

DIRECTORS' PROFILES



Sir Dryden Spring

(Chairman since 1999)

Sir Dryden has had a long and distinguished career in the dairy industry. He was Chairman of the NZ Co-operative Dairy Company Limited from 1982 to 1989, during which time the company's turnover more than doubled. He became Chairman of the New Zealand Dairy Board in 1989 and during his 10 year leadership, turnover almost tripled to NZ\$7.8 billion. Sir Dryden is Chairman of Fletcher Challenge Forests Limited, Asia 2000 Foundation of New Zealand, and the NZ Delegation to the APEC Business Advisory Council. He is a Director of Maersk New Zealand Limited, Fletcher Building Limited, Nufarm Limited and National Bank of New Zealand. In 1994/95 he was a member of the APEC Eminent Persons Group, which drafted the APEC Vision. He was knighted in 1994 for services to New Zealand and the dairy industry.



Rodger Fisher

(Deputy Chairman since 1999)

Rodger is a Management Consultant for, and was previously Managing Director from 1987 to 1999 of, the Owens Group Limited. He is Chairman of the Civil Aviation Authority, Aviation Security Services, and Eurotech Group Limited. Rodger is also a Director of Fletcher Challenge Forests Limited, Lyttelton Port Company Limited and Waste Management New Zealand Limited. Rodger is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries, the Chartered Institute of Transport, the Institute of Directors and the New Zealand Institute of Management.



Brian Walsh

Brian is a Financial Consultant specialising in capital raisings and equity valuations. He is a former Director of investment banking at Merrill Lynch (New Zealand) Limited. Previously, he held senior management positions with Countrywide Bank and was Director of its operating lease subsidiary, Fleetlease Limited. He holds directorships in CapitalGroup Finance Limited, Austral Distributors Limited, Annaghdown Holdings Limited, Moore Gallagher Limited, Gallagher Communications Holdings Limited, Grant Samuel Capital Limited, Gisborne Medical Laboratory Limited, Medlab Hamilton Limited, Hamilton Medical Laboratory Limited and Angelsea Medical Properties Limited. Brian has a MA (Hons.) in Economics and a law degree from Otago University. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants.



John Green

John is the Managing Director of Greens Industries, a manufacturing company based in Hamilton with a strong hold on the New Zealand market, exporting into the UK, USA, Australia, Japan and the Pacific. John also holds directorships in Greens Enterprises, Greens Industries Australia, Greens Industries UK, and Ginley Holdings.



Jeff Williams

Jeff was the Chief Executive of TrustPower Ltd for nine years from 1992 to 2001. Whilst leading that company he oversaw the transition from a power board to a publicly listed company with a successful generation portfolio and related customer base. Prior to that Jeff was Managing Director of ABB (NZ) Limited after having managed a number of ABB subsidiary companies, including David Fraser Limited and ABB Transformers.



John Birch

John spent his early career managing major dairy and food industry capital projects. Until 2000 John was a shareholder and Director of McClunie Birch Limited (MBL), this company grew over a period of ten years to become New Zealand's largest provider of process equipment and solutions to the dairy and food industries. During this time John was heavily involved in both the growth of the parent company, the development of off-shore subsidiaries and the acquisition of manufacturing operations. Subsequent to exiting MBL, John became a Director and CEO of Innovation Waikato Limited, the organisation responsible for the establishment and operation of The Innovation Park at Ruakura.