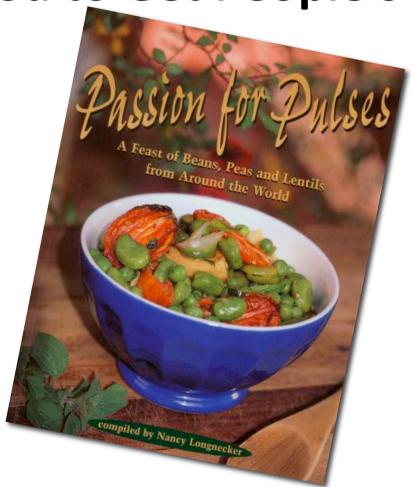


Science Communication:
Using Food to Get People's Attention



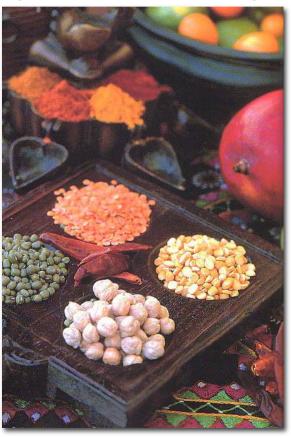
Nancy Longnecker University Club 12 August, 2016

Plant Scientist to Science Communicator

Plant science researcher (1978- 2002)



Science communicator (CLIMA: 1994- 2002)



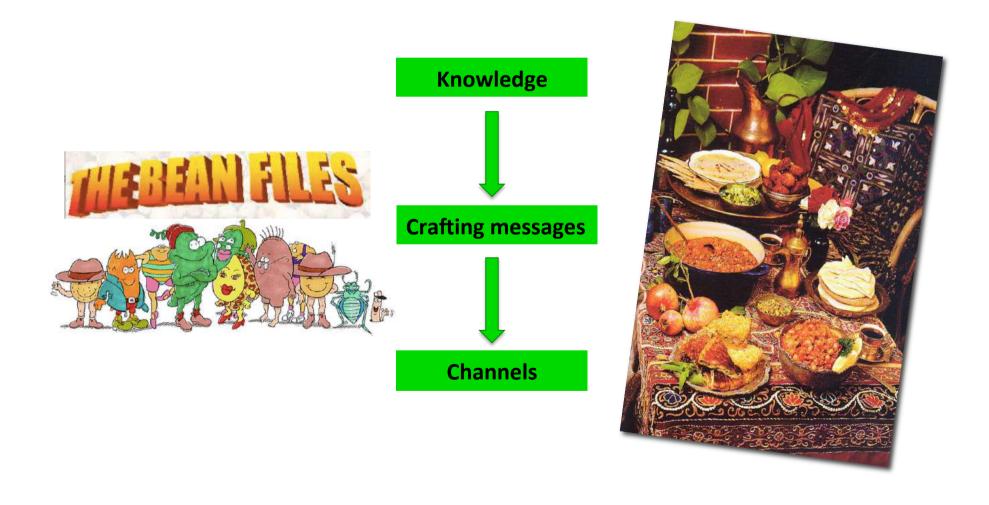
Science communication academic,

(UWA: 2002-14

Otago: 2014-)



Simple Model of Science Communication



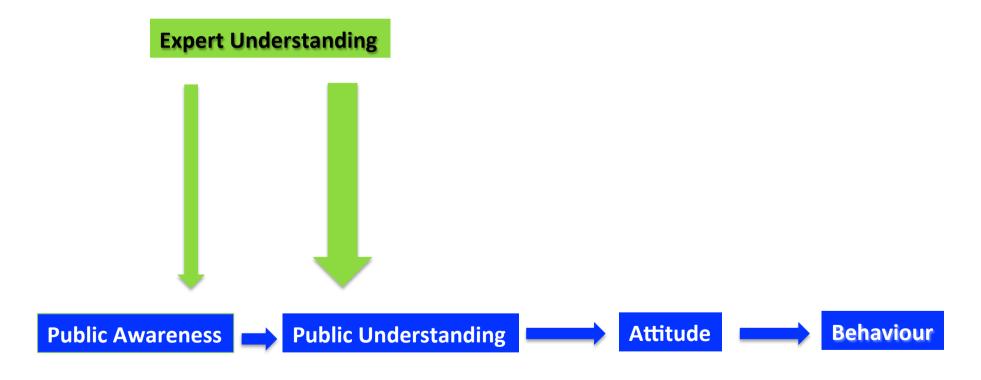
Assumption

People weigh up evidence and make decisions based on facts.

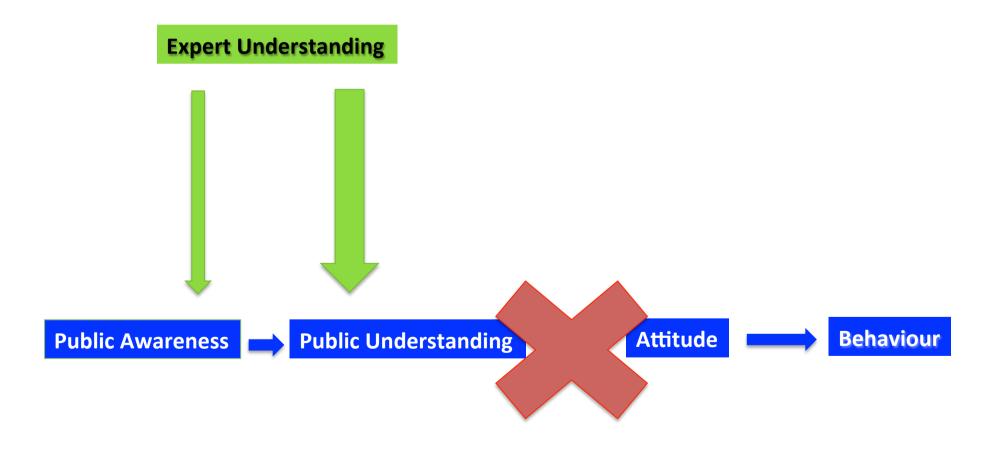


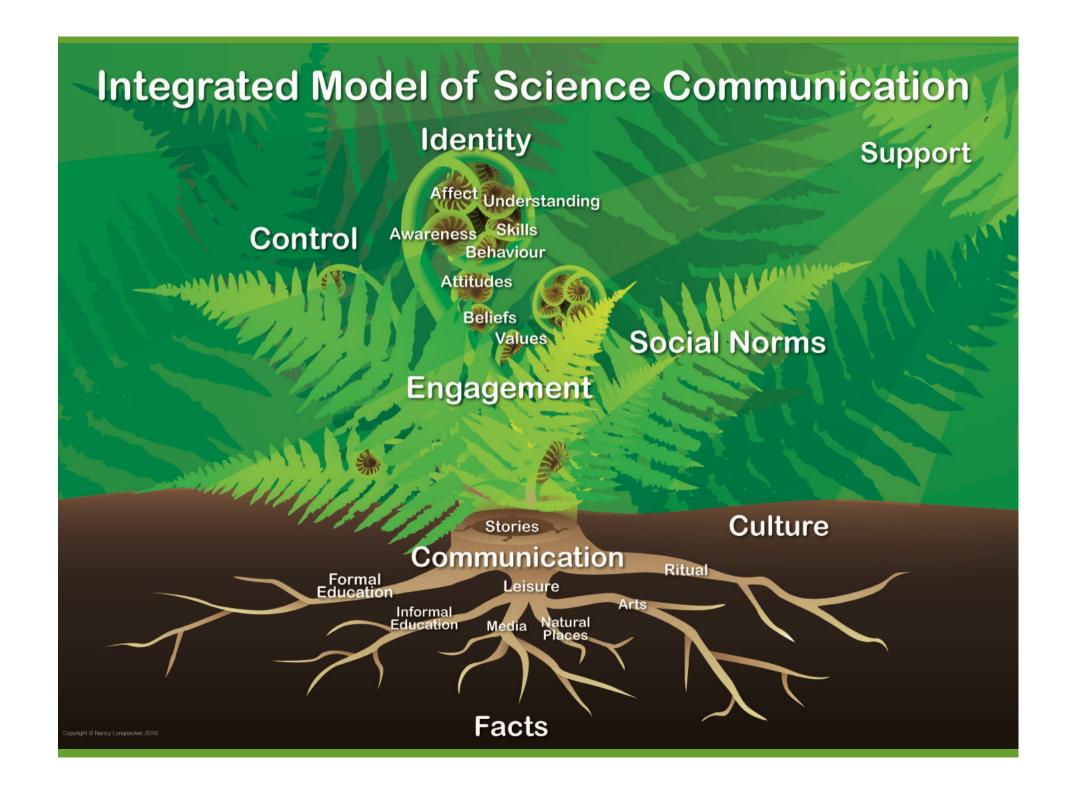
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Deficit Model of Science Communication and Personal Decision Making

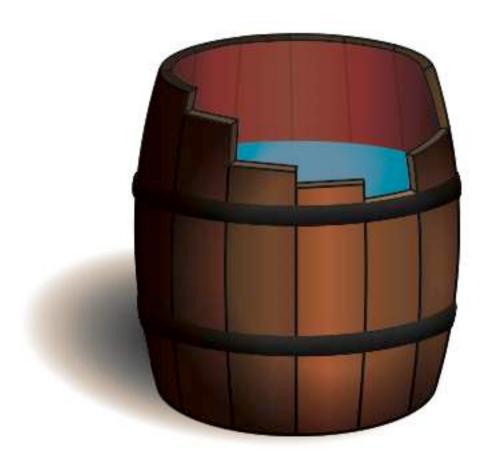


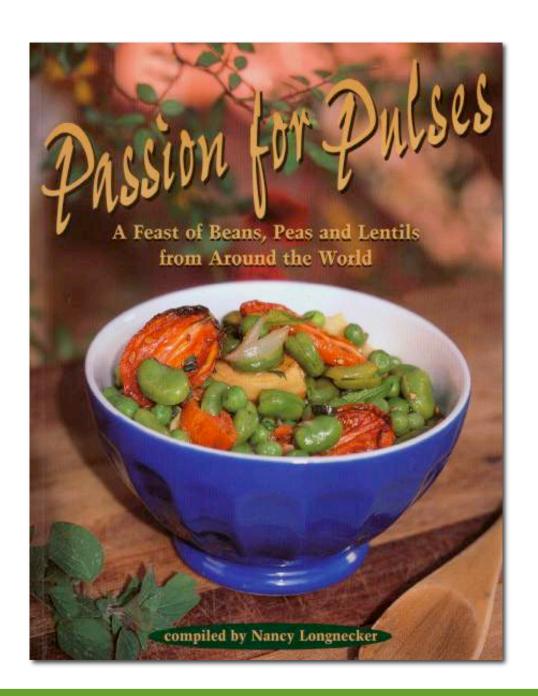
Providing information alone is unlikely to persuade









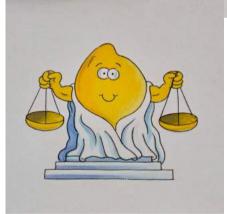


Effective communicators:

- set objectives
- consider audiences
- benchmark success
- evaluate and reflect







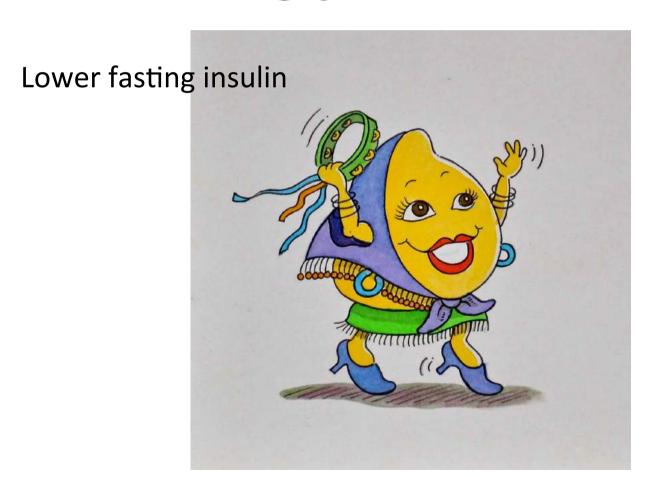




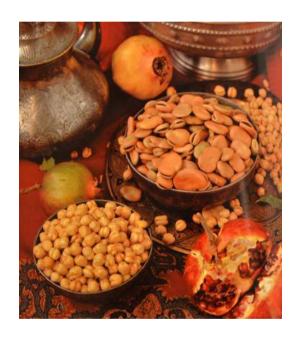
Nutrients

protein
iron, calcium, magnesium,
trace elements

Low glycaemic index



Vitamins



B vitamins thiamine, niacin, folate

sprouting – vitamin C & A

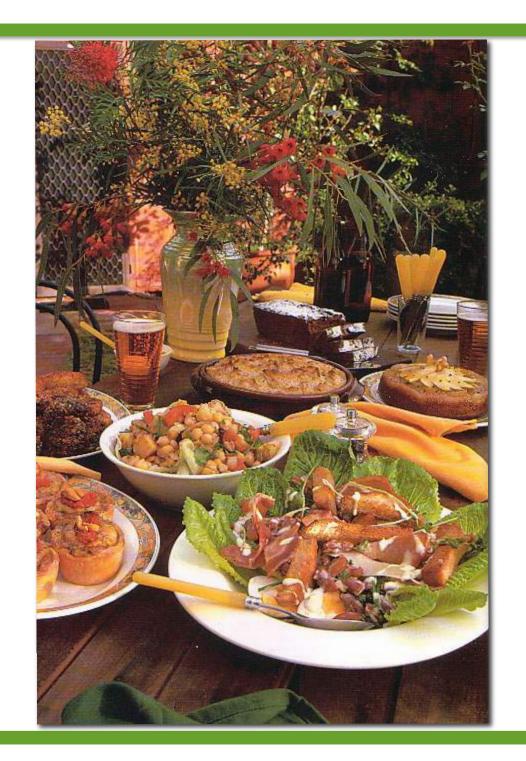
High fibre



Decreased serum total and LDL cholesterol

Gluten-free









Evaluating ImpactMedia response

- Column centimetres published: 488.5
- Number of readers: approximately 905,000

Radio/TV air time: approximately 105 minutes

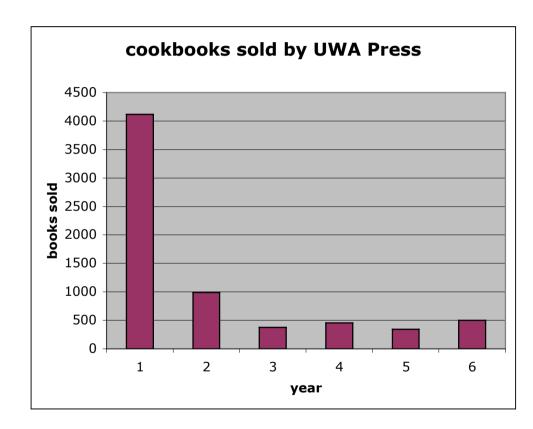






Evaluating Impact

Book Sales



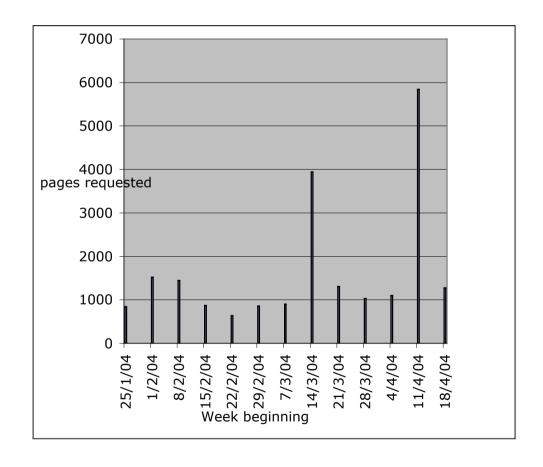




Evaluating Impact

Web hits

Busiest month April, 2004 with
 8,563 requests for pages.







Evaluating Impact

Challenges

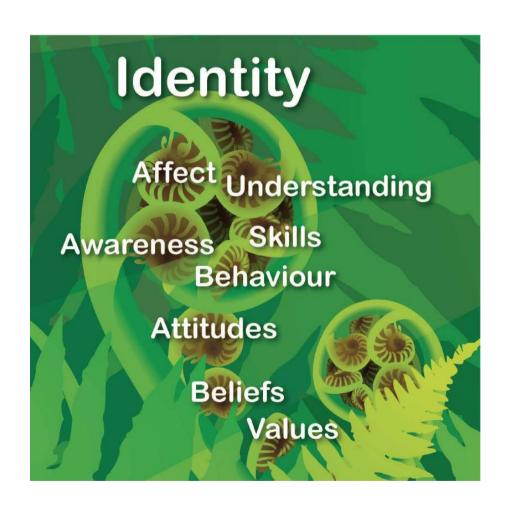
 Have the book and these campaigns made any difference in peoples' lives?

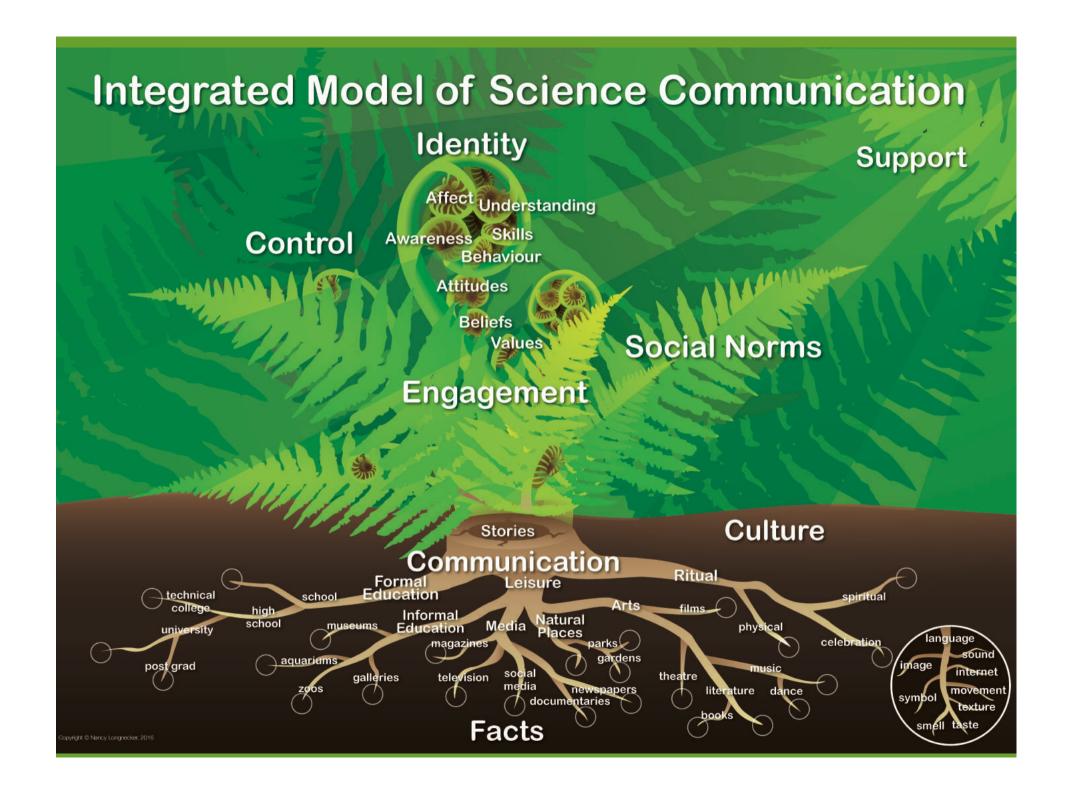
Anecdotal information:

"Thank you for writing such a wonderful book... It has been three months now and I have lowered my cholesterol. I know legumes will always be a major part of my diet."

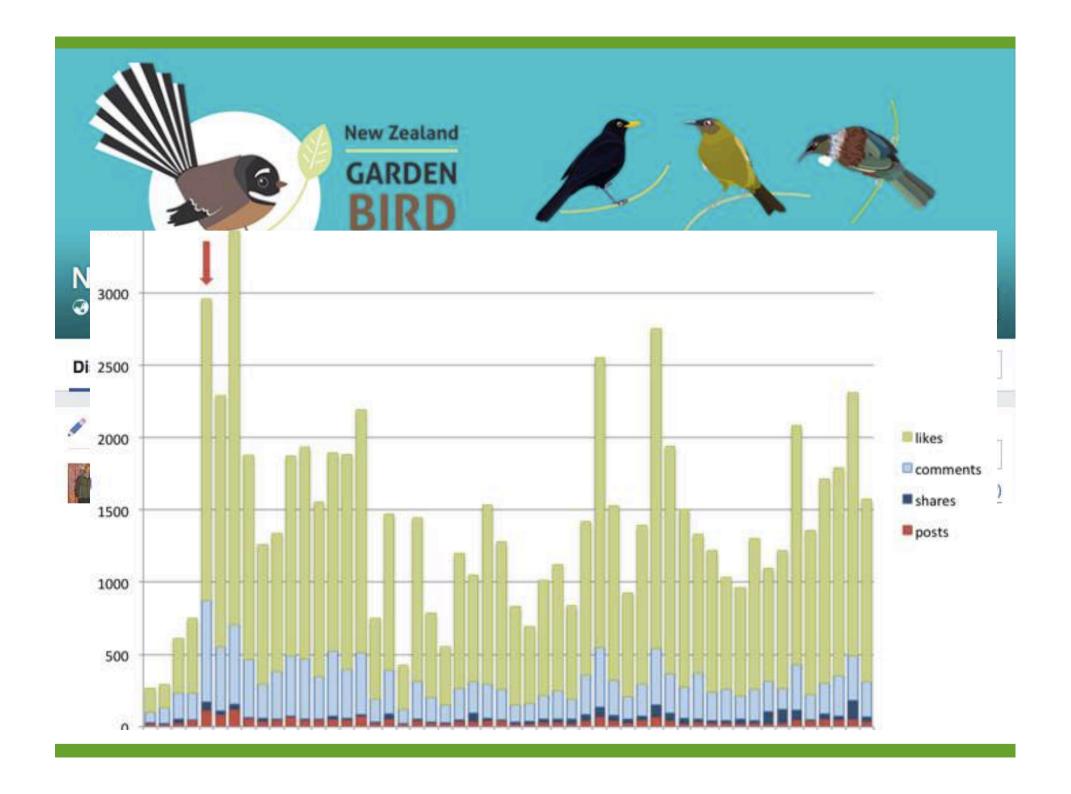
(appreciative reader from Melbourne)

Integrated Model of Science Communication



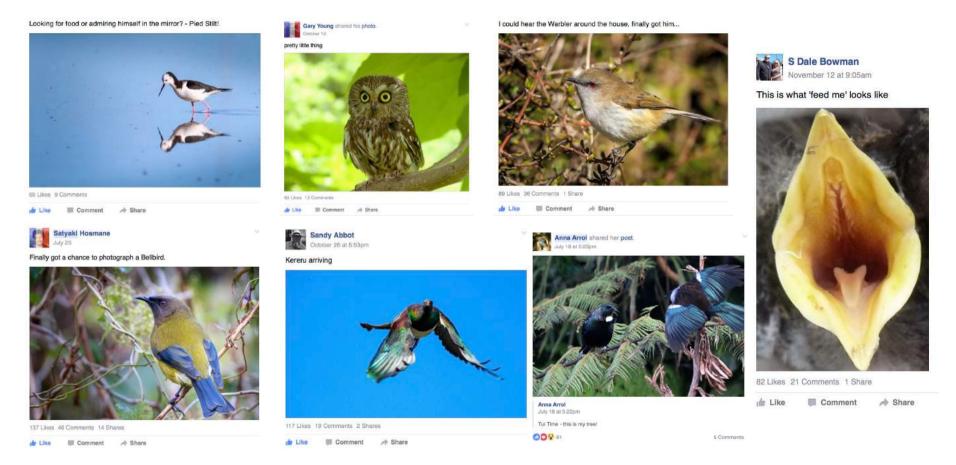






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Satyaki Hosmane male has that crown of a hair and the female doesnt..Kirsty Mullany



August 21 at 8:42pm · Like · 🖒 4



Kirsty Mullany Ah! Thanks for that, Satyaki! I thought that those were just some feathers caught in the wind. I love this page - ya learn something ever y day!

August 21 at 8:44pm · Like · 13



Eric Spurr June 4 · Auckland

I've just seen a leucistic (partial albino) blackbird in my garden. Leucistic birds, including blackbird, house sparrow, silvereye, tui, and fantail, have been reported by Garden Bird Survey participants previously – see www.landcareresearch.co.nz/.../r.../2014-results/leucistic-birds There are more photos and discussion about the topic on the BirdingNZ forum www.birdingnz.net/forum/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=247&start=10



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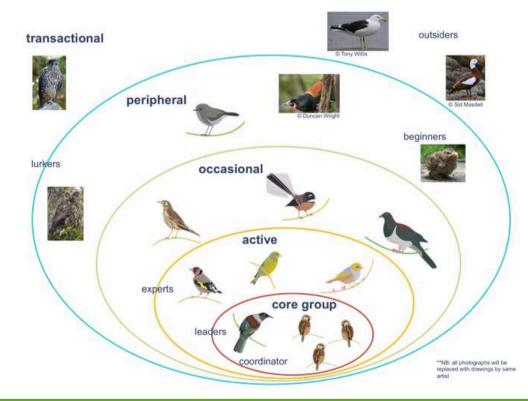


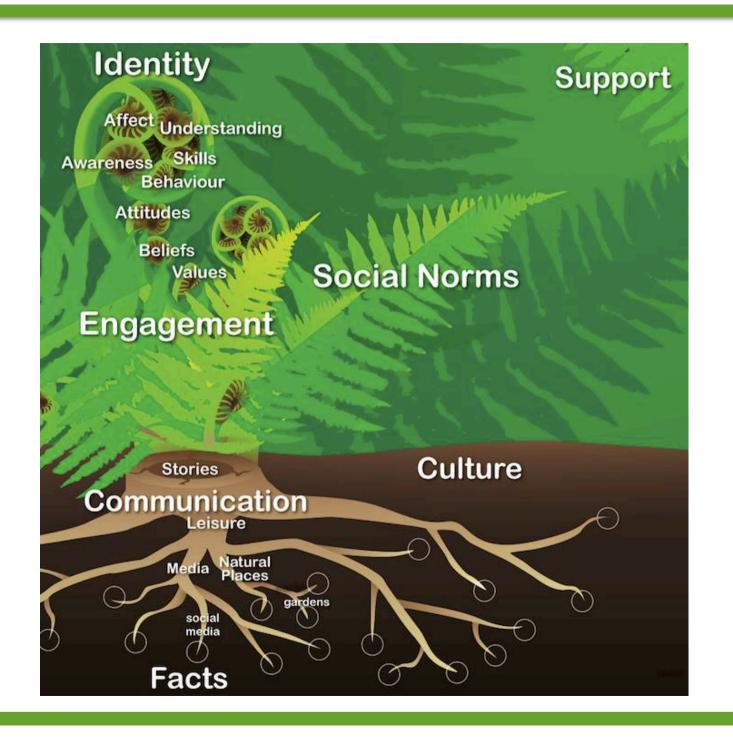


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Take home messages

- 1. Facts and information will not ipso facto persuade.
- 2. Effective science communicators consider their audiences.
- 3. Effective science communication resonates with people's identity.





Thank you!

