

# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

#### STEPHEN FISHER

I am pleased to report that the year to 31 March 2020 finished financially on a high note. This has enabled us to ride out the unforeseeable storm surrounding Covid-19. The ship returned to base just hours before lockdown. All hatches were literally batte

lockdown. All hatches were literally battened down and the decision was taken to postpone and reschedule all voyages re-commencing late August. This was a prudent move supported by Government wage subsidy and some repurposed funds, both shore and sea staff set about their redefined tasks with dedication ably led by CEO Dean Lawrence. I sincerely hope the wider 'Spirit' community has not been unduly affected by this unprecedented event.

A highlight of the past year has been the participation of 'Spirit' in Tuia 250. The ship, her crew and the numerous trainees were exposed, educated and in turn contributed to the history, culture and heritage that surround the event.

The Board recently acknowledged the retirement and long-standing service of Trustees Tessa Duder and Mike Austin. Between them they have contributed 75 years and helped fashion the organisation to what we have today. Tessa has been the major contributor in recording our history, along with ensuring the diversity of New Zealand youth is represented aboard. Mike has been instrumental in introducing Health & Safety protocols throughout his direct involvement as a past Volunteer Master and as a Master Mariner. We also congratulate the Top Sail and Top Gallant recipients who are acknowledged elsewhere.

I close with sincere thanks to all our supporters, volunteers, staff and Trustees. I look forward to the year ahead which will see the development of the Youth Engagement Panel (YEP), and a strong focus on the environment with a closer relationship with Live Oceans and the Auckland University. We will also see Bruce Pilbrow take the tiller in October as CEO with Dean Lawrence consulting to the Trust in a transitioning role.

We look forward also to lifting their spirits and continuing to offer young New Zealanders the opportunity to 'shift their compass needle and give them a new direction in life'.

STEPHEN B FISHER, QSO Chairman

# **CEO'S REPORT**

#### **DEAN LAWRENCE**

The 2019/2020 year was an interesting one for the Trust's operation. During 2019 we had the measles outbreak, which saw us having to take some precautionary measures to mitigate any risk to the Trust's operation on board Spirit of New Zealand. Followed by our involvement in the TUIA 250 national commemorations, which concluded prior to the Christmas period where we rolled back to our normal voyage program.

The TUIA 250 event was certainly the highlight of the year's activities with positive feedback from all involved. It was great to be part of such a special and unique event.

As the year drew to a close, the rising spectre of the global COVID-19 pandemic loomed, which ultimately saw us recall the Ship late March, as New Zealand went into lockdown. While this will create challenges in the months ahead, I am confident that the Trust will weather the storm and return to operations as and when conditions permit.

This will be my last annual report, as I now hand over the leadership to Bruce Pilbrow. Despite some of the challenges along the way during past nine years it has been a privilege, and something rather special having lead and worked with an amazing group of passionate and committed people, who do what they do for the benefit of the nation's youth. The organisation is well served by all of those involved and it will be well served for its future. With Bruce's stewardship and the ongoing leadership of the Trust Board I am sure the Trust will be around for many years to come.

I would like to express my personal thanks to the Trustees, staff and all of our funders, sponsors and supporters who over the past years have help deliver the Trust mission.

But time to go

He Tauranga uta, he toka tū moana. A resting place ashore, a firm rock at sea.

DEAN LAWRENCE
Chief Executive Officer

#### **FINANCIAL COMMENTARY**

The financial result for the Trust saw it post a reasonable surplus for the year. This year's result was supported by our involvement in the TUIA 250 event, which saw us achieve a 99% occupancy of trainees. Along with our regular voyage income and sponsorship support, keeping expenses within budget, ensured the Trust had a good result.

We continue our focus of ensuring all young New Zealanders can attend the voyages regardless of their personal financial circumstances with this goal only achievable with the support of our funders, many of whom now specially fund individual youth on to the ship by way of scholarship support. Our thanks and appreciation to all of those who have and continue to support the Trust.

The end of year result was fortunate, as subsequent events post year-end, (COVID-19 and lockdown) meant that with the immediate loss of all voyage income and other funding streams severely curtailed, it gave the Trust an initial short-term buffer while it put in place its COVID-19 response plan.

The effects of the global pandemic will see the Trust effectively sail and generate income for only 6 months of the 2021 financial year yet still maintaining the Ship and its infrastructure. With the support of the government wage subsidies, staff on reduced salaries and other financial measures taken, the Trust will weather those lost 6 months and be ready to offer the youth of New Zealand those life-changing voyages post September 2020.





# **TUIA 250**



A highlight for the year was the Trust's involvement in the Tuia 250 event. When reflecting on our involvement and the success of the event, we should remind ourselves of the key themes and focus of Tuia 250:

A commemoration marking 250 years since the first onshore encounters between Māori and Europeans will prompt" New Zealanders to have conversations about our history

The commemoration will be a flotilla of vessels that celebrates the long voyaging traditions of Aotearoa New Zealand. From October to December, the flotilla will carry these stories to communities across the country. "Tuia - Encounters 250 (Tuia 250) is an opportunity to understand and be informed about New Zealand's voyaging and navigation traditions and to share those stories about when Māori, Cook, Tupaia, Banks and others met in 1769.

Tuia 250 will encourage kõrero (discussion) and reflection, and enable a more balanced telling of our stories, so we speak openly and respectfully about our history. But it's also about acknowledging all people who have chosen to call New Zealand home - whether their ancestors or family arrived on a waka, a ship or on a Boeing last week."

For each person involved, whether that was part of the crew or the 277 trainees on board the Spirit of New Zealand – Te Waka Herenga Tangata o Aotearoa, the outcome and effects were varied but positive. What was universal in all of the feedback is that it was well worth being involved. For the Trust, it has helped us develop and move along that journey of bi-cultural understanding of our history, and moving forward will help shape the mulit-cultural society we now live in.

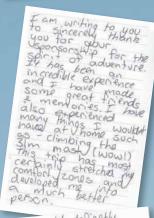
The involvement is best summed up by the following reflections from those on board:

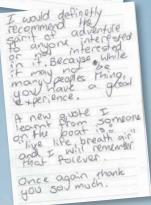
- · Crew grew in awareness of aspects of Maori Culture and feel much more positive about being able to use Te Reo on board and expanding our vocabulary.
- Definite growth feeling of one nation, including a better understanding of our history.
- · Feeling of acceptance which came from being warmly greeted onto Marae, bridging the perceived them and us gaps between culture.
- Bringing youth on the TUIA 250 journey was imperative to what was trying to be achieved. They are the future whatever we demonstrate to them they will demonstrate to our grandchildren.
- · Bringing 40+ young kiwis ashore to the ceremonies was quite special, they after all are the future of the country.

"Pre the commencement of the TUIA commemoration, I must admit to having some reservations about our involvement, mainly concerning what we could contribute, what our team would get out of it, and what would the local welcome and general acceptance would be. To say I was incredibly impressed with the outcomes would be an understatement. All on board commented on their dramatically increased understanding, appreciation and interest in everything associated with the commemoration, and the ship was certainly warmly welcomed everywhere she went. The TUIA event itself, and our involvement in it, was a credit to all involved."

Thin vegage has been a like changing experience and such an amazing speciality for me to grow my contidence, work on my landership skills and learn so many things not just about the about myself deline

Thank Voyage 789 Nith Spirit of Adventure + This was such an The spirit of Adventure
Trust Juss was even an
moved-life experience for me
and 1007 mill say it
is infectionly sounds, and the
frontlowery sounds, and
frontlowery sounds,
and the form
over again if leaved
over again if leaved
over again if leaved
over again if leaved
for again if leaved
over again if leaved

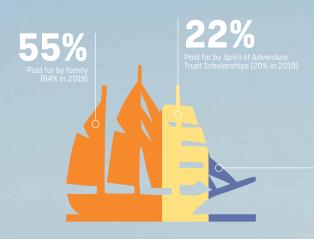




AUCKLAND WHITIANGA

TAURANGA

GISBORNE



Te Waka Herenga Tangata o Aotearoa **VOYAGES AROUND AOTEAROA** 

23%

When: Oct 2019 to Dec 2019 **TUIA 250** 

LYTTLETON .

PICTON WELLINGTON

# **HOW FEES ARE PAID FOR**



**SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND** 



ΩΡΙΙΔ

# OUR PEOPLE A MATOU TÂNGATA

#### **SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 2020**

Name	Years Awarded in 2020
Kaleb Hapuku	5
Ninja (Ruth) Helming	5
Robin Weeks	5
Joanne (Jo) Lynch	5
Emma Doolin	5
Alex Newman	5
Phoebe Pegg	5

Name	Years Awarded in 2020
Hannah McGill	5
James Mitchell	5
Marcel de Wilde	5
Andrea Haines	10
Penelope Virtosu	10
Hugh O'Neill	10
Jeff Morrison	10

Name	Years Awarded in 2020
Andrew Spencer	15
Glennis Neilson	25
Nigel Wright	25
Stephanie Bristol	25
Sheila Budgen	25
Suzy Carryer*	30
Graham Weakley	35

#### **Janet Watkins 40 years**

#### **OUR INDIVIDUAL STAR PERFORMERS**

Top Female Watch

78 days

- Sheila Budgen -Top person in 2019: 74 days Top Male Watch

73 days

— Andrew Lawrence —

Top person in 2019: 74 days

Hand volunteered

58 days

— Dayna Johns —

Top person in 2019: 47 days

Top Male Leading **Hand volunteered** 

**53 days** 

— Lee Hayward —

Top person in 2019: 83 days

#### THIS YEAR ALONE:

**250** 

young people received funding support (who would not have been able to take part otherwise) \*Approximate numbers.

#### AWARDS:



TOPGALLANT Suzy Carryer, Auckland



**TOPGALLANT** Keith Maydon, Otago



TOPGALLANT Andrew Spencer, Auckland



**TOPSAIL** Dayna Johns, Auckland



**TOPGALLANT** Sarah-Jane Guild, Auckland



**TOPGALLANT** Andrew Moore, Canterbury



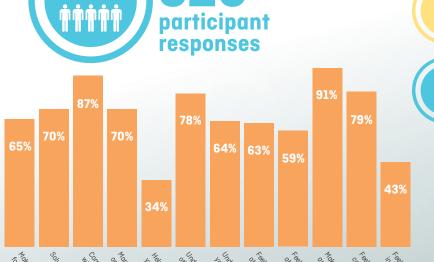
**TOPSAIL** Lewis Gordon, Auckland

#### **VOLUNTEER REGIONAL SPREAD:**

Auckland	102	40.8%
Bay of Plenty	14	5.6%
Canterbury	31	12.4%
Gisborne	3	1.2%
Hawkes Bay	7	2.8%
Manawatu	5	2.0%

Marlborough	3	1.2%
Nelson	6	2.4%
Northland	10	4.0%
Otago	17	6.8%
Overseas	3	1.2%
Southland	3	1.2%

Taranaki	1	0.4%
Tasman	7	2.8%
Waikato	21	8.4%
Wellington	17	6.8%
West Coast	0	0.0%
TOTAL	250	100%



Based on data from

#### **EXPERIENCES**



**95%** of those respondents were either 'very happy' or 'happy' with the programme they took part in.



**95%** of those respondents were either 'very happy' or 'happy' with the people running the programme they took part in.

86%
of survey respondents con be said to have
SIGNIFICANTLY
INCREASED THEIR
WELLBEING

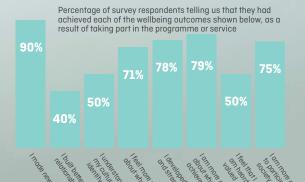


WE COLLECTED

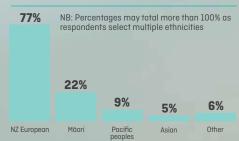
6,532

PIECES OF RUBBISH FROM BEACHES (ON REGULAR BEACH CLEAN DAYS)

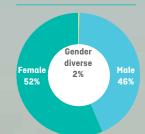
#### **WELLBEING OUTCOMES**



#### **ETHNICITY**



#### **GENDER**



# ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SHIP NGĀ WHAKATUTUKINGA Ö TE KAIPUKE

SHIP ACTIVITY REPORT - APRIL 2019 - MARCH 2020

TYPE OF VOYAGE/SAILING	NUMBER OF VOYAGES	PARTICIPANTS ON BOARD	POSSIBLE ON BOARD	TOTAL Days
10-Day Development Voyage	18	630	720	180
Tuia 250 Youth Voyages	7	277	280	50
5-Day Spirit Trophy Voyage	9	358	360	45
5-Day Inspiration Voyage	1	18	30	5
5-Day Navy Voyage	2	91	100	10
5- Day Scout Voyage	1	38	40	5
Adult Coastal Voyage	3	65	120	9
Chartered Voyage	3	116	120	6
Public Day Sail	21	1,084	1,680	21
Sponsor Day Sail	9	438	720	- Total
Open Ships - Tuia 250	11	7,547	X	-11
Alongside Event	2	72	160	2
AGM / Crew Training	270	4 9	1 3x	17
Refit and Maintenance	- F	1,22	PHILE SALE	27
TOTAL	87	10,734	4,330	388

# **SPIRIT FAMILY** TE WHĀNAU WHĀNUI

### **APRIL 2019 - MARCH 2020**

Spirit of Adventure Trust greatly appreciates all the support received from staff, individuals and organisations who contribute in so many ways to the work we do. Thank you for being part of our Spirit family.

#### **PATRON**

**Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy**, GNZM, QSO, Governor-General of New Zealand

#### **VICE PATRONS**

Captain C. Barry Thompson, Retired Marine Consultant

#### **TRUST BOARD**

Stephen B. Fisher | Chairman QSO, Company Director Brooke Archbold | Deputy Chair, MNZM, Company Director, Marine

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Tessa Duder | OBE, Hon. Doc, Writer Captain Mike Austin | Marine Surveyor

Sue Blakely | School Principal

Andrew Spencer | Chartered Accountant

Jerry Norman | Pouherenga Mātauranga

Catherine Mason | Lawyer Ben Fisher | Advisory Trustee Arthur McGregor | Advisory Trustee

#### **HONORARY ADVISORS**

Spencers Chartered Accountants | Financial Services PricewaterhouseCoopers | Auditors

Dr Marcus Stone | Medical

**Hudson Gavin Martin** | Technology and IP Lawyers

Dr Jenny Te Paa | Cultural

Otago University | Programme Evaluation & Research

Sheffield | Human Resources

Sonia Thursby | Disabilities

Dr Stuart Middleton | Education Advisor

# THANK YOU **MIHIRAU**

Principal Corporate Sponsor



# **Key Contributors**



















Lou and Iris Fisher Charitable Trust Estate of Gurshon Fisher Peter Reid Estate

Ken Cummane Estate Elaine Gurr Endowment Val and Roy Allen Endowment

Estate of Pauline Fisher Gavin Wylie Memorial Trust Estate of Colin Anderson

### **Supporting Contributors**

#### RUSSELL MOVEAGH

## JMI Wealth

Eastern and Central Community Trust Four Winds Foundation Infinity Foundation Kiwi Self Storage

#### SPENCERS Chartered Accountants & Advisers

Lions Clubs New Zealand NZCT The Southern Trust Trillian Trust

Auckland Conventions Venues and Events Auckland Council Community Information Christchurch David Levene Foundation