

*HE HAS A KEEN AND ADVENTUROUS SPIRIT! THAT IS THE MASTERTON-RAISED EXPLORER AND ENVIRONMENTALIST WHO WILL BE THE GUEST SPEAKER AT OUR NEXT AND FINAL MEETING FOR THE 2021 YEAR.*

Grant Redvers is the author of *Tara Arctic*, which told the story of the expedition he led in 2006-07; the ship was trapped deliberately in the Arctic sea ice for 506 days. Collected about the ice, atmosphere, Arctic Ocean was data that contributed to global climate change study.



Grant Redvers has more recently spent three years in the Arctic. From 2017 to 2020, Redvers and his family lived in the remote settlement of Cambridge Bay, Canada, at the western entrance to the Northwest Passage. He was Operations Manager at the newly established Canadian High Arctic Research Station (CHARS).

### *The Challenges of living and working in Canada's Arctic region*

"I'm going to talk about the predominantly Inuit community of Cambridge Bay," he says, "and share images and stories about the challenges of setting up the research station, life in the far North and the broader geopolitical context of the region".

Grant Redvers has spent most of his career supporting environmental research and adventure projects in the Polar Regions, from science technician at Scott Base and charter yacht skipper on the Antarctic Peninsula, to leading *Tara's* ice-locked voyage across the North Pole and operating a research yacht in Greenland.

Currently Science Support Manager at the Department of Conservation in Wellington, Grant Redvers has a Masters degree in environmental science from Auckland University.



The Canadian High Arctic Research Station in Cambridge Bay

**Venue: Rosewood, 417 Queen Street, Kuripuni, Masterton**

**Date/Time: Thursday, 2 December 2021 at 8.00 pm – with tea and coffee from 7.30 pm**

**Non-members: \$5.00 door charge**

**All are welcome**

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