

## Recent Books from the Cook Islands – Nov 2019

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### Anthropology

Paiere : The Making of Fishing Canoe in Ma'uke / Judith Kunzle  
Rarotonga: Cook Islands Natural Heritage Project, 1995  
16p.

- Canoes and canoeing -- Cook Islands -- Design and construction -- Juvenile literature.
- Dugout canoes -- Cook Islands -- Design and construction -- Juvenile literature.
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\$ 35.00 / PB

156gm.

Follows the process of making a paiere, the traditional fishing canoe of the Cook Islands, describing the special tools and techniques which are used.

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### **A/V Titles**

2018 Te Maeva Nui Celebration : 'Te Au Arapo of Toku Matakeinanga / Enuu' : "The Traditional Calenders of My Ancestors/Islands (2 DVD – Disc 1-3 & 4-5) / Tauranga Vananga Rarotonga: Ministry of Culture Development (Tauranga Vananga), 2018

\$ 90.00 (Set of 5 DVDs)

214gm

For 2018, the theme ‘*Te au Arapo o Toku Matakeinanga*’ means ‘The Traditional Calendars of My Ancestors’ promises to ignite the imagination. The theme is about *arapo* which translates as the path of the night or moon. The traditional Polynesian calendar relies on the moon rather than the sun to mark time.

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The National Dancer of the Year 2018 : Te Mire Ura / Tauranga Vananga

Rarotonga: Ministry of Culture Development (Tauranga Vananga), 2018

\$ 45.00 / DVD

88gm.

Annual Dancer of the Year competition. ... Dozens of dancers in three age groups, junior, intermediate and senior open, take to the stage at nightspots on Rarotonga and the outer islands.

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Cook Islands International Dancer of the Year 2017 – Te Mire Ua Nui : Te Au Manga A Toku Matakeinanga = The Tribal Foods of My Community / Tauranga Vananga

Rarotonga: Ministry of Culture Development (Tauranga Vananga), 2017

\$ 45.00 / DVD

104gm.

2-DVD Set Featuring Our Tiare week with our Official Opening, Schools Ei making and our Tiare Mama’s Mu’umu’u night. Ura Penu and the International Dancer of the Year contestants from Australia, New Zealand and our very own Cook Islands.

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## **Biography**

Prisoner in Paradise (Part fact – part fiction) / A.A. (Tony, Tongaiti’)Monteith

Auckland, New Zealand: Wayne Monteith, 2018

224p.  
9780473450656  
\$ 59.90 / PB  
748gm.

"This is a colourful tale of English-born rogue, Charles Wells Banks, who emigrated to the United States at 14 years of age. He fought in, and was wounded during, the American Civil War, and was in New Orleans during the emancipation of slavery in the aftermath of the war. He moved to San Francisco to take up employment in the finance department of the renowned Wells Fargo and Company. Banks married, and became well-to-do, and a person of status socially, with strong interests in the field of science. He owned property and other investments, including a brothel. Banks had a penchant for opportunistic engagements with the opposite sex, and was well known as a philanderer, which was eventually to lead to his undoing. He embezzled a large sum of money before absconding from the United States to the Cook Islands, in the South Pacific and, he hoped, anonymity. What was not known at the time, was that he had become obsessed by the beauty, and exotic appearance, of a Polynesian princess, who had been sent to San Francisco by royal personages to seek a cure for consumption. Using a false identity, under the assumed name of John Scard, he travelled to the small island of Aitu, in the Cook Islands. To his great dismay the chief, who was also the father of the girl, forbade him to marry the princess, because he was a commoner. Aituan legend has it that Princess Mokoroa, for that was her name, died of a broken heart. Mokoroa's mother, herself a high chief on the island of Rarotonga, thwarted Wells Fargo and Company's detectives from effecting Banks' extradition to America. In retaliation, they placed arrest warrants in surrounding countries, ensuring that the lovelorn Banks was ring-fenced for the rest of his life with the Cook Islands. In effect, he was a virtual prisoner in paradise"

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### Sociology

Some Aspect of Rarotongan Life (A Special Edition) / Taira Rere  
Special Edition

Rarotonga: Taira Rere, 1980

vi, 78p.

\$ 45.00 / PB

118gm.

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