consortium includes Waikato University, EONZ, ONZ, NZOIA and NZMSC and the focus is on school systems and procedures.²⁰⁴ The co-directors are Lynley Stewart (University of Waikato) and Phil Kay (ONZ/EONZ).
- Apr 2003 As part of financial expediency, a Memorandum of Understanding is signed between EONZ and Outdoors New Zealand to specify administration services which will now to be provided by ONZ. The new Administrator is Anne Tresch.²⁰⁵
- Accordingly, Gemma Periam resigns from the role of Executive Officer after doing a sterling job for five years 1998-2003. In addition to her paid workload, Gemma's contribution of many voluntary hours is outstanding. Gemma stays on as a member of the National Executive and will keep the Treasurer's portfolio.²⁰⁶

²⁰² Liz Thevenard, 'Curiosity', 2004

²⁰³ Bob Stothart & Ian Culpan, *For the record* (Christchurch: University of Canterbury, 2012), 182

²⁰⁴ Out & About, 10 (Autumn), 2003

²⁰⁵ Memorandum of Understanding on administrative services to be provided by ONZ to EONZ, April 2003.

²⁰⁶ Executive Officer's report to EONZ Exec, 28 March 2003

- 5 May 2003 Arthur Sutherland is made a life member of EONZ.²⁰⁷ For many years Arthur was head of the Social Science Faculty and the leader of the outdoor education programme at Kaiapoi High School, before working in OE at the Christchurch College of Education and later in the education advisory services. Arthur was the inaugural chairperson of the Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association and chairperson of the National Executive 2004-07. He served on the National Executive 2004-2010, and was a key instigator and leader of the Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre, Canterbury.
- 15 Jun 2003 Because of budget deficits and operational concerns, questions are raised about the EONZ constitution and organisational structure being fit for purpose. Remits are prepared for constitutional change at a special general meeting.²⁰⁸ The main changes will reduce the size of the Executive and make the body not bound by regional representation.²⁰⁹ The special general meeting fails to attract a quorum and the remits are withdrawn.²¹⁰
- 17 Jun 2003 A meeting is held of outdoor recreation standard setting bodies to discuss a memorandum of understanding with SFRITO. Attending the meeting are Phil Kay (EONZ), Gareth Wheeler (SKOANZ), Ian Nicholson (NZMSC), Don Paterson (NZOIA), and Judy Smith, Jenni Pethig, Wendy Rapana (SFRITO). The MOU will clarify relationships between the organisations and look at qualification alignment, assessment services and robust assessment practices.²¹¹
- Sept 2003 The EONZ *Best Programme Award* is presented to Kaiapoi High School. The award is presented with other outdoor awards at the annual Outdoors New Zealand conference.²¹² In addition, Arthur Sutherland receives the Sport and Recreation Commission's *Supreme Award* for contributions to outdoor recreation.

²⁰⁷ Out & About, 19 (Autumn), pp.8-9

²⁰⁸ Remits for Special General Meeting 15 June 2003.

²⁰⁹ Information for EONZ members regarding changes to EONZ constitution. Casual paper, June 2003

²¹⁰ EONZ Exec minutes, 3 April 2004; Out and About 12 (Winter) 2004 p.7.

²¹¹ Minutes of outdoor sector meeting with SFRITO 17 June 2003.

²¹² Out and About 11, 2003

2004



*University of Otago residential OE course. Tahakopa beach, Caitlins*²¹³

- 2004 Following the introduction of the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) into secondary schools (2002-4), many opportunities now exist to create outdoor programmes of high interest to pupils. EONZ members have worked for many years to write achievement standards through curriculum writing groups. Furthermore, unit standards which are more vocationally based, have been prepared through the Industry Training Organisations (e.g. SFRITO). Most secondary schools are providing access to a curriculum that includes both achievement and unit standards that lead to NCEA and industry qualifications.²¹⁴
- 2004 Tragedy strikes when teacher and EONZ Otago member John Crawford loses his life while running a rock climbing session for Logan Park High School pupils in the Mt Somers area.
- 2004 Hilary Chidlow stands down as the Editor of Out and About and is replaced by Dr Pip Lynch. We are indeed fortunate to have editors of such calibre.²¹⁵
- 2004 Jason Pearson (Colenso College, EONZ Hawkes Bay) represents EONZ on SFRITO's ORAG group. Jason also represents EONZ on the unit standards review and the minimum assessor standards groups.
- 2004 Arthur Sutherland and Gemma Periam represent EONZ on the Ministry of Education's EOTC Reference Group chaired by Cathye Haddock. The group reviewed the Safety and EOTC workshop material, began a rewrite of the publication *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines* and considered the audit programme *OutdoorsMark*.
- 1 Mar 2004 *OutdoorsMark* is launched by Outdoors New Zealand as a quality assurance audit scheme for outdoor education, outdoor recreation and adventure tourism. Schools belonging to the ODENZ consortium are required to have the audit. It

²¹³ Mike Boyes, 'University of Otago residential OE course. Tahakopa beach, Caitlins' 2008

²¹⁴ Pip Lynch, Outdoor Education and NCEA (Out & About, 12 (Winter), 2004) 13-16

²¹⁵ Out & About 12, Winter), 2004

is particularly useful for those running outdoor pursuits programmes at senior secondary school.²¹⁶

- 2004 The Register of Outdoor Safety Auditors (ROSA) is established as a sub-committee of ONZ. ROSA auditors conduct outdoor safety audits for the OutdoorsMark award and for DOC concessionaires. The initial chairperson is Mark Smith (ChCh) and key personnel include Stu Allan (NZOIA), Jill Dalton (NZMSC), Hugh Barnard (Alpine guide), Mark Woods (Peak Safety) and Ray Goldring (NZMSC).²¹⁷
- Jul 2004 All of the policies and guidelines that EONZ has developed over the years are gathered by Phil Kay and Susan Miller-Thevenard into one document. New sections are added. Also included are the constitution and current MOU's.²¹⁸
- Sept 2004 Jill Dalton (EONZ Auckland) is awarded the Sport and Recreation Commission's *Supreme Award* for contributions to outdoor recreation at the annual ONZ outdoor awards. Dunstan High School is awarded the EONZ *Best Programme Award* with Eric Schusser (EONZ Central Otago) receiving the trophy. In addition, The Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre receives the *Best Facility* award.²¹⁹
- 2004 EONZ and NZMSC explore working more closely together with the EONZ qualification Outdoor 1 and NZMSC Bush 1, where assessors are shared between the organisations.²²⁰

2005



*Exploring rock pools*²²¹

²¹⁶ Out and About 13 (Summer) 2004/5, p.33-36.

²¹⁷ <https://www.rosa.org.nz/about-rosa.php>

²¹⁸ Education Outdoors New Zealand Policies and Guidelines. April 2004.

²¹⁹ Out and About 13, (Summer) 2004/5, p.43

²²⁰ Chairperson's 2004 Annual Report to EONZ AGM, 2005.

²²¹ Ross Giblin, '*Exploring rock pools*' 2006. Retrieved from: <https://teara.govt.nz/en/photograph/4723/exploring-rock-pools>

- Mar 2005 The NZ Mountain Safety Council make an offer to EONZ that the members of the EONZ Exec also become the MSC Education committee. The committee would meet twice a year funded by MSC. MSC gain the expertise of the EONZ Exec and EONZ would use the opportunity to hold their own Executive meeting on the following day.²²²
- May 2005 A research report for the NZ Ministry of Education, on *Education Outdoors in NZ Schools* is submitted by Mike Boyes (University of Otago) and Robyn Zink (Monash University). The report contains baseline information from a national survey on current practice, beliefs and values, learning outcomes, barriers, staffing and resources.²²³ A copy is sent to the EONZ Executive.²²⁴
- 2005 EONZ is invited by the NZ Mountain Safety Council to have a representative on their Council. Annie Dignan is the initial EONZ delegate.
- 2005 Gemma Periam and Fiona McDonald represent EONZ on the Ministry of Education's writers group working on a reviewed version of the Health and Physical Education essence statement for the NZ Curriculum Framework. Gemma and Fiona have ensured that Outdoor Education continues to have a strong presence in the document.²²⁵
- 2005 The Ministry of Education (Cathye Haddock) and EONZ recommends that all schools register their outdoor accidents and incidents with the MSC National Incident database. (NID). The database generates tailor-made confidential reports of collated data, on request.²²⁶ Despite its appeal, NID was not well supported by outdoor providers and eventually lapsed.
- 2005 The NZ Mountain Safety Council launch a CD-ROM Resource: *Outdoor Safety. Risk management for outdoor leaders*. Included on the disk are sample course outlines, theoretical and practical activities and resources.
- Sep 2005 Fiona McDonald is the EONZ representative on the Outdoors NZ qualifications alignment project to better integrate the outdoor qualifications of EONZ, MSC, NZOIA and SFRITO.²²⁷
- Sep 2005 The Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre's Youth Adventure Challenge Programme wins the EONZ award for Best Outdoor Programme at the annual outdoor forum. Cathye Haddock is honoured with the SPARC supreme award.

²²² EONZ Exec minutes, 10 March 2005

²²³ Boyes, M & Zink, R. (2005). *Education Outdoors in NZ Schools*. Research report submitted to the NZ Ministry of Education. Dunedin: University of Otago. (See also some of the material from the report in the article in AJOE by Zink & Boyes, 2006)

²²⁴ EONZ Exec minutes September 2005.

²²⁵ Out and About 16 (Winter) 2006, p.40.

²²⁶ EONZ News September 2005.

²²⁷ EONZ exec minutes, September 2005; EONZ Newsletter September 2005.

2005 The Ministry of Education publishes *Outdoor Activities Guidelines for Leaders (5th Edition)*, the replacement for *Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines (1996)*. The publication will be provided free to all Primary, Intermediate and Secondary Schools. The resource is funded by the Ministry of Education, SPARC and the Accident Compensation Commission (ACC) and EONZ was the lead group in the project. The reference group was chaired by Arthur Sutherland and included: Ian Nicholson (NZMSC), Liz Thevenard (EONZ), Cathye Haddock (MOE), Mike Sim (ONZ), Riki Burgess (SPARC), Jo Forbes (SPARC), Matt Cant (NZOIA), Laurie Stewart (PENZ), Matt Claridge (WSC) and Wakahuia Porter (Te Runanganui o te Kura Kaupapa).

2006



*Students on the rocky shore*²²⁸

2006 EONZ and the EOTC community celebrate 50 years of camping in New Zealand. In 1956 the first school camp in NZ was conducted at Port Waikato School Camp at the mouth of the Waikato river.²²⁹ Regions are encouraged to mark the occasion with local events and a “Marking the Milestone” dinner is held at the ONZ national forum in September. The dinner is a gathering of past EONZ Executive members, key influential persons and the current Executive (see the photos in the Executive committee members section).

Apr 2006 The EONZ teaching resource *Maths in the Outdoors* is published with a first print run of 300 copies. The resource was begun in 2001 when Richard Roe (EONZ Otago) a maths teacher at Otago Boys High School and Mike Boyes began assembling material.²³⁰ Annie Dignan furthered the project and Pete Brailsford completed the publication.

²²⁸ Derek Holt, ‘*Students on the rocky shore*,’ *Ki Waho* (ONZ Outdoor Magazine) 3, Spring 2009, p.58

²²⁹ Pip Lynch, *Camping in the curriculum* (Lincoln University: PML, 2006),

²³⁰ *Out & About*, 7 (Summer), 2001 p.7.

- 2006 Pip Lynch publishes her book *Camping in the Curriculum*. This well written and researched book is a history of outdoor education in New Zealand schools. The first print run sells quickly and a second print run is required.
- 1 Sep 2006 The EONZ qualification Outdoor 1 has been superseded by a new award, Outdoor Leader. Agreement is reached between EONZ, NZOIA and NZMSC to have one award assessed by all three organisations against agreed criteria. Outdoor Leader is the benchmark for leading on-trail tramping, overnight tent camps and related events.²³¹
- Sep 2006 Roncalli College, Timaru receives the EONZ Best programme award (Kora Tuturu), for its year 10, 12 & 13 outdoor education programmes, at the ONZ awards ceremony. The award is received by Gerry Fennessy. Chris Knol (EONZ Wellington) receives the SPARC Supreme Award and the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre receives the Best Facility award.
- 2006 Kahunui Lodge is established in the Waiotaha valley, Bay of Plenty by St Cuthberts College, Auckland. The Lodge provides a 28-day residential camp experience for Year 10 girls and is the vision of Principal Lynda Reid, who draws from the Tihoi Venture School concept. The first directors are John & Christine Furminger who leave Tihoi to take the role.²³²

2007



*Kahunui Lodge, Bay of Plenty*²³³

- 2007 Pete Brailsford updates the EONZ website to add and update information, include automatic links and modern features.
- June 2007 With the retirement of Pip Lynch as the editor of *Out and About*, editorship passes to Arthur Sutherland. After wonderful service, Arthur passes the

²³¹ EONZ Snippets August 2006.

²³² <https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/switching-off-gives-girls-the-power-of-survival/UWVIA4H7G3QGUGT5H46GA3VQXY/>

²³³ Alan Gibson, 'Kahunui Lodge' St Cuthberts College, Bay of Plenty, <https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/switching-off-gives-girls-the-power-of-survival/UWVIA4H7G3QGUGT5H46GA3VQXY/> January 2016

Executive chair's position to Liz Thevenard in order to undertake the role. An editorial team of Liz Thevenard, Annie Dignan and Craig Donnelly assist Arthur initially, then support is provided by Allen Hill and Gemma Periam.²³⁴

July 2007 The Ministry of Education *Education Outside the Classroom* survey is complete and the results are disseminated in two reports; one for primary education and one for secondary. The editor is Cathye Haddock. The purpose of the survey is to provide a national picture of EOTC and an evidence base to inform policy and practice.²³⁵

Aug 2007 EONZ establishes scholarships to enable teachers to attend the Outdoors NZ outdoor education conference (*The Confluence*) at Lincoln University in Christchurch, January 2008. Funding is provided by a grant from the Perry Foundation to support 21 teachers and from the Ministry of Education for four teachers.²³⁶

Oct 2007 William Colenso College, Napier win the EONZ Best outdoor programme (Kora Tuturu) at the annual ONZ awards. The award is accepted by Tracy Aitchison, the teacher in charge of outdoor education. The school has had a long-standing history in teaching and learning in outdoor education driven originally by Phil Kay, then by Jason Pearson and more recently Tracey. What stood out in this programme is its school-wide nature and the diversity of the EOTC curriculum.²³⁷

In addition, Mike Boyes (University of Otago) is the recipient of the SPARC Supreme award and Ian Barnes an outdoor education teacher from Waimea College, receives the NZOIA Tall Totara award. To cap off a very good night for EONZ, Barry Law (Christchurch College of Education) receives the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership award.

2008



²³⁴ EONZ Exec minutes 30 June 2007; EONZ Exec minutes 20 January 2008.

²³⁵ Cathye Haddock, Ministry of Education: (1) Education outside the classroom survey Primary schools report; (2) Education outside the classroom survey Secondary schools report.

²³⁶ EONZ Snippets October 2007; Out & About 19 (Summer) 2007/08. P. 28.

²³⁷ EONZ Snippets, October 2007.

2008 Outdoors NZ organise an international outdoor recreation and education conference *The Confluence (tutakitanga – blending theory and practice)*, at Lincoln University, Christchurch, January 21 to 24. The conference features speakers from 11 countries and with pre and post-conference activities creates nine days of outdoor opportunities. The presentations are organised into six strands: Research and theory, Teaching and learning, Sustainability and environment, Risk management and safety, Applied theory and practice and Outdoor recreation and adventure tourism. The major sponsor is SPARC with significant contributions from NZMSC, University of Canterbury, and EONZ.

The conference convenor is Laura Adams (Chief Executive, ONZ) and the organising committee: Arthur Sutherland, Catherine Kappelle (EONZ), Shayne Galloway (University of Otago). Chris North (NZ Alpine Club), Anne Tresch (ONZ), Jean Corey-Wright, Dave Irwin (CPIT), Garth Gulley, Anne Johnston, Erin O'Brien (ONZ), Trent Hiles (Unlimited School), Mark Johnston (Adventure Specialities), Pip Savage (WSNZ) and Lyndsay Simpkin (Adventure Specialities).

Mar 2008 The *Outdoor Leader* qualification is progressing nicely, with EONZ accrediting about 100 leaders and the Mountain Safety Council 340 leaders.²³⁹

Mar 2008 The EONZ strategic plan is revisited and draft vision and mission statements completed. The vision is: That people in New Zealand have life-long opportunities for meaningful experiences and learning in the outdoors. The Mission Statement is: To promote quality education outdoors.²⁴⁰

Mar 2008 After a range of concerns, EONZ decides to re-establish a position of part-time Executive Officer based within the organisation rather than the current Administration officer located with Outdoors New Zealand.²⁴¹ It is also decided that financial management would become part of the new position.

Over the next couple of months the position is advertised and Catherine Kappelle is appointed. A job description and remuneration package is agreed on and Gemma Periam relinquishes the position of Treasurer to Catherine in a transition period.²⁴² The office location moves from Wellington to Canterbury.

²³⁸ Mike Boyes, 'University of Otago residential OE course. Tahakopa beach, Caitlins' 2008

²³⁹ EONZ Exec minutes 15-16 March 2008.

²⁴⁰ *ibid*

²⁴¹ *ibid*

²⁴² EONZ minutes 6 December 2008.

- Mar 2008 EONZ membership numbers are rising. Membership fees are confirmed as \$45 for individuals, \$25 for students, \$70 for schools/organisations under 300 pupils and \$100 for schools and organisations over 300.²⁴³
- 2008 Gemma Periam is awarded life membership of EONZ. Gemma taught outdoor education and physical education for six years before becoming EONZ Executive Officer 1998-2003. She is a stalwart of EONZ Auckland branch and served on the EONZ National Executive for many years as Treasurer. Gemma has been at the forefront of many of the EONZ initiatives for many years. More recently she has been developing and co-ordinating the Perry Foundation in Outdoor Education Trust which is an outdoor education project for low decile secondary schools.
- 15 Apr 2008 Tragedy strikes the outdoor education world when six students and a teacher from Elim Christian College perish in the Mangatepopo Gorge while undertaking canyoning with the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre. The accident results in prosecution by the Department of Labour under the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992 and sends ripples through society and the profession.
- Jun 2008 Strong synergies continue between EONZ and the Mountain Safety Council with EONZ continuing to provide the Education Advisory Committee for MSC. The current chair is Allen Hill with a committee of Craig Donnelly, Gemma Periam, Fiona McDonald, Jean Corey-Wright and a NZOIA representative.²⁴⁴
- Winter 2008 Outdoors New Zealand publish the first issue of *Ki Waho – Into the outdoors*. The main aim of the journal is to generate a strong and connected NZ outdoor community and reflects a partnership with SPARC, EONZ, WSNZ, NZOIA, NZMSC, and SFRITO. The editor is Anne Johnston and assistant editors Laura Adams and Garth Gulley.²⁴⁵
- 2008 EONZ Executive member Gemma Periam represents EONZ on the NZ Water Safety Council. She is supporting their framework for improving educational resources and delivery. Libby Paterson and Fiona McDonald are also representing EONZ.²⁴⁶
- Sep 2008 Loburn School, Canterbury receives the EONZ Education Programme award at the annual ONZ outdoor forum. Loburn School is the first primary school to receive the award, which was accepted by Stuart Priddy.²⁴⁷ The SPARC Supreme Award was presented to Hon Noel Scott, an early supporter of Joe

²⁴³ EONZ Exec minutes 15-16 March 2008.

²⁴⁴ EONZ Exec minutes, 22 June 2008.

²⁴⁵ Ki Waho Issue 1, Winter 2008

²⁴⁶ EONZ Exec minutes 6 Dec 2008.

²⁴⁷ Out and About, 21 (Summer), 2009, p. 27

Hughes and outdoor education. Noel was also chairperson of ONZ for many years.

- 2008 Fiona McDonald represents EONZ on the PE Achievement and Unit Standards alignment project who have made incremental changes to unit standards. In addition Fiona is facilitating input and feedback to ensure alignment of NCEA Standards with the New Zealand Curriculum (2007).²⁴⁸

2009



*A tertiary rock climbing course*²⁴⁹

- 2009 Education for sustainability achievement standards are now available on the NZQA framework. They dovetail nicely with existing outdoor programmes and are being implemented across the country. Some teething challenges are experienced.²⁵⁰
- Mar 2009 EONZ and the Ministry of Education host a delegation of seven outdoor educators from Singapore led by their Education Programmes Director Ms Sum Chee Wah and Ms Carmen Leong. The delegation visits the Ministry (host Cathye Haddock, Denise Aitkins and Chris Harwood,) Thorndon Primary School (host Principal Bill Sutton), Twizel Area School (host Principal Bill Feasey), Kaiapoi High (host Principal Gavin Greenfield), and Loburn Primary School (host Principal Stuart Priddy). Liz Thevenard shares an overview of the work of EONZ. The South Island section of the visit is hosted by Arthur Sutherland who uses a mini bus to transport the delegation to their school visits. The delegation are highly impressed by their visit.²⁵¹
- July 2009 Dave Irwin is appointed to be the editor of Out and About, taking over from guest editor Arthur Sutherland. Dave is also co-opted on to the EONZ Executive. The Editorial team is Allen Hill, Gemma Periam and Arthur Sutherland. By 2010, 500 copies of each issue are produced.

²⁴⁸ Out and About, 21 (Summer), 2009, p. 45

²⁴⁹ Brian Wattchow, 'A tertiary rock climbing course' abt 2009

²⁵⁰ Chris Taylor. *Education for sustainability achievement standards*. Out and About 24, Winter 2010.

²⁵¹ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 18 May 2022.

- 2009 Mike Boyes is awarded life membership of EONZ. Mike worked for the Fiordland National Parks Board before studying and becoming a secondary school teacher in Taranaki. He later worked at the Dunedin College of Education and the School of Physical Education at the University of Otago. Mike was the founding secretary of the Otago Outdoor Educators Association and was an Otago delegate at the inaugural AGM of EONZ. He served on the EONZ Executive for seven years including being national chairperson 1999-2001. Mike was also chairperson of ONZ and the NZMSC research committee.²⁵²
- 21 May 2009 EONZ Executive member Annie Dignan is selected for the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Recreation Council established by SPARC. The Council's role is to provide leadership on a coordinated strategy to increase capacity and participation for outdoor recreation. The Council is chaired by Stu Allan with the other members being Graeme Dingle, Dave Bamford, Paul Wilson and Rob Greenaway.²⁵³
- Aug 2009 Fiona McDonald and Allen Hill represent EONZ on the Skills Active technical advisory groups to review the standards in the Outdoor Recreation Unit Standards in the Outdoor Management and Outdoor First Aid domains. Allen is also on the Strategic Advisory Group. Discussions continue about the positioning of Outdoor Leader in the national qualifications pathway.²⁵⁴
- 2009 Arthur Sutherland and Fiona McDonald continue to represent EONZ on the Ministry of Education's EOTC Reference Group.²⁵⁵
- Sep 2009 Liz Thevenard is awarded the SPARC Supreme Award at the annual ONZ outdoor awards ceremony. The winner of the EONZ Education Programme Award is Kahunui Lodge, Bay of Plenty (St. Cuthbert's College) and Dave Irwin (CPIT) receives the OPC Environmental Leadership award.
- Sept 2009 The Ministry of Education publishes EOTC guidelines *Bringing the Curriculum Alive*. These are aligned with the New Zealand curriculum (Ministry of Education, 2007) and relevant safety legislation, and reiterate both the importance of learning and safety in EOTC. The Guidelines are circulated for feedback in June before wide dissemination in September. The project co-ordinator and writer is Cathye Haddock (Ministry of Education) and the steering group members Arthur Sutherland (EONZ), Bill Sutton (NZ Principals Federation) and Ron Mulligan (NZ School Trustees Association).

²⁵² Out and About 22 (Winter) 2009, p. 30.

²⁵³ Out and About 22 (Winter) 2009, p.33.

²⁵⁴ EONZ minutes 8-9 August 2009.

²⁵⁵ Chairpersons report to AGM, April, 2010

Regions are encouraged to run local workshops to introduce, explore and implement the document.²⁵⁶ However, few occurred because of funding issues. SPARC later funded the professional development (see entry Oct 2010).

2010



Wanaka Primary School at the Snowfarm²⁵⁷

- April 2010 EONZ hold a national learning outside the classroom conference (Get Outside) for 46 participants on 6-9th April at the Royal Police College, Porirua, Wellington. The conference organiser is Liz Thevenard, with funding support from the Teacher Refresher Course Committee. The conference organising committee is: Craig Donnelly (Berkley Normal Middle School, Hamilton), Bridget Janse (Head of Outdoor Education, Paraparaumu College), Libby Schumacher-Knight (Teacher in Charge Outdoor Education, Wellington Girls College), Kayleen Wilson (Head of Department Physical Education, Newlands College, Wellington) and Michael Gendall (Deputy Principal, Hutt Intermediate School, Hutt Valley), also supported by Laura Collins (TRCC). The conference aims to support teachers to develop confidence in taking students outdoors, understand how to create learning in real contexts, bring the NZ curriculum to life, build connections between people, places and the environment, develop an appreciation for sustainable practices and understand the place of cultural practices and beliefs.²⁵⁸
- 2010 EONZ makes a small profit with income of \$13,668 coming from membership fees and \$2674 from the provision of professional services. Grant applications are ongoing to a range of community trusts and other providers and provide \$7397.²⁵⁹
- 2010 Membership of EONZ is 179, made up of 117 organisations, 38 small organisations, 16 students and 8 life members.²⁶⁰

²⁵⁶ For example: UC Education Plus Canterbury. EOTC Course 14 September 2009.

²⁵⁷ Arthur Sutherland, *Wanaka Primary school at the Snowfarm*, 2005

²⁵⁸ Chairperson's annual report to AGM, April 2011

²⁵⁹ AGM minutes, April 2010

²⁶⁰ *ibid*

- Jun 2010 Copies of past issues of Out and About are digitised by Dave Irwin and placed on the website. These are in PDF format and freely available to the public.²⁶¹
- 2010 The first edition of the *Directory of Residential Camps 2009-2010* is published by Aries Publishing Ltd. The publication will be updated and published annually. It is available at: <https://camps-directory.co.nz/>
- 2010 The Outdoor Leader Award is refined and updated with Arthur Sutherland leading the redevelopment. Fiona McDonald has taken over the role of administrator. A good number of teachers have achieved the award or been revalidated.²⁶²
- Aug 2010 Funding for the Enviroschools programme which was cut by the prior National government, is reinstated through an agreement with the Māori party. The programme is successful in encouraging students to engage in local environmental projects and to take protective action for their local environments.²⁶³
- Sep 2010 At the ONZ awards ceremony, the EONZ Best Programme Award is won jointly by Oxford Area School and YMCA Wainui, Christchurch. Bert McConnell wins the SPARC NZ Supreme Award for his outstanding and long lasting contribution to New Zealand outdoor education. Chris North is awarded the environmental leadership award for the *Leave No Trace* programme.
- Oct 2010 A consortium of EONZ, NZ Mountain Safety Council (MSC) and NZ Association for Environmental Education (NZAEE) is successful in obtaining SPARC funding for a professional development package to deliver the Ministry of Education (2009) *EOTC Guidelines, Bringing the Curriculum Alive* document. EONZ is the lead organisation and the consortium develop web based resources and face-to-face programmes to strengthen the use of the outdoor environment as a learning and teaching environment.
- Over the next two years, nine PD workshops will be delivered around the country in Auckland, (south and north), Tauranga, Napier, Whanganui, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin and Invercargill. Follow up workshops will be held in regions and introduce web based resources.
- A governance group is formed with representatives from the three organisations: EONZ - Liz Thevenard (Chair) Catherine Kappelle; MSC - Darryl Carpenter, Leonce Jones; NZAEE – Pam Crisp, Faye Wilson-Hill.

²⁶¹ EONZ Exec minutes 19-20 June 2010

²⁶² Chairperson's annual report to AGM, April 2011

²⁶³ Out and About 23 (Summer) 2010, pp. 4 & 6

Fiona McDonald was appointed as Project Manager. Furthermore, a writing team for the professional development included Stu Allan, Arthur Sutherland, Gemma Periam and Robyn Zink. The resource development team included, Faye Wilson-Hill, Roger Waddell, Anne Brunt and Robyn Zink.²⁶⁴

May 2010 Catherine Kappelle and Brenton Harrison update and modernise the EONZ website.²⁶⁵

2011



*Tamariki at Broad Bay school learn about kaitiakitanga*²⁶⁶

2011 The NZ Mountain Safety publishes a new River Safety Handbook and DVD for instructors and teachers to introduce river safety to beginners. The resource is prepared in conjunction with Water Safety NZ with Gemma Periam, Fiona McDonald and Libby Paterson providing input from EONZ.²⁶⁷

2011 Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology (CPIT) launch their new sustainability and outdoor education programmes that weave together sustainability, outdoor education, social studies, human geography and health. The flagship is the Bachelor of Sustainability and Outdoor Education degree.²⁶⁸

April 2011 Catherine Kappelle sends out regular electronic newsletters “EONZ Updates” to members, which are much appreciated. These are developed on a Zeald website platform.²⁶⁹ The newsletters developed from the original ‘Snippets’ produced by Arthur Sutherland for EONZ Canterbury branch members. The name is changed to EOTC Updates to align more with school programmes.

²⁶⁴ Chairperson’s annual report to AGM, April 2011

²⁶⁵ EONZ Exec minutes 19-20 June 2010

²⁶⁶ Education Gazette, ‘Tamariki at Broad Bay school learn about kaitiakitanga’ Feb 2022

²⁶⁷ Chairperson’s annual report to AGM, April 2011

²⁶⁸ Out and About 25 (Winter) 2011, p.17

²⁶⁹ Email from Catherine Kappelle, 22 March 2022; EONZ update, April 2011.

- May 2011 Brenton Harrison sets up a Facebook web page for EONZ and the first entry is recorded on May 11. See www.facebook.com/Education-Outdoors-New-Zealand.
- 2011 Fiona McDonald in her role of administrator of the Outdoor Leader Award has worked closely with Skills Active to develop a National Certificate in Sport and Recreation (Education Outside the Classroom).
- 2011 The professional development package for *EOTC Guidelines, Bringing the Curriculum Alive* (2009) is delivered to over 300 people in workshops in 10 regions: Auckland,(north & south) Tauranga, Hamilton, Napier, Whanganui, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin and Invercargill. With additional funding, an additional 13 locations nation-wide are added. The workshops involve primary and secondary teachers, Board of Trustees members, Principals, school leaders and EOTC and Sports co-ordinators.
- Part of the package is the development of web based EOTC Resources, available on the Ministry of Education website, Te Kite Ipurangi (TKI). The resources include ideas, activities and authentic case studies that extend learning outside the classroom.
- Fiona McDonald is the EONZ Project Manager and Catherine Kappelle the Project Administrator. A group of highly skilled facilitators is formed: Arthur Sutherland, Fiona McDonald, Dale Kingston, Faye Wilson-Hill, Kath Fletcher, Kirsty Silvester, Libby Paterson, Lisa Keating, Liz Penman, Lynne Arnold and Marg Cosgriff.²⁷⁰ Participants' evaluations are extremely positive with high satisfaction levels for both the facilitation and the resource material.
- Sep 2011 EONZ has representation on a wide range of outdoor bodies and advisory groups. These include: Fiona McDonald (Ministry of Education's EOTC Reference Group, Mountain Safety Council Executive Committee, MSC National Incident Database committee, Skills Active outdoor qualifications, NZ Walking Commission, ONZ Forum Planning Committee); Liz Thevenard (Ministry of Education's EOTC Reference Group, Water Safety Council reference group, MSC National Incident database committee, ONZ forum planning committee); Libby Paterson (Water Safety Council reference group, Physical Education New Zealand liaison); Dave Irwin (NZ Association of Environmental Education liaison).
- Sep 2011 Mount Aspiring College, Wanaka win the EONZ Best Programme Award at the annual ONZ forum. The Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp receive the ONZ best facility award and Graeme Dingle the SPARC Supreme Award.

²⁷⁰ Chairpersons report to AGM, 2012

Oct 2011 The Education Review Office publishes a report “*Education Outside the Classroom: Schools' use of the EOTC (2009) Guidelines*” that identifies areas where schools: (1) had responded positively to the guidelines; (2) could improve practice; and (3) need to strengthen their self-review. To support the latter, a checklist of indicators of good practice is included as an appendix.²⁷¹

The Third Ten Years 2012 to 2021

2012



*Horse riding at camp*²⁷²

2012 The book *Outdoor Education in Aotearoa New Zealand* is published by CPIT and well received by the outdoor community. The editors are Dave Irwin, Jo Straker and Allen Hill of CPIT. The book provides “...a practical, insightful, and innovative reappraisal of outdoor education theory and practice”. Contributing writers are: Marg Cosgriff, Mike Boyes, Margie Campbell-Price, Liz Thevenard, Mike Brown, Brigid & Simon Graney, Maureen Legge, and Howard Reti.²⁷³

June 2012 In conjunction with the 2011 *EOTC Guidelines* professional development package, a contract targeted for Māori is signed with the Ministry of Education. Targeted resources have been developed and these will address the needs of 228 schools. Furthermore, a contract to strengthen EOTC management in schools is signed, with Fiona McDonald as the project manager.²⁷⁴

²⁷¹ Email from Arthur Sutherland, 16 May 2022.

²⁷² Nicole Booker. *Horse riding at Kaponga school camp*, 2006

²⁷³ Irwin, D., Straker, J & Hill, A. (2012). *Outdoor education in Aotearoa New Zealand*. Christchurch: CPIT.

²⁷⁴ EONZ Exec minutes 7-8 July 2012

- July 2012 Fiona McDonald is contracted to represent EONZ on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority's targeted review of qualifications (TROQ). The review is aimed to ensure that NZ qualifications are useful and relevant to learners, employers and other stakeholders.²⁷⁵
- July 2012 The Ministry of Education and the trustees of the Cecil Watson Palmer Trust select EONZ to be the ongoing recipient of the annual income earned by the Trust.
- Aug 2012 Two students from Spotswood College, New Plymouth and an instructor from the Taranaki Outdoor Pursuits and Education Centre (TOPEC) are drowned after falling from Paritutu Rock. The whole of the outdoor community are shaken and EONZ members are shocked.²⁷⁶
- Aug 2012 The EONZ *Outdoor Leader* award is replaced by the *National Certificate in Sport and Recreation (EOTC)*. The new qualification has been developed by Skills Active in collaboration with EONZ, with Fiona McDonald the EONZ representative. The qualification provides educators with an opportunity to demonstrate personal understanding of EOTC, to validate their professional role and apply best practice skills to their work. A process is created to allow those holding the Outdoor Leader qualification to transfer to the new award.²⁷⁷
- Oct 2012 Matahui Road School, BOP which has a philosophy of meaningful hands-on learning, receives the EONZ Best Programme Award at the ONZ Annual Forum held in Wellington. Furthermore, St Cuthberts College Kahunui Lodge is the recipient of the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership Award. The Sports NZ Supreme Award is awarded to Stu Allan and the NZOIA Tall Totara to rock climbing instructor Dave Brash.
- 2012 Education for Sustainability achievement standards are now available through NZQA at university entrance level.²⁷⁸
- 2012 EOTC teacher training is continuing to be marginalised as Colleges of Education are moved into Universities. The university focus is on theoretical knowledge provided by research active staff and away from the focus of a blend of theory and curriculum implementation and practice. The applied areas such as EOTC, dance, drama, PE, music and art are the hardest hit with vastly reduced time allocations, resourcing and subsequent staff redundancies. The well regarded Victoria University EOTC programme is the latest casualty.²⁷⁹

²⁷⁵ *ibid*

²⁷⁶ Chairpersons report to EONZ AGM, 2013

²⁷⁷ Chairpersons report to EONZ AGM, 2013; Out and About 27 (Spring) 2012, p. 26.

²⁷⁸ Out and About 26 (Autumn) 2012, p.4

²⁷⁹ *ibid*

Oct 2012 A new EONZ Position Statement on EOTC is developed by the EONZ Executive, led by Dave Irwin. The purpose is: "...to engage with the New Zealand curriculum outside the classroom in order to enrich the learning of students in early childhood centres, and primary and secondary schools." See *Out and About*, 27 (Spring) p. 27 for full details.

2013



*Mountain excursion from Boyle river Outdoor Centre*²⁸⁰

2013/14 Increasingly, the EONZ regional associations are becoming inactive and being wound up. A decision is made to formally move the national organisation from a basis of regional associations to networked regions. Accordingly, each region is approached to complete conclusion formalities on an in-need basis. Branches are encouraged to deposit reserves with the national body, ring fenced for their branch activities.²⁸¹

2013 Consistent with the changes in the regional associations, a review of the EONZ organisational framework is made and policy and constitutional changes prepared for the 2014 AGM.²⁸²

2013 A special issue of *Out and About* focusses on learning in the outdoors for Years 1 – 9. The issue is sent to all primary schools promoting the value of EOTC and providing resources, contacts and ideas.²⁸³

2013 EONZ in partnership with the Ministry of Education, creates a series of online self-paced learning modules to support the implementation of *EOTC Guidelines, Bringing the Curriculum Alive* (2009). The modules can be completed at a time and pace that suits each individual, at no cost and are readily accessible through the Ministry of Education Training Services Learning Management System (LMS) website.

²⁸⁰ Arthur Sutherland, 'Mountain excursion from Boyle river Outdoor Centre' Kaiapoi high School 2012

²⁸¹ EONZ Exec minutes 13-14 April 2013

²⁸² EONZ Exec minutes, 13-14 April 2013

²⁸³ *Out and About* 28 (Winter) 2013

- 2013 An EONZ Consortium is set up for schools delivering unit standards. As well as sharing matters of mutual interest, EONZ is negotiating a manageable price for the annual fee schools pay Skills Active, the ITO that manage outdoor recreation standards.²⁸⁴
- Sep 2013 At the annual ONZ outdoor awards, the Perry Outdoor Education Trust win the EONZ Education Programme award. With their focus on local communities and environments, the Enviro Schools Trust win the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership award. Grant Davidson receives the Sport NZ Supreme Award.
- Nov 2013 The 6th International Outdoor Education Research Conference is held at St. Margaret's College, University of Otago, Dunedin New Zealand. This is the first time the conference is held in New Zealand. The theme is: *Future faces: outdoor education research, innovations and visions*. 140 attendees from 24 countries share their current research in presentations and posters. The organising committee is Dr Mike Boyes & Dr Mike Brown (Convenors), Dr Mick Abbott, Margie Campbell-Price, Steve Brown, Scarlett Hagen, Dr Brent Lovelock, Tom Macfarlane, Shannon McNatty, Geoff Ockwell and Dr Anna Thompson.
- The academic committee is Dr Soren Andkjaer (University of Southern Denmark), Dr Johan Arnegard (Sweden), Dr Morten Asfeldt (University of Alberta), Dr Mike Boyes (University of Otago), Dr Andrew Brookes (University of La Trobe, Australia), Dr Mike Brown (University of Waikato), Dr Kirsti Gurholt (Norwegian School of Sports Sciences), Prof. Barbara Humberstone (Bucks New University), Dr Mark Leather (University of St. Mark & St John, UK), Dr Pip Lynch (Lincoln University), Dr Pat Mayer (Cape Breton University), Dr Erik Mygind (University of Copenhagen), Dr Tom Potter (Lakehead University, Canada) and Dr Glyn Thomas (University of the Sunshine Coast, Queensland).²⁸⁵
- Nov 2013 Outdoors NZ host an international conference *The World Outdoors Summit* at Rotorua. The conference aims to advance the progression of education, recreation and leisure activities within the outdoor community through the sharing of knowledge, ideas and experiential practice. While the focus of the conference is on outdoor recreation, several presentations on outdoor education are made by Gemma Periam, Robyn Zink, Mike Boyes and Ihirangi Heke. EONZ also present a session on the value of outdoor education.²⁸⁶

²⁸⁴ EONZ AGM Chairperson's report May 2014

²⁸⁵ Boyes, M & Brown, M. Proceedings of the 6th International Outdoor Education Research Conference, Nov 2013, University of Otago, Dunedin NZ

²⁸⁶ ONZ, *The World Outdoor Summit Programme*, 19-22 November 2013.



*Exploring windsurfing*²⁸⁷

- 2014 Workshops targeting sports coordinators and outdoor providers on relevant components of the EOTC Guidelines Project package have been developed and piloted with support from Outdoors New Zealand and Sport New Zealand. Libby Paterson, Liz Penman, Robyn Zink and Kath Fletcher are the driving force behind the seven workshops being delivered around the country.²⁸⁸
- 2014 A range of initiatives funded by the Ministry of Education and implemented by EONZ, continue in 2014. These include:
- (1) Thirty EOTC Cluster group meetings, open to all schools across primary and secondary levels, are held nationwide.
 - (2) Māori perspectives on EOTC initiatives are continued, including a module introducing the Atuatanga framework designed by Dr Ihirangi Heke. Three wānanga are held in conjunction with Toi Tangata (a Māori health promotion agency) in Term 4.
 - (3) Subsidised access to the National Certificate in Sport and Recreation (EOTC) continues to be available.²⁸⁹
- 2014 EONZ signs Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with the New Zealand Association for Environmental Education (NZAEE) and Physical Education New Zealand (PENZ), recognising partnerships and building for a positive and collaborative future.²⁹⁰
- 2014 The new EONZ constitution comes into effect. The main impact is moving the Executive from regional representation to six elected members from across the country, augmented by co-opted positions. Provision is made to have 3-year positions with a staggered rollover.

²⁸⁷ Liz Thevenard, 'Exploring windsurfing' Wellington, Nov 2015

²⁸⁸ Chairperson's report to AGM 2015

²⁸⁹ *ibid*

²⁹⁰ *Ibid*

- Apr 2014 It is with sadness that the outdoor world learns of the death of Lindsay Simpkin who passes away after a battle with cancer. Lindsay established Adventure Specialities Trust in Auckland, working particularly with adventure therapy for disadvantaged youth.
- 2014 EONZ continues to build a strong relationship with PENZ especially through the outdoor education strand in the Health and Physical Education curriculum. EONZ, along with the Health Teachers Association (NZHEA), is represented on the planning committee for the annual PENZ conference and outdoor education keynotes and strands of OE presentations are included.
- 2014 Further to prior meetings, Fiona McDonald gains a position representing EONZ on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority's targeted review of qualifications (TROQ) sector reference group. Fiona coordinates a group of people (Kath Wilkie, Eric Schusser, Gemma Periam) to align the current EOTC qualification into the new framework.²⁹¹
- 2014 EONZ conducts a membership survey that gathers information from members via the web-based survey tool Survey Monkey. Mike Boyes and Liz Thevenard conduct and analyse the survey which provides valuable information on the value of EONZ core functions, resources, website, professional learning needs, networking, programming and liaison with other professional organisations.²⁹²
- Aug 2014 The EONZ logo is modified to remove the name from underneath the motif and give it a larger font size and more prominence at the side. Lady Hillary's name has been removed.



- Sep 2014 At the annual ONZ outdoor awards, Gore High School wins the EONZ Education Programme award for their comprehensive outdoor education programme developed by Dale Kingston. Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp Trust wins the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership award. St Andrews College Castle Hill Outdoor Centre receives the ONZ Best Organisation Award. Lyndsay Simpkin is posthumously awarded the Sport NZ Supreme Award.

²⁹¹ EONZ Executive minutes 22 July 2014

²⁹² EONZ Executive minutes, 12 February, 2015

- Nov 2014 EONZ membership stands at 241, being 8 life members, 15 individuals, 46 small organisations and 172 organisations.²⁹³
- 2014 Annie Dignan completes the work on the EONZ Executive Outcomes model to implement the strategic plan.

2015



*Sail training on tall ship Stavanger*²⁹⁴

- 2015 Work continues with Ministry of Education initiatives. These include:
- (1) Delivery of five sets of 2-day workshops on Effective EOTC Management in schools facilitated by Libby Paterson, Liz Penman and Gemma Periam.
 - (2) Four Atuatanga Wananga workshops with Dr Ihirangi Heke. The workshops explore Māori connections to outdoor environments and provide insight into how the education sector can develop thinking in relation to Māori informed outdoor education.²⁹⁵
- 2015 EONZ finalises a relationship agreement with Skills Active Aotearoa that focuses on items of mutual interest. It includes the EONZ Consortium that negotiated reduced purchase rates for unit standards resources. In addition, EONZ works on the development of an outdoor recreation strand in *Vocational Pathways* information. This work is conducted by EONZ representatives Dave Gold, Dave Thomas, Kath Wilkie and Bridget Janse.²⁹⁶
- OutdoorsMark, a health and safety auditing package now overseen by Skills Active, is further developed to suit school contexts. EONZ expertise was provided by Eric Schusser, Guy Sutherland, Fiona McDonald and Drew Brown.²⁹⁷
- July 2015 The Power of Three (PENZ/NZHEA/EONZ) annual conference is held in Hamilton and well attended by EONZ presenters and members. This is a

²⁹³ Chairperson's report to AGM 2015

²⁹⁴ Mike Boyes, 'Sail training on Norwegian tall ship Stavanger' 2015

²⁹⁵ 2015 Chairpersons Annual Report to AGM 2016

²⁹⁶ 2015 Chairpersons Annual Report to AGM 2016

²⁹⁷ Ibid

valuable opportunity for the three organisations to connect and for members to interface with the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors.²⁹⁸

- 2015 The 2015 EONZ AGM trials a Webinar as a mode to promote more direct involvement of the membership from across the country without the cost and time of travel and accommodation. The webinar is set up by Mike Boyes, is effective and will be used again next year.
- Nov 2015 With the dissolution of ONZ and mixed feelings about the effectiveness of the NZ Recreation Association in fulfilling the functions of ONZ, EONZ decides not to award the EONZ Education programme at that forum. Consideration is made to present an award at the PENZ conference instead, although it is felt there is a danger it would narrow the scope of EOTC to the HPE domain. On-going consideration is being made to bring the award in-house.²⁹⁹
- Nov 2015 The EONZ Executive gather at Little River, Banks Peninsula for a strategic planning retreat to plan for the future. The Outcomes model and information from the membership survey guide the discussions.³⁰⁰

2016



Newlands College kayaking group, Waikanae river ³⁰¹

- April 2016 The Ministry of Education releases *EOTC Guidelines 2016 – Bringing the curriculum alive*, following the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 passing into law. Catherine Kappelle and Gemma Periam from EONZ worked with the Ministry in updating the previous guidelines to reflect changes brought about by the act. The updated guidelines are presented in a downloadable electronic format.³⁰²
- 2016 After nine years of service as the Chairperson of EONZ, Liz Thevenard signals her intention to stand down at the 2016 AGM. The Executive pass a

²⁹⁸ 2015 Chairpersons Annual Report to AGM 2016

²⁹⁹ EONZ Executive minutes 8 March 2016

³⁰⁰ Liz Thevenard, Word from the Chair. Out and About 30 (Summer), 2015 p. 7-10.

³⁰¹ Liz Thevenard, 'Newlands College kayaking group, Waikanae river'. 2016

³⁰² Email from Catherine Kappelle, 5 April, 2022

- motion recognising Liz as a “wonderful person”, and formally acknowledges her long and meritorious service.³⁰³
- May 2016 A special Māori themed edition of *Out and About* is published with Dr Anne-Marie Jackson of the University of Otago as the guest editor. The theme focusses on Māori voices describing their perspectives and work outside the classroom. An excellent cohort of writers including Dr Ihirangi Heke, Dr Chanel Phillips, Ngahuia Mita, Brendan Flack, Te Ao Marama Apiata and Hiria McRae contribute to the issue.³⁰⁴
- 2016 With assistance from the Ministry of Education, EONZ set up the *National EOTC Coordinator Database* across primary and secondary schools nationwide. The database enables a direct pathway of communication between the Ministry, EONZ and the coordinators to enable targeted, direct support into schools.³⁰⁵
- 2016 Eleven 2-day PLD workshops on Effective EOTC management in Schools are run through-out NZ in terms two and three that unpack the *EOTC Guidelines 2016 – Bringing the curriculum alive* and incorporating the changes brought about by the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.³⁰⁶
- 2016 A relationship agreement is signed with the NZ Recreation Association to clarify the territory the organisations work within; EONZ with education and NZRA with recreation. Roles are articulated for each organisation and the nature of collaborations is made clear.
- 2016 Tarawera High School receives the EONZ Best Outdoor Programme Award at the annual Physical Education NZ (PENZ) awards. The award itself is a commissioned sculpture named Koru Tuturu (the understanding spiral of life) and symbolises development and attainment. The award is received by Sophie Hoskins, the head of outdoor education. The programme stands out for its creative, innovative and inspiring NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 programmes.
- Oct 2016 The Perry Outdoor Education Trust run a two day professional learning and development base camp for teachers at the Waharau Outdoor Education Centre. The camp includes practical sessions that intertwine safety management, multiple learning areas and networking. The course is directed by Donald Matheson.
- 2016 Long standing EONZ members John & Christine Furminger are awarded the Skills Active Supreme award at the NZ Recreation Association annual awards. John and Christine’s work at the Tihoi Venture School and St Cuthberts Kahunui Lodge is legendary.

³⁰³ EONZ Exec minutes 21-22 May 2016.

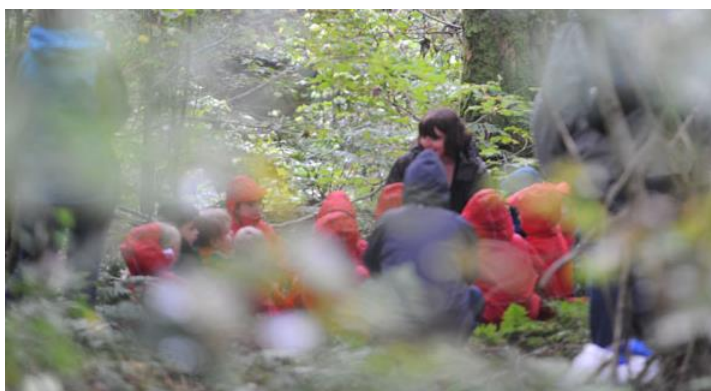
³⁰⁴ Out and About 32 (Autumn) 2016

³⁰⁵ Out and About 32 (Autumn) 2016, p.11

³⁰⁶ Email from Catherine Kappelle 20 April 2022.

Nov 2016 A new curriculum-design focus workshop called *Place Responsive Approaches to Teaching Outdoor Education* is developed with Ministry of Education funding. The three principal writers, Jane Townsend, Erin Porteous and Chris Taylor facilitate a pilot day in Wellington with critical feedback provided by Dr Mike Brown, Sophie Watson, Catherine Kappelle and Liz Thevenard. Teacher feedback on the pilot and the workshops is excellent.³⁰⁷

2017



Nestling in the bush

2017 Following coroners recommendations concerning driver fatigue, the Ministry of Education's *EOTC Guidelines – Bringing the curriculum alive* are amended. As electronic amendments are ongoing, the TKI website always carries the most recent document.³⁰⁸

Feb 2017 A literature review of applied research on EOTC and outdoor learning is compiled by Shannon McNatty & Mike Boyes of the University of Otago, as part of an EONZ Ministry of Education contract.³⁰⁹ The material is selected on the basis that it can impact outdoor education practice.

2017 In conjunction with the Ministry of Education, professional learning and development (PLD) opportunities are provided by EONZ as part of existing contracts. These include: (1) *EOTC and effective management systems*, 2-day PLD; (2) *Constructing and maintaining strong EOTC delivery frameworks*, 1-day PLD for EOTC coordinators; (3) *Good practice*, 4-hour PLD for providers working with schools; and (4) *Activating education for sustainability in schools*, primary and secondary teacher PLD series (available in Canterbury).³¹⁰

2017 In addition to the above, two *Place-Responsive Approaches to Outdoor Education* PLD workshops are run in Nelson and Mt Maunganui, with a

³⁰⁷ EONZ Executive Update 26 September 2015; EONX Exec minutes 21-22 May 2016

³⁰⁸ EOTC Update, Issue 14, 22 March 2017.

³⁰⁹ Education Outside the Classroom - Applied Research Readings 2010 - 2017

³¹⁰ Ibid

further four planned for 2018. A 1-day workshop called *Embedding Good Practice for EOTC* is developed during the year and delivered in Christchurch and Auckland. The facilitators of the PLD across the courses are Gemma Periam, Liz Penman, Libby Paterson, Erin Porteous and Jane Townsend.³¹¹

2017 The Ministry of Education redesigns PLD to form teaching and learning networks. With PENZ doing their own thing, EONZ is in a collaborative partnership with New Zealand Health Educators and Home Economics and Technology Teachers New Zealand. The project is known as *Networks of Expertise* and aims to build stronger networks for teachers, providing exemplars and sharing good practice. The contract delivers primary and secondary school workshops through the country and each organisation appoints a paid kaiārahi (go-to person) who acts as an advisor to schools. EONZ appoints Dave Cassaidy to the EOTC position and as Dave's home and school work commitments increase, he is replaced by Sophie Hoskins.³¹² The role of the kaiārahi is to assist and advise on any aspect of outdoor education. Further to the kaiārahi position, web-based resources are created.³¹³

2017 A EOTC Safety Management Plan template (SMP template) and tools are developed by EONZ, largely driven by Fiona McDonald. The template provides a valuable model for schools and is a continually improving system. It is readily available on Te Kite Ipurangi (TKI).

May 2017 In the Autumn issue of *Out and About*, the Māori name *Te Whakatika* is adopted for the publication, and will be used henceforth. *Te Whakatika* is about setting out on a journey and being prepared and adaptable.³¹⁴ The Autumn issue focusses on gender in EOTC.

May 2017 The EONZ fraternity celebrates the 25th anniversary of its inception in November/December 1992. A hui is held in Wellington to commemorate the occasion. At the event, two special awards are made.

Firstly, Liz Thevenard is awarded life membership for a significant and sustained contribution to EONZ. Liz has been in EONZ since inception, serving on the first executive in 1993, and being the Chairperson of the organisation for nine years from 2007 to 2016. In a broader sense, Liz taught through outdoor learning in the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors, inspiring hundreds of students with her knowledge, passion and enthusiasm.

Secondly, Associate Professor Mike Boyes was bestowed with a special award, *Te Tumu herenga waka, herenga tangata*: the post that binds the waka

³¹¹ Chairpersons Annual Report to EONZ AGM, 2018

³¹² Chairpersons' 2017 Report to AGM 2018

³¹³ *Out and About* 35 (Spring) 2017 p.32; EONZ Facebook 24 March 2018.

³¹⁴ EONZ Exec minutes, 21 May 2017

also binds the people. The award acknowledges his leadership, both in the outdoor sector and as an academic working in outdoor education.

- 2017 EONZ continues to represent EOTC and Outdoor Education on many national outdoor advisory groups both within the education sector and the wider outdoor sector. These include: Ministry of Education (MOE), Skills Active Aotearoa (SAA), New Zealand Mountain Safety Council (NZMSC), New Zealand Recreation Association (NZRA), Department of Conservation (DOC), Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ), Physical Education New Zealand (PENZ) and the New Zealand Health Education Teachers Association (NZHEA).³¹⁵
- 2017 A revision is being made of the *Good Practice Guidelines* for release in 2018. A first draft is going to a small consultation group of: Phil Washbourn, Alex Warriner, Stu Allan, Jo Parsons, Rachael Moore, Dave Goldsworthy, Gemma Periam and Donald Matheson.³¹⁶
- 2017 EONZ membership stands at 191, being 8 life members, 9 individuals, 33 small organisations, 134 organisations and 3 serial libraries. These numbers are down by 38 on 2016 figures.³¹⁷
- 2017 At the annual NZRA outdoor awards ceremony, Josie Ogden-Schroeder is awarded the Supreme award and the Arthurs Pass Outdoor Education Centre receives the Environmental Leadership award. Furthermore, John Furminger receives the NZOIA Tall Totara award.
- 2017 As part of a contract with the Ministry of Education, an important research project is begun to gain a contemporary and comprehensive understanding of what EOTC is currently occurring in schools across the country, the perceived value of EOTC, and the various challenges and factors that influence the provision of EOTC. The project is led by Dr Allen Hill (Ara Institute of Canterbury) and the research team is: Dr Chris North (University of Canterbury), Marg Cosgriff (University of Waikato), Dr Dave Irwin (Ara Institute of Canterbury), Associate Professor Mike Boyes (University of Otago) and Sophie Watson (Educational consultant & Researcher).

³¹⁵ Chairpersons' Annual Report to EONZ AGM, 2018

³¹⁶ EONZ Exec minutes 27 July, 2017

³¹⁷ EONZ AGM financial report, May 2017



Marshmallows at the beach³¹⁸

- May 2018 Approximately one third of schools are now registered with the *National EOTC Coordinator Database* which is designed to keep schools updated and informed about EOTC information and processes.³¹⁹
- 2018 For the first time in EONZ history, EONZ has a full time Executive Officer. Catherine Kappelle was originally appointed to a part-time role of six hours a week in 2008 and these hours have grown considerably over the years. Catherine's appointment to a full time position reflects her commitment and effectiveness and also the growth of the organisation.³²⁰
- 2018 Also noticeable is the number of Executive meetings being run in a year. In 2009 the Executive met three times and in 2018 the members met 11 times on a monthly basis. Of these, seven meetings were held by Zoom and four were face to face.
- 2018 In conjunction with the Ministry of Education, professional learning and development (PLD) opportunities continue to be provided by EONZ. These include: (1) 2-day *EOTC management* workshops run nationwide during the year. These target schools and teachers who are new to current EOTC processes and where current good practice processes are not yet embedded. The PLD is well supported with additional days held in Auckland and in the Waikato late in Term 3. (2) 1-day *Embedding Good Practice for EOTC* workshops are run. These focus on self and peer critique of a school's processes and the sharing of contemporary practice. The PLD facilitators are Gemma Periam, Liz Penman and Libby Paterson who evaluate, review and refine the PLD package.³²¹
- 2018 The collaboration Networks of Expertise PLD project holds six national workshops. The workshops provide exposure to contexts, concepts and

³¹⁸ Unknown, *Marshmallows at the beach*

³¹⁹ Chairpersons report to EONZ AGM 2019

³²⁰ Ibid

³²¹ Chairpersons report to EONZ AGM 2019.

colleagues in EOTC, health education, and food and nutrition. As part of the project, an EONZ resource called *Revisioning School Camps, a Teaching and Learning Resource*, is completed and available on the EONZ website.

Further funding through a new Networks of Expertise contract (2018-2020) is secured for development and implementation of PLD in 2019 based on the above resource. The programme manager is Sophie Watson.³²²

May 2018 The *EONZ Best Outdoor Programme Award* is renamed the *EONZ Excellence and Innovation in EOTC award* and a selection panel is formed of Phil Washbourn, Caroline Reddish, Sophie Watson and Donald Matheson. Nominations are being sought and will be narrowed down to the best three programmes of which one will be selected. All of the finalists will be profiled in Te Whakatika, the EONZ Facebook page and the Education Gazette.³²³

2018 The Sutherland family is presented with the Peter Allen Award, an award that recognises individuals and groups who have contributed significantly to the provision of Outdoor Education. Amongst many notable contributions, the family's contributions to the Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre are significant. The award is administered by the North Canterbury Alpine Trust.³²⁴

2018 EONZ and Recreation Aotearoa produce nine context specific *Good Practice Guidelines* for selected outdoor activities. Fiona McDonald leads the project for EONZ. The activities are commonly used as contexts for learning by schools and other outdoor activity providers. The guidelines provide general guidance for the following activities: Adventure based learning, archery, campfire cooking and fires, emergency communication, flatwater floating and paddling, inland waterway swimming, low ropes and confidence courses, overnight camping, target shooting, sliding activities and snorkelling. <https://www.supportadventure.co.nz/assets/GPGs/General-Good-Practice-Guidelines.pdf>

In addition, *Activity Safety Guidelines* set benchmarks for good practice in abseiling, all-terrain vehicles, alpine hiking, canyoning, climbing on artificial structures, caving, coasteering, dive, heli-skiing, high wire and swing.

July 2018 EONZ and Safety Seek Limited sign an agreement to co-design an online health and safety system for EOTC as part of a suite of packages supporting a web-based health and safety management system for schools and other workplaces. The Trip Planner Module allows schools to manage: "... all aspects of the EOTC approval process including contractor and documentation

³²² EONZ Exec Minutes 27-28 October 2018.

³²³ EONZ Exec minutes 12-13 May 2018.

³²⁴ Email from Arthur Sutherland 18 May, 2022

management paperlessly.”³²⁵ Fiona McDonald undertakes a training course to support users. Much of the good practice already exists and the Trip Planner tool is promoted at PLD sessions.³²⁶

- Aug 2018 The Teacher Refresher Course Committee (TRCC) approves an EOTC conference for 2019. Sophie Watson is approved as the conference convenor with a committee of Dulkara Martig (Nelson Boys), Gavin Murdoch (The Forest School) and Dianne Christensen (Koraunui Primary School).³²⁷
- Aug 2018 With consistent government underfunding and a neoliberal focus, NZ universities have reassessed their academic priorities. Many have consolidated their curricula by removing well performed programmes perceived to be non-academic (see Dymont & Potter, 2020).³²⁸ This impacts outdoor programmes in particular and all NZ university programmes have been affected. Over time, the Victoria, Waikato, Lincoln, Canterbury and Otago courses have been withdrawn and the AUT offerings downsized. Minimal or no attention to EOTC is provided in university teacher education programmes. These closures reflect a considerable loss to EOTC teacher preparation and impact practice in schools.³²⁹ However Polytechnic programmes continue to be popular and along with the ARA and AUT programmes are filling some of the void.
- Spring 2018 The Te Whakatika journal features a revamped Editorial Board. The editor is Dr Dave Irwin (Ara Institute of Canterbury) and the Editorial Board members are: Dr Margie Campbell-Price (University of Otago), Marg Cosgriff (University of Waikato), Dr Allen Hill (Ara Institute of Canterbury) and Dr Chris North (University of Canterbury).³³⁰
- Sep 2018 Thanks to Allen Hill, dialogue is taking place between Outdoor Education Australia (OEA) and EONZ. An agreement is drafted to access the Journal of Outdoor and Environmental Education.³³¹
- Oct 2018 At the New Zealand Recreation Association Outdoor Awards, Fiona McDonald is awarded the Skills Active Supreme Award for: ‘... her tireless and passionate advocacy for the importance of the outdoors to the learning and development of children and young people, for over 20 years.’ The YMCA Best Programme Award goes to CraftLab (Andrew Mount & Omine Ivatt) and

³²⁵ Trip Planner module <https://www.safetyseek.nz/>

³²⁶ EONZ Exec Minutes 27-28 October 2018.

³²⁷ EONZ Exec minutes 23 August 2018

³²⁸ Janet Dymont & Tom Potter, (Overboard! The turbulent waters of outdoor education in neoliberal post-secondary contexts), *Journal of Outdoor and Environmental Education*, v24 n 1 1-17 2021

³²⁹ Allen Hill et al (see section *Challenges with human resources* pp 52-55 in *Education Outside the classroom in Aotearoa New Zealand National Study Report*) 2020.

³³⁰ Te Whakatika 37 (Spring) 2018 p.2

³³¹ EONZ Exec minutes 20 September 2018

Youthtown Enviroschools won the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership Award.³³²

- Nov 2018 EONZ membership numbers have risen to 308, being 13 life members, 12 individuals, 61 small organisations, 212 organisations, 2 student members and 3 serial libraries.³³³
- 2018 The NZMSC produce two new resources: (1) The *Plan My Trip* planner is a web-based trip management and approval process designed by teachers for teachers.³³⁴ (2) As part of the *Alpine Tramping Series*, a video of the Tongariro Crossing is the latest addition, with three more planned for 2019. Other Alpine Pass videos include Gertrude Saddle, Mt Taranaki, Ben Lomand, Cascade Saddle, Travers Pass, Kepler Track, Milford Track, and the Routeburn Track amongst others.
- 2018 The EONZ position statement is strengthened with a climate change clause entitled *Reducing our Footprint*. The statement is: EONZ is committed to reducing the impact it has on the planet. This commitment includes reducing the impacts of the executive board, and all outputs of the organisation including production of resources and professional development.³³⁵
- Dec 7 2018 The EONZ Excellence and Innovation in EOTC award is presented to Kristin School, North Shore, Auckland. The award is presented to Jonathon Taylor by Executive member Donald Matheson at a ceremony held at the school. The short-listed schools are Shirley Boy's High School, Christchurch and John Paul College, Rotorua.³³⁶
- Dec 2018 A new EONZ website comes on stream. The site carries new and updated material and increased capability. The new platform creates forum and group spaces, has conference administration capability, can process financial transactions and is mobile device friendly.³³⁷ In addition, the EONZ logo is tweaked to create a crisper look.³³⁸



³³² Winning in the Outdoors. Recreation Aotearoa News.

<https://www.nzrecreation.org.nz/Site/news/outdoors/outdoors-award-winners-2018.aspx>.

³³³ EONZ Exec financial report November, 2018

³³⁴ EOTC Update, 14 December 2018.

³³⁵ Te Whakatika 37 (Spring) 2018

³³⁶ Te Whakatika 36 (Winter) 2018, p.32.

³³⁷ Ibid

³³⁸ Email from Catherine Kappelle, 5 April 2022

2019



*Wet weather walk*³³⁹

2019 With the support of the Ministry of Education, professional learning and development (PLD) opportunities continue to be an important function of EONZ. The workshops include:

(1) Professional learning workshops connecting educators with good practice in unpacking EOTC Guidelines, implementing good EOTC processes and drilling into EOTC management practice. The workshops are popular and come in one and two day formats with the two-day version providing foundation PLD and the one-day targeted to experienced staff in schools with established programmes.

(2) PLD based on the EONZ resource *Revisioning School Camps*. Thirteen 1-day workshops are held during the year, with 153 participants from 111 schools. These workshops are followed up with online communication and further face-to-face opportunities. The project leader is Sophie Watson and facilitators Erin Porteous, Andrew Skipworth and Donald Matheson.³⁴⁰

April 2019 Leave No Trace New Zealand release videos to support their seven principles to minimise environmental impacts by people in natural environments, and to promote environmental awareness and stewardship.³⁴¹

2019 EONZ has a strong presence at the inaugural New Zealand Primary teachers conference in Wellington in May and the PENZ/ EONZ/ NZHEA conference in Wellington in July.³⁴²

³³⁹ Jo Luff, 'Wet weather walk,' 2020. Retrieved from: <https://playaotearoa.org.nz/blog/nature-play/>

³⁴⁰ Chairpersons Annual Report to EONZ AGM May 2020; EONZ EOTC Update April 2019

³⁴¹ EONZ EOTC Update April 2019

³⁴² Chairpersons Annual Report to EONZ AGM May 2020

- May 2019 The NZ Certificates of Educational Achievement (NZCEA) are reviewed by the NZ Qualifications Authority (NZQA). The review presents a significantly altered EOTC learning landscape for secondary schools. Part of the review is the Review of Achievement Standards (RAS), which has significant implications for senior outdoor education programmes. Phil Washbourn represents EONZ on the national working party.
- An EONZ RAS focus group is set up and the first steps to develop a case for a matrix of outdoor education achievement standards begins. A survey of members is undertaken to identify the assessment composition of practice at senior secondary level. Of 341 schools, 177 state they offer NCEA-level outdoor education programmes. Noticeable is the broad range of practices and approaches and the wide array of challenges that affect senior secondary course provision and assessment.³⁴³
- 2019 A review of Vocational Education (RoVE) is begun by NZQA including a review of the outdoor unit standards used by schools. This will continue through 2020. A group of highly experienced teachers are shaping standards that are fit for purpose to meet secondary outdoor education programme needs into the future.³⁴⁴ The project is led by Fiona McDonald and the team includes: Nic Kelly (Dunstan High School), Katrina Pollard (Cromwell College), Dave Cassaidy (Mt Aspiring College), Phil Washbourn (Papanui High School), Dave Williams (Wintech), Allan Kane (Hornby High School), Vicky Pilling (Makoura College), Andrew Mount (MERC), Brian Connelly (POET) and Mark Mandeno (Adventure Works).
- Aug 2019 Consequential to the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TROQ), the *New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (EOTC) L4* is now available. The qualification validates the role of professionals in EOTC to schools and parents and gives formal acknowledgment of specialist EOTC skills and knowledge. A subsidy of \$260 is available for practicing teachers.³⁴⁵
- Aug 2019 Connected to the National EOTC Coordinator Database, a dedicated EOTC support line is now available to schools. The support role is provided by Fiona McDonald.
- Oct 2019 In response to a number of pressing issues, a number of regional secondary school cluster meetings are held across the country. High on the agenda are the implications of the government donations scheme and the RAS/ RoVE implications for senior secondary programmes.
- 2019 Water Safety NZ place their latest river safety resources online. EONZ provides strong input through Libby Paterson, Catherine Kappelle and Fiona

³⁴³ *ibid*

³⁴⁴ *ibid*

³⁴⁵ EONZ EOTC Update August 2019

McDonald. The resources include information and activities on river features, crossing rivers and swimming in rivers. Progressive activity sheets and information for teachers are included.

- Oct 2019 EONZ launches a project with a working title “Menstruation in the Outdoors” led by Sophie Watson. It is envisaged that an open source multi-media resource will be created to provide practical information and advice as well as promoting outdoor practices that are inclusive and responsive to the specific needs and sensitivities of female participation.³⁴⁶
- Nov 2019 Liz Penman is awarded the Skills Active Supreme Award by Dr Grant Davidson at the Recreation Aotearoa national outdoors hui in Wellington.
- Nov 2019 In spite of widespread publicity, no nominations are received for the EONZ Excellence and Innovation in EOTC award. The Executive decide not to action the award this year.³⁴⁷
- Nov 2019 The Ministry of Education clarifies the voluntary status of fees, charges and donations to support the delivery of school curriculum and programmes.³⁴⁸ The Education and Training Act enshrines the right of every New Zealand child to free enrolment and free education at any state school. But because of progressive government underfunding, schools are increasingly relying on additional sources of income that can be an onerous burden on parents. The legislation emphasises the voluntary nature of these requests and to offset the loss of income, provides a donations scheme that schools can choose to opt into. The donations scheme provides \$150 per student payment in exchange for not asking for donations. The only exception to the policy is donations for overnight school camps/EOTC events.
- Because of the serious implications for EOTC, the EONZ Executive consults and writes an EONZ Position Statement on Funding of Educational Experiences. This is circulated widely to partners/stakeholders, education agencies and posted on the Website.³⁴⁹
- 2019 Further to the approval from the Teacher Refresher Course Committee in 2018, a TRCC and EONZ conference agreement has been signed to run a 2-day EOTC conference across five hubs simultaneously on 28-29 Sept 2020. Sophie Watson is the course director and planning meetings are being held. The committee has one representative from each of the hubs.

³⁴⁶ Sophie Watson, Gender equity in the outdoors. Email to EONZ members 16 October 2019

³⁴⁷ EONZ Exec minutes 9-10 November 2019

³⁴⁸ See <https://www.education.govt.nz/school/funding-and-financials/fees-charges-and-donations/>

³⁴⁹ EONZ AGM Chairpersons Report 2020; EONZ Exec minutes 19 September 2019

2020



University of Otago paddleboarding prac, Karitane estuary ³⁵⁰

2020 This year is uniquely challenging in EONZ's history. COVID-19 causes considerable disruption within a wider backdrop of educational change and uncertainty. With schools closed, teaching and learning continue, dependent on information and communication technologies.³⁵¹ In these scenarios, EOTC processes are seriously compromised although innovative ways of connection to local environments are promoted. The Education and Training Act 2020 focuses school boards on a wider range of objectives including achievement, ensuring the physical and emotional safety of students and staff, inclusivity, catering for students with differing needs, and giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.³⁵² In addition, the government's donation scheme adds to the uncertainty. The EONZ Executive works hard to support practitioners and stimulate debate on the present and future of learning through direct natural experiences.³⁵³

2020 The professional development of teachers of EOTC continues to be a key function of EONZ. In conjunction with the Ministry of Education, existing PLD contracts continue. They include: (1) *Revisioning School Camps* PLD which has now delivered 20 workshops to over 200 educators. Sophie Watson is the project manager and Sophie, Donald Matheson, and Andrew Skipworth the facilitators. Enhancements include a half-day follow up wānanga that also strengthens local networks. Three podcasts and five written case studies have been produced and well received. (2) In terms of management initiatives, *EOTC and Effective Safety Management Systems* 2-day PLD is delivered in

³⁵⁰ Geoff Ockwell, 'University of Otago paddleboarding prac, Karitane estuary'. 2018

³⁵¹ Gavin Brown, Schooling beyond COVID-119: An unevenly distributed future (Frontiers in Education 29 May 2020 <https://doi.org/10.3389/feduc.2020.00082>)

³⁵² See <https://www.education.govt.nz/news/biggest-education-changes-in-decades-enacted/>

³⁵³ Chairpersons' Annual report to EONZ AGM, May 2021

eight locations and *Embedding Good Practice Systems for EOTC* 1-day PLD is delivered in six locations.³⁵⁴ Fiona McDonald and Catherine Kappelle coordinate the project and Libby Paterson, Gemma Periam and Liz Penman are the facilitators.

Feb 2020 A series of after-school ZOOM meetings for EOTC coordinators is run, led by Fiona McDonald. The coordinators identify the range of topics to be discussed.³⁵⁵

March 2020 The final report of an important research project: *Education Outside the Classroom in Aotearoa New Zealand - a Comprehensive National Study: Final Report* (2020) is submitted to the Ministry of Education and widely distributed. The project was led by Dr Allen Hill (Ara Institute of Canterbury) and began in 2017. Data collection involved a national EOTC questionnaire completed by school leaders and EOTC coordinators, specific EOTC inventories from a small sample of schools, and individual and focus group interviews with school leaders and teachers, students and LEOTC providers. The four sections of the report detail: (1) what schools are doing with EOTC, (2) teacher and student perspectives on the value of EOTC, (3) how school leaders and teachers view challenges associated with EOTC provision, and (4) enablers of flourishing EOTC.³⁵⁶

Spin off articles from the report are published in SET (NZ Council of Educational Research) and the Education Gazette and a number of conference presentations are made.³⁵⁷ Further articles are in the pipeline.

Mar 2020 A grant is received from the Perpetual Guardian School Camp Legacy Fund established by Wellington Philanthropist Cecil Watson Palmer, who advocated for and supported access to camping experiences for children who might not otherwise have such an opportunity. The project aims to run back to basics, localised overnight camps for 12 schools in various locations around the country, modelling a resource to be compiled and simultaneously providing PLD.³⁵⁸ Gemma Periam is the project manager and Omine Ivatt and Andrew Mount (CraftLab) are the facilitators. The initial camps are held in the Auckland area.³⁵⁹

³⁵⁴ *ibid*

³⁵⁵ EONZ EOTC Update February 2020

³⁵⁶ Hill, A., North, C., Cosgriff, M., Irwin, D., Boyes, M. & Watson, S. (2020). *Education Outside the Classroom in Aotearoa New Zealand – A Comprehensive National Study: Final Report*. Christchurch, NZ: Ara Institute of Canterbury Ltd.

³⁵⁷ EONZ Executive minutes 20-21 June 2020

³⁵⁸ EONZ Executive minutes 22 August 2019; Chairpersons' report to 2021 EONZ AGM; EONZ Exec minutes 9-10 Nov 2019

³⁵⁹ EONZ Activities & operations report 14 February 2020

April 2020	EONZ produce a website page and an EOTC Update focused on support for schools and educators during the COVID-19 lockdowns. The site offers a range of guidance, resources, activities and ideas for EOTC during this period. ³⁶⁰
April 2020	<i>Little Kiwis Nature Play</i> run a Nature Play Conference in Christchurch. ³⁶¹
2020	The EOTC Coordinator Database continues to grow with 986 EOTC Coordinators now registered. A monthly Zoom series is held with a different topic presented each month. Individual support via email, phone or zoom has also been provided as part of the EOTC Management contract. ³⁶²
2020	Good progress is being made and work intensifies on the <i>Menstruation in the Outdoors</i> project led by Sophie Watson. The project is broadening to include creating safe and inclusive spaces for all students. Further partners are being sought and it is intended to launch the resource in 2021. ³⁶³
April 2020	Sophie Hoskins sets up an outdoor education teachers Facebook page which is well supported. ³⁶⁴
May 2020	The EONZ Executive welcome Sharon White as a co-opted member. Sharon is a Kaihautū (leader) at Te Pā o Rākaihautū in Ōtautahi and brings considerable experience as an educator, school leader, and of Te Ao Māori. ³⁶⁵
May 2020	At the EONZ AGM a remit is passed to formalise the election of co-chairpersons from the executive to the leadership roles of the organisation for three year terms. The co-chairpersons will share duties, although by mutual consent, only one of the two will chair a meeting.
Sep 2020	The TRCC supported EONZ EOTC Conference is run at five interconnected hubs at regional venues in Auckland, Tauranga, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. The regional engagement encourages greater local networking, increases understanding of place and reduces the carbon footprint associated with travel to centralised conferences. The conference is open to teachers (ECE to Secondary), as well as a small number of providers, EOTC organisations and tertiary students. ³⁶⁶ The conference convenor is Sophie Watson and planning committee Maika Hemara, Jane Townsend, Brook Rapson, Chris North and Jen Davy.

³⁶⁰ EONZ EOTC Update 26, 30 April 2020.

³⁶¹ EONZ EOTC Update Feb 2020

³⁶² Chairpersons' report to 2021 EONZ AGM

³⁶³ *ibid*

³⁶⁴ EONZ Executive minutes 23 April 2020

³⁶⁵ *ibid*

³⁶⁶ Chairpersons' report to 2021 EONZ AGM



The conference logo is designed by Keanu Townsend

The keynote presentations are: Adventurous learning: Helping young people to deal with uncertainty (Dr Mike Brown, AUT); The outdoor classroom (Mark Jones, AUT); What's in a name (Matt Matahaere, Principal Iwi Advisor at Ōtākou Health Limited); Conservation, nature environment and COVID rethink (George Hobson, Forest & Bird); Let them play (Celia Hogan, Little Kiwis Nature Play). On day two, each regional hub unpacked content from the first day in unique localised practical contexts.³⁶⁷

Sep 2020 EONZ establishes a position as a fund seeker for EONZ. From 28 applicants, Rosemary Such from Auckland has been appointed to the position.³⁶⁸

Sep 2020 The Spring issue of Te Whakatika focuses on climate change through the voice of young people speaking and writing about the planet they have inherited and their concerns for the future.

Nov 2020 The EONZ Executive hold a hui to reflect on the values of EONZ and how to further develop positive relationships with Māori through Te Tiriti o Waitangi.³⁶⁹

Dec 2020 The NCEA Review of Achievement Standards (RAS) resumes, with Subject Expert Groups (SEGs) convening and beginning work on the development of new achievement standards. Phil Washbourn is on the Physical Education SEG and the level 1 subject lists are announced.

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³⁶⁷ <https://www.eonz.org.nz/resourcespublications/eotc-conference-2020/>

³⁶⁸ EONZ operations and activities report to the Executive, 17 September 2020

³⁶⁹ EONZ Executive meeting summary, 7-8 November 2020

Feb 2021 Two funding proposals submitted to the Ministry of Education in December 2020 are approved. The first is an *EOTC Management Initiatives* contract that will secure funding for a three-year term with a right of renewal for a further two years. The second is a *Networks of Expertise* contract, also of three years duration, that will build on current and new curriculum-focus initiatives. The contracts are significant in that they will enable an extended period of consolidation and development of EONZ core function.

Feb 2021 EONZ continues to provide high class PLD courses throughout the country. These include: (1) EOTC & Effective Safety Management Systems led by Gemma Periam and facilitated by Libby Paterson, Sandra Buchanan and Gemma; (2) Embedding Good Practice Systems for EOTC; led by Sophie Watson and Jonathan Lynch; and (3) Revisioning School Camps, led by Sophie Watson.³⁷¹ (4) The Perpetual Guardian School Camp project led by Gemma Periam in the Auckland area is on hold during COVID. As part of the PLD, general EOTC advice and support is provided to schools by EONZ. This role is undertaken by Fiona McDonald and Sophie Hoskins.

A new PD programme called DIY Camping is developed to develop teachers' confidence and competence to deliver simple, localised, and learning-rich camp activities for their ākonga. The format is a 1-day hands-on workshop.³⁷²

EONZ works with Sport Canterbury (RST) to deliver workshops for their school-focused staff. These workshops give participants a taste of the DIY and RSC material and ensure that schools receive consistent messaging and support regarding good (and innovative) school camp practices.³⁷³

Feb 2021 EONZ submits a proposal to the Ministry of Education for Outdoor Education as a NCEA subject at level 2 and 3 as part of the Review of Achievement Standards. This is a wide ranging and very well supported submission.

2021 New Good Practice Guidelines (GPGs) are produced by EONZ in collaboration with Recreation Aotearoa, and available live on the SupportAdventure website. These are: Driving, Beach and Surf Activities, Environmental Service (weeding, pest control, planting) and Non-technical Caving. Fiona McDonald is the EONZ contributing writer.³⁷⁴

April 2021 Both new contracts approved at the start of the year, *EOTC Management Initiatives* and new *Networks of Expertise* are signed with the Ministry of

³⁷⁰ Ministry of Education, 'Children writing in the outdoors', 2021

³⁷¹ EONZ Outdoor Update, February 2021

³⁷² Chairpersons' Report to AGM, May 2022

³⁷³ *ibid*

³⁷⁴ EONZ Operations report to EONZ Executive 26 August 2021

Education.³⁷⁵ These are the lifeblood of EONZ and will ensure ongoing PLD in curriculum and EOTC management, other EOTC management support, development of Unit Standard resources for schools, and continuance of the Kaiārahi position held by Sophie Hoskins.³⁷⁶

- April 2021 EONZ accepts an invitation to be a foundation member of a new outdoor advocacy body: the Outdoor Recreation Council of Aotearoa (ORCA). The body is: “A collective of like-minded organisations using sport, the outdoors, nature and adventure as the key mechanism for youth development.”³⁷⁷ Other members include: Duke of Edinburgh, Scouts, YMCA, MERC, Spirit of Adventure, Christian Camping, Hillary Outdoors, Outward Bound, NZ sailing trust, Whenua Iti Outdoors, Adventure Specialties, Ski Area Federation and NZMSC.
- April 2021 Ongoing support is provided to schools and educators during the COVID-19 lockdowns. Updated guidance is promoted on the website.³⁷⁸
- April 2021 EONZ sees the end of an era defined by the remarkable contribution of Catherine Kappelle, who steps down from her role as the EONZ Executive Officer. After serving eight years on the National Executive, Catherine was initially appointed as part time Executive Officer in 2008. Her service spans continuously over 21 years and includes her recent years in a full-time position. The chairpersons’ annual report to the 2021 AGM notes: “The growth in [Catherine’s] role, its scope and her workload coincided with, and significantly influenced, the growth and expanding scope of EONZ operations and our positive reputation within the education community. As Executive Officer, Catherine has been the face of the organisation, managing memberships and partnerships, and guiding the organisation and its members through periods of considerable change and uncertainty.” EONZ is very grateful for Catherine’s sustained and exemplary service and outstanding impact.³⁷⁹ Accordingly, a life membership of EONZ is awarded to Catherine at the AGM.
- May 2021 Liz Penman is awarded a life membership of EONZ. Liz was a long-standing member of EONZ Auckland and served on the National Executive. After training at the University of Otago, she was a teacher of physical education, health education and outdoor education before running her own business, Adventure Works NZ Ltd. Liz has an immense depth of experience working with diverse groups from the education, community, and corporate sectors, especially incorporating adventure-based learning techniques and activities. She is a director of Project Adventure NZ, works internationally with Project

³⁷⁵ EONZ Exec minutes 8 May 2021

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³⁷⁷ <http://www.orcaotearoa.nz/who-we-are.html>

³⁷⁸ EONZ Pānui, Term 2, 2021

³⁷⁹ Chairpersons’ report to EONZ AGM, May 2021

Adventure, is a/Qualworx auditor and a Senior Assessor Mentor with Skills Active. She is a leading figure in EONZ PLD initiatives, running courses for teachers and providers throughout the country. In 2019 Liz was awarded the ONZ Supreme Award for services to outdoor recreation.

- May 2021 With Catherine's departure and the growth of EONZ, several new roles have been established to manage the organisation and its operations. Fiona McDonald steps down from the EONZ Executive to take on an interim Chief Executive role. The position is intended to provide a segue to a permanent position. Additionally, Jo Hayes is appointed as part time office administrator and Rosemary Such as grants and funding administrator.³⁸⁰
- May 2021 The EONZ Executive members reflect on the Te Tiriti journey and the core values of the organisation, to ensure they are reflected in practice, especially through the PLD courses, website, and strategic plan.³⁸¹ A face-to-face/kanohi ki te kanohi hui with board members is planned to be held at Ara Institute in 2022. In addition, Te Ao Marama Apiata is appointed to a part time paid role as a Te Ao Māori kaiārahi to support the organisation in its Tiriti engagement pathway.³⁸²
- June 2021 EONZ in partnership with Skills Active, substantially revise the suite of outdoor recreation unit standards which will be published later in the year and available through the EONZ consortium. The assessment resources and assessor guides are being prepared in partnership with Skills Active, led by Fiona McDonald, the development team includes Dave Cassaidy, Nic Kelly, Katrina Pollard and Dave Williams, for launch in 2022.³⁸³
- June 2021 The Ministry of Education release the proposed levels 2 and 3 subject lists for the NZ curriculum. It is proposed that Outdoor Education is offered as a stand-alone subject within the Health and Physical Education learning area. In addition, it is anticipated that Education for Sustainability becomes one of two named foci of social studies.³⁸⁴ EONZ facilitates submissions from a wide spectrum of schools supporting the proposals.
- July 2021 The annual PENZ, EONZ and NZHEA conference is held in Christchurch. The theme is *Embracing Uncertainty* and the conference provides the opportunity to share tools, tips, strategies, and stories to embrace uncertainty in the physical education, health education and outdoor education environment.

³⁸⁰ Chairpersons' report to EONZ AGM, May 2021

³⁸¹ EONZ Executive meeting minutes, 9 May 2021

³⁸² Chairpersons' Annual report to 2022 AGM.

³⁸³ EONZ Pānui Feb 2022; Chairpersons' Report to EONZ AGM, 2022

³⁸⁴ Have your say on NCEA Level 2 and 3 subjects. www.education.govt.nz

- Sept 2021 From effective lobbying outdoor education is confirmed as a stand-alone subject in the Health and Physical Education learning area of the NZ Curriculum at NCEA levels 2 and 3. Draft achievement standards are being prepared for trials in 2024.³⁸⁵
- Oct 2021 The much-anticipated resource ‘*Going with the flow: Menstruation and rainbow inclusive practices in the outdoors*’ to support educators and outdoor practitioners provide equitable and inclusive learning experiences in the outdoors is being readied for launching. The resource includes a print resource, a five-part video series, lesson plans suitable to use with students in Years 6-10, diverse stories of menstruation and rainbow experiences in the outdoors and practical tips and information about gender inclusive practices. The project is led by Sophie Watson and EONZ has forged a partnership with Sport New Zealand, PPTA, University of Canterbury, Leave No Trace Aotearoa, InsideOUT and Intersex Trust Aotearoa New Zealand to support the development and dissemination of the resource.
- Nov 2021 Sophie Hoskins compiles the EOTC Updates and the name is changed to EONZ Pānui.
- 2022 Dave Irwin is awarded life membership of EONZ. Dave has made a remarkable and sustained contribution to EONZ, being the Editor of Out and About and Te Whakatika from 2009 to 2022 and on the Executive committee for the same time period. The high quality of the publications is a direct reflection of Dave’s abilities and dedication. Dave has also been very influential in educating hundreds of young people through the Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology (CPIT) and the ARA Institute of Canterbury outdoor programmes. Of particular note is his commitment to environmentally sustainable living.

³⁸⁵ Subject lists confirmed for NCEA. [Beehive.govt.nz](https://www.beehive.govt.nz)

EONZ Executive Committee Members 1992 – 2021

Note: The committees of the initial years were based on representatives from the regional associations: Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Waikato / Bay of Plenty Outdoor Educators Association, Hawkes Bay Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Manawatu Education Outside the Classroom Association, Wellington Regional EOTC Committee, Top of the South Outdoor Educators Association, Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association, Otago Outdoor Educators Association, Central Otago Outdoor Educators Association. After the 1994 AGM, all had adopted the name EONZ (region).

The representatives and regions appear below. By about 2015, most branches had dissolved and the Executive was no longer representative of regions, but made up of those interested individuals who had the most to offer, augmented by co-options.

Date	Chairperson	Committee	Comment
1992		<p>On 4 August, Gerald Rawson (Ministry of Education & Marlborough REAP), circulates a discussion paper to establish a new outdoor umbrella organisation based on the regional outdoor education associations.</p> <p>An initial foundation meeting is held on 19 Sept to plan the way ahead. In attendance were Gerald Rawson, Chris Knol (Hillary Commission), Liz Penman (Auckland Outdoor Educators Association), Chris Green (Waikato/BOP) and others. We know this meeting happened as it is briefly reported in the minutes of the 3 Dec 1992 meeting, but we are yet to find a record of it.</p> <p>On 3 Dec the inaugural meeting is held at Stella Marris Centre in Wellington, convened by Gerald Rawson. A caretaker committee drawn from the Wellington & Manawatu branches is established (see below).</p>	
1993	Wayne Putt, Otaki College, Wellington	<p>Mitzi Austin, OE advisor, Wellington College of Education (secretary), Wellington</p> <p>Tony Cooper, (unknown)</p> <p>Al Dodunski, St Joseph's School, Feilding, Manawatu (Treasurer)</p> <p>Chris Knol, Hillary Commission, Wellington</p> <p>Anne Mather, Manawatu</p> <p>Kay Messerli, Hillary Commission</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Teacher Support Services, Palmerston North College of Education, Manawatu</p> <p>Gerald Rawson (Marlborough REAP & Ministry of Education) Wellington</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Wellington College of Education, Wellington</p>	Progress is made in setting up the structure and functions of EONZ.
1994	<p>Co-chairpersons Wayne Putt, Otaki College, Wellington</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Teacher Support Services, Palmerston Nth. Manawatu</p>	<p>Mitzi Austin, Teacher Support Services, Wellington College of Education. Wellington</p> <p>Daniel Bloomer, Hawkes Bay Polytech, Taradale. Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Al Dodunski, (Treasurer), St Joseph's School, Feilding. Manawatu</p> <p>Phil Kay, Colenso College, Napier. Hawkes Bay</p>	The AGM on March 12 1994, moved to establish an Executive committee of six members with power to co-opt another three members. The three office holders were to come from

		<p>Gerald Rawson, (Marlborough REAP & Ministry of Education), Top of the South</p> <p>Anja Snowsill (Secretary), St James School, Palmerston Nth, Manawatu</p> <p>Lynley Stewart, Education Advisory Service, University of Waikato. Waikato/BOP</p>	<p>one region, initially Manawatu.</p> <p>At times it appears that regions may have substituted a delegate if the nominated person was unable to attend. Hence Clark Pollitt, Wainoni School, Canterbury and Hillary Chidlow (Auckland) were present at some meetings</p>
1995	<p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Teacher Support Services Palmerston Nth College of Education, Manawatu</p>	<p>Al Dodunski, Manawatu</p> <p>Mark Gilbert, Manager BMW (Treasurer)</p> <p>Phil Kay, Colenso High School, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Chris Knol, Outdoor Safety Institute, Wellington</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Lenore Miller, Havelock North High School, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Liz Penman, Henderson High School, Auckland</p> <p>Wayne Putt, Otaki College, Wellington</p> <p>Gerald Rawson, NZQA, Top of the South</p> <p>Lynley Stewart, Hamilton Education Advisory Service, Waikato/BOP</p>	<p>At some meetings:</p> <p>Hillary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council, Auckland.</p> <p>Clarke Pollitt, Wainoni School, Canterbury</p>
1996	<p>Lynley Stewart, Hamilton Education Advisory Service, Waikato/BOP</p>	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Leeann Billinghamurst, Feilding Agricultural High School</p> <p>Mark Gilbert (Treasurer)</p> <p>John Howells, Westmere School, Wanganui, Manawatu</p> <p>Phil Kay, Colenso High School, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Lenore Miller, Havelock Nth High School, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Teacher Support Services Palmerston North College of Education, Manawatu</p> <p>Liz Penman, Sport Waitakere, Auckland</p> <p>Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p>	<p>This list may be inaccurate as there are no Exec minutes for 1996 & 1997.</p>
1997	<p>Lynley Stewart, Hamilton Education Advisory Service, Waikato/BOP</p>	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier, Hawkes Bay</p>	<p>We are confident of accuracy here, thanks to Lynley</p>

		<p>Leeann Billingham, Melville High School, Waikato / BOP</p> <p>Mark Gilbert (Treasurer)</p> <p>John Howells, Westmere School, Wanganui, Manawatu</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, EONZ Manawatu</p> <p>Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p> <p>Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago</p> <p>Grant Warner, (Deputy Chair), School Advisory, Auckland</p>	and her report to the 1998 AGM.
1998	Lynley Stewart, School Support Services, Hamilton, EONZ Waikato/BOP	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Lynley Ball, School Support Services, Wellington, Wellington</p> <p>Adrienne Battersby, Kamo Intermediate School, Northland</p> <p>Leeann Billingham, Melville High School, Waikato / BOP</p> <p>Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Diane Cooper, Waikato University, Waikato</p> <p>Sarah Ferguson, Diocesan Junior School, Auckland</p> <p>John Howells, Westmere School, Wanganui, Manawatu</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Derek Miller, Whangarei Girls High School, Northland</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, School Support Services, Manawatu</p> <p>Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago</p> <p>Grant Warner, (Deputy Chair), School Advisory, Auckland</p>	Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland
1999	Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Otago	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier (deputy chair), Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Lynley Ball, School Support Services, Wellington</p> <p>Sarah Ferguson, Diocesan Junior School, Auckland</p> <p>John Howells, Westmere School, Wanganui, Manawatu</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Derek Miller, Whangarei Girls High School, Northland</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, School Support Services, Manawatu</p>	<p>Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p> <p>Out & About Editors James Morris, Rosehill College, Auckland & Hillary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council</p>

		Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago	
2000	Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Otago	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier (deputy chair), Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Lynley Ball, School Support Services, Wellington</p> <p>Sarah Ferguson, Diocesan Junior School, Auckland</p> <p>John Howells, Westmere School, Wanganui, Manawatu</p> <p>Bert McConnell, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Derek Miller, Whangarei Girls High School, Northland</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, School Support Services, Manawatu</p> <p>Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago</p>	<p>Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p> <p>Out & About Editor Hilary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council</p>
2001	Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Otago	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier (deputy chair), Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Van Asch Deaf Education Centre, ChCh, Canterbury</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Manawatu</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Miro school, Cambridge, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Wellington College of Education, Wellington</p>	<p>Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p> <p>Out & About Editor Hilary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council</p>
2002	Phil Kay, Colenso High School, Hawkes Bay	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier (deputy chair), Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Otago (Co-opted)</p> <p>Alan Davies, Mt Roskill Intermediate, Auckland</p> <p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago (Co-opted)</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Van Asch Deaf Education Centre, ChCh, Canterbury</p> <p>Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury (Co-opted)</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Manawatu</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Puru School, Thames, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Richard Roe, Otago Boys High School, Otago</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Wellington College of Education, Wellington</p>	<p>Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p> <p>Out & About Editor Hillary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council</p>
2003	<p>Phil Kay, Colenso High School, Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Puru School, Thames,</p>	<p>Lynne Arnold, Nelson Park School, Napier (Outdoor 1 coordinator), Hawkes Bay</p> <p>Alan Davies, Mt Roskill Intermediate, Auckland</p>	<p>Executive Officer Gemma Periam, Te Kauwhata College, Auckland</p>

	Waikato/BOP. (Waveney became interim chairperson after Phil resigned mid-term)	<p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Van Asch Deaf Education Centre, ChCh, Canterbury</p> <p>Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p> <p>Susan Miller-Thevenard, Manawatu</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Puru School, Thames, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Wellington College of Education, Wellington</p> <p>Robyn Zink, Otago</p>	<p>Out & About Editor Hilary Chidlow, Auckland Regional Council</p>
2004	Arthur Sutherland, Kaiapoi High School, Canterbury	<p>Peter Cooper, Oxford Area School, Canterbury</p> <p>Alan Davies, Mt Roskill Intermediate, Auckland</p> <p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury</p> <p>Kristina Keane, Mt Roskill Intermediate, Auckland</p> <p>Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Puru School, Thames, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Libby Paterson, School Support Services, Wellington</p> <p>Gemma Periam, Auckland</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Wellington College of Education, Wellington</p>	<p>Administrator Anne Tresch, Outdoors NZ.</p> <p>Out & About Editor Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p>
2005	Arthur Sutherland, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury	<p>Ross Berry, Mt Roskill Intermediate, Auckland</p> <p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury</p> <p>Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p> <p>Waveney Parker, Te Puru School, Thames, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Libby Paterson, School Support Services, Wellington</p> <p>Gemma Periam, HED Outdoors Ltd, Auckland</p> <p>Jason Swann, Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate School, Auckland</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington</p>	<p>Administrator Anne Tresch, Outdoors NZ.</p> <p>Out & About Editor Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p>
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		<p>Gemma Periam, HED Outdoors Ltd, Auckland (Treasurer)</p> <p>Jason Swann, Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate School, Auckland</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington (Deputy Chair)</p>	
2007	<p>Arthur Sutherland, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington (from 30 June 2007)</p>	<p>Brailsford, Pete, Lincoln High School, Canterbury</p> <p>Dignan, Annie, (University of Otago) (co-opted)</p> <p>Craig Donnelly, Berkley Normal Middle School, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Allen Hill, University of Otago, (Co-opted - joined the committee in June 2007)</p> <p>Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury (Co-opted)</p> <p>Fiona McDonald, Kaiapoi High School, Canterbury</p> <p>Gemma Periam, HED Outdoors Ltd, Auckland (Treasurer, co-opted)</p> <p>Arthur Sutherland, Canterbury) (co=opted)</p> <p>Jason Swann, Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate School, Auckland</p> <p>Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington</p>	<p>Administrator Anne Tresch, Outdoors NZ.</p> <p>Out & About Editor Pip Lynch, Lincoln University, Canterbury</p> <p>Arthur Sutherland assumes the Out and About editor's role.</p>
2008	Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington	<p>Pete Brailsford, Unlimited Paenga, Canterbury</p> <p>Annie Dignan, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Craig Donnelly, Berkley Normal Middle School, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Allen Hill, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Fiona McDonald, Kaiapoi High School, Canterbury</p> <p>Gemma Periam, HED Outdoors Ltd, Auckland</p> <p>Arthur Sutherland, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p> <p>Jason Swann, Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate School, Auckland</p>	<p>Executive Officer Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury (April 2008)</p> <p>Out & About Editor Arthur Sutherland, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p>
2009	Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington	<p>Pete Brailsford, Unlimited Paenga, Canterbury</p> <p>Craig Donnelly, Berkley Normal Middle School, Waikato/BOP</p> <p>Brenton Harrison, Kokako Lodge, Auckland</p> <p>Allen Hill, University of Otago, Otago</p> <p>Dave Irwin, CPIT, Canterbury</p> <p>Fiona McDonald, Kaiapoi High School, Canterbury</p> <p>Arthur Sutherland, Christchurch College of Education, Canterbury</p>	<p>Executive Officer Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury</p> <p>Out & About Editor Dave Irwin, CPIT</p>

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		<p>Libby Paterson, Wellington</p> <p>Sophie Watson, Wellington East Girls College, Wellington</p> <p>Kath Wilkie, Wairarapa College, Masterton</p>	
2015	<p>Liz Thevenard, Victoria University, Wellington</p>	<p>Mike Boyes, University of Otago, Dunedin</p> <p>Annie Dignan, AUT, Auckland</p> <p>Dave Irwin, CPIT, Canterbury</p> <p>Donald Matheson, Perry Outdoor Education Trust, Hamilton</p> <p>Fiona McDonald, Kaiapoi High School, Kaiapoi</p> <p>Libby Paterson, Wellington</p> <p>Sophie Watson, Wellington East Girls College, Wellington</p> <p>Kath Wilkie, Wairarapa College, Masterton</p>	<p>Executive Officer Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury</p> <p>Out & About Editor Dave Irwin, CPIT</p>
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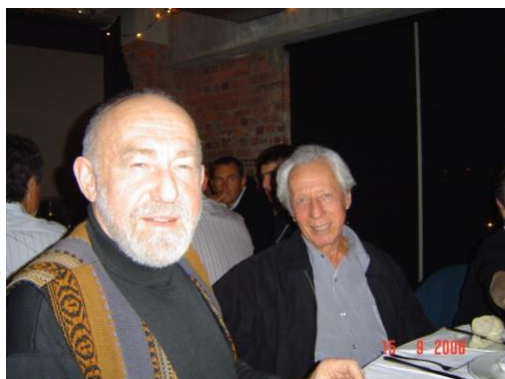
2019	Co-chairpersons Fiona McDonald, Christchurch Phil Washbourn, Papanui High School, Christchurch	Allen Hill, Ara Institute of Canterbury, Christchurch Dave Irwin, Ara Institute of Canterbury, Christchurch Celia Hogan, Nature Play, Christchurch Dave Irwin, ARA, Christchurch Donald Matheson, Perry Outdoor Education Trust, Hamilton Andrew Mount, MERC, Auckland Libby Paterson, Wellington Caroline Reddish, Trident High School, Whakatane Sophie Watson, Wellington East Girls College, Wellington	Executive Officer Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury Out & About Editor Dave Irwin, CPIT Kaiārahi Sophie Hoskins
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2021	Co-chairpersons Phil Washbourn, Papanui High School, Christchurch Sophie Watson, Wellington	Dave Cassaidy, Mt Aspiring College, Wanaka Allen Hill, Ara Institute of Canterbury, Christchurch Celia Hogan, Little Kiwis Nature Play, Christchurch Dave Irwin, Ara Institute of Canterbury, Christchurch (on leave) Fiona McDonald, Christchurch (resigned April) Andrew Mount, Mahurangi College, Auckland Libby Paterson, Victoria University, Wellington Caroline Reddish, Trident High School, Whakatane Sharon White, Te Pā o Rākaihautū School, Christchurch	Executive Officer Catherine Kappelle, Canterbury (retired April) Fiona McDonald, Christchurch (interim CEO from April) Out & About Editor Dave Irwin, CPIT Kaiārahi Sophie Hoskins

EONZ Life Members

Year	Name	Branch
1984-7	Margaret O'Connor Colin Bramfitt Jill Dalton	Auckland
1996	John Charteris.	Waikato
1997	Gerald Rawson Wayne Putt	National
2001	Hilary Chidlow Lynley Stewart Bert McConnell	
2003	Arthur Sutherland	
2008	Gemma Periam	
2009	Mike Boyes	
2017	Liz Thevenard	
2021	Catherine Kappelle Liz Penman	
2022	Dave Irwin	

Photo Gallery

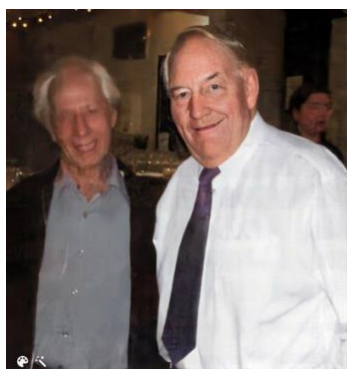
Early historical figures (These photos are mostly from the EONZ Celebrations & Reunion 2006)



Gerald Rawson & Joe Hughes³⁸⁶



Jean Silver & Hilary Chidlow³⁸⁷



Joe Hughes & Noel Scott³⁸⁸



Chris Knol³⁸⁹



Joe Hughes & Arthur Sutherland³⁹⁰

Notes

Jean Silver was an Auckland PE Advisor, very instrumental in supporting EOTC in Auckland schools. Jean and Ted Jones also pioneered an early adventure camp in Resolution Bay, Marlborough Sounds with pupils from Rangitikei College, Marton in 1964.

Joe Hughes taught at Hamilton Technical College and Whakatane High School before becoming a secondary inspector of physical education and outdoor education in the Department of Education, Hamilton. He held national responsibility for PE & EOTC. Joe played a leading role in EOTC at an operational and political level.

Noel Scott was a secondary school principal and later District Senior Inspector of schools based in Hamilton and very supportive of Joe Hughes. Noel became an MP in the Lange government and served as Minister of Sport & Recreation and Associate Minister of Education.

Ross Bailey was an inspector of schools with the Department of Education based at Hamilton. He was very supportive of Joe Hughes in supporting OE and EOTC. He was also supportive of the OPC teachers programme. He is the father of Dave Bailey.

³⁸⁶ Gerald Rawson & Joe Hughes, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.17

³⁸⁷ Jean Silver & Hilary Chidlow, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.19

³⁸⁸ Joe Hughes & Noel Scott. Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.16

³⁸⁹ Chris Knol, Ki Waho

³⁹⁰ Joe Hughes & Arthur Sutherland, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.16



Jean Silver, Joe Hughes, Hilary Chidlow & Bert McConnell³⁹¹

Gemma Periam & Arthur Sutherland³⁹²



Mike Boyes & Wayne Putt³⁹³

Arthur Sutherland & Mike Boyes³⁹⁴



Lynley Stewart & Susan Miller-Thevenard³⁹⁵ Waveney Parker & Craig Donnelly³⁹⁶

Ross Bailey

³⁹¹ Jean Silver, Joe Hughes, Hilary Chidlow & Bert McConnell, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.15.

³⁹² Gemma Periam & Arthur Sutherland, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.25.

³⁹³ Mike Boyes & Wayne Putt, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.26.

³⁹⁴ Arthur Sutherland & Mike Boyes, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.18.

³⁹⁵ Lynley Stewart & Susan Miller-Thevenard, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.20.

³⁹⁶ Waveney Parker & Craig Donnelly, Out & About 17, 2006/07, p.23.



Catherine Kappelle³⁹⁷



Liz Thevenard³⁹⁸



Phil Kay³⁹⁹

MSC sponsored workshop on RMTA at the Army Adventurous Training Centre, Waioruru in the 1980's⁴⁰⁰



Back Row: Chris Knol (MSC), Ewan Patterson (MSC), John Dalmeida (OB Director)

Middle Row: Ray Goldring (MSC), Jack McConchie (MSC), Bev Abbott (Dept of Conservation), Gerald Rawson (Borland lodge), Charlie Hobbs (MSC), Bert McConnell (CCOE), Cathye Haddock (Rotoiti Lodge)

Front row; Wayne Mullins (MSC Field Officer), John Maine (EONZ & MSC Instructor), Bev Smith (TOPEC)

³⁹⁷ Catherine Kappelle, Out and About 3, Autumn 2000, p.10

³⁹⁸ Liz Thevenard

³⁹⁹ Phil Kay, Out and About 9, Summer 2002/03, p.4.

⁴⁰⁰ Chris Knol, *MSC sponsored workshop on RMTA, Waioruru 1980's*

Outdoors New Zealand Awards 2003



Phil Kay awards Kaiapoi High School with the EONZ Koru Turua award presented to staff members Arthur Sutherland and Fiona McDonald (nee Hall). In addition, Arthur receives the Hillary Commission's Supreme Award.⁴⁰¹

EONZ Auckland Teachers' Workshop Sept 2005



Anne Owens & Margaret O'Connor at Kokako Lodge⁴⁰²
Note: Anne is wearing the EONZ fleece vest

⁴⁰¹ Kaiapoi High School receive the EONZ Koru Turua award presented to staff members Arthur Sutherland and Fiona Hall. In addition, Arthur receives the Hillary Commission's Supreme Award. Out and About 11, Summer 2003/4. p.25.

⁴⁰² Ross Berry, *Anne Owens & Margaret O'Connor at Kokako Lodge*, Sept 2005

2006 EONZ Reunion to celebrate 50 years of school camping⁴⁰³



Standing (left to right): Craig Donnelly, Peter Cooper, Sandra Buchanan, Phil Kay, Bert McConnell, Fiona McDonald, Allan Hill, Annie Dignan, Gerry Fennessy. Hilary Chidlow (in front), Wayne Putt, Liz Thevenard, John Willis.

Seated (left to right): Lynne Arnold, Cathye Haddock, Waveney Parker, Sarah Kiff (in front), Lynley Stewart, Arthur Sutherland, Mike Boyes, Pete Brailsford, Jill Dalton (in front of Pete), Jean Silver, Catherine Kappelle, Liz Thevenard, Gemma Periam, Jason Swann.

Absent: Susan Miller-Thevenard, Joe Hughes, Ross Bailey, Barry Law, Gerald Rawson, Peter Dale, Libby Paterson

⁴⁰³ “The Gathering” EONZ reunion to celebrate 50 years of school camping. Out & About 17, 2006/07 p.12.



Gemma Periam, Bert McConnell, Lynley Ball, Di Cooper, Richard Roe, Susan Miller-Thevenard, John Howells, Lynne Arnold, Derek Miller, In front – Lynley Stewart.

Absent: Sarah Ferguson, Mike Boyes

Sarah Ferguson & Bert McConnell in action about 2000



Sarah Ferguson and Bert McConnell in action at a workshop for teachers⁴⁰⁵

⁴⁰⁴ EONZ Executive 1998, Out and About 1, Autumn 1999

⁴⁰⁵ Sarah Ferguson, “*Sarah Ferguson and Bert McConnell in action at a workshop for teachers*” Email attachment 12 April 2022

EONZ Executive 2000⁴⁰⁶



Back Row: Liz Thevenard, Sarah Ferguson, Richard Roe, Gemma Periam, Susan Miller-Thevenard

Front Row: Waveney Parker, Mike Boyes, Lynne Arnold. **Absent:** Derek Miller

EONZ Executive 2004⁴⁰⁷



Waveney Parker

Gemma Periam

Liz Thevenard

Annie Dignan

Peter Cooper



Catherine Kappelle.

Kristina Keane

Arthur Sutherland.

Pip Lynch

⁴⁰⁶ EONZ Executive 2000, Out and About 3, Autumn 2000 p, 10

⁴⁰⁷ Out and About 13, Summer 2004/05, p.6-7

EONZ Executive 2005⁴⁰⁸



Standing: Arthur Sutherland, Annie Dignan, Waveney Parker, Pip Lynch, Peter Cooper, Liz Thevenard, Catherine Kappelle

In front: Kristina Keane, Gemma Periam

Absent: Libby Paterson, Jason Swann, Ross Berry

Time out on the beach 2005⁴⁰⁹



Catherine Kappelle, Gemma Periam, Waveney Parker, Liz Thevenard

⁴⁰⁸ Out and About 13, Summer 2004/05, p.9.

⁴⁰⁹ Time out on the beach, Out & About 15, 2005/06, p.36

Past & Present Executive Committee Members Abroad 2006⁴¹⁰

(International Outdoor Education Research Conference, Penrith, Lakes District, UK).



Matt Barker, Mike Boyes, Robyn Zink, Annie Dignan

Pip Lynch, Lynley Stewart

ONZ Outdoor Awards 2006⁴¹¹



Gerry Fennessy from Roncalli College receives the EONZ Best Programme Award from Arthur Sutherland

Arthur Sutherland in action

⁴¹⁰ Out and About 15, 2005/6, p.41

⁴¹¹ Out and About 17, Summer 2006/07, p.10.

ONZ Outdoor Awards 2008



Liz Thevenard awarding the EONZ trophy to Chris Priddy, Loburn School⁴¹²

“Get Outside” Conference Porirua 2010



Catherine gets down to business⁴¹³



Gemma has many skills!

⁴¹² Out and About 21, Summer 2009, p.27

⁴¹³ *Catherine gets down to business; Gemma has many skills!* Out and About 24, Winter 2010.

EONZ Executive 2013 (at Fiona's house)



Libby Paterson, Fiona McDonald, Catherine Kappelle, Dave Irwin, Mike Boyes

Absent: Kath Wilkie, Brenton Harrison

EONZ Executive 2015⁴¹⁴



Around the table - Catherine Kappelle, Dave Irwin, Libby Paterson, Liz Thevenard, Donald Matheson, Kath Wilkie, Mike Boyes

Absent: Annie Dignan, Sophie Watson, Fiona McDonald

⁴¹⁴ From Liz Thevenard



Liz Thevenard, Donald Matheson, Kath Wilkie, Mike Boyes, Catherine Kappelle

EONZ Executive 2016⁴¹⁵



Back: Carolyn Reddish, Catherine Kappelle, Fiona McDonald, Libby Paterson

Front: Donald Matheson, Liz Thevenard, Dave Irwin (Absent: Allen Hill)

⁴¹⁵ From Liz Thevenard

2017 EONZ 25th Birthday⁴¹⁶



Waveney Parker, Lynley Stewart, Cathye Haddock, Fiona McDonald, Donald Matheson, Dave Irwin, Phil Washbourn, Catherine Kappelle, Allen Hill, Carolyn Reddish, Sophie Watson, Bridget Janse, Front: Liz Thevenard, Libby Paterson



Liz cutting the anniversary cake

⁴¹⁶ ibid

2017 Presentation of life membership to Liz Thevenard⁴¹⁷



Fiona McDonald, Liz Thevenard & Libby Paterson

2019 Skills Active National Hui⁴¹⁸



Grant Davidson awards Liz Penman with the Skills Active Supreme Award.

⁴¹⁷ Out and About 34, Autumn 2017, p. 28

⁴¹⁸ Skills Active chief executive with award winner Liz Penman.

<https://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/CU1912/S00048/looking-inwards-and-outwards-at-national-outdoors-hui.htm>

2021 EONZ National Executive⁴¹⁹



Sophie Watson, Celia Hogan, Carolyn Reddish, Andrew Mount, Libby Paterson, Allen Hill, Fiona McDonald, Phil Washbourn

Absent: Dave Irwin, Sharon White

2021 National Executive Te Tiriti Workshop⁴²⁰



Around the table from front left: Hilary Cave (Te Tiriti facilitator), Andrew Mount, Allen Hill, Fiona McDonald, Sharon White, Sophie Hoskins, Caroline Reddish, Phil Washbourn, Sophie Watson, Catherine Kappelle, Dave Irwin.

⁴¹⁹ <https://www.eonz.org.nz/about-us-2/executive-and-life-members/>

⁴²⁰ Photo from Fiona McDonald

EONZ Exec members & others at PENZ conference 2021⁴²¹



Kylie Thompson, Allen Hill, Chris North, Fiona McDonald, Rod Philpott, Sophie Watson, Marg Cosgriff

⁴²¹ EONZ folk at PENZ Conference 2021. Email attachment from Chris North 18 July 2021.

Biographies of EONZ Executive Members

Arnold, Lynne



Employment: (1) Primary school teacher (Nelson Park School, Napier 1992-2012); (2) Environmental Facilitator (Guthrie Smith Arboretum and Education Centre 2013 -)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Hawkes Bay, National Executive 1996-2003, Deputy chair 1999-2003, Outdoor 1 national coordinator, Kiwi Outdoors facilitator

Other:

Qualifications: BA (Massey), Dip Tchg (Dunedin Teachers College)

Interests: Arboretum, tramping, biking, outdoor life

Austin, Mitzi



Employment: (1) English, social studies & OE teacher (Henderson High School); (2) Teacher (Onslow College); (3) Project Adventure trainer (PANZ); (4) Education & EOTC Advisor, (Wellington College of Education); (5) Project Manager, NCEA implementation; Manager Tertiary Assessment and Moderation (NZQA); (6) Manager, Curriculum Publishing Team (Learning Media); (7) Education Services Manager (NZ Fire Service); (8) Training Manager (Operational Excellence and Health & Safety, Fletcher Building); (9) Lead Adviser Network Planning (Ministry of Education); (10) Education Adviser (Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation); (11) Learning & Development Technical Lead (The Skills Organisation); (12) General Manager (Muka Tangata, People Food & Fibre Workforce Development Council)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Wellington, National Exec 1993-94

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Auckland), MA (Hons) (University of Auckland)

Interests: Active recreator in the outdoors

Ball, Lynley



Employment: (1) Secondary teacher; (2) EOTC advisor (School Support Services, Wellington); (3) Professional Development Facilitator (Learning Media); (4) Education Consultant

EONZ engagement: EONZ Wellington, National Executive 1998-99

Other:

Qualifications: BSc (Otago), PG Dip Sci (Otago), Dip Tchg (Otago), PG Dip MMt Organisational Learning (Massey)

Interests: Cycling, tramping, water sports

Battersby, Adrienne



Employment: (1) Teacher (Mangawhai Primary, Whangarei Primary, Wellsford Primary); (2) Senior teacher, Syndicate leader (Kamo Intermediate school, Whangarei) (3) Principal (Otaika Primary); (4) Salesperson (LJ Hooker Real Estate)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Northland, National Exec 1998

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (North Shore Teachers College), B Tchg & Lng (Massey)

Other roles: Advisory roles in Northland schools, Safety OE material, NZMSC Northland.

Interests: 10 acres farming, gardening, self-sufficiency, golf

Berry, Ross



Employment: Teacher (Mt Roskill Intermediate school, Auckland); Deputy Principal (Mt Roskill Intermediate school, Auckland)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, National Exec 2005

Other:

Qualifications: B.A. (University of Auckland), Adv DipTch (Auck Coll Edn)

Interests: Sport, skiing, outdoors, music

Billinghurst (Bassett), Leeann



Employment: (1) PE teacher (Feilding Agricultural High School); (2) PE teacher & HOD Outdoor Education (Melville High School, Hamilton); (3) Education manager (Surf Life Saving NZ); (4) Social media consultant (Face Up Now, 2017 – present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP, National Exec 1996-8, EONZ national secretary. Totally Outdoors

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Palmerston North Teachers College), BEd (Massey University)

Other Outdoor Roles: Volunteer surf life guard

Interests: Wide range of pursuits particularly kayaking, cycling, tramping and sailing. Surf lifesaving, Poverty alleviation

Bloomer, Daniel



Employment: (1) Orchard Manager (Hawkes Bay 1985-88); (2) Academic staff member - Primary Industries/Horticulture/Conservation/Sport and Rec (Hawkes Bay Polytechnic 1988-98); (3) Land Management Advisor (Hawke's Bay Regional Council 1998-2002); (4) Manager (Landwise Inc 1999 - present); (5) Managing Director (Page Bloomer Associates Ltd 2002 - present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Hawkes Bay, National Exec 1994

Other:

Qualifications: B Hort Sci (Massey), MSc Tech (Hons) (Waikato), PhD student (Waikato)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZMSC instructor qualifications, NZCA river rescue, Outdoor first aid

Other Roles: President/Chair (Primary Industries Polytechnic Tutors' Assoc. 1995-1998); Chair (NZQA Advisory Group, Environment, Conservation, Resource Management 1994-1996); Heretaunga Tramping Club, Hawke's Bay (1970s); High Ropes Facilitator, Tutira, Hawke's Bay (1990s), Adventure Based Learning, President & club instructor (Hawke's Bay Canoe Club (1990s); Canoe Polo Coordinator, Hawke's Bay (1990s), Mountain Safety Council Instructor, Hawke's Bay (1990s)

Interests: Tramping, Kayaking, Mountain Biking

Boyes, Mike



Employment: (1) Teacher (Manukorihi Intermediate, Waitara); (2) PE, OE and music teacher (Okato College, Taranaki); (3) PR2 HOD PE, (Wanganui Boys College); (4) Lecturer, (Dunedin College of Education); (5) HOD PE (Dunedin College of Education); (6) Lecturer (School of PE, University of Otago); (7) Associate Professor, (School of PE, University of Otago)

EONZ engagement: Founding secretary (Otago Outdoor Educators Association 1992-5); Exec member (EONZ 1998, 2013-15); National Chairperson (EONZ 1999-2001); Life member (EONZ 2009); Te Tumu herenga tangata (EONZ 2017 – present)

Other:

Qualifications: PhD (Otago), MEd (PE) (UWA Perth), BEd (Massey), Dip Tchg

Outdoor qualifications & awards: NZOIA Kayak 1 (1991-2012), NZOIA Bush 2 (1992-2016); NZ Outdoor Pursuits Centre Mountain Leadership Certificate 1976; NZMSC abseil, bush, risk management instructor 1989-2000; ONZ Supreme award 2007; MNZM 2009

Other outdoor roles: Board member, (ONZ 1999-2015); Chairperson, (ONZ 2008-11); Council member & Chair of Research committee, (NZMSC 2004-16); Chairman, (Otago branch PENZ); National Executive member, (PENZ 1997-2000)

Interests: Tramping, mountaineering, kayaking, wind surfing (when younger) gardening, reading, writing, jazz guitar

Brailsford, Pete



Employment: (1) Mountaineer (Aoraki Mount Cook National Park, 1982-1984); (2) Mountain and Ski Guide (Alpine Guides Mount Cook, 1985-89); (3) Field Assistant (Antarctic Division, 1985); (4) Teacher English & Social Studies (Burnside High School 1991); (5) Park Ranger (Aoraki Mount Cook National Park, 1992); (6) Instructor (Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre, 1985-7, 1992); (7) Field Leader – Antarctica, (Ohio State University, 1992) (8) Teacher, Outdoor Education (Dunstan High School 1993); (9) Teacher, outdoor education & social studies (Lincoln High School 1994-2007); (10) Teacher & Community Leader (Ao Tawhiti Unlimited Discovery 2008-17); (11) Deputy Principal (Westland High School 2008 – present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Exec 2006-11

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Ed (Canterbury), PGDip (Education Leadership) (Canterbury), BA (Canterbury), MEd (Educational Leadership) (Canterbury)

Outdoor Qualifications: IMGF/ UIAGM Mountain and Ski Guide; NZOIA Alpine II (1991-2011), NZOIA Rock II (1991-2011), NZOIA Bush II (1991-2011)

Other Outdoor Roles: Foundation Chairperson of NZOIA 1991-2

Interests: I have had a long, enduring and passionate involvement with the mountains and the outdoors. I currently enjoying spending time sea kayaking with my wife and friends when work commitments and time allows

Bramfitt, Colin



Employment: (1) PE Teacher (Durham Johnston Grammar School, UK); (2) HOD PE (Woodham Comprehensive School, UK); (3) HOD PE (Southwell School, Hamilton); (4) HOD PE (Takapuna Grammar School, Auckland); (5) PE/Health lecturer (Auckland Primary Teachers College); (6) Senior Lecturer in PE/OE (Auckland College of Education); (7) Executive Director (Foundation of Drug & Alcohol Education); (8) Managing Director, Bramfitt & Associates (Health & Safety in work places)

EONZ Engagement: Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association, EONZ Auckland, Life member, Auckland Branch

Other:

Qualifications: BEd (Nottingham University), Dip PE (Loughborough College of Education), Dip.Ed (Massey University), DipRec (Hillary Commission)

Campbell-Price, Margie



Employment: (1) PE teacher (Nayland College, Nelson 1982-84); (2) PE teacher (Fairfield College, Hamilton 1985); (3) PE teacher (Cambridge High School 1986); (4) PE teacher (Hillcrest High School, Hamilton 1987); (5) PE teacher (Bayfield High School, Dunedin 1989); (5) HoD PE, Health Ed and Outdoor Education (St Hilda's Collegiate School 1990-97); (6) Principal Lecturer (Dunedin College of Education 1998-2006); (7) Senior lecturer (University of Otago College of Education 2007 - present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Otago, National Exec 2010-12. Member of the Editorial Board, Te Whakatika

Other:

Qualifications: PhD (Otago), MTour (Otago), DipPE (Otago), Dip Tchg,

Other Outdoor Roles: Regional expert in EOTC, (Ministry of Education expert group); Otago/Southland coordinator and lead facilitator, Safety and EOTC professional development contract (Ministry of Education); Member EOTC tertiary advisory group of New Zealand (NZETAG),

Interests: Multisport, tramping, skiing, kayaking, biking, cross country skiing, paddle boarding, walking, surf swimming, anything in nature

Cassaidy, Dave



Employment: (1) Instructor (NZ Outward Bound 1995-1998), (2) Teacher, HOD Outdoor Pursuits (Mt Aspiring College 2002 – present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Executive 2021 - present, EONZ Kaiarahi 2020

Other:

Qualifications: BA, Dip Tchg, Post Grad Dip Arts

Outdoor qualifications: NZOIA Kayak 1, Alpine 1, Bush 1, Rock 1, Canoe 1

Other Outdoor Roles: LANDSAR Wānaka River/Canyon group

Interests: Kayaking, biking, skiing, hiking, photography

Charteris, John



Employment: School teacher (Waikato); School science advisor (Waikato School Advisory Service)

EONZ Involvement: Waikato /BOP Branch foundation committee member, chairperson, Waikato /BOP Branch life member

Chidlow, Hilary



Employment: (1) Teacher (Queen Elizabeth College, Palmerston Nth); (2) Teacher (Henderson High School, Auckland); (3) Outdoor Education advisor (Auckland School Support Services) 1991-6, (4) Environmental Education Coordinator (Auckland Regional Council)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, Chairperson EONZ Auckland – ten years, Editor, Out & About 1999-2003, Kiwi Outdoors writer, Ara Maturanga national conference co-coordinator 1998, Life membership 2001

Other:

Qualifications: BEd (Hons), MEd (Environmental Education),

Other Outdoor Roles: Trainer and board member Project Adventure NZ; Risk Management instructor /director

Interests: Ukulele, painting, politics, travel and outdoor life

Cooper, Diane



Employment: (1) Lecturer (School of Education, University of Waikato); (2) Advisor, School Support Services, University of Waikato); (3) Teacher (Knighton Normal School Hamilton)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP, National Exec 1997, Co-ordinator Kiwi Outdoors

Qualifications: MEd (Waikato); BPE (Otago); DipTchg (Primary)

Cooper, Peter



Employment: (1) Volunteer Service Abroad, (2) Teacher, HOD PE & OE, NCEA Principals Nominee/Co-ordinator (Oxford Area School, Canterbury 1978 - 2018)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Executive 2004

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Christchurch College of Education); Bachelor of Adventure Recreation and Outdoor Education (CPIT)

Outdoor Qualifications: [Now expired] Rock 1 (NZOIA), Bush 1 (NZOIA), Alpine 1 (NZOIA); Raft Grade 2 (Skills Active); Outdoor 1 (EONZ)

Other Outdoor Roles: Raft guide

Interests: Sea kayaking, mountain biking, skiing, active grandparent

Cooper Tony

EONZ engagement: National Exec 1993

[Sadly we have been unable to make contact with Tony]

Cosgriff, Marg



Employment: (1) Teacher (Papanui HS, Queen Charlotte College); (2) HPE Lecturer (Wellington College of Education); (3) EOTC Coordinator Manawatu/Hawkes Bay; (4) HOD PE (Wellington College of Education); (5) Senior Lecturer (University of Waikato)

EONZ engagement: Contributions to EONZ Hawkes Bay, EONZ Wellington and outdoor learning & research; Facilitator, Safety management training

Other:

Qualifications: BPhEd (Otago), Dip Tchg, MSc (Minnesota)

Other Outdoor Roles: Past Board member of Project Adventure New Zealand

Interests: Time outdoors, beaches, reading

Dalton, Jill



Employment: (1) Secondary school teacher, economics, typing, outdoor education, (Papakura High School then (2) Manurewa High School); (3) National Field Officer (NZ Mountain Safety Council) 1990-98. (4) Outdoor safety auditor (Exemplar Global)

EONZ Engagement: Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association (AOETA) Secretary 1982-86, AOETA Chairperson 1987-88; AOETA life membership 1989

Other:

Qualifications: Advanced Teachers Diploma, NZ Council of Recreation & Sport Diploma, Outdoor Safety Auditor (Outdoors Mark)

Outdoor Qualifications & Awards: NZOIA Bush 2, Cave 1, Risk Management, Bush 1 assessor; ONZ Supreme Award 2004

Other Outdoor Roles: NZOIA Executive 1988 – 93, NZOIA President 1999-2004, NZOIA Assessor 1996-2016., NZOIA life membership

Interests: Orienteering, tramper extraordinaire, international trekking, beekeeper

Davies, Alan



Employment: (1) Teacher / Syndicate Leader/ EOTC Coordinator (Mt Roskill Intermediate School 1997 – 2005); (2) Teacher (Singapore Sports School, Singapore 2005 – 2007); (3) Teacher (The Roaches Independent School, England 2007 – 2009); (4) Teacher EOTC & Sports Coordinator (Mt Roskill Intermediate School 2009 – present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, National Exec 2002-04

Other:

Qualifications: BTchg, (University of Auckland), Dip Tchg (Auckland College of Education), Postgraduate Diploma of School Management (UNITEC Auckland)

Other outdoor roles: Group Leader (St Peters Scout Group Auckland 1990 – 2005), Safety and EOTC workshop facilitator for Teacher Professional Development in Auckland (Ministry of Education 2003-2004), EOTC coordinator in several schools 1999- present

Interests: Tramping, skiing, EOTC

Dignan, Annie



Employment: (1) Social worker (CYPS); (2) Outdoor Recreation adviser (Dunedin City Council); (3) Teaching Fellow (School of PE, University of Otago), (4) Lecturer (School of PE, University of Otago); (5) Research & evaluation manager (NZMSC); (6) Work Integrated Learning Coordinator, (Auckland University of Technology), (7) Kauri Protection Campaign Coordinator Auckland (Pest Free Kaipātiki); (8) General Manager (Pest Free Kaipātiki)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Otago 1992-2000, Secretary, EONZ Otago, National Executive 2001-2005, 2014-15

Other:

Qualifications: BA (Outdoor Education) (La Trobe University); MPhEd (Otago),

Other outdoor roles: Council member NZMSC; Council member, Sir Edmund Hillary

Outdoor Recreation Council, Ministry of Sport & Recreation; NZ Recreation Association

Interests: Tramping, skiing, outdoor living, environment

Dodunski, Al



Employment: (1) Teacher (Highlands Int, New Plymouth, Norfolk School, New Plymouth, Lytton St School, Feilding, Colyton School, Feilding); (2) Principal (St Joseph's School, Feilding); (3) Principal (Cheltenham School, Feilding); (4) General Manager (Manawatu Community Trust)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu, National Exec 1993-5, Initial Treasurer

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Palmerston Nth Teachers College), Adv Dip Tchg (Massey University)

Other Outdoor Roles: Developed and supported many school outdoor education programmes

Interests: Being outdoors, walking, gardening, family, casual building & landscaping

Donnelly, Craig



Employment: (1) Teacher (Kamo Intermediate School, Whangarei 1997-2001); (2) Teacher (Berkley Normal Middle School, Hamilton 2002-2017); (3) Teacher & outdoor learning programmes leader (St Peter's School, Cambridge 2018 - present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP 1994-6, 2002-15), National Exec 2006-10

Other:

Qualifications: Trade Certificate in Farming, Dip. Tchg & BEd (Waikato University)

Outdoor Qualifications: National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation – Leadership (Bush walking) 2016; EONZ/MSA/NZOIA Outdoor Leader Award, Pre-Hospital Emergency Care (Outdoor First Aid) 2020-22, MSA Outdoor First Aid (2005-2020), MSA Bush, MSA River Crossing, MSA Abseil

Other outdoor Roles: Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Unit Leader.

Interests: hiking, photography, kayaking

Ferguson, Sarah



Employment: (1) Teacher (Wellington, Auckland, London); (2) Education Officer (Americas Cup: 2002 / 2003); (3) Teacher ESOL / International (Queenstown Primary School 2003 – present)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, EONZ Wellington, National Exec 1998 – 2000, Regional Facilitator (Safety Management in the Outdoors) Regional Coordinator & facilitator (Kiwi Outdoors)

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Wellington College of Education); BA (Victoria University); Grad Cert in Teaching English as an Additional Language

Interests: Skiing, Kayaking, Travelling

Gilbert, Mark

[Mark has asked that his details not be included]

Haddock, Cathye

(Sadly Cathye passed away in September 2022)



Employment: (1) Resident Teacher, (Rotorua Lodge), (2) Lecturer, (Christchurch College of Education), (3) Principal Adviser (Ministry of Education)

EONZ engagement: Co-designer, inaugural 2-day risk management courses 1989; Inaugural Exec member, Top of the South Outdoor Educators Association 1993; Mentor & champion of EONZ through roles in Ministry of Education (2002 – 2022)

Other

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Hamilton College of Education), M.AppSci (Lincoln University), PGCert (Public Policy Analysis) (Victoria University), Te Pinakitanga o Te Reo Kairangi (Te Wananga o Aotearoa)

Other Outdoor Roles: EOTC Advisor (Ministry of Education); Convenor (Ministry of Education EOTC Advisory Committee); Author (1) NZMSC manual - *Managing risks in outdoor activities* 1st Ed 1993, 2nd Ed 2004, 3rd Ed 2013); (2) *Safety and EOTC – A good practice guide for New Zealand schools* 2002; (3) *Outdoor Activities Guidelines for*

Leaders 2005; (4) EOTC guidelines Bringing the Curriculum Alive 2009; (5) EOTC Survey 2007; Convenor Outdoor incident reviews, committee member, (Outward Bound Executive Safety Advisory Committee); Board member (ONZ); Convenor (MSC risk management committee)

Interests: Bird monitoring, pest trapping, caving, sea kayaking, tramping, running, skiing

Harrison, Brenton



Employment: (1) OE teacher (YMCA Camp Adair, Canoe & Kayak, CastleRock Adventures, Project Adventure, Mighty River Domain, various Auckland & Waikato schools); (2) Resident teacher (Kokako Lodge, Auckland); (2) Health & Safety Advisor (Intergroup HSEQ) (3) HSE advisor (Risk Prevention)

EONZ engagement: Chairperson (EONZ Auckland, 2009-2014); National Exec 2009-13

Other:

Qualifications: NZ Dip Workplace Health & Safety Management (EMA); Int. Dip. Health & Safety (RCC International); NEBOSH International General Certificate in Occupational Health & Safety; National Diploma Level 6 in Occupational Health & Safety; ICAM Investigator training

Outdoor qualifications: NZOIA Abseil 1, Kayak Flatwater, Mountain bike leader (no longer current); Prehospital Emergency Care First Aid (Peak)

Other Outdoor Roles: Land Search and Rescue, Mountain Safety Council - Auckland Branch

Interests: Committee Member (East City BMX Club) Commentator (BMX NZ); Volunteer with the NZ Sailing Trust providing health and safety advice.

Hill, Allen



Employment: (1) HOD PE & OE (Papanui High School, Christchurch); (2) PhD student, Teaching Fellow, (University of Otago); (3) Senior Lecturer, Graduate Research Coordinator, (University of Tasmania); (3) Principal Lecturer – sustainability & outdoor education (Ara Institute of Canterbury)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Otago, National Exec 2007-10, 2016 - present

Other:

Qualifications: BPhEd (Otago), PGDip OE (distinction) (Otago), PhD (Otago),

Other Outdoor Roles: Board member (Outdoors New Zealand (ONZ), 2009-2011); Board member (NZMSC 2008-2010); Convenor (Education committee MSC)

Interests: Researcher and writer, outdoor pursuits, golf, cycling, music & reading. (At the heart of Allen's research and teaching interests is how education can engage people with meaningful learning experiences that connect people with each other and with the places they inhabit.)

Hogan, Celia



Employment: (1) Outdoor Instructor / Adventure Tourism (Peel Forest OPC, Mckenzie College, Geraldine High School, Mt Hutt College, Glacier Explorers, Mt Hutt Ski Patrol, Roscoes Sea Kayaks Milford, Wainui YMCA 1999-2005); (2) Leadership Tutor / Project K Instructor (Horizons Adventure 2006-2007); (3) Programme Coordinator (Full On 2003-2011); (4) Project Manager (QBE 2011-2014); (5) Founder (Little Kiwis Nature Play, 2015-present)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2019 – present.

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Adult Education (Aoraki Poly), Dip Outdoor Education (Aoraki Poly).

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Rock 1, Kayak 1, Avalanche 1 (current)

Other Outdoor Roles: Chairperson (Spirit of Adventure Voyagers Club 1997-1999); Leader (St John Ambulance Cadets, London, 2008-2013); Chairperson (Greening the Red Zone 2016-2021); Chairperson (Nature Education Aotearoa 2021-present)

Interests: Adventuring on skis, foot, bike or kayak, guitar, gardening, nature crafting and weaving

Hoskins, Sophie



Employment: (1) Outdoor Instructor (2006-2007); (2) Teacher (Te Awamutu College 2009-2010); (3) Outdoor Instructor (2011-2012); (4) Teacher (Tarawera High School, Kawerau 2013-2016); (5) EONZ Kaiārahi (2018 – present) and part time teacher (Tarawera High School)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Kaiarahi 2018 - present

Other:

Qualifications: Bachelor of Adventure Recreation and Outdoor Education (CPIT); PGDip Teaching and Learning (Christchurch Teachers College)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Kayak 1, Rock 1 (2010 – Current)

Interests: Any outdoor adventures with my family and friends. Nothing more I love than a mission with my best girlfriends!

Howells, John



Employment: (1) Teacher (Carlton School, Wanganui, Motueka South School, Motupipi School, Golden Bay, Parihau School, Wanganui, Mangamahu School, Wanganui); (2) Deputy Principal, (Westmere Primary School, Wanganui)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu, National Exec 1996-2000, Kiwi outdoors facilitator

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (Palmerston Nth Teachers College), Dip Tchg Librarianship

Other Outdoor Roles: Ran over 42 camps for Westmere School

Interests: Outdoor Education in primary schools, school camps, woodturning, firewood

Irwin, Dave



Employment: Senior lecturer, HOD, (Christchurch Polytech Institute of Technology, Ara Institute of Canterbury 1999 - 2022)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury 2009 - present, National Exec 2009 - present, Editor Out & About 2009 - 2021

Other:

Qualifications: PhD (Canterbury), MSc (Lincoln), BEd (Waikato).

Outdoor qualifications & Awards: NZ surf life guard; NZOIA Rock 2 (until 2007), NZMSC Avalanche Management Stage 2; ONZ Environmental leadership award 2009.

Other Outdoor Roles: NZMSC Avalanche Committee (1995-2005)

Interests: Climbing, surfing, gardening

Kappelle, Catherine



Employment: (1) PE, Health & Outdoor Education teacher (1982– 91), (2) Resource Teacher of The Deaf (Van Ash Deaf Education Centre); (3) Teacher (Belfast Primary School, Hornby High School); (4) Teacher (Shirley Boys High School, 1993-2012); (5) Executive Officer (EONZ, 2008– 21)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Exec 2000 – 7, Executive Officer 2008 – 20; Life member 2021

Other:

Qualifications: Dip PE (Otago), Adv Dip Tchg (Otago), Diploma in Education of the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (Canterbury College of Education)

Interests: Outdoors, Lifestyle block farming, Rowing

Kay, Phil



Employment: (1) Teacher OE & Technology (Selwyn College 1981-2); (2) Resident teacher (Guthrie-Smith Outdoor Education Centre 1986-8); (3) Teacher school camps & Workshop Tech (Belmont Intermediate School 1989); (4) Teacher in charge of OE, Teacher PE & Technology teacher (William Colenso College); (5) Deputy Principal (William Colenso College 1990-2021)

EONZ engagement: Foundation Chairperson, (EONZ Hawkes Bay 1994-98); National Executive 1994-7; National Chairperson 2002-3; Programme leader - Outdoor 1; Member of the writing team & national trainer (Totally Outdoors - Safety Management for secondary schools 1996-7) Co-Director (Safety in the Outdoors Resource 2003-5, MOE Contract)

Other:

Qualifications: Teachers College Diploma (Auckland); Adv Tech Teachers Diploma (Dept of Education); Diploma in Parks & Recreation – Park Ranger (Lincoln); NZ Dip in Specialists Subjects (Open Polytech); Master of Educational Leadership and Management (Unitech)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Kayak 1, (no longer current) Bush 1 (no longer current), Project Adventure (PANZ) programming, safety skills and adventure based counselling courses, SKOLS (Skills for outdoor leaders) course

Other Outdoor Roles: Trustee (Environment, Conservation, Outdoor Education Trust 2004 – 2022 (Save Our Kaweka Kiwi & Lake Opouahi Kiwi Creche, Tutira, HB); Board Member (Outdoors NZ 2002-4); Chairperson (New Zealand Secondary Schools Canoeing Association, 1995 – 1998, 2002 – 2004); Trustee & Chairperson (Guthrie Smith Outdoor Education Centre Committee 1995 – 2000); National Moderator for Unit Standards (Sport Fitness & Recreation Industry Training Organisation, 1998); Risk management trainer (NZMSC 1997-9)

Interests: Slalom kayaking, sailing Trustee and volunteer in SOKK (Save our Kaweka Kiwi)

Keane (Taylor), Kristina



Employment: Teacher, (Mt Roskill Intermediate School, Auckland)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, National Executive 2004
[Sadly, we have been unable to contact Kristina]

Knol, Chris



Employment: (1) Ski patroller; Snow survival officer, (NZ Army Adventurous Training Centre); (2) Field officer (NZ Mountain Safety Council); (3) Outdoors manager, (Hillary Commission); (4) Director (Outdoor Safety Institute); (5) CEO (Outdoors New Zealand); (6) Business Development Director (Maven International); (7) Project Consultant (Sultanate of Oman); (8) National Chief Executive (YMCA NZ)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Wellington, National Exec 1992-5, Helped write the first constitution and management plan (1992-3)

Other:

Qualifications: BSc (Otago), PGDip Business & Info Systems (Massey)

Outdoor qualifications & awards: NZMSC alpine, snow, bushcraft, avalanche instructor; ONZ Supreme award 2006

Other outdoor roles: Chair, Otago Alpine Club; Outdoor instructor, Board member ONZ. Inaugural Administrator, Outdoor Recreation Council Aotearoa (ORCA)

Interests: biking, travel, walking, outdoor life

Lynch, Pip



Employment: (1) Contract outdoor instructor (1986-1990); (2) Senior lecturer, outdoor & environmental education (Lincoln University 1990-2007); (3) Education manager (National Energy Institute, University of Otago); (4) Self-employed researcher / writer; (5) Professor in Friluftsliv / outdoor life, (Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, Oslo); (6) Self-employed adult education / ESOL educator, software trainer

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Exec 2002-07, Out and About Editor 2004 – 7.

Other:

Qualifications: B.Ph.Ed (Otago), PGDip Education, M.Ed (Otago), PhD (Canterbury), CELTA, NCALNE

Other Outdoor Roles: Trustee (Peel Forest OEC, late 1990s - early 2000s); Trustee (Whenua Iti Trust Board, 2016); Chair (Whenua Iti Trust Board, 2018 – present)

Interests: Community service, mountaineering, nature conservation, youth

Mather, Anne

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu, National Exec 1993

[Sadly we have been unable to make contact with Anne]

Matheson, Donald



Employment: (1) Freelance outdoor instructor (Australia,; (2) Summer camp counsellor (USA); (3) Programme Coordinator (Perry Outdoor Education Trust, Hamilton), (4) Treaty & community planner, (Department of Conservation, Hamilton)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2015-19

Other:

Qualifications: Bachelor of Leisure Management (Griffiths University), Master of Sustainable Practice (Ara Institute of Canterbury)

Outdoor qualifications

Interests: Outdoor learning, sustainability & climate change

McConnell, Bert



Employment: (1) Teacher (Hastings Boys High School); (2) Teacher & HOD Social Sciences (Geraldine High School); (3) Senior lecturer, Outdoor & Environmental Education (Christchurch College of Education)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury; National Executive 1995-99; Assessor for Outdoor 1, Facilitator training for Kiwi Outdoors, Totally Outdoors & Outdoor 1. Safety management facilitator training; Life membership 2001

Other:

Qualifications: BA (Hons), MEd (Environmental Education), Dip Rec & Sport,
Outdoor Qualifications & awards: NZMSC bush, mountain craft & risk management instructor; ONZ Supreme award 2010

Interests: tramper & climber

McDonald, Fiona



Employment: (1) PE & OE teacher (Central Southland College); (2) Head of HAPE, Assistant Principal (Kaiapoi High School); (3) Education Consultant; (4) Outdoor programme auditor & assessor; (5) Auditor (Qualworx); (6) Chief Executive (EONZ)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Exec 2008-21, Co-chairperson 2016-19, Chief Executive 1921-present. EONZ representative on EOTC Guidelines group, NZQA Targeted review of qualifications (TROQ), Ministry of Education reference group.

Other:

Qualifications: BPhEd (Otago), BSc (Otago), Dip Tchg (Christchurch College of Education)
Outdoor qualifications & awards: NZOIA Rock 1, EONZ Outdoor Leader, National Cert in Outdoor Leadership - Bush, NZRA Supreme award 2018.

Other Outdoor Roles: NZMSC Board, Recreation Aotearoa Board, Skills Active Assessor

Interests: Mountain biking, tramping, volunteer environmental work

Messerli, Kay

Employment: (1) Experiential education teacher (USA); (2) Camp America, Project Adventure (USA) (3) Outdoors Manager (Hillary Commission); (3) Director, (Clapcott, Messerli and Associates)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 1993

Other:

Qualifications:

Other Outdoor Roles:

Interests: Experiential education, environmental education

Miller, Derek



Employment: (1) Geography & outdoor education teacher (Whangarei Girls High School 1991-2, Whangarei Girls High School 1996 - 2007); (2) Air Force Officer (NZ Defence Force (2007 -) (3) Director, (NZ Defence Force)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Canterbury, National Executive 1998-2000. Chairperson, Northland branch

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg (ChCh College of Education); MA (Auckland); Cert English Teaching Adults (University of Auckland), P G Dip (Arts) (University of Otago)

Outdoor Qualifications: Team Games for Understanding, Project Adventure Facilitating the Adventure Based Learning Experience I & II, NZOIA Flat Water Instructor, Summer and Winter Skills for Outdoor Leaders; American Red Cross 1st Aid and CPR for the Professional Rescuer

Other Outdoor Roles: Team Solutions Facilitator, 2003-2005 Facilitating School Board of Trustees members, Principals and Teachers in workshops to implement Education Outside the Classroom policies and procedures

Interests: Cycling, kayaking, running and reading

Miller (Bristow), Lenore



Employment: (1) Teacher PE, OE, Health, Maths (Havelock Nth High School, Hawkes Bay, 1991-5); (2) HOD PE (Hastings Girls High School, 1996-2000); (3) a range a subjects including teacher in charge of EOTC (Hawkes Bay School for Teenage Parents, William Colenso College, Napier, 2001- present)

EONZ engagement: Inaugural secretary, EONZ Hawkes Bay committee 1992-98, National Exec 1995-6

Other:

Qualifications: BPHEd (University of Otago), Dip Tchg (Christchurch)

Outdoor qualifications: Project Adventure 5 day High/Low ropes Facilitator course (early 1990's)

Other outdoor roles: Hawkes Bay Canoe Club Committee (1992 – 1999, 2019-2021), Facilitator, Guthrie Smith Outdoor Education Centre (late 1990's)

Interests: Kayaking, Outdoor pursuits, Youth development

Miller-Thevenard, Susan



Employment: (1) Outdoor pursuits instructor (NZ & overseas); (2) PE teacher, OE Coordinator & Dean (Feilding Agricultural High School); (3) Lecturer & education advisor (Palmerston North College of Education); (4) Consultant – Education development projects (5) Executive Director (Te Manawa museum, art gallery and science centre) (6) Self – employed farmer

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu 1992-2003, National Exec 1993-2003, Co-Chairperson 1994, Chairperson 1995-6, EONZ Projects - Kiwi Outdoors, Totally Outdoors and Safety Guidelines for Outdoor Pursuits resource creation and national professional development programmes

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Physical Education (University of Otago); Dip Tchg (Palmerston Nth Teachers College); MBA (Massey University)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZSIA Ski instructor

Interests: Organic Farming & Food, Recreation with family & friends, Art, Reading, Movies

Mount, Andrew



Employment: (1) Lecturer, (Auckland University of Technology 1999-2017); (2) Programme manager (Sir Peter Blake MERC); (3) Teacher, (Mahurangi College)

EONZ engagement: Auckland branch, National Exec 2019 – 2022

Other:

Qualifications: BEd (Massey), DipSecTchg

Outdoor Qualifications & Awards: YNZ Club Instructor 1993-2000; SKOANZ SK Guide; NZOIA Sea kayak 1 & 2 (2005 – present); NZOIA Rock 1 (1999 – present); NZRA Education programme award

Other Outdoor Roles: Senior Assessor & Mentor (Outdoor Recreation); National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Instruction), Tramping (Skills Active Aotearoa); New Zealand Certificate in Assessment Practice (Skills Active Aotearoa)

Interests: Building place-based relationships, boating education, restoration of waterways & forests, Te ao Māori

O'Connor, Margaret (1930-2021)

(Sadly Margaret passed away in June 2021)



Employment: Teacher, Guidance Counsellor (Rutherford High School, Auckland 1971 - 1989)

EONZ engagement: Foundation Chairperson, Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association; EONZ Auckland life member

Other:

Qualifications: BA, Dip Tchg, Dip Ed (Guidance)

Other Outdoor Roles: Member NZ Walkways Committee, Bushcraft Instructor NZMSC, NZ Search & Rescue Auckland region.

Interests: Tramping, skiing

Parker, Waveney



Employment: (1) Teacher (Stanley Ave Primary, Te Aroha); (2) Teacher, PR1 (Te Aroha College); (3) Principal (Te Miro School, Cambridge); (4) Principal (Te Puru School, Thames coast); (5) Principal (Tamahere Model Country School, Waikato)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP, National Exec 2000-2005, Acting Chairperson 1993 (6 months), Kiwi Outdoors facilitator, Safety & EOTC workshop facilitator

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tchg, B.Ed, M.Ed Leadership (1st class honours)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZMSC many courses, EOTC - Advanced studies in Teaching.

Other Outdoor Roles: 1st Response Team Leader (Search & Rescue, 1999); Instructor, Summer Skills for Outdoor Leaders (Sir Edmund Hilary Outdoor Pursuits Centre)

Interests: Tramping, sailing, skiing, sea kayaking squash, gardening, farming

Paterson, Libby



Employment: (1) Health and Physical Education Advisor (School Support Services, Wellington); (2) Lecturer, PE/Health & EOTC (Wellington College of Education); (3) PE Advisor (PENZ); (3) PE & Health Facilitator (College of Education, University of Otago) (4) Lecturing Fellow, Health/PE Education and some EOTC (Victoria University)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2004-7, 2011- present, EONZ National co-chairperson 2016-17

Other:

Qualifications: Trained Teachers Certificate, Dip Sports Studies (Otago)

Penman, Liz



Employment: (1) PE, Health & Outdoor Ed Teacher (St Cuthbert's College, Kelston Girls High School, Henderson High School); (2) Outdoor Programme Manager (Sport Waitakere); (3) Business Owner / Director (AdventureWorks NZ Ltd); (4) Business Owner / Director (Project Adventure NZ Associates Ltd) [Includes outdoor safety auditing for OutdoorsMark / Qualworx, assessing for Skills Active, contract lecturing for Unitec, facilitating PLD for EONZ etc]

EONZ engagement: AOETA & EONZ Auckland; National Exec 1995-7, Facilitator of EONZ Professional Learning and Development, Life Member 2021

Other:

Qualifications: Dip PE (Otago), Dip Sec Tchg (Auckland)

Outdoor Awards: Skills Active Supreme award 2019

Other Outdoor Roles: Skills Active Assessor; Skills Active SAM (Senior Assessor Mentor) for High Ropes / High Wire; Member of TROQ High Ropes / High Wire Technical Advisory Group; Member of Skills Active High Ropes / High Wire Programme Advisory Group; Member of Skills Active Outdoor Recreation Programme Advisory Group; Member of TIA 'High Wire' Activity Safety Guidelines Working Group; Member of industry Good Practice Guidelines Working Group; Project Adventure Trainer; Technical Expert for Adventure Activity Auditors; Technical Advisor for Adventure Activity Operators; Lead Auditor – OutdoorsMark / Qualworx

Periam, Gemma



Employment: (1) PE & OE teacher (Rosehill College & Te Kauwhata College); (2) Dairy farmer, (North Waikato); (3) EO (EONZ); (4) OE programme developer and coordinator, (Perry Outdoor Education Trust); (5) Developer and Assessor EOTC qualifications (Skills Active); (6) Outdoor consultant, (HEDOutdoors Ltd)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, Secretary Auckland EONZ, National Exec 1997, EONZ Executive Officer 1998-2003, EONZ Treasurer, Totally Outdoors facilitator. Life membership 2008, EOTC Guidelines Professional Development developer and facilitator (EONZ, 2003-present)

Other:

Qualifications: BPhEd Distinction (Otago), Dip Tchg (Auckland)

Outdoor Qualifications: Bush Leader, Mountain bike leader

Interests: tramping, mountain biking, kayaking, rock climbing, golf

Pollitt, Clark



Employment: (1) Teacher (Various North Island schools including sole teacher on Motutapu Island), (2) Deputy Principal (Wainoni School, Christchurch); (3) Lecturer, Outdoor Education & Professional Studies (Christchurch College of Education 1996-2007); (4) Tour Guide (Adventure South)

EONZ engagement: Chair EONZ Canterbury, National Exec stand-in member 1994-5

Other:

Qualifications: Higher Dip Tchg (Wellington Teachers College), BTchg & Lng (Canterbury)

Interests: tramping, outdoors, travel, local history

Potter (Mataio), Megan



Employment: (1) Teacher, (Hamilton Girls High School, 2006-2007); (2) Teacher, (Mount Maunganui College, 2008-2009); (3) Assistant HOD PE, (Mount Maunganui College, 2009-2012); (4) Teacher (Taradale High School, 2013); (5) Education Tutor (Department of Corrections, Hawkes Bay, 2014-2016); (6) Teacher (Te Aho O Te Kura Pounamu, Hastings 2017 – current.)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP, EONZ Exec 2011-12

Other:

Qualifications: M.Ed (First Class Honours), (University of Waikato); DipGrad Secondary Tchg (University of Waikato); Bachelor of Sport and Leisure Studies (University of Waikato); National Certificate in Adult Literacy and Numeracy Education (NZQA).

Outdoor Qualifications: National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation - Instruction Tramping (Level 4) (Skills Active); National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation - Leadership Rock Climbing (Level 3) (Skills Active); National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation - Leadership Abseiling (Level 3) (Skills Active); Dip Outdoor Leadership (Abseil)

(Whitireia Community Polytechnic); NZOIA Rock One 1999 -2015; NZOIA Flatwater Kayak 1999 -2015, MSC Abseil I 2007 – 2015, MSC Bush One 2012 – 2015
Interests: Cycling, hiking, squash

Putt, Wayne



Employment: (1) Teacher PE (Newlands College); (2) Teacher & HOD PE (Otaki College); (3) Tutor (Whitireia Polytechnic); (4) Business owner (Outdoors Unlimited, Otaki)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu, EONZ inaugural chairperson 1992-5, EONZ Deputy Chairperson 1995-8, Co-writer Outdoor 1 qualification, Chairperson Editorial Committee MOA/Journey, EONZ life member 1997

Other:

Qualifications: Dip PE (Otago), Dip Tchg,

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Alpine 1, Kayak 1, Bush 1

Other Outdoor Roles: Outdoor equipment supplier, Wolf Fisher Fellowship (to study OE in Australia, 1998), Writing team *Riversafe*; Chairperson, (National Moderation Panel, SFRITO)

Interests: slalom kayaking, tramping, mountaineering.

Rawson, Gerald



Employment: (1) Secondary teaching; (2) Resident teacher (Borland Lodge, (Southland); (3) Outdoor Education Co-ordinator (Marlborough REAP) and co-opted National Advisor (Ministry of Education); (4) Senior Advisor (NZQA, Skills New Zealand and Ministry of Education)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Wellington, EONZ Top of the South, National Exec 1993-5, Wrote initial foundation discussion paper, Life Member 1997

Other:

Qualifications: MA (Hons)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZMSC Bushcraft and Mountaineering instructor

Other Outdoor Roles: Member (Department of Education EOTC Advisory Committee); Foundation board member (Sports, Fitness & Recreation ITO (SFRITO); Inaugural convenor (NZQA Outdoor Recreation Unit Standards Advisory Committee).

Editor (Outdoor Pursuits Guidelines for Educators, editions 1-4 and Anywhere Everywhere - Curriculum Guidelines for EOTC)
Interests: Tramping, mountaineering, adventures, photography

Reddish, Caroline



Employment: (1) Teacher (Tihoi Venture School 2006-8); (2) PE & OE teacher (Green Bay High School, 2009); (3) Teacher (Hamilton Girls High School, 2011 - 2013); (4) Teacher St Cuthberts College – Kahunui, 2014 - 2016); Deputy Principal (Trident High School, 2017 - present)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2016 – present

Other:

Qualifications: M. Ed Leadership (Hons) (Waikato), BSPLS (Waikato), Dip Tchg (Waikato), DipTech (Waikato)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZIOA Rock One 1999, NZIOA Cave One 2001

Interests: Mountain biking, off-road running, tramping, skiing

Roe, Richard



Employment: (1) Maths teacher & EOTC Co-ordinator, Manager Mt Aspiring Lodge & programme (Otago Boys High School 1988 - present), (2) Teacher (Bearwood College, Wokingham, UK 2003-5)

EONZ engagement: Secretary, Chairperson EONZ Otago; National Executive 1997-2002, Manager, resource publications & promotion

Other:

Qualifications: BSc, Dip Tchg

Other Outdoor Roles: Duke of Edinburgh Award Coordinator

Interests: Tramping, sea kayaking, fishing, travel

Snowsill, Anja



Employment: Teacher, (St James School, Palmerston Nth), Company director (McWilliam Homes)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Manawatu, National Exec 1994, (Secretary)
[Sadly we have been unable to contact Anja]

Stewart, Lynley



Employment: (1) Teacher; (2) Health and PE Advisor - Waikato BOP region, (School Support Services, Hamilton); (3) Director (Learning Effects Ltd); (4) Education Team Leader/Aquatic Educator (Drowning Prevention Auckland)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Waikato/BOP 1990-2010; National Executive 1994-99; National Chairperson 1997-9; Kiwi Outdoors writer and coordinator; Totally Outdoors; Life member 2001

Other:

Qualifications: TTC (Dunedin), B.Ed. (Waikato). Dip Ed.Leadership (Waikato)

Other Outdoor Roles: Co-director MOE Professional Development Contract: EOTC – Safety in the Outdoors (2003-2005)

Interests: Outdoor recreation, aquatics

Sutherland, Arthur



Employment: (1) Teacher (Dunedin North Intermediate School); (2) Teacher (East Otago High School); (3) Teacher (Kaiapoi High School); (4) Head of social science faculty and director of adventure school (Kaiapoi High School); (5) Lecturer in OE & social sciences

(Christchurch College of Education); (6) Advisor to schools EOTC & OE (Secondary Tertiary Alignment Resource (STAR)); (7) Future pathways and school leadership manager, (Alternative Education ChCh); (8) Education Advisor (The Learning Project)

EONZ engagement: Inaugural chairperson (Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association, COETA), 1980; Committee member and Chairperson COETA; National executive chairperson 2004-7; National executive 2004-10; Editor of Out and About; Member of the Canterbury Education Board School Camps Advisory Group; Representative on the Ministry of Education EOTC Reference Group; Stand in with the Ministry of Education for Cathye Haddock; Leader of the Regional EOTC workshop programmes; and EONZ life member 2003

Other:

Qualifications: BA (Otago), PGDip Arts (Hons) (Otago), Dip Tchg (Otago).

Outdoor Awards: ONZ Excellence Award—SPARC Supreme award 2003; Rotary Foundation Scholarship 1985; Paul Harris Fellow—a Rotary Foundation-International Award—outstanding contribution to OE in NZ (2003); Outdoors NZ Award--dedicated service and outstanding contribution to ONZ

Other outdoor roles: Key instigator (Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre); Board member & Chairperson (North Canterbury Alpine Trust (NCAT), 1978-2019); Secretary (NCAT 1993 to present); Co-founder, Trustee, including Chair (Project Adventure NZ); Assessor for Outdoor One, Outdoor Leader, and instruction staff member (Boyle River OE Centre); Board member (Outdoors NZ, 1999-2012); Chair of the ONZ Safety Committee; Moderator of the Christchurch College of Education Outdoor and Environmental Faculty, 2000-2004; with Eric Schusser created and delivered the first Adventure Based Counselling Course, 1989; led the co-creation of the RMTA Scheme (1987-88) and directed the first RMTA Training Course (August 1987) and the first Assessment Course (May 1988); directed several risk management training and assessment courses

Interests: Most recreation activities, in particular trail biking and lawn bowls, and sports, in particular rugby and basketball

Swann, Filivaifale Jason



Employment: (1) Teacher (Tamaki Intermediate School 1991-1995); (2) Teacher (Point England Primary School 1996-1998); (3) Teacher (Saint Pius X School 1998-2002) (4) Teacher (Saint Mary Mackillop School 2002-2006); (5) Deputy Principal, (Sir Douglas Bader Intermediate School, Auckland 2006-9); (6) Principal, (Otahuhu Primary School 2009-21), (7) Director, Review & Improvement Services (Education Review Office)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland 2004-9, National Exec 2005-2008

Other:

Qualifications: Dip Tch, BEd (Auckland), PG Dip (Educational Management and Leadership) MEd (Auckland).

Interests: Fishing, diving, the sea

Thevenard, Liz



Employment: (1) PE teacher, (Otumoetai College Tauranga); (2) HOD PE (Nga Tawa Diocesan School Marton); (3) HOD PE & OE (Wellington East Girls High School); (4) Lecturer PE (Wellington College of Education); (5) HOD PE, Senior Lecturer, (Wellington College of Education); (6) Senior Lecturer, PE & EOTC, (Victoria University of Wellington)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Wellington 1993 onwards, National Exec 1993, 2000-17. National chairperson 2008-16. Life membership 2017

Other:

Qualifications: Dip PE (Otago), MA (Applied) (Victoria)

Outdoor Qualifications & Awards: Life member Wellington Skiing for the disabled 1999; ONZ Supreme award 2009; Life membership PENZ 2013

Other outdoor roles: Community Education; (1) 36 years with Wellington High School, 1980-2016; (2) Ski Fitness, Keep Fit Rock Climbing, Outdoor Adventures & Windsurfing; (3) Instructor Women Climbing; (4) Instructor, Rock Climbing & Alpine Courses (Wellington Alpine Club)

Interests: Rock climbing, women climbing, wind surfing, tramping, mountain biking, skiing, kayaking

Warner, Grant



Employment: (1) Teacher (Waitara East Primary School 1979, Pomaria Primary School West 1980-1, Lincoln Heights Primary School 1982-5); (2) Outdoor Education & Environmental Education Adviser (Auckland & Northland Education Advisory Services 1996-8); Director (Growing Families New Zealand Charitable Trust 1998-2005); (3) Project Management and Consultancy (Legacy Projects 2005 – 12); (4) Auckland Regional Coordinator (24-7 Youth Work)

EONZ engagement: EONZ Auckland, EONZ Deputy Chairperson, National Executive 1996-8

Other:

Qualifications: Trained Teachers Certificate, Dip Tchg (North Shore Teachers College)

Outdoor Qualifications: Outdoor Leader, Risk management, Outdoor first aid, Parenting Education
Other Outdoor Roles: Member of the Health and PE Advisory Team (Auckland Advisory Service)
Interests: Tramping, sports cars, landscaping

Washbourn, Phil



Employment: (1) PE teacher (Aorere college 1997-9); (2) UK - supply teaching 2000-2002; (3) Assistant HOD HPE, teacher in charge of outdoor education (Papanui High School, Christchurch 2003 - present)

EONZ engagement: Member, (Canterbury Branch EONZ); National Exec 2017 - present; Co-Chairperson 2018 - present

Other:

Qualifications: BPhEd (Otago), Dip Tchg (Canterbury), MHSHP (Waikato)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Bush 1 (2008-9), NZOIA Bush 2 (2010 -), NZOIA Indoor Rock wall supervisor, Ropes Course Facilitator (Horizons). PHEC

Interests: Predator and pest control, tree planting/ re-wilding, tramping, open water swimming, sea kayaking, wheelchair rugby, enjoying the Aotearoa outdoors

Watson, Sophie



Employment: (1) Teacher IC outdoor education (Wellington East Girls College 2010 – 2014, 2017 – 2018); (2) Professional development lead and facilitator (EONZ 2018 – present); (3) Kairangahu/Researcher (New Zealand Council for Educational Research 2019 – present)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2014- present, Co-Chairperson 2020 – 2022 May.

Other:

Qualifications: Bachelor of Adventure Recreation and Outdoor Education (CPIT); PG Dip in Teaching & Learning (secondary) (University of Canterbury); M.Ed (First Class Honours) (University of Waikato); Certificate of Integrative Nutrition Health Coaching (Institute for Integrative Nutrition)

Outdoor Qualifications: NZOIA Rock 1 (2009 – 2019), NZOIA Bush 1 (2011 – 2019).

Interests: Adventure racing, bikepacking, urban adventuring, gender equity

White, Sharon

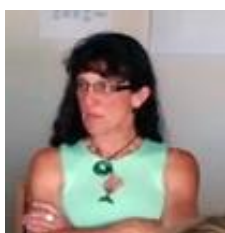
Employment: Secondary school teacher, Outdoor Education and Te Reo Māori (Kaiapoi High School), Kaihautū (leader) (Te Pā o Rākaihautū School, Christchurch), Curriculum Lead, Ministry of Education

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2020 - present

Other:

Interests: Tikanga Māori

Wilkie, Kath



Employment: Teacher & HOD PE & Health, (Solway College, Masterton); HOD EOTC, (Wairarapa College, Masterton)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2010 - 2015

[Sadly, we have been unable to contact Kath]

Zink, Robyn



Employment: (1) Instructor (Outward Bound NZ); (2) Lecturer, (Monash University Melbourne 2005-8); (3) Post-doctoral fellow (University of Alberta 2009-10); (4) Freelance outdoor education researcher (Zink Research); (5) Researcher, (University of Otago); (6) Otago Regional co-ordinator, (Enviroschools 2016 - present)

EONZ engagement: National Exec 2003

Other:

Qualifications: Masters in Recreation and Leisure Studies (Victoria), PhD (Otago),

Interests: tramping, sea kayaking, sailing, biking, gardening

New Zealand Outdoor Awards

Education Outdoors NZ (EONZ), Outdoors NZ (ONZ), & Recreation Aotearoa (RA).

Year	Supreme Award (Hillary Comm, SPARC, SportNZ, Skills Active)	EONZ Education Programme Award (until 2014).Then YMCA award.	ONZ Best Facility Award (Later Best Organisation Award, then NZMSC Organisational excellence)	
2002	Phil Kay	Tihoi Venture School, St Paul's Collegiate	-	
2003	Arthur Sutherland	Kaiapoi High School	Whenua Iti OPC	
2004	Jill Dalton	Dunstan High School, Alexandra	Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre	
2005	Cathye Haddock	Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre's Youth Adventure Challenge	YMCA Wainui Park	
2006	Chris Knol	Roncalli College, Timaru	Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre	OPC Environmental Leadership Award
2007	Mike Boyes	William Colenso College, Napier	Tihoi Venture School	Barry Law
2008	Hon. Noel Scott	Loburn School, Canterbury	Adventure Southland, Invercargill	Maree Baker
2009	Liz Thevenard	Kahunui Lodge, BOP	Peel Forest Outdoor Pursuits Centre	Dave Irwin
2010	Bert McConnell	Oxford Area School, Canterbury YMCA Wainui Park	YMCA Shakespear Lodge, Whangaparaoa	Chris North - Leave no trace
2011	Graeme Dingle	Mt Aspiring College, Wanaka	Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp	Activity Hanmer Ltd
2012	Stu Allan	Matahui Road School, BOP	Bigfoot Adventures	St Cuthberts College – Kahunui Lodge
2013	Grant Davidson	Perry Outdoor Education Trust	Potiki Adventures Ltd	Enviro Schools Trust
2014	Lyndsay Simpkin	Gore High School	St Andrews College Castle Hill Outdoor Centre	Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp Trust
	In 2014 ONZ was dissolved and NZRA / Recreation Aotearoa took over the awards			
2015	Geoff Gabites	Not awarded	NZ Alpine Club	N/A
2016	John & Christine Furminger	Not awarded	Te Araroa Trail	Dave (Didymo) Cade
2017	Josie Ogden Schroeder	Not awarded	YMCA Christchurch	Arthurs Pass Outdoor Education Centre
2018	Fiona McDonald	CraftLab - Andrew Mount & Omine Ivatt	Adventure Specialties Trust	Youthtown Envirocamps
2019	Liz Penman	Not awarded	Not awarded	Not awarded
2020	No Awards - COVID			
2021	Rachael Moore	(1) Outstanding Event/Programme – Outward Bound Mind Body Soul programme (2) Environmental Leadership Award – Discover Waitomo (3) Maori Outcomes Award – Te Awanui a Rua		

Notes:

- The Hillary Commission for Recreation & Sport became the Sport and Recreation Commission (SPARC) in 2003, then SPARC became Sport New Zealand on 1 Feb 2012, hence the SPARC

supreme award became the Sports NZ Supreme Award. In 2015, the Sports NZ supreme award became the Skills Active Supreme Award.

- In 2015, the SEHOPC Environmental Leadership Award became the DOC Environmental Leadership Award
- In 2018 the EONZ Outstanding Programme Award became the YMCA Outstanding Programme Award
- The NZ Recreation Association became Recreation Aotearoa on 15 Feb 2019
- The EONZ award was not awarded in 2015, and in 2016 was withdrawn from the NZRA Awards. Instead, it was renamed the EONZ EOTC award and was awarded at the annual PENZ conference to Tarawera High School. After not being awarded in 2017, in 2018, the award was renamed again to become the EONZ Excellence and Innovation in EOTC award, to be presented in a localised ceremony in the recipients school. Consequently, it was presented in-house to John Taylor (JT) at Kristin School, Auckland. From 2019, discussion continues about continuance.
- For whatever reason, possibly lack of nominations, only one RA award was given in 2019.
- From 2021, four RA awards are available: (1) Te Tohu Whaiao Māori – Māori Outcomes Award; (2) Te Tohu Tiakina Taiao - Environmental Leadership Award; (3) Te Tohu Kaupapa Toa - Outstanding Event/Programme award, (4) Te Tohu Manu Kura - Supreme Award (Individual).

New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association (NZOIA) Tall Totara Award

Year / recipient	Year / recipient	Year / recipient
1992 Bev Smith	2004 Mark Jones	2013 Tim Wills
1993 Hazel Nash	2005 Graham Charles	2014 Mike Atkinson
1994 Ray Button	2006 Linda Wensley	2015 Drew Brown
1995 John Davidson	2007 Ian Barnes	2016 Dave Moore
1996 John Skilton	2008 David Mangnall	2017 John Furminger
1997 Lyndsay Simpkin	2009 Ian Logie	2018 Kieran McKay
2001 Don Paterson	2010 Ray Hollingsworth	2019 Sash Nukada
2002 Mick Hopkinson	2011 Gareth Wheeler	2020 Keith Riley
2003 Jo Straker	2012 David Brash	2021 Jen Riley

Note: The Tall Totara was not awarded in 1998-2000

Glossary of Acronyms

AOETA	Auckland Outdoor Education Teachers Association
ARA	Ara Institute of Canterbury
AUT	Auckland University of Technology
CCE	Christchurch College of Education
COETA	Canterbury Outdoor Education Teachers Association
DCE	Dunedin College of Education
DOC	Department of Conservation
DOE	Department of Education
ECE	Early Childhood Education
EONZ	Education Outdoors New Zealand
EOTC	Education Outside the Classroom
ERO	Education Review Office
HC	Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness and Leisure
HPE	Health and Physical Education
ISS	Inspector of Secondary Schools
LEOTC	Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom
MERC	Sir Peter Blake Marine Education and Recreation Centre
MOA	Mātauranga o Aotūroa
MOE	Ministry of Education
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NCEA	National Certificates of Educational Achievement
NZCEA	New Zealand Certificate of Educational Achievement
NZCRS	New Zealand Council for Recreation and Sport
NZHEA	New Zealand Health Education Association
NZMSC	New Zealand Mountain Safety Council
NZRA	New Zealand Recreation Association
NZSTA	New Zealand Schools Trustees Association
NZWSC	New Zealand Water Safety Council
NZOIA	New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association
NZQA	New Zealand Qualifications Authority
ODENZ	Outdoor Education New Zealand
OEA	Outdoor Education Australia
ONZ	Outdoors New Zealand
OPC	Outdoor Pursuits Centre
OTAB	Outdoor Training Advisory Board
PANZ	Project Adventure New Zealand

PENZ	Physical Education New Zealand
PLD	Professional Learning & Development
PPTA	Post Primary Teachers Association
RA	Recreation Aotearoa
RAMS	Risk Assessment & Management System
RAS	Review of Achievement Standards
REAP	Rural Education Activities Programme
RMTA	Risk Management Training and Assessment
RoVE	Review of Vocational Education
SAA	Skills Active Aotearoa
SEG	Subject Expert Groups
SEHOPC	Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre
SFRITO	Sport, Fitness and Recreation Industry Training Organisation
SNZ	Sport New Zealand
TOPEC	Taranaki Outdoor Pursuits and Education Centre
TRCC	Teachers Refresher Course Committee
TROQ	Targeted Review of Qualifications
WCE	Wellington College of Education
YMCA	Young Men's Christian Association

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