



**Auckland seabirds: Conservation, restoration and research  
Friday 16 April 2010  
Programme**

**First morning session**

Chair: MATT RAYNER (NIWA/University of Auckland)

9.00-9.30 Welcome

9.30-10: Invited speaker: **GRAEME TAYLOR** on “**State of Auckland’s seabirds**” (25 min + 5 min questions).

10-11: Contributed papers on specific populations in region (4 x 12 min + 3 min questions each).

ELIZABETH BELL, Joanna Sim, Paul Scofield, Chris Francis, Leigh Torres, Tim Guilford & Scott Schafer: “At-sea distribution and population dynamics of black petrel, *Procellaria parkinsoni*, on Great Barrier Island, Hauraki Gulf, New Zealand”

GWENDA PULHAM and colleagues: Fairy terns (Title TBA)

STEFANIE M. H. ISMAR (University of Auckland), Claire Daniel, Craig D. Millar, Brent M. Stephenson, David Raubenheimer, and Mark E. Hauber: “Sex-specific reproductive benefit of protandric territory establishment in the Australasian gannet, *Morus serrator*”

MATT J. RAYNER (NIWA/University of Auckland): “Monitoring, population status and inter-seasonal distribution of Cook’s petrel (*Pterodroma cookii*) breeding on Little Barrier Island, Hauturu”

**11-11.30: Morning tea**

**Second morning session**

Chair: ROBIN GARDNER-GEE (Motuora Restoration Society)

11.30-12.00: Invited speaker: **COLIN MISKELLY** (DOC) on “**From scratch: The feasibility of restoring seabird-based ecosystems on highly modified islands**” (25 min + 5 min questions).

12.00-1.00: Contributed papers on research, restoration and conservation projects in region (2 x 12 min + 3 min questions each).

ROBIN GARDNER-GEE (Motuora Restoration Society): “From pioneer planting to petrels: The first five years of seabird restoration in a community-lead project on Motuora, Hauraki Gulf”

CHRIS GASKIN (Kiwi Wildlife/Natural Lines Consultancy) and Shelley Heiss-Dunlop: “Seabird habitat surveying and acoustic monitoring on Burgess Island, outer Hauraki Gulf”

HELEN GUMMER (Seabird translocation consultant): “Relocating?...choose a chick translocation plan that suits your needs!” (25 min + 5 min questions)

**1.00-1.45: Lunch (provided)**

**Afternoon session**

Chair: JACQUELINE BEGGS (University of Auckland)

1.45-2.15: Invited speaker: **HENRIK MOLLER** (University of Otago) on “**Cross-cultural partnership for seabird conservation and restoration**” (25 min + 5 min questions).

2.15-3: Contributed papers on theme of looking wider: research from other regions (3 x 12 min + 3 min questions each).

MARK BELLINGHAM (Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society of NZ): “Restoring seabird nesting colonies: The role of indigenous landowners and local communities”

LORNA DEPPE (University of Canterbury): “Distributional and behavioural patterns of albatross during the non-breeding period”

DAVID TOWNS (DOC), Christa Mulder, Wendy Anderson, Peter Bellingham and Julie Ellis: “Putting Humpty together again: International collaboration and the restoration of seabird-driven ecosystems”

3pm: Panel discussion: “**Do we need a regional seabird strategy for Auckland?**”

Chaired by MIKE LEE (ARC)

Followed by drinks and nibbles.