

AGENDA PAPERS

COUNCIL MEETING

SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2017

Statutory managers of freshwater sports fish, game birds and their habitats

<u>AGENDA</u>

SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2017

TO BE HELD AT RUAPEHU FISH AND GAME CLUB ROOMS SEDDON STREET, RAETIHI

COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL, HELD AT THE AUTOLODGE MOTOR INN, 393 DEVON STREET EAST, NEW PLYMOUTH 2016, ON 3RD DECEMBER 2016, COMMENCING AT 10:00AM.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00am. He welcomed his fellow councillors, Fish & Game staff and visitors to the meeting.

1. PRESENT

Councillors, Paul Blewman, Gerard Karalus, Steve Hugo, Chris Donald, Chris Bright, Romon Sargesson, Craig McEwen, David Potroz, Alan Flynn and Cory Potroz

IN ATTENDANCE

Fish and Game staff - Manager Glenn Maclean, Field Officer Allen Stancliff and Secretary Jilli Steedman. Visitors - Alasdair McDonald, David Richards, Blu Cumberworth, Laurie Riesterer and Morrie Leatheart.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from councillor John Nancarrow, Graeme Mackenzie, David Dannefaerd and Terry Russell.

MOVED HUGO/C POTROZ

THAT THE APOLOGIES RECEIVED BE SUSTAINED CARRIED

The Chairman asked for any items for general business

- Shot gun wads
- Karalus Angler Access
- Donald Wetland opportunity

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were none that hadn't already been notified at previous meetings.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 15 OCTOBER 2016

MOVED KARALUS / DONALD

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING, HELD ON 15 OCTOBER 2016 IN WHANGANUI, BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD. CARRIED.

5. MATTERS ARISING

- Rangers at the meeting were asked if they had a PLB.
- It was noted that the council's selection from the nominees for the two positions on the Taranaki Biodiversity Trust Board, were successful.

6. AGENDA MANAGEMENT

- The manager informed councillors on the progress on the installation of the fishing platform at Lake Mangamahoe.
- Council agendas are now being included on the Taranaki page of the Fish & Game web-site.
- The manager noted that the depth measurements have been done at Sattlers Dam, and habitat around the lake would next be established.
- The Chairman noted that the 5 year strategy is now being included in all agendas.
- The boundary signs for the Taranaki and Wellington regions are now being produced.

7. HEALTH AND SAFETY

MOVED FLYNN / SARGESON THAT THE MANAGERS HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT, BE RECEIVED CARRIED

The chairman noted that the hazard plan for trout releases is to be completed.

The manager has requested guidelines from Work Safe on the use of quad bikes on farms.

8. GAME GAZETTE NOTICE

The timing of this report and its recommendations to National Council was explained by the manager.

MOVED DONALD / SARGESSON

THAT THE SAME CONDITIONS AS FOR THE 2016 GAME SEASON BE RETAINED AS LAID OUT IN THE DRAFT 2017 GAME GAZETTE NOTICE, ON PAGES 28 & 29 OF THIS AGENDA. CARRIED

Break 10:55

Reconvened 11:10

9. COMPLIANCE POLICY REVIEW

Councillors noted that equipment seized from an offender, choosing to utilise the opportunity of reparation, will be returned to the owner once the reparation has been paid in full.

MOVED SARGESON / MCEWEN

THAT THE MANAGER WILL RECOMMEND AN ANNUAL BUDGET WITH SUFFICIENT SUMS FOR THE RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OF REGIONAL RANGERS AND THE CONDUCT OF COMPLIANCE OPERATIONS.

CARRIED

10. HUNTING STAND CLAIM TAGS

MOVED SARGESON / HUGO

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

- 1. AGREE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS A TO F IN THE ATTACHED PAPER "HUNTING STAND CLAIM TAG" BY ROBERT SOWMAN.
- 2. RECOMMEND TO NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL THAT REFERENCES TO "LICENCE RECEIPT" ARE AMENDED TO "PAPER LICENCE" AS THIS IS WHAT IT ACTUALLY IS. CARRIED

11. 2015/2016 LICENCE SALES REPORT

MOVED D POTROZ / C POTROZ

THAT THE LICENCE SALES REPORT SHOWN OF PAGE 38 OF THE AGENDA, BE RECEIVED. CARRIED

12. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman advised councillors of recent discussions he has had with the manager and the Auditor.

MOVED BLEWMAN / C POTROZ
THAT THE CHAIRMAN'S VERBAL REPORT BE RECEIVED.
CARRIED

13. NATIONAL COUNCILLORS REPORT

Alan Flynn spoke to the councillors about the recent meeting of the National Council. Romon Sargeson also attended the first day of the meeting and was allowed time to speak to the National Council on the proposed phase out of the lead shot exemption for subgauge shot guns.

MOVED FLYNN / C POTROZ
THAT NATIONAL COUNCIL APPOINTEE, ALAN FLYNN'S VERBAL REPORT BE RECEIVED
CARRIED

Break for Lunch 12:40 Reconvened 1:34

14. WORK PLAN TO 18 NOVEMBER 2016 AND BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT TO 31 OCTOBER 2016

MOVED KARALUS / HUGO

THAT THE BUDGET REPORT TO 31 OCTOBER 2016 AND PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT TO 18 NOVEMBER 2016, BE RECEIVED CARRIED

15. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE SCHEDULES TO 22ND NOVEMBER 2016, AS SHOWN ON PAGES 52 AND 53 OF THE AGENDA, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

16. FINANCIAL REPORT

MOVED SARGESON / HUGO

THAT GST INCLUSIVE PAYMENTS OF \$115,761.38 AND GST INCLUSIVE INCOME OF \$50,369 AND \$7,580.05 FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2016 AS SHOWN ON PAGES 58 AND 59 OF THE AGENDA, BE APPROVED. CARRIED

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Allen Stancliff presented a donation from David Dannefaerd.
- There was discussion on "Project Hotspot".
- Councillor noted a "no fishing" sign on the Waingongoro River.
- Councillor Donald has identified a possible candidate for funding from the Habitat & Hunting Scheme.
- Councillor Bright advised council on the state of the Ruapehu Fish & Game Club and its clubrooms.

18. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 11th February 2017, in Raetihi.

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There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 3:09pm.

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CHAIRMAN	l	
DATE		

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish & Game Council

AGENDA MANAGEMENT

Council should do the following things;

- Review progress with items on the Action List, these items derived from past Council meetings
- Review the Annual Program for Meeting Agendas, and decide if any items should be added/ moved or deleted from this
- Review the Current Agenda and decide on the order of items, the timing requirements for items, any items to be deferred, or any new business to be tabled.

No resolutions should be necessary here, unless to resolve debate on a future course of action. The Minutes will record all issues that Council agrees, and these will be reflected in future Action Lists, Annual Programs, and Agendas as may be appropriate.

Glenn Maclean Regional Manager 1 February 2017

ACTION LIST ARISING FROM COUNCIL DECISIONS

Subject	Responsible	Target Date	Item Update – Actions Required
Reinstatement of sign at Lake Mangamahoe/ erection of fishing platforms	Manager	June 2017	Seeking agreement in principle to install 2 rigid platforms (without railings) at turnaround. Work yet to occur to upgrade existing platform
Taranaki / Wellington boundary sign on state highway 4	Manager	October 2016	Signs delivered
Investigation into reinstatement of Sattlers Dam	Manager	June 2017	Lack of depth limits value of increasing spillway height. Trout release planned for mid-February
Provide most active rangers with PLB if they don't already have one	Manager	Dec 2016	3 PLB's ordered
Amend Compliance Policy as per change agreed in December meeting	Secretary	February 2017	Completed
Distribute link to Oxford Lead Symposium	Manager	December 2016	Completed
Ensure all invoices generated through Whanganui Office	Manager	December 2016	Completed
N3 Card availability	Manager	April 2017	On hold while exploring most suitable fuel card
Develop predator control project proposals	Manager	December 2016	Ongoing – project to be implemented on Pakahi Wetland over winter
Fishing access – Normandy Loop	Field Officer	May 2017	Ongoing, linked to discussions over hydro operation and consents

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA PROGRAM

Meeting	Board	Operational	Statutory	Strategic/Policy
11 February	All Board	All Operational Items, to be	Confirm Game Season	Review 5 Year Strategic Plan
ZUI/ Raetihi	Items	received	Regulations.	
8 April 2017 Waitara	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Consider Draft 2017/2018 Annual Operational Work Plan & Budget	
10 June 2017 Whanganui	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	 Fish Season Regs. Licence fee recommendation 	Nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award
5 August 2016 Opunake	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	Adopt 2017 / 2018Annual Plan	 Receive nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award 2016 Game Season Report
14 October 2017 Stratford	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	End of Year Project Reports	2018 meeting dates
2 December 2017 Whanganui Ordinary meeting and AGM	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	2018 Game Gazette Notice	

2015/16 – 2019/20 Strategic Plan

Draft

2018/19	Access/ regulation Access/ regulation signs for other ring-signs for Waimarino plain rivers		Whanganui.River			(1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
2017/18	Access/ regulation signs for Stony River		Mangawhero River	nthunting	Review medía strategy	
2016/17	Lake Mangamahoe Information signs	for consistent signage / sign locations	Coastal lakes with emphasis on how to catch perch bench by aimarino pamphlet including Manganuioteao River.	Introduction to pheasant hunting	Upgrade web pages and then regularly update	
2015/16		Develop guidelines for formats and identify si	Review information needs around gamebird hunting and how best to address these Update Waingongoro pamphlet			Review Children's
Work Area	Signage		New or updated angling and hunting pamphlets		Effective use of the Media	Children's fishing
Work Area	Advocacy					

		objectives; organisation and costs				
	Increase participation	Identify opportunities to attractinew hunters and anglers	Develop displays Explore that promote local beginn fishing and hunting	Explore options for discounted licences for beginning bunters	ited licences for	
			Develop mentoring schemes for hunters and anglers	or frunters and angle	5	
	Support for F&G	Identify opportunities and implement to raise F&G profile and				
		support for F&G				
Compliance	Compliance strategy	Review compliance strategy for the region and to include				
		selection, training & development and use of honorary rangers				
	Honorary Rangers		Implement outcomes of compliance strategy review			
	Taranaki Freshwater Plan	Actively engage in proc	ocess as opportunities arise			
Resource Management Act	Our long-term approach		Review approa prioriti prioriti commi	Review strategic approach (to include priorities and time commitments)		
	Simplify operational		Implement any outcomes of National Counci financial review	ational Council		

Administration	outputs and coding				
	New Plymouth office	Consider implications tenant retires	and options where Implement preferred option	preferred	
	Administrative support	Explore options for electronic banking and including accounting packages	Review computing requirements including file storage/ sharing		
Sports fish	Obtain baseline information for key streams		Wanganuloteao River		
monitoring and management	Investigate value of stocking specific streams and lakes	Waingongoro, Kapuni	Waingongoro, Kapuni Kaupokonui Stream and tributaries	Waiwhakaiho system	stem
	Investigate opportunities to restore fisheries	Stony River	Timariji Stream		
	Improve angler access	Investigate provision of increased access around take Mangamahoe	of increased angling langamahoe		
	Use of angler surveys and diaries		Review opportunities to monitor specific rivers in light of NAS results and to include satisfaction	linclude	
Hatchery	Long-term operation	Review reguirements and options. influenced by needs studies above children's fishing day review and a future NP office requirements	and options. Will be Implement decisions tudies above, review and also by rements	decisions	
		Exotic disease response plan			
Gamebird	Mallard Duck monitoring		Investigate movement of ducks between high and low country and implications for any monitoring programme	ween high and low country an gramme	

monitoring and investigations		Implement trial monit refine as required	itoring protocol and	implement long-term monitoring plan	onitoring plan	
	Pukeko monitoring	Improve program for Area B Consider summer season				Review option of a summer season
	Habitat enhancement	Review options to promote and encourage predator control	Promote practical outcomes out of the Mallard Research Project	omes out of the ect	Establish environmental award	
			Explore option for wide Predator trapping trial	Explore option for wider Nukumaru wildlife area Predator trapping trial to enhance upland game populations	populations	
	New opportunities	Resolve permits to rear, release and bandi Review criteria/ policy to rear and release upland game	Resolve permits to rear, release and banding Review criteria/ policy to rear and release upland game	Investigate feasibility of Red Legged Partridge	Locate and publicise quality gamebird recipes especially for	
		Options to enhance access to lakes Wiritoa, Kohata and Kaitoke	cess to lakes Wiritoa,		paradise duck	
	Hunter aspirations			Survey of aspirations of upland game bird hunters	Survey of aspirations of waterfowl hunters	

Review: February 2017 Council Meeting

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

DRAFT 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

The Council has in place a 5 Year Strategic Plan to assist planning including development of the Annual Plan. This Plan provides a mechanism to identify and prioritise potential new work programmes recognising that these need to fit with available resources and existing projects. This Plan is reviewed in February each year.

Attached is a draft Plan for discussion developed for the period 2016/17 to 2020/21.

Also included is what was listed for 2015/16 to indicate what progress was made last financial year.

Note that where items have been crossed out that these have either been completed OR deleted and replaced in light of new information or developments. This reflects that how we might proceed often changes in light of what we learn or is impacted by related projects that may develop, including those undertaken by National Office such as the website upgrade for example. Similarly items where the first word is highlighted in yellow indicate projects where the timing has been modified from that agreed last year. Where words within the sentence are highlighted indicates changes to the existing description of the particular project and where the whole sentence is highlighted indicates new items.

RECOMMENDATION

That Taranaki Fish & Game Council adopt the attached 5 Year Strategic Plan for 2016/17 to 2020/21 with the changes discussed and agreed

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

January 2017

2016/17 – 2020/21 Strategic Plan

Draft

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	to restore fisheries		
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Review: February 2018 Council Meeting

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

HEALTH AND SAFETY - February 2017

Background

As part of its commitment to Health and Safety and providing a safe workplace the Council requires a report at each meeting detailing the implementation and adherence to the Health and Safety policy and manual including;

- 1. any new issues or hazards that have arisen and how these have been addressed
- 2. progress with any ongoing issues
- 3. outcomes of audits and reviews required in the Health and Safety manual
- 4. any near misses or injuries and including investigation outcomes and recommendations

<u>Update</u>

1. New issues or hazards	
New Health and Safety at Work Act (HSAW) came into effect on 4 April 2016.	HSAW manuals collated with relevant documentation and copies in each office. Still to complete Trout releases HCP Evacuation Plans
	Tailgate and intentions forms in use
	Visitor register for Whanganui and Hawera Hatchery in place
	Staff signed HSAW employee agreement
Refresher training in safe use of electric fishing machine	Allen and Glenn completed comprehensive 2 day course in December 2016

3. Ongoing issues	
Safe storage	Jilli tidied up Whanganui storage, Allen continues decluttering at NP including transferring some equipment to Whanganui

Update First Aid kits Completed Obtain Lineman's gloves for electric fishing Completed Mangamahoe casting platform Upgrade agreed including incorporating low safety rail CERT safety training required for 3 Taranaki Looking at options for rangers to F&G honorary rangers attend courses elsewhere Confusion regarding landowner responsibilities Ongoing. Asked National Office to clarify with WorkSafe landowners regarding people recreating on their property. obligations with respect to recreational visitors riding quads and also if they provide these – no answer to date Safe use of quads. Allen needs to complete practical component of training. Also to purchase a quad helmet Ranger safety when working alone 3 PLB's ordered to address active rangers who don't currently have a PLB 4. Audits, reviews and meetings HSE included as agenda item for staff meeting Staff meeting held 21st December including discussion on new HSAW manual and reporting processes Annual review of Health and Safety Manual Completed March 2016 Whanganui Office HCP due for review Reviewed January 2017 5. Near misses and injuries Nil

Glenn Maclean

Manager

January 2017

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

THE 2016 GAME SEASON - HOW WAS IT?

The 2016 opening weekend success by Taranaki licence holders for all waterfowl was below average, with hunters bagging 0.89 birds per hour, compared with 0.96 in 2015 (Table 1). The average, active, Taranaki licence holder spent 10 hours in the field on opening weekend for 8.9 birds, which included 4.6 mallard, 0.2 grey, 3.8 paradise shelduck and 0.2 pukeko. The rest-of-season success rate of 1.11 birds per hour was also below the long term average of 1.17 birds per hour (Table 1) and as a consequence the overall success rate for the season for waterfowl of 1.01 birds per hour (Table 2) was also below average. Licence holders from other regions had an overall success rate of 0.92 birds per hour for their hunting effort in Taranaki during the 2016 season (Table 3).

Total hunting effort in Taranaki by Taranaki licence holders (20,390 hours) was higher than in the previous two years (Table 2) and about average for the period since 1998. Hunting hours expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki hunters (Figure 1) also indicates a modest lift in hunting effort by Taranaki licence holders.

The number of Taranaki licence holders participating in the 2016 season (1,132 LEQ's, Table 2) was only slightly lower than in 2015 (LEQ 1,158) and still above the long-term average of 1,090. Overall, there was an estimated 20,582 waterfowl harvested by hunters from the Taranaki region during the 2016 game season from an estimated 20,390 hours of hunting effort (Table 2 and excluding out-of-region hunting effort and harvest). As a result of moving to a common web-based data entry and analysis programme in 2010, no figures are available for hunting effort and harvest in the three Taranaki game management sub-areas (Table 5).

1.1 MALLARD/GREY DUCK

Hunter success during the 2016 game season was estimated at 0.57 ducks per hour of effort compared to 0.53 ducks/ hour in 2015 (Figs. 2&3). The 2015 harvest rate was the lowest estimate since analysis began in 1992. However the total estimated harvest of 11,720 ducks in 2016 was significantly up on 2015 (8984 ducks; Table 2) reflecting greater hunter effort after Opening Weekend in 2016. Therefore compared with previous years, the 2016 season results were down slightly on recent years, but up on last season.

1.2 SHOVELER DUCK

Few shoveler duck are harvested in the Taranaki region and in 2016 the estimate for Taranaki licence holders was just 20 (Table 2). No trends in harvest are evident (Figure 4). In line with national recommendations, Taranaki has implemented a restricted 1-month hunting season for shoveler, with a 2-bird daily bag limit, since 2008.

1.3 PARADISE SHELDUCK

Hunter survey results estimate that 6,586 paradise shelduck were shot in Taranaki by Taranaki licence holders during the 2016 main season (Tables 2 & 6), which was below average. However, trend estimates, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki hunters indicate that the 2016 main season harvest rate was similar to previous seasons (Figure 5) and that there remains a stable pattern of paradise harvest in Taranaki. When figures for the 2016 special season are included (1,446 birds; Table 6), and the harvest in Taranaki by hunters from other regions (3,871 birds; Tables 3&6), the total estimate comes to 11,903 birds, which is above the long-term average of some 10,000 birds (Table 6, Figure 6). This is bearing in mind that the estimates for the harvest by out-of-region hunters are inherently unreliable.

The proportion of paradise shelduck in the regional waterfowl harvest has gradually increased over the 25 years of the hunter survey (Figure 7), with the greatest percentage contribution (43%) occurring in 2000 when mallard abundance was reduced as a result of a dry La Nina weather pattern. In 2016, the contribution of paradise shelduck was 39%.

No data has been available for paradise shelduck harvest within the three game management subareas (Areas A - C; Figures 8-10) since the web-based analysis format was adopted in 2010.

1.4 BLACK SWAN

Hunter survey results indicate that just 80 black swan were harvested in the region by Taranaki licence holders during the 2016 game season (Table 2) – this despite the daily bag limit being raised from 1 bird to 2. Taranaki licence holders' harvest only small numbers of swan and trend estimates indicate that the harvest remains stable (Figure 11). Black swan remain a good bonus bird for hunters on coastal dune lakes and ponds and the season allows numbers to be reduced at lakes where there are occasional issues with swan causing damage to pasture and crops such as chicory.

1.5 PUKEKO

Hunter survey results indicate that an estimated 2,176 pukeko were harvested in the region by Taranaki licence holders in 2016, which was more than double the harvest in 2015 (957 birds; Table 2). Trend estimates (Figure 12) indicate that the harvest has increased significantly since 2011.

In 2016, more than a third (34.3%) of the pukeko harvest was taken during the 8-week extended season following the end of the duck season. This was a smaller proportion than in 2015 (55%), but higher than in preceding years (e.g. 18% in 2014, 17% in 2013 and 23% in 2012). These results indicate that hunters are increasingly targeting pukeko, both during the main and extended hunting seasons.

Hunter survey results prior to 2010 indicated that around 96% of the total pukeko harvest is taken in Game Management Area C. Population monitoring using randomly selected road transects in Area C, indicates that the pukeko population has increased by an average of 9% per annum over the 12 years to April 2016. Therefore, it appears that the observed increase in harvest is not adversely affecting pukeko population levels.

1.6 PHEASANT

The estimated 2016 harvest of 469 pheasant by Taranaki licence holders (Table 2) was above average and trend estimates (Figure 13) suggest that the harvest is gradually increasing, despite hunting hours remaining stable (Figure 14). This could indicate that Taranaki hunter success rates are increasing, although this is not apparent from information that also includes the harvest in Taranaki by hunters from other regions (Table 8).

In recent years, pheasant populations have benefited from increased planting of wood-lots and the replanting of harvested pine blocks, particularly in hill country areas. There has also been an increase in the rearing and release of pheasant by local hunters. Long-term re-vegetation and enhancement of coastal dune habitats and river and stream riparian margins will also be worthwhile in helping to maintain pheasant populations in the region, as will predator control in targeted habitats.

1.7 CALIFORNIA QUAIL

Taranaki licence holders harvest only small numbers of California quail in the region and just 10 quail were estimated to have been shot by Taranaki licence holders during the 2016 season (Table 2). There were no significant trends in harvest evident (Figure 15). Quail coveys now appear to be fairly small and isolated and few hunters actively target quail in the region.

2.0 <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

That the report on the 2016 game season,

DATED 31st JANUARY 2017, BE RECEIVED.

Allen Stancliff 31st January 2017 **TABLE 1.** Variations in hunter success rate, 1992-2016 seasons. Figures **exclude** the harvest by out-of-region hunters.

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YEAR	OPENIN	G WEEKEN		R	EST OF SEA	ASON
149/04/15/05	Hours	Birds	Birds/hr	Hours	Birds	Birds/hr
1992	10,366	10,321	1.00	17,870	20,623	1.15
1993	10,846	10,684	0.99	16,527	19,201	1.16
1994	10,716	13,905	1.30	21,431	22,232	1.04
1995	9,821	11,941	1.22	15,119	17,549	1.16
1996	11,662	12,333	1.06	17,501	20,651	1.18
1997	10,642	13,535	1.27	16,605	21,945	1.32
1998	9,678	10,098	1.04	13,073	16,300	1.25
1999	9,160	10,988	1.20	11,458	13,216	1.15
2000	9,256	7,962	0.86	11,792	12,644	1.07
2001	9,125	9,363	1.03	10,913	11,556	1.06
2002	10,977	11,993	1.09	10,476	11,852	1.13
2003	9,801	9,996	1.02	11,767	14,891	1.27
2004	9,474	8,337	0.88	11,178	12,655	1.13
2005	8,917	9,256	1.04	10,140	12,169	1.20
2006	10,194	8,960	0.88	11,110	13,056	1.18
2007	10,320	8,540	0.83	10,354	13,269	1.28
2008	9,356	9,541	1.01	10,473	11,946	1.14
2009	8,705	8,517	0.98	10,542	13,338	1.27
2010	9,429	9,558	1.01	11,329	13,645	1.20
2011	10,767	8,995	0.84	9,039	9,623	1.06
2012	9,907	9,546	0.96	9,886	11,100	1.12
2013	10,478	10,660	1.02	11,116	13,131	1.18
2014	9,034	8,650	0.96	9,494	12,378	1.30
2015	9,839	9,446	0.96	7,199	8,115	1.13
2016	9,411	8,342	0.89	10,979	12,240	1.11

TABLE 3. Whole season estimates of total birds shot in the Taranaki Fish and Game Region by hunters from other regions 2002 - 2016 seasons

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SPECIES				* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *		. I	YEAR		· (4)					All signification	
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Mallard	2,398	3,502	3,588	3,771	2,319	2,659	4,404	5,910	1,478	712	1,459	2,420	1,776	3,412	3,54
Grey	244	390	1,060	356	280	464	700	170	398	0	62	569	319	350	98
Shoveler	0	0	169	0	0	0	101	104	17	0	0	0	0	31	
Paradise	1,194	2,826	3,071	2,943	1,577	2,608	4,499	2,122	404	129	1,345	1,811	947	1,936	3,87
Swan	0	60	231	25	53	0	0	154	0	0	0	172	141	0	5
Canada	25	0	0	0	96	22	1,188	58							
Pukeko	527	100	57	258	122	0	465	61	0	0	0	242	783	83	
Total Birds	4,388	6,878	8,176	7,353	4,447	5,753	11,357	8,579	2,297	841	2,866	5,214	3,966	5,812	8,45
Total Hours	4,367	7,776	7,816	6,650	7,776	4,966	9,700	4,538	1,571	1,328	2,683	6,248	4,412	6,320	9,15
Birds/Hr.	1.00	0.88	1.05	1.11	0.57	1.16	1.17	1.89	1.46	0.63	1.07	0.83	0.90	0.92	0.9
Days hunted	789	1,345	1,515	1,254	1,259	1,008	2,031								

Taranaki region harvest estimates, 1998 - 2016 seasons. Figures exclude the harvest by out of region hunters. TABLE 2.

Species								Year											
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Mallard	16,118	14,017	10,928	11,751	12,876	14,016	11,038	12,045	11,508	12,185	12,228	12,305	13,835	11,574	10,714	12,689	10,468	8.357	10,990
Grey	2,119	2,349	1,990	1,610	1,779	2,082	1,702	1,576	2,370	1,651	1,157	1,384	859	870	1,040	962	096	627	730
Grey/Mallard	18,237	16,366	12,918	13,361	14,655	16,098	12,740	13,621	13,878	13,836	13,385	13,689	14,694	12,444	11,754	13,651	11,428	8.984	11,720
Shoveler	92	61	57	99	101	35	54	17	27	78	20	10	, 22		11	, 92	10	0	20
Paradise	6,680	6,657	6,557	6,343	8,191	7,565	6,864	6,477	7,645	6,384	096'9	6,604	7,314	5,060	7,733	8,717	7,550	7.568	6,586
Swan	51	129	49	62	27	130	54	125	80	167	80	62	54	42	75	, 6I	71	52	80
Canada	379	160	330	166	223	167	363	302	179	344	168	312	282	393			1		;
Pukeko	555	834	869	925	648	835	917	881	1,091	666	783	1,178	837	629	1.073	1.270	1.969	957	2.176
Days Hunted	6,244	5,658	5,334	5,083	5,418	5,837	4,980	4,993	5,311	5,130	5,176	5,320							
Hours hunted	22,751	20,619	21,048	20,039	21,454	21,568	20,652	19,057	21,303	20,674	19,829	19,247	20,758	19,806	19,793	21.594	18,528	17.038	20,390
Total birds	25,994	24,207	20,609	20,923	23,845	24,887	20,992	21,423	22,900	21,808	21,396	21,855	23,203	18,618	20,646	23,791	21,028	17,561	20,582
Birds / hour	1.14	1.17	0.98	1.04	1.11	1.15	1.02	1.12	1.07	1.05	1.08	1.14	1.12	0.94	1.04	1.10	1.13	1.03	1.01
Pheasant	496	126	206	176	240	426	217	187	125	69	158	177	185	149	118	276	292	288	469
Quail	256	4	57	91	18	19	27	107	99	118	40	73	22	0	11	10	0	20	10
LEQ's	1,138	1,041	1,033	166	1,033	1,025	166	926	986	1,085	1,101	1,143	1,209	1,186	1,195	1,145	1,136	1,158	1,132
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LEQ = Adult whole season licence equivalent

TABLE 4. Hunting effort in the Taranaki Fish and Game Region, 1992-2016 seasons.

Year	Opening weekend	Rest of Season	Out of Region	Total
	hours	hours	Hours	hours
1992	10,366	17,870	3,225	31,461
1993	10,846	16,527	9,059	36,432
1994	10,716	21,431	4,108	36,255
1995	9,821	15,119	549	25,489
1996	11,662	17,501	8,435	37,598
1997	10,644	16,605	6,201	33,450
1998	9,678	13,073	3,265	27,673
1999	9,160	11,458	6,000	26,619
2000	9,256	11,792	6,802	27,850
2001	9,125	10,913	4,887	24,926
2002	10,977	10,476	4,367	25,821
2003	9,801	11,767	7,776	29,344
2004	9,474	11,178	7,816	28,468
2005	8,917	10,140	6,650	25,707
2006	10,194	11,110	7,776	29,079
2007	10,320	10,354	4,966	25,640
2008	9,356	10,473	9,700	29,529
2009	8,705	10,542	4,538	23,785
2010	9,429	11,329	1,571	22,329
2011	10,767	9,039	1,328	21,134
2012	9,907	9,886	2,683	22,476
2013	10,478	11,116	6,248	27,842
2014	9,034	9,494	4,412	22,940
2015	9,839	7,199	6,320	23,358
2016	9,411	10,979	9,153	29,543

Taranaki Region

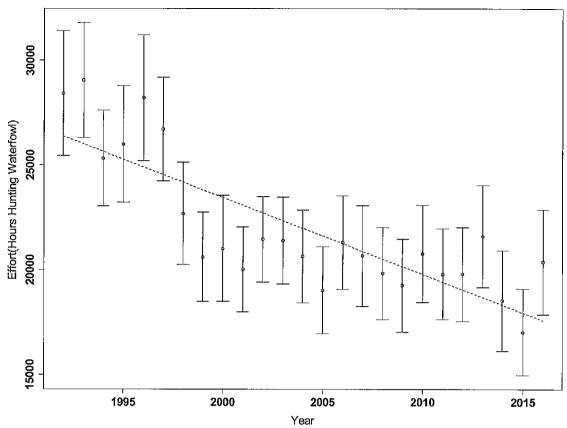


FIGURE 1. Trend in Taranaki Region waterfowl hunting hours, 1992-2016, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders and excluding out of region hunting effort.

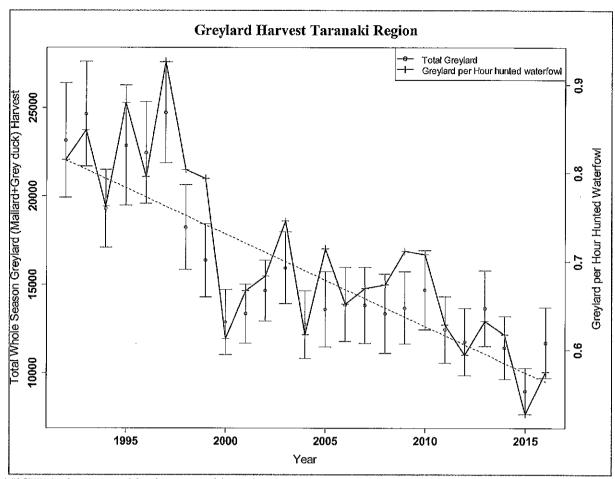


FIGURE 2. Trend in the Taranaki Region harvest of mallard/grey duck combined, 1992-2016 seasons. Trend estimates are expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders and exclude effort in Taranaki by hunters from other regions.

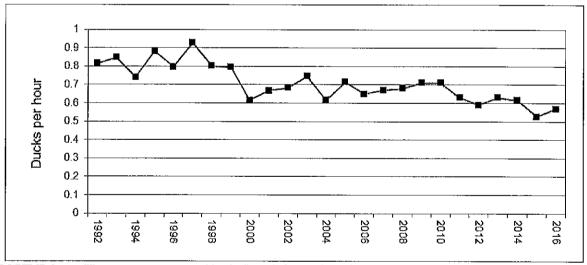


FIGURE 3. Hunter success rate (ducks/hour) for mallard/grey duck combined in the 1992-2016 seasons. Figures exclude the hunting by out of region hunters.

TABLE 5. Whole season estimates of total birds shot in each of the three game management areas. Figures **exclude** the harvest by out-of-region hunters. No data is available after 2009.

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Area	Year	Mallard	Grey	Shoveler	Paradise	Swan	Canada	Pukeko	Hours	Birds/hr
A	1995	915	497	66	1,364	0	57	0	2,249	1.29
	1996	2,247	422	37	2,000	9	139	0	3,764	1,29
	1997	2,119	357	20	2,150	0	70	0	2,569	1.84
	1998	786	10	10	1,812	0	10	41	1,823	1.13
	1999	642	150	26	1,966	0	17	26	2,730	1.04
	2000	649	23	7	1,727	0	89	0	1,590	1.57
	2001									
	2002	1,084	102	0	2,581	0	46	27	3,513	1.09
	2003									
Ì	2004	327	55	0	246	0	36	0	1,069	0.62
	2005	374	80	0	526	0	9	0	1,183	0.84
	2006	501	72	0	1,153	9	9	0	1,712	1,02
	2007	374	29	0	79	0	39	0	941	0.55
	2008	565	69	0	643	0	109	0	1,294	1.07
	2009	240	10	0	323	0	0	0	526	1.09
В	1995	6,033	694	127	1,891	162	0	19	8,442	1.06
	1996	4,533	395	145	995	30	0	99	6,650	0.93
	1997	5,984	1,125	113	1,331	30	0	251	7,229	1,22
	1998	3,078	431	62	1,137	0	0	132	5,794	0.84
	1999	2,663	241	8	1,346	91	0	46	4,207	1.04
	2000	3,015	435	24	1,560	33	0	82	6,181	0.83
	2001	i			-					
	2002	3,033	389	64	1,128	18	0	92	4,854	0.97
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	2004	1,975	584	36	881	9	18	45	3,809	0.93
	2005	2,173	125	0	1,238	27	18	18	4,887	0.74
	2006	1,502	188	18	680	27	0	27	3,108	0.79
	2007	2,252	216	69	1,267	59	10	20	4,084	0.95
	2008	1,830	129	10	1,174	10	0	70	2,929	1.10
	2009	2,365	333	10	1,167	31	21	52	3,955	1.01
С	1995	12,203	1,605	46	3,179	62	28	543	14,249	1.24
	1996	13,659	1,960	20	5,610	60	141	483	18,748	1.17
	1997	13,128	2,541	10	5,703	20	54	450	16,675	1.31
	1998	12,253	1,678	20	3,731	51	369	782	15,073	1.25
ĺ	1999	10,710	1,957	26	3,344	37	142	761	13,632	1.25
	2000	7,262	1,531	24	3,270	16	241	616	13,273	0.98
	2001	,,202	1,551		5,270				13,273	0.56
	2002	8,758	1,288	37	4,481	9	176	528	12,940	1.18
	2002	0,720	1,200			,		<i>J2</i> 0 	14,240	1.16
	2004	8,737	1,064	18	5,737	45	308	871	15,774	1.06
	2005	9,498	1,372	18	4,714	98	275	864	12,987	1.30
	2006	9,505	2,110	9	5,812	45	170	1,064	16,479	1.14
	2007	9,558	1,406	10	5,038	108	285	980	15,640	1.14
	2007	9,833	959	10	5,144	70	59	713	15,606	1.11
	2009	9,700	1,041	0	5,114	31	291	1,125	14,765	
	2009	<u>9,/UU </u>	1,041	U	3,114	. 31	291	1,125	14,700	1.17

⁻⁻ results not available.

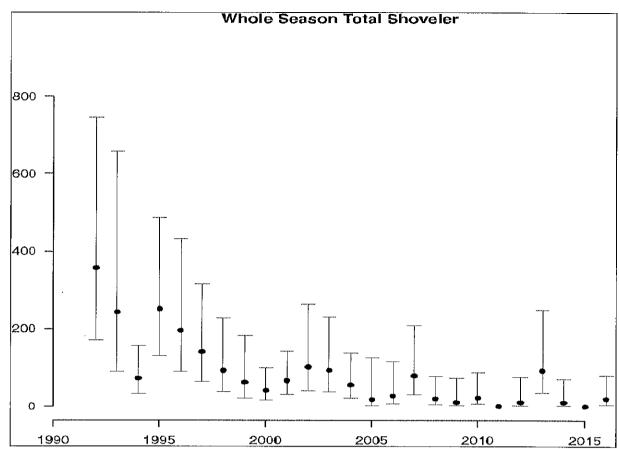


FIGURE 4. Trend in the harvest of shoveler duck by Taranaki licence holders, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

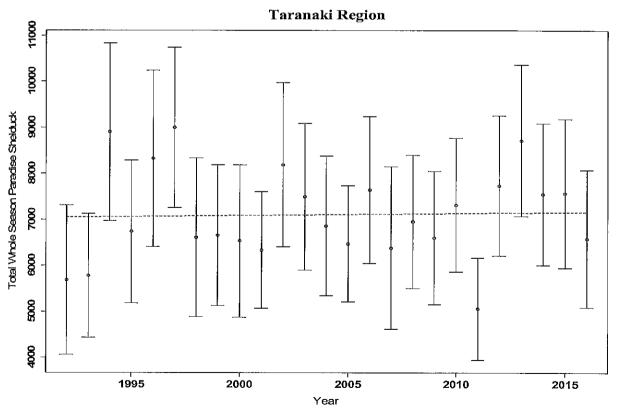


FIGURE 5. Trend in the Taranaki main season harvest of paradise shelduck, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

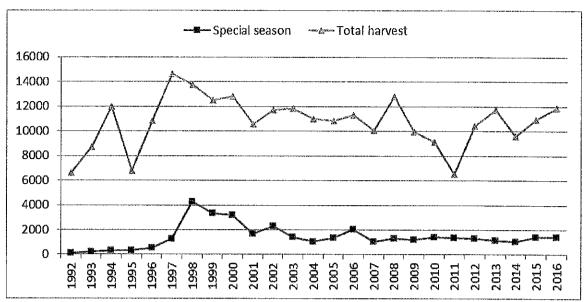


FIGURE 6. Estimated Taranaki regional harvest of paradise shelduck during the March special season and total harvest from the special and main seasons combined.

TABLE 6. Estimated total harvest of paradise shelduck in the Taranaki Fish & Game Region, 1992-2016 seasons.

Year	Special Season	1	Season	Total Harvest
	Harvest	Harv	est	
		Residents	Out of Region	
1992	112	5,689	828	6,629
1993	240	5,446	3,035	8,721
1994	350	10,642	989	11,981
1995	335	6,433	0	6,768
1996	545	8,605	1,690	10,840
1997	1,248	9,813	3,597	14,658
1998	4,314	6,680	2,757	13,751
1999	3,379	6,657	2,462	12,498
2000	3,207	6,557	3,073	12,837
2001	1,671	6,343	2,559	10,573
2002	2,328	8,191	1,194	11,713
2003	1,451*	7,565	2,826	11,842
2004	1,085*	6,864	3,071	11,020
2005	1,397*	6,478	2,943	10,818
2006	2,065*	7,645	1,577	11,287
2007	1,049*	6,384	2,608	10,041
2008	1,342*	6,960	4, 499	12,801
2009	1,212*	6,604	2,122	9,938
2010	1,408*	7,314	404	9,126
2011	1,356*	5,060	129	6,545
2012	1,334*	7,733	1,345	10,412
2013	1,186*	8,717	1,811	11,714
2014	1,086*	7,550	947	9,583
2015	1,451*	7,568	1,936	10,955
2016	1,446*	6,586	3,871	11,903

^{*=} no special season in the Waimarino

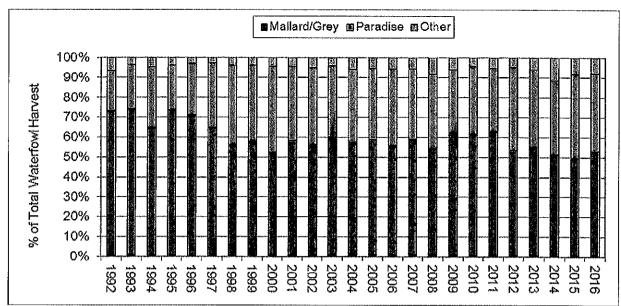
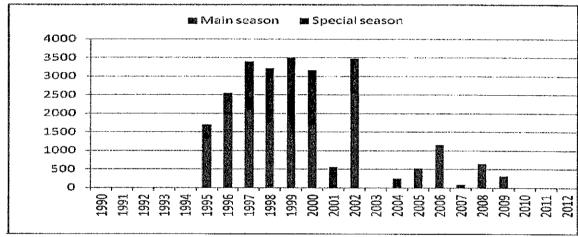


FIGURE 7. Percentage contribution of species to the total Taranaki regional waterfowl harvest.

Data for paradise shelduck includes harvest during the summer and winter seasons.



Estimated harvest of paradise shelduck in Area A (Waimarino). Main season harvest estimates do not include harvest in the Waimarino by hunters from other regions. No main season estimates are available for 2001, 2003 & 2010 - 2014. No special (summer) season has been held in the Waimarino since 2002.

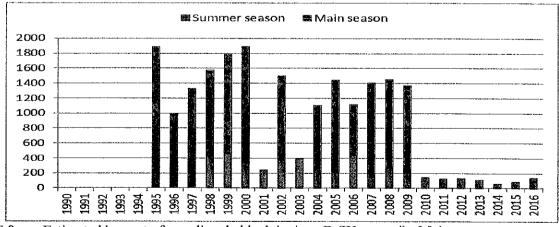


FIGURE 9: Estimated harvest of paradise shelduck in Area B (Wanganui). Main season harvest estimates do not include the harvest in Wanganui by hunters from other F&G regions. No main season estimates are available for 2001, 2003 & 2010 - 2015. No special (summer) season estimates are available for Wanganui prior to 1998.

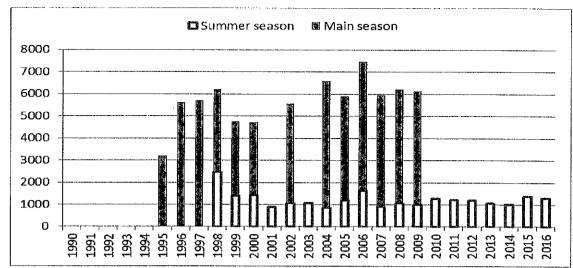


FIGURE 10: Estimated harvest of paradise shelduck in Area C (Taranaki). Main season harvest estimates do not include the harvest in Taranaki by hunters from other F&G regions. No main season estimates are available for 2001, 2003 & 2010 - 2015. No special (summer) season was held in Area C prior to 1998.

Whole Season Total Swan

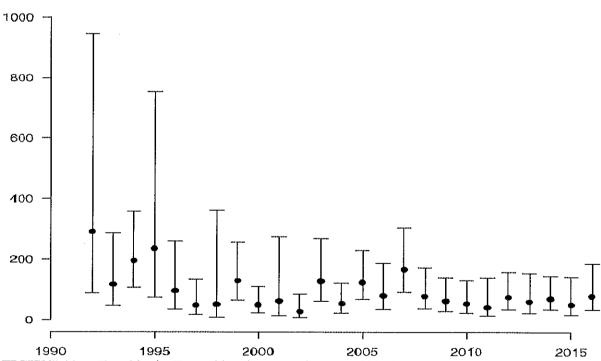


FIGURE 11. Trend in the Taranaki main season harvest of black swan, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

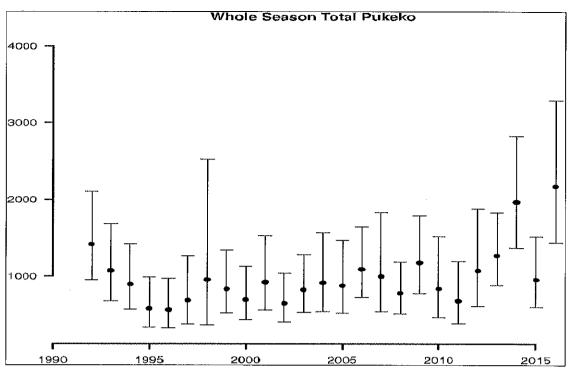


FIGURE 12. Trend in the Taranaki main season harvest of Pukeko, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

TABLE 8: Taranaki Region harvest estimates for Pheasant and Quail. Figures **include** the harvest by out-of-region hunters.

Year		asant	Californi	a Quail	Hours	Success Rate	
	Harvest	95% C.L.	Harvest	95% C.L.	Hunted	(birds / hour)	
1992	1091	550 – 1488	79	0 - 200	4077	0.29	
1993	372	171 – 497	110	0 - 226	2251	0.21	
1994	352	160 – 544	30	0 - 75	1340	0.29	
1995	177	77 – 277	70	0 - 170	1214	, 0.20	
1996	326	122 – 530	240	0 – 499	2709	0.21	
1997	394	113 – 675	210	12 - 347	3332	0.18	
1998	496	298 - 826	256	104 - 626	4140	0.18	
1999	254	134 – 480	81	32 - 202	2691	0.12	
2000	403	231 - 701	132	38 - 458	2976	0.18	
2001	176	101 - 304	91	39 - 214	1388	0.19	
2002	421	233 - 759	56	18 - 177	1817	0.26	
2003	515	320 - 830	60	13 - 263	3016	0.19	
2004	236	102 - 545	213	38 – 1190	1769	0.25	
2005	239	113 - 504	156	50 - 483	1391	0.28	
2006	148	81 - 272	63	18 - 212	916	0.23	
2007	174	83 - 365	256	94 - 701	1414	0.30	
2008	302	178 - 515	222	77 - 640	2778	0.19	
2009	348	175 - 693	317	113 - 891	1,629	0.41	
2010	185	92 - 372	22	3 - 154			
2011	207	91 - 467	0		1,248	0.17	
2012	888	386 - 2,047	603	88 - 4,138	3,205	0.47	
2013	325	189 - 559	10	1 - 73	1,324	0.25	
2014	357	200 - 637	0		1,476	0.24	
2015	548	297 – 1,011	141	35 - 571	2,369	0.29	
2016	740	486 - 1,127	10	1 - 70	2,617	0.29	

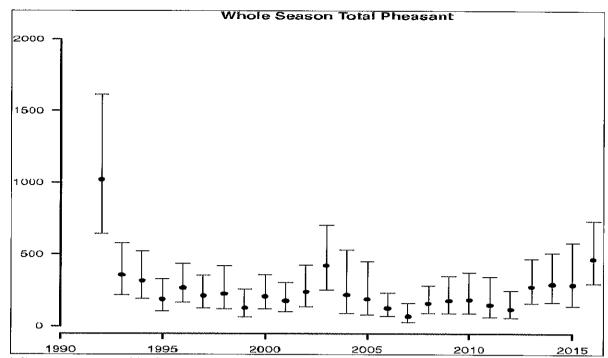


FIGURE 13. Trend in the Taranaki main season harvest of pheasant, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

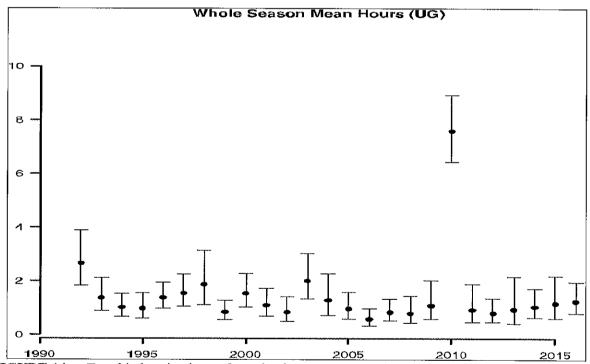


FIGURE 14. Trend in hunting hours for upland game, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders. The figure for 2010 is an error.

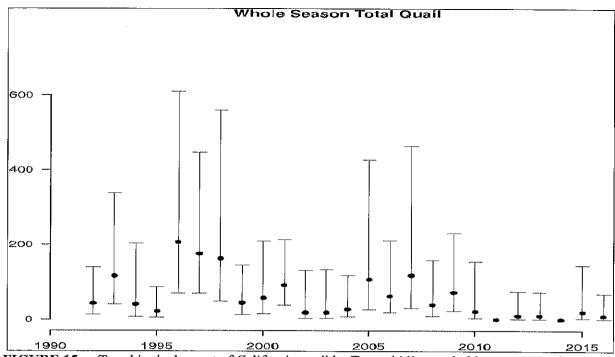


FIGURE 15. Trend in the harvest of California quail by Taranaki licence holders, expressed against a baseline of 1,000 Taranaki licence holders.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

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2017 GAMEBIRD TREND COUNT REPORT

This report presents the January 2017 trend count information for paradise shelduck and black swan and makes recommendations on the provisions of the 2017 *Game Gazette Notice* in respect of these two species. The Council considered information and made initial recommendations regarding the 2017 Game Gazette Notice at its meeting on 3rd December 2016, with those provisions relating to the above two species to be re-confirmed at the February 2017 meeting.

PARADISE SHELDUCK

WAIMARINO (AREA A)

A total of 23 Waimarino moult sites were visited in early January 2017 to count paradise shelduck (Appendix 1, Table 1). Counts decreased at 11 sites, increased at 10 and stayed the same at two. The 2017 total count of 3,518 paradise shelduck was lower than in 2016 (4,035 birds) and confirms that the Waimarino population remains at the "low end" of its historical range of abundance.

However landowners generally appear comfortable with recent levels of impacts from the paradise duck population in contrast to earlier years, whilst paradise continue to be a significant hunting resource. To this end, the population in recent years is likely to be at an appropriate level.

In response to the lower numbers a March special season has not been held in the Waimarino since 2002. A 10-bird limit for the whole of an 8-week season has been set in the Waimarino since 2010 and it is recommended that the Council continues with the same regulations in 2017. It is also recommended that no special season for paradise shelduck be gazetted in the Waimarino in March 2018.

WHANGANUI (AREA B)

Paradise shelduck were counted at 13 Wanganui coastal and hill country moult sites in January 2017 (Appendix 1, Table 2), including Lakes Oturi, Waiau and Maumahaki located in Area C just north of the Waitotara River. There were decreases in count at 9 sites, increases at 3 and no change at 1 site. The total 2017 count of 4,137 paradise was lower than in 2016 (5,349 birds) and the lowest count since 2009. This suggests that the Whanganui paradise population is also trending towards the "low end" of its historical range of abundance.

The Council has gazetted a 10-bird limit for an 8-week main season for paradise shelduck for many years now in Whanganui and, as for the Waimarino, it is recommended that the Council continue to set the same regulations in 2017.

In 2016 the Council decided not to hold a March special season for paradise shelduck in Area B, due to a lack of interest from hunters. On the basis of these counts it is recommended that no special season be gazetted in Whanganui for 2018, with any issues dealt with on a site by site basis through permits to disturb.

WAITOTARA RIVER CATCHMENT (AREA B&C)

Counts of paradise shelduck were not carried out this year on ponds in the Makakaho Road area of the Upper Waitotara catchment (Appendix 1, Table 3), owing to the relative inaccessibility of the sites and a lack of staff time.

TARANAKI PROVINCE (AREA C)

Counts of paradise shelduck were undertaken at 45 sites in Game Management Area C in mid to late January 2017 (Appendix 1, Table 4) including sites in the Taranaki eastern hill country, ringplain and coastal areas as far north as Mohakatino and as far south as Waverley.

Of the 43 sites counted both last year and this year, numbers increased at 21 sites, decreased at 16 and remained similar at 6 sites (Appendix 1, Table 4). The 2017 total count of 11,635 paradise shelduck was similar to 2016 (11,990 birds) and 2015 (11,495), indicating that the population remains stable at the high end of abundance.

It is therefore recommended that the Council confirm its December 2016 decision to set a 15-bird limit on paradise shelduck for opening weekend 2017 in Area C, with a 10-bird limit for the rest of an 8-week season.

A 2-weekend special season is already gazetted for paradise shelduck in Area C for 25 – 26 February and 4 - 5 March 2017 inclusive, with a daily bag limit of 10. Given the value of the summer season in Area C in allowing hunters the opportunity to disperse birds from areas where they are causing damage to crops or pasture, it is recommended that a 2-weekend special season also be confirmed in Area C for 2018.

BLACK SWAN

WANGANUI - WAVERLEY COASTAL STRIP

A total of 380 black swan were counted during a ground survey of 11 dune lakes in the Whanganui to Waverley coastal strip in January 2017 (Appendix 2, Table 5). This was less than the count in 2016 (510 birds), but still above the long-term (27-year) average of 322 birds.

WAIMARINO - WANGANUI HILL COUNTRY

A total of 24 black swan were counted at 12 sites visited in the Waimarino, which was similar to the previous two years, but below the longer term (11-year) average of 32 birds (Appendix 2, Table 6).

NORTH AND SOUTH TARANAKI

Black swan counts in the north and south Taranaki areas remained above average in January 2017, but still very similar to the preceding five years, with a total of 436 swan counted at the 29 sites visited (265 swan in north Taranaki and 171 in south Taranaki; Appendix 2, Table 7).

CENTRAL NEW ZEALAND

The January 2017 count for Lake Wairarapa, Wellington west, Whanganui coastal and Nelson/Marlborough (including Farewell Spit) came to 15,622 swan. This was more than the 14,680 swan counted in 2016 and very close to the long-term average of 15,760 birds (Figure 1).

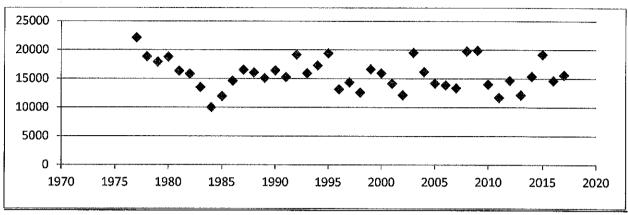


FIGURE 1. Central NZ trend counts for black swan.

In 2003 and 2004 the Council allowed black swan to be harvested throughout the region, rather than only in the Whanganui - Opunake coastal strip, but retained the ban on harvest in the first week of the season. Since 2005, the Council has allowed swan to be harvested throughout the region from opening weekend and in 2016 the daily bag limit was raised from 1 bird to 2. These changes have had little impact on harvest levels, which have mostly remained at less than 100 birds per season (80 in 2016).

In the light of the count and harvest information, it is recommended that the Council continue to set an 8-week hunting season for black swan throughout the region, with a daily bag limit of two swan per hunter.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the recommended conditions for the 2017/2018 game season be confirmed.

Glenn Maclean and Allen Stancliff 1st February 2017

PARADISE SHELDUCK APPENDIX 1.

TABLE 1. Paradise shelduck trend counts in the Waimarino (Area A)

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Kaahu Estate																		120	4	16	11	96	107	119	31	0
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Makakahi lodge										i											_			<u> </u>	284	4 234
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"Kidney pond"		260	260 470	60 370	370	08														
"Bush pond"		96	20	2	0												-			
Ponds at top of Makakaho Rd		9	0													T			-	
TRB Makakaho Rd	0	83	83 425 360 420 214 420 409 389	360	420	214	420	409	389	269			294 68 27	89		27	 		-	
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TABLE 4. Paradise shelduck trend counts in the Taranaki province (Area C).

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Waitara River (Purangi)	75		150					-					70	86	233	307	400	302	287	249	365	366	368	580	712
TRB Waitara River			175	-		08		55	62	10	0					150									
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Whangamomona		70	85	160	75		35	55	57	73	10	62	06	155	38	76	202	180	190	155	210	199	32	55	31
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Tahora	360	7		20	115				115 20	99	30	330	270	156	125	0	100	133	89	66	7	53	39	99	176
Kennedy's Pond		30	125	0	370	250	290	340 1	190 16	60 324	4 450	009	290	530	530	465	415	260	5	20	47	4	78	230	300
Kennedy's No. 2 pond							_	_						85	136	120	27	55	110	101	17	93	102	137	177
Rimuputa Rd Tahora																			145	*4	170	12			250
Moki Road Tahora																							787	430	6
Mt. Damper	520	125	180		85	20	0	40	06	0	0			30	150	250	150	150	100	250	150	200	300	250	300
Boar Road	520	155	520	500	450	250	780	9 529	610 55	99 05	0 714	635	520	715	280	089	800	209	217	183	196	140	126	151	24
Waitaanga		120	0		25	35	35	0	170 1	54	30			22	12									08	100
Lower Mohakatino Estuary (SH3)									100	30 170	0 177	202	300	250	250	186	320	243	194	165	253	263	302	409	441
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Lake Ratapiko	0	70	0	0	0	0	8	10	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
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Croydon Road											10	0	0	15	21	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	10	14	15
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Corbett Lake (Saunders Rd Okato)			20	1	6	190	270 3	300 4	450 38	85 700	0 500	200	059	295	295	99	300	275	335	405	185	260	295	200	270
Oxford Road Lake														315	395	534	510	702	400*	10	260	240	57	0	13
SH45 Omata			16	6	7	0	0	0	6	20 20	0 92	0	27	170	0	33	5	7	1	7	0	0	∞	9	0
Barrett Lagoon (New Plymouth)	0	100	92	350	430	610	9 055	620 7	700 65	50 340	0 300	009	615	570	703	450	590	827	581	640	587	826	670	640	950
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Richmond Rd.				20	110	72	31		45 5	50 180	385	320	490	475	620	875	770	775	450	420	411	435	285	407	450
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Opunake oxidation ponds				-			135	220 2	279 344	350	320	440	385	400
Bracegirdle Rugby Road					 	 	-					220	300	354
Inglewood Oxidation ponds			0	0	0	0	3	5	4			160	270	297
Eltham Oxidation Ponds										36		30	31	103
Jimmy Stewart Wetland									<u> </u>			93	0	0
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TABLE 5. Black swan trend counts in the Wanganui - Waverley coastal strip.

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2013	32	∞	0	0	∞	2	360	37	16	4	0	0	95			
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1995	6	5	0	0	13	8	24	14	39	10	3	22	45	7		
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Name	Waipu	Rotokauwau	Grassmere	Wiritoa	Pauri	Kohata	Kaitoke	Westmere	Marahau	Waikato	Waiau	Herengawe	Oturi	Hawkins	Okoia	

TABLE 6. Black swan trend counts in Waimarino and Wanganui hill country sites.

Site	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Browns	4	9	2	0	2	3	4	C	0		1
Roke	13	12	14	3	5	1	4	00	0	0	
Ohakune Oxy Pond	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0
Raetihi Oxy Ponds (2)	Ţ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morikau (3)	19	12	0		2	4	9	9	1	9	9
Mokanui	9	5	0		3	1	0	9	8	8	9
Taonui	9	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harris	8	9	7			0	0	9	5	5	3
Old Fields Track		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kaahu Estate		2	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	3
Lake Otamaraha		10	1	3	5	2	12	7	0	1	0
Sues								2	T	1	0
National Park Oxy Pnd								4	0	0	0
Total	59	61	24	33	23	13	31	45	20	24	24

TABLE 7. Black swan trend counts in north and south Taranaki.

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TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

2016/2017 Licence Sales Reports

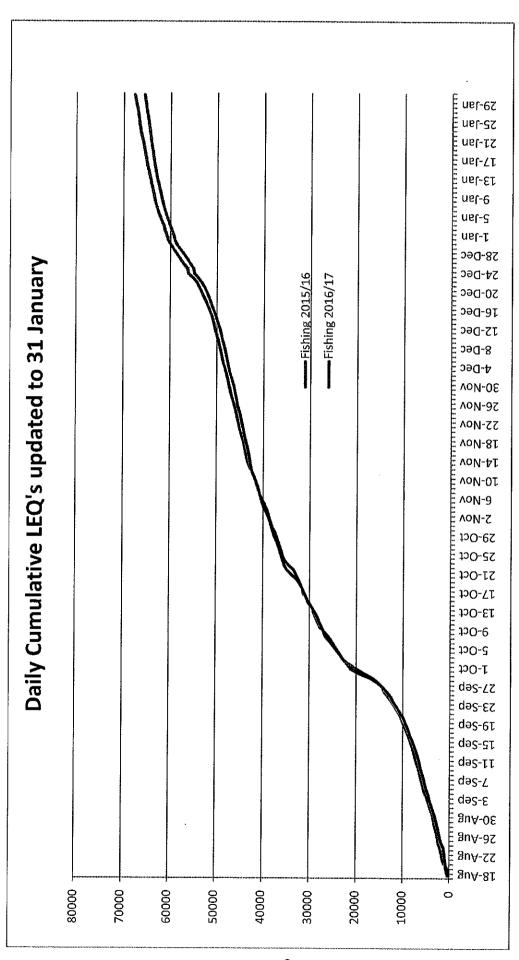
Please find attached the fish licence sales to 31 January 2017 along with cumulative daily LEQ for the same period.

Our variance across all regions against last season has increased from 2.5% as at 17 Jan to 3.0% as at 31st Jan. All regions except for Auckland Waikato and Taranaki saw a decline on last season. It appears that the short term and non resident categories have slowed when compared to the same period last year, could this be weather related?

Jilli Steedman SECRETARY 1 February 2017

RECOMMENDATION

That the Licence Sales report shown on pages 50 - 52 of the agenda, be received



Taranaki Fish & Game Council Budget Report to 31 December 2016

And Project Progress to 27 January 2017

	Proj	oject Progress to 2/ January 201/		
OUTPUT	Budget YTD exter external (31/1) (31/1)	mal costs 0/16) Comments on significant variations	Budget YTD hours Hours	
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Season Regulations			30 34.5	5
Gamebird Dispersal	1,100	403	140 46.5	7.
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Habitat Management & Enhancement	15,600	Costs yet to be incurred	4	75
Hunter / Angler Access	2,060	775	50 24.25	25
Satisfaction Survey	300		The state of the s	0
Magazine / Newsletter / Ezine	6,800		150 35.25	. 22
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Hunting & Angling Promotions	2,750	(1.19.1)	92.25	
Ranger Management	2,000		72 32.75	75
Compliance		765 Installation of regulatory marker poles	170 38.25	55
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Council Meetings & Administration	8,000	5.947	162 90.75	
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OSH & Other Reporting	7,700	1,620	9	75
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Total Expenditure	86,004	22,124 (26%)	3,245 948.75 (29%)	(S)

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SPECIES MANAGEMENT

SPECIES MANAGEMENT	
2016/2017 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
Fish Population assessment	
1. Report to Council detailing the status of the sports	
fish population and implications for management by	
31 August 2017	
2. Baseline trout population information obtained	A 2-day electric fishing survey was carried
and reported for the Manganuioteao River (year 1 of	out in the Kaupokonui Stream catchment on
2) and Kaupokonui Streams.	6-7 December 2016.
27 and radiportorial officiality	0 / December 2010.
	There was agreement on the wording and
	colour of tags for the TrustPower lower
	Patea River trout releases (2017 – 2021).
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	Inspection of Retaruke River indicates river is
	bouncing back and some wild fish evident
3. Opportunities to enhance the Stony River fishery	A survey of the Stony River on 28.10.16
investigated and reported to Council	found the river still very unstable with few
	macroinvertebrates present.
Gamebird population Assessment	20474
1. Presentation to the Council detailing population	January 2017 trend counts were carried out
status and implications for management of the	for paradise shelduck and black swan and a
region's black swan and paradise shelduck	report prepared for Council.
populations. The report to be presented to Council at its first planned meeting in 2017.	
To first planned meeting in 2017.	
2. Study initiated into the movements of mallards	Reviewed recent Mallard research findings
between the Taranaki high country and coastal	and discussed implications with author.
regions and the implications for long-term monitoring	and an analysis with dution
programme.	
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3. Mallard monitoring based around banding in the	Manager obtained Level 1 banding
Waimarino Region and aerial counts on the Taranaki	certification and attended banding day at
ring plain implemented and the first year's results	Gisborne. Building of traps completed and
reported to Council	banding permit received from DOC
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4. Pukeko Counts conducted in April and shoveler	Draft Game gazette included discussion on
duck counts in August. Analysis presented to Council	pukeko and shoveler monitoring in December
by 31st December 2016 as part of the Draft Game	agenda
Gazette notice.	
National Hunter Survey 1. Full participation in Fish & Game New Zealand's	A raport on the 2016 Cama Cama
national hunter harvest survey during the 2017 game	A report on the 2016 Game Season results
season.	was prepared for Council.
Special Gamebird Season	
The co-ordination of a 2-weekend special game	
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bird hunting season for paradise shelduck in Area C. 2. Presentation to Council by 31 August 2017 of the results of the 2017 Special Game Bird Season. 3. Maintain register of properties with paradise duck issues as potential contacts for hunters seeking new opportunities. Hatchery 1. To have reared 4,000 healthy fingerling and A Hawera hatchery food order was yearling trout at the Hawera hatchery by 31 August submitted to King Salmon Ltd. for April 2017 2017. delivery 2. Development and implementation of an effective exotic disease response plan. 3. Complete review of hatchery requirements and options to meet these and report to Council. **Trout Liberations** 1. Release of 4,000 healthy fingerling and yearling A total of 602 rainbow trout yearlings from trout into lakes and rivers where the species already the Hawera hatchery were released into exists and release is appropriate, these releases Lakes Ratapiko (301), Mangamahoe (151) reported to Council by 31 August 2017. and Rotomanu (150) on 04.10.2016. A further 461 rainbow yearlings were released into Lake Ratapiko (202) and the Kaupokonui Stream catchment (259) on 18.10.16. A total of 300 rainbow yearlings were released into the Retaruke River on 21.11.2016. 2. Release of up to 1,200 healthy two year old A total of 250 2 year rainbows and 2 older rainbow trout into approved waters to provide rainbows were released into Lake Ngangana immediate angling opportunity. on 28.10.16. A further 280 2 year rainbows were released into the Patea River at Stratford on 09.12.2016. 3. Complete year 2 of 3 year study into the value of stocking specific streams and include in Report to Council (5.1, Fish population Assessment,1) Keep & Release Approvals 1. Provision of advice as required on proposals to Discussion with Bird Rescue in Whanganui re keep, rear or release game birds and to keep of large numbers of ducklings bought in release sports fish. Recommendations made to DOC on the issue of such permits. 2. Liaison with F&G National Office regarding Ongoing discussion with Eastern re obtaining streamlining the process for application and approval DG delegations. to rear and release gamebirds. **Season Regulations** 1. Draft recommendations and supporting Recommendations and draft game notice information regarding the 2017 gamebird hunting included in December 2016 Agenda and conditions and 2018 Special Season conditions approved by Council pending Paradise duck

provided to Council for the December 2016 meeting.

- 2. Dispatch of the Council's draft recommendations for the 2017 game bird hunting season conditions to NZ Fish & Game Council by 10 December 2016.
- 3. Recommendations and supporting information regarding the 2017/18 sports fishing conditions provided to Council for the June 2017 meeting.
- 4. Dispatch of the Council's recommendations for 2017/18 sports fishing season conditions to NZ Fish & Game Council by 30 June 2017.

monitoring results

Sent to National Office and draft Gazette Notice reviewed 13/12/16.

Gamebird Dispersal

1. Proactively assist with the dispersal of unwanted congregations of game birds that are notified to the Council throughout the year

Nine permits to cull or trap & relocate pukeko have been issued to date, along with nine permits to disturb paradise shelduck; six permits to disturb paradise shelduck & mallard duck; one permit to disturb paradise shelduck & black swan; one permit to trap & relocate mallard duck; and one permit to cull up to 4 paradise shelduck & 6 mallard duck causing damage to a golf course.

An inquiry was received from the Stratford Golf Club about dispersing mallard duck. There was liaison with the SPCA about the capture of a black swan entangled in nylon at Barrett Lagoon.

Ads placed re contacting F&G if have a problem to go in NZ Dairy newspaper and also Taranaki Lifestyles issue

HABITAT PROTECTION & MANAGEMENT

Resource Management Act

1. Make effective submissions on resource consent applications and statutory plan proposals to best achieve sports fish and game bird habitat protection and enhancement and / or to maintain or enhance hunting or angling access and opportunity.

F&G withdrew its request to be heard (08.11.2016) in relation to a limit-notified application by Inglewood Metal Ltd. to discharge treated quarry stormwater & washwater to Kurapete Stream in the Manganui catchment. The applicant agreed to isolate the washwater system from the stormwater system and accepted more stringent receiving water conditions.

F&G attended a 2nd pre-hearing meeting (10.11.2016) in relation to publicly-notified applications by Fonterra Ltd. to take water from Tawhiti Stream and Tangahoe River

and discharge silt from hydrocyclone filters. There was general agreement among the parties and an updated version of the consent conditions was circulated for comment. These are now with the TRC for their review.

A pre-hearing meeting was attended (19.10.2016) regarding a limited-notified application by the Oaonui rural water supply scheme to increase their Oaonui Stream take from 3,500 to 5,000 m³/day. A proposal to limit the take to 4,000 m³/day was agreed by the applicant (28,000 m³ averaged over 7 days). Fish & Game subsequently withdrew its request to be heard (19.12.2016), but the applicant then came back with some late changes and a 2nd pre-hearing meeting has therefore been scheduled.

A draft of the Stratford District Council's King Edward Park Management Plan was received and a request made (30.09.2016) that angler access and the ability to take trout from a section of the Patea River through the park be maintained. This received a positive response. The proposed plan has now been notified, with submissions closing on 17 February 2017.

The STDC's decisions on its District Plan were reviewed and it was decided not to Appeal.

Comments were made on the TRC's draft Regional Coastal Plan (25.11.2016).

A draft TRC Officer's Report on a limited notified application by Stratford District Council to take water from the Patea River & Konini Stream was reviewed and comments made (01.12.2016).

There was liaison with NZTA regarding restoration of a fish pass on the SH3 Te Henui motorway culvert. Staff also met with NZTA representatives regarding SH3 Mt. Messenger realignment proposals.

There was liaison with Kiwi Rail regarding designs for fish passes on the Manganui River and Waipuku Stream SH3 railway

bridge bed control structures. Fish passage at a low weir on Mangawarawara Stream at Bridger Park Eltham was inspected to provide input into the consent renewal (Eltham Lions).

Patea HEPS: Interim Dissolved Oxygen and Temperature Report - Following receipt of the Expert Panel's comments, Trustpower agreed (22.09.2016) that the DO data for the McColl's Quarry site was not of a sufficient standard to be used as intended by resource consent 0489-2 condition 36. New sensors and an amended maintenance regime are being put in place.

A site visit was made (15.09.2016) to Oakura Farm Park's proposed 66ha eco-subdivision in the Wairua Stream catchment near Oakura to view riparian management and wetland protection and enhancement initiatives. A change to the NP District Plan will be required for the subdivision to proceed.

There was liaison (19.01.2017) with the landowner of the former Meadowvale Piggery site at Midhirst and the TRC about options for emptying the 3 large oxidation ponds.

The High Court upheld appeal by Ngati Rangi over Environment Court decision re NZE hydro consents and directed E.C to reconsider its decision.

2. Engage in and actively advocate for protection and/or enhancement of sports fish and gamebird habitat in the Taranaki Freshwater Plan Review process.

There was discussion with the TRC Planning Manager about progress with the review of the Freshwater Plan and RPS (28.11.2016).

Sports Fish Habitat Enhancement

1. Provision of advice and promotion of effective management of riparian land margins throughout the region.

Met with landowner on Manganuioteao River and Horizons to plan this summer's work as part of WRET Riparian project

2. Take opportunities to advocate for maintenance of flows to protect fishery values in recognised trout streams.

Presented possible concept for Sattlers Dam and met on site with Ernslaw One. Subsequent measurements of dam depths 3. Undertake and assist with efforts to keep Didymo and other aquatic threats out of the Taranaki Fish & Game Region.

suggests no long-term value in seeking to increase dam height, however lake is reestablishing well at its new level.

There was liaison with the TRC's summer didymo advocate, who attended the Stratford kids' trout fishing event. A TRC check/clean/dry advert was placed in the Taranaki regional angling newsletter.

Gamebird Habitat Enhancement

1. Provision of advice to licence holders and landholders regarding the enhancement of game bird habitat and predator control.

Site visit to Ohakune property, in the first instance will monitor groundwater levels over summer.

2. Provision of information and advice to applicants for GBHTB grants. Act where necessary as referees for projects and monitor the implementation of successful applicants to ensure works are carried out to the agreed standard.

A site visit was made and a final referee's report prepared for the Rawhenua wetland project (GBHTB).

Site inspection to existing wetland at Whanganui, will make application to increase flooded area along with installing a water level control

3. Promote the need for and provide advice regarding predator control programmes and any other outcomes from the Mallard Research project.

Collated and reviewed current predator control information and presented paper to October 2016 Council meeting on options for Council involvement

4. Explore options for a wider Nukumaru conservation area involving the respective landowners and agencies.

Hunting & Habitat Scheme

- 1. Actively promote the Hunting & Habitat Scheme to regional licence holders and landowners including through site visits, regional newspapers, newsletters and other media.
- 2. Provide support for applications to H&HS including advice on design and construction and on-site assistance to create high quality wetlands and hunting opportunities.

Referee's reports were prepared for the Mangatotara and Pakahi Wetland Hunting & Habitat scheme applications. A site visit was made and a final referee's report prepared for the Rawhenua wetland project. Worked with landowner to initiate fencing component of successful Pakahi application which is now half complete

3. Identify and actively pursue suitable opportunities for development of council owned wetlands.

PARTICIPATION AND SATISFACTION OF ANGLERS AND HUNTERS

Angler Access

1. Provision of access information and brochures to licence holders

Two landmark poles were designed, purchased erected (22.11.2016) to

	demarcate the upper limit for winter fishing on the lower Waiwhakaiho River & the inlet to Lake Mangamahoe.
	Discussions with owners of Lake Namunamu regarding access and a new sign erected which reflected this agreement
2. Implement any identified opportunities for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe and design and erect angling information signs that are consistent with the signs policy.	Followed up on possible exemption for any fishing platforms to require railings. Site meeting held at Lake Mangamahoe (22.11.2016) to confirm locations for 2 proposed new angling platforms and upgrade work on the existing platform.
3. Identify location of current signs and review future needs and locations.	Signage standards reviewed, agreed and new signs produced for Lakes Ngangana & Namunamu and the Manganuioteao River. Boundary signs for Turakina and also to replace worn signs at National Park and Ohura completed but not yet received. Updated Ruatiti Domain sign to reflect new regulations
4. Liaison with the Walking Access Commission to identify potential improvements in public access.	Liaison over possible sale of a property in the Waimarino Region which has some fishing access
Hunter Access / Opportunities 1. Negotiate, allocate and issue access permits to publicly available hunting areas for the 2017 game bird season.	
2. Actively seek and develop opportunities for gamebird hunter access.	
3. Develop a mentoring programme for new or young shooters utilising Hawken's Wetland and any other identified opportunities.	Article seeking interested from new hunters included in 2017 Gamebird Magazine supplement
4. Complete review of options to enhance access to lakes Wiritoa, Kohata and Kaitoke.	
5. Review criteria / policy to rear and release upland game and provide recommendations to Council.	
Licence Holder satisfaction Survey	
Develop a survey of angler success, satisfaction and	Reviewed NAS results
aspirations for key fisheries as identified in 2014/15	
National Angling Survey (NAS).	

Fish & Game Magazine	
1. Provide a regional supplement in each of the two	2-page Taranaki supplement produced for
special editions of fish & Game Magazine to be	the 2017 Game Special Issue of F&G
published during the reporting year.	Magazine.
Regional Newsletter	
1. Publication of a Hunting and a Fishing Newsletter	An 8-page regional fishing newsletter was
for regional licence holders and hunting landowners.	produced.
Regional Fish & Game Web Site	
1. Publication of information, material and articles of	
interest to hunters and anglers on the regional pages	
of the Fish & Game web site. Information regularly	
updated and easy to find.	
2. The production of at least 8 Reel Life articles and 2	Five Reel Life articles were produced during
Both Barrels articles.	the reporting period (20.09.16; 20.10.16;
	18.11.2016; 14.12.2016 & 22.01.2017).
Access Pamphlets	
1. Complete production of a Regional Stillwater	Discussion with several anglers re. their
Sports Fisheries pamphlet with an emphasis on perch.	contribution. Possible trial discussed to
	investigate winter angling opportunities.
2. Production of an updated Waimarino fishery access	
pamphlet.	
Club Visits	
1. Council representation at recreational hunting and	Staff attended the Inglewood Rod, Gun &
fishing club meetings across the region.	Recreation Club's opening weekend trout
	season weigh-in on 02.10.16.

PUBLIC INTERFACE

PUBLIC INTERFACE	
Liaison 1. Liaison with Department of Conservation and Conservation Boards and where appropriate attend Conservation Board meetings within the Taranaki fish & Game region by 31 August 2017.	
Where possible proactively engage and work co- operatively with Regional and District Councils, other organisations and groups and the rural community. Iwi Liaison	Attended Ruapehu Wai group meeting seeking to establish a comprehensive community group to work together regarding the health of Waimarino rivers
1. Proactively engage and work with Iwi within the region on matters of mutual interest, concern and benefit.	There was liaison with Ngati Ruanui & Ngaruahine lwi regarding Fonterra's Whareroa water take and discharge consents. It was agreed that a MOU will be developed between the two lwi & F&G to ensure F&G has input into the development & implementation of Tangahoe catchment habitat enhancement projects. There was liaison with Taranaki lwi regarding the Oaonui rural water supply water take consent renewal.

There was liaison with Ngaruahine regarding an Inaha Stream irrigation consent renewal & Fonterra Kapuni (Lactose) re-consenting. There was liaison with Ngaruahine and Te Atiawa lwi regarding fish passes on Kiwi Rail's Manganui River & Waipuku Stream bed control structures. Informal liaison with Ngati Rangi re opportunities to work together

Advocacy

1. Promote the protection of freshwater, wetland and upland game habitats and the wider benefits of this.

Five meetings of the Taranaki Biodiversity
Trust (Wild for Taranaki) were attended,
including the AGM and a meeting with the
NEXT Foundation. The final (wind-up)
meeting of the Taranaki Tree Trust was
attended. Staff also attended the TRC's 2016
Environmental Awards presentation
(03.11.2016), where it was announced that
Maketawa Stream had been conferred as
"third most improved" by the NZ River
Awards.

There was liaison with the Taranaki District Health Board regarding a risk assessment for the DOC 1080 drop in Egmont National Park.

2. Represent the interests of anglers and hunters, and promote the validity of fishing and gamebird hunting.

<u>Information to licence holders including hunting & angling promotions</u>

 Support trout fishing events, using liberations of 2 year old rainbow trout, to encourage participation and family involvement. An angling promotion attended by 100 children was held at Lake Ngangana on 29.10.16. In conjunction with the Stratford Fishing Section, an application was submitted to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (19.10.2016) seeking fish transport funding for the Stratford kids trout fishing day. The application was successful and an angling promotion attended by 80 children was held on 10.12.2016 at the scout den pool on the Patea River at Stratford.

- 2. Develop displays that promote local fishing and hunting opportunities in association with National Office.
- 3. Identify best way to develop an introduction to upland game bird hunting in association with National Office.
- 4. Review of information needs around gamebird

The 2017 gamebird hunting guide

hunting and how best to meet these.

- Provide timely and useful information to licence holders when requested. Proactively utilise opportunities such as newspapers, website and public events to make information available.
- Opportunities for publicity on angling and hunting are taken and copies of coverage reported to Council.

information was updated.

Written & verbal information was provided to licence holders during the period. Editorial and advertisement regarding summer angling provided to Ruapehu Bulletin

Trout season opening weekend publicity was provided to 5 newspapers and a photo opportunity organised with the Taranaki Daily News that also resulted in a photo in the Sunday Star Times. Comment was provided to the Whanganui Chronicle for an article about a rainbow trout caught at the town wharf. Editorial and 2 adverts were provided to the Stratford Press and editorial was provided to 2 radio stations to promote the Stratford kids' trout fishing event Staff attended a new anglers' night hosted by Taranaki Hunting & Fishing (attended by 30 people).

An article (& advert) promoting the Lake Ngangana kids' trout fishing event was provided to the North Taranaki Midweek. A press release resulted in a Daily News photographer attending the event and there were subsequent articles & photos in the Daily News (print & online) and Midweek. Staff participated in a Radio NZ interview about shotgun wads washing up on Taranaki beaches (02.12.2016).

COMPLIANCE

Ranger Management and Training

- 1. The recruitment, training and skill maintenance of Council's Honorary ranger team is consistent with the outcomes of the review of the compliance strategy.
- 2. Provision of safety and compliance training and maintenance of compliance skills is provided on at least two occasions during the year.
- 3. Comprehensive report detailing compliance activities including ranger management and results over the year presented to Council by 31 August 2017.

Compliance Strategy adopted by Council at October 2016 meeting

A 1-day Ranger safety training refresher was held on 10.09.2016 attended by 9 Rangers. Participated in discussions with CLE coordinators over HSAW act and ranger safety. Next of Kin contact detail forms sent to honorary rangers

Compliance

1. Compliance checks and any prosecutions are completed consistent with the Compliance Policy and strategy and also the Reparation Policy.

Compliance checks were conducted on opening weekend of the 2016/17 trout season, Labour weekend and over the Xmas

break. Compliance checks were also carried out on the Patea River following the Stratford kids' fishing event.
Email sent to NZ Police re ranging on Opening Weekend
Compliance Policy reviewed and presented to December 2016 Council meeting where it was approved

LICENCING AND AGENTS

<u>Licences</u>	
1. Hunters and anglers are aware of and can quickly	
and easily buy their licences on line.	
2. Anglers are aware of and can understand the	
licence categories.	
3. Progress reporting on licence sales provided to	Included in December 2016 Agenda
Council throughout the year.	
Licence Agents	
1. Successfully manage the transition to on-line sales	
through provision of ready support and assistance to	
agents.	
2. An effective solution is in place that allows hunters	
to easily buy licences where on-line facilities are not	
available.	
3. Agents are fully aware of and are familiar with the	
new licence categories and able to appropriately	
advise the buyer.	
advise the suyer.	

COUNCIL

1. Not less than six meetings of the Council that comply with all legal requirements to be held before 31 August 2017.	Staff attended two Council meetings (15.10.16 & 3.12.16).
2. Council Elections are conducted in an effective, appropriate and timely manner and the new Council provided with familiarisation and governance training as required.	

PLANNING AND REPORTING

PLANTING AND REPORTING	
Management Planning 1. Regional policies are developed and adopted when required.	H&S Policy adopted October 2016
2. The 5 year strategic plan is reviewed and agreed by	Reviewed and draft plan presented to

Council by March 2017.	February 17 Council meeting
Staff Management	
1. Effective management of staff and administration	Staff performance reports completed for
of Council.	2015/16 year and new measures agreed for
	2016/17 year
Administrative Support	
1. Review computing requirements including file	New vehicle ordered and delivered October
storage and sharing.	2016
Annual Planning	
1. Adoption of a proposed Annual Budget and	
Operational Work Plan for 2017/2018 by the Council	
by 31 August 2017.	
Annual Reporting	
The adoption and presentation by the Council at a	Presented at December 2016 AGM
public annual general meeting of its audited annual	Sent to Minister 6 December 2016
report for 2015/2016 not later than 31 December	Sent to Willister & Beteriber 2010
2016, and dispatched to the Minister directly	
thereafter.	
Regional and National Liaison	
Discussions with Wellington and Auckland/Waikato	
Fish & Game regarding consistency with gamebird	
regulations.	
regulations.	
2. Effective communication with other regional	Manager provided comments on Councillor
managers and input and valued comment on issues	oath discussion and reviewed Otago, West
affecting Fish & Game and sports fish and game bird	Coast, Southland and Auckland/ Waikato
management.	legal application. Advice to Nelson/
, management.	Marlborough on trap & transfer design for
	Branch River
Representation to New Zealand Fish and Game	Papers presented to Taranaki F&G Council on
Council by 31 August 2017, of the Council's	occupier status, standard operating
recommendations for licence fees, fund redistribution,	procedures, catch and release and lead shot
research requirements, and national policy	in sub gauges. Council recommendations
development.	sent to National Office
development.	sent to Nutional Office
2. Representation at the Fish & Game New Zealand	
Regional Managers meetings.	
negional managers meetings.	
3. Effective communications with NZC staff and	Managar provided comments on Usersalesse
comment provided on Fish & Game issues when	Manager provided comments on Hazardous
requested.	Substances rules, access on Landcorp
Tequesteu.	properties, catch and release pamphlet,
	Resource Management Regulations and
	captive reared mallards paper. Year- end
	variance report and comment sent

STAFF CO-ORDINATION AND TRAINING

Staff Communication	
Regular staff meetings and sharing of information so	Phone meeting held 15 November 2016.
all staff are aware of what is generally occurring, and	Staff meeting held in Whanganui on
where appropriate have ready opportunity for input	21.12.2016.
into decisions and management direction.	

Staff Training The Secretary undertook training, at Eastern Staff training identified in performance review process Fish & Game 11-14 October 2016, to prepare is planned and undertaken. End of Year accounts for audit. The SFO attended and passed the 2nd day of a 2-day Farm Skills guad bike course (25.10.16) with practical still to complete. Manager & SFO completed a 2-day electric fishing course in Napier (15-16 December 2016). The SFO attended a Wild for Taranaki biodiversity data management workshop (28.11.2016)Accommodation Review of options for New Plymouth office is completed and decision made by Council as to best solution for the medium term. **OSH** 1. All processes and activities are consistent with New H&S manual reflecting HSAW legislation Health & Safety Policy and hazard control plans, put together and implemented reviews and audits occur as scheduled, all necessary equipment and training is provided and new hazards Reported on in regular agenda item are identified and addressed appropriately. 2. All accidents are reported and recorded in the accident register, investigations completed and any identified actions implemented and reported to Council at the next meeting 3. Hazard Control Plans are identified and developed / amended for any new activity. 4. An annual review of Health and Safety Management is completed in March 2017 and reported to Council. 5. Compliance with HSAW requirements and policy and any issues identified are reported to each meeting of Council. 6. Two monthly staff meetings which include a specific agenda item to discuss HSAW are held. 7. Staff are actively involved in implementing HSAW

Recommendation

policy and ensuring safe workplace.

That the Budget Report to 31 December 2016 and Project Progress Report to 27 January 2017 be received.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

Financial Report to 31st December 2016

Please find attached the following reports pertaining to the financial period 1st November to 31st December 2016.

- 1. Transaction List for period 1st November to 31st December 2016.
- 2. Bank Reconciliation to 31st December 2016.
- 3. BNZ Statement of Accounts 30th December 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

That GST inclusive payments of \$85,762.19 and GST inclusive income of \$113,337.46 for November and December 2016 as shown on pages 70 & 71 of the Agenda, be approved.

Jilli Steedman SECRETARY 30th January 2017

BNZ Current Account Transactions

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

For the period 1 November 2016 to 31 December 2016

Date	Description	Credit	Debit
BNZ Curre	ent Account		
Opening Bal	ance	7,487.98	0.00
01 Nov 2016	lain Hawken Design	0.00	542.42
01 Nov 2016	DML Construction	0.00	1,054.16
03 Nov 2016	Payment: Eyede - Fish & Game Licencing	665.95	0.00
03 Nov 2016	Payment: Eyede - Fish & Game Licencing	1,447.80	0.00
03 Nov 2016	Payment: Eyede - Fish & Game Licencing	13,149.90	0.00
07 Nov 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Term 3031 to BNZ Current Account	20,000.00	0.00
08 Nov 2016	Payment: N3 Fuel Card	0.00	548.03
10 Nov 2016	Payment: Eyede Internet Settlement	9,071.42	0.00
11 Nov 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Allen	0.00	182.66
11 Nov 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Gien	0.00	1,271.19
15 Nov 2016	Payment: Whanganui Office petty cash	0.00	80.20
17 Nov 2016	Payment: vodafone office	0.00	265.74
17 Nov 2016	Payment: lain Hawken Design	0.00	45.30
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Fairfax Media	0.00	303.54
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Meteor OPD	0.00	469.97
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Wanganui Motors (1963) Ltd	0.00	496.72
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Spark Metal Fabrications Ltd	0.00	879.75
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Wgi Office Banking	106.00	0.00
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Nelson Signs Ltd	0.00	28.75
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Eastern Fish & Game	0.00	53.76
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Symons	0.00	386.19
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Taranaki Regional Council	0.00	1,770.83
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Eastern Fish & Game	0.00	3,769.85
17 Nov 2016	Payment: Ambrosia Deli	0.00	330.00
18 Nov 2016	Payment: Wellington Fish & Game	648.08	0.00
18 Nov 2016	Payment: MF & BA Hiscox	0.00	2,043.96
18 Nov 2016	Payment: Inland Revenue	0.00	2,795.58
18 Nov 2016	Payment: Rawhenua Farm Trust	0.00	3,279.00
21 Nov 2016	Payment: Allen Stancliff	0.00	87.08
21 Nov 2016	Payment: BOC Limited	0.00	28.46
21 Nov 2016	NZ Fish & Game	46,106.38	0.00
24 Nov 2016	Payment: Vodafone Mobile	0.00	282.18
28 Nov 2016	Payment: Eyede	0.00	493.05
30 Nov 2016	Payment: BNZ	0.00	50.00
30 Nov 2016	Payment: PGG Wrightson	0.00	25.88
30 Nov 2016	Payment: Smith-Root Inc	0.00	1,235.44
01 Dec 2016	BNZ- AP Amendment fee	0.00	5.00
01 Dec 2016	DML Construction	0.00	1,054.16
01 Dec 2016	lain Hawken Design	0.00	542,42
02 Dec 2016	Payment: Wgi Office Banking	125.00	0.00
05 Dec 2016	Payment: Eyede - Fish & Game Licencing	1,458.25	0.00
05 Dec 2016	Payment: Eyede - Fish & Game Licencing	14,104.65	0.00
07 Dec 2016	Payment: N3 Fuel Card	0.00	431.21
07 Dec 2016 08 Dec 2016	Payment: Brogan Cutbush	350.00	0.00
09 Dec 2016	Payment: Steve Hugo	286.24	0.00
12 Dec 2016	Payment: Eyede Internet Settlement Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Glen	3,842.19	0.00
12 Dec 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Glen	0.00	63.76
13 Dec 2016	BNZ- AP Amendment fee	0.00	454.11
15 Dec 2016	Payment: Wgi Office Banking	0.00 50.00	5.00
15 Dec 2016	Payment: Wgi Office Banking Payment: Wgi Office Banking	50.00 106.00	0.00
16 Dec 2016	Payment: Snow Country Gardens	106.00 46.00	0.00
16 Dec 2016	Payment: Wellington Fish & Game	1,711.60	0.00 0.00
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Symons	0.00	142,87
	, ajmeni ajmene	0.00	1-72.01

19 Dec 2016	Payment: NZ Fish & Game	0.00	182.44
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Yellow Pages Group	0.00	333.50
19 Dec 2016	Payment: NZME Publishing	0.00	359.08
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Allen Stancliff	0.00	568.64
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Inland Revenue	0.00	4,193.37
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Farmlands	0.00	43.16
19 Dec 2016	Payment: RFS Fire and Security	0.00	14.52
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Bright Chainsaws & Engineering	0.00	163.47
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Fairfax Media	0.00	196.74
19 Dec 2016	Payment: vodafone office	0.00	265.03
19 Dec 2016	Payment: P Blewman	0.00	276.00
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Waterford Press	0.00	284.05
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Screen Art New Plymouth Ltd	0.00	862.50
19 Dec 2016	Payment: whitcoulls	0.00	48.98
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Jilli Steedman	0.00	227.70
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Eastern Fish & Game	00.00	53.76
19 Dec 2016	Payment: Meteor OPD	00.00	416.91
19 Dec 2016	Payment: AON New Zealand	0.00	606.86
20 Dec 2016	Payment: H Mcdougal	40.00	0.00
20 Dec 2016	Payment: BOC Limited	0.00	15.81
20 Dec 2016	Payment: Autolodge Motor Inn	0.00	2,092.50
20 Dec 2016	Payment: PGG Wrightson	0.00	36.74
20 Dec 2016	Payment: MJ & CL Rogers	0.00	1,933.10
20 Dec 2016	Payment: Cotton Kelly	0.00	6,390.55
20 Dec 2016	Payment: Autolodge Motor inn	0.00	2,798.25
21 Dec 2016	Payment: Allen Stancliff	0.00	213.98
22 Dec 2016	BNZ bank fee	0.00	5.00
23 Dec 2016	NZ Transport Agency	0.00	628.63
28 Dec 2016	Payment: Vodafone Mobile	0.00	179.95
29 Dec 2016	Autolodge Motor Inn	22.00	0.00
	Salaries and Management Contract		36,872.75
	rrent Account	113,337.46	85,762.19
Closing Balar	nce	35,063.25	

BNZ Term 3031 Transactions

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

For the period 1 November 2016 to 31 December 2016

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	
BNZ Tei	rm 3031			
Opening E	Balance	487,912.83	0.00	
07 Nov 20	16 Bank Transfer from BNZ Term 3031 to BNZ Current Account	0.00	20,000.00	
Total BNZ Term 3031		0.00	0.00	
Closing B	álance	467,912.83	0.00	

Credit Card Account Transactions

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

For the period 1 November 2016 to 31 December 2016

Date	Description .	Debit	Credit
BNZ Cred	it Card - Allen		
Opening Bal	ance	0.00	182.66
22 Nov 2016	The Sign Shop	0.00	169.94
24 Nov 2016	Custom Engraving	0.00	15.50
12 Dec 2016	Countdown Stratford	0.00	8.99
15 Dec 2016	City Close Motel	0.00	290.00
19 Dec 2016	City Close Motel	0.00	27.00
09 Dec 2016	Caltex Eliot Street	0.00	11.32
01 Dec 2016	BNZ Visa	0.00	6.25
30 Nov 2016	Blackwoods	0.00	262.42
11 Nov 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Allen	182.66	0.00
12 Dec 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Allen	454.11	0.00
Total BNZ Cr	edit Card - Allen	636.77	791.42
Closing Bala	nce	0.00	337.31
BN7 Cradi	t Card - Glen		
Opening Bala		0.00	1,271.19
09 Nov 2016	Mitre 10	0.00	15.14
11 Nov 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Glen	1,271.19	0.00
21 Nov 2016	Pivotel Comunications	0.00	26.39
01 Dec 2016	BNZ Visa	0.00	6.25
01 Dec 2016	Mitre 10	0.00	15.98
09 Dec 2016	Mitre 10	0.00	34.76
12 Dec 2016	Bank Transfer from BNZ Current Account to BNZ Credit Card - Glen	63.76	0.00
15 Dec 2016	Lone Star Napier	0.00	108.50
16 Dec 2016	Lone Star Napier	0.00	97.00
20 Dec 2016	Pivotel Comunications	0.00	26.39
22 Dec 2016	Springvale Cafe	0.00	63.90
Total BNZ Cr	edit Card - Glen	1,334.95	394.31
Closing Bala	nce	0.00	330.55



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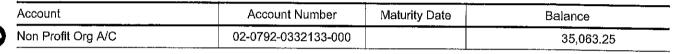
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Statement of Accounts as at 30 December 2016

Your Accounts at a Glance



Your Other Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
Term Deposit	36332133-03031	16 Mar 2017	467,912.83

Our investment statements and current disclosure statement may be obtained free of charge from any Bank of New Zealand store, or viewed at www.bnz.co.nz.



TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

Correspondence Schedules

Please find attached inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to 30 January 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to, 30 January 2017 as shown on pages 76 and 77 be received.

Jilli Steedman SECRETARY 30th January 2017

SUBJECT	Draft Officers report Konini Stream & Patea River	Stratford 2035 Launch	Hatchery Insurance	Audit Report	Minutes November 2016 meeting	Notice of appeal - Fonterra Ltd to the Environment Court	Draft officers report - Oaonui water take & weir	Informing Ngaruahine of applications	Taranaki Energy Watch notice of appeal to the STDC	Proposed STDC Plan - Appeal by Taraua Wind Power Ltd	Notice of appeal to proposed STDC Plan	Draft King Edward Park Reserve Management Plan	Recreational water quality monitoring results	Conservation Board Nominations	Normanby hydropower scheme stakeholder meeting 30.5.17	Inspection Notice	2016 Performance Report	New Environmental officer Otago F&G
Staff/Councillor	Allen	Allen	S	Glenn Paul	Staff	Allen	Allen	Allen	Allen	Allen	Allen	Allen	Allen	Glenn Paul	Allen	Glenn Allen	Glenn	Staff
FILE NO	2.3.5	2.3.7	4.6.3	4.6.2	4.5.1.1	2.3.7	2.3.5	2.3.5	2.3.7	2.3.7	12.3.7	2.3.7	2.3.5	4.5.3	2.3.5	1.1.7.	4.5.1	4.5.2
FROM	Feb-17 Anna Johnston TRC	Feb-17 Stratford District Council	Feb-17 Aon Insurance	Feb-17 Cotton Kelly	Feb-17 NZ Fish & Game	Feb-17 Russell McVeagh	Feb-17 Anna Johnston TRC	Feb-17 Louise Tester Ngaruahine lwi 2.3.5	Feb-17 Ruby Haazen - Barrister	Feb-17 Chancery Green	Feb-17 Graham Young, Ngaati Ruanui 2.3.7	Feb-17 Neil Cooper STDC	Feb-17 James Kitto TRC	Feb-17 Robert Sowman	Feb-17 Renewable Power Ltd	Feb-17 Taranaki Regional Council	Feb-17 NZ Fish & Game	Feb-17 NZ Fish & Game
Meeting FROM	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17	Feb-17
Corr No Date	1 23.11.16	2 23.11.16	3 1.12.16	4 6.12.16	5 14.12.16	6 15.12.16	7 16.12.16	8 16.12.16	9 16.12.16	10 19.12.16	11 19.12.16	12 20.12.16	13 20.12.16	14 20.12.16	15 15.1.17	16 19.1.17	17 26.1.17	18 30.1.17

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Corr No	Date	Meeting	10	FILE NO	Staff/Councillor	SUBJECT
	1 23.11.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Anna Johnston TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Oaguni draft report & conditions
	2 23.11.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Paul Roberts	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamehirds
	3 28.11.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Hamish McDougal	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
	4 28.11.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Nicolette TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Feedback on TRC draft Coastal Plan
	5 1.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Snow Country Gardens	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
	6 1.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Anna Johnston TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Draft Officers report approval from applicant & submitters
	7 2.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Ray Whitmore	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
	8 5.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Barry Bishop	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
	9 5.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Aaron Riddick	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
_	10 5.12.16	Feb-17	Jean Sandel Retirement Village	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
	11 6.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Parliament	4.6.2	Glenn	2016 TFGC Performance Report
7	12 11.11.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Cotton Kelly Auditors	4.6.2	Glenn Paul	Letter of representation
₹	13 8.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 John & Diane Baldie	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
~	14 8.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Robert Sowman	4.5.1	Glenn	Resolutions from meeting on hunting stand claim tag
~	15 8.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Robert Sowman	3.2.2	Glenn	draft game notice
<u>~</u>	16 9.12.16	Feb-17	James Kitto TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Patea King Edward Park E.coli count
_	17 15.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Jeff Watson	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
_	18 13.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 John Newton	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
-	19 13.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 DJ & PA Dent	1.2.11.	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
Ñ	20 14.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Reel Life	3.1.1	Staff crs	Reel Life December/January
7	21 19.12.16	Feb-17	ton TRC	2.3.5	Allen	F&G withdrawal of request to be heard Oaonui Water Take
2	22 23.12.16	Feb-17	Feb-17 Tim Gudsell	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
2	23 7.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 Brian Thompson	1.2.11	Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
2	24 14.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 Roz Boyd	1.2.11	Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
Ž	25 24.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 Murray Barrett	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
7	26 25.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 Chris Cox	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
2	27 26.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 C Johns & K McNie	1.2.11	Jilli / Chris	Authority to disturb gamebirds
2	28 27.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 B & M Dewson	1.2.11	Jilli	Authority to disturb gamebirds
Ž	29 30.1.17	Feb-17	الث	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
<u>જ</u>	30 30.1.17	Feb-17	Feb-17 Noel Scobie	1.2.11	Allen Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE FEBRUARY 2017 MEETING