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Nature's Destructive Forces — Cyclone Bola



Extensive flood damage along Hikuwai River by Spencer Reserve

Bringing the worst floods for more than 50 years, Cyclone Bola devastated much of the East Coast in March, unleashing a

torrent of rain on the region. In May the National Trust Chairman, Peter Elworthy, Mrs Elworthy, and the Trust's new Public Affairs Officer,

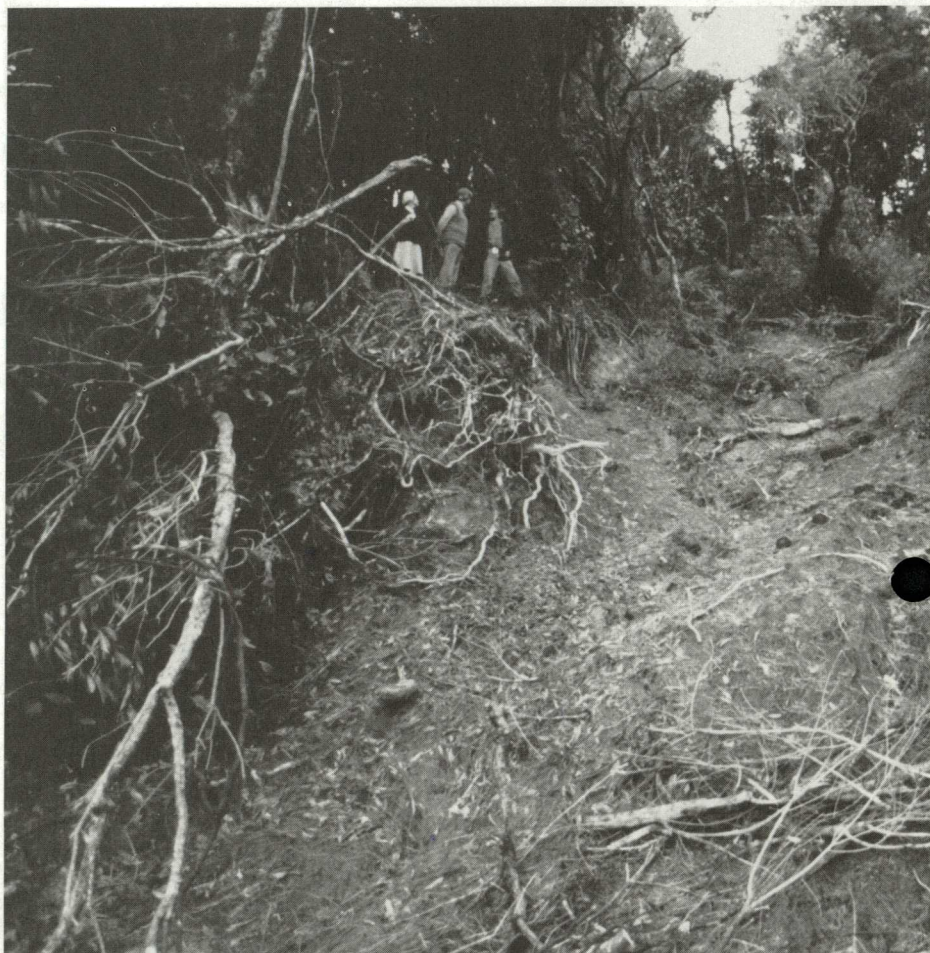
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Max Simmons, were able to visit some of the Trust's covenants and properties in the district and see at first hand the after effects of the storm. The Chairman was also the guest speaker at the annual general meeting of the Friends of Eastwoodhill Association.

Upon arriving in Gisborne, the Trust party, with regional representative Richard White, were given a guided tour of Eastwoodhill Arboretum which the National Trust has assisted financially in recent years. Established in the early 1900's by W D Cook, the

Arboretum lies in the Ngatapa Valley, about 40km from Gisborne. Today it can claim the largest collection of Northern Hemisphere temperate zone trees, shrubs and climbers in New Zealand, and is unique in the Southern Hemisphere. The magnificent collection of authentic plant material features numerous species not found anywhere else in New Zealand as well as some plants that are no longer seen outside their country of origin. Represented in the Arboretum are some 340 genera comprising over



Major slip in Tombleson covenant after Bola



Trust chairman, Mrs Elworthy and regional rep Richard White with Eastwoodhill Trust members in the arboretum; on the right is Mr H B Williams

species, natural varieties, hybrids and cultivars. Eastwoodhill was purchased in 1965 by Mr H B Williams who eventually vested the property in a Trust established under a private Act of Parliament. Cyclone Bola left small slips in the Arboretum and several trees uprooted and smashed on the adjoining farmland, but fortunately only one serious loss, for which replacement seed is available from the United States.

The following day the generous loan of a four-wheel drive vehicle from the Gisborne City Manager enabled a visit

to a handful of the Trust's far-flung covenants in the district. With the NZ Army Engineers still working to restore access roads, the group drove up into the hills south west of the city to view the Waingake Catchment Reserve. The source of Gisborne's water supply, the densely bush-clad reservoir area has been protected by the Gisborne City Council through a National Trust open space covenant. Later in the day the group travelled north up the devastated Waimata Valley to the covenant of John Tombleson which had suffered two

major slips within the protected bush.

The Gisborne trip ended the following day with a visit to the Pouawa Sandhills, unaffected by the cyclone, and on to the Spencer Reserve. Situated on the west bank of the Hikuwai River, 18km north of Tolaga Bay, the Spencer Reserve suffered as did many properties in the immediate area. Unable to cope with the deluge dropped by Bola, the Hikuwai overflowed its banks, destroying one of the more than 50 bridges to be lost during the storm, depositing over a metre of silt on the river flats and washing away 90 chains of fencing along the Reserve. The river flats have since been sown by fixed wing plane and the fencing dug out or replaced, but it will be some time before this part of the Reserve returns to normal. And for some parts of the region, the wounds may never heal.

While the devastating power of Cyclone Bola on the East Coast captured most of the headlines in early March, Taranaki also suffered the

brunt of gale force winds which left a trail of destruction that included the Trust's principal garden property, Tupare. Several large trees at Tupare lost branches, shrubs were uprooted, and the cottage suffered damage to its roof when a large pine branch crashed on to it. A 50 year old scarlet oak broke off about 3 metres up the trunk, carrying away a maple, a dogwood and a birch as it came down. Fifteen metres out of the top of a giant redwood brought down a large magnolia, six poplars were flattened on the river flat, while a copper beech, a large pohutukawa and an ash were also uprooted. It took many weeks for staff to clear up the mess, although Tupare manager Alistair Duncan considers the property escaped rather more lightly than did the Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust which was really devastated by the gales. Alistair is thankful that the winds were not accompanied by the rains that were eventually unleashed over Gisborne, for the extra weight would have surely brought down more trees.



Dense bush in Waingake Water Catchment covenanted by Gisborne City Council

Trust Protects Yellow-eyed Penguin Habitat



Yellow-eyed penguins

The Kemp family of White Rocks Farm have had a National Trust open space covenant approved for 2.3 hectares of coastline on their Katiki property, just south of Moeraki. The general purpose of the covenant is to protect and maintain open space, but there is a more specific aim — to enhance and protect the area as a suitable habitat for the hoiho, or yellow-eyed penguin. Found only in New Zealand waters, the yellow-eyed penguin seeks out solitary nesting places in coastal scrub and forest, and lives near its breeding grounds all the year.

Sharing the Kemps' concern for the penguins have been Janice and Bob Jones who live in the house by the Katiki Point lighthouse. With the assistance of Dr Chris Lalay of MAF, and the North Otago branch of the Royal Forest and Bird Society, the Jones have been involved for some years in a conservation management programme on local coastal farmland

favoured by the penguins as breeding areas.

Management methods have included seasonal trapping of cats, rats, ferrets, hedgehogs and other predators of penguin chicks; deployment of artificial nest boxes providing stock proof sheltered nest sites; and a revegetation programme to both increase the number of nests within a fixed area and to reduce the potentially devastating impact of human interference and dogs. Through these measures the numbers of resident penguins, numbers of nests, and the extent of the breeding area have all increased with minimal impact on farming practices.

Although nest boxes can be deployed to maintain or increase nest numbers, pasture grassland does not offer any shelter or seclusion around landing places, loafing areas, access trails or the actual nest sites. A revegetation programme is necessary to enhance these areas. A wide variety of native

plants are under consideration, the selection criteria being a fast growth rate combined with resistance to wind, drought, salt and preferably frost.

In August the National Trust made a grant of \$500 in recognition of the valuable work already accomplished by the Jones in preserving the penguin habitat, and as a contribution towards further planting of the covenant area on the Kemp property. The prolonged drought in the region has made it difficult to ensure that existing

plantings survive, let alone attempt new plantings. The grant was put to good use in purchasing a water tank for irrigation of the planting completed to date and hopefully next winter revegetation projects can be resumed.

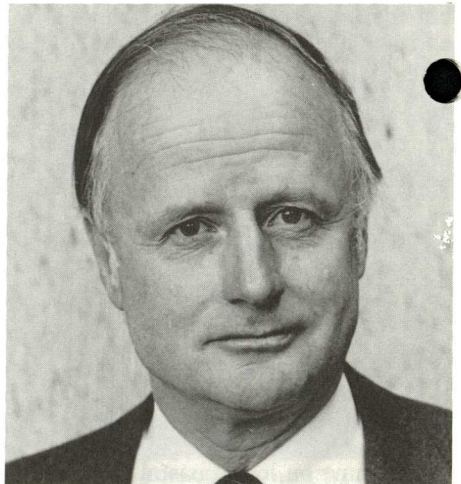
The National Trust would appreciate any donations that members of the general public may care to make to assist the Kemps and the Jones in their labour of love to protect the nesting sites of a unique and endangered species.



Part of Kemp covenant at Katiki

Trust Chairman Honoured

In this year's Queen's Birthday honours, the Trust's chairman, Peter Elworthy, was created a Knight Bachelor for his services to farming. Sir Peter was the president of Federated Farmers from 1984 to 1987 and is currently on the boards of the Reserve Bank, Landcorp, and B P NZ Ltd. He is chairman of the NZ Advisory Committee on Overseas Aid, chairman of the Timaru Port Co, and has recently taken on the chairmanship of the NZ Rural Trust, an organisation set up to coordinate and supervise the funding and execution of a special assistance programme for the farming community.



Trust Chairman Sir Peter Elworthy

Farmers Protect Important Kowhai Stand

Last year in the Kauana area, a group of farmers took out open space covenant agreements to protect what is probably the best remaining stand of kowhai trees in Southland.

These mature trees, numbering more than 1000, lie on the bank of the Winton Stream which is itself significant. It is the last remaining example of unmodified meandering stream on the Southland plain.

The farmers involved in the agreement are the late John Beck, Stanley Cox, and the Shand family, Stephen, Louise, Alex and Frank.

The trees were already afforded some protection under the Southland County district scheme, however the

farmers sought additional security. Together with the County they approached the National Trust. Subsequently the County agreed to alter some land status to enable the covenant to proceed.

The County planner, Mr Wallace Darnill said both the Trust and the landowners were keen to promote public enjoyment of the area and public access would be along an esplanade reserve on the east bank of the stream.

This is an excellent example of how landowners together with the National Trust can work together to protect very important natural assets for the future.



Kauana kowhai covenantors. L to R: regional rep Roger Sutton, the late John Beck, Stephen Shand, Alec Shand, Louise Shand, Stanley Cox, county planner Wallace Darnill, Frank Shand (partly obscured).

Frank Hunt Memorial Bush

The Frank Hunt Memorial Bush is a magnificent stand of native forest just south of Te Kuiti. It is protected by an open space covenant which was registered last year. The official registration also marked the anniversary of the dedication of the bush to the memory of Frank Hunt.

Mrs Kath Hunt organised the ceremony to dedicate a carved sign as a memorial to her late husband. The ceremony was attended by friends, and

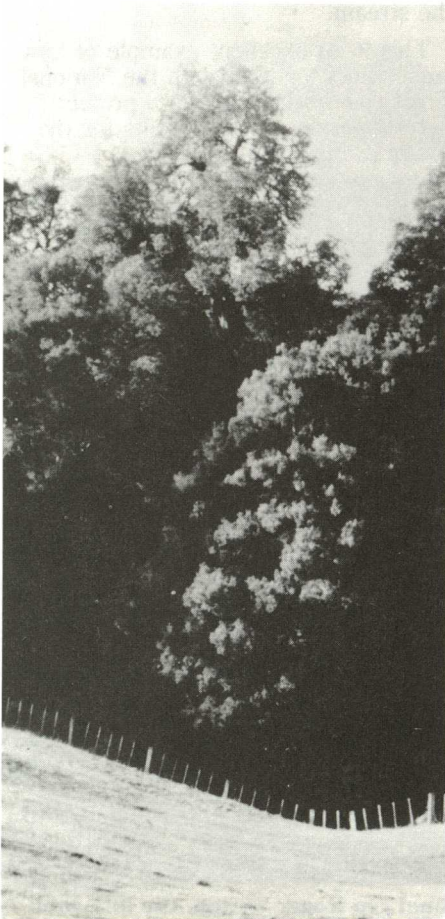
the Trust was represented by Gordon Stephenson who was then Deputy Chairman. It was a moving occasion, with Maori friends providing the karanga and a blessing. The fine stand of bush, which was so valued and cared for by Frank Hunt, is a very fitting memorial.

The sign was made by Hamilton woodcarver Derek Kerwood who has made many signs for the Trust. It reads: "Frank Hunt 1899-1986. Kua kotahi tona ngakau ki te ngahere". Carved in wood, the sign looks most appropriate, and both welcomes the visitor and speaks of the significance of the bush.

Frank and Kath Hunt approached the Trust in 1984, seeking to protect their bush with a covenant. The 2.8 ha forest remnant was described by the local Forest Service as being of outstanding quality. The trees are predominantly kahikatea, with maire, rimu, tawa, totara, mapou, matai, lancewood, ribbonwood, pokaka and ferns. The Hunts had already fenced the bush many years before they contacted the Trust, and regeneration was well underway with a good cover of ferns, kawakawa, mahoe and dormant seed. There has been no stock or weed encroachment. The birdlife in the bush is plentiful and includes pigeons, tuis and bellbirds.

The covenanted bush is about a third of the whole property, of which half is native bush, plantations and homestead areas. It contrasts nicely with the grazed pasture, and can be seen from the road, providing a special feature in a landscape which has very few stands of bush.

The Trust is pleased to have this covenant finally registered, protecting not just the beautiful bush but also a memorial to Frank Hunt.



Frank Hunt Memorial Bush

The Farm, Forest and Kiwi-Fruit Orchard of Jack and Ann Mark of Te Matai Road, Te Puke

Jack and Ann Mark, who farm on Te Matai Road, Te Puke, class themselves as being a 'family unit' of sheep and cattle farmers.

Their property is 184 hectares. 40 hectares of this, or 21% of the total area, is in native forest and protected by a National Trust covenant.

The remaining 144 hectares have for many years carried 1200 breeding

ewes plus replacement and about 100 head of cattle. Because the land is of excellent quality and the farm's financial commitments have always been in balance with overall farm income, this has been enough to sustain the Mark family.

Although the Marks are surviving the current rural down-turn and are optimistic for farming's overall future,



Part of the Mark covenant

their own future is providing them with a number of questions and uncertainties as they approach retirement age.

Their main concern is what to do with the farm upon their retirement. They do have an elder son, Peter, who would be prepared to take it over. If he did this it would maintain the family's link with Te Matai Road, with Peter becoming the fourth generation of the Mark family to live on this road.

If Peter was to take over it would also allow Jack and Ann Mark to retain their interest in the property and it would save them having to make that total break, with those emotional consequences, which a sale to an outsider would necessitate.

But even at the lower prices of today Jack and Ann Mark realise that Peter would be hard pressed to make a living off the 144 effective hectares. Further, in order to live comfortably in their old age they would need a realistic return on their capital investment in the farm so this would rule out any chance of Peter being offered interest free loans.

The Marks have other children who must be considered when distributing the family assets. This again places pressure, either now or in the future, on the member of the family who takes over the farm.

Altogether, as this illustrates, retirement age for all farmers is something of a problem. It is not just a matter of hanging up your boots, as is the case with urban people. It is very much more than this and a matter which takes much thoughts and much weighing up of the possible consequences before eventually taking the plunge.

Should the sale option be the only possible way out this means a break with your family home and all those memories of the past. It means a break with an old and familiar district which includes old friends, local school

memories, old and familiar views and favourite places.

But at the moment it is the only option available to most retiring farmers and so an option which must be faced. It is an option which demands that sentiment be put aside and that the farm be treated as an income earning business, for which there is a buyer if the price is right.

Fortunately, in the case of Jack and Ann Mark their future need not necessarily be tied to the cut and dry option of selling out upon retirement. This is because 7 years ago they established a small kiwifruit orchard at the bottom of Te Matai Road some 14kms from their sheep farm.

This orchard, which is only .65 of a hectare, has over the years been brought into production and now produces over 4500 trays. Originally set up as a form of diversification and as a side-line venture, it is now more profitable than the sheep and cattle enterprise.

Further, its profitability has very nicely coincided with the decline in sheep farming profitability and is one of the reasons why the Mark family's lifestyle has not been too affected by the current farming recession.

Its profitability has also coincided with their advancing retirement years. As well as providing a financial advantage it has provided the Marks with a number of retirement options which could make the transition from active sheep farming much easier for them.

They could, for example, allow their son to take over the sheep farm while they lived and worked on the kiwifruit orchard. Or they could sell the orchard and buy a house in town with the proceeds, or sell their farm and retire to the orchard and so retain their link with Te Matai Road and its environment.

Whatever the Marks decide to do their story has a message in it for all farmers in the middle age bracket. It illustrates the wisdom in planning ahead to save disappointment at

retiring age. Steps taken at a time when the body is willing and the mind active guarantees old age solvency. It also could save emotional strain which comes with the leaving of a well loved farm.

And, according to Jack Mark, diversification is a lot of enjoyment. He found the development of a kiwifruit orchard very creative and rewarding and received immense satisfaction from watching the first export crop leave the property. The location of the orchard, he said, was much more enjoyable than they day to day orchard work.

So, although definite plans for retirement have not been made Jack Mark has worked himself into a good position for retirement and can rest assured that his ties with Te Matai Road can remain intact if he wishes.

He knows that if he does not sell the property his 40 ha of magnificent forest will also remain intact under its protection with the Queen Elizabeth II National Trust. This forest is mainly

podocarp, with many tall rimu, miro and totara. It also contains pukatea, pigeonwood and tawa and other native species of flora. Its magnificence is added to by its location in the deep gorge at the junction of the Waiari and Mangatoti Streams. This gorge is wooded on both sides and has the added attraction of rock bluffs and outcrops. The clear rivers are havens for trout fishermen.

The forests are known to contain some of our rarer bush birds. Both kokako and kiwi have been found here and whiteheads and tomtits are common along with the more common birds such as tui, bellbird, grey warblers and fantail.

This bush, says Ann Mark, is appreciated by the whole family, and especially by Ann's father, world renowned naturalist and author Ronald Lockley.

(Article supplied by regional representative Stuart Chambers.)



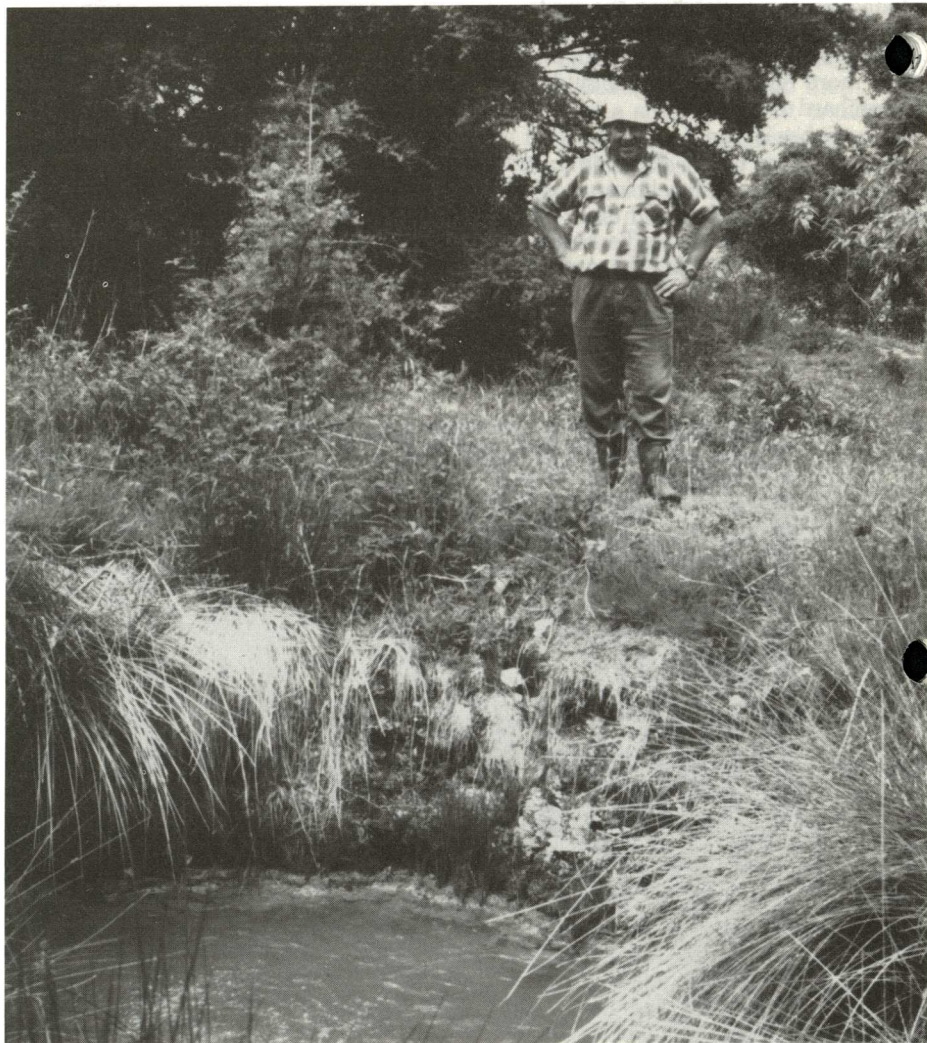
Jack and Ann Mark

OPEN SPACE COVENANTS

RECENTLY REGISTERED OPEN SPACE COVENANTS

By the August 1988 Trust Board meeting 295 covenants had been registered while a further 375

were approved and proceeding towards registration.



Bruce Tolich by sulphur spring on his covenant



Overlooking the Bannister wetland covenant, Ngawha Springs

NORTHLAND DISTRICT

1. DOAK, W & J; MOSEN, G & V. Ngunguru Road, RD, Whangarei. An 8.4 hectare area of regenerating bush adjacent to Crawford Scenic Reserve, other bush areas, and Ngunguru tidal estuary. Large number of mature trees including totara, rimu, puriri, tairare, kanuka, kamahi, kowhai, kauri and nikau.
2. BANNISTER, J M. Ngawha Springs, 10km east of Kaikohe. A 35 hectare wetland, a feature fast becoming unique in Northland, the area is of great importance as a habitat for wildlife and endangered flora. A gumland swamp, originally the site of a kauri forest, it lies in a unique geothermal area. The wetland's birdlife includes fernbird, bittern, kiwi, brown and grey teal.
3. TOLICH, B & E I. Kaikohe-Lake Omapere Rd, RD 2, Kaikohe. A 2 hectare unusual outcrop of rock and natural soda spring.
4. RENWICK, R and SPORLE, W. Diggers Valley, 23 km south of

Kaitaia. The covenant protects 13 ha of native forest on the 57 ha property. The forest remnant was milled over 30 years go, and is now regenerating well. The predominant species include puriri, taraire, and rimu, and there is abundant bird life. This is the 200th registered covenant (see article in Newsletter 15).

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

5. DUNN, A J, Arva Du Farms. Puhoi-Ahuroa Road, approx 5 km NW of Puhoi. 49.9 ha forest remnant, predominantly taraire with puriri, totara, rata and kahikatea, on a 340 ha moderately hilly sheep and cattle farm, near large areas of exotic forest. The owners are keen conservationists, and Mr Dunn gifted 9 ha of bush to the Crown in 1981 (known as Remigers Bush).
6. MOONEY, J N, E F & S A. On Mooney Road, Maungaturoto. 7 ha forest remnant including kahikatea, matai, rimu, kauri and nikau, on a 318 ha farm, with a tidal estuary

boundary. This pleasant coastal native forest attracts many visitors. It is in the Kaipara Ecological District, with only one other protected area with mangroves adjoining.

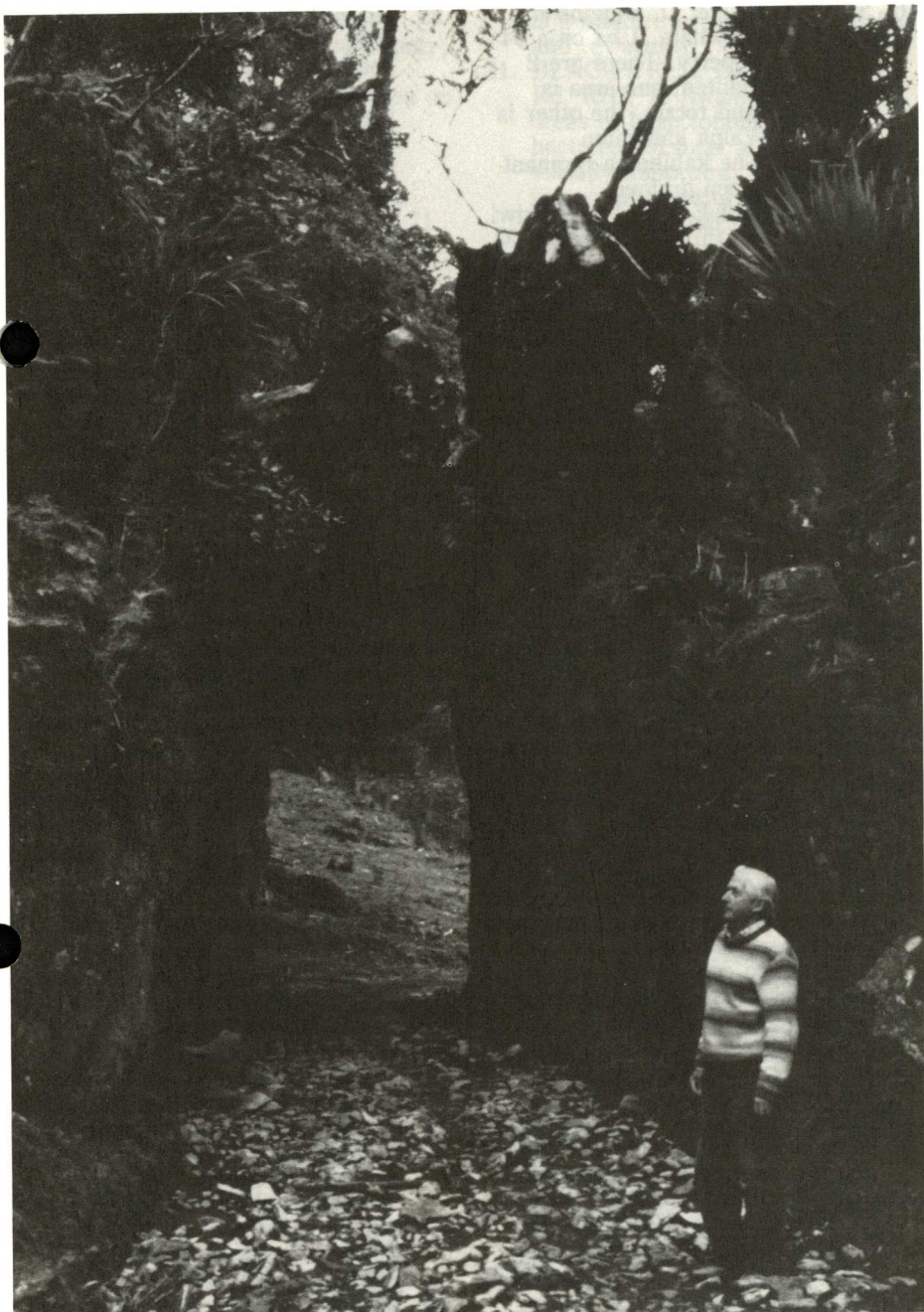
7. KING, J and B, Thompsons Road, about 5km south of Warkworth. A dense remnant of kauri with some totara, rimu, tanekaha, kahikatea and puriri. 3 ha of a 66 ha rolling to steep hill country farm in the Rodney Ecological District, where there are several small protected areas. The covenant is close to and complements three other kauri dominated reserves including the Parry Kauri Park.
8. WARD, G C A & P; Snells Beach, Warkworth. A 2.6 ha forest remnant facing toward Mahunrangi Harbour and Kawau Bay. The covenant is identified in the protected natural area survey as having kauri, totara, tanekaha, and mature kanuka, and good regeneration. It is highly visible from the nearby urban area. The covenant was initiated by the Wards, and the property then bought by the Seigenthalers in 1987.
9. DICKEY, T M & J E. Kohekohe Rd, Awhitu Peninsula, Waiuku. A 6 hectare area of good native bush with stands of fine half mature kauri for which the owners seek permanent protection.
10. MILLER, P. West Coast Rd, Piha. The covenanted 2.78 hectares of very attractive bush includes a number of fine rimu and rata, several totara, one large kauri and a good mixture of other natives. The land abuts the ARA Centennial Regional Park and has an extensive network of well constructed and maintained paths.

WAIKATO DISTRICT

11. STUBBS, S A & A P. Waitomo Caves — Marakopa Road, 8 km west of Waitomo Caves. 137 ha of

dense bush with extensive limestone outcrops, tomos, underground streams and caves, regularly explored by speleologists, on a 674 ha sheep and cattle farm. The covenanted bush is a native bird habitat.

12. COWAN, E L & J. Barbera Rd, 20 km east of Otorohanga. 14.8 ha of tawa, mangeao, rewarewa and rimu on a 66 ha sheep and cattle farm, sloping towards the Waipa River. It is a bird habitat with tui, bellbird, tomtit and pigeon, and is a significant area in the Ranganui Ecological District, where there has been a lot of clearing. The owner is the brother of A B Cowan, who has covenanted land with the Trust. It provides a scenic vista from Rangitoto Road.
13. KLOS, P. Main Road, Arohena to Mangakino. 4.2 ha of native forest including wineberry, kawakawa, hangehange, silver fern, pukatea, rewarewa. A clear stream runs through a corner of the property. It is visible from Waipapa Road, adds to the overall landscape appeal of the district, and is 2 km from the Pureora State Forest.
14. HUNT, F A I & K. Mangatea Road, 10km SW of Te Kuiti. The owners have covenanted 2.8 ha of bush on their 7.5 ha property. It is a forest remnant of outstanding quality. The trees are predominantly kahikatea with maire, rimu, tawa, totara, mapou, matai, lancewood, ribbonwood, pohaka, and ferns. The area is regenerating well with plentiful birdlife, including pigeon, tui and bellbird. (see article)
15. BAKER, A & C. Newmans Road, Panetapu, about 24 km from Te Awamutu. 11.6 ha of remnant tawa-pukatea forest on the side of Panetapu Mountain. The covenant is a very attractive area featuring some giant pukatea trees with massive fluted buttresses at ground level.



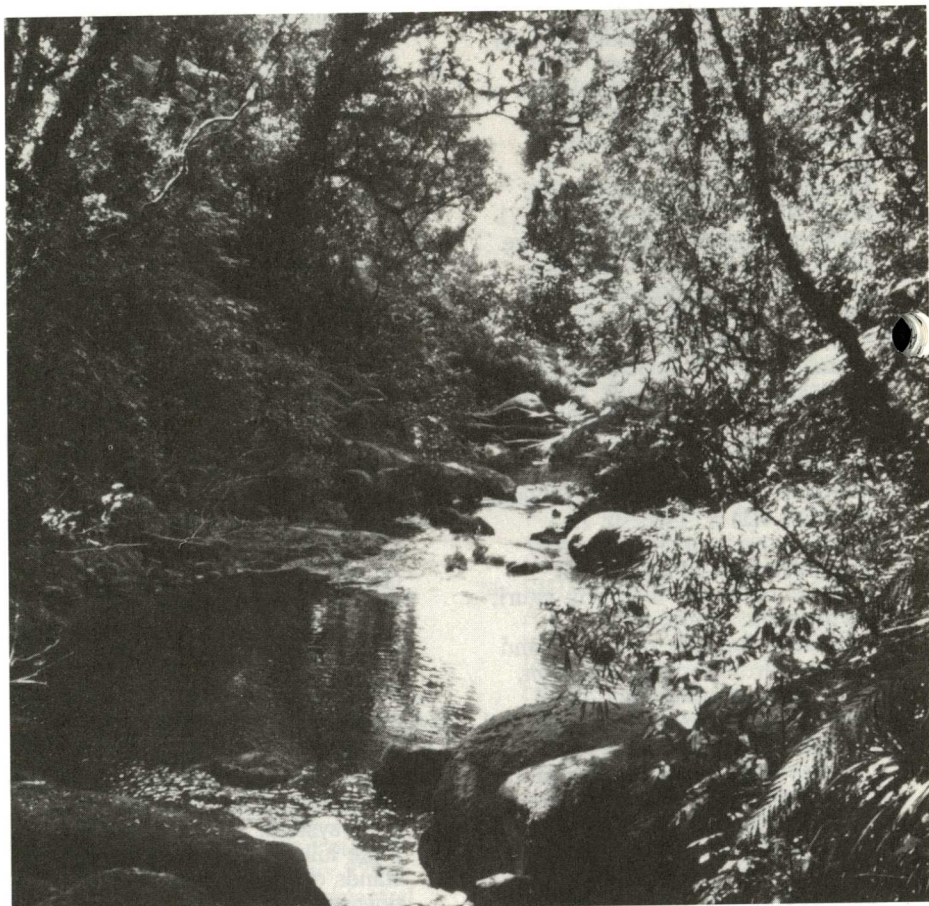
Track through rock cliff in Stubbs covenant, Waitomo

16. SMITH, H G & D. Higginson
Road, Whatawhata. 1 ha on a 64
ha dairy property. There are 2
areas covenanted; one area is
kahikatea and totara, the other is
a typical Waipa kahikatea
remnant. The kahikatea remnant
has never been drained.
17. GRAHAM M E & K L. Honikiwi,
Otorohanga. 15.74 ha on a 417.34
ha sheep and cattle farm. There
are 5 areas of bush plus an area of
Maori Lease. Trees include tawa,
mangeao, pukatea and kahikatea.
These remnants are visually
important as they are seen from
the road.
18. LINTON, the late R W & L.
McGregor Road, Ohaupo. There
are 3 covenanted areas of
kahikatea forest remnants totalling
2.05 ha on a 63.2 ha dairying
property. This is a valuable
remnant in an area where only a
few such remnants remain.
19. SUTHERLAND, A & H. Te
Kuiti. 2.8 ha have been
covenanted on this sheep farm on
rolling country. The 2 remnant
areas of bush contain tawa, titoki,
pukatea and a few mangeao. Both
blocks are very visible from the
Te Kuiti-Rangitoto Road.
20. MCNEILL, D & C. Te Poi,
Matamata. 90.3 ha of this 279.7
ha property has been covenanted
in order to protect forest and the
landscape viewed from the
surrounding country. There are
two areas one of which contains
an old stand of giant rimu and
tawa forest.
21. LAMB, J P. Waotu South Rd, 16
km south of Arapuni. 13.2
hectares of a steep valley covered
in bush that has never been milled
and containing some magnificent
examples of mature rimu, totara
and matai, along with tawa and
pukatea. A delightful forest
remnant to walk through, the bush
abounds in pigeon, tui and
bellbird.
22. JACKSON, T A. Ruapuke Rd,
RD2, Raglan. Covenant on 11.07
hectares covering two areas of
coastal forest on western slopes of
Mt Karioi. One area is a roadside
block containing a very ancient
puriri, and the other an
escarpment overlooking the sea,
important botanically for its many
low growing plants. The whole
property has much to interest
botanists, geologists, walkers as
well as rock climbers and hang
gliding enthusiasts.
23. DENCH, R & AE. Ryburns Rd,
RD 3, Ohaupo. Covenant protects
five isolated stands of kahikatea, a
feature of Waipa County and part
of former forests that have been
milled. Totalling 1.24 hectares, the
blocks provide roadside appeal and
make a significant contribution to
wildlife habitat in the district.
24. SKINNER, Dr R & M L D.
A 17.8 hectare forest remnant
adjacent to Waingaro Rd, 15 kms
from Ngaruawahia. The area is in
two adjoining blocks, one in the
Skinners' possession for 13 years
and considerably altered by
planting over that time. The
second block was purchased more
recently and planting is planned
for it. The block contains tall
rimu, totara and matai near the
Waingaro River, progressing to
puketea, kohekohe and puriri
further up. Plentiful birdlife
includes pigeon, tui and sometimes
kakariki; New Zealand robins have
been released in the area.
25. WYNHARRIS, T. Paul Rd,
Tairua, Coromandel. A 344
hectare area of regenerating
scrubland with several large stands
of 20 m high kauri and many
pockets of regenerating rimu,
tanekaha and kahikatea. The area
has some large streams running
through it and the occasional
remains of old kauri dams.
26. GRAHAM, J W. Houghton Rd,
Whatawhata, on banks of Waipa

- River. Two small kahikatea remnants typical of Waipa County, one area joining up and complementing covenanted area on Mr H Smith's property. The blocks are highly visible from several roads.
27. WHITE, I R. Oakshott Rd, Te Rore, RD 6 Te Awamutu. A 5.71 hectare wetland comprising large areas of open water, areas of carex, raupo and juncus species plus patches of golden willows. An important waterfowl habitat, the abundant birdlife includes pukeko, grey teal, shoveler duck, mallard and paradise duck, pied stilt, bittern, little and black shag and occasionally black swan.
 28. WOODWARD, C & S E. Koponga East Rd, RD 5, Tuakau. A covenant protects four areas of forest remnant totalling 55.6 hectares, all areas featuring kauri, puriri, rimu, totara, rata, kahikatea, kowhai, rewarewa and taraire. Birdlife includes pigeon, tui, rosella, parakeet and quail. The stands are close to the natural southern distributional boundary for kauri and includes trees in all stages of growth and make a valuable addition to the very small amount of regenerating kauri forest in the coastal region bounded by the Waikato River.
 29. GILBY, I, KING, F, & GAWN, L. Phillips Rd, 10km from Te Mata on western side of Aotea Harbour. A 33.39 hectare remnant of coastal type forest with kanuka and rewarewa predominating, but with some large kohekohe, tawa, tree ferns as well as rimu and totara in deeper gullies and stream areas. Birdlife is plentiful with tui and pigeon most noticeable.
 30. LIVINGSTON, A D & J M. Corcoran Rd, Te Pahu, beneath Mt Pirongia. Covenant protects 6.92 hectares of forested gullies with sizeable streams up the foothills of Mt Pirongia. The bush is a mixture of rimu, tawa, mahoe and rewarewa.
 31. BLACKWELL, D & M. Huirimu Rd, RD7, Te Awamutu. Several areas of bush totalling 14.15 hectares, all most attractive and visually important. The blocks, important parts of the roadside vista, contain tall tawa, rimu and totara.
 32. PEEK, J W. River Rd, RD 1 Hamilton. The 0.8 hectare covenanted area includes an attractive man-made lake surrounded by plantings of both native and exotic trees. The area is slowly growing into a very attractive lake carrying a large population of mallard duck.
 33. PEAKE, D R. Maungatautari, RD 2 Cambridge. The protected area is a 1.97 hectare forest remnant containing very large tawa, mangeao, rewarewa and titoki trees, visible across Lake Karapiro from the Hamilton-Rotorua highway.

BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

34. LEMPRIERE, A & G. Te Matai Rd, RD 8 Te Puke. The 29 hectare covenanted area is an extensive gully system, typical of the Te Puke hills area, containing tall stands of mainly tawa and rewarewa.
35. COSTER, A J & R. Thorn Rd, RD 1 Kaimai. Two areas of adjacent bush totalling 8 hectares, containing a wide mix of species including podocarps, tawa, rata and kohekohe. A large creek runs through the areas making them important for catchment purposes.
36. SAVORY, J C. Manawahe Rd, RD Matata. Two areas of forest remnant totalling 6.14 hectares, adding to the original covenanted area and thus preventing possible future logging and securing the roadside views. All the areas contain tall tawa as well as other forest varieties and dense



Stream running through Wallingford covenant, Kaimai

- understories. Kokako have been heard in the area which abounds in whitehead, tomtit and tui.
37. WALLINGFORD, R G & J M. Valley View Rd, Kaimai, 25 km from Tauranga. Approximately 7 hectares of old and mature forest alongside both banks of the Rataroa Stream. The good quality bush features tawa and rimu, ponga and ferns beside the attractive stream and small waterfalls.
38. PENDERGAST, H J & J. Mangatoi Rd, Oropi, 28 km south of Te Puke. The 87.4 hectare covenant protects an extensive gully system of forest remnant featuring rimu, large beech, tanekaha, tawa, tawhero, totara and ferns. Abundant birdlife includes tui, pigeon, fantail, kiwi and kokako.
39. CARPENTER, A L. Joyce Rd, off Pyes Pa Rd, south of Greerton, Tauranga. A 4 hectare area of regenerating native trees, particularly rewarewa, contained in a steep gully close to the road. It is one of the few bush areas in the intensive horticultural locality.

GISBORNE DISTRICT

40. **CHRISP, PI AND PD; BLUNT,** G. Waimata Valley. 4.8 ha fenced from stock for over 80 years on a steep hill country sheep and cattle station. Dominant species are rimu, pukatea, kahikatea, five finger, rangiora, kohekohe, matai and lacebark.
41. **CAMPBELL, JA and IE.** Hangaroa. 3.5 ha of bush including totara, matai, kahikatea, titoki and lacebark is protected on this 355 ha of hill country sheep and cattle station. The covenant area is adjacent to and visible from SH 36.
42. **GISBORNE CITY COUNCIL.** Te Arai Valley, Waingake. 1103.7 ha of virgin native bush divided into 3 main areas: a) a large block of lowland tawa with scattered podocarp and thick undergrowth, b) high ridges of predominantly beech, c) high gullies with podocarps and understories including rimu and totara seedlings. There is abundant birdlife.
43. **BRYANT, D.** Longview Farm, Salisbury Road near Hastings. 18.5 ha of bush on 449 ha hill country property. There are 4 areas of bush-covered fingers of stream gullies and gorges running through the farm into the Okawa Stream (a tributary of the Ngaruroro River). Dominant species include kowhai, kanuka, mahoe, kahikatea, beech, rewarewa and totara.
44. **PRICKETT, G C & A E.** Nuhaka. 10 ha on the northern side of the Nuhaka River. Part of a 663 ha property, the area has been fenced for several years. There are beautiful mature matai, tawa and kohekohe, with numerous younger totara and kahikatea.
45. **HOLDSWORTH, P G.** Pukepapa Station, Te Karaka, 39 km NNW of Gisborne. A small 1.2 hectare area of bush in an ecological district with few reserves.

46. **DEAN, J L & H G.** Mangarara, Nuhaka, northern Hawkes Bay. The covenant protects a 5.64 hectare forest remnant which has many large trees including karaka, rewarewa, nikau, titoki, pukatea, ngaio, tawa, matipo and kowhai. There are two isolated and narrow caves on the property. The owners wish to protect the bush and the caves and their entrances as geological, cultural and archaeological features.

TARANAKI DISTRICT

47. **STILL, W E & R L.** Carrington Road, Mt Egmont. 50 ha of bush on the slopes of Mt Egmont on a 95.6 ha property. This bush is typical of that found in a large part of the National Park. The main species include totara, rimu, rata, tawai, tawa, and mahoe. The owners purchased the property with the intention of preserving the bush.
48. **HARVEY, K L & D E.** Wiremu Road, Rahotu. 1.2 ha of bush on a 96.9 ha dairy farm on rolling country. There is regenerating bush with tawa, rimu, totara, rewarewa, miro and kahikatea dominating.
49. **SMITH, H & R.** Eltham Road, Kaponga. 1 ha of bush on 59.6 hectares of easy rolling dairy farm land. Regenerating well, the bush is mainly tawa with rewarewa, mahoe, pukatea and other species.
50. **SMITH, D J & R K.** Carrington Rd, 11 km from New Plymouth. Three areas totalling 2.8 hectares adding to two areas of bush already covenanted. A local landmark, the bush was cut over at the turn of the century and regeneration has been rapid. Species include rimu, kahikatea, tawa, rewarewa, totara, matai and pigeonwood.
51. **SAMPSON, D J & N M.** Upper Carrington Rd, New Plymouth. The Sampsons purchased this 20

hectare property to conserve the bush and enjoy it. The bush is in an area which had been cut over many years ago at which time only the large timber trees were harvested. Since milling ceased, the bush has regenerated into a very dense stand containing a wide variety of species, but especially rata, beech and tawa.

WAIRARAPA DISTRICT

52. HOULBROOKE, D A. Tiraumea, Eketahuna. 2 ha of bush remnant has been protected on this 194 ha property. The bush is on a moderately steep face above the Waitawhiti Stream and is visible from the Tiraumea Valley Road. There are some substantial matai and totara.
53. CW HERCOCK ESTATE. Nireaha, Eketahuna. The 2 ha protected is an area of regenerated bush, logged about 1900, leaving mainly tawa, matai, rimu, totara, rata and some large kahikatea. The property is a 80 ka dairy farm.
54. WATTERS, B H & J C H. The small but ecologically valuable 1.96 hectare covenanted area is at the end of Taumata Rd, some 10 km from Carterton, on river flats adjacent to the Ruamahanga River. Fenced off from stock since 1972, the bush has a strong understorey of shrubs, ferns and creepers while featuring many large matai, totara, titoki, tawa, kowhai and kahikatea.
55. LAWRENCE, D F. Oystershell, RD 4 Martinborough. Situated 7 km from Martinborough on the Martinborough-Hinakura Rd, the 2.9 hectare forest remnant is predominantly totara, with kanuka, kahikatea, kowhai, rewarewa, rangiora and fivefinger.
56. WAUGH, A L & S A. Owanga Rd, 17 km from Turimea River bridge, east of Pahiatua. One of the few remaining stands of native bush in the district, the 10 hectare covenanted area on a steep

northerly face contains mainly tawa, puketea, rewarewa, rata, nikau, hinau and lacebark with ponga, supplejack and many varieties of ferns at the bottom of the bush.

57. TAYLOR, A H. 'Greycliffs', Ruakokopatuna Valley, 1.7 km from the Martinborough Coast road. The 28 hectare covenanted area is on a steep southern face, adjacent to and above Clay Creek. The dominant canopy species is black beech, with rewarewa, sonrimu, totara, matai, kahikatea, kowhai, ngaio, matipo, akeake, koromiko, kawakawa and ponga.
58. DANIELL, D. Wairere Farm. Daggs Rd, Ihuraua, 39 km NE of Masterton. Four blocks of bush on a well known Romney stud farm. The first area, Mangareia Bush, contains kahikatea, totara, rimu, matai and rewarewa. The second area, Cemetery Bush, near the homestead, features some large totara, matai, lancewood, lacebark, coprosma, ponga and ferns. Area 3, Gibsons Bush, has many large koromiko, rewarewa and hinau, while the fourth area has regenerated through manuka and kanuka into a dense stand of many young native species.
59. ROSS, R A. 'Ngatoii', Range Rd, RD 1 Pongaroa. A 47.2 hectare forest remnant on the upper eastern slopes of the Puketoi Range, the bush contains tawa, miro, a few large rewarewa, kahikatea and a very large rata. The majority of the cover is regenerating species of many varieties.

NELSON DISTRICT

60. WEBBY, B & M. Gordon Downs, Hiwipango, 16 km south of Wakefield. The 7.5 ha covenant is in two separate forest remnants both on the flat area near the Waiiti River. The main species present are black beech, silver beech, hard

beech, red beech, rimu, totara, matai, miro, kahikatea and hinau. There are also many geckos in the area.

61. MASON, R. Waitapu Road, Takaka. This is a small pa site on a 32 ha coastal property. It is a typical headland pa with a transverse ditch protecting the inland side. The area is kept in short pasture to highlight the archaeological features.

HINDMARSH, G F & C M.

Tukurua, 17 km from Takaka on main highway to Collingwood. A 1.4 hectare wetland, one of the few remaining swamps in the Golden Bay area and known as an important fernbird habitat.

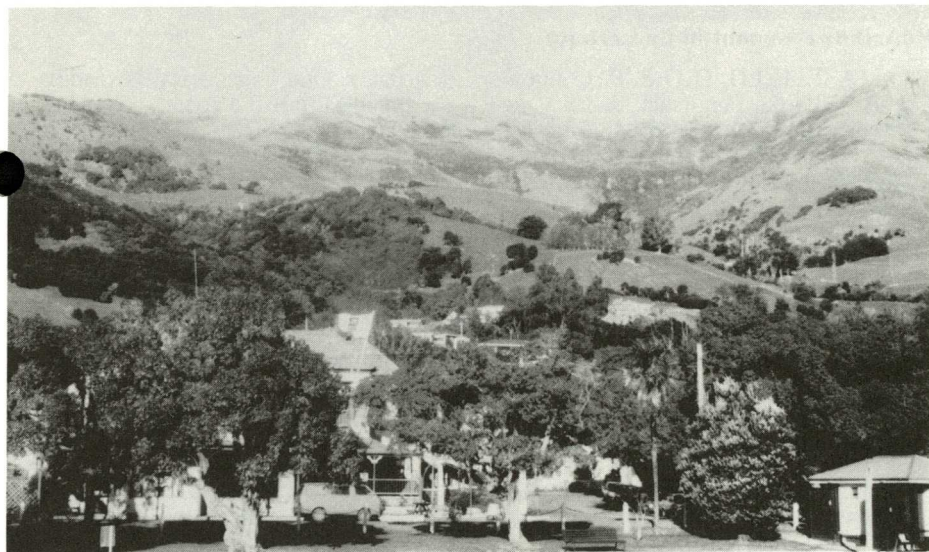
CANTERBURY DISTRICT

63. HENRICKSEN, A & C. Totara Valley, Pleasant Point, South Canterbury. 20 ha on a 593 ha sheep and cattle property. The protected area is a South Island mixed flora coastal rain forest, in two gullies running out to hill slopes. The bush is dense and

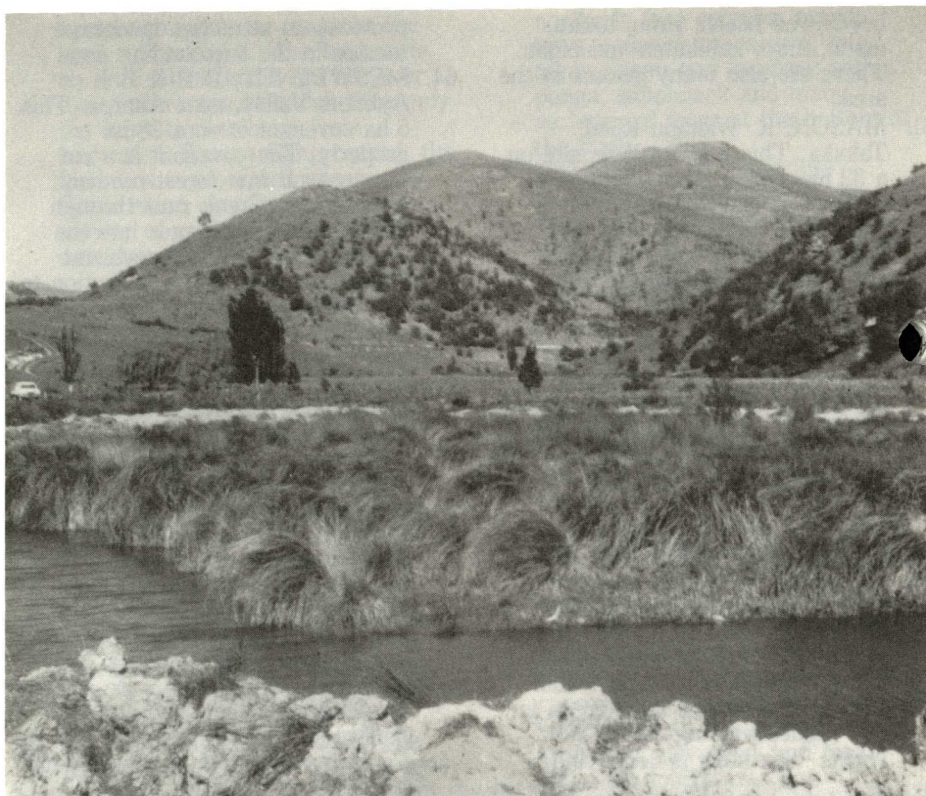
provides an attractive landscape feature in the surrounding area.

64. MCSWEENEY, D B & B J. Aylmers Valley, near Akaroa. This 5 ha covenant is on a 28 ha property. The covenant is a cut over coastal rain forest remnant. The Aylmer Creek runs through the area and discharges into the Akaroa Harbour. The covenant makes an important contribution to the visual character of the town backdrop when viewed from the northern approach to Akaroa.

65. MCARTHUR, G & G. 'Steventon', Whitecliffs, RD Coalgate. A 3 hectare wetland that is being developed by the McArthurs into a protected habitat for rare and endangered waterfowl. Native plants in the area include red, silver and fescue tussock, matagouri, toetoe, native broom and rushes. The owners hope to establish grey and brown teal and marsh crake; shoveler duck, grey duck and Canada geese are already established. An attempt is also being made to establish the rare Canterbury mudfish in the swamp.

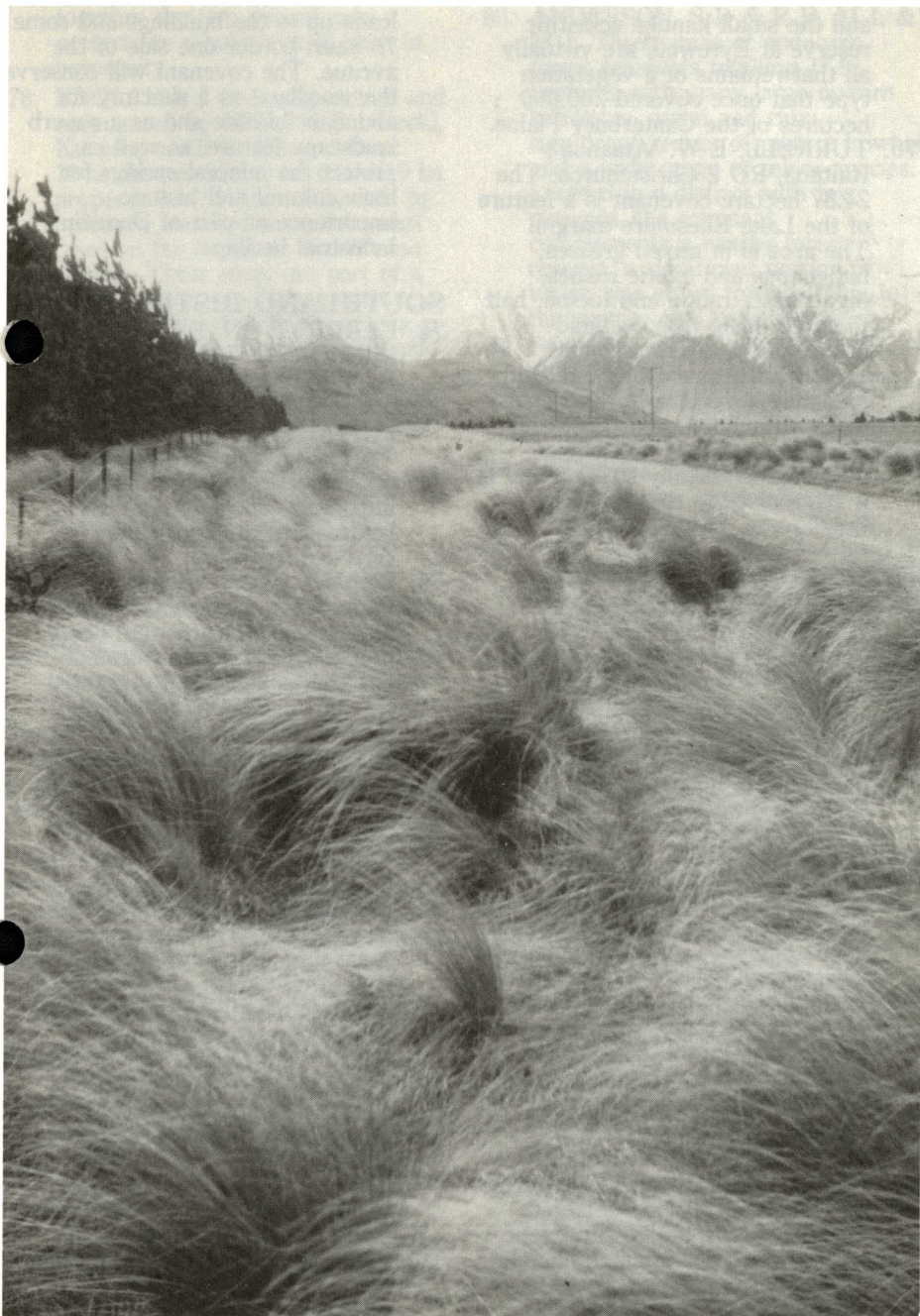


McSweeney covenant, Akaroa, centre of picture, beyond flagpole



McArthur covenant in Canterbury

66. MASEFIELD, D O & P. Goughs Bay, Banks Peninsula. A 1.8 hectare remnant of original bush in a compact block that features several large kahikatea rising from a base cover of mixed rain forest characterised by ngaio, lacebark, broadleaf, fivefinger, lancewood, titoki, kanuka, kawakawa and totara.
67. JOHNSTONE, R H M & E. Ashley Gorge, 6.5 km NE of Oxford. A 218 hectare bush covered gully featuring black and mountain beech. Regeneration of beech flora is prolific, as is abundant mixed South Island rain forest types including fivefinger, ribbonwood, broadleaf, matipo, kowhai, senecio and olearia tree daisy. One large matai is readily visible from the road.
68. MALVERN COUNTY COUNCIL. A special landscape protection agreement protects red tussock, a type of vegetation under-represented in the reserves network, on roadside margins along 3 km of the High Peak Rd in Malvern County.
69. HARRIS, A R & S E. Maronan, Lovett's Rd, 10 km SW of Ashburton. The covenant protects 2.6 hectares of what is said to be the last remnant of original plains vegetation (kanuka, manuka, matagouri etc), in the area between the Rakaia and Rangitata Rivers. The Lovett's Rd scrub,



Red tussock on High Peak Rd, Malvern County, looking towards Mt Hutt

and the small kanuka scientific reserve at Eyrewell, are virtually all that remains of a vegetation type that once covered 200,000 hectares of the Canterbury Plains.

70. TURRELL, E W. 'Ataahua', Kaituna, RD 2 Christchurch. The 24.87 hectare covenant is a feature of the Lake Ellesmere margin. The area is in mixed grasses, indigenous and exotic rushes, niggerhead, raupo and toetoe, half the area being fully wetland except under severe drought conditions. Aquatic birds abound, including several species of duck, black and white swan, grey and white heron, egret and bittern. The area is visually striking and is a show piece to the travelling public.

OTAGO DISTRICT

71. MILLER, G P & H B. Heriot, West Otago. 6 ha beech forest remnant on a 206 ha sheep farm. The area is well known as "Sherwoods Bush" and is significant in the landscape. Silver beech is the dominant species with pittosporum, neopanax and pepper tree. Several species of birds inhabit the area.
72. JENSEN, D & M. McTaggart St, Company Bay, Dunedin. A covenant over 2.39 hectares of forest remnant on Otago Peninsula. The owners wish to protect and re-establish the bush which is one of the few remaining habitats of the rare green jewelled gecko. The Otago Peninsula Trust and the Broadbay School are involved in fencing and replanting native species in the area.
73. NEILL, Major D. Wairongoa Springs, RD 2 Mosgiel. The whole 20.7 hectare property is largely woodland, both native and exotic, within which are unique mineral springs formerly used for commercial purposes. A magnificent avenue of native beech

leads up to the buildings and some 75 kauri border one side of the avenue. The covenant will conserve the woodland as a sanctuary for abundant birdlife and as a superb landscape feature, as well as protect the mineral springs for their cultural and historic importance as part of Dunedin's industrial heritage.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

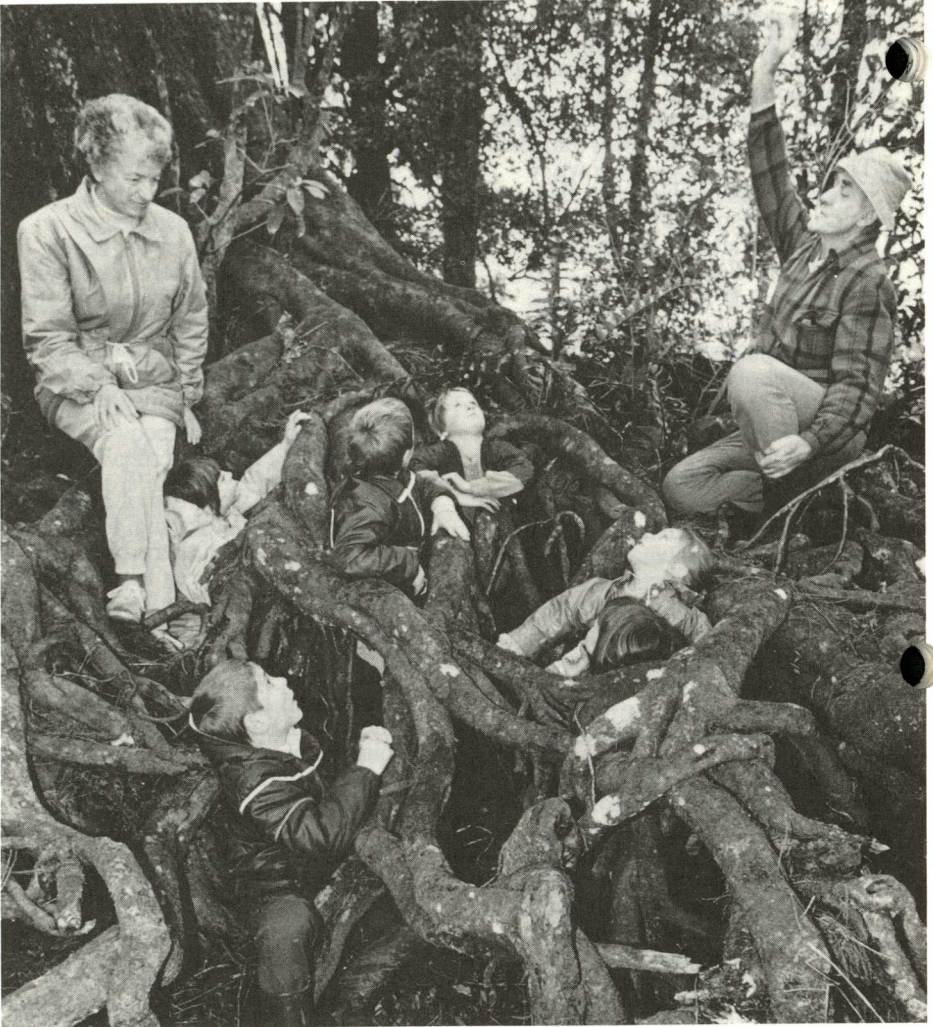
74. CARRINGTON, E J & J L; MEREDITH, E J & K J. Boggy Burn, Winton. 14.4 ha of lowland podocarp forest remnant on 291.4 ha sheep and cattle farm. There is a range of podocarps and other species present, making an important contribution to the landscape character of the surrounding district.
75. PINNEY, B & J. Dunrobin Partnership. Lumsden. 19 ha of this 4877 ha sheep, cattle and deer property have been protected. This flat area is adjacent to the west side of the Otautau-Mosburn highway and is completely clad in tussock of varying species, height and density. There is a wet area at the north end with a small stream.
76. MCNAUGHTON, R M & A M. Kapuka, Invercargill. A patch of lowland forest of 5.63 ha has been covenanted on this 40.2 ha sheep farming unit. The area was logged some time ago however some large podocarps remain and the area is regenerating successfully. Kamahi and pokaka are the dominant species with totara, miro and ferns. There are two artificially constructed ponds, and a formed gravel track passes through a sheltered picnic area with facilities.
77. NEILL, W M. Gorge Road, Invercargill. A small native forest remnant of almost 1 ha on the sheep property, the area has been fenced for some time. The covenant adjoins that of neighbour Mr R McNaughton so that

- together the two owners can protect the whole area of bush in perpetuity.
78. ENGLAND, J (formerly owned and covenanted by M D J & J J Beck), Kauana, north of Winton. Over 10 ha (in two areas) on this 85.9 ha property have been covenanted to protect a stand of mature kowhai trees on the banks of the Winton stream. These trees are part of a stand that are the best known remaining stand of kowhai trees in Southland. The other stream bank vegetation includes mature specimens of broadleaf, kaikomako, cabbage trees, coprosmas and flax. The area is very well known locally and is important in the rural landscape, especially in September/October when the kowhai are flowering.
 79. SHAND, F D & S B. Kauana, Winton. 3.25 ha of the 80.3 ha property has been covenanted on the banks of the Winton Stream to protect mature kowhai trees. (details as above)
 80. SHAND, A P. Kauana, Winton. 1.3 ha, of a 214.6 ha sheep farm, have been covenanted on the banks of the Winton stream in order to protect mature kowhai trees. (See above for further details).
 81. SHAND, S A. Benmore-Dipton, RD Winton. A 2.25 hectare strip of land adjacent to the eastern margin of the Winton Stream and the Esplanade Reserve, to protect the kowhai trees. (details as above).
 82. HENDERSON, J W. 'Craigend', Otapiri, No 2 RD, Winton. A 2.79 hectare remnant of indigenous podocarp forest at the head of a major gully. The bush has been logged in the past but contains a good selection of large mature trees including kahikatea, matai, rimu, totara, pokaka and broadleaf. Only limited forested areas remain in the locality which was once heavily bush clad.
 83. ANDERSON, S R & R H, M L & M J. Three areas of podocarp forest remnants totalling 17.9 hectares with many large mature kahikatea, matai and rimu, significant groves of mature kowhai and a wide range of minor species. Located in a district with few reserves, the covenant complements a nearby forest reserve, a significant portion of which was gifted to the Crown in the past by the Anderson family.
 84. SOUTHLAND CATCHMENT BOARD. The covenant protects 20.65 hectares of flat floodplain land between the Mataura River and Titiroa Stream, wholly covered with native vegetation, the dominant tree species being kahikatea, pokaka, silver beech, totara and rimu. There has been a long standing commitment by the Catchment Board to ensure protection, and a National Trust open space covenant has been the preferred option for this area of high landscape value.
 85. HOPKINS, R C & J M. Waiarikiki, 13 km NE of Wyndham. Two areas of native forest remnant totalling 44.5 hectares. The southern part, a major gully, features kamahi and southern rata with a few podocarps and numerous minor species. The northern area is a steep slope rising to a trig station, again dominated by rata and some kamahi. Abundant birdlife includes pigeon, grey warbler, brown creeper, tomtit, silvereye, fantail, bellbird and tui.
 86. COX, S W J & P. Kauana, Winton. 4.55 hectares parallel to the west bank of the Winton Stream containing the best known remaining stand of mature kowhai in Southland. This section of the stream is the only remaining example of a relatively unmodified meandering stream on the Southland plain.

Trust Acknowledges Waikato Conservation Efforts

During Conservation Week two Waikato men received National Trust certificates of appreciation for their special contributions to conservation.

On August 3 Sir Peter Elworthy presented the certificates to John Mathieson, District Science Adviser for the Hamilton Education Board, and to Arthur Cowan MBE, a covenantor



Pam Garrett and John Mathieson with pupils from Roto-o-rangi School among the roots of a kahikatea tree in the Garrett covenant (photo: Waikato Times)

from Otewa, south east of Otorohanga.

John Mathieson was thanked for his invaluable assistance to the Trust's School Covenant Project. This unique scheme began as a pilot programme in the Waikato area in 1984, linking schools to nearby covenants. Through the project pupils can use the covenants as outdoor classrooms for a variety of educational activities. John Mathieson has played an important role in establishing the project and in its subsequent development and expansion to other parts of the country. He continues to assist with the project.

Arthur Cowan has made an outstanding contribution to protecting native forest on private land. As well

as protecting several areas on his own property by means of National Trust open space covenants, Arthur has purchased some forest remnants specifically to prevent their destruction from logging. And he has successfully encouraged others to do the same.

The awards ceremony was held at the Waotu property of Gordon and Ceilia Stephenson (Gordon has recently retired as the National Trust Deputy Chairman), and was preceded by a walk through the Stephenson's forest remnant covenant. Invited guests were guided in groups by some of the pupils from the nearby Te Waotu School which is linked to the covenant through the School Covenant Project.

Visit by UK National Trust Gardens Adviser

The Queen Elizabeth II National Trust is co-ordinating a lecture tour in November featuring John Sales, Chief Gardens Adviser to the National Trust in Britain. With the generous assistance of the British Council, NZ Historic Places Trust and the Royal NZ Institute of Horticulture, public lectures have been organised for Wellington, New Plymouth and Auckland.

Mr Sales is responsible for advising all aspects of the conservation, restoration, design and management of more than 100 National Trust gardens in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Mr Sales began his horticultural training at college in Kent and later at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. From 1958 to 1970 he lectured at Writtle College of Agriculture in Essex. He was Assistant Gardens Adviser to Graham Stuart Thomas at the National Trust from 1971 to 1973, and has been Chief Gardens Adviser since 1974.

Titled 'Managing Britain's Garden Heritage', the public lectures are

scheduled as follows:

WELLINGTON	Monday 21 November 6.00 pm National Library Auditorium Molesworth Street
NEW PLYMOUTH	Thursday 24 November 8.00 pm Butlers Lounge, Lawry Street
AUCKLAND	Monday 28 November 8.00 pm Auckland Regional Botanic Gardens Hill Road, Manurewa

Mr Sales will also deliver the 1988 Barnett Memorial Lecture for the Canterbury Horticultural Society in Christchurch on 23 November, and will conduct a garden history workshop in Auckland at Highwic House, Epsom, on 28 November.

Conservation Efforts Rewarded

In September Mr Keith I'Anson, a well known pedigree jersey cattle breeder from Te Puna, near Tauranga, was presented with special awards from the National Trust and the Nature Conservation Council at a ceremony hosted by Te Puna Primary School.

In 1987 Mr I'Anson gifted 8.6 hectares of his Loop Road farm property to the National Trust for the creation of a nature reserve. The reserve is now owned by the Trust with management vested in the Tauranga County Council. Over the past year pupils from Te Puna and Omokoroa Schools have joined with members of the local branch of the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society and the Bay of Plenty Tree Society for a series of planned

plantings of native trees on the reserve.

Trust chairman Sir Peter Elworthy presented Mr I'Anson with a special Benefactor's Certificate for his generous gift of the reserve, and Mr Bing Lucas, representing the Nature Conservation Council, presented a Conservation Citation in recognition of Mr I'Anson's significant contribution towards conservation. Sir Peter also formally handed over to the chairman of the Tauranga County Council, Mr Harold Cameron, a copy of the Management and Development Plan that the National Trust has drawn up for the reserve. And in recognition of the pupils' efforts in planting the reserve, Te Puna School was presented with a book on the identification of native trees.

Changes and Activities

Changes to the Trust's Board of Directors

Over the past year five Directors have resigned from the Board following the conclusion of their third three-year terms, the maximum that can be served under the terms of the Trust's Act. All have been associated with the National Trust from its earliest days and have been influential in guiding its policies and directions over the past decade. Those "founding fathers" are:

Stuart Masters CBE

Appointed to the Board by the then Minister of Lands, Hon Venn Young, Stuart Masters brought a high degree of business acumen to the Board's policy formulation, drawing on his wide experience and very successful career in commerce.

Professor Peter McKelvey OBE

Professor McKelvey brought a breadth of knowledge and experience, particularly in forestry, to the Trust during its formative years. His own distinguished career included his appointment as founding Professor and Head of the School of Forestry at Canterbury University, his retirement being marked by the award of Emeritus Professor status.

Owen Jennings

Adairy farmer at Karamea, Owen has had a long involvement with Federated Farmers, is now a senior vice president of that organisation, and has represented Federated Farmers on the Trust's Board from its earliest days. A Nuffield Foundation Farming Scholar to the UK and Europe in 1980, Owen was a

member of the North West Nelson Forest Parks Advisory Committee, honorary ranger, a member of the Westland Walkway Commission and West Coast convener of the organisation to preserve the Heaphy Track.

Assid Corban

Representing the Municipal Association of NZ, Assid Corban is the mayor of Henderson and a member of the ARA. Associated with the long established family wine making firm which pioneered wine making in this country, he is also nationally recognised as an orchid grower and exporter.

Gordon Stephenson

A dairy farmer at Waotu, near Putaruru, a keen trumper, Gordon became increasingly concerned from the late 1960s about wider environmental issues. While national chairman of the Dairy Section of Federated Farmers from 1973 to 1977, he was an instigator of the original Heritage Trust Scheme, from which grew the QEII National Trust. Gordon's abiding love of the land, his vision, his energy and commitment as Deputy Chairman have played a significant part in the Trust achieving its status as a credible, respected organisation with an important role to play in the New Zealand landscape.

New Appointments

The Minister of Conservation, Helen Clark, has appointed two new directors to the Board of the National Trust as her representatives, following the final terms served by Messrs Masters and McKelvey. The new directors are Ms Marilyn Waring and Mrs Jennifer Seddon.

Mrs Seddon, a member of the Tauranga City Council for 12 years, a Labour Party candidate for the area, is involved in the local branch of the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society.

Ms Waring, Member of Parliament for Waipa from 1975 to 1984, now farms goats near Wellsford and is an occasional writer and university lecturer.

The two appointments to the Board nominated by Federated Farmers are Mr Ken Macdonald and Mr Hamish Ensor.

A dairy farmer at Awakeri near Edgumbe, Ken Macdonald has been an Associate Director of the Rural Bank since December 1987 and Chairman since August of this year. A justice of the peace, Ken has played an executive role on the Whakatane

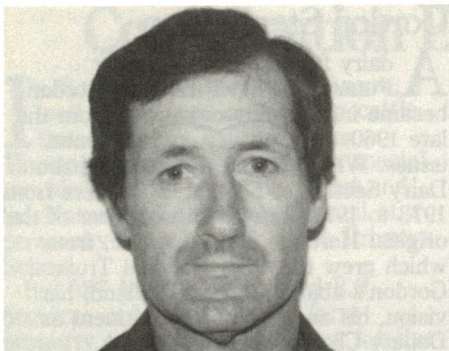
County Council and was a member of the 1986 Brash Committee which reported on primary sector taxation.

Hamish Ensor farms Glenaan Station in the Upper Rakaia Gorge, 50km west of Methven. He has spent most of his working life in pastoral farming and is currently chairman of the High Country Section of Federated Farmers. He is particularly interested in land use issues concerning the protection of the South Island High Country.

NEW REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Trust's new representative for Marlborough, Nelson and Westland, replacing Stephanie Hole, is Martin Conway.

With a Diploma in Horticulture and Landscape Architecture from Lincoln College, Martin worked as the Department of Lands and Survey Landscape Architect for the Canterbury and Westland districts from 1976 to 1980. In 1981 he took leave to study historical and cultural landscapes and the work of such organisations as the Countryside



Martin Conway Regional Rep

Commission in the United Kingdom and Europe. On returning to New Zealand he took up the post of Regional Landscape Architect for Nelson and Marlborough, working on a wide range of projects associated with national parks, reserves, coastal lands, walkways, and farm development.

Fenton Hamlin, our new Northland representative, farms a hill country sheep farm near Tangiteroria, close to the property of the Trust's former representative, Murray Tapp. After gaining a Diploma in Agriculture from Lincoln, Fenton worked as a Farm Advisory Assistant for the Department of Agriculture before joining ICI as a Research Technician. Following two years of travel and work overseas, in 1973 he returned to manage a farm at Kaiwaka, and in 1977 bought his present farm.



Fenton Hamlin Regional Rep

NEW TRUST GENERAL MANAGER

In mid May the National Trust Chairman announced the appointment of Euan McQueen as the Trust's new General Manager.

Euan gained an MA degree in Geography from Victoria University before embarking on an early career as a secondary school teacher. He later lectured at Victoria University, then worked for the Department of Trade and Industry, and more recently for Railways Corporation, the last eight years as Assistant General Manager for that organisation.



Euan McQueen

Euan has been Chairman of the Wellington Secondary Schools Council, Chairman of the Onslow College Board of Governors, President of the New Zealand Geographical Society and Chairman of the Chartered Institute of Transport.

Announcing the appointment, Peter Elworthy said he was delighted that Euan was joining the National Trust at this particular time, for his management experience and leadership were ideally suited to meet the challenges facing the Trust as it moves into its second decade assisting private landowners to protect and preserve open space.

Resource Assistant

Anna Woolhouse started working as the Trust's resource assistant in November 1986. Anna is part way through an Arts degree at Victoria University and works at the Trust full-time in the university holidays, and otherwise part-time. Anna's principal responsibilities are cataloguing for the Lloyd White Memorial Library and organising the Trust's slide collection.



Anna Woolhouse (photo by Ronald Woolf)

Corporate Planning Exercise

In September the Trust's directors, head office staff and regional representatives gathered at Barnacles Conference Centre at Paraparaumu Beach for a corporate planning exercise, to consider objectives and strategies that will carry the Trust successfully through its second decade. The seminar involved consideration of the strengths and capacities which the Trust possesses or needs to possess in order to meet the challenges of providing and protecting open space, and what the Trust's role and priorities should be.

To assess the Trust's operations and objectives to date in terms of efficiency and effectiveness, it was essential that the Trust had feedback from its principal clients. To acquire this basic information a questionnaire was sent to some 270 registered covenantors, seeking their views on the Trust's work, funding, image,

membership, publications, open space covenants, rate relief etc. The questionnaire attracted a 70% response from those surveyed and a wealth of information was obtained.

In the next newsletter a summary of responses to the questionnaire will be published.

Resource Officer Leaves

Jane Clendon, the Trust's Resource Officer, left at the end of January to take up a post as lecturer in Art History, and to complete a doctorate, at Victoria University. Jane started working part-time for the Trust in late 1983, and worked full time as editor and information officer from November 1984. This involved her in a wide variety of tasks, from establishing the Lloyd White Memorial Library, to helping organise the Queen's visit to Taupo Swamp. Multi-functionalism is a



Jane Clendon

characteristic quickly taken on by all the Trust's staff and Jane was required to undertake her share of activities such as taking photographs, wading through mangrove swamps, trudging across farmland, scaling steep bush tracks, learning civil defence, driving long distances, and improving her knowledge of New Zealand's natural history — all of which she claims she will miss in her new academic life. Trust staff will certainly miss Jane's professional writing and editing skills, especially her affinity for "plain English". Staff wish Jane well in her new career.

Queen Elizabeth II National Trust Board November 1988

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