

July 2019 Monthly talk Tuesday 9th July, 2019 @ 7.30 p.m.

Palmerston North City Library, George Street Entrance, Palmerston North

Talk: Kea in trouble: why being smart, inquisitive and hungry has led to the endangered status of a native New Zealand parrot

Speaker: Professor Brett Gartrell, Director of the Wildbase Research Centre, Massey



Kea are innovative problem solvers and ranked as one of the smartest species of bird in the world.

These cognitive abilities have been shaped by the resource-poor mountain habitat in which they evolved. These survival traits have put kea in direct conflict with the human colonisation of Aoteoroa.

Research on kea has highlighted the many ways in which kea have struggled to co-exist with humanity and the current efforts being made to conserve this taonga species.

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