

Louise Pagonis

Louise is one of New Zealand's most well-known broadcasters with a long career in both television and radio. Her accomplishments span from reporting and news reading, to weather presenting. Most recently she was a regular correspondent on the Radio Live Drive Show with Duncan Garner, presenting a weekly update on the issues and achievements of the small business sector.

Louise has forged a successful career outside of this as a speaker on the topic of building a public profile and being "media ready," and she is regularly in demand as an MC for a variety of functions. Her recent events include the annual King's College Ladies Lunch and The Auckland Executive Club Political Panel (keeping 10 politicians to time and getting them to answer the question presented!).

She also led the inaugural Grey Lynn Business Association Sustainable Walk, which involved leading 50 people around the six different businesses and introducing the business owners at each venue.

Louise is a keen traveler and two of her favourite places are the Central Otago region where she holidayed as a child, and the Auckland harbour. In her spare time she is a guide for an Auckland walking tour company and she loves to explore the inner harbour in her kayak. She is a mother of two grown-up sons and enjoys fitness and languages (she speaks passable French which came in handy when she was stuck in Paris in the terror attacks).

Louise's idea of a great day would be a swim in the sea and barbecuing some sea food for friends on her back deck, helped along by plenty of syrah wine - her new passion.



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