

## **Meeting opened 7:28pm**

**Present:** Yvonne Steinemann, John Kenderdine, John Mathews, Stephen Tansey ,  
Dwayne Walsh, Vince Kerr, Mary & John Ralph Carolyn Smith

Note – a separate paper was circulated to get names. Unfortunately I lost this. I don't think I missed anyone.

### **Apologies**

Richard Lee, Andre Kunz, Victor Holloway, Philippa Moran

Minutes from previous meeting read and accepted.

### **Agenda items**

#### **Mary Ralph, teacher at Oraiti school – Proposal for a years sabbatical .**

- Resident in NZ for 7 years
- Attended the recent EMR workshop at Mimiwhangata and through talking to Roger Grace and listening to other speakers, would like to do a fellowship regarding marine conservation.
- Applied for a 12 month royal society fellow scholarship, but it was not accepted as research. Initial proposal was received by the group.
  
- She has since seen a South Island proposal which involves gathering evidence re. fisheries management
- Other possible projects include water quality in Doubtless Bay – including regular monitoring of streams and rivers that enter doubtless bay ( Note – NRC do some monitoring in Cable bay, Taipa and Coopers beach over a 3 month period in summer but other than that, little data exists).
- Another possible proposal to for the investigations of peoples attitude to marine reserves.

Short term sabbaticals for 2009 that last one to two terms have already gone.

**Vince Kerr** - DoC Technical consultant for Fresh Water and marine conservation.

DoC would be happy to support a “back to the past” type project. We have had 4 generations of “taking from the ocean.

A lot of information is lacking. Peoples perception of what is ok today has changed markedly over the years and what people see as being a healthy ecosystem is not, especially when compared to the past.

### **Yvonne**

Guidelines exist for collecting and recording oral history. A course exists on this which could be funded out of a scholarship.

General discussion on of potential importance of a project. A driving force behind this is the fact that we are losing information constantly as previous generations pass on.

How do we support Mary?

Getting people to come forward is key, by personally approaching, radio, local TV, Papers, marae.

Doubtless Bay radio may be having a oral history show in the future.

**Carolyn** – Setting up a time to set up a scholarship application

**Vince**- Will bundle up work he has done in past and provide technical support.

- Will write a letter of support.

**Dwayne** – Copy of all documents/draft questioner.

**Yvonne** to package up work that her and Philippa have done on oral history.

**-John Kenderdine** – Find oral history CD that was recorded from tape to CD.

#### **General discussion**

-NIWA would possibly support such a study ( Ali McDiamond????).

-NIWAs catch effort could be a useful tool if it is completed

-Need to get a scope –easy to become too broad.

-Liaising with group – How when and who is responsible?

-Sea week which happens in early march is a good time to take things to the community.

-Vince suggested that a 1 year study would be better than short term study of 1-2 terms.

-Royal society will support some group activities financially. Vince will talk to Ali McDiamond

- Mary and Vince to work on a proposal for the next Doubtless bay meeting.

- How do we include and obtain Maori input, especially to find the right people to ask.

John Mathews would be willing to speak on behalf of Kenana Marae

- Introduce Mary to Vic Holloway at Ngati Kahu, to include the Runanga

-John Haines from the DBFR100 – For an interviews. Includes video on cable TV so images can be used.

-Monthly press releases.

#### **John K**

We have obtained 500 post free envelopes through NZ post.

AMA ( Aquaculture marine areas hearing is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December. John has put in a submission, Which he will summarise for the hearing

**Philippa** – where are we at in terms of Charitable status for bank account.?

**Vince** Mentioned that we can get a receipt book that states on it that we are a charitable trust. ( Donations are tax deductible)

Subs – set at \$2 a meeting or \$15 per Calender year.

**Yvonne** – Pricing the cost of a stamp to be made.

Discussion about getting a mail box, although the associated cost might be a bit high for our purposes. Dwayne Suggested a Gmail address as they allow a large storage of Email, and easy to set up.

Meeting closed 9:09pm