

U3A Hutt Valley Speakers Since 2018

2023

Feb – Don Manning QSM CEO Wellington Sailability Trust.

Mar – AGM: Catherine Chapman – how she didn't become a millionaire

Apr – No meeting. Our regular meeting date clashed with Easter

May – Sir Geoffrey Palmer KC: the effect of a three year Parliamentary term

Jun – Sir Anand Satyanand: The state of New Zealand Universities

Jul – Sir Hugh Rennie: The Chatham Islands and Gunboat Diplomacy

Aug – Dr Mary McIntyre: Predator Free NZ

Sep – Jim Ward: Reverse Mortgages from Heartland Bank

Oct – Captain John Brown: Background to the Wahine Disaster

Nov – Kate de Goldi: Children's Literature

2022

Feb – Simon Woolf: Photography by Woolf has been a part of Wellington since 1934.

Mar – AGM – Ray Manning: Armchair Travel

Apr – James Lynch QSM: conservationist and the founder of Zealandia

May – Marilyn Garson: author of Still Lives – a memoir of Gaza

Jun – Hamish Campbell: the Chatham Islands

Jul – Nicola Sladden: Banking Ombudsman

Aug – Caitlin Cherry: Head of content as Consumer NZ

Sep – Don Rennie: What has gone wrong with ACC

Oct – Dr Rebecca McKenzie: Malaghan Institute Vaccine Development

Nov – Max Rashbrook: Institute for Governance & Policy Studies

2021

Feb 2021 – Rod Downey – mathematics and country dancing

Mar 2021 – AGM – Allen Heath on tics

April 2021 – Mike Berridge – Malaghan Institute on Covid

May 2021 – Frank Sligo – Social media

June 2021 – Duncan Campbell – Chinese Books

July 2021 – Gail McJorrow – Better send off

August 2021 – Professor Michael Baker, Epidemiologist

Sept 2021 - Lacemaker

Oct 2021 - Cancelled Covid

Nov 2021 - Gill Jolly – volcanologist

Dec 2021 – Entertainers Andrew and Kristen London

2020

Feb 2020 Dr Helen Heath - Writing, Publishing & the Future of Libraries

Mar 2020 Barry Warner - life in New Zealand radio from 1955 – 1959

Apr 2020 – Corona Virus – no meetings till July, but published 8 newsletters:

July 2020 Geoff Bertram - the many ways NZ's electricity reforms have been misguided.

Aug 2020 - Classics Professor John Davidson – classic Greek literature

Sept 2020 - Kirsten Mason – Orchestra Wellington

Oct 2020 - Gregory Baughen - Official Secretary to the Governor-General of NZ

Nov 2020 - Rob Merrifield - New Zealand Railway & Locomotive Society

2019

Feb 2019 Dr Nick Kim specialist in environmental chemistry and contamination issues.

Mar 2019 Dr Les Molloy Natural heritage consultant, author on NZ's natural environment.

Apr 2019 Karen McDonald Deputy CEO Consumer NZ

May 2019 Robbie van Dam Co-founder & Design Leader of Goodnature

June 2019 Jaenine Parkinson Director of the New Zealand Portrait Gallery

July 2019 Geoscientist Joshu Mountjoy - Our Underwater Landscape

Aug 2019 Marc Wilson Professor of Psychology at VUC

Sept 2019 David Sole, Manager Botanic Gardens of Wellington

Oct 2019 Karl Chitham, Director of The Dowse

Nov 2019 Dr Phil Lester Professor of Ecology and Entomology at VUW

2018

Apr 2018 Malaghan Institute of Medical Research - allergic diseases and why are they on the rise?

May 2018 Keith Smith, Flight Plastics - recycling NZ's valuable plastic waste.

June 2018 The Safety of Chemicals in Foods John Reeve, Toxicologist

July 2018 Dr Swee Tan of the Gillies McIndoe Research

August 2018 Dr Mark Heath Senior Environmental Scientist with GWRC

Sept 2018 Jane Tolerton History wars - how NZ women got the vote in 1893.

Oct 2018 Elizabeth Cox - NZ Historic Places Trust

Nov 2018 Associate Professor Nancy Bertler Director of the Antarctic Science Platform