



Te Whenua, Te Tāngata, Te Ao Āriua
The Land, The People, The Future

TŪ TAMA ROTO, TŪ TAMA WAHO

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MESSAGE FROM LIZ MELLISH, HEAMANA, NGĀ TEKAU O PAPAIOEA

Kia ora whānau

2023 what a difficult year in many cases and now we have also mandated the National, Act & NZ First as Government, to manage our country for the next three years. The negativity of this election has increased the racism discussion, and we will need to call on our resilience to keep the gains made on track. Our tamariki are moving into such a good space, learning our history, learning te reo and understanding the environmental issues facing us and the world. The increase in worldwide conflicts is at a place where we may be unsure of the future. Giving our mokopuna educational opportunities so they can navigate this world of conflict is the best answer. Having strong whānau and resilience is key and to celebrate what is still good in our land of Aotearoa.

Whilst trustees have consolidated our assets and maintained a reasonable equity management of our finances, we will continue to prepare to develop various land parcels and to look for diversification of our asset base. At our AGM this year we had an election year which is good for us all to have a contest and know that whānau support the trusts mahi and keen to participate. We welcome onto our Board Phillipa Fairclough. Phillipa lives in New Plymouth which gives us Wiki, Paula, Aisha and Phillipa from Taranaki. Takiri Cotterill who has missed out this time is keeping in close touch through her mahi in weaving at Hīkoikoi and her works on the Kapiti Coast for Te Ātiawa ki Kāpiti.

We have returned from Huihuinga Wāhine in Auckland and listening to Professor Rawinia Higgins from Te Taura Whiri and Wellington University along with other amazing wāhine talk of their hopes and dreams, is inspirational and provides us much to

celebrate of wāhine Māori who face all the challenges life provides.

The role models of our tūpuna give us a blueprint for managing our lives in troubled times and this festive season gives us time to reflect on what has occurred in the last few years and to take heart from lessons learnt on managing in tough times. I hope maintaining the dividend at the level it is, will give us all a lift so we can celebrate Christmas well.

Talking of seasons, the impacts of climate change on our seasons has highlighted the need to prepare well and to re-learn the tradition of gardening and foraging to provide a good diet for our mokopuna. I must admit my garden has proven a real delight in producing beautiful and tasty treats keeping us healthy and sharing with whānau. Our māra kai at Hīkoikoi has been a great success and this year it is no exception. Well done our volunteers.

The whakataukī of Te Whiti Orongomai is an appropriate way to conclude my Christmas message.

Hei kororia ki te Atua runga rawa

(Give glory to God on high)

Hei maungārongo ki runga ki te whenua

(there shall be peace on earth)

Hei whakaaro pai ki ngā tangata katoa

(and goodwill amongst all people)

This whakataukī (proverb) comes from Luke 2:14 and is reproduced on the tiki (memorial stone) of Te Whiti o Rongomai of Parihaka.

Ka mutu noa iho ngā kōrero mō tēnei wā.

Nō reira tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Liz Mellish, Heamana, Ngā Tekau o Papaioea

MESSAGE FROM ANARU SMILER, HEAMANA, NGĀ TEKAU O PŌNEKE



"Tēnā koutou ka nui te mihi"

Fantastic to see you all kanohi ki te kanohi at our Annual General Meeting at the beginning of September and to share with you the successes for the Trust in 2023. Our team hope to see some of the whānau at the Owners Hui in Kirikiriroa on 8 November 2023 to provide another update for those who were unable to make it to Wellington.

Congratulations to Mahara Okeroa, Venessa Ede and Richard Te One re-elected for another term as Managing Trustees.

Since we last met we have had a general election that is likely to bring a new Government. We await with interest for a new Parliament to be formed, bringing us a new landscape to navigate. We look forward to continuing to nurture and grow our interests over the next period.

On behalf of the Trustees I wish you a safe and relaxing break these holidays.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.
Anaru Smiler, Heamana, Ngā Tekau o Pōneke

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Important Dividend Distribution

Our annual distribution occurs in late November 2023. Payments are only paid into bank accounts so bank account details must be supplied as early as possible to ensure any updates are made prior to the distribution date.

Before a payment is made, the minimum accumulated distribution amount for owners with NZ bank accounts is \$50 and the minimum accumulated distribution for owners with overseas bank accounts is \$100

Please include your IRD numbers when updating your details. For enquiries regarding dividend payments please contact us at the Executive Office.

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