

# COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT REPORTS

## ***ONE MINUTE YOU'RE UP, THE NEXT MINUTE YOU'RE DOWN ...***

Tena koutou katoa nga kai whenua o Te Uranga

The management of unclaimed monies is very much like playing the stock market - one minute you're up, the next minute you're down - in the case of unclaimed monies having a decrease is far better than an increase.

For the year ending 30 June 2014 I am very pleased to report that the total amount of unclaimed dividends paid to shareholders was \$18,933. This is a reduction of 18.9% on last year's figure, a sizable proportion which belonged to historical estates some of which had been unclaimed for 15 years or more.

Social media such as Facebook has assisted greatly in the unclaimed monies area, it has opened up a whole new world of communication and it would be fair to say that it is the *kumara vine* of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

I am pleased to report that owners and whanau are becoming more pro-active in providing us with current addresses and bank account details and importantly taking an interest in the legacy (land, history, tikanga) that those gone before have left us.

*Naku noa*

*Alan Cockle*

*Committee of Management*

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## ***SHHH, ENVIRONMENT GROWING: SHOOTING AND FISHING PROHIBITED....***

Te Uranga is known for its commitment to environmental management. We care for our land and our environment and we've **been** doing so for 21 years. So I'm proud **to** report another busy year on the farm.

We have worked on farm shelter belts that protect livestock from the cold winter mountain winds while in the summer provide shade. In winter more than 60% of food consumed by livestock can go into just keeping themselves warm. With shelter belts it means more food will be converted to increased live weight gains.

Douglas firs and Japanese cedar planted amongst flax provide top and bottom tier shelter enabling the trees to grow tall and strong. These trees and flax are frost and snow tolerant ideal for our windy and chilly winters.

We are also committed to fencing off all wetlands and riparian areas planting them in rewarewa, toe toe, harakeke, kanuka and manuka to encourage safe breeding habitats for ducks, birds and bees. For these reasons, all shooting and fishing in, around or on our wetlands is prohibited.

*Vonda Houpapa*

*Committee of Management*

*ENVIRONMENT*

### ***AN HONOURABLE JOURNEY...***

*“Whakapakari te mahere tauatanga, ka mura tonu te ahi”*

*Strengthen the succession plan and the fire will continue to burn*

My previous administrative role working at Balance Chartered Accountants with the Incorporation provided great insight and stirred in me a passion for Maori governance and leadership. When I left my administrative role to pursue a career in Maori development, I was privileged to be offered an Associate Directorship on the Committee of Management of Te Uranga B2 Incorporation.

Along with attending committee meetings I have been involved in the planting of wetlands near the Upokomatu Bridge, on Upoko, with fellow Committee of Management member Vonda Houpapa. The project involved *Nga Hau e Wha Maara Kai - Taumarunui Community Gardens* - who assisted by providing and transplanting the plants. This is a great example of grassroots development led by Te Uranga B2. I look forward to the return of our aqua and bird life and, to future working relationships with others in our community.

My first year in this role has been wonderful, this position has allowed me to learn from industry experts and advocates: an opportunity rarely afforded a small town, kotiro from Ngati Hari! What I am learning from my involvement in with the Incorporation I will adopt in both my professional and private lives.

This is only the start to an honourable journey.

*Nga manaakitanga,*

*Donna Hurapo Tuwhangai*

*Associate Director*

## ***MOST OVERSEAS VISITORS ARE IN AUSSIE.....***

The Te Uranga B2 website. [www.teurangab2.co.nz](http://www.teurangab2.co.nz) was launched just over two years ago - 20 September 2012. The design and hosting is by Hamilton based web design company BlackSheep Creative. Hosting gives our website access to the internet so that anyone around the world can visit it to get to know us – most overseas visitors are in Aussie followed by USA, Brazil, Germany and Indonesia. I am the administrator of the website, able to add and delete content by using in-site content management software that is also provided by BlackSheep.

Like the website I am also Te Uranga B2's Facebook administrator, posting stories around our business of farming, the weather, visitors and hui - photos and stories from our sharemilkers and staff help make our pages interesting by showing you what's happening on your farms. We'd love to know what's going on in your lives, the lives of our owners, so it would be great if you emailed me [dwooster@clear.net.nz](mailto:dwooster@clear.net.nz) stories and photos showing what you all are doing and what you are celebrating – anniversaries, marriages, births, graduations – and even mourning.

Also to help you keep abreast of your enterprises we publish four editions of Panui a year – summer, autumn, winter and spring. Those of you whose email addresses we hold receive it by email so that you can forward the panui to family members and friends who may be in Aussie, Dubai or just around the corner.

Here's a message to those whose email addresses we do not have – send me an email so I can email you your panui – you'll be saving yourself \$3.29 per panui - that's how much it costs to print and post.

Your Committee of Management, Advisors, Sharemilkers, Managers and staff invite you to let us know how you feel, what you're doing, how you doing it and how you expect us to do it. I'm sure you'd much rather spend time on the farm looking at what makes your dividend grow rather than sitting in this quaint hall!

*Derek Wooster*

*Committee of Management*

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