



***Battle of the Birds* - Lee Murray**

Published by Taramea Publishing, RRP \$23.00

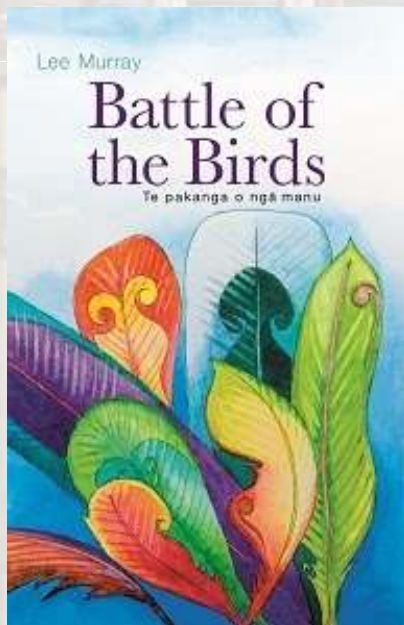
In Wisconsin, USA, home sick Annie relaxes in the hot sun while she day dreams of sinking into a cool lake in New Zealand, and as she does she drifts off into a dreamy slumber.

The slumber takes her on a long journey to the New Zealand of 1000 years ago, a land filled with many birds; the majestic Moa, the fantail and the kiwi. But a battle amongst the flightless and the predator birds is brewing and Annie has been given a special skill that may help change the outcome. The question is can she help the flightless birds in time?

A gentle, yet dynamic story which brings the birds of New Zealand to life. A strong female protagonist will lend to many readers enjoying the story and leave them wanting more. The slowness of the story makes it is well suited to fill the 'tween' gap in the book market.

The author has added a glossary and an explanation of the Maori words which will give wider appeal.

Reviewed Tauranga Teenage Services Librarian Amanda McFadden.



Author's Website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/leemurraywriter/home>

Promoting the enjoyment of children's literature.