

Lloyd Altham

In 1985, I caught my first trout, I remember it to this day. I have been a keen fisher ever since and have spent a great many great days fishing the north including the pristine fishery of the time, the Kai Iwi Lakes. I have served on the committee of a fly fishing club and served as a controller in the World Flyfishing Championships held in the Eastern Region in 1991. I am still currently an active member a fly fishing club, participating wherever and whenever I can. My home is in a rural area that has within its bounds bush, ponds and pasture. I'm very much aware of the importance of the need of pest free habitat and wetlands especially for breeding waterfowl. My goal in standing for the Northland Fish and Game Council is to give something back, to provide to present, and for future, shooters and anglers more opportunity to enjoy their chosen sport. To be a part of the service delivery that Fish and Game strives for to shooters and anglers that also includes maintaining and improving access opportunities. Like you, I know there are many challenges ahead – environmental, political, and more. I believe that by being a fresh voice with new thinking I can be a part of Fish and Game's future especially at this regional level.

Northland – Ko toku kainga tenai. Through family, I identify with Te Aupouri and whanau Ihaka – Te Kao, Paihia and Waimate with previous property at Hihi Beach. I have been a 2021-2024 Fish and Game councillor. Also, as current chair of the Fish & Game National Council my ongoing goal is to continue to improve the service delivery, more ducks, and access, for shooters and fishers. I am a long-time game hunter, bird shooter, and fly fisher. I am a life member of a gun club, treasurer of a flyfishing club, and owner of 'I Love Fly Fishing.' I have had board governance roles with Govt Crown Entity. Tertiary qualified in dispute resolution with an accountancy and law background. Appointed a JP in 1982 later judicially trained, I served in the Depositions, Arrest and Judges List Courts. I have worked as a contract CE for company rebuilds, transitions and change management. During my voluntary years with MAF, I managed most of the honorary fisheries officers, Auckland region through to Bream Bay. I have been involved in aquaculture (koura and oyster farming), Orongo Bay, As a Major, Commanding Officer in the NZ Army, specialising in military law and administration. Commanded an army unit based in Whangarei.

Computer literacy – very strong, having built large e-commerce sites in Drupal, Magento and WooComerce. As a family man, I've been married for 52 years with a daughter, a partner in a law firm specialising in employment law, and a son, a director of our energy electronic business.

I moved up to Northland from the Manawatu, 28 years ago and I am currently a school principal.

My qualifications include a BSc specialising in Ecology and botany, and I ran a native wetland plant nursery in northland for over 10 years planting many wetlands.

I started game bird hunting and fishing like many in the footsteps of my father's when I was very young, around the Manawatu and Rangitikei rivers.

Over the years I have watched the effect of urban sprawl and changing farming practices on our rural environment and the flow on effects to waterfowl populations and distributions. I have seen the spread of parries and geese throughout the country and the new opportunities they bring.

Northland trout fishing resource faces challenges due to politics, our climate, small waterways and water bodies but this makes them no less important to fisherman, so its important fish stocks are enhanced and access improved

We need a strong Northland fish and game council to protect the valuable resources we currently have and to further enhance them.

I believe Fish and Game needs to partner with farmers to help them retain and enhance the habitats they currently manage on their land which makes up the bulk of waterfowl and fish habitat.

By protecting and enhancing habitat for game birds and fish we are also creating habitat for other wetland species, of fauna and flora providing flood and erosion control service for the entire community.

Sean Brickland

I've hunted and fished all over NZ, both saltwater and freshwater. I'm passionate about hunting, fishing, the outdoors and the environment.

After 56 years of fishing and hunting I want to give back to the sport and encourage others to have the enjoyment I've experienced throughout that time.

I have governance experience and am involved in community projects and committees. I am sure I would represent the licence holders interests now and for the future.

RUSSELL DANIELS

Born in 1961 in Africa, my passion for fishing began at the age of 7. I spent my childhood years chasing large mouth bass and the occasional tilapia. I immigrated to Wellington, New Zealand in 1977 aged 16. It was then that I took a keen interest in fly fishing as well as saltwater fishing. In 1986 aged 25 I became a commercial long-line fisherman based in Tutukaka, Northland. I eventually hung up my apron in 1995 to pursue other interests. It was then that I started vigorously trout fishing Northland waterways.

I feel that we are very fortunate to have this resource at our doorstep and we need to protect, promote and enhance it for our future generations to enjoy.

I am sure that my knowledge and experience can be an asset to the Fish & Game organisation.

Phil Durham

I have a been a councillor for a number of years now, and am standing again to continue to represent Northland licence holders if elected. Fish and Game face many challenges, the Northland Council has under my chairmanship presented a strong unified voice at a local and national level to promote our region and our licence holders interest. It has been a privelege to serve the licence holders and other stakeholders in the Northland region.

John McEntee

40 years duck shooting, 14 years animal control contractor, 17 years beekeeping.

I feel like its time to give something back to the sport that I love and have a lot of knowledge and skills that will be useful to the organisation.

LEWIS PEART

As an advocate for fly fishing and environmental stewardship, I seek to represent the interests of anglers and bird hunters in the Fish and Game Northland region.

My dedication to the outdoors is rooted in a lifestyle of active conservation, Kaitiakitanga and advocacy for sustainable practices. I stand for the proactive management of our wetlands and waterways, ensuring and growing key breeding habitats for ducks and native wildlife. It is essential to manage and grow these ecosystems for their intrinsic value and for the enjoyment of future generations. Equitable access to our rivers is a cornerstone of my campaign. I believe in the right of every angler to experience our waterways without undue restrictions. I aim to foster a community that values and protects these natural resources. My vision is clear: rivers abundant with fish, skies filled with ducks, abundant, healthy wetlands and breeding habitats, fair access for all anglers and a community united in the pursuit of conservation. I am prepared to lead the change necessary to realize this vision. I ask for your support to implement policies that reflect our collective aspirations for conservation and outdoor recreation. Your vote is a step towards a future where the spirit of the outdoors is not only preserved but flourishes. Please vote for pragmatic leadership. Vote for a legacy of responsible stewardship. Let's advance together for the betterment of our region's natural heritage.

Darryl Reardon

Candidate Profile

ABOUT ME:

- Current Northland Fish and Game Councillor and representative on national council
- I have two adult children and four grandchildren
- Acclimatisation Society and Fish & Game Councillor for 30+ years
- Passionate about our right to fish and hunt in NZ, have free access and keeping our sport affordable

I STAND FOR:

- Supporting the development of viable wetlands in Northland
- Protecting our "user pay, user say" management system
- Continued communication with licence holders
- Habitat enhancement and cleaner water in our rivers and lakes
- Oppose privatization of fishing and hunting
- Encouraging youth into our sport
- Listening to what our stakeholders "you" have to say
- Spending your licence money wisely to have sustainable hunting and fishing in NZ for generations to come

I have always made myself available to licence holders and would invite you to contact me if you have anything you would like to discuss.

Cameron Shanks

Personal Statement

My wife Anne and I have been sharemilking at Maungaturoto since 1996. I have served on the Northland Fish and Game Council since September 2003, and am a current councilor. I am presently president of the Kaipara Hunting and Fishing Club, I am a keen duck hunter and have an interest in habitat creation and protection.