

## ANNUAL REPORT – 2009

**It is with great regret and sadness we record the recent sudden passing of our Chairman, Calvin Smith. Calvin has been involved with the Association from its very inception. The scheme we have today is a tribute to this vision. He has given immeasurable time and effort without reward to ensure the success of the Association. He will be missed.**

**Your Committee is recognising this contribution by way of a donation to the Aparangi Village, another charity to which Calvin was committed.**

The past 12 months have again been a very busy year for the Association.

We have sold more water than preceding years and costs have been contained. This reflects the near completion of the deferred maintenance program at the head works and the replacement of old meters. The financial statements show a very satisfactory trading result. There is an increased depreciation charge resulting from an independent revaluation of the Association's assets.

The Waikato District Council, as our maintenance contactor, has operated the scheme efficiently and the water has flowed for the most part without major disruption. However, there are major issues surrounding the security of power supply by WEL. In association with the WDC and Environment Waikato, this issue is being addressed. In association with WDC, we have recently negotiated with Genesis a very favourable future power supply agreement.

Our executive officer has spent considerable time recruiting potential members and evaluating additional uses for our supply. In these difficult economic times, this process takes a lot of time. We welcome the new members to the Association.

### **Capital Works Undertaken:**

#### Head Works:

- ∞ The renovation of the intakes, log boom and filters is nearly complete with the final contracts being let.
- ∞ Risk mitigation work has been undertaken to enable mobile transformers to be connected in the event of a major outage.
- ∞ Further risk mitigation work to raise the flood level of the pump house by 300mm is currently underway.
- ∞ Work is currently underway to upgrade the large meters on the rising main and the associated telemetry.

#### Reticulation:

- ∞ The new spur line off the Hampton Downs Line (HDL), with its pump house and reservoir, has been commissioned. This new line services 4 new properties – three are taking supply.
- ∞ A 1km 110mm spur line off the HDL is currently being constructed on Hampton Downs Road to service the new motor sport facility.
- ∞ As a result, the temporary 1km of 110mm line at the top on Hall Road is being replaced with a permanent 200mm line. This increases the HDL line capacity.
- ∞ A 800m extension to the Plantation Road line has been fully evaluated and is awaiting agreement from the affected potential owners.
- ∞ Work has been undertaken to assess the viability of a 2.5km spur off Paddy Road to service dairy farms. This will require an easement over a neighbours land.
- ∞ Work has been commenced to ensure the entire scheme is digitally recorded with current "as built" plans.

Legal Matters:

Your Committee has embarked on a review of all easements to ensure these are properly surveyed and recorded on titles. A number of issues have been highlighted. Negotiations involve working with land owners to resolve issues.

Your Committee has met regularly to make decisions for the ongoing operation of the scheme I would like to thank each one for their time and effort expended.

I want to especially thank our executive officer for the professional and pro-active way he has conducted the Association's affairs.

We thank all members for their continued support and trust the Association can continue to provide your water needs for the future.

I look forward to meeting you at our Annual General Meeting.

**Ross Goodin**

**Acting Chairman**

## **Important Notice**

Water supplied by the Association is not potable water. Therefore, it is unfit for human consumption without proper filtration and treatment.

**Note:** The Association will not be liable, or in any way be held responsible, for any issues arising from drinking this water or using it domestically.

This water is suitable for all outdoors uses such as:

- ∞ Stock water
- ∞ Crop and garden irrigation
- ∞ Crop spraying
- ∞ Wash downs
- ∞ Water features
- ∞ Swimming and spa pools (Note: The proper chlorination and maintenance of the pool filters will make the water safe to use.)
- ∞ Connecting to toilets

## **EMERGENCY and AFTER HOURS**

Should you become aware of any major maintenance issues along the reticulation net work where large amounts of water are being discharged, please immediately ring the Association's emergency number. This is a 24/7 line operated by the Waikato District Council.

**(07) 824 8633**

**Hall and Churchill East Road Members:** Please use this number if there is an unexpected power outage lasting more than 2 hours.

**All Members:** Please note: You are wholly responsible for the maintenance of the reticulation beyond the meter. You should check regularly for leaks particularly where the line is exposed to damage from frosts and livestock.

For any minor maintenance matters, please directly contact the Executive Officer:

PO Box 15,  
Te Kauwhata 3741

Email: [water@tkwa.co.nz](mailto:water@tkwa.co.nz)  
Free Phone: 0800 TKWATER (859 283)  
Web Site: [www.tkwa.co.nz](http://www.tkwa.co.nz)

**Executive Officer:** Andrew Cornwall  
Mobile: 021 433 417

## **OTHER REMINDERS:**

### **1. Data Base – Contact Details:**

The members' data base is being upgraded.

To enable more timely notices to be sent can you please forward your email, telephone and mobile phone numbers.

Just send an email as soon as possible to: [water@tkwa.co.nz](mailto:water@tkwa.co.nz)

### **2. Account Payments:**

- ∞ It makes the administration so much easier if accounts are paid by direct debit into our bank account. If you can do this – thanks a lot!
- ∞ If you get more than one invoice please pay each invoice separately with your 6 digit "Account No." shown on each payment (eg: 80600).

### **3. Selling Your Property? Part 1:**

Remember your property has a water entitlement – even if you are not currently taking supply.

This is a valuable asset. You should ensure your valuer, real estate agent and lawyer are aware of this.

If you have mislaid your DSE Certificate please contact the Executive Officer for a replacement.

### **4. Selling Your Property? Part 2:**

Please advise the Association as soon as possible so a final meter reading can be done. We will also contact the new owners and amend our data base.

### **5. Thinking about Subdivision?**

Please talk with us at the planning stage. We can ensure you get the maximum value for the new sections by incorporating the DSE as part of the marketing plan.

**Note:** The existing DSE belonging to the property will be reallocated on a pro-rata basis when the new titles are issued.