



KAITIAKITANGA CHARITABLE TRUST NEWSLETTER: 18 October 2019

Okete Estuary Restoration:

This morning Murray Grant, Jo & Shaun Wallis and Callum Bourke (Waikato Regional Council) met to review and plan for the future of this project. Both the owner and the Waikato Regional Council were pleased with the weeding and planting this year. The Trust received over \$5,000.00 for this work. This will be used as part of the Pureora predator control funding and to get L. Gardener training and his full driver's licence. It will also help pay some processing fees for the wild venison and pork contributed by the Oliver Family. This meat is really appreciated by our volunteers and clients when we have no funding to pay for our environmental work.

Callum Bourke is happy to work towards another 2,000 natives being supplied for this project at \$5/plant inclusive of planting and releasing obligations from us.

Mr and Mrs Wallis are to fence off identified areas so the planting is safe from stock ingress.



Father and son and friends all enjoy the mahi and River Kitchen food at Okete (August 2019)

Pureora Predator Control:

We have been successful with funding applications totalling approximately \$10,000.00 for this project. We plan to utilise some of the \$5,000 above as well. We have made recent funding applications with Lion Foundation and WWF for the balance.

Gerry Kessels, ecologist and commissioner, is assisting with the trap placement plan and other issues.

Wallace Narbi has been undertaking trapping with an Auckland tramping club for many years on land near Rangitoto Lands. We are to meet with him there to discuss the most efficient way for both groups to work co-operatively in the area.

Ngati Haua (Waharoa):

Pari Kaukau has joined us at Tauwhare and Okete on two separate occasions. He has brought up to 5 youth each time and helped with releasing and planting. Some wild pork was gratefully received.

Pari is working with the Mayor, Ash Tanner of Matamata Piako District Council, to try and secure a place for the container to be placed. It seems logical for their local youth to learn how to make the traps as some of them are about to become employed as trappers.



The team from Waharoa planting at Tauwhare (August 2019)

Tauwhare Wetland Restoration:

The owners have confirmed we are able to continue with releasing work for the foreseeable future.

Sponsors:

Stace Hammond:	Office facilities, secretarial support and pro bono legal advice. Also creating a website for us.
Frank Risk:	Pro bono brokerage advice and generous financial contribution.
Ebbetts:	Provision of four wheel drive vehicle and fuel. A video is also planned.
Brown Pennell:	Pro bono accounting services.
Rangitoto Lands:	Access for client camping and generously provide meat for Koha to volunteers and clients when no funding for environmental work.
River Kitchen:	Maria has provided tasty food for a weekends camping.

Contacts:

Prison Care Ministries	We take rehabilitating ex-prisoners to work on our projects. We give them an education on native plants and biodiversity plus food to thank them. The men have all enjoyed themselves and this is a good project.
Youth Justice	One young man referred to us has successfully applied to the "Waterboy Trust" and has been placed in a sports club with a business sponsoring him. We put him forward after learning what he likes from a day releasing trees.
Future Leaders	This group of wonderful people work with troubled youth by learning military training skills and discipline. We have agreed to take groups camping as a follow-up to their program.
District Court Judges	Judge Phil Connell has continued his support and reports that the new Chief District Court Judge would be interested in our work. It is planned to meet the new Chief District Court Judge as soon as can be arranged.

Funding:

D.V. Bryant Trust	\$5,500.00 – Received
(SSCIF) Small Scale Community Initiative Fund	\$4,993.00 - Received
WWF New Zealand	\$15,000 – Pending application result
Lion Foundation	\$59,544.37 – Pending application result

Strategic Plan:

This important document is underway. It will contain the short and long term goals for the trust. A completed website and a fulltime position will be a part of this.