



CLEAN WATERS to the sea

Tokarau Moana Charitable Trust

Committed to the restoration and maintenance and protection of a high standard of water quality
for the water ways of Tokarau* -Doubtless Bay Catchment

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Introduction: CLEAN WATERS to the sea is a diverse group of people from many walks of life who; live in the Doubtless Bay catchment, have a love of water and the outstanding environment that this area has to offer.

Our Aim is to stop pollution in its tracks and reverse the impact it has had on our water ways to date. **How?** We are working hard at engaging, local people, local businesses, our local authorities, landowners, and land users within our catchment area.

Our main objectives (Pou), are all directed at generating cross community participation and interest in cleaning up our waterways.

Join us in making a difference to our local community and water ways. **P.T.O for information on how to become a member.**

Our Proverb:

He rangai maomao
Ka taka ki tua o Nukutaurua
E kore a muri e hokia

When a shoal of maomao
Swim past the point of Fairway Reef
They will never return

“Once a group of like thinking individuals have decided on the path they should take, there is nothing that will prevent them from achieving what they have set out to achieve”¹

It is all About The Water: Cleaning up and protecting our waterways has become a hot political topic, especially given that this is election year. Economic development must go hand in hand with addressing environmental issues. Voters are now insisting on that. But it is also about who pays.

Whilst our group cannot solve all the issues, we are committed to establishing a high standard of water for the Doubtless Bay catchment. Addressing pollution and silting issues takes a community effort in order to be truly effective.

HOW CLEAN IS YOUR WATER?

call **Andreas Kurmann** if you want to learn about
testing your water / waterways
Phone 09 406 1975

Our Logo: Created and Crafted by Theresa Reihana
for Clean Waters to the Sea.



The Blue symbolises our fish.
Green is the leaf and represents
our flora, our habitats along our
rivers.

The pattern **between the blue and the green** symbolises the **path of water** (river).
It comes from the **maunga**² (koru pattern), which is the spring.

¹ We wish to thank Tiger (Arthur) Tukariri of Kenana Marae who provided us with the proverb and explanation.

² Maunga – Mountains (Large – Significant Hill).

***Tokarau** – is the Bay of many plentiful fishing rocks. (Now known to us as Doubtless Bay)

These are the Pou (Pillars) by which we are governed

1: Community engagement and participation

- Creating diverse community groups as a resource to support the continuation of the trust's vision.
- Undertaking consultation with local business and education providers to support outcomes relevant to our local communities.
- Facilitating both employee and volunteer involvement.
- Liaise with local body and government agencies to show case the vision and focus areas of the trust.

2. Provision of recommended riparian planting

- Support riparian planting as an effective means of reducing erosion and minimising the incidence of flooding.
- Increasing and protecting green corridor habitats to the sea for all native flora and fauna.
- Establishing a nursery of 'recommended plants', working in conjunction with local nurseries.
- Utilise the nursery for the purpose of showcasing the work of the trust.

3. Supporting sustainable land use practices

- Encourage landowners to appreciate the gains of increased pasture productivity as a result of riparian protection.
- Highlighting the importance of increasing soil fertility as a mechanism for protection against erosion.
- Support and promote the incorporation of Iwi Kaitiakitanga and Taiwi conservation principles in local agricultural practices
- Improving water quality through natural water filtration methods.

4. Sustaining what we set out to achieve

- Promotion and marketing of the trust as a mechanism for gaining local support, increasing and sustaining trust membership.
- Identification of finite and sustainable sources of funding that aligns to the principles of the trust.
- Establish and sustain the governance systems of the trust.
- Build the capacity of the trust members to design and implement sustainable projects.



Pou 1: Project X Mangonui Haulage-Mangonui School and Clean Waters to the sea



Clean Waters To the Sea has been working with **Mangonui Haulage and Mangonui School** to come up with some solutions as to how to manage waste. **Denis Sparksman**, owner and CEO of Haulage is interested in making a difference to the local community and getting the young ones (some of which are his grandchildren) involved. "We are all learning about how to operate a business that involves trucks and waste and land and water so that it cares for and sustains a healthy environment." **Watch this space as the project unfolds.**

What else have we achieved?

- **Clean Waters to the sea** has facilitated and supplied plants to 13 different landowners within the catchment for the purpose of erosion prevention, soil protection and sustainable riparian planting.
- **Clean Waters to the sea** now represents the Doubtless Bay community on the Waioara Northland Water Programme.
- **Clean Waters to the sea** is now Charitable Trust registered with Companies Societies and Trusts NZ.
- **Clean Waters to the sea** –Tokarau Moana Charitable Trust now operates under a Board of Governors.

Become a Member : No joining fee

Types of Membership: one or more of items listed below might be how you wish to be involved

- **Receive newsletters**
- **Volunteer for working bees, planting, fencing etc**
- **Have marketing skills to share**
- **Able to attend meetings**
- **Would be happy to spread the word**
- **Good at fundraising**
- **Happy just to donate**
- **Other**

If you would like to join or would like to update your membership information, please **contact Jill** and provide her with your details. She would love to hear from you

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