

POHUTUKAWA TRUST NEW ZEALAND

"To rehabilitate the native flora and fauna of Kawau Island"
"To promote the conservation of indigenous species in New Zealand"
"To achieve sustainable land use on Kawau Island"

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I am pleased to provide this report to you on behalf of the Trustees.
The 2022 year continued to be challenging.

We did though make significant progress towards the Trust's objectives.
From our own observations and those who have communicated with us by various means pest numbers continue to fall and the recovery of the Flora and Fauna is strong.

After being hammered for so long the resilience of the island to regenerate itself, is incredible.

Big improvement is clearly noticeable everywhere for which the residents must take a great deal of credit.

The support we received from groups such as the Kawau Island Residents and Ratepayers Association, Auckland Council, Rodney Local Board, and the Department of Conservation and Kingston Accountants Limited again last year we are very thankful for, and hope for its continuation.

All scheduled programs for the year were successfully completed and were increased by 1 over the previous year.

We also fulfilled several requests to provide genetic material for research and animal species security for both local and overseas clients.

The Trust was asked to provide technical assistance to the councils Kawau project technical advisory group and have been doing so for the last approximate 6 months.

We have over recent months also participated as a guest on the Kawau project Steering Group advocating on landowner's behalf. There is going to be quite a lot for landowners to consider going forward on this matter.

Our greatest challenge continues to be getting the funds to operate our programs, and last year was no exception.

As you have heard me state a number of times the available finance or lack of is the determining factor on just how much we can do each year.

As always, the Trustees are mindful of the responsibility that this place on us to spend money wisely.

We constantly therefore look for ways in which we can do more for less. This year we have spent considerable effort in analysing the data we have and will be embarking on a new strategy in the coming months.

Our regular programs will continue but under modified conditions.

We will continue to advocate on behalf of landowners where the opportunity exists and support them with traps, rat baits, information on weed control and restoration planting programs.

As we have in the years past I can confirm that every cent that we have received has been used solely on removing pests, and supporting landowners initiatives..
All operational activities other than our contracted professional hunters are provided voluntarily by our trustees and supporters.
I would like to thank them for their continued efforts and hard work to keep the wheels turning in these difficult times.

We are feeling positive about the coming year and planning is well underway.
Our first program of the year is likely to be towards the end of February/ beginning of March weather and manpower dependant.

Thank you again for your continued support.
The Trustees wish you all the best for the coming year and hope everyone can move forward in their lives whilst remaining safe and well.

Carl Weaver
Chairman
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