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NOTICE OF MEETING
THE AGM OF THE POLYNESIAN SOCIETY (Inc.)

8th July 2021
James Henare Māori Research Centre, Building 225
The University of Auckland
18 Wynyard Street (off Alten Road), Auckland 1142
Time: 5:00 PM

Dear Members,

You are invited to attend our Annual General Meeting to be held at the James Henare Māori Research Centre at 5:00 pm on Thursday July 8th. Items to be discussed include important revisions of the Society's rules.

Following the AGM, the Society will be presenting two medals at 7:00 pm (venue to be announced). The Elsdon Best Memorial Medal for "outstanding scholarly work on the New Zealand Māori" will be presented to Dr Ngāpare Hopa MNZM. The Rusiate Nayakacalou Medal for "recent significant publication on the Island Pacific relevant to the aims and purposes of the Polynesian Society and the interests and concerns of the late Dr Nayakacalou" will be awarded to Prof. Lisa Matisoo-Smith. Following the award presentations, Prof. Matisoo-Smith will be addressing the Society with a lecture on her research, entitled *What can DNA tell us about Pacific origins, interactions, and adaptations? – the value of transdisciplinary approaches.*

Further details on the AGM (agenda and papers) and the lecture will be made available on the Society's website: <http://www.thepolynesiansociety.org/jps/index.php/JPS/announcement>

Society members are encouraged to contact the Society at JPS@auckland.ac.nz to update your contact and subscription details.

On behalf of the President Dr Richard Benton

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