

AGM 2023

The 2023 Trust AGM was held on the 28th October at the War Memorial in Napier. It was attended by approximately 70 owners and whānau. Robert Cottrell formally resigned as

Trustee at this AGM, and Wiremu Cottrell was elected as new Trustee. Thanks for all those owners in attendance who helped make this another successful event.

Wiremu Cottrell

Wiremu was elected as Trustee in October 2023. Prior to this he was an Assistant Trustee, and has also been actively involved with the Trust's Farm Advisory Group.

Wiremu has a Bachelor in Farm Management majoring in Farm Management through Massey University. He Currently works as a livestock representative for Alliance Group Ltd, and prior to this was an Agribusiness Partner with the BNZ.

Wiremu has a particular interest in Maori Agribusiness and believes that the experience and knowledge he has gained over the past 12 years in the industry will be of great value to the Te Awahōhonu Forest Trust now and into the future.



New Office Location

The Trust's secretary has moved offices from Shakespeare Road to 50A Ossian Street, Ahuriri.

The last meeting in the Shakespeare board room was held 19th of December 2023, an end of an era!





Ngā mihi Bob!

Special thanks to Robert Cottrell for all his mahi, guidance, and advice.

Robert will remain involved with the Trust as Pakeke Trustee.



Cyclone Recovery

Clean up of the forest and farm is now well underway. A crew of machines have been permanently located at Tarawera since the cyclone and continue to repair infrastructure and remove slash and debris. This work is expected to continue for most of 2024. Below is a picture of one of the gulleys in the kiwis block which has now been cleared of silt and debris.









Log Harvest at Gwavas Station

The Pine Trees on Gwavas Station are currently being harvested. This work will run from December 23 to April 24.

The cashflow generated from these log sales will be of great assistance in a somewhat challenging year on the farm, mainly due to cyclone recovery costs.