

**Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 @ 7.30 p.m.**

**Sound and Vision Centre, Palmerston North City Library,  
George Street, Palmerston North**

**“Dead Dolphins and Sick Seals - investigating marine mammal disease”**



**Speaker: Dr. Wendi Roe, Senior Lecturer in Anatomical Pathology,**  
Institute of Vet, Animal & Biomedical Sciences, Massey University

Wendi will talk about some general aspects of her work. Also, about her research looking at causes of disease and death in marine mammals, and how that feeds into information on marine environmental health, as well as, specific information about the species.

All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated.

**Forest and Bird Manawatu hosting**  
**Te Apiti - Manawatu Gorge Walks again**  
**February and March, 2016**



Have you ever wanted to know about the geology or history of the Manawatu Gorge along with other information? Good News - Manawatu Forest and Bird are, again, hosting a series of these popular walks, once a fortnight, through February and March finishing with the Manawatu Walking Festival on the 19th/20th March.

Each walk will have two hosts from Forest and Bird, who will enlighten your gorge experience with fascinating geological, botanical, ornithological and even entomological tidbits along the 10 km. walk - plus some fascinating history of the area. You will be able to enjoy the panoramic vistas while eating your lunch, and visit the delightful cafe at the end of your walk.

Come and discover a landmark of awe-inspiring legend, geographical magnificence, and cultural wealth.

**Dates:** Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

**Meet:** i-Site, The Square, Palmerston North

**Time:** 8.00 a.m. to depart at 8.15 a.m.

(unless informed the day before e.g. if cancelled due to poor weather).

Return at Palmerston North i-Site is around 4.30 p.m.

**Please Note:** The transport will leave **promptly** at 8.15 a.m

**Cost of transport:** These walks are open to adults and children over 10 years of age.

Adult: \$18.00

Child (10 -16 years): \$9.00

(Additional fees may apply)

**Tickets:** Bookings through the Palmerston North City i-Site are essential and must be booked by 4.30 p.m. Friday prior to the walk. **Phone:** 0800 MANAWATU (0800 6262 9288)

**Information:** You need to have moderate fitness with good walking shoes and poles (if you normally use them), as the first half is a steady uphill climb. Don't forget your raincoat, water, lunch, camera and some money for that coffee at the end.

We are also providing hosts for the **Manawatu Walking Festival** on the Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th March. The 19th is the shorter Tawa Loop, especially suitable for children and the 20th is the whole Gorge walk.

Please visit their website [mwf.org.nz](http://mwf.org.nz) to book.

If you have any additional queries, please email: [manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz](mailto:manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz)

## SUMMER GUIDED DAY TRIPS TO MANA ISLAND

February-March, 2016

*“Hi, From the Friends of Mana Island we received an invitation to visit Mana Island in February and March. Below you find all the details regarding booking and dates.*

*Kind regards*

*Kapiti Mana branch of Forest & Bird”*

## SUMMER GUIDED DAY TRIPS TO MANA ISLAND

You can plan your summer trip to our Island in February and March.

**DATES:** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2016

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

**DEPARTURE:** from Mana Marina

**TIME:** 0900 a.m. and return at 4.00 p.m.

**PLEASE BRING:** Food and drink for the day, good, sturdy walking shoes, poles (if you usually use them), extra layers and wet weather gear (in case).

**COST:** \$45.00 per head, which covers the cost of the boat charter and guide.

Payment can be made on the day in cash, or cheque, made out to FOMI or online. But, be aware that trips may be cancelled if weather conditions are deemed to be unsafe.

**TO BOOK:** please email [contactus@manaisland.org.nz](mailto:contactus@manaisland.org.nz)

More detailed information:

- will be supplied when your booking has been confirmed
- or is available on our Web site.

The trips are limited to a total of 30 passengers, or a few more if there are children aboard.