

## Membership

Thank you to all those who keep up their membership subscriptions and to those who fill in our monthly monitoring reports. At the AGM in September it was voted to increase the membership fee from \$10 to \$20 per family. This was the first increase since the trust's inception over ten years ago. The environmental benefit to all in Waimate North is immense; this small increase was therefore believed justified by the members present.



We would like more membership support so if you have not already paid your family subscription please fill in the subscription form below. Thanks.

## Subscriptions

Membership is only \$20.00 per family. They can be forwarded to The Treasurer Jim Shaw, Courthouse Lane, Waimate North, RD2 Kaikohe

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Subscription:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donation:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your membership donation is tax deductible.  
Registered charity number CC23028  
A receipt will be issued



## Waimate North Landcare Trust Inc.

Registered Charity Number CC23028

# Newsletter

## November 2008

# ANNUAL BBQ

Sunday 30th November, 6:00pm  
Showgrounds Hall  
Waimate North

Join us to meet your neighbours, celebrate the end of the year and another successful year's work by the trust.

Please bring your own cutlery, plates and drinks. Meat will be supplied but please bring food to share. Come and enjoy a great evening, share in the community spirit of Waimate North.

## Thanks to our Sponsors



## Website - New Monitoring Form

Visit [www.waimatenorthlandcare.org.nz](http://www.waimatenorthlandcare.org.nz) for the latest news and information about the Trust's activities and information.



Monitoring is vital to the Trust's work. A new monitoring form has been placed on the trust's website so that members of the community can easily fill in a monthly return of their own properties environment and pest eradication information and email to the trust.

The monitoring form can be found at:  
[www.waimatenorthlandcare.org.nz/monitoring\\_return.htm](http://www.waimatenorthlandcare.org.nz/monitoring_return.htm)

## Kauri Snails

The Trust carries out monitoring of kauri snails. This is important work for the trust as it indicates the condition of the forest and pest activity. This years monitoring was carried out in late October and all the indications were positive.



We are very interested in finding locations of the snails in the Waimate North area. If you have kauri snails on your property can you please let us know, phone Phillip Saunders on 09 405 9249.

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### Your trustees for this year are:

Daryl Way, Chairperson	09 4059981
Jim Shaw, Treasurer	09 4059500
Reg Lipscombe, Secretary	09 4059333
Mike Simmonds	09 4059590
Howard Dixon	09 4059762
Ernie Taylor	09 4059759
Phillip Saunders	09 4059249
Justin Blaikie	09 4059868

## Audit of the Trust's Accounts

Our rules require us to audit our accounts using a Chartered Accountant. Changes to accountancy auditing procedures have resulted in increased costs for audits. Our accountants have been very generous and provided their services at discounted rates however the trustees consider it is time to alter the constitution to reduce the cost of future audits. In line with many other similar charitable trusts it is proposed to change the wording in our constitution of Rule 16 - Audit

*"The accounts of the board shall be audited by a Chartered Accountant who shall not be a member of the board" to " The accounts of the board shall be audited by a suitable person approved by the board who shall not be a member of the board"*

To change the constitution requires a meeting with a quorum of 60 percent of the members. Members may vote by proxy. Our Christmas barbecue was seen as the best option for holding a brief meeting to consider changing our constitution. If you are a trust member and unable to attend the barbecue please complete the proxy voting form below and return it to the Secretary, Reg Lipscombe, 443 Te Ahuahu Road, RD2 Kaikohe, or another trustee, before Sunday 30th November.

**Motion:** That Rule 16 of the constitution of the trust be amended by removing the words "a *Chartered Accountant*" and replacing them with "*a suitable person approved by the board*"

I \_\_\_\_\_ (name)  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (address) being a  
member of Waimate North Landcare Trust Inc. hereby appoint  
the Chairperson of the trust as my proxy to cast my vote.

I wish to vote in favour  
of the motion

I wish to vote against the  
motion

Date