

PANUITIA.....

Incorporating Awarua 1DB2 & Aorangi (Awarua) Blocks

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SEE OVER PAGE RE DETAIL NEXT OWNER'S HUI 2012

Don't forget to let us know when you have changed your Address. Complete form over page or email Soraya.

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KA NUI TE MIHI KIA KOUTOU KATOA

"Kua ngaro atu te whetu o puaanga i kitea ai o kanohi..aue taukiri eee Kua riro atu kite huihuinga o te kahurangi.. aue taukiri eee"

(Puaanga gazes upon those who assemble at the spiritual home at Kahurangi) Nga mihi e tatou ma e noho mai na o kainga maha me o marae katoa. Ki nga tini mate mai ite po huri ite ao, haere atu ra. Me pea ra e noho ki to tatou whare ki tenei hotoka... aue te makariritanga ki tenei hotoka. No reira noho ora mai ki nga manaakitanga ki to tatou ariki.

Isaac Hunter—Hemana

NGA MAHI TE WHENUA

Given we have an Owner's hui later in year following is an insight into various activities on the land since our last Newsletter. Further detail will be presented at your October Owner's Hui.

06 388 1335 TE POTAE O AWARUA

This project operating since 2007 received another boost of funding of \$34k from a NZ Lotteries Grant. A collaborative project involving DoC, Horizons, volunteers and



the Trust it allows for the continued protection of Kiwi and Whio (Blue Duck). Photo below depicts predator of our precious bird life. This unusual white stoat was removed from a trap on the Te Potae O Awarua stoat line at the top of Ohuitu Ridge.

Aorangi Awarua lands is well known for its conservation values and rare flora and vegetation. Trustees are always looking out for volunteers within uri who wish to participate or have an interest in conservation. Please don't hesitate to contact one of the Trustees or our Administrator.

(Photo compliments of DoC—Keep Tracking On)

HUNTING

Managed by Trustee Peter Steedman there has been steady increase in income from hunting. Advertising and promotion has been limited to word of mouth and its been enough to keep Peter busy. This means the potential is big. Since taking on this project he has returned enough to purchase, install and fit out another hut. This hut is located at Makirikiri and sleeps upto four. More recently there has been a keen interest in Guided Hunting.

ETS—EMISSIONS TRADING SCHEME

The Trust has explored opportunities to participate in the ETS Scheme. An application which requires field assessments, mapping files, research and photography have been time consuming but good progress has been made. The area we are looking at and most likely to achieve requirements of MAF assessment and approval is 146 hectares of manuka/kanuka forests.

EREWHON WATER SCHEME—Our Access Agreement with Rangitikei District Council to supply water to surrounding farms is being monitored by Trustee and Board Representative Mary Mako. This was signed off 8th December 2004 and returns a small income each year with annual CPI increases. The Scheme is celebrating 30 years since operation first kicked off!

MOA BONES

We have had some wonderful Moa Bone discoveries over last number of years. Figure 1 shows a find by Tama Wipaki in January 2006. Discovered in a stream on Eastern slope of Aorangi near 'Stone Hut.' The bones are tarsometatarsis and femur (both right) of a little bush moa



(Anomaloptervx didiformis). These moas were pretty well restricted to forests. and are often found in sites where you get bones of giant moa (Dinornis). They could be about 2000 years old. Next discovery Figure 2 & 4 was in 2010 on Ohuitu ridge by stoat trap monitoring team lead by Jason Wipaki. These bones were found in a rock overhang. The big one is a tibiotarsus (shin bone) and are smaller ones tarsometatarsi (foot bones). Most recent discovery Figure 3 was found by Richard Sage, Since then Richard Steedman, his son





Moretapaki and other bone discoverers have worked with Dr Jamie Wood of Landcare (Lincoln), Christchurch. He has visited the site and taken samples. They will be returned to the Trust shortly and probably deposited at Whanganui Regional Museum where they will be available for future research.

ARE YOU URI, YOUNG, ENERGETIC, INTERESTED IN CONSERVATION & KEEN TO WORK WITH LIKE MINDED PEOPLE?????!!!

If so the Trust would love to hear from you. Contact Trustee Tama Wipaki (Taihape area) 06 388 1335 or Jenny Mauger (Heretaunga/Wairoa area) 06 835 1456.

LAND OWNER'S HUI TO BE HELD OCTOBER 2012 IN WAIROA MAKE SURE WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT ADDRESS TO RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION.

KAUMATUA GRANT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE 60YRS PLUS.

(Cut along line complete and post)

REGISTER NOW!!!! TELL ALL YOUR WHANAU NETWORKS

If you are not on our database OR would like your contact details updated complete below and forward to : The Administrator PO Box 5 RATANA 4548
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