MAORI ROLLS UPDATE

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In the August 1984 Word Ways, I presented a number of logologically-interesting names from the New Zealand Maori electoral rolls. Checking of other rolls has revealed additional names worthy of mention. Note that a large number of these names are not Maori, but from other Pacific Island languages such as Samoan, Tongan and Niuean.

PALINDROMIC GIVEN NAMES Aa, Aea, Afa, Ese, Ete, lmi, Ofo, Ogo, Olo, Ono, Oto, Ulu, Upu, Atia, Amma, Aotoa, Atita, Illili, Saras, Uraru, Ututu, Amarama

PALINDROMIC SURNAMES E'e, Aia, Naran, Opapo, Ataata, Eseese, Oscoso


LONG GIVEN NAMES Halaevalulatainiuue, Tewhatipurangakette-tipuke

FIRST NAMES TRANSPOSING TO SURNAMES Mua Mau, Simi Misi, Faoa Afoa

MULTIPLE APOSTROPHES To'Oto'O To'oala, Fa'ala'ula'U, Fei'loa'itohio'Vava'u

THREE CONSECUTIVE LETTERS Faaae, Faaliga, Vaaali, Olepaaaae, Taala, Teee, Tuu

Finally, here is a small selection of noteworthy full names, followed by 26 out-of-the-ordinary given names, one starting with each letter of the alphabet.

Jagjit Janjua October Skipps
Nganga Ngau My Son
March Fourth Uea Becky's Christmas Tauasi
Sports Day Kingi Sagalala Malaga Lelevaga

Airport, Breakspear, Census, Dover, Echelon, Faze-o, Ghost, Himalaya, Ionic, Junior-Boy, Kinniburgh, Llanis-Gaye, Mewique, Newstrong, Oak, Phonderly, Queenmary, Rockylane, Sanatorium, Television, Uaaraj, Visitors, Waterlily, Xiao, Youghal, Zulkifli