



## AHUWHENUA TROPHY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Ahuwhenua Trophy Executive Committee is made up of the following members who are responsible for administering the Ahuwhenua Trophy Maori Dairy Excellence Awards 2006:

### **BOB COTTRELL - CHAIRPERSON**

Bob is a Valuation and Farm Management (VFM) graduate from Lincoln College (1970) and spent nine years in the commercial sector working in finance, farm management and real estate. He has farmed in partnership with his wife for 22 years and has had significant involvement in large scale Maori commercial forestry and farm interests, property investment and equities. He supervises a number of Trusts farming approximately 8,000 hectares, which includes a 600 cow dairy unit and 90,000 sheep and beef stock units.

Based in Taupo, Bob's experience also extends to regional government negotiations on environmental issues. He is currently a trustee on Te Awahohonu Forest Trust, an Executive member of the Federation of Maori Authorities (FoMA) and a member of the IIWG of Ovita. Bob maintains a strong commitment to see Maori business continue to grow and prosper.

### **KINGI SMILER**

Kingi is a Chartered Accountant CA, BCA and has a wealth of international business experience including eight years in Toronto working in the business planning and corporate restructuring fields with Ernst & Young, with whom he was a Partner from 1990 – 1997.

His past directorships include the NZ Wool Board, Wool Research Organisation of NZ, Chairman of the Audit Committee for both these organisations, Wools of NZ Ltd, Canesis Research Company, Keratec Research Company and Chairman of Whaiora Whanui Trust. His current directorships include; Chairman Wairarapa Moana Incorporation, Chairman of QVST Property Company, and Trustee of the Crown Forestry Rental Trust, Chairman of the Tairāwhiti Land Development Trust (major regional initiative), Chairman of FOMA's Dairy Company and Director of Wellington Rugby Union. As chair of Wairarapa Moana Incorporation, Kingi oversees the Incorporation's Te Pouakani sheep and beef farm unit and a major dairy operation with 7200 cows. The sheep and beef unit won the 2005 Maori Farmer of the Year Award.

### **ROGER PIKIA**

Roger and his wife are dairy farmers who have spent 20 years applying their trade in an industry that Maori have a significant stakehold in. Roger has since moved from the cowshed to the corporate world and is currently the National Maori Strategist with AgResearch based at the Ruakura Research Centre in Hamilton. He has also held the role of Maori Agribusiness Manager during the last two years with AgResearch. Roger is an Executive Councilor for Nga Kaihautu o Te Arawa; Tainui delegate on the FOMA executive, Chairman of the Hikairo Farm Trust, Chairman of Waipapa Marae ki Kawhia Moana and operates his own agribusiness company providing strategic and technical advice to Maori trusts, incorporations and industry providers.

### **PETER MADDEN**

Peter is of Tuhoe and Whakatohea descent and was raised on his grandparents dairy farm in the Waimana Valley and in Ngati Porou where his father continues today to manage Anaura Station.

Peter is a consultant specialising in governance, strategy, planning and performance. His focus is on projects in the primary sector and his mission is to improve the performance of Maori-owned assets and resources. In 2002 Peter was engaged by Meat NZ to assist with the resurrection of the Maori Farmer of the Year competition for sheep and beef farmers. He continues his proud association with the competition today and is committed to its development in a new and changing commercial environment and the revival of the dairy section of the competition, as the Awards were when founded in 1932.

### **DOUG HAURAKI**

Doug is of Ngati Porou, Ngati Kahungunu and Nga Puhi descent and holds a Maori Interpreters Licence, Bachelor of Arts Degree and a Diploma of Social Work.

He supervises two major farm operations with a total of 1500 cows at Mapuna Atea (Southern Wairarapa) and Ouruwhero at Te Awamutu. Doug is currently General Manager of the Maori Education Trust and has previously held positions with the Aotearoa Traditional Maori Performing Arts Society, Te Puni Kokiri, Department of Social Welfare, Department of Maori Affairs, Maori Trust Office and the Maori Land Court. In the voluntary sector his interests include Maori sports administration and education.

**ALLAN FRAZER**

Allan Frazer grew up on a town supply dairy and market gardening property in Christchurch and studied farm management at Lincoln University. Throughout his meat industry career he has chaired a number of commercial businesses and acted as deputy chair of an industry research institute. He is currently employed as Skills and Education Manager with Meat & Wool New Zealand and was Project Manager for the Maori Farmer of the Year - Sheep and Beef when it was re-inaugurated in 2003 through to 2005.

**LYN HARRISON**

Lyn Harrison is of Ngati Porou descent and is an experienced marketing and communications strategist with a formidable work record in both the private and public sectors. She has extensive Maori networks and has pioneered many successful approaches involving agencies and organisations seeking to establish links with Maori communities. Her expertise spans diverse sectors including health, education, Maori affairs, Maori language, broadcasting and executive recruitment.

