**Dutch Week 2022** 

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Oranje lintje Annie van der Dussen

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# **Bestuursleden Federation**



### President Joost de Bruin

Joost de Bruin has been the President of the Federation since 2015. He is also a member of the committee of the Dutch Club Manawatū and was involved in the establishment of the Oranjehof Dutch Connection Centre in Foxton. Joost is an Associate Professor in Media and Communication at Victoria University of Wellington. *joost.debruin@vuw.ac.nz* 

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Wies van den Berg has been the treasurer of the Federation since 2016. She is the president of the Netherlands Society in the Waikato and has been involved with in the Waikato Dutch community since the 1990s in several different ways, starting as a committee member of the Waikato Dutch Choir. Wies teaches nursing at Wintec, is married with Peter, has three adult children and lives in Cambridge. *vandenberg@xtra.co.nz / (07) 827 9395* 





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# Van de voorzitter - Joost de Bruin

We live in interesting and in some respects quite challenging times. For the first time in decades there is a war on European soil after the illegal invasion of Ukraine by Russia. The effects of climate change are becoming more visible on a yearly basis, it seems. We are dealing with the challenges of a global pandemic for the third year in a row. At the same time restrictions for events have recently changed: vaccine passes are no longer required, there is no limit for the number of people who can meet outdoors and the limit for indoor events has been raised from 100 to 200 people. Amidst all these circumstances we are organising the second ever Dutch Week in Aotearoa New Zealand.



Dutch week is an initiative from four Dutch New Zealand organisations – the Federation of New Zealand Netherlands Societies, the New Zealand Netherlands Foundation, the Dutch Business Association and the Oranjehof Dutch Connection Museum Trust – supported by the Netherlands Embassy. The aim of Dutch Week is to create visibility for Dutch communities and businesses and to invite everyone to participate in a celebration of Dutch food, language, heritage and culture.

As Dutch New Zealanders we are in a privileged position in that we live in a peaceful country where we can participate as citizens or residents while still celebrating our Dutch background and heritage. That has historically not always been the case, but times have changed. We applied for funding from the new Ministry for Ethnic Communities and they awarded us a \$30,000 grant to organise Dutch Week. The different Dutch Week events are not just targeted at Dutch people though, they are for all New Zealanders and there are benefits for everyone learning more about cultural diversity.

There will be a range of different events from 23 April to 1 May. There will be King's Day events all over the country organised by the different Dutch clubs – including the Dutch Week opening event in Foxton – there will be a Dutch film festival, a speech and essay competition for secondary school students, and buildings will be lit up in orange in different cities and towns. For the first time this year, Orange Bike Rides will be organised as part of Dutch Week. Orange Bike Rides will take place in ten different locations around the country to promote cycling as a sustainable means of transport. On the final day of Dutch Week there will be a Dutch War memorial service in Auckland.

This issue of De Schakel gives a comprehensive overview of events that have been organised for Dutch Week and I am very grateful for editor Ron van Santen for putting it together.

You can also check the new Dutch NZ website at www.dutchnz.nz for details about Dutch Week events.

I hope that you will have the opportunity to participate in at least one of these events and that everyone will stay safe and healthy.

Groeten van Joost.

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Beschermvrouwe van de Federatie van New Zealand Netherlands Societies Inc. Hare Excellentie Mevrouw Mira Woldberg, Ambassadeur.



### Media release

Dutch Week 2022: A Colourful Celebration of All Things Dutch

Nationwide events to connect to culture and language

The annual Dutch Week that will be celebrated at the end of April, is set to cast an even brighter orange glow across Aotearoa New Zealand than at its premiere in 2021.

Dutch community organisations and businesses across the country will engage in 'all things Dutch', from Saturday 23 April to Sunday 1 May – including a speech competition for young students, a film festival and traditional games for kids. Dutch Week is open to anyone, keen to experience Dutch foods, culture and language.

"Last year we celebrated with numerous events, and the Sky Tower and other major landmarks were lit up in orange – during our first ever Dutch Week" says Ambassador Mira Woldberg. "This year, we want to build on that and add more typically Dutch activities for family and whanau to enjoy, like nationwide orange bike rides."

"Because of the COVID pandemic, and the lack of travel over the past two years, many Dutch New Zealanders miss seeing family and friends and participating in the joys of Dutch culture, language, arts and foods. For one week, we will bring people together to celebrate all things Dutch here in Aotearoa New Zealand. This will be done in line with the Government's COVID regulations of course", says Ms Woldberg.

Dutch Week aims to enhance the visibility of local Dutch communities, and the contributions they make to a diverse Aotearoa. It lets people share in the strong connections between the Netherlands and New Zealand.

Under the umbrella of Dutch clubs, businesses and associations, volunteers are working together to roll out a wide range of fun activities nationwide.

"As a migrant community, we have traditionally been relatively invisible in New Zealand", says Dr Joost de Bruin, President of Dutch Communities NZ. "Dutch Week is about highlighting who we are. We invite all New Zealanders to participate in Dutch culture, try some new foods, watch a Dutch film or learn a bit of our language".

The celebrations will be officially launched at the Big Dutch Day Out on Saturday 23 April, by Ambassador Mira Woldberg and the Hon. Marja Lubeck, in the arts and heritage town of Foxton. They will jointly open the 'Handboek' exhibition of historic photographs by renowned documentary photographer Ans Westra – spanning several decades.

Other activities on the day will include kite-flying, a clogs art KlompenKunst competition, and Oud-Hollandse Spelen or an 'Old Odd Games Competition'.

"Windmill De Molen has successfully organised our annual Big Dutch Day Out for over 10 years now," says Arjan van der Boon, Co-Chair of the local Oranjehof Dutch Connection museum.

"But this time we want to put on a special show. We'll let kids from all over the country play in a competition of traditional Old Odd Games. It will involve clogs, stiltwalking, and jumping around in coffee sacks. With the novelty factor here in Aotearoa – where they've probably never done it before – it should be heaps of fun."

During the week, many prominent buildings around the country such as the Skytower, Michael Fowler Centre, the Christchurch Airport, the Palmerston North clock tower and others will be lit up orange – the national colour of the Netherlands, that people all over the world strongly identify with.

The NetherlaNZ Foundation is organising a Dutch Film Festival in the three major cities and is inviting everyone to view award-winning Dutch movies.

A nationwide Dutch Speech Competition will be organised for youngsters, and a family friendly orange bike rides across the nation will promote cycling as a sustainable and fun means of transport.

The Dutch Business Association will host an event on sustainable business in Auckland. Other Dutch organisations in various cities will celebrate Koningsdag, the Dutch King's birthday, for anyone who enjoys

Yummie Dutch food and drinks. A fun part of Koningsdag will be the vrijmarkt, where kids can sell their spare toys, and score heaps of cheap 'new' ones.

Support for Dutch Week across Aotearoa New Zealand is provided by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Ministry for Ethnic Communities, local councils and businesses.

For more information and the programme please visit www.dutchnz.nz or Dutch Week, Dutch Connections

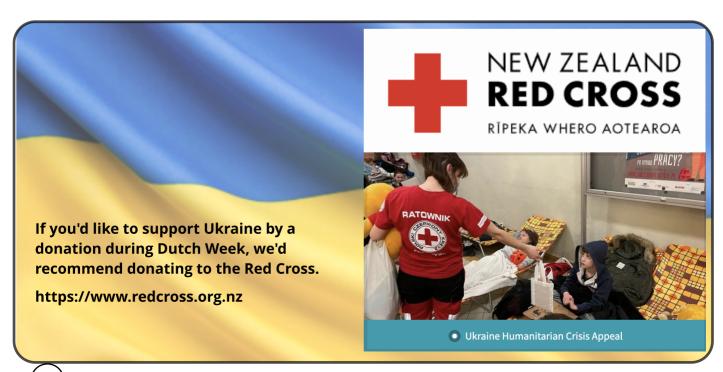
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# **Opening and Big Dutch Day Out**

### Official Programme: Big Dutch Day Out, Sat 23 April

• 11am-3pm Big Dutch Day Out: Kites, Foods, Castle Games, Odd Old Dutch Games, Music, Art

• 11.00 am: **Opening Big Dutch Day Out:** Ambassador Mira Woldberg / Mana Whenua / Mayor

11.10 am: Unveiling Memorial Plaque at Leon van den Eijkel's sculpture: 'Bonsai Spheres'
 11.15 am: Giant Kites go up. Kids colour in small kites. Kick-off 'Oud-Hollandse Spelen'

• 11.30 am: Exhibition opening: Ans Westra Photographs: after Handboek

• 12.00 pm: Official Opening Dutch Week: Ambassador / MPs

'Op de Fiets' + 300 Kids vliegers go up

• 1.00 pm Prize Giving: De Molen local art competition on *Diversity* 

• 1.15 pm Prize Giving: national 'Klompenkunst' Clog Art Competition

Saturday 23 April, 2022 – 11.00am to 3.00pm

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom / Te Awahou Riverside Cultural Park

92 Main Street, Foxton









# Big Dutch Day Out, Saturday 23 April

- **300 Kites** for kids to colour in and fly.
- **Klompenkunst** (Clog Art) turn your old clogs into art and float them on the river.
- Odd Old Dutch Games, focussed on kids;
  - klompen gooien / clog throwing.
  - steltelopen / stiltwalking.
  - zaklopen / sack jumping.





### **Memorial Sculpture**

11.10 am: Unveiling of memorial plaque at Leon van den Eijkel's sculpture 'Bonsai Spheres'.

### **Sponsoring The Wall**

People can still sponsor the wall by buying space for their name for \$250 (50 spots available).





### **Exhibition**

**Handboek: Ans Westra** Photographs is a large-scale survey exhibition containing work selected from the approximately 48,000 negatives that reside in the Westra archive at Turnbull Pictures in the National Library.



# Film festival





### Mijn Vader is een Vliegtuig

When Eva's mother unexpectedly dies, the life of Eva turns out to be built on secrets and lies. The fear of losing her mind, just like her father, becomes more and more threatening. Eva starts a quest for her past, to face her demons

- **AKL: The Vic, Devonport** Sat 23 Apr.
- CHC: Alice Cinema, 209 Tuam St Sat 23 Apr.
   For start times please check DutchNZ.NZ
- WLG: Roxy, Miramar Sat 23 Apr.

### De Belofte van Pisa

The story of a Dutch-Moroccan boy who tries to survive at an elite music academy in posh Amsterdam South, while his brother is in prison.

Based on the Bestseller novel, by Mano Bouzamour.

- **AKL: The Vic, Devonport** Sun 2 May.
- **CHC: Alice Cinema, 209 Tuam St** Sun 2 May. For start times please check DutchNZ.NZ
- WLG: Roxy, Miramar Sun 2 May.



When her mother suddenly dies, and her father having been in a mental institution for more than 30 years, 40-something Eva finds herself in an existential crisis.



The story of a Dutch-Moroccan boy who tries to survive at an elite music academy in posh Amsterdam South, while his brother is in prison. Based on the novel by Mano Bouzamour.



# **Speech and Essay competition**

**The National Dutch Speech Competition is back** for its second year and we have added a new opportunity by adding in an essay division for those who are perhaps a little bit shy to deliver a speech in person.

The topic of the essay is "Wat kan Nederland leren van Nieuw-Zeeland?" and open to all Year 9-13 students enrolled in a NZ Secondary school. The word limit is 750 to 850 words and must be submitted by 15 April. The covid response should not be discussed in the essay to ensure that there is a good variety of answers to the question.

The speech competition has two divisions, for year 9-11 the time limit is 2-3 minutes and for year 12&13 it is 3-4 minutes. Pre-entries for this are due on 25 April and the participants must be available to deliver their speech live on the evening of the 29th of April during Dutch week (as well as answer a few questions from the judges).

A unique aspect of our speech competition is that it is available in English or Dutch so not just for native speakers but also for those with Dutch Heritage. The topic this year is "My clogs and my jandals".

Some great prizes to be won with the overall winner of the speech competition getting a trip to Wellington to spend the day with the Ambassador.

For more information go to <a href="https://www.dutchspeechcomp.nz">www.dutchspeechcomp.nz</a>



Luuk Heijnen

Westlake Boys High School, Auckland

1st Place Year 9-11

Last year's Winners



Isobel Ham (Overall Winner) Woodford House,

Napier

1st Place Year 12-13



# **Orange Bike Ride**

Orange Bike Rides will take place in the following locations;

- Rotorua
- Hamilton
- Kapiti Coast
- New Plymouth
- Hutt Valley
- Wellington
- Nelson
- Blenheim
- Christchurch
- Dunedin



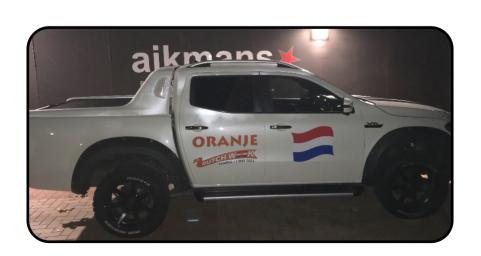
For more information and how to register check **DutchNZ.NZ** 

# **King's day party Christchurch**



# Wednesday 27th April, 7pm

Wear something Orange!!





Aikmans Sports Bar 154 Aikmans Rd Merivale Christchurch





# KİNG'S DAY PARTY

Wednesday 27th April, 7pm at Aikmans Sports Bar PS Limited to 100 tickets, get in quick!

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Presale tickets: \$15 per person
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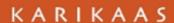
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# **Orange lights**

- Auckland; - The Sky Tower (27th of April)

- Christchurch; - Airport exterior walls and Tower

- Art Gallery

- Canterbury Museum

- Foxton; - De Molen

- Palmerston North; - The Clock Tower

- Wellington; - Michael Fowler Centre

- the Carter Fountain

- the Dutch Embassy





# **Federation Projects.**

Ideas and plans in progress.

# Het Kaartje.

### **HET KAARTJE** DRAFT 1

Proposal for the Federation of NZ Netherland Societies Inc Membership Cards and Benefits

# HetKaartje.NZ

**UIN 15 00001** 

Mr. <u>Nederlandse</u> Roots Holland House Auckland

Auckland Club Membership nr: 12345

Proof of membership of Dutchcommunities NZ /Federation of NZ Netherlands Societies

### Introduction

Het Kaartje meaning 'the little card' will provide members of member clubs and societies in the Federation with a membership card and benefits program. This will be managed by the Federation and is expected to have 5 phases of development.

Phase 1: Membership Card - Simple Benefits (2022)

Phase 2: Expansion of Member benefits (2022 - 2023)

Phase 3: App version (2024)

Phase 4: Direct Communication

Phase 5: Membership renewal

### Phase 1

The initial phase consists of standardizing the membership details of all the clubs and offloading the creation of cards to the Federation. The clubs will hold a membership number (UIN) for each member, and these will be issued within a specific range for each club.

The clubs will provide the details of their membership in bulk at a specific time (1 June) with distribution being likely to be 1 July with the cards being valid until 30 June. These will be free to the clubs but individual card requests outside of this window will incur a postage and handling charge of \$5.

Clubs using the card agree to sharing their membership benefits to all card holders, as part of the sign on process. So for example if Auckland Dutch club provides membership benefit of 50% off item A at the market then holders of Het Kaartje visiting from Hamilton club will receive the same benefit.

Fair use policies will apply and this does not apply to membership participation rights or privileges.

Het Kaartje website part of the Dutch Communities will list membership benefits.

(More information to follow after Dutch Week)

# Oranje lintje voor Annie van der Dussen.





It has been 7 years since Yoka Saris took the initiative to instigate this award and finally on Saturday night 16 October 2021 there was a big announcement at the Netherlands Society Clubhouse in Christchurch after the play "Lockdown" by Toenail Culture Ale.

Ambassador Mira Woldberg – cited that in view of the extraordinary significance of Annie's activities for the Society and for the relations between the Kingdom of the Netherlands and New Zealand – she had the honour to announce that His Majesty King Willem-Alexander has graciously approved to appoint Annie van der Dussen a Member in the Order of Orange Nassau.

"She has been here for more than 40 years ... and since that time she really has been a tireless, tireless pillar of the Dutch community in Christchurch," Woldberg said.

Annie (73) moved to the Garden City after leaving the Netherlands in 1980 with her husband and four young children.

For more than 25 years Annie has been very active in the committee of the Netherlands Society, including: 5 years as President, in the Neerlandia Choir and the Youth Choir and even up until today she still volunteers to visit Dutch migrants in need of support or company. Annie has opened her house for many visitors, including for members of the Dutch jeugdkoor De Oosterhoutse Nachtegalen during their two tours to New Zealand in 2011 and 2018. Wim Schoones and his Oosterhoutse Nachtegalen created, sang and recorded a beautiful homage for Annie.

Annie established the Toenail Culture Ale Group 20 years ago. She was also part of the establishment of the Orange committee for the Dutch Queen's birthday celebrations along with Arie van der Wiel and Gerald van Looy.

(Picture: Chris Skelton/Stuff)



### DigiD aanvragen per videobellen nu officieel beleid

Onlangs kregen we bericht van het Ministerie van Buitenlandse zaken: na een succesvolle pilot wordt per direct het activeren van DigiD via videobellen structureel aangeboden. Hiermee kunnen DigiD-activeringscodes via videobellen ontvangen worden. Voor meer informatie en aanmelding zie: DigiD-activeringscode ontvangen via videobellen | Wonen & werken | Nederlandwereldwijd.nl.

De SNBN juicht deze ontwikkeling toe, en ziet deze als de opmaat naar meer (video)digitalisering van diensten - zo valt te denken aan Verklaring van in leven zijn, rijbewijzen en zelfs paspoorten - en naar meer harmonisatie van digitale diensten, zoals recentelijk bepleit in een brief aan de regering.

### Enquête voor Nederlands gepensioneerden in het buitenland

De VBNGB houdt onder haar leden en geïnteresseerde niet leden een enquête ter verbetering van de belangenbehartiging van Nederlands gepensioneerden buiten Nederland.

Hiermee willen zij bij de Nederlands gepensioneerden buiten Nederland peilen waar hun interesses liggen en wat hun (on)tevredenheid is in verband met hun belangen.



ledereen met een Nederlands(e) AOW/pensioen of arbeidsongeschiktheidsuitkering buiten Nederland wonend is welkom de enquête in te vullen.

Ga verder naar enquête

# **World Wide Web and Beyond**

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**SNBN:** www.nederlandersbuitennederland.nl

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