

# Pūkaha Mount Bruce Board



**Role:** Board Members (2)  
**Location:** Tararua/Wairarapa  
**Closes:** 14 October 2019

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## Organisation and details

Located 20 minutes north of Masterton on State Highway 2, the Pūkaha reserve is the last remaining piece of Te Tapere Nui ō Whatonga (70 Mile Bush) and is a significant taonga of the local Tangata Whenua, Rangitāne o Wairarapa.

The Visitor Centre welcomes over 40,000 visitors per year who enjoy the extensive track network in the beautiful forest as well as see and learn about some of New Zealand's rarest wildlife.

Pūkaha has contributed to the recovery of several endangered native bird species in New Zealand. In particular, Kākā and Kokako populations in the forest have gone from strength to strength and our Whio (Blue Duck), Pāteke (Teal) and Shore Plover breeding programmes are delivering real results for New Zealand wide species recovery programmes. Pūkaha's role in Kiwi population recovery through involvement in Operation Nest Egg is another success story that we are proud of.

The Pūkaha forest restoration project strives to lead the way in pursuit of Predator Free 2050, with new predator control technology and methods being trialled and implemented regularly.

In 2018 the current board published a three year strategic plan with ambitious commercial and conservation goals. There are a number of exciting projects, small and large, on the drawing board to help the organisation achieve these goals.

## Particular skills/competencies sought

Due to the retirement of long standing members, Pūkaha is looking to fill two vacancies on the board at it's AGM in November. These are rewarding positions for professionals with excellent commercial skills along with a passion for New Zealand's natural environment and wildlife. Individuals with demonstrated commitment and skills in community and iwi engagement and education would be particularly welcomed. Prior governance experience is essential and applicants with aspirations to step into the Chair's role would be ideal as our current chairman plans to step down in 2020.

This is an opportunity to be a part of an important kaupapa during an exciting and significant period of change and growth.

## Commitment required

Meetings are held at Pūkaha every month except for December and January

## Website

[www.pukaha.org.nz](http://www.pukaha.org.nz)

**Geographic considerations**

Preference will be given to applicants from Tararua and Wairarapa regions.

**Remuneration**

Unpaid

**For further details or to apply please contact**

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