

Recent Books from the Cook Islands – Jan 2023

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Childrens Book

PawPaw The Island Dog / Megan Te Tau Troy

Rarotonga: Megan Te Tau Troy, 2020

1v.

9789821011280

\$ 40.00 / PB

102gm.

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History

“Christianity Created a Nation” : Arrival of the Gospel and the Early Mission Years in the Cook Islands / Howard Henry

Second Edition

Ratotonga: Sovereign Pacific Publishing Company, 2021

0958233853

\$ 80.00 / PB

776gm.

“Christianity created a Nation” is a book about the arrival of the Gospel and the early Mission Years among those islands later to be known as the Cook Islands, writes author Howard Henry.

“Christianity created a Nation” is a book of many stories concerning a whole series of events following the arrival of the Gospel to Aitutaki on 26 October 1821.

Some of these stories will make you laugh. Some stories will make you wonder in amazement. And some of these stories will just about make you cry. But that is all part of our history. It is what it is.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=841434>

False Start in Paradise : Cook Islands Self-Government / Iaveta Short

Ratotonga: Moana Publishing, 2020

xii, 380p.
9780473497576
\$ 80.00 / PB
666gm.

After 65 years under New Zealand control the Cook Islands adopted the United Nations push for self-government with a hiss and a roar under the enigmatic leader Albert Henry who wanted to build a self-serving empire. He manipulated the political system and used Government funds to stay in power which resulted in a major court case where for the first time a government was overturned by a Court Decision. This ushered in another enigmatic leader Sir Tom Davis who spent many years in the US NASA program of sending man to space and ultimately to the Moon. He changed the direction of the Cook Islands to a liberal free market open economy. Many years of political sea sawing followed as the Cook Islands tried to right its political and economic boat in the turbulent winds of politics in a tiny democracy. Many mishaps and false starts were a result of so much enthusiasm but little knowledge and experience in the running of a modern democracy.

Iaveta Short a Cook Islander and the first to graduate with a law degree at BAuckland University returned home to be in the middle of all the difficult winds of change. He was a Minister in the Sir Tom Davis Government, High Commissioner for the Cook Islands in Wellington and the go to man to solve many a problems of government across the political divide. He had a birds eye view of the turbulent periods and was often in the middle of the clean-up.

This book is an attempt to record many of the events of the enthralling, difficult and politically turbulent period in the short life of this tiny island democracy.

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Au Akaariari'Anga No Rungai I Te Tumu Tapura Te Tama'Ua A Te Ui Ariki – Te Evangelia Ki Te Kuki Airani Nei = The Gospel – The Adopted Child of High Chief Exhibition
Tauranga Vananga: Ministry of Cultural Development, 2021

1v.
\$ 50.00/ PB
106gm.

The Gospel – The Adopted Child of High Chief Exhibition held at Runanga Pakau – National Museum and Tauranga Vananga – Ministry of Cultural Developmnet, Rarotonga, Cook Islands, 01 October to 30 November 2021.

In making the exhibition of the arrival of Christianity to our shores become a reality, our heritage team within “Tauranga Vananga – Ministry of Cultural Development” have research and compiled stories told/written about our historical background.

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“Sovereignty Forsaken” : Rise and Fall of Cook Islands Self-Government 1891-1901 /
Howard Henry
Ratotonga: Sovereign Pacific Publishing Company, 2020

76p.

Includes Bibliography

0958236359

\$ 40.00 / PB

124gm.

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