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Libertarianz Announces

Strongest Election Line-up Ever

CRAIG MILMINE

LIBERTARIANZ PRESIDENT



The countdown is on. November the 8th is fast approaching and Libertarianz are set to offer a real alternative to the big-spending, interfering and nannyng politicians who seek control over the government benches and your lives.

Only Libertarianz seeks to remove the government from everyone's lives and restrict it to the core function of the protection of individual rights. That means a government's sole responsibility should be to fund and run an adequate police, justice and defence system. Libertarianz would give the control of the rest of your life back to you.

We have over 30 candidates prepared to put their name forward to offer a real alternative to the big government proposed by all the other parties.

These candidates are standing up for:

- Freedom of speech – especially political speech which has been under attack by the Electoral Finance Act
- Real tax cuts – Libertarianz would start with income on the first \$50,000 being tax free and remove all other taxes.
- Real choice in social spending – Having returned your money to you, you can then spend it on services that suit you or that you think are worthy.
- Legalising victimless crimes. Libertarianz would, as a first step, legalise all drugs proven safer than alcohol–allowing adults to take responsibility for whom or what they put in their bodies.
- Cracking down on violent crime and entrenching the right to self-defence.
- Protecting your property rights – remove the Resource Management Act and allow you to develop your property as you see fit.

Electorate Candidates will contest the local electorate as the Libertarianz candidate as well as be on the party list.

At the time of publication there were still some candidates to be confirmed. The updated Libertarianz candidates can be found at www.libertarianz.org.nz

Submissions on the ranking of the candidates in the list can be made by party members to the Libertarianz secretary: robert.palmer@libertarianz.org.nz before 5/10/08.

Our 2008 Libertarianz candidates are:

Candidate

Electorate Candidate for:

Andrew Couper	
Ben Morgan	Wigram
Bernard Darnton	Wellington Central
Bruce Whitehead	Hunua
Chris Robertson	
Colin Cross	
Don Rowberry	
Elahrairah Zamora	East Coast Bays
Elijah Lineberry	Tamaki
Euan McPetrie	
Fred Stevens	Rotorua
Ken Riddle	
Julian Darby	
Luke Howison	
Mark Hubbard	
Michael Murphy	Northshore
Mike Webber	New Plymouth
Mitchell Lees	Rongotai
Nik Haden	
Peter Cresswell	
Peter Kermod	
Peter Linton	Northcote
Peter Osborne	Helensville
Philip Howison	Hutt South
Richard McGrath	Wairarapa
Robert Palmer	
Sean Fitzpatrick	Ohariu
Sean Kimpton	
Shane Pleasance	Invercargill
Shirley Riddle	
Scott Wilson	
Susan Ryder	
Terry Verhoeven	
Tim Wikiriwhi	Hamilton West
Wim Verhoeven	



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Questions for the National Party

PETER CRESSWELL
LIBERTARIANZ LIST CANDIDATE



[A great way to get involved in the election campaign is to turn up to candidates meetings and ask some serious questions. Here are some that Peter Cresswell prepared to ask of the National Party. However given that the National Party's policies are almost identical to the Labour Party's – these questions can be asked of pretty much anyone. – Ed.]

Q: SMACKING: At the anti-smacking rally outside parliament last year, National MPs stood up and said they were AGAINST the anti-smacking bill. One week later they all marched into parliament and voted FOR the Bill. Is there a word for that?

LIBERTARIANZ are opposed to the nationalisation of New Zealand children. Your children are YOUR children, not Sue Bradford's – or John Key's.

Q: EDUCATION: Three years ago National said bulk funding was "the first step towards providing the flexible education system that parents wanted." You've now abandoned even this timid first step. Do you no longer believe in a flexible education system that serves parents and children better?

LIBERTARIANZ says the separation of school and state is urgently necessary to liberate youngsters from the factory schools that are failing in everything but politically correct indoctrination.

Q: WELFARE: Why won't you immediately overturn Labour's Welfare for Working Families programme that is turning so many of the country's middle class into welfare beneficiaries?

LIBERTARIANZ says the moral cannibalism of enforced welfare should be abolished immediately, and beneficiaries urgently reacquainted with the ethic of self-responsibility – as should the National Party.

Q: HEALTH: Even with billions of extra dollars poured into it, the die-while-you-wait health system hasn't improved -- how EXACTLY will you change that?

LIBERTARIANZ will end socialised medicine, allowing providers of all forms of prevention, treatment and therapy to compete in an open market. Tax relief leaves money in your pocket to spend for your own family's health care as you see fit.

Q: DPB: After watching case after case of unwanted children being murdered by their own *whanau*, when will you abolish the system whereby hard-working New Zealanders are taxed to pay for no-hopers to breed?

LIBERTARIANZ says: Recipients should be given three years notice that the failed DPB scheme will end, at which time it should be terminated forthwith.

Q: TRANSPORT: Why will you not sell off Michael Cullen's new train set so we're not in the hole even further for all its ongoing costs?

LIBERTARIANZ says all the government's white elephants should be sold off.

Q: RACISM: Why won't you abolish the Maori seats immediately? If it's right to do it in three years, why not now?

LIBERTARIANZ says: Mean what you say and say what you mean. Racist parliamentary seats should go the way of slavery and apartheid.

Q: LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Council rates are going through the roof! Why will you not repeal Local Government Act that Sandra Lee introduced to allow councils to charge like a wounded bull?

LIBERTARIANZ says all laws that allow politicians to put their hand in your pocket without your permission should be repealed.

Q: ELECTION BRIBES: National originally said it would oppose interest-free student loans "with every bone in its body." Now you SUPPORT them! Where are those bones now -- in particular the 33 vertebrae? LIBERTARIANZ says stop taxing students, and they can pay their own way through their studies. And keep your promises.

Q: DEFENCE: Why has the National Party capitulated completely on defending New Zealand? Isn't it true that the National Party's defence policy is now best summarised by the title of our national anthem: 'God Defend New Zealand'?

LIBERTARIANZ says: A country worth defending must be able to defend itself. New Zealand's woeful defence capability must be urgently upgraded --meaning more frigates, more Orions, surveillance aircraft for border protection, and rebuilding the strike wing of the Air Force.

Q: HOUSING: Every city around the world that has made town planners into kings has made housing seriously unaffordable for hardworking kids, whereas un-zoned cities like Houston are the most affordable places in the world to buy a house. What will you do to reduce the power of town planners in New Zealand?

LIBERTARIANZ says the rule of the town planners will only end with a stake through the heart of the Resource Management Act.

Q: COMPLIANCE COSTS: Every government since Jenny Shipley's has promised to "reduce the burden of compliance and bureaucracy," but not one has yet managed it. How EXACTLY will you? LIBERTARIANZ says there must be a separation of state and business. We must get the government's agents out of your business and out of your life, and slash the regulations that give them access.

Q: TAXES: Cutting taxes without cutting spending makes economic sense? Do you think anyone believes you when you say serious tax cuts don't require serious spending cuts to match?

LIBERTARIANZ says: Your money should be left in your pocket. A Libertarianz government will abolish all duties, tariffs, taxes and levies - except income tax, which as a transitional measure will be set at 25%, with an income threshold before payment of \$50,000. And unlike National, Libertarianz has spending cuts to match.

✂ POLITICS IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE SECOND-OLDEST PROFESSION. I HAVE COME TO REALISE THAT IT BEARS A VERY CLOSE RESEMBLANCE TO THE FIRST. – RONALD REAGAN

Candidate Profiles

Here are a handful of Libertarianz Candidate profiles. The rest can be found at www.libertarianz.org.nz

Richard McGrath

**WAIRARAPA CANDIDATE
LIBERTARIANZ DEPUTY LEADER**



Richard is a general practitioner (medical doctor), lives in Masterton, and has 2 school-age children and 1 older son at university. He joined the Libertarianz Party in 1997 and has served as health spokesman for several years.

I have decided to stand for election on behalf of Libertarianz because it is the only party that defends certain values I cherish:

- That individuals should be left free to make their own choices in life, but should be held responsible for the consequences of their actions
- That people are essentially benevolent, and that charity is a virtue
- That the government is there to protect people against aggressive force but should otherwise be inconspicuous

The Libertarianz Party stands solidly behind freedom-based core principles. Its policies reflect these principles, rather than political expediency. It is a privilege to represent the only political party that wants to make a meaningful difference to people's lives by setting them free from the smothering influence of government.

Bruce Whitehead

HUNUA CANDIDATE



Bruce is a tradesman (electrician), lives in Pukekohe, is married and the proud father of two preschool children. Bruce has been a member of the Libertarianz Party since 2001 and has been a past supporter of the Free Radical Foundation and, recently, the Kill the Bill campaign.

I joined the Libertarianz Party after listening to Lindsay Perigo on Radio Pacific back in 1999 and realised what he had been fighting for all his life...

- the idea that man is a free thinking individual, not automatically part of some vague group, tribe or majority that defines who you should be and what values you should have
- the idea that you are the master of your own destiny and the recipient of the consequences of your own actions (good and bad)
- the idea that the above should apply to everyone else
- the idea that what you earn is yours and yours alone to spend, donate or whatever
- the idea that money taken from you (via tax) to fund someone else's "great idea" without your permission theft

Tim Wikiriwhi

HAMILTON WEST CANDIDATE



I am proudly standing as the Libertarianz party candidate for Hamilton West because the principles that Libertarianz champion are urgently needed in parliament.

The current government are liars and thieves. They are taxing us to death and legislating us into little lime green padded cells. The Libertarianz party is the only party which is not trying to scam you with bribes to be paid for with your own money. We can have it so much better once you get a grip that socialism is a scam, and is evil!

I want Maori to succeed and prosper but not by hobbling all the Non Maori and perpetuating shameful racist law. Racist institutions such as the separate electoral rolls are a great shame upon our Nation as they violate the highest of just principles...Legal Equality.

Dump the Treaty.

I want a constitution that guarantees legal equality and stops government from ever again being able to pass any race based laws for any reason.

Sean Fitzpatrick

OHARIU CANDIDATE



Sean is currently a self employed fitness consultant /personal trainer and self defense instructor. He started and runs one of the most successful martial arts programs for children in the Wellington region, through which he has seen countless kids increase their self confidence and leadership skills. He considers watching kids with histories of abuse or trauma opening up again and regaining a sense of self worth and achievement to be the most rewarding thing he has ever done in his life.

"I am not a number – I am a free man." These iconic words, spoken famously by a cousin of mine, Patrick McGoohan, defines my philosophy of life and of politics.

My involvement with Libertarianz has not been long, but the passing of the EFA by the fascist Green / Labour / NZ First triumvirate spurred me into action. I have always believed that governments are the servants of the public, not the masters. It has grieved me that no political movement in NZ seemed to agree with this most basic point of principle. No one seemed to share my love of humanity and the human spirit. When I saw the bold stand Libertarianz took against the current corrupt government and the party leader Bernard Darnton's courageous decision to file charges in the High Court against them I knew I had found the right bunch of people.

My life, the life of my six year old daughter and the lives of all my friends and loved ones are far too important to continue to be the play-things of politicians. I want my girl to grow up proud of who she is and what she can make of herself, rather than being defined by other people's agendas.

Press Releases

Find all of our press releases at www.libertarianz.org.nz

Libertarianz Announces New Weapons In War Against P

DR RICHARD GOODE
LIBERTARIANZ DRUGS SPOKESMAN



The Libertarianz Party agrees that P (methamphetamine) is a bad drug that nobody should be taking.

"The P problem has caused me many a sleepless night," says Libertarianz Drugs Spokesman, Dr. Richard Goode. "P is widely known to lead to addiction, psychosis, and violent crime. It ravages communities, exacerbates the gang problem and destroys the aspirations of our young people."

"That's why we suggest several major new strategies in the war against P, namely, cheap and legal marijuana, ecstasy and party pills. Cheap, legal and wide availability of these and other safe, effective designer drugs will go a very long way towards steering people away from costly, dangerous P and onto gentler, kinder alternatives."

"Sadly, Jim Anderton and his Prohibitionist cronies in Labour and National will never agree to anything sensible like this strategy, even though their stated drug policy is 'Harm Minimisation'."

"Many people prefer drugs other than alcohol. Where those other drugs are safer than alcohol, it is inconsistent with the principle of Harm Minimisation to subject consumers and producers to criminal sanctions."

"In line with our Transitional Drug Policy, Libertarianz would make all drugs safer than alcohol legal immediately."

To What End, Compulsory Welfarism?

PETER OSBORNE
LIBERTARIANZ SOCIAL WELFARE SPOKESMAN
LIBERTARIANZ LIST AND HELENSVILLE
ELECTORATE CANDIDATE



"John Key has yet again emphasised the lameness of his party with the announcement of Nationals welfare policy," said Peter Osborne, the Libertarianz Social Welfare Spokesman today.

He says, "Too anxious to utter an original or bold idea for fear of scaring the horses, we can only conclude that rather than formulating policy on principle he is more interested in trying to say what he thinks people want to hear. We yet to learn that it is due to this lack of principle displayed by successive governments that we now have entrenched high dependency levels, high crime rates and high suicide rates. The list goes on."

"Where is the principle in forcibly extracting money off productive citizens and then dishing it out to the non-productive? If we are to have any hope of helping the down trodden in our communities it is imperative that we, at least, have opportunity to communicate directly with those to whom we choose to help. How else will we see that the recipients are actually tapping into their own personal resources to pull their selves out of the mire? How else can a welfare recipient ignite their spark than to comprehend that

the help they are getting has come at a cost to a willing helper. Compulsory welfarism is self-perpetuating and it has turned what should be an individualistic problem into a faceless, stinking, dung heap."

Mr Osborne concludes, "Libertarianz understands that helping others who are struggling may be a worthy and fulfilling undertaking - but not at the point of a gun. We understand that when government imposes its will over such issues then purpose and meaning are lost. We will transitionally and completely extract the state from welfarism to allow those who regard the importance of helping other in high regard the right to express their selves accordingly. Unlike the identical twins (National and Labour) Libertarianz understand that coercion has no place in a civilised society."

Willie Jackson Refuses To Die Waiting

DR RICHARD MCGRATH
LIBERTARIANZ HEALTH SPOKESMAN
LIBERTARIANZ LIST AND WAIRARAPA ELECTORATE
CANDIDATE



Libertarianz spokesman Richard McGrath sent his party's best wishes to broadcaster and former Alliance MP Willie Jackson, who earlier in the week had coronary bypass surgery performed at Mercy Hospital in Auckland.

"We applaud Willie and his family, who opted to have this operation done in the private sector, rather than risking death waiting for the same surgery in a public hospital," said Dr McGrath.

"It is, of course, rather ironic that Willie was once an MP for the far-left Alliance Party, which championed a second-rate chain of under-maintained hospitals that rationed out health care, causing needless deaths for which no bureaucrat or politician was ever made accountable. Whatever would comrades Laila Harre, Phyllida Bunkle and Chris Trotter think of Willie now?"

Dr McGrath asked why every New Zealander who needs urgent surgery shouldn't have access to care in the private sector.

"The reason many Kiwis can't afford to do this is because half their income is taken from them in tax. They can't afford to pay for surgery or even purchase private health insurance."

"A Libertarianz government would immediately let New Zealanders keep the first \$50,000 of their income, and GST would be gone by lunchtime, so that health insurance would be affordable for everyone," added Dr McGrath. "Within five years the whole rotten, thieving Inland Revenue Department would be completely dismantled."

"If elected, we would set up medical savings accounts for all New Zealanders, which would allow people to choose what level of health insurance they wanted, removing the element of compulsion after five years so that people could manage these accounts themselves."

"Willie Jackson has chosen well - socialized medicine kills, and Willie wasn't ready to die just yet. He chose to live. Every New Zealander should have that choice. It's enough to make you vote Libertarianz!"

On The Campaign Trail

CRAIG MILMINE

LIBERTARIANZ PRESIDENT

Libertarianz has more candidates than ever before, the signs are going up, new videos are appearing on www.libz.tv, candidates are out on the streets, the Press Releases are flowing and we are gearing up for the candidate meetings.



Election time is when voters are more open to talking politics. And seeing as all the other parties are only interested in talking about personalities, now is a great time to talk about principles and policies.

The message that we are taking to the electorate is that a vote for Libertarianz is a vote for yourself. Only Libertarianz will take the control over your life and property away from the government and give it back to you.

In more concrete terms, the message appearing on some billboards includes:

- 1st \$50K Tax Free
- Free the Weed
- Repeal Anti-smack
- Dump the RMA



However, it was the small print on the signs going up in Auckland that caught the New Zealand Herald's attention:

Authorised by Robert Palmer, 10 Tui Glen Rd, Birkenhead, Auckland. As Demanded by: Helen Clark, 4 Cromwell St, Mt Eden, Auckland.

All party election material must have an Authorisation statement with the home address of our financial agent. Libertarianz decided it was important to include the name and address of the woman who mandated that we must.

The Billboards are a great way to get the Libz brand out in public. If you are able to host a sign on publically visible part of your property or know of a public place where a Libertarianz sign would be allowed (check with local council laws) then please contact Robert Palmer robert.palmer@libertarianz.org.nz to arrange for a sign. You will need to erect it and check it regularly for the usual freedom hating vandals.

Libertarianz has some great printed material for the election. A donation to the party will help print more and it would be great to get some help distributing it. If you want your own flyers, Shirley Riddle can print them at a cheap cost. She can also ensure that it meets with the Electoral Finance Act rules and is consistent with the party philosophy. For brochure, flyers and quizzes, contact Shirley Riddle shirleyriddle@xtra.co.nz or 021 948 430

You can help the campaign by turning up to meetings and supporting the Libz candidates. If there are no Libz candidates in your area – then you can go along and represent the party or just ask some libertarian questions. Every time someone votes Libz, challenges big government and shows the politicians to be control freaks (they don't like to hear it) the debate moves slowly towards freedom.

Letter from land of the Free

Dear Editor

Once again I am delighted to have received by e-mail a copy of your recent Libertarian Newsletter from New Zealand.

Perhaps you are aware that I was the organizer of the meeting during the winter of 1965, held at the University of Denver in Colorado, where the Libertarian party came into being. I had invited Ayn Rand, a long time friend, to come and speak with us on the issue of possibly establishing such a new national political party based on her concept of Objectivism and the contents of her books. Since it was VERY unusual for her to ever travel outside of New York City or to make any personal appearances of any kind, I was delighted she not only came, but spoke with all of us and offered many suggestions.

Frankly, I was both surprised and delighted she accepted my offer. In addition to Ms. Rand, there were 52 others of us, including myself. Most of us were of college age then and many were then, like myself, attending the U. of Denver although others came from a number of other states. One of the few things we all had in common was a strong belief in political liberty, the support of the individual against the state and familiarity with the books of Ayn Rand.

After three days of meetings, we concluded by formally establishing the national party. Over the next few years I was pleased to also co-found several state Libertarian parties as well as be the first Libertarian registered voter in California, Alaska, Hawaii and Virginia.

I am extremely pleased by all your hard work in New Zealand and wish you and your fellow Libertarians great success. It's been a number of years since I last visited New Zealand but I look forward to possible future visits to your extraordinarily beautiful country.

Yours in freedom,
Dr. Dan Gordon
Oroville, CA



What can you do to Support Libz?

Sign up a new member to Libertarianz

New members mean we can spread our message of freedom further. Being a member helps fund the party and keeps us registered enabling Libertarianz to appear on the ballot. Please join New Zealand's only freedom party.

Full Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

Servicing your membership will cost the Party approximately \$20 each year. A larger donation will permit us to increase our activities and outreach. For multiple memberships, attach a separate sheet with the above information and dated signatures. Unsigned applications cannot be accepted.

To satisfy the requirements of the Electoral Commission for continued recognition of Libertarianz as a registered political party, I confirm that I am eligible to register as an elector and hereby authorise the Libertarianz Party to record my name as a financial member as at the date shown below, and to provide this information to the Electoral Commission, if so required under the provisions of the Electoral Act 1993.

Signature	
Date	
Amount Enclosed	\$

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As demanded by Helen Clark, 4 Cromwell St, Mt Eden, Auckland

Attend Regular Libertarianz Events

Friday Drinks, Auckland

Join us for drinks and a chat in Mt Eden. Come and meet other Auckland Libz, and take part in the legendary "Castle Drinks"

45A View Road, Mt Eden

From 7pm on every last Friday of the month.

BYO Drinks, Nibbles, Friends and Contributions.

email Peter Cresswell at:

peter.cresswell@libertarianz.org.nz for further details, or just come along and join in.

Hamilton Libz

Waikato Libz meet every second week for a yarn, a beer and organise. Contact Tim Wikiriwhi for details

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Wellington Libz

During election year, the Wellington branch of the Libertarianz is meeting weekly every Tuesday at 7:30pm to plan, plot and politic.

Wellington Meetings are held at 4 Fort St Ngauranga, Wellington.

Email Colin Cross at ccross@xtra.co.nz for further details.

Your area's not here? Well start up your own Libertarianz meetings. They are great fun and a good way to meet up with like minded people.

Support Libz Financially

On the next page is an automatic payment form for Libertarianz. Regular payments help Libertarianz remain financially viable and can help fund campaigns.

This year we will need funds to contest the general election. Large billboards cost around \$300 each to erect, brochures around \$40 per 1000.

The more funding we get, the more we can spread our message.

To help, simply fill in the automatic payment form and take it in to your bank, or alternatively send it to the postal address on the back of the newsletter.



Support Libz in person

You are our best advertisement. Talk to your friends, colleagues and complete strangers about Libertarianz and the idea of having control over your life. The idea that we should use persuasion rather than force is a popular idea – it just needs to be said much more often.

The easiest way to support Libz is to make sure you tick the Libertarianz box at the ballot.

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