



新中友好協會

New Zealand China Friendship Society Inc

## About Us

The New Zealand China Friendship Society is a membership group dating back decades, promoting goodwill, understanding, and friendship between our countries. The society welcomes anyone into our organisation who is interested in building relations across our borders.

## News and Events

### Geopolitical Issues



NZCFS is a non-political organisation. Our key objective is to promote understanding of China, and to encourage friendship and exchange between our two people. When there is reporting that detracts from an impartial understanding of what China is, and stands for, we need to provide some counterbalance.

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### South East Tour 2019

NZCFS Explore China – the South East itinerary is now finalised.

A fantastic tour from Guangzhou to Shanghai, through Fujian, Jiangxi and Zhejiang provinces.

Expect a broad range of activity with spectacular scenery, rich culture and



diverse history in an efficient travel package.

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#### Featured Branch: Rotorua



Welcome to the New Zealand China Friendship Society Rotorua Branch!

Being in a strongly geothermal city with a long history and culture gives us an advantage. The branch membership base is larger than most in a city of our size and enjoys many loyal members.

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#### NZCFS Leaders delegation

Beijing Youxie and Shanghai Youxie combined offer an opportunity for up to 5 NZCFS executive members including branch presidents to spend time in both their cities.



The key purpose will be for NZCFS leaders to get a deeper understanding of what China is- the foundation of Chinese culture and society through to modern policy domestically and internationally. But we will also ensure there is some tourism and fun included in the travel package!

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## Congratulations to Luke Qin of Wellington



Luke Qin JP elected President of the Wellington Chinese Association and joins the national executive of the New Zealand Chinese Association.

Nominated by 8 committee members, our National Vice President Luke Qin was recently elected President of the Wellington Chinese Association to succeed retiring President and former National President of the New Zealand Chinese Association Steven Young, who has led the New Zealand Chinese community with distinction over a long period of time.

NZCFS would like to extend our warmest congratulations to Luke, and look forward to an ongoing and mutually beneficial partnership with the Wellington Chinese Association and New Zealand Chinese Association to foster mutual understanding, friendship and goodwill between the peoples of New Zealand and China.

## Interesting Articles

### A slice of Suzhou comes to Taupo

A world-class exhibition from Suzhou opened at Taupo Museum on 31 August, featuring treasures from the Tang and Song Dynasties dating back to 618AD. This exhibition is well worth a visit for



anyone with an interest in Chinese history. For more information please visit Taupo's event page:

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### The China-New Zealand Year of Tourism



The China-New Zealand Year of Tourism, to be celebrated in 2019, has launched its website! The website is largely aimed at tourism businesses and organisations wishing to build stronger relationships with China.

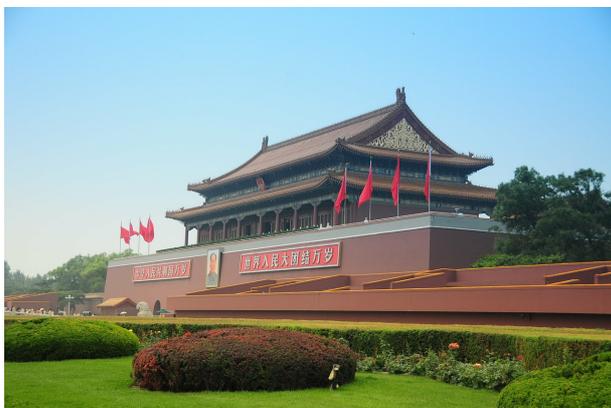
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### The Moon Cakes are coming!



The Mid-Autumn Festival is an important holiday in China. It falls on the 15th day of the 8th month of the Chinese New Year (In 2018 it runs from the 22nd to the 24th of September). The festival is an important time for families to gather. It is also the time of the year that people eat moon-cakes – delicious!

### The Chinese National Day



Chinese National Day is celebrated on October 1st every year to commemorate the founding of People's Republic of China. On that day, lots of large-scaled activities are held nationwide. Besides, the 7-day holiday from Oct. 1st to 7th is called "Golden Week", a popular time for travel.

### Typhoon Mangkhut: South China battered by deadly storm



Typhoon Mangkhut is one of the most powerful storms to hit the region in decades. Two people have been killed in the Chinese province of Guangdong, according to state media - more than 2.5 million people have been evacuated in Guangdong and on Hainan island.

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### How China's giant solar farms are transforming world energy



Fly over “Datong County”, a region in northern China, and you’ll see two giant pandas. One is waving at you. They are made of thousands of solar panels.

Together, and with the other adjacent panels included, they form a 100-megawatt farm covering 248 acres. It’s actually a relatively small solar park by China’s standards – but it is certainly patriotic.

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