

WAITUTU MATAITAI

7th Annual Report

30th April 2022

The Annual Report for the Waitutu Mataitai will be presented at the Waiau Club, King Street, Tuatapere, at 11am on Saturday 30 April 2022.

Sorry not much to report again this year, but nature sets its own systems of when and where to go and reproduce.

There have been reports of more paua outside of our mataitai area over the last year, so hopefully they will migrate into our space and then we can get organised to sanction a take for our organisation.

We would appreciate your import of ideas to bolster the stocks of paua.

John Simon
Kaitiaki

WAITUTU INCORPORATION
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MATAITAI MEETING

30 April 2022, 11 a.m.

Held at the Waiiau Club, Tuatapere.

Present: 7 people

Apologies: G Metzger, M Dunnett, S Logie (MPI), D Cole.

Minutes: L Gale moved that the minutes of the meeting of 6 March 2021 be approved. Seconded L White. CARRIED.

Matters Arising: Nil

Annual Report: John Simon, Kaitiaki, presented the Annual Report to the meeting.

John reported that the paua stock has increased slightly.

Rowdy has been talking to Steve Logie. Discussion that some people are not clear on where the boundaries are, and assume it is where the Poupou is situated and the monitoring of adherence to them. The intent of the legislation is that the boundaries are from the bank of the Wairaurahiri River to the bank of the Crombie Stream.

Rowdy will put a marker-post on the GPS point by the Wairaurahiri River and another due south, so people can line up the two posts to establish the boundary of the reserve. Rowdy & Lorraine were down at the Lodge recently, but the sea was too rough to get any updated photos of the paua stocks. Otago University has lost it's funding for the marine surveys which they had previously undertaken. D Holloway suggested Ngai Tahu Fisheries could be approached for that.

Rowdy will request from Steve Logie, another of the MPI Mataitai signs, and he will attach it to the base of the Poupou near the Lodge. The name plate on that Poupou also needs replacing as it has weathered badly, and the rusted screws will be replaced with stainless steel ones.

D Holloway asked if the meeting could be held by zoom. Not sure that the legislation provides for that, as the annual meeting must be publicly advertised in the area which the Mataitai is in.

Meeting closed at 11.25am.