EVENT SPOTLIGHT

Kia Ora DC Kiwis: Annual Kiwi Feast 2017

Volunteers

A big shout out to all the volunteers that helped out before, during and after this event. You know who you are! To thank you we will be having a volunteer appreciation party in October and will send you more information!

Who was here?

We had 232 tickets sold, and people came from Virginia Beach, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Baltimore and the DMV area. The map that people filled out of their connection to NZ is further in this spotlight.

Treasurer’s Report

The Kiwi Feast is one of the two events that Kia Ora DC Kiwis has each year focussed on raising funds for us to undertake our activities. Learn what was raised in our Treasurer’s Report inside.

Third annual Kiwi Feast brings local Kiwis together

For the third year in a row, Kia Ora DC Kiwis held our annual Kiwi Feast at the NZ Embassy.

Many thanks to Ambassador Tim Groser, Embassy staff members, Jamie Manley, Patrick and the security team, who provided amazing and time-critical support leading up to and during the event to enable us to use this venue. Thanks also to Kia Ora DC Kiwis NZ Embassy Liaison Jonathan Steffert for helping us to use the Embassy as our event space for this event.

We know many of those who attend feel happy and proud to be on NZ soil particularly while so far away from home, and for those born here, to make that connection.
Another fabulous Kiwi feast this year!

It is great to be able to have the Embassy as a central place for our group to meet and have a party. The day would not have been the success it was without the attendees, who were willing to participate, meet others, make new connections, and just have a fun kiwi day!

The event needs the support of many volunteers, and we are lucky to have a strong team who help in the weeks before the event, as well as those that volunteer to help out on the day. The hangi and kitchen teams are a hardworking bunch and their efforts are major contributing factors in the success of the day – without them there would be no Kiwi feast! So thank you to all those people that worked so hard on the day.

It was also great to see so many bringing along their favorite dessert to share as part of the Kapa Haka fundraising effort. Getting to eat our favorites from back home is always fun. Thanks also go to the various members that donated all the raffle prizes this year. This was really appreciated, and meant that everything we made from ticket sales became part of the profit for the event.

This year there were 232 people at the hangi. Numbers are limited to the total number we feel able to cater for, while ensuring that we are able to provide you all with some really great kiwi food, and I think we achieved that this year!

Last but not least, special thanks go to Ram, who provided the entertainment this year. He did an awesome job of connecting with the people and encouraging audience participation.

We also make sure that we learn from each event, so that we can make future get togethers even more enjoyable. We look forward to seeing you again next year!
Both the men working on the hangi pots and BBQ and the team in the kitchen started at 7 am on the day of the Kiwi Feast. The Kitchen/Food team was led by Thomas Parsons. The BBQ/Hangi Cooker team was led by Rich Tavai, Alby McIlroy and Royal Orbell.
Main Prize

Original painting produced for Kiwi Feast, (estimated value $500): “Aotearoa, New Zealand”/

Donated by Sally MacGeorge
Sally is on Facebook.

Other Prizes

90 minute massage valued at $130 (2 prizes)
Donated by Fiona Hayes
https://canarvorchidretreat.com

Prize pack – bottle wine, T Shirt and Tuku Iho Programme (3 prizes)
Presented to Kia Ora DC by Tuku Iho

Maori Ornament, Scroll work & Key Ring (3 prizes)
Donated by Miriama Patterson
Contact: MiraPatt@gmail.com

Food Prizes: Kiwi Pie Vouchers and lollies
Donated by Southern Cross Bakery and Kiwi Kuisine (4 prizes)
southerncrossbakery.com

Pendant -carved by Kapotahi Tuahine Frederickson
Donated by One Catch Art
See One Catch Art on Facebook.
Raffle - Winners

Erin Pettid: Pendant
James Griffin: Pies
Luca Dehais: Pies

Carolyn Maleknasri: Tuku Iho
Muzz Wilton-Jones: Tuku Iho
Andrea: Maori Ornament

Miriama Patterson: pies (with John Clarke from Southern Cross Pies)
Andrea: Massage (with Fiona Hayes who donated massage prize)
Bill Ernestberg - Kete (pictured with recipient Ingrid Ahlgren)
Volunteers Galore

*Jodi Catlow, Kia Ora DC Kiwis, Vice President*

Kia Ora DC kiwis would not exist if it were not for the incredible people who give up their time, energy and passion toward building kiwi community in the DC/MD/VA area.

We were extremely blessed to have an incredible group of volunteers help make this years Kiwi Feast our best year yet. We had a number of returning volunteers, and many new folks who reached out via email, Facebook and personal connections wanting to help.

Our organization is 100% volunteer run, and this years volunteers ranged from planning the entire event to a 30 minute shift in the bar. We were also lucky to have members of our newly formed KODC Kiwis youth committee taking care of environmental services and helping with kids activities.

No matter what your interest is, volunteering in our community is a great way to get to know other local Kiwis and positively contribute to our mission. If you have an interest in participating in any way, or have ideas for community building, please contact Jodi (giddaymate@kiaoradckiwis.com).

Massive thanks to everyone who pitched in and attended this years Kiwi Feast!
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Around the Kiwi Feast
Kia Ora DC Kiwis has started a youth group (Kia Ora DC Kiwis Youth). Youth led the children’s activities and games (with great advice from their Aunties) and also took responsibility for keeping the bathrooms clean (checking hourly), managing the trash and recycling during the event including final clean up.

If you are a youth or have one interested in being included in youth activities or planning contact Joseph Vitolio (kbjoey@gmail.com or via facebook)

Great job guys!
Finance Report from Annual Kiwi Feast

Leonie Boyd, Treasurer, Kia Ora DC Kiwis

This event is the major annual fund-raising event for our group, and it provides us with the resources to meet the administration costs, support future events (like Whanau Day), and enable us to support other kiwi activities in the area, such as Tuku Iho in July this year.

The hangi costs including embassy security, insurance, entertainment, food preparation items, food and drink cost was $5,161.

After covering costs, profit made on each activity is as follows:

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Ukulele corner

Talented musician and community member Bill Ernestburg set up a ukulele corner which was appreciated by many, both those who have played and those who have never touched a ukulele. Kia Ora Bill!
Who came?

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

Mark it on the map!
Ngati DC: KODC Kiwis Kapa Haka update

Miriama Patterson, NgatiDC Leader

Kia Ora Ngati DC Ten Kotou Katoa,

Just a quick update and a brief recap of our festivities that have taken place recently. Many of us gathered together for the annual Kiwi feast. We were 232 strong this year and as usual a good time was had by all.

During the Kapa Haka session we sang songs and learned about the importance of community. Our young ones now know that if you don't know an adults name a simple “Aunty or Uncle” will suffice. I discussed the change of name from KODC Kapa Haka to Ngati DC and the new direction we are heading. This coming year the emphasis will be on strengthening the community and developing relationships.

Our gatherings will be every 3 months and times and dates will be posted in advance through our facebook page. We will have an opportunity to learn songs and a few phrases in Maori consisting of a fun filled 30 minutes before breaking for a snack and a good korero. This gives our children time to develop relationships and adults an opportunity to socialize.

For those of you who would like to take part in the more formal aspect of Kapa Haka language and performance please let me know and we will schedule separate dates for us to practice for events.

If you have any questions or ideas for an upcoming Ngati DC event please feel free to forward your idea by email to NgatiDC@gmail.com

Please look forward to our first event as Ngati DC, “Wine and Legends”. Bring your stories of life in New Zealand or childhood stories to share a good bottle of wine or beer. Dates to come. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Our Kiwi feast songs

Whaakaria Mai
Whakaaria mai
Tōu riipeka ki au
Tiaho mai
Ra roto i te pō
Hei kona au
Titiro atu ai
Ora, mate
Ora, mate
Hei au koe noho ai

Tūtira mai nga iwi
Tātou tātou e
Repeat
Tatou, tatou
(tahi, rua, toru, wha)
Hi aue hei!!!
Kia Ora DC Kiwis: Who we are

Kia Ora DC Kiwis is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization formed to create and foster a supportive community of New Zealander’s living in the Washington D.C., Maryland and Virginia area. To learn more about Kia Ora DC Kiwis, read our mission statement and bylaws on our website: http://kiaoradckiwis.com/ or visit our Facebook page to join the online Kiwi community.

Kia Ora DC Kiwis Executive Committee

- Grant Boyd
  - President
- Jodi Catlow
  - Vice President
- Leonie Boyd
  - Treasurer
- Kate Brown
  - Secretary

Kia Ora DC Kiwis Board of Directors (including Executive Committee)

- Miriama Patterson
- Steven Morrison
- Alby Oata McIlroy
- David Keegan
- Belinda Tibbles

Special Roles/Positions

- Miriama Patterson, Kuia and Kia Ora Ngati DC Leader (Activity was formerly called Kia Ora DC Kiwis Kapa Haka)
- Alby Oata McIlroy, Kaumatua

For More Information:

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