



Foundation Springs Forward with Support



AWE and the Tui AWE Joint Venture Partners

Proud to support the work of the Foundation

After meeting with Foundation Trustee, Murali Bhaskar, AWE's Dennis Washer, Chief Operating Officer and Tracey Phelan, AWE's Commercial Manager, were inspired by the great work that the Foundation is doing locally in Taranaki and the ability to get involved as a Business Supporter.

Dennis describes, "we feel privileged to not only recognize great local projects, but to be able to support them in a meaningful way. We are local people who reside here with our families in Taranaki. Supporting organisations such as the Taranaki Health Foundation is something that doesn't just sit at the AWE Executive level, but goes right through the organization. Becoming a Business Supporter and supporting healthcare here in our community is a gift to our employees and our contractors."

AWE Limited is an Australian head quartered company focused on upstream oil and gas related energy opportunities and has over 100 employees across Australia, New Zealand and Indonesia. In addition to their support of the Foundation, they also are the major sponsor of the youth mentoring program, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Taranaki and New Zealand.

"Our relationship with AWE is a wonderful example of the passion of local businesses to support and give back to their communities and employees," Murali explains. "It is because of this generosity that we are able to strive towards our goal of the best possible healthcare for Taranaki communities."

From left: Tracey Phelan, AWE's Commercial Manager; Dennis Washer, AWE's Chief Operating Officer; Murali Bhaskar, Foundation Trustee



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The importance of giving back to their community

When Tom Boon, Taranakipine's Chief Executive met with Foundation Trustee Bruce Moller he was impressed with not only the work of the Foundation but that there were real community based projects where they could help make a difference.

Project Maunga, the re-development of Taranaki Base Hospital and the new Mobility Garden were the reasons they came on board as Gold Business Supporters. "Through the Foundation, we are able to support something that people throughout Taranaki will benefit from," Tom explains. "It's important to us that a local company like ours gives back to our community as we do with other projects like Taranaki Futures."

Taranakipine started as Taranaki Sawmills located in Bell Block 30 years ago. Employing more than 200 staff, they are a manufacturer of high quality engineered timber building products made from the regions Radiata pine logs. Taranakipine exports its finished products to Australia and the USA as well as throughout the North Island through the builder merchant chains.

Trustee, Bruce Moller describes the impact of this support, "It's a tremendous support to the Foundation to have a company like Taranakipine get involved in our projects. They are not only locally owned and operated but are community minded and focused on the health and well being of their employees and their families. On behalf of the Foundation, I thank them for their support."



From left: Bruce Moller, Foundation Trustee; Tom Boon, Taranakipine's Chief Executive; Blair Thomson, Taranakipine's Market Manager; Bry Kopu, Foundation General Manager

Announcing new General Manager, Bry Kopu

We are proud to welcome Bry Kopu as the new General Manager of the Taranaki Health Foundation. Bry joins us after running her own national consultancy, working with businesses and government agencies to manage positive youth and community development portfolios. Her passion for youth development was also at the fore in her role as Chief Executive of the Mayors' Taskforce for Jobs – a national network of all the country's mayors with a focus on achieving the best possible outcomes for

youth in education, training and employment.

Bry also worked for the New Plymouth District Council for six years, and is the Chairperson of 'Tu Tama Wahine o Taranaki', a kaupapa Māori health and social service organisation. She has also served as the Chairperson of the 'Tuia Charitable Trust' – a national organisation focused on culture-specific leadership training and development for young Māori throughout New Zealand.

In her personal life, Bry is the proud mother of 5-year-old Nikau. She was born and raised in Taranaki with whakapapa to Te Atiawa nui tonu and a rich Scottish heritage.

"I was compelled to apply for the position of General Manager of the Taranaki Health Foundation, because of its clear vision to support the leading edge healthcare in New Zealand and the highly committed Trustees who champion that vision around the mountain.

We are a very generous region and often punch above our weight in unexpected areas. So, whilst we have some very challenging milestones to meet - the regional rewards will be felt for generations.

Now that is great legacy to leave behind for our children and grandchildren.

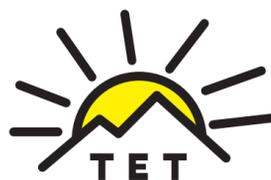
I believe that the people of Taranaki deserve to

have access to the very best health services, qualified staff and cutting edge technology. I feel that, in this role, I can play some part in our region achieving that vision. For me, the choice to focus my professional skills and energies on such an important kaupapa, was an easy one."



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