

MAY 2016

## SCHEME AND EXPANSION NEWSLETTER

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### Staffing

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We welcome Colin Perkins to the operations team. Colin was branch Manager at Hynds Pipe Systems for the last two years and comes with management experience and hands on knowledge of existing scheme operations as a main supplier. Colin has a good mechanical background, great customer service skills and will be a valuable asset to our ops team.

Our operations team member Greg Millin is currently on extended sick leave, our thoughts are with him and his wife Renee, and we hope that he will be back on duty soon.

Louise McDougall now holds a full-time role with the Company as Shareholder Liaison Administrator. Louise is the key contact person for shareholder enquiries, she will also be responsible for maintaining and developing content for the website and facebook page, event co-ordination, and marketing and media presentations as required. Louise is in the office between the hours of 9.00am and 3.00pm and can be reached via email [lmcdougall@noic.co.nz](mailto:lmcdougall@noic.co.nz) or on the office line 433 1201.

### Important Dates

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Please remember that we are shutting the scheme down on Friday 13 May. There will no longer be irrigation water available after that date, stock water will still be available. Please also note that there will be a one-day stock water outage on 21 June.

### Environmental

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It has been unseasonably warm, with temperatures being around 2°C warmer than average for this time of year. Soil temperatures have actually risen since the last update.

Data from the Windsor weather station shows (average for the past 7 days):

- Soil temperature 10°C
- Evapotranspiration 1.4mm per day
- Rainfall nil.

Soil temperature should be at 10°C at 10cm depth at 9am for pasture growth. The soil temperature is therefore adequate to justify irrigation. With ET at 1.4mm per day, it might be advisable to wait for rain if you already have a good level of soil moisture. If your soil moisture probes are indicating low soil moisture a small application would still be worthwhile.

### Construction Update

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Construction is continuing at a steady pace. We have 7 crews working on the pipeline and several builders on the booster pump stations. Once the irrigation is over, work will recommence on completing the pond outlet to the new line.

Susie McKeague and Louise McDougall will be phoning all shareholders and non-shareholders who have an easement allowing construction through their property, as we are wanting feedback on how the construction has been for them. While McConnell Dowell are ultimately responsible for planning and construction communications, it is our responsibility to ensure that all easement holders have been kept in the loop. Please feel free to phone us if you have any feedback.

### Board of Directors – updated photo

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### Pink Ribbon Morning Tea – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May

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The NOIC office team are hosting a Pink Ribbon morning tea for our shareholder wives and partners. Not only is it a great opportunity to get to know our team while having a lovely morning tea, it's a very worthwhile campaign – raising funds for the NZ Breast Cancer Foundation.

Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased simply by making a donation to the NZBCF page at [www.pinkribbonbreakfast.co.nz](http://www.pinkribbonbreakfast.co.nz).

The chaps are also more than welcome to attend if they wish!

### Facebook

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We now have a Facebook page which we will use as another tool in communicating with our shareholders. Please feel free to email Louise with input ideas or feedback.

*With kind regards from the NOIC team*