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June - July 2026

Series 4 Te Tiriti o Waitangi Treaty of Waitangi

Series Organisers

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Venue:	Windsor Community Church 19 Windsor St
Time:	10.00am
Cost:	\$30 per person

Te Tiriti o Waitangi

Session 1 : Friday 5 June

Intrusion, Extraction, Entanglement: Empire and New Zealand, 1642-1840

Presenter: **Professor Tony Ballantyne**



Synopsis: His presentation will cover NZ history leading up to the Treaty in 1840.

Bio: Tony Ballantyne is a Distinguished Professor Poutoko Taiea at the University of Otago Ōtākou Whakaihu Waka. A graduate of Otago, he completed his PhD at the University of Cambridge and held faculty positions in Ireland and the USA before returning home to New Zealand. He has published extensively on the modern British empire: particularly, the development of colonial knowledge; the production of cultural differences (ideas about race, religion and language); missionaries and humanitarianism; and colonisation and cultures of mobility. His latest publication is *Captain Cook and the Unsettled Afterlives of Empire* (Bridget Williams Books, due out in July), which examines the politics of historical writing and memory from the 1780s to the present.

Session 2 : Friday 12 June

Te Tiriti, the churches and New Zealand politics, 1840-1865

Presenter: **Professor John Stenhouse**



Synopsis: His presentation will cover TeTiriti itself and the role of the missionaries and the Church in the following two decades.

Bio: Professor John Stenhouse teaches European and New Zealand history in the History Programme at the University of Otago. John also teaches a course on the history of science. Recent research includes an article titled 'Reading Darwin During the New Zealand Wars,' *Studies in the History and Philosophy of Science* 96, 2022, 87-99 and a co-edited 2018 book on eugenics movements in British colonial contexts, including New Zealand. He is currently writing a book on missionaries and the sciences from antiquity to the present. His Canadian Chinese wife, LaDonna Loo, practices dentistry in Balclutha. Their four children are all graduates of the University of Otago. When not working, John loves fly-fishing for trout.

Session 3 : Friday 19 June

The Crown v Māori myth of the NZ Wars – the major role of Kūpapa hāpu

Presenter: **Ron Crosby**



Synopsis: Ron's presentation will cover NZ history after 1840 and the Waitangi Tribunal.

Bio: Ron Crosby holds a law degree, but for over two decades has written historical books, particularly related to aspects of New Zealand military history. His interest in te ao Māori has led to his writing *The Musket Wars – A History of Inter-Iwi Conflict 1806-1845* (1999); *Forgotten Wars – Why the Musket Wars matter today* (2020); *A Desperate Dawn – The Battle for Turuturu Mokai 1868* (2012); *Gilbert Mair - Te Kooti's Nemesis* (2004); *Te Kooti's Last Foray* (2023); and *Kūpapa – The Bitter Legacy of Māori Alliances with the Crown* (2013). Books on the NZSAS

and Mark Law (the Whakaari pilot) will be released in 2026.

From 2011 to 2024 he was a member of the Waitangi Tribunal. In the Treaty area he was involved in the long-running Waitangi Tribunal Te Tau Ihu (Top of the South) Inquiry, and the litigation associated with that Inquiry took him to the Privy Council twice. Ron's website is www.roncrosby.co.nz.

Session 4 : Friday 26 June

To be advised

Session 5 : Friday 3 July

Harpoons, Hapa, and Hearings: Kāi Tahu ki Murihiku, c.1750-1998

Presenter: **Michael Stevens**



Synopsis: This talk outlines the expansion of Kāi Tahu political authority across Murihiku in the late eighteenth century and cultural entanglement with "tākata pora" – sealers, flax-traders, and whalers – operating out of New South Wales during the early-mid nineteenth century. The talk then explains how this culture shaped, and was reshaped by, colonial settlement in southern New Zealand from 1848. Finally, this session summarises the origins, evolution, and settlement of Te Kerēme (the Ngāi Tahu Claim).

Bio: Michael Stevens was raised at Bluff, attended Southland Boys' High School, and holds a BA(Hons), LLB and PhD from the University of Otago. Mike has worked as a historian inside and outside academia and is currently Director of the Ngāi Tahu Research Centre at the University of Canterbury where he is a professor. He is also the Awarua Representative to Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu.