

Special points of interest:

- Spring Grants Approved
- How does EBET fit into the Community?
- Eastern Bay Energy Scholarships
- Opotiki Trustee Relocates

EASTERN BAY ENERGY FLASH!!!

GRANTS RECEIVED BY EASTERN BAY ORGANISATIONS

November's spring grant meeting, saw the young, elderly and those in between benefiting greatly. The president of the Whakatane Senior Citizens' Service Club, Don McNab, was thrilled with the news that his fellow members would have new heat-pumps installed to keep them warm in winter and cool in summer. The feeling was shared by Louina Houkawau, knowing that the children of the Te Teko Kohanga Reo would also be able to enjoy air-conditioned comfort in the future.

Galatea School and St Josephs Catholic School received funds to provide security lighting and a heating system respectively.

The Opotiki College Community Activity Office was delighted with the approval of their grant.

Marie Cass says it is "absolutely marvellous, as people are queuing up already to use the centre". Works will be carried out over the holidays.

Both the Edgecumbe and Kawerau Presbyterian Churches are able to upgrade their facilities with help from the Trust.

The Whakatane Bridge Club and the Whakatane Charter Club will be installing new heat-pumps to make their environments more welcoming for their current members and to also encourage new members.

The Trust is proud to be part of both the Whakatane and Murupara Christmas in the Park celebrations, which bring joy to all those who attend.



Trust due to receive end year dividend from Horizon Energy Distribution Limited

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LIGHTING UP YOUR LIVES – WHAKATANE A&P SHOW



Early October brought the Whakatane A & P Show to life, for many one of the first indications of Spring. The Trust was there in conjunction with Opotiki Trade Training to promote Energy Efficiency. All those who stopped by received a free energy efficient lamp. The Trust was delighted with the many genuine queries that were received. Many signed up for either of the two current Retrofit programmes running at the moment with Opotiki Trade Training. All in all a successful day! For further information call 0800 15 15 65.

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GRANT APPLICATION PROCEDURES CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW
TRUSTS AIM:
Quicker Response Time
Streamline Application Processes

TRUSTEE PROFILE - TONI OWEN

Toni grew up in the small Manawatu town of Ashhurst and moved to the Eastern Bay of Plenty in 1970. The eldest of four children, Toni was always "in charge".

After leaving Whakatane High School at the end of the 5th form year, Toni soon discovered that she was destined for a career in accounting. She has always set high goals for herself. Becoming a Chartered Accountant was no easy task considering she had a young family, and was studying extra-murally through Massey University. Toni became the first female partner in Chartered Accountancy in Whakatane in 1990 - a feat which could not have been achieved without the support of her husband Darrel.

Although Toni has always been career-minded, she has always been highly involved in community work. In the past, Toni has been secretary of the EBOP Plunket Society, a kindergarten parent support person, Massey University Extramural Area Communicator, Allandale School Board of Trustee member, Kawerau Enterprise Agency Director and Chairman, Central Bay Hockey Committee member, Knox Church Treasurer, Life Education Trust Chairman, Trustee of the Child Injury Trust, to name a few.

Where Toni and Darrel's children Cathy and Phil have been involved in activities such as ballet, gymnastics, soccer and hockey, you will also have seen Toni behind the scenes. Cathy is now a Graduate Business Analyst at Norske Skog, and Phil has just



Toni and Darrel enjoying a recent holiday in the South Island

completed a Diploma in Architectural Technology at Otago Polytech.

Toni was first elected to the Energy Trust in 1995, and for a time was the Trust Secretary. In 1999, she followed on from Malcolm Law as Chairman of the Trust. As always, Toni has a set of goals, which she wants to achieve during her time at the helm. Toni is passionate about the Trust, and the part it has to play in the Eastern Bay. She believes it will continue to grow from strength to strength and play a vital role in the region's development.

A THOUSAND WORDS IN EVERY PICTURE ... A PICTORIAL FEATURE ON PAST ENERGY TRUST SUPPORTED PROJECTS

Edgecumbe Anglican Church Heat Pumps



Edgecumbe Kindergarten Lighting (ceilings)



Trident High School Audio Class system



OPOTIKI TRUSTEE JIM TOWERSEY RELOCATES

Jim Towersey has informed the Trust that he is currently in the process of shifting house from the Opotiki District to the Whakatane District. The Eastern Bay Energy Trust Deed states that the Elected Opotiki Trustee shall reside within the boundaries of the Opotiki District, and it is therefore with regret that Jim's service with the Trust must come to an end.



Jim was the first elected Trustee for Opotiki, and has been instrumental in many of the workings of the Trust. His wide knowledge of the electrical sector (Jim is a self employed electrician, trading as - Tower Electrical) has been an advantage and his sharing of knowledge has been greatly appreciated.

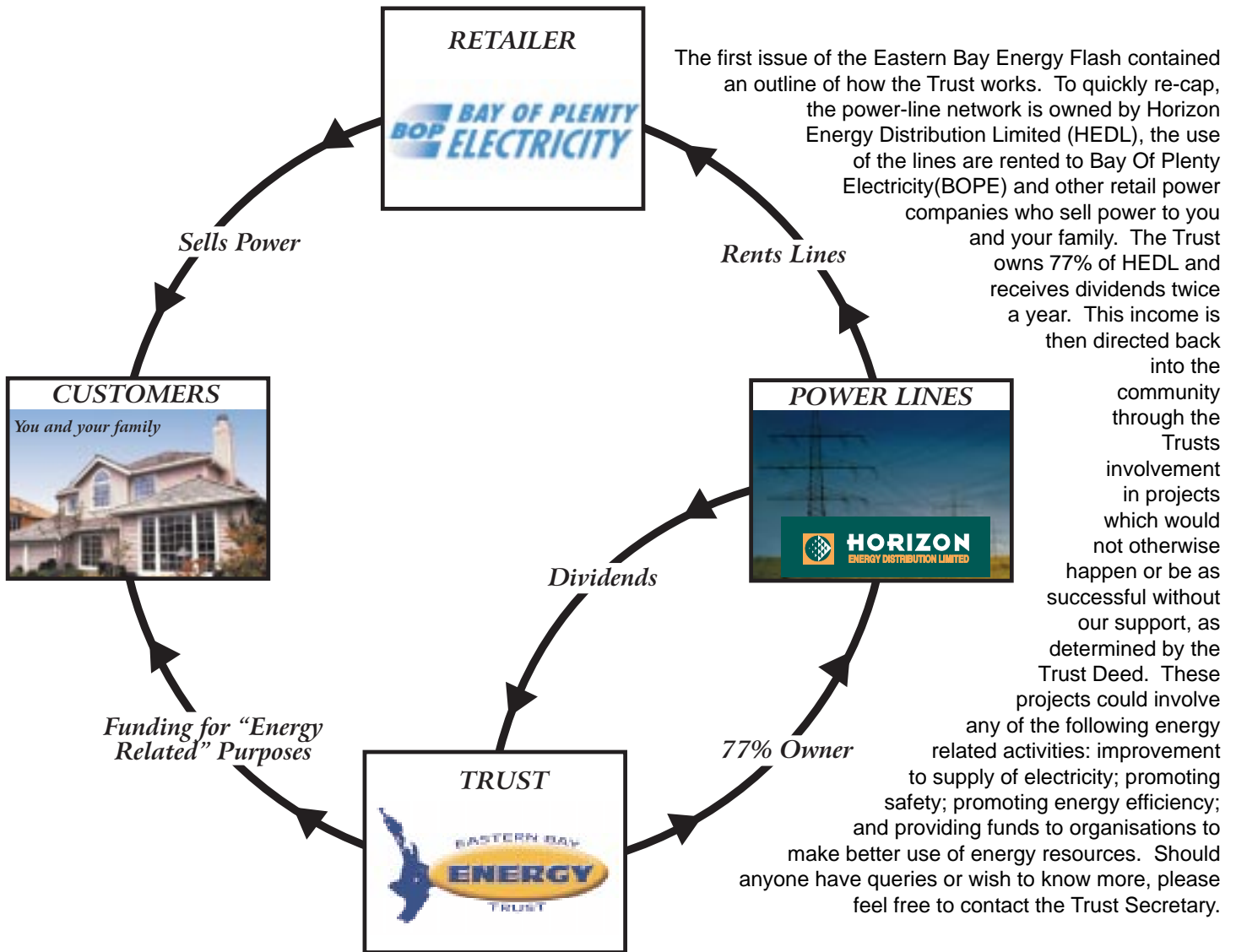
We wish Jim and his family the best and we are sure the people of the Opotiki District will miss his presence.

The Eastern Bay Energy Trust is currently looking to appoint Jim's replacement until the next election is due to take place in October 2003. Notification of the appointee will be advised as soon as this is confirmed.

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THE EASTERN BAY ENERGY TRUST AND THE COMMUNITY



EASTERN BAY ENERGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

The Eastern Bay Energy Trust is proud to advise that a Scholarship Programme has commenced. Initially this programme will be driven through ESITO (Energy Supply Institute Training Organisation), contactable on 0800 4 ESITO (37486) or www.esito.org.nz.

All Scholarship applicants must be Eastern Bay Residents, with their chosen course of study in the energy sector.

It is the Trust's intention to have a Scholarship available in each of the pre-trade, diploma, apprentice and degree course areas, with the aim of encouraging our community to get out there and study.

The Trust will also do what it can to ensure work is available in the Eastern Bay during holidays/vacation, and of course once the chosen course is completed.

More information will be forthcoming soon.



**SAVE ENERGY
SAVE MONEY**

Tip One:

Switch off the TV, stereo or microwave when not in use. Stand-by mode wastes power!



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CHAIRMANS POSTSCRIPT



Our first newsletter was a great success. Thank you to all of you who provided the feed back to enable us to continue to provide you with the type of information you want.

As representatives of YOU, the CONSUMERS of electricity in the Eastern Bay of Plenty, we recently applied for voting rights on an organisation called the Electricity Governance Board. The EGB, as it is known, will oversee aspects of the Electricity Sector in New Zealand. Voting rights on the Board will be allocated:

- 1/3 to Electricity Retailers/Generators (like BOPE),
- 1/3 Network owners (like Horizon), and
- 1/3 to consumer groups.

Of the 13 Energy Trusts which applied for voting rights, only one was approved. We were turned down, and have since appealed this decision. It is the opinion of your Trustees that as elected Trustees we represent your interests.

It concerns us that those who have been granted consumer voting rights to date are dominated by large users, with domestic, rural and smaller commercial interest groups being largely ignored. We feel it is your right to have a voice on the EGB, and will continue to pursue this right on your behalf.

Toni Owen
Chairman
Eastern Bay Energy Trust

"We Make things happen with ENERGY"



ENERGY RELATED PURPOSES

Any activities which involve benefits for consumers in the use or enjoyment of New Zealand's energy resources (i.e. gas, petroleum products, electricity etc).

These include:

- Improvements in public safety
- Improving the supply of electricity to remote areas
- Avoiding or reducing the effects of energy-related activities on the environment
- Promoting research into more efficient ways of producing, distributing and using electricity
- Providing financial assistance to help people make better use of energy

Grant application forms are available from the Trust Secretary/Executive Officer.

The Eastern Bay Energy Trust wish you all a Merry Christmas

