

Clan Matheson New Zealand

Performance report for the year ended 30 June 2023



**Clan Matheson
New Zealand**

17 September 2023

Entity information

Legal name of entity	Clan Matheson New Zealand
Other name of entity	Clan Matheson New Zealand acts as the New Zealand branch of the (unincorporated) international Clan Matheson Society
Type of entity and legal basis	Trust incorporated as a charitable trust board Registered charity
Registration numbers	CC60849 NZBN 9429050807970

Entity's purpose or mission

The charitable purpose and objects of the trust are to:

- a) protect, preserve, enhance and promote the history and heritage of Clan Matheson for the educational and recreational benefit of the public
- b) encourage and support research, investigation and preservation of Scottish heritage, history and culture, particularly as it relates to Clan Matheson in Scotland and wherever in the world descendants have migrated
- c) encourage and support the study of genealogy, family history and personal heritage through promotion, information-sharing, training and preservation of material in oral, written or any other form
- d) record, publish and otherwise disseminate the heritage, history and culture of Clan Matheson
- e) promote fellowship and awareness of kinship between all present day descendants of Clan Matheson
- f) provide continuance of interests in perpetuity for the non-incorporated group originally established as the New Zealand branch of the Clan Matheson Society
- g) establish, maintain and administer a fund of money for the use of the trust
- h) work collaboratively with the Clan Matheson Society and its branches anywhere in the world
- i) work collaboratively with other Scottish clan organisations, Caledonian and Highland game societies and family history organisations, to further the objects of the trust.

Structure and governance arrangements

There are three trustees of the Clan Matheson New Zealand trust.
They are supported by a committee of six persons (two of whom are also trustees).
There isn't a membership system.
There are no paid staff.
The entity is affiliated to the international Clan Matheson Society, which is based in the UK and has other branches in Australia, Canada and the USA. The relationship with the international society and its branches is informal.

Main sources of funds and other resources

The trust has cash reserves transferred to it by the (unincorporated) New Zealand branch of the Clan Matheson Society. It receives donations and contributions both in kind and through volunteered time.
Expenses are currently low, and we are using the time since incorporating as a charitable trust board and registration as a charity to develop new funding sources for specific activities.

Reliance on volunteers and donated goods or services

We rely on volunteers to carry out activities to further our aims. Our trustees and committee members all volunteer their time and services (e.g. travel, promotional material).

Additional information

This is our first (partial) year as a registered charity. We anticipate we will receive more funds in future years.

Contact details

Email address	trust@clanmatheson.org.nz
Postal address	PO Box 10425, Wellington 6140
Website	www.clanmatheson.org.nz
Facebook group	www.facebook.com/groups/ClanMathesonNewZealand

Statement of service performance

Our outcomes

Our high-level objectives are to:

- foster an interest in Matheson heritage
- forge links between people in New Zealand with Matheson heritage, and between them and kinsfolk in other countries
- help people with Matheson heritage find out more about their family history and family stories.

Key activities during 2022 – 2023

Structure and governance

This has been a focus during the reporting year. To establish a firm and enduring foundation for Clan Matheson activities in New Zealand, the Clan Matheson New Zealand trust was established in 2022, incorporated as a charitable trust board on 31 August 2022 and registered as a charity from 2 September 2022 (decision notified on 12 December 2022).

The trust supports the activities of the New Zealand branch of the Clan Matheson Society.

Foster an interest in Matheson heritage

Our quarterly **newsletter** is now available free in electronic format to whoever wants it. People can subscribe through our website to have it emailed, or they can download current and past editions from our website. We also send it to other clan societies, who share it with their members. A few people pay a subscription to have a hard copy posted to them. It is now sent to 90% more people than when it was available only by subscription.

Much of the content is relevant to people interested in Scottish heritage more widely than just Matheson heritage. The newsletter has series of articles on family history research ideas and methods, how to interest younger people in their family heritage, the Gaelic language, news of Mathesons in New Zealand and about other organisations focussed on Scottish heritage.

Our **website** was refreshed in 2022, and remains a source of information about family history research and Matheson heritage in particular.

Clan Matheson New Zealand has a **Facebook group** for sharing news about what Mathesons are doing in New Zealand and what Clan Matheson New Zealand is doing. For those who don't use Facebook, the posts are also added to the home page of our website.

Key activities during 2022 – 2023 (continued)

Forge links between people in New Zealand with Matheson heritage, and between them and kinsfolk in other countries

Clan Matheson New Zealand has an increasingly professional presence at identified **events**. These give people interest in Matheson heritage opportunities to meet and learn more about their heritage.

During the year Clan Matheson took part in the Auckland kirkin' o' the tartan event and set up a clan tent at the Hororata, Waipu and Paeroa Highland Games as a place for people interested in their Matheson connections and as a focus for discussions on the branch and future activities.

Our newsletter and website shares news of Clan Matheson **activities in other countries**. We in turn contribute to the annual newsletter of the international Clan Matheson Society.

Help people with Matheson heritage find out more about their family history and family stories

The newsletter and website contain a wide range of **resources** to help people with their family history research.

A **family history forum** on the website, and the Clan Matheson New Zealand Facebook group, provide opportunities for people to share information about their family history and establish collaboration with others.

At the Clan Matheson New Zealand tent at events like Highland games there are opportunities for people to use **resource material** and ask questions about their family history and Scottish heritage.

Additional information:

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Statement of receipts and payments

	This year \$	Last year \$
Operating receipts		
Donations, fundraising and grants	10,689.23	
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts	210.00	
Receipts from selling goods or providing services	0.00	
Bank account interest and other investment income	118.75	
Other receipts	0.00	
Total receipts	11,017.98	
Operating payments		
Fundraising costs	0.00	
Payments to employees and volunteers	0.00	
Payments related to providing goods or services	632.91	
Grants and donations paid	50.00	
Other payments	968.15	
Total operating payments	1,651.06	
Operating surplus (or deficit)	9,366.92	
Plus opening bank balances and cash on hand	0.00	
Bank accounts and cash at the end of the financial year	9,366.92	
Represented by:		
Cheque account(s)	225.13	
Savings account(s)	9,141.79	
Term deposit account(s)	0.00	
Cash floats	0.00	
Petty cash	0.00	

Note: No figures are given for the previous year, as this is our first year as a registered charity.

Statement of resources and commitments

Schedule of significant resources

Description of significant resources	This year \$	Last year \$
Bank accounts and cash	9,366.92	
Money held on behalf of others	0.00	
Money owed to the entity	0.00	
Tangible resources	0.00	
Investments	0.00	

Schedule of significant commitments

Description of significant commitment	This year \$	Last year \$
Money payable by entity	0.00	
Other commitments	0.00	
Guarantees	0.00	

Schedule of other information

Description of grant and its condition or restriction	This year \$	Last year \$
None	0.00	

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Notes

Basis of preparation

This performance report is prepared on a cash-basis in accordance with XRB's Tier 4 Simple Format Reporting Requirements. The charity is eligible to apply these requirements and has elected to do so.

Treatment of GST

Figures in this report are GST-inclusive.

Related-party transitions

Related-party relationship	Transactions	Value		Amount outstanding	
		This year	Last year	This year	Last year
Trustees and committee members	Regularly provided their time and skills to the oversight and operation of the trust at no charge	—	—	—	—
Close family members of the trustees and committee members	Occasionally helped out (e.g. at events and with IT advice) at no charge	—	—	—	—

Events after the balance date

No events after the balance date affect this report.

Approval

This performance report has been approved by those charged with governance.

Name Andrew Matheson

Position Trustee, Clan Matheson New Zealand

Date 17 September 2023

Signature



Name Blair Matheson

Position Trustee, Clan Matheson New Zealand

Date 17 September 2023

Signature



Name Graeme Matheson

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