

DE SCHAKEL

**Dutch Week 2023 -
Some Highlights**

**Frank van Schaijk,
Ridder in de Orde van
Oranje Nassau**

**FIFA, Kicky has arrived
in NZ. Trophy Tour in NZ**

Bestuursleden Federation



President Christiaan Buijers

President of the Federation since April 2023 after several years as Vice-President. President of the Auckland Dutch Club. Born in Groningen and immigrated to NZ with his family in 1984. His dad is originally from Limburg and mum from Indonesia. He works in IT in education and runs 2 JiuJitsu clubs. cbuijers@dutchcommunities.co.nz

Vice-President Joost de Bruin

Joost de Bruin was involved in the establishment of the Oranjehof Dutch Connection Centre in Foxton and was President of the Federation from October 2015 to April 2023. He is Director of the Hundertwasser Art Centre with Wairau Māori Art Gallery in Whangārei. joost.debruin@dutchcommunities.co.nz



Secretary Ellen Tavenier

Ellen was born in Swifterbant (Flevoland), grew up in Hoogeveen (Drenthe). Met and married a Kiwi in the Netherlands. First arrived in NZ in 2005, then arrived again in 2011 after a 3 year US work stint in Portland, Oregon. She has been the Federation Secretary since 2016. secretary.nznlfederation@yahoo.com

Treasurer Wies van den Berg

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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Officer Media Ron van Santen

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Officer Grants Margaret May

Margaret May has been a member of the Dutch Club Manawatu for three years and is currently also on the board of the Windmill Trust in Foxton. margaret@homebuildhomes.co.nz

Officer Youth Malou Vermeer

Malou was born in Enschede and moved to New Zealand with her husband in 2017 for a working holiday. They decided to stay and grew two Kiwi kids here. Malou has been on the committee of the Auckland Club since 2019 and is the impact manager of a part charity – part enterprise called Make Give Live. malou.vermeer@hollandhouse.org.nz



Van de voorzitter - Christiaan Buijers

Beste Clubs en Trusts,

We zijn nu aan het einde van de derde editie van de NZ Dutch Week aangekomen en ik wil de enorme inspanningen erkennen die door zoveel mensen in het hele land zijn geleverd om dit allemaal mogelijk te maken. Dutch Week begon allemaal op Koningsdag, wat ook het einde markeerde van Joost' termijn als Voorzitter van de Federatie en het begin van mijn overname van zijn rol. Het leek me een goed idee om jullie vandaag te schrijven om mezelf (opnieuw) voor te stellen en om enkele van de doelen die ik mezelf heb gesteld als Voorzitter van de Federatie met jullie te delen.



Voordat ik dit doe, vind ik het echter heel belangrijk dat we eerst de ongelooflijke bijdrage erkennen die Joost de afgelopen 7,5 jaar als Voorzitter heeft geleverd. Hij heeft grote schoenen in de Federatie achtergelaten om te vullen, maar ik zal mijn uiterste best doen om dit goed te doen.

Even iets over mij: ik ben een onvrijwillige immigrant, omdat mijn familie besloot naar Nieuw-Zeeland te emigreren toen ik 7 jaar oud was. Ik ben geboren in Groningen en heb daar de eerste 7 jaar van mijn leven gewoond en de rest hier in Auckland. Ik heb het grootste deel van mijn leven in IT en Education gewerkt en in mijn vrije tijd leid ik een paar Jiu-jitsu-clubs. Ik woon semi-rural met mijn vrouw en onze twee dochters (7 en 2) in het geweldige noordwesten van Auckland, net voorbij Kumeu, met 4 honden, 4 katten en de ouders van mijn vrouw in het extra huisje dat we voor hen in onze achtertuin hebben gebouwd. Al ongeveer 5 jaar ben ik lid van het comité van de Auckland Dutch Club en sinds 2 jaar ben ik voorzitter – voor het executive comité van de Federatie ben ik de afgelopen 3 jaar Vicepresident geweest.

Als Voorzitter van de Federatie wilde ik mezelf 10 doelen stellen, maar ik kwam tot zeven en zelfs die zullen collectief moeilijk te bereiken zijn in de aankomende jaren, maar ik ga erg mijn best doen:

1. Het opbouwen de Nederlandse gemeenschap;
2. Het versterken van de financiën van de Federatie en andere Nederlandse organisaties;
3. Erkenning van de mensen die dingen mogelijk maken binnen de Nederlandse gemeenschap in NZ;
4. Het versterken van de relatie met de ambassade;
5. Ervoor zorgen dat de iedereen met een Nederlandse achtergrond zich thuis voelt in onze gemeenschap;
6. Het opbouwen van relaties met andere (vooral Europese) gemeenschappen om elkaar te ondersteunen en van elkaar te leren en
7. Maak van Koningsdag de Nederlandse St. Patrick's Day in Nieuw-Zeeland. Dit zijn ambitieuze maar haalbare doelen.

Dit is genoeg voor vandaag. Nogmaals bedankt aan iedereen die heeft bijgedragen aan de Nederlandse Week 2023. Laten we nu even pauzeren, evalueren en dan beginnen met de voorbereidingen voor Dutch Week 2024!

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**Beschermheer van de Federatie van New Zealand Netherlands Societies Inc.
Zijne Excellentie de Heer Ard van der Vorst, Ambassadeur.**

Van de voorzitter - continued - Christiaan Buijsers

Dear Clubs and Trusts,

We have come to the end of the third instalment of the NZ Dutch Week now and I want to acknowledge the huge efforts made by so many people around the country into making it all happen. It all started on Kingsday, which also marked the end of Joost's term as President of the Federation and me taking over from him. I thought it would be good to write to you today to (re)introduce myself, and to share with you some of the goals I have set for myself as the President of the Federation.

Before I do that though I think it's very important that we acknowledge the incredible contribution Joost has made as President during the last 7.5 years. He has left big shoes to fill in the Federation but I will do my best to fill them.



So a little bit about me, I am an involuntary immigrant, as my family decided to immigrate to New Zealand when I was 7 years old. I was born in Groningen and lived there for the first 7 years of my life, and most of the rest up here in Auckland. I have worked in IT and Education for most of my life, and I run a couple of JiuJitsu clubs in my spare time. I live semi-rural with my wife and our two girls (7) and (2) in the great Northwest of Auckland just past Kumeu, 4 dogs, 4 cats and my wife's parents in the spare house we built for them in our back section. For the last 2 years I have been President of the Auckland Dutch Club, and on the committee for about 5 years. I have also been Vice-President in the Federation Executive Committee for about 3 years.

Recently, I set about setting myself 10 goals to achieve as President of the Federation. I managed to get to only 7 and even those are going to be difficult to achieve but I am going to try very hard to achieve them:

1. Build the Dutch community,
2. Strengthen the finances of the Federation and other Dutch Community entities,
3. Recognise the people who make things happen,
4. Strengthen the relationship with the Embassy,
5. Make Dutch heritage people feel like they belong in our community,
6. Build relationships with other communities (particularly other European ones) to support each other and learn from each other and
7. Make Koningsdag the Dutch St Patrick's day in NZ. These are ambitious but achievable goals.

That's enough from me today. Once again thank you to everybody who made Dutch Week 2023 happen, now let's take some timeout, then do a good debrief and then begin the work on Dutch Week 2024!

Met vriendelijke groet/Kind Regards,
Christiaan Buijsers



Oranjarahof
Dutch Connection Centre

The Big Dutch Day Out

The Big Dutch Day Out was again a fun event that got lots of attention. Young and old kids had fun with the many games like stilt walking (stelt lopen), can throwing (bussie gooien), clog throwing (klompen gooien), sack walking (zak lopen).

A huge success was the clog colouring.

Food stalls were a bit overwhelmed, but plenty of Dutch food to be had.



Unveiling of the restored street Organ - Draaiorgel 'De Papegaai'.

At the Big Dutch Day Out in Foxton the restored Organ - Draaiorgel 'De Papegaai' got unveiled.

The organ is a 36 key Draaiorgel. What that means is that it blows air through 32 pipes. The rotating of the wheel at the back puts air in the bellows. The power of the air also beats a drum, a cymbal and a tambourine. It also moves the puppet's arm with the conductor's baton up and down.

The organ got purchased from Bill Beetz from the Waikato. He used to play it at the Hamilton Tulip Festival and at other Dutch events.



We don't know the origins of the organ. It seems to be a 1960s one. The Belgian company where Bill Beetz ordered the play books from that enable the music, claims they did not produce the organ. But confirmed that they did produce the music books for Bill. When the front got cleaned, Bill Beetz' initials got discovered in the painting of De Papegaai. That means that perhaps he named it that way and then also painted the sceneries. Including the Dutch landscape with windmill and water at the bottom. The angels and the lush curled structure is still the original colourful work. Very different from Bills style.

Our local conservator Jim Harper spent several weeks replacing leaky air pipes. Creating a new mini bellow that operates the puppet's arm. Fixing the puppet's arm. Getting proper strength air flow back in all the pipes. (A number weren't working) And finally tuning the organ. He also repaired some of the music books. Which had got damp and damaged. He even cut the holes in a complete new page where the old page had disintegrated.

Local carpenter Dave Seavers created the cabinet on wheels that the organ sits on. So that we can roll it out and move it around.

We will play the organ on special occasions and for tour groups.

If people want their name on a plaque next to the organ? Next to the story of Bill Beetz. They can become a donor for \$100 or \$250 or \$500. This was the most expensive purchase Oranjehof has ever made. But all worth it. Preserve Dutch cultural heritage here in NZ. And brighten up our museum with cheerful tunes. Daar in dat kleine café aan de haven.... Daar bij die molen. Tulpen uit Amsterdam...





NZ Dutch Week Speech Competition

On Friday 5 May we held the third instalment of the Dutch Speech competition. It was our first time running it as a hybrid event hosted at the school of last year's winner. A big thank you to St Peter's in Cambridge and in particular Sarah Robb the Events manager for the school for making this happen.

It almost didn't happen. The night before the competition the internet was cut at St Peter's and so there were some tense moments as we arrived at the school and tried to use mobile hotspots to run the competition. We managed to get the technology to work for us.

With a live audience consisting of very enthusiastic members of the Waikato Dutch Club onsite, 12 speakers from Auckland in the North and Christchurch in the South competed online with the overall winner eventually being from around the middle Sjaan Toomey-Jakobs representing Palmerston North Girls High School. This means we are going to make every effort to have the finals next year as a hybrid event at her school and move it around the country much like the Eurovision Song Festival.

Other winners on the night were Sammie Visser from St Peter's Cambridge and Nadia Monahan from St Catherine's College in Wellington who won Junior Dutch and Junior English divisions respectively.

The competition also had for the first time 3 siblings enter, and a non-native Dutch speaker entering in Dutch.

I am looking forward to the 2024 competition, and hope that the competition will continue to grow and attract more Dutch and Dutch heritage competitors.

Many thanks of course to the Judges and to the Embassy for their support of the event and of course to the Waikato Dutch Club who were an amazing audience!

Christiaan Buijers

Dutch Week Speech Competition Organiser.

Finalists - Junior English

Louise - St Peter's Cambridge
Thom - St Peter's Cambridge
Nadia - St Catherines - Wellington
Florence - Wellington College
Millie - Rangī Ruru - Christchurch

Finalists - Senior English

Sjaan - Manawatu College
Lulu - Ao Tawhiti - Christchurch
Evelyn - St Peter's Cambridge



Overall Winner Speech Competition 2023

Sjaan Toomey-Jakobs

Palmerston North Girls High School



Winner Speech Competition 2023

Junior Dutch Division

Sammie Visser

St Peter's Cambridge



Winner Speech Competition 2023

Junior English Division

Nadia Monahan

St Catherine's College Wellington



NZ turned Orange (or Red-White-Blue)

Christchurch:

Airport exterior walls and Tower /
Art Gallery / Canterbury Museum

Foxton:

Windmill De Molen / Water Tower

Hamilton:

Hamilton Bridge

Palmerston North:

Clock Tower on the Square

Wellington:

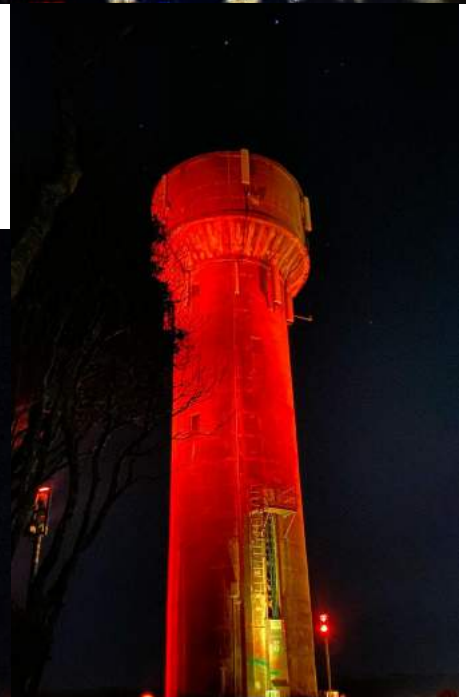
Fountain Oriental Bay / Michael Fowler Centre



Hamilton Bridge



De Molen, Foxton



Foxton Water Tower



Christchurch Airport

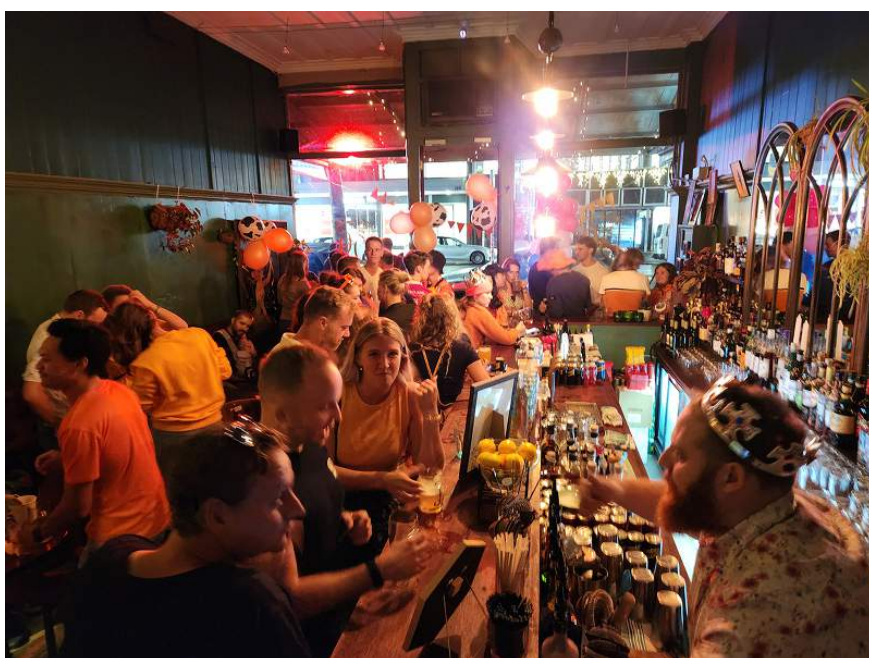
Auckland King's Day Party, 30 April



Koningsdag feest, Auckland

Het Koningsdag feestje afgelopen Zondag 30 April in Auckland was zeer geslaagd. Het begon al vroeg, rond 17:00, met het binnendruppelen van Oranje geklede Nederlanders en na korte tijd was de sfeer helemaal goed. Er was Hollandse haring met uitjes, bitterballen, kroketten, patatjes met en dit alles werd gretig weggespoeld met de nodige biertjes, wijntjes, cocktails en (advocaat) shots. Er werd ook lekker meegezongen met de NL muziek en op een gegeven moment slingerde er zelfs een lange polonaise door de bar en van binnen naar buiten en weer terug.

Michael de Tombe



Christchurch King's Day Party, 5th May

The King's day and Liberation Party at Brigittes Cafe, Merivale was a success. The Cafe was filled with people wearing something Orange.

The party got a special meaning with the Ambassador, Ard van der Vorst, bestowing **the Order of Oranje Nassau** in His Majesty's name to **Frank van Schaijk** for his support to the Dutch community in NZ.



Smells like roses - Rozengeur



A Dutch New Zealand Olfactory art collaboration

Art/Olfaction: Raewyn Turner & Brian Harris, Claudia de Vos, Caro Verbeek, and Frank Bloem

Gallery: Mapuna Kabinet Art Gallery - Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, Foxton

Here's what's on display at the Olfactory Art Exhibition:

Raewyn Turner & Brian Harris exhibit three major Olfactory Art installations;

Downwind - 13 pods that sense human presence, and respond by breathing smells on people as they approach.

Towards the Mean - 23 cans with fragrant soil, placed on a finely balanced moving bar installation. A reference to an Expectations Augmented Phillips Curve that describes a balance of wages, inflation and unemployment. The bar moves as the public take out a spoonful of soil to have a smell (consumption).

Waiting Room - Referring to COVID's parosmia and its distortion of smells, the work reflects on inertia and waiting, punctuated by ticking of kinetic pendulums - measured by the chaotic motion of a double pendulum clock, infused with fragrances and rose petals.

Claudia de Vos exhibits scented video-scape and Olfactory art;

Mosmeisje / Moss girl - An atmospheric video-scape that evokes a virtual brain shower. Plus a photographic composition on a velvet tapestry, in relief, with an integrated fragrance system. Scent: (prime note) oakmoss (*evernia prunastri*), with an aphrodisiac 'animal musk' component.

A single Pine | Olfactory tapestry - A photographic image on cloth, with the integrated natural scent of pine (essential oil *Pinus sylvestris*).

Gaia - An atmospheric video-scape, a virtual brain shower, combined with the scent of Pine (essential oil *Pinus sylvestris*).

Frank Bloem brings in one of his Snifferoo projects;

Embassie of the North Sea - 40 Scents from in and around the North Sea were collected and created for the Embassy of the North Sea. Frank worked for a year on scents like wood, cockle, crab, sea lettuce, sun lotion, and lemonade.

This Art Exhibition 'Smells like Roses' was well visited during the Big Dutch Day Out on Saturday 29 April.

You can still pay it a visit until Sunday the 16th of July

Every day 10am- 4pm

DUTCH WEEK **Orange Bike Ride** **30 April 2023**

Orange Bike Rides have taken place in the following locations;

- Auckland
- Blenheim
- Christchurch
- Dunedin
- Hamilton
- The Hutt
- Kapiti Coast
- New Plymouth
- Palmerston North
- Rotorua
- Wellington



Many people attended and were looking forward to next year!

Across these 11 locations, from Auckland to Wellington, Blenheim to Dunedin, convoys of orange-clad riders with creatively decorated bikes turned the country orange during these Orange Bike Rides.

The Orange Bike Rides also highlighted to Kiwis that there's a better, healthy and sustainable way of getting around and celebrated the rich Dutch heritage that's an integral part of our culture. Everyone attending helped raise awareness and fostered a sense of unity among cycling enthusiasts and those with a Dutch connection.







We welcome Kicky, official mascot of the OranjeLeeuwinnen, to Aotearoa New Zealand and Australia for the FIFA Women's World Cup!

Kicky invites you to join the Orange Fan Parades to support the Dutch team during all their matches in July and August.

Follow Kicky Orange Fans Aus/NZ and on Instagram @orange.fans.ausnz to stay up to date with all the action!

Let's celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and support women's football and diversity in Aotearoa New Zealand. **Tickets are now on sale. Don't miss out. bit.ly/FIFAWWC23**



Here (link) you can find the Match schedule for the FIFA Women's World Cup in NZ / AU 2023.

The FIFA Women's World Cup™ Trophy Tour 2023



The FIFA Women's World Cup™ Trophy Tour 2023 has been on its global journey to each of the 32 qualified countries and is about to land in Australia & Aotearoa New Zealand.

Coming soon to a city near you!

- Auckland, New Zealand, 2-4 June
- Sydney, Australia, 8-12 June
- Melbourne, Australia, 14-16 June
- Hamilton, New Zealand, 17-20 June
- Dunedin, New Zealand, 22-25 June
- Brisbane, Australia, 28 June to 1 July
- Adelaide, Australia, 2-4 July
- Perth, Australia, 7-10 July
- Wellington, New Zealand, 12-14 July

More information about the Trophy Tour is available [here](#).



HUP HOLLAND HUP! ARRIBA HOLANDA!

COME AND SUPPORT
THE ORANJE

Dutch match dates

7:30pm Sunday 23 July
v Portugal

Dunedin Stadium, Dunedin / Ōtepoti

1pm Thursday 27 July
v USA

Wellington Regional Stadium, Wellington /
Te Whanganui-a-Tara

7pm Tuesday 1 August
v Vietnam

Dunedin Stadium, Dunedin / Ōtepoti

Buy tickets

[FIFA.com/tickets](https://www.fifa.com/tickets)

Group Tickets (more than 10)

TKT@fwwc2023.org

For more info

[fifa.com/Netherlands](https://www.fifa.com/Netherlands)



Consular Pop up Desk

The consular team from the Embassy in Wellington will be visiting Hamilton on 13 June 2023 where you will be able to apply for a Dutch passport or ID card. You can also activate your DigiD.

The pop-up consular desk will take place at the [Rabobank New Zealand](#) office in Hamilton CBD.

More information and how to book: <https://bit.ly/HamiltonPopUp>

consular pop-up
Hamilton 13 June 2023



Other planned Consular Pop-up Desks are:

- 1 August in Dunedin**
- 3 October in Christchurch**
- 31 October Queenstown**
- 14 November Rotorua**

To check what you'll need to bring and make an online appointment, (once that location appointment system becomes available approx. 3 Months before the date), check [HERE](#) <https://www.netherlandsworldwide.nl/passport-id-card/abroad/apply-new-zealand>

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