



Te Kūkupa

Autumn Edition 2018



A large number of Ngāi Tūpoto whānau gathered recently to mark the return of the former Motukaraka Dairy Factory lands as part of the Te Rarawa settlement. The weekend included a hīkoi around the rohe and a visit to the factory which opened in 1907 and closed in 1958. The factory supported dozens of small Māori dairy farms across the Hokianga in its day.

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TE RUNANGA O TE RARAWA



Manukau Marae

Ko Orowhana te maunga
Ko Taunaha te tupuna
Ko Kohuroa te waihirere
Ka Rangiheke me Te Uwhiroa ngā awa
Ko Ōwhata te wahapū
Ko Ngāti Hine me Te Patu Pīnaki ngā hapū

New ablution block opened

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi; engari, he toa takitini. (This is not the work of one, but the work of many.) The completion and dedication of the new ablution block at Manukau Marae epitomises this whakatauki. It was a pleasure to see all those that have supported the project at the opening in March. The new facilities are great notwithstanding the challenges. It has been no easy task trying to capture the moemoea of our people while maintaining and preserving our culture and tikanga. The project has required an abundance of faith and karakia alongside a deep and determined respect for our ancestors' yearnings.

A small service was conducted by kaumatua Eru Harawira and Rev Bev Smith, before whaea Hariata Jaspers cut the ribbon opening the ablution block. To step into our new building and see the new showers and toilets, and the modern facilities catering for people with disabilities, was very special.

Manukau Marae committee wish to recognise and thank the contractor, Jennian Homes; as well as Foundation North (Cyril Howard,) and Internal Affairs/ Lotteries (Anna Pospisil) for funding; and Te Runanga o Te Rarawa, and the local project team that was led by Dave Smith and Caroline Rapana. Following the opening and mihihi, our manuhiri were treated to a wonderful lunch. This project is the first of three stages of marae development that is planned. The next stage is the upgrade of the wharekai with the tennis courts to follow.



Above and right: Photos of the opening.

Korou Kore Marae

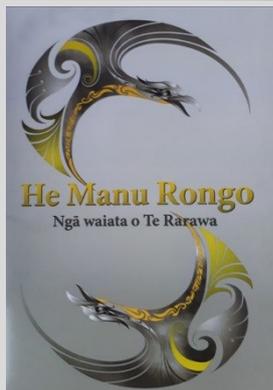
Ko Tīnana te waka
Ko Whangatauatia te maunga
Ko Karirikura te moana
Ko Ngāti Moroki te hapū



National kaitiaki hui brings 200 to Ahipara

In March nearly 200 kaitiaki Māori came to Korou Kore to learn and contribute their knowledge at the national Taiao Māori Te Ao Tūroa hui. The hui was co-hosted by Te Rarawa and Kiwis for Kiwi and attracted kaitiaki from the length and breadth of Aotearoa. "Te Rarawa was really honoured and excited to host a hui of such significance for Aotearoa", says Abraham Witana, Chair of Te Rarawa Anga Mua and hui facilitator. "We hope the exchange of information and relationships formed during the hui will go on to benefit the whole country and the areas we have responsibility to look after." The hui hosted speakers

on a variety of important kaupapa that included exploitation of kaimoana, climate change and collapsing native forests. The sessions were supported by workshops and haerenga within Te Hiku o Te Ika to focus on local history and the contexts kaitiaki are working in. These included hīkoi to Te Rerenga Wairua, Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē, Herekino Forest, Ahipara Gumfields, Tauroa Point and Lake Ngātū. The hui developed the kaupapa "mai ngā mahi ngātahi, ka ora ai to tātou taiao" meaning "when we all work together, our environment will be sustained". This is the third hui of its kind; the previous two have been held at Te Teko and Waikaremoana.



Te Rarawa waiata CD and booklet launched

Te Rarawa has produced a waiata CD and resource entitled, He Manu Rongo; Ngā waiata o Te Rarawa. The CD, which comes with a booklet with the words and background for each of the 14 waiata or haka, has both contemporary and historic material. The project has been in the pipeline for a number of years and thanks goes to the project team which has persevered to get this valuable resource completed. Copies have gone out to all the marae.

For copies of the CD and booklet, which cost \$10, please contact the Runanga on 09 4080141 or email admin@terarawa.co.nz



Roma Marae

Ko Tīnana te waka
Ko Whangatauatia te maunga
Ko Karirikura te moana
Ko Te Ōhāki te whare tupuna

Lummi Nation visit

Earlier this year, Roma marae hosted an international youth group of traditional waka paddlers from the Lummi Nation of Turtle Island. The two week visit from their tribal lands in the Pacific Northwest of Washington to Aotearoa was the culmination of years of planning between the youth leaders there and Jef Murupaenga Ikenn, who works with youth and with traditional waka. The group toured Tai Tokerau including Waitangi for our waka activities over ngā rā o Waitangi. They also went on to Rotorua and Whakatāne. With such a busy schedule, the highlight for many of them was their stay at Roma. There was a relaxed and casual interaction with the haukāinga, good weather, and great kai thanks to Auntie Pare's kaimahi in the kauta, Maru-a-Roto.



Ahipara Takiwa Environment Management

The three marae of the Ahipara takiwa are collaborating to develop an environment plan. We have held a number of hui and trips around our rohe. One of the outcomes of these hui is that we also develop a Taiao Environment Fund, which will sit under the Iwi environment pou. It is hoped that this fund will assist and connect whanau to environmental kaupapa, and support environmental initiatives.

The stay was also memorable because several group members received their first tā moko in the wharenuī, Ōhāki. Local kai tā Anikaaro Harawira-Haveli brought her equipment and her tāne, Mika Haveli, both of whom have previously crewed as kaumoana on waka hourua. Seeing her work, the number of candidates quickly swelled to seven who received unique tamoko over two days, under the watchful eye of the haukāinga. They had been introduced to the traditional practice prior to their visit, and prepared many traditional gifts to be given as part of their koha. There were also frequent trips to the beach, a mini-workshop for mirimiri with Atarangi Muru at her studio in town, as well as a group visit to Te Rerenga Wairua.



Te Huringa Tau Waru Tekau

Uncle Tommy Murray celebrated his 80th birthday recently at Roma Marae. He has reached a wonderful milestone. All of the whānau came to celebrate with him. We ate well, laughed lots and we had the Hobson brothers entertaining us with waiata from Uncle Tommy's era. We appreciate Uncle Tommy being our kaumātua. He is always at the marae and is supportive of community events. He is a pillar at St Clements Church and never misses a Sunday. We wish Uncle Tommy all the best and "astonishing good health".



Kōtahitanga Marae

Ko Rangiputa te maunga tupuna
Ko Whakakoro te maunga moana
Ko Awaroa te awa
Ko Whāngāpe te moana
Ko Ngāti Haua te hapū

Ngā Mate

It is sadness we note the passing of Anne Murray nee Otene who died at home in Whāngāpe in February. Originally from Mangamuka, she was the wife of the late Glass Murray. They raised a family of five as well as many more whāngai children. The Murray homestead, Tōrikiriki, affectionately known as 'Rock College', was home to many nephews, nieces, brothers and sisters over the years. Also Rev Bardia Donald Penewiripo passed away at home surrounded by his family in January. His selfless dedication and service to many will never be forgotten. Bardia was buried at Rangitoto Urupa, Whāngāpe.



Country Calendar: Sweet bro!! Tai Tokerau Honey

In March TV1's Country Calendar ran a programme about Robbie and Lohnet Murray who have built up a thriving export business harvesting manuka honey. Tai Tokerau Honey harvest honey from remote locations all over the North Island including Whakakoro and process it in their own factory. It was an inspiring story showing the success that can be achieved and it was a real tribute to their perseverance, hard work, and vision. Both Robbie and Lohnet were raised in Whāngāpe and they still live there. The programme raised the profile on Ngāti Haua and showcased much of our wonderful rugged west coast landscape. If you missed it don't worry. You can still check it out online and you won't be disappointed. <https://www.tvnz.co.nz/shows/country-calendar/episodes/s2018-e4>



Northdrill: A whānau business, with whānau at the heart

Bronson Murray, son of Rex and Katie Murray, was more at home on the rugby field before kicking off his boots to take on a joint whānau business venture with partners Ida-Jean Murray, Renee Murray, Danny Pepene and Anthony Hayward. Northdrill leads the way as one of the fastest growing new Northland businesses as they secure contracts for installing ultra fast fibre broadband and other general civil works throughout Northland. Their great whānau values helps to keep them all grounded, with great business and development goals. Check out their story on: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?>



Te Kao Kura visit: Te Kao School visited the marae in February on a journey to rediscover the origins of Te Aupouri. Students heard korero from kuia and kaumātua on how and where Te Aupouri began.

Mātihetihe Marae

Ko Tarakeha te maunga
Ko Moetangi te awa
Ko Mātihetihe te marae
Ko Tao Maui, ko Hokoheka ngā hapū
Ko Te Rarawa te iwi



Civil Defence Emergency Response Plan

Our marae trustees recognised the importance of putting in place a plan for our whanau, not only in light of recent adverse events around the country, but because of our vulnerability as a coastal community. We enlisted the help of Alistair Wells (Northland CDEM Group) and Bill Hutchinson (FNDC Team Leader) to help us develop our plan. We encourage other marae to develop their own emergency plan and build a strong relationship with the civil defence team here in Northland. The Northland Regional and Far North District Council websites have all the information you require.



Mitimiti Emergency Response Group

From left: Chief Murray (Coordinator), Karen Murray, Nore Martin, Ana Bercich, and Anne Te Wake



Pest control training

Participants pose in front of Tūmoana during the recent training session.

Pest Control Training

Mike Knight (NRC), Rongo Bentson and the Warawara Trapping Crew including Stan Dunn, Nick Te Wake and Todd Emery, came out to Mātihetihe for a trapping workshop. There was a good turn out from both locals and a couple of interested parties from out of town. Activities centred on the type of traps available, setting a trap and possible trap line locations in our area. There were discussions around the best bait for different pests, i.e. peanut butter for possums, meat for stoats. Each person present was able to have a go at setting both traps and taught about the safest way to set the traps without causing injury or harm to oneself. The possibility of gun licences was also discussed and the training ended with the intention of setting up a local Mitimiti trapping crew of volunteers who could work alongside the Warawara Trapping Crew and also start and monitor their own trapping lines around the rohe.

Waiata Wānanga Series

We kicked off a series of five weekend wānanga last year with what can only be described as a resounding success. Our kaiako Winnie Martin, Jasmine Martin and Jackie-Lee Natana produced a programme that was informative, engaging and most entertaining. We have learnt a number of waiata relating to or composed by whānau from Mitimiti. We have also included guest speakers to build on our kaupapa around taonga. Dr Phil Ross, Jane Cope (M.Sc. student) and Jacinta Forde (PhD student) came from Waikato University to talk about our taonga species, toheroa. From this kaupapa we created a waiata specifically for toheroa and what it means to us. We took advantage of our wifi capability to livestream and Facebook "live" the whole weekend for wider whānau participation, both in New Zealand and overseas. This course is offered through Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiāraangi.

Coastcare Group

Exercising rangatiratanga over taonga in our rohe has led to the establishment of our CoastCare Group. We had an assessment and report produced by Laura Shaft (NRC) of the Mitimiti coastline. Overall it is pretty healthy but we have embarked on two campaigns, one to establish more tihetihe

and pingao colonies in erosion prone areas, and on-going support of Beach-Clean-Up days. We are proud to announce Te Kura o Matihetihe won a GoPro for their involvement in last year's Sea Week promotion. Native tree planting and better management and restorative of natural resources, our moana, awa and ngāhere feature in plans going forward.



Rāhui kutai: Tao Maui/ Hokoheha have set up a rāhui kutai at Mitimiti. The rāhui is in place to allow the kutai beds to recover from over picking and will remain in place until then. We ask everyone to respect this rāhui and also remember that "Pensioner Rock" closest to Moetangi Stream is reserved for kaumātua and kuia only.



Above: Whānau gathered for one of the very successful weekend wānanga focused on waiata.



Waihou Marae

Ko Te Reinga te maunga
Ko Waihou-nui-ā-rua te awa
Ko Waimirirangi te whare tupuna
Ko Ngāti Te Reinga te hapū

Wayne Te Tai 1972-2018

Rere tonu ai ngā roimata mōu hei whāngai i ngā kākano o te whakaaro i roto o te mana-wa o Waihou, o Te Rarawa whānui. He mahinga nōu tupu ake ai hei mātauranga mō ngā uri whakaheke. Ko riro atu koe ki tua, ko ngā waihoutanga mai. Ko ngā manu kōrero, ko ngā manu tioriori. Ngā manu tū ana ki te marae tau ana!

Wayne was the youngest son of Waata and Mere Te Tai (nee Pepere, nō Ngāti Porou) and brother of Warren, Keith, Rees, Colin and Tracey. The family relocated to Panguru when he was 10 and he attended Panguru Area School, where his parents were teachers. Wayne went to Hātō Petera College and completed a Bachelor of Education at Auckland University, and a Diploma of Teaching. Wayne immersed himself in te reo through Te Ataarangi.

Wayne returned to Waihou when his father died in 1995 aged 53. His return home led to him becoming a successful teacher of te reo, mātauranga-a-iwi and waiata at a hapū and Iwi level. His passion for education and te reo is encapsulated in a whakatauāki he coined "Korowaitia to ao i te mātauranga - envelope your world with knowledge, wisdom, understanding and skill". His passion lay with the stories and histories of the Hokianga. This progressed into the filmmaking arena. Wayne co-wrote two short films Tohunga and Pumanawa; and was working on a story about his grandmother called Ka Pū Te Ruha. He was also a composer and helped to write a number of waiata including Te Rarawa Kai-whare which was performed by the Iwi at the third reading of the Te Rarawa Settlement Bill in Parliament.

Wayne became Kaiako Matua for the Te Ara Reo Māori programme in the region in the early 2000s and he inspired students to learn in innovative and fun ways. His work as a Resource Teacher of Learning and Behaviour took him into schools across the north.



In 2011, he became a kaiako at Awanuiārangi and brought the Bachelor of Mātauranga Māori to Waihou. Fourteen of his students graduated from this marae based programme. Wayne returned to study in recent years and completed a Masters Degree in Education at Massey University in Special Teaching recently.

Wayne held many positions at a hapū and Iwi level including Treasurer and Runanga Delegate for Waihou Marae, board member on Te Rarawa Anga Mua, and Te Rarawa representative on Te Hiku Iwi Development Trust. He was also involved with Te Hiku Media and the Komiti Kaitiaki o Warawara. As Pou Arahi he led the Te Rautaki Reo o Te Rarawa Reo Strategy. Wayne was appointed onto the Tai Tokerau cluster for Te Mātāwai as the Te Rarawa Iwi representative.

Wayne was a charismatic and dynamic leader, with humility and patience. He touched the lives of many people. In the short time Wayne was here, he lived a very full life in service to his whānau, his marae, hapū and Iwi. Sadly, on the 21st of February Wayne left this world and we lost a pou in our whare, and we are bereft. But Wayne has left a legacy with many pathways for this generation and the next to follow, if we choose to. Nō reira, ka nui te aroha ki a koe e Wayne.

Waiparera Marae

Ko Tauwhare ko Pukerangatira ngā maunga
Ko Hokianga te awa
Ko Nukutawhiti te whare tupuna
Ko Ruamamao te wharekai

Congratulations to Raheera

Whānau member, Raheera Te Toko, a Health and Safety Advisor for Spotless, was recently the recipient of the Human Resources Industry 2018 Health, Safety and Wellbeing award. She was most humbled being the first Maori woman to achieve this award. She says “it has definitely been a personal highlight of my career.” The award recognises her work establishing the Koru Journey for health and safety.



Annual General Meeting

A Marae AGM has been called for 23rd June commencing at 1.00pm at the marae. Please let whānau know and encourage new members to put themselves forward for committee vacancies. Nau mai.



Above: There were a number of functions held in Rangi point over the summer including the 21st of Eva Watkins, daughter of Tone Te Rore and Phoebe Watkins.



Above: A waterfront wedding for Hinemoa Smart, daughter of Harry and Te Aroha Smart nee Leef, and Kepa Cameron (Te Paatu/ Ngāti Maniapoto/Tainui), was one of the community highlights over the summer break. Ngā mihi ki a rāua.



Ngāi Tūpoto Marae

Ko Rākautapu te maunga
Ko Tapuwae te awa
Ko Hokianga te moana
Ko Ngāhuia te whare
Ko Ngāi Tūpoto te hapū



Ngā mate

Ngā mihi aroha ki ngā whānau e noho pani ana i te hinga ō tātou whanaunga i ngā mara- ma kua pāhure atu nei. He maharatanga mō Maude Gubb (nee Kanara), Ellie Latu (nee Hoani), Lynn Nathan (nee London), Moko Ngapera, Donna Morunga (nee Gundry), Emma Mataira (nee Harris), Henry Davis, Roseanna Davey (nee Hotere), Donna Higgins (nee Booth), Moeroa Davis (nee Everitt), me Harry London. Nō reira e ngā mate moe mai, okioki mai, haere, haere, haere atu ra.

Whanau weekend

A very successful whānau weekend was held in February to mark to the return of the Motukaraka Dairy Factory land through the Te Rarawa Settlement. There was a pōwhiri for Runanga Chairman, Haami Piripi and whānau members went on a hīkoi to the factory land and around parts of the rohe. A number of hapū members attended and it is hoped that we will have this type of hui each year so that hapū members can get more familiar with our rohe and history.



Above: The weekend hui included a few waiata sessions to brush up on our waiata.

Above: Despite visiting the highest vantage point below Rāngai the mist blocked the million dollar view.

Below: Inside photo as it poured with rain all day.





Above: Whānau after the hura kohatu for Lehe Brown, Auntie Rui Brown and Auntie Pat White (Rēmana) and Uncle Peter Peti (Taringaroa) that took place recently.

He hui whakanuia ngā uri kua whiwhi tohu mātauranga

In April Ngai Tūpoto honoured 17 of our recent tertiary graduates. The day started with a powhiri, and we heard speeches from the graduates and their aspiration for the future of Ngai Tūpoto, before enjoying a hākari together. Many thanks to all those who made the day a success including our keynote speaker, Sarah Tiakiwai (nee Davis), our MCs Becker Broughton and Paul White, our ringa wera who put on a lovely spread, our photographer Claire Kaahu White, the Marae Trustees and all those that came to tautoko the day. He rā whakahirahira, he rā ka maharatia.



Hemoata Kopa from the Rameka whānau

has big dreams in agriculture. She attended Taratahi Agricultural Training Centre, Masterton and is now working as a shepherd on a farm in the Wairarapa. She was a finalist in the Ahuwhenua Young Maori Farmer of the Year competition in 2015 and 2017. Kia kaha kōtiro. Kia ū ki to moemoea.



Taitamariki Noho Taiao hosted



Te Rarawa's annual Noho Taiao was hosted this year by Mātihetihe Marae. Nearly 50 young people participated in the four day programme aimed at promoting science and achievement among school secondary school students with a focus on the environment, culture and leadership. The taitamariki were drawn from across the country and from Australia and represented 12 different marae.



The noho included sessions on the marine environment, dune lakes, and the ecology of the ngāhere, as well as waiata and haka. The hui was supported by a number of Iwi resource people who regularly give up there time to support this noho as well as local haukāinga scientists and experts. Many thanks go to the haukāinga and ringa wera from Mātihetihe for the fantastic manaakitanga that was provided throughout the noho. Ngā mihi aroha ki a koutou.

by Mātihetihe Marae , January 2018



Ngā Toi Ora o Waimirirangi: Mokopapa ki te Marae o Waihou



I Poutūterangi i hui ai ngā kaiwhiwhi moko kauwae, mataora ki te marae o Waihou. Ko te kaitāmoko, ko Anikaaro Harawira-Havili. Kātahi te kaupapa rangatira ko tēnei, ko te huitahi ki a Anikaaro me te hakarongorongo ki ngā tini kōrero o a tātou kaumātua, kuia me a tātou kaiwhiwhi. He pō hei wānanga, hei whakaharihari, hei whakawhanaungatanga, whakatau me te whakarite ai i te wairua mo te kaupapa ka huahua mai.

I te rā ake i whiwhi ngā mareikura i tō rātou taonga 'moko kauwae. Ko Waimirirangi (Gemma) Leef nee Thomas; ko Lucy Ripia nee Leef, tamahine o Waimirirangi Leef; ko Paane Thomas, Sophia Thomas, Te Awatea Pawa, nga mokopuna o Waimirirangi Leef; ko Maraea Blair (nee Tupe); ko Pauline Blair-Namana, tamahine o Maraea Blair; ko Patricia Atama-Tamati, tamahine o Hine Kaipo; ko Alexandra Kingi, tamahine o Maria Kingi, mokopuna o Paenoa Mapi Kingi rāua ko Frances (Pīata) Kingi nee Morunga; Magdalene Makiha nee Leef; Rohario Te Wake nee Makiha, tamahine o Magdalene Makiha, rātou ko Hurimei Latimer, kaikaranga o te marae o Waihou.

Anō te wairua manahau, ka rongohia puta noa i ngā paatu o te whareniui o Waimirirangi, me tō tātou kāinga. “Tērā ka rongohia i te wairua, tērā ka noho ki te wairua, tērā ka whakawātea i te wairua pouri, tērā ka

ohooho mai anō te tangata e ora nei, ko koe hei hoa mōku”

I te rā ake i huri ngā mahi o te tāmoko ki te kiri o tō tātou Whatukura a Whatitiri Te Wake, tamatane o Doug rāua ko Richalene Te Wake. Ka huri atu te tirohanga, me te ringatā ki tō tātoki o te kainga, wahine kaha, wahine pūmanawa, wahine ngākaunui ara ko te mareikura a Mereana Ngaropo nee Davis, te whaiaipo o Rawi Ngaropo. Ka puta ko te tangi aue o wā tātou wahine, tuakana, teina, whaea, kuia, mokopuna katoa te kitenga atu i tō moko, kia ita te mauri!

E kore nei te aroha me ngā mihi e mutu ki a koutou ngā ahikā, ngā tini kaimihi, ngā tini kaitautoko i te kainga i whakaae mai kia haere ake tēnei kaupapa o tātou. Ki ngā ringa wera i pau te kaha kia reka ai ngā kai mō ngā tini whanaunga i tae mai, e kore anō ngā mihi e mutu ki a koutou. Otirā, ki a koutou ngā kura me ngā tini tangata i tae a tinana ki te tautoko, waiata hoki mō ngā kaiwhiwhi, anō te ahua-reka. Ka pehea rā ngā kōrero māu e Anikaaro e te raukura, kourua ko tō hoa tane a Mika. E kore rawa tō mātou aroha e mutu noa ki a kourua ko tō whānau. Tēnei ka tākohatia ki a koe; takutaku mō te moko a kanohi.

Takutaku te pō, takutaku te ao, takutaku te pō, takutaku te ao ki te Wheiao, ki te ao marama Tiheiwa mauri ora.

Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea: Te Rarawa's Asset Company

TE RAU MIERE



OUR INVESTMENT VISION

Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea have developed relationships with local Te Rarawa & other Te Hiku beekeeping companies to retain the value of Mānuka honey within the region and to build a pathway to ensure Te Rarawa landowners gain a fairer share of the profits produced by the honey industry



TE WAKA PUPURI PŪTEA

PHASE ONE

Local manuka honey is purchased and stored in our 'Honey Bank' to grow the Unique Mānuka Factor (UMF).

Banked honey can be sold back to local companies to meet their supply arrangements or, where local supply requirements have been met, sold on the open market.

The model improves cashflow, allows local companies to maintain or increase supply arrangements which will promote employment & local processing of honey products.



PHASE TWO

Work with Te Rarawa landowners to determine the best beekeeping concessions for their land:

'Take the Honey, Not the Money'
Take 25% of Mānuka honey as payment &/OR A right of first refusal over the remaining honey (RFR) OR Hive placement arrangements on multi-floral honey producing blocks

Can store & grow their share in the Honey Bank & Te Rarawa can buy the RFR honey & share a portion of the profit

FUTURE

Landowners are producing enough capital to participate fully in honey industry
Te Rarawa, Landowners & Beekeepers are working together to process honey locally and accessing markets through a Te Rarawa or National Māori brand

Four Pou Contributions
Social (promote employment),
Cultural (Te Hiku identity promotion), Economic (Returns from Honey Bank),
Environmental (land-based activity)



Social



Cultural



Economic



Environmental

Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea have invested in a honey strategy called Te Rau Miere to support our local bee-keeping industry and to improve returns for land owners.

Te Rarawa Mauri Ora Mai Tawhiti Wānanga; Pawarenga



The third Te Rarawa Mauri Ora Mai Tawhito Wānanga was held late last year in Pawarenga. The three-day hui was hosted by Te Uri o Tai with support from Te Rarawa Anga Mua and Te Aho Tū Roa (Toimata Foundation). It was attended by more than 300 people, with a large number of kaumātua and kuia, high calibre speakers, and an exciting programme. It included a haerenga down the Rotokākahi River and Whāngāpe Harbour and trips to St Gabriel's Church and Te Manawa o Ninihi. These activities generated dynamic conversations about our history, and our places, and their significance to hapū and Iwi.

The wānanga focused on mauri and the importance it has in our everyday lives, to help us understand the importance of connection with everything around us, our interactions with our environment and with each other. One of the main outcomes of the wānanga was to re-ignite a spark or energy to take back to our marae, getting people to understand mauri and the greatness of what is within each of us.

Another highlight of the wānanga was the release of the Te Rarawa Waiata CD; He Manu Rongo. The CD and accompanying booklet features 14 waiata and haka, including some contemporary material. Participants at the hui learnt some of the waiata. The CDs/Booklets have been provided to all the marae and are available for \$10 from the Rūnanga.



The wānanga also coincided with the 30th celebrations of Pawarenga's pioneering waka ama team, Ngā Hoe Horo. Nga Hoe Horo was a pivotal part of the revival of waka ama in Tai Tokerau, producing world champions. Te Uri o Tai were able to showcase this part of their history throughout the wānanga.



Above: Kaumātua and kuia in front of Te Urunga-mau-tonu whare at Ohāki Marae in Pawarenga.



Above Mike Te Wake with organisers Maraea Herbert and Joanne Murray after the mauri for next year's hui was handed over to Te Raki o Hokianga. The 2018 hui will be hosted in Panguru and involve the Hokianga marae.



Above: Getting ready to go out on the Whāngāpe Harbour to look at historical sites.

Oswald “Ossie” John Perry (1931-2018)

Well known Te Rarawa and Te Uri o Tai identity Ossie Perry passed away in Kaitaia in January of this year. He was 86. Ossie was the third born, blond and blue eyed, son of Wiremu (Bill) and Laura Peri from Pawarenga, a place he always considered to be “the centre of the universe.” During his youth he lived between Pawarenga and Broadwood where he would often stay and help his Uncle Arthur and Aunty Ruby Backhouse-Smith on their farm. When he was 13 he was sent to Sacred Heart College where he obtained his School Certificate. He then went on to a career in the military joining the army. Ossie worked his way through the ranks to become one of the youngest warrant officers in service at that time. It was while he was training in Trentham that he met Agnes (Tess) nee Haddon who became his wife and the love of his life. Together they had seven children; Laura, Glenda, Theresa, John, Brian, Donna and Fiona.

One story that Ossie enjoyed to tell anyone that would listen relates to his rugby prowess. During his posting to Malaya in the 1960s with the army, he played hooker and was the captain of the NZ team which beat the Australians. After his two year posting in Malaya and having been told by his superiors that he had reached the highest rank possible for him at that time, Ossie decided to leave the army and return to NZ so that his children could have more stable schooling. After a period in real estate in Auckland he became involved with the Social Welfare. Ossie was not one to sit back and accept how things were run. He was a leading advocate of doing things differently for Māori and was a pioneer of the introduction of Matua Whāngai within the department. Within his work he was influential in the establishment of Iwi authorities across the north, including Te Roopu a Iwi o Te Rarawa, which was the forerunner to Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa.

When it was time to retire Ossie and Tess moved back to Kaitaia. Ossie was very involved with St Joseph’s Catholic Church, AN-ZAC days, and the Rūnanga. His idea of retirement was to continue working but for no pay. He did a lot of voluntary work with young people, and liaising with the Courts, and the Police over many years. He was also a

Te Rarawa representative on Te Hiku Hauora.

Life for Ossie and Agnes was good in the far north. They travelled overseas regularly including six trips to Italy to visit family. The Ninety Mile Fishing Contest was eagerly awaited each year with Ossie participating for over 20 years. Every year he was so excited thinking that this was definitely going to be THE year but he never caught a fish to be taken to the weigh-in. The whānau discovered after he died that he had already purchased his ticket for this year; forever the optimist. Apart from his family, his proudest moment was when he was recognised in the Queen’s Honours list in 2005 and received the Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit medal for his work in the Community. He also received an award from the Department of Internal Affairs for his services.

Ossie lay at Taiao Marae before being interred at St Gabriel’s church yard with his wife in Pawarenga. He is survived by all his children and his mokopuna, Renee, Daniel, Marino, Amy, Michael, Sam, Joshua, Jordon, Jackson, Nicola, Olivia, Courtney, Kyle, Brooke, Peri, Aroha and Matthew. Moe mai e te rangatira.



Broadwood tamariki tackle roadside litter

Catherine Semenoff-Murray's Year 4-7 class has been active in collecting rubbish from roadsides around Manganuiowae. After taking part in the Whitebait Connection programme, which looks at the importance of clean waterways, they decided to help prevent rubbish entering their local awa in the first place. They collected rubbish for 11km west along the road to Pawarenga/Panguru junction and 11km east between Broadwood and the Mangamuka-Kohukohu junction. In total, they collected 30 bin liners of rubbish. Sorting through

each bag they discovered that the majority of what they had collected could be recycled at the Broadwood Community Recycling Centre. Only a portion; one 44-gallon drum worth of rubbish went to landfill. Well done to Catherine and her students for helping keep our district tidy this summer. The tamariki want to encourage everyone in the Far North to support this initiative by recycling responsibly and keeping our roadsides clear of litter.



New curator at Te Ahu in Kaitiāia



Whānau tautoko at Te Ahu for the powhiri of Whina Te Whiu from Waihou, who has taken up a new role as Curator at the Te Ahu Museum in Kaitiāia. Whina who is the daughter of Mihiteria Te Whiu and Waru Waitohi (Ngati Kuri) has worked at the John Kinder Theological Library, St Johns Theological College, and Auckland City Council Libraries. She completed a Diploma of Heritage and Museum Studies from the Eastern Institute of Technology last year. Nau mai, hoki mai ki te kāinga.

Three Te Rarawa women win Kupe Scholarships in last round

The Kupe Scholarships are awarded to recognise highly accomplished Māori and Pacifica students and support them to get their teaching qualifications. The prestigious awards provide for course fees with the recipients also receiving a \$15,000 study allowance, professional mentoring and assistance finding a job.

Jasmine Pirini, Te Uri o Tai

Jasmine who lives in Pawarenga, is studying through Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangī where she has completed her second year of study towards a Bachelor of Education degree. An environment conservation educator and mother, Jasmine has a lifelong interest in the well-being of children and education. Combining her passion for enhancing Māori children's learning and for the environment, she is keen to be the kind of teacher that exposes her students to the environment, outside of the constraints of classroom learning. She affiliates to Te Rarawa, Te Aupouri and Ngāti Hine and has previously worked for Te Rarawa as an iwi researcher. Jasmine is the daughter of Sid and Mereana Pirini.



Above: Jasmine, second from right, at the award presentations with other recipients and Associate Minister Tim Maclndoe.

Muritere Apiata nee Thomas, Ngāti Te Reinga

Muritere is the daughter of Tane Thomas and Karen Wynyard. Brought up in the Hokianga, university graduate Muritere was studying for her Graduate Diploma in Teaching Secondary at Waikato University. She is a fluent te reo Māori speaker and holds a Ngā Mana Whakairo a Toi Bachelor of Māori Performing Arts degree from Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangī. A performing kapa haka artist

who has lead one of Te Tai Tokerau groups at Te Matatini, Muritere is a noted cultural ambassador who has performed for international visitors and delegates.



Above

Muritere with Pio Terei at the award presentations.

Kathleen Mendes, Ngāi Tūpoto

Kathleen is the daughter of Joe and Dawn Mendes. A former assistant accountant, Kathleen completed her second year of the He Korowai Akonga Bachelor of Education from Te Wānanga o Aotearoa. A highly motivated mature student, who lives in Manukau in Auckland, she has always known the value of education and becoming a teacher is a fulfillment of a lifelong dream. She aspires to be a teacher that creates a culture of care within her classroom and engages her students to learn, and make a difference in their lives using the principles of Ako which encompass living, learning and teaching. Kathleen, who is a mother and grandmother, has a deep commitment to her family and their education.



Above: Kathleen poses after the awards.

Te Rarawa Tertiary Scholarship winners

The Rūnanga received over 40 applications for its tertiary scholarships for this year and 11 scholarships to the value of \$31,750 were awarded. The recipients were of a high calibre, enthusiastic and passionate about their areas of study and keen to contribute to the Iwi in the future. The successful applicants were enrolled at seven different New Zealand tertiary institutes and they whakapapa to twelve Te Rarawa marae. Applications for next year's scholarships open in September and close at the end of October 2018.

Natalya Jones (Te Kotahitanga)
Tarutaru me Ruapounamu Scholarship
\$2000 for 3 yrs
BA/LLB; Māori Studies and Political Science
Auckland University

Nikau Reti-Beazley (Ngāi Tūpoto)
Tarutaru me Ruapounamu Scholarship
\$2000 for 3 yrs
Bachelor Health Science; Medicine
University of Otago

Anna Sadlier (Waihou)
Joan Metge Scholarship
\$2500
Bachelor of Applied Management
NorthTec

Te Hurinui Morris (Ngāti Manawa)
Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea Scholarship
\$3000
Bachelor Commerce and Law
University of Auckland

Tia Ashby (Roma)
Te Waka Pupuri Pūtea Scholarship
\$3000
MBA; Masters in Business
Massey University

Patricia Waipouri (Ohāki)
Te Rarawa Scholarship
\$1,750
Certificate in Apiculture
Telford , Lincoln University

Tori Stevenson (Te Kotahitanga)
Te Rarawa Scholarship
\$1,500
Law
Waikato University

Renee Smith (Tauteihiihi, Ngāi Tūpoto)
Te Rarawa Scholarship
\$1,500
PhD Psychology
Massey University

Travis Glassie (Ngāti Manawa, Waihou)
Te Rarawa Scholarship
\$1,500
Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery
University of Auckland

Roberta McLean
(Motutī, Whakamaharatanga)
Te Rarawa Scholarship, \$2,500
Bachelor of Arts; Indigenous Studies
Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi

Tamati Rakena (Mātihetihe, Te Arohanui)
Te Rarawa Scholarship
\$2,500
Bachelor of Education; Huarahi Maori
University of Auckland

Below:
Scholarship recipients and whānau at a lunch
to honour the scholarship winners.





Nā te Heamana

Hikina ake tō tātou titiro ki ngā pae maunga. Ki ngā hiwi whakahaere a ngā tūpuna, ki reira tapatapaina ingoa ai, ki kō, ki kō, ki kō. Me whakatata mai te pae tawhiti, kia mauria te pae tata hei oranga mō te whānau o inaianei. Koira ngā uri puta noa o te iwi nei, ko Te Rarawa Kaiwhare. Maranga mai e te Iwi, kia haere tahi ai tātou. Kōkiri, tōkiri, whakamaua kia tīna, hui e taiki e!

Let's lift our gaze to more distant horizons, to the ridges that were traversed by our forebears, who named their destinations with histories commemorating their presence in the pursuit of far-off horizons while seizing the opportunities around them to

sustain the whānau of the day who are descendants of the Iwi, Te Rarawa Kaiwhare. Rise up, reach forward, so we can advance as one and achieve our common aspirations. Together!

E mihi ana ahau ki ā tātou katoa ngā waihotanga nō rātou ma. Tātou e noho pūmau ki tā rātou i whakapono ai, i whakapau kaha ai, mō te Iwi te take. I te tau nei kua whatungarongaro te tangata ahakoa kaumātua, taitamariki rānei. Kua riro he roimata tā tātou kai, ana kia manawaroa hoki tātou kia whiwhi ai tātou te mana motuhake a ō tātou tūpuna. Na reira e te Iwi, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa .

I have always argued that the form of an iwi is of a confederative nature, where all members of the Iwi confederation retain their particular identity and autonomy as communities within a community. In this sense, an iwi organisation becomes a simple vessel for administering Iwi affairs whose attributes lie more in the domain of a regional authority rather than the more localised and sacred roles and responsibilities of hapū (and marae). The difference between these entities needs to be understood by our Iwi members in order for us to be able to function together with each entity working to the benefit of the whānau unit.

The next chapter in our development is to launch the sorts of initiatives and strategies that promote our own priorities and deliver real benefits to each of these institutions. Our four-pou outcomes (economic, social, environmental and cultural) provide us with the parameters of our focus and the ability to achieve the balance between them. This will build a new prosperity upon a platform of collaborative relationships established by our tikanga. In order for this to happen, Iwi need

to wield influence, hapū need to be empowered and whānau (wherever they may be) need to be supported into safe and secure living conditions with a good quality of life filled with opportunities.

Collaboration is the key to taking us forward and by virtue of their statistical footprint, youth must be a part of the transformation. I was honoured to recently attend a youth conference and in my short time there I learned much about young people and about myself as an agent of change, or not. I have come to believe that we must proactively create a special provision for young people to allow them a full right of participation in all the Iwi affairs that affect them. The statistical profile of our communities reveals that our young people (under the age of 24 years old) comprise more than half of our entire Iwi population and yet they continue to exercise no authority and very little influence. Over the next year, youth will be my priority. I will increase my advocacy for their inclusion and decision-making, and their representation of the Iwi and national fora, especially where it involves new age technology.

Our investment in a cycle of succession will ensure our future as an 'Iwi mana motuhake, kia tupu ake ai ngā kākano i ruia mai i Raiātea'. Nā reira, he kaupapa mai ra ano, engari me whai ngākau hou kia whakatūtuki ake ngā tumanako me ngā moemoea o rātou ma. Tihei mauriora.

Haami Piripi
Chairperson , Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa

Ngā rā o mua



Kapa Haka Group for Pā Henare Tate's first Mass in Panguru in 1964.
Can anyone identify any of this roopu?

Whakamaharatanga

Me mihi kau ake ki te hunga kua hoki ki te kainga tūturu mō tātou te tangata. Kō rātou ēna i hoki wairua atu ki Hawaikinui, Hawaikiroa, Hawaikipamamao. Nō reira haere e ngā mate haere, haere atu ra.

Ngāti Manawa: Frank Topia

Te Uri o Hina: Grace Pōpata

Motutī: Maude Gubb, Isobel Paparoa

Roma: Freda Paratene, Ray Mackie, Johnny Lloyd

Mōrehu: James Pirini Jnr, Margaret Enright, Mata Ihaka

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Mātihetihe: Roseanna Davey (nee Hōtere)

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