

HE PANUI

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From the Chairman

Tēnā tatou katoa e te whānau,

Our farms, Upoko and Paatara, are finalists in the Balance Farm Environment Awards. There will be a second round of judging by a new set of Judges. The Incorporation's environment policy has been in place since the mid-1990s so it's heartening to observe that the work we are doing is being recognised by the wider community. Thank you everyone for the enduring belief that the whenua must be in good health before it can properly sustain us.

Nga mihi *Andrew Martin, Chairman*

Farm Report...

The season continues to be a challenging one and with spring now past we move into the summer months with some nervousness. The summer is shaping up like being one that will be good for camping but not so good for farming and we are preparing for drier than normal weather conditions.

Upoko is well set up to counter these conditions with 24 hectares of summer crops sown to feed the lambs on and all stock in excellent condition. The early season market predictions of a significant drop in lamb price look to be coming true and this will mean a significant drop in lamb income this year (unfortunately out of our control). Thankfully a kind spring has meant plenty of lambs on the ground this year and a lambing result of 131% will mean a few more lambs to sell. Cattle sales have also begun on Upoko with weights hitting new highs which are pleasing.

Dairy production continues to track well for the year on both Koromiko and Paatara. Both farms are tracking ahead of last year's production levels which is pleasing given that last season was a record year in itself.

Koromiko is undertaking a maize cropping trial this year that has seen a total of 7 hectares planted. Taumarunui has historically been regarded as being on the fringe of good maize growing country mainly due to the risks of late frosts reducing yield. This trial has been undertaken to reduce the costs of bought in feed to supplement the dairy herds and reduce the reliance on imported Palm Kernel Extract (PKE).

Given the previously mentioned summer forecast we remain cautious on what the season will bring but remain positive in light of the achievements so far. *Darren McNae, Farm Consultant*

AGM held on Saturday 10 November.

A healthy number of owners attended - 46 in all.

The day's business – Traci Houppapa and Andrew Martin back on the committee unopposed; owners approved a dividend of \$12 per whole share and Kaumatua grant of \$250 both to be paid before Christmas; passed unanimously the special resolution allowing Andrew's term be extended to allow more evenly spaced committee member retirement dates.

Take from last year – an annual grant to Hia Kaitupeka Marae was rejected by the Committee of Management (CoM); after robust korero demanding money go to owners instead of marae, there was a resolve to find out which marae affiliated to the Te Uranga B2 block, and at next year's AGM the CoM present options to the

owners on how marae grants may or may not be adopted. What do you reckon – **Marae grants or no Marae? Which marae has a connection to Te Uranga B2 and how?** Text, facebook or email the Editor what you think. The CoM recommended that the value of the Kaumatua Grant remain the same for all regardless of age.

It's satisfying to welcome first-timers to the AGM – it's a chance for them to meet those who run their business; to reacquaint with whanau; to acknowledge and visit the whenua that was left to them 5 generations ago by their tupuna.

Following the world famous Ngakonui Valley School spread of ham, roast lamb, mint potatoes & peas, salads, pavs and fruit salad (not forgetting the fudge!) some went up the valley to pick bags full of watercress.

KAREAREA - New Zealand Falcon aka Sparrow Hawk, Bush Hawk, Quail hawk.

Paatara (Dean and Lucy's dairy unit) has a breeding pair of Karearea. Their nests and chicks have been seen in clumps of native grasses in the wetland. General farming such as feeding out silage don't worry Karearea as they perch on fenceposts waiting to catch sparrows and other birds that come to feed on the insects/seeds.



We are in the process of retiring wetland that is a favourite haunt of the Karearea - raupo provides good cover, totara and cabbage trees to perch in. Paddock development is underway and at the lower end of the wetland a

culvert will be put in to create a lagoon. Rocky bluffs - a hazard for livestock - will also be retired to provide further Karearea habitat. **The Karearea -**

- Since 1970 has full legal protection
- Voted 2012 Bird of the Year
- It's one of our most threatened birds owing to loss of habitat through land clearance.
- Is a solitary predator and strongly territorial
- Is New Zealand's fastest bird
- Is the bravest and most aggressive falcon

Vonda Houpapa, Committee of Management

UNPAID ESTATE MONIES

Unpaid monies and unknown addresses is a problem that Maori Incorporations, Trusts and the Maori Trustee continue to grapple with. I spent 6 months trying to reduce the amount held by Te

Uranga B2. While I was able to establish some leads through searches of the records of the Maori Land Court and corresponding with whanau via email, telephone and face book there is still about \$120,000.00 of unpaid monies held by the Inc. The table below names **estates** where large amounts have not been succeeded to. If you know anyone who is related to any of these deceased shareholders and how we can contact them then contact Patricia at 078953013 or email patricia@balanceonline.co.nz.

S/H No	Name	Amount
400	Harold Te Kerapa Campbell	\$2130.83
450	Henrietta Campbell	\$2219.50
1160	Louis Kingi Campbell	\$1138.64
1460	Mihi Mamao Huriwaka (Campbell)	\$2835.42
1870	Putiputi Waihomate Te Tapiata (Campbell)	\$2380.03
8896	Jean Dyll	\$1199.15
260	Deana Houpapa	\$2679.06
3710	Tako Houpapa	\$3001.49
6000	Hinemapuhia Margaret Kingi	\$1148.74
7660	Wally Te Wharetotara Kingi	\$1014.26
1120	Leslie Matena	\$1394.76
690	Te Huia Hone Matena	\$1458.36
640	Hone Titari Matena	\$2069.47
1590	Ngawairua Meiranga	\$3254.99
2080	Riwhenua Mokena	\$3379.57
1550	Motemote Ngahuinga	\$5483.29
1200	Maata Te Auraki	\$3160.31
1890	Te Raierea Te Matiu	\$1559.95
430	Hemara Te Wharangi	\$3942.44
550	Hoani Wehiwehi	\$1361.28

Alan Cockle, Committee of Management

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