

Pukerua Bay Residents' Association AGM 2023

Kōrero

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive.

We're preparing to publish this year's final issue of *Kōrero* for 2023, themed on the topic of summer reading. The setting of themes has proven a very useful way of communicating with people that "Yes, you do have a story to tell, in whatever form that may be". That's reflected the fact that in every issue, we have some people making their first contribution. We value that very much, just as those who have become regular contributors. It's wonderful that people feel that *Kōrero* is 'ours'.

Kōrero is delivered five times per year, and a digital version is available on the community website. It has also become the 'go-to' place for people wanting to let the community know about local events and initiatives. There have been promotions in every issue, saving people a great deal of money and effort. It's great to be able to help bring people together in worthwhile ways – every event and initiative helps build community.

At times, we've had concerns about budget. An attempt to increase advertising rates to cover costs was not successful but fortunately, the Pegasus Trust provided us with a generous grant. We're also grateful to the Ahu Charitable Trust and Pukerua Bay Hub for their sponsorship of the July issue.

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