



The purpose of the Kairuri Community Trust is to benefit the profession and the community and create a legacy for the future. The trustees' objective is to build up awareness and educate the public about the surveying and spatial community. This future focus gives benefactors the opportunity to provide educational scholarships, support inclusive school programmes, foster diversity and encourage the next generation of surveying and spatial professionals.

This year the KCT has experienced some trustee changes. We farewelled Katherine Sandford as a trustee although we hope to be able to tap into her strategic planning skills on a part time basis in the future. In her place we welcomed Melissa Harrington who has a proven record of voluntary engagement in S+SNZ and brings energy and a youthful perspective to the trustee role.

This year the KCT invited submissions from final year students across all NZ tertiary surveying and spatial institutions for the KCT Survey and Spatial Scholarship - comprising a cash award to assist with education costs and attendance at the Survey and Spatial Conference. The scholarship was awarded to Patrick Coughlan a final year student from Otago University. Patrick impressively presented his winning essay on "The impact of diversity on the survey and spatial profession' to the main conference forum.

We would like to acknowledge the ongoing financial support of GSI Insurance Partners especially through the lockdown periods which has enabled us to build up the funds to sustain the scholarship.

A silent auction was run during the conference dinner with prizes kindly donated by Global Survey, Allterra, Davis Ogilvie & Partners and Clarke Fortune McDonald. This auction raised just under \$5000 for the trust.

The highlight of the year has been the announcement of a gift of \$300,000 by the Stirling family to KCT to create the Ian and Margaret Stirling Fund. The fund is to support scholarships and create opportunities for careers in survey and spatial. The announcement was made by Andrew Stirling to the main

conference forum along with a brief presentation on Ian and Margaret's role in the evolution of the surveying sector in NZ.

This is a fantastic boost for KCT and will hopefully inspire others, who have the means, to step up and do something to assist the aims of the trust.

In appreciation of the gift a framed giclee print of the *The Manaia* by Peter Caley was presented to the Stirling family at the conference dinner



Your KCT Trustees

Simon Jellie (Chair)

Jayne Perrin

Melissa Harrington.