OUARTERLY REVIEW

March to May 2025

### **CE update**

What an exciting few months it's been! From new initiatives to heartwarming community stories and generous partnerships, the last three months have been filled with growth, momentum, and meaningful change.

Now that winter is really starting to make its presence felt, we hope you'll settle in somewhere warm, and enjoy reading about the great things that have been happening across the Foundation.

Recently, I had an interview with a fabulous young sustainability podcaster we are supporting – you'll find the interview below.

Our 46 scholarship students are half way through their year, with several of our first cohort completing their undergraduate studies at the end of this year.

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We couldn't do what we do without your continued support, and we're so grateful to have you on this journey with us. Read on to catch up on everything that's been happening - you won't want to miss a moment!



Bryce Marsden Chief Executive



### Sustainably yours, Bryce

Bryce featured on Lilah McDonald's podcast Sustainably Ever After in May. The Foundation sponsors this amazing young 14-year-old's podcast and it was brilliant to see Bryce in the hot seat (pictured left), answering questions about the Foundation.

Bryce explored how long-term thinking and focused philanthropy can create real change across youth, education, and the environment in Aotearoa New Zealand. Have a listen below.

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## BG Initiative key in journalism award

Inaugural recipient of the Brian Gaynor Business Journalism Initiative, Jonathan Milne, has won two major awards at the 2025 Voyager Media Awards.

Jonathan, Managing Editor of Newsroom Pro, and his podcast *Powder Keg*, won Business Journalist of the Year and Best Original Podcast or Series, as well as being a finalist in the Best Investigation category at the News Publishers' Association-run awards.

The BGI Award helped Jonathan to research, write and produce his podcast series *Powder Keg* – about New Zealander Chris Ashenden and his billion-dollar supplements company AG1.

"This was like no journalism grant I'd seen before. A high-trust model gave Newsroom the freedom and flexibility to go where the story led us. As our investigations revealed a far bigger story than we'd imagined, we realised that to track down Ashenden, we'd need to go to Colombia, and then Mexico. BGI trusted us, and backed us, and dug still deeper. The story simply wouldn't have happened without that support."



Jonathan Milne is pictured during his investigation, with one of AG1's products.

# Pulling together to support young rowers

You might remember from the last update, that Milford Foundation collaborated with Rowing NZ to support the Emerging School Rowing Scholarship worth \$10,000.

The scholarship programme is designed to assist schools with a rowing programme in its infancy. During this year's Maadi Regatta at Lake Karapiro, Bryce caught up with Rowing NZ to talk about the programme. Watch the video below.

### From Māngere to medicine

We're super proud of our Milford Foundation Scholarship recipients. Have a read of this article in *Pacific Media News* about Selina Camillo, and you'll see why.

Selina is part of our 2025 cohort, studying a Bachelor of Biomedical Science at the University of Auckland. Her goal is to be accepted into medicine next year, and eventually become a heart surgeon.



### It takes a Village

Members of Milford's Auckland-based Wealth Management team headed out to The Village, in West Auckland, to pack food parcels recently. According to Financial Adviser Jessica Travers, they are all now kūmara-packing specialists!





### It's MoneyTime!

One of our partner charities, MoneyTime, featured on RNZ recently, thanks to the Foundation's PR agency One Plus One. The team at One Plus One organised an interview between Amanda Gillies (RNZ) and Neil Edmond, MoneyTime CE.