

## About HamiltonJet

CWF Hamilton & Co. Ltd, (HamiltonJet) was formed in 1939, located at the workshop of Irishman Creek Station. Sir William Hamilton pioneered the first commercial waterjet in 19050s – 70 years later Hamilton Jet is a market leader of waterjets and vessel controls. HamiltonJet’s mission is to continually optimise performance, efficiency and safety through innovation in the industry.

HamiltonJet has an extensive market experience as they have installed over 60,000 waterjets into vessels around the globe, including offshore, pilot, rescue, fire, military, patrol, windfarm, fast ferry, fishing, aquaculture and recreational applications. HamiltonJet employs more than 400 staff worldwide with a global network of three regional offices in Europe, Asia and the Americas. HamiltonJet also has more than 50 distribution partners who make them the largest waterjet propulsion manufacturer.

## Biography of Ben Reed

Ben Reed is a mechanical engineer from the U.K. now leading HamiltonJet as managing director. Raised in Shropshire, Reed graduated from Loughborough University of Technology in 1995 and later became a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of the Institute of Mechanical Engineering. He’s worked for a U.K. gas utility company developing natural-gas-powered engines; Ford Motor Company as a Systems Analyst, and 17 years for Caterpillar UK in diesel engine and transmission development for off-highway machinery and military products, having held a variety of roles from Development Engineer through to Engineering Program Manager and Chief Engineer. Nine years ago, Ben was approached by HamiltonJet in New Zealand to lead its new product development activities. Within three years, Ben was appointed to lead the business.

## Additional information to review

- Website: <https://www.hamiltonjet.com/about-us>
- Why waterjets? <https://www.hamiltonjet.com/why-waterjets>
- HamiltonJet boat review: <https://powerboatmagazine.co.nz/hamilton-jet/>
- Engineering New Zealand about HamiltonJet:  
<https://www.engineeringnz.org/programmes/heritage/heritage-records/hamilton-jet-unit/>