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Otaki Kite Festival is believed to be the biggest of its kind in New Zealand. Volunteers run the festival with financial assistance from Kapiti Coast District Council, various charitable organisations and businesses.

From 2013 when Otaki Promotions Group held a small one-day kite festival, it has evolved into a huge two-day affair. Last year almost 15,000 people attended. The number of kites in the air was believed to be the most ever seen in New Zealand at any one time.

Many of the stars, and first timers, will be giving their kites



GO FLY A KITE

a test run on Friday 4 March from 1pm until 4pm at Otaki's Marine Parade. Everyone is welcome. The Festival gets underway on Saturday and Sunday from 10am – 4pm, with live entertainment from 4 - 5pm. Admission is free, there's a free bus service from Waikanae.

Kites can be purchased at the market but if you prefer just to watch, there are plenty of experts including Australian Tony Rice, Japanese master kite maker Mikio Toki and New Zealand's own top

kite artists Peter Lynn and Yvonne de Mille. Local businesses will participate in a Rokkaku (fighting kite) challenge.



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