



Wi Pere®

Wi Pere Trust Comments from the Chair

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Wi Pere. A very warm welcome to this festive edition of Panui. May the many blessings of this special time of year be with you all.

In this edition, we provide some insights and mementos from our recent shareholder events held last month. In addition, we also include key updates on upcoming events and business matters, ensuring beneficiaries and whānau are kept informed as we approach the start of 2025.

We were thrilled with the very good attendances at both the recent AGM and farm field day events. As a Trust Board, we are always so grateful for your input, reflections, and the sharing of treasured stories so as a wider whānau, we continue to grow, develop and pass on precious mātauranga to our next generations. We look forward to making further progress and continued consultation around other key matters raised at the AGM in 2025 - including in the area of whenua whānau (papakāinga).

Lastly, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all beneficiaries, whānau, staff, advisers, contractors, suppliers and customers who continue to make a real difference and are contributing to the ongoing success of the Trust.

Mauri ora, **Alan Haronga, Chair**



Wi Pere Trust Board Elections:

As indicated in prior communications, due to the passing of our treasured Trudy Vivienne Daisy Meredith, the Trust Board undertook an additional election process to fill the vacant Board position. With voting now closed, the election scrutineers, Graham & Dobson Ltd, have advised of the following result:

107 (18.2%) of beneficiaries voted, which equated to 4715.30773234 (41.1%) of beneficiaries interests. There were also three invalid votes received that were not resolved before voting closed.

Michelle Patehepa Parewhero **Hippolite**

3048.06020320

Amy-Kelly **Clark**

941.33748670

Alice Frances **Smiler-Edwards**

360.00642744

Tanith Satriani Ruatapunui Hauteaniwaniwa Tawehiariki

209.14035000

Wirihana **Te Waitohioterangi**

156.76326500

Emma Jocelyn Heni Ngateina Kairangi Tapara Koti **Pere**

Accordingly, **Michelle Hippolite** is therefore duly elected to serve the remaining four years of Trudy's five year term. Congratulations to Michelle on this appointment - we look forward to your valued contributions at the Board table. The Trust Board would also like to acknowledge the four other candidates (Amy-Kelly, Frances, Tanith and Emma), who gladly took up the challenge as part of the election process, proudly representing their respective whānau. Ka mau te wehi!

Online Process for 2025 Education Grant and Tertiary Education Scholarship Applications:

With a view to streamlining our administrative processes, we encourage whānau to access the 2025 education grant & tertiary scholarship application forms online via the following link, or alternatively by scanning the QR code: <https://forms.office.com/r/NdxAT31qKn?origin=lprLink>.





2024 Wi Pere Trust Farm Field Day





Wi Pere Trust Horticulture

- PICK YOUR OWN BLUEBERRIES SESSION

Kia ora e te Whānau,

In the spirit of Christmas, our Wi Pere Trust Horticulture team will be hosting another “Pick your Own” blueberries session especially for shareholders and whānau. Details are as follows:

DATE: Wednesday 18th December 2024

TIME: 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm

WHERE: Tangihanga Blueberry Operations
C- 864 Lavenham Road, Waituhi
(Please meet under the trees at the main entrance)

- NB:**
- There will be no charge for the fruit, however shareholders will need to bring their own containers to pick their fruit into.
 - Please bring suitable footwear.
 - There will be a Health and Safety briefing before picking starts.

Meri Kirihimete me ngā mihi o te Tau Hou.

James Torrie
Crop Manager - Wi Pere Trust Horticulture