

A newsletter for Te Arawa descendants on the economic growth and development towards achieving the aspirations of 11 Affiliate iwi and hapu from its Treaty of Waitangi settlement.

Manaaki Whenua, Manaaki Tangata, Haere Whakamua
Care for the land, Care for the people, Go forward

The road ahead for Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust

From the desk of the General Manager,
Rawiri Te Whare

Kei te mihi atu ki a koutou katoa, nga iwi, nga hapu, nga whanau. Ko te tumanako, pai rawa atu to koutou wa o te Kirihimete me te Tau Hou. Ka huri nga whakaaro ki nga mahi mo te tau kei mua i a tatau.

Ma te Runga Rawa tatau katoa hei awahina, hei arahi i runga i te huarahi tika, kia whakatutuki pai nga whainganga nui, nga kaupapa nui mo te orangatanga o te iwi.



Trustees of Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust, Front row: Te Pohawaiki Wiringi-Jones, Rawiri Te Whare (General Manager), Eru George (TPT chairman), Eva Moke, Te Poroa Malcolm and Te Rangipuawhe Maika. Back row, from left: John Waaka, Fred Cookson, Wallace Haumaha (TAGH chairman), Roger Pikia, Edwin McKinnon and Ruka Hughes. Absent: Blanche Kiriona, Materoa Peni, Anaru Rangihueua and Jim Schuster

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In 2009 we witnessed two major milestones:

- the actual transfer of settlement assets on 2 July 2009 from the Crown to Te Arawa Affiliates; and
- the Crown Apology delivered by the Prime Minister on 28 August 2009 at Owata Marae.

These significant milestones gave cause for the Te Arawa Affiliate iwi and hapu to celebrate the culmination of a long journey.

The Christmas/New Year break was a welcome opportunity to pause from the pressures of business and to enjoy fun and relaxation with family.

Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust Board and management are now poised for a challenging, and exciting year.

The major strategies for the next 12 months will focus on:

- forestry-related issues including land management, highest best land use, forest replant, climate change implications
- mana whenua process
- centralised social and specialist services
- TPT elections, and
- commercial geothermal development.

While these are seen as the major strategies, the supporting administrative programmes will ensure they happen in an efficient and timely manner. The Board held a three-day workshop in January to consider and plan these strategies.

Te Arawa Group Holdings (TAGH), the commercial arm of TPT, will continue to strategise around the collective investment on behalf of the Affiliates. It will also consider the viability of other commercial deferred selection assets.

TAGH will maintain a business relationship with Tukia, the commercial Board for the CNI Iwi Shareholders Forum.

In this respect TAGH will work with Tukia on forest replant, other highest best land use, Right of First Refusals (RFRs), Deferred Selection Properties (DSPs) and carbon credits.

TAGH will also develop a strategy around commercial geothermal development.

Te Arawa River Iwi Trust (TARIT) continues to manage discussions in respect to the Upper Catchment of the Waikato River and its tributaries co-management framework. TARIT is expecting to sign a Deed of Settlement regarding this framework within the next two to three months.

TARIT will also assist the Waikato River iwi entities to develop iwi environmental plans.

TPT, TAGH and TARIT are looking forward to a productive year. Our outlook is positively confident, as we aim for the successful implementation of these major strategies for the benefit of our Affiliates.

Na Rawiri Te Whare
General Manager

Registration for Affiliates of Te Arawa

Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust has established a register of members of the 11 Te Arawa Affiliates it represents.

If you are of Te Arawa descent and can whakapapa to at least one of the Affiliates listed below, then you have an interest in this settlement.

You may register with more than one Affiliate subject to providing appropriate whakapapa for validation purposes.

To register as an Affiliate member visit the Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust website at www.tpota.org.nz and download a registration form. Or you can mail us requesting a registration form from the office at:

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Te Arawa Affiliate iwi and hapu

- Ngati Tuara/Ngati Kearoa
- Ngati Tura/Ngati Te Ngakau
- Ngati Ngararanui (including Ngati Tamahika and Ngati Tuteaiti)
- Ngati Te Roro o Te Rangi
- Ngati Uenukukopako
- Ngati Tuteniu
- Ngati Pikiāo
- Ngati Tarawhai
- Ngati Rongomai
- Tuhourangi Ngati Wahiao
- Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa

Message from the Chairman

The year 2010 is the dawn of a new decade and the beginning of a very productive year for us.

E nga kawai nui o nga kahui rangatira, tena koutou katoa. He mihi tenei ki a koutou e whakapau kaha ana ki te tautokohia nga mahi katoa a Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa. Kua kitea atu e koutou nga hua kua whakahokia mai ki a matau, hei whakapiki ake aua hua hei painga mo te hunga e whai panga ana. Kei te hanga tonu e matau te anga whakamua, he maha nga rautaki kaupapa hoki i tutuki i te tau kua pahure. Kei te haere tonu enei ahuatanga i tenei tau. No reira koutou e ngakaunui ana ki a matau mahi, tirohia, panuihia, tautokohia. Noho ora ma i raro i nga manaakitanga o te Runga Rawa.

As we look to the future we remember and acknowledge the good mahi of all our descendants to achieve our Treaty settlement so that our next generations may thrive from its opportunities. We remember the significant milestones achieved in 2009, the transfer of our Treaty settlement assets which enable us to grow wealth for our people, and the historic ceremony of the Crown Apology at Owata Marae.

In this first issue of *Pumautanga Korero* in 2010 we embrace a year of more hard work ahead as we continue our journey towards lifting the cultural, economic and social aspirations of our people.

During a busy year it is appropriate to reinforce our continued commitment to sound governance and effective management and leadership decisions that will inspire and motivate us to reach our goals.

In this issue you will discover the priority strategic goals of Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust Board and the important mahi planned for the next 12 months. TPT will support our Affiliates with programmes designed to assist in managing and growing the settlement wealth for all hapu and whanau members.

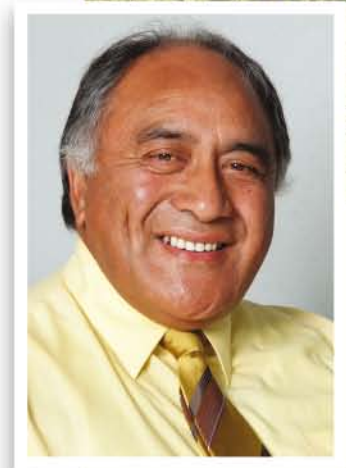
The new Trustees to the Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust have been elected and we wish them well with their new structure as a common law trust, which sparks the beginning of a new organisation.

The new site for the proposed relocation and rebuild of Ohaki Marae is featured in this issue. We hear of the importance of land use flexibility for a developing iwi economy. Te Arawa descendants, Ngati Ngararanui, head towards the 100th anniversary for Waiteti Marae.

There are many challenges before us – the critical work for Te Arawa River Iwi Trust (TARIT) to gain a Deed of Settlement for the co-management framework, clean-up and future health and well being of the Waikato River. We will update you on progress for Te Arawa Group Holdings (TAGH) as it explores opportunities in commercial enterprise.

Moving forward into a new year we will continue to engage in long-term strategic and productive developments for our people by optimising the commercial benefits of the Treaty settlement.

Eru George
Chairman



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Rawiri Te Whare, Chairman, Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust

A constitutional change for Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust

Te Runanga O Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Trust has embarked on a new journey towards a constitutional change to a common law trust.

Chairman of the Runanga Trust Rawiri Te Whare said, “The intention is to strengthen our governance position. This new strategic plan will determine our key strategic goals for the next 20 years.”

A common law trust was agreed on as the best type of constitution to respond to current and future challenges, he said. The Trust was formerly registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

“Now we have the flexibility and versatility to manage the political and social changes into the future,” he said.

Mr Te Whare said the existing structure was not sufficient or appropriate to meet the future needs of the organisation or to accommodate benefits and proceeds from the Treaty settlement assets.

The ratification process

“To gain agreement and ratification we consulted widely with iwi and held hui in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Reporoa,” he said.

“The new constitution and new structure, in essence, is the birth of a new organisation. Those who participated in the ratification process voted overwhelmingly to ratify a new constitution.” he said.

Nomination process for elections to Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust

For the constitutional change to proceed it was appropriate for all incumbent officers to stand down from their governance positions.

“Our goal was to achieve a mandate to represent all iwi members by promoting the Runanga Trust effectively,” Rawiri Te Whare said.

The six seats for the Trust were allocated to four marae, Mangahoanga, Waimahana, Ohaki, and Te Toke, a position for a Kahui Kaumatua and one seat for the iwi economic land trusts.

- All nominees met the criteria and submitted a CV.
- Information was provided on the strategic goals for the Runanga Trust, its core business and new structure.
- The voting papers were distributed in December 2009.
- The voting period was from 21 December 2009 – 3 February 2010.

Beneficiaries voted by postal ballot on 3 February 2010 and details of the appointed Trustees were published in newspapers on 8 February 2010.

New Trustee appointments

The new trustees for the Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga:

- Bill Galvin – Kahui Kaumatua
- Rawiri Te Whare – Ohaki Marae
- Evelyn Forrest – Te Toke Marae
- Grant Hohepa – Mangahoanga Marae
- Angela Werahiko – Waimahana Marae
- Roger Pikia – iwi economic land trusts (Te Roopu Whai Ohu)

Congratulations to all of the successful candidates.

The inaugural meeting of the Runanga Trustees took place on Tuesday 9 February 2010. At that meeting Roger Pikia was elected to the TPT Board, Rawiri Te Whare was elected Chairperson, Evelyn Forrest, Secretary, and Grant Hohepa, Treasurer.

Proposed relocation and rebuild of Ohaki Marae

Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa representative, Roger Pikia, said that for more than 900 years his Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa people have held mana whenua over the lands and resources inherited from their Tupuna Ariki, Tahumatua. Mr Pikia said for the iwi, history is repeating itself with another proposed relocation of our beloved marae.

The iwi are currently considering a proposal to move Ohaki Marae to higher ground due to subsidence caused by the extraction of geothermal fluid from the Ohaki geothermal power station. Beneficiary owners agreed in 2008/2009 to a land swap to acquire a new marae site overlooking the Waikato River off State Highway 5, opposite Ohaki Road.

Mr Pikia said, "The subsidence caused by the development of the Ohaki power station devastated our iwi and many of our old people who have now passed away." The marae grounds have dropped more than three metres and the Waikato River is predicted to inundate Ohaki Marae in the next five years.

Ohaki Marae was re-established at its present site in 1926. Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa people living at Orakei Korako were made to relocate to make way for the Ohakuri Dam. More than two-thirds of the geothermal features at Orakei Korako were flooded by the construction of the dam.

"Our people suffered the humiliation of watching their homes burn to the ground," he said.

He said the taking of lands at Orakei Korako for hydro electricity generation under the Public Works Act was justified by the Crown as being in the best interests of the nation. Residents were relocated to Taupo to enable the Ohakuri Lake to flood the area. Orakei Korako is regarded as the Ukaipo of the Ngati Tahu-Ngati

Whaoa iwi, the place where the wharenui Tahumatua and Rahurahu once stood.

"Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa has not received any benefits from the commercial development of this large power station," Mr Pikia said. "The Crown divorced itself from any responsibility through the privatisation of Contact Energy in the early 1990's and by transferring all encumbrances such as the subsidence issue at Ohaki. Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa consider those actions by the Crown to be dishonorable," he said.

Consultation with the iwi on the rebuild will see a full upgrade of all marae buildings. Contact Energy has accepted full responsibility for the relocation and rebuild of the marae complex. "We will hold them accountable and ensure that full compensation is achieved in our negotiations," Mr Pikia said.

The Ohaki Marae Working Party, set up in 2003, is continuing to assess and address the issues caused by subsidence and to find practical and durable long term solutions to mitigate its effects. A new survey on ground levels is scheduled for April this year.

In the future, new geothermal power projects within the rohe of Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa must involve consultation with the iwi. This will assist in achieving opportunities for equitable and sustainable wealth on collaborative projects. Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa, with their entities as land owners, will be at the forefront of any new developments.



Kaumatua Tawhi Mita and Nepia Williams looking out to the various Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa landmarks. The proposed new site for Ohaki Marae



Ohaki Marae



Land use flexibility on world agenda for climate change



Roger Pikia, Te Arawa iwi representative to Copenhagen

For Te Arawa and all Iwi climate change initiatives on a developing iwi economy need to lift the social, cultural and economic aspirations for our people.

Te Arawa Iwi leader Roger Pikia has returned from the world leaders' climate change discussions, held in Copenhagen, optimistic about what the future holds for Iwi.

Mr Pikia said, "Land use flexibility is still the most important outcome for the Te Arawa Treaty settlement. It is firmly on the world agenda, although, no agreement has been struck." He said

achieving the outcomes on negotiations would be a long, hard and arduous journey.

Mr Pikia was one of two influential Iwi leaders selected as part of the New Zealand government delegation to Copenhagen attended by 39,500 people including world leaders and climate change experts. He said a highlight was hearing speeches from different world leaders, and in particular, China.

Iwi involved in forestry are hit with a high cost when businesses seek to switch land from forestry to another use. Te Arawa has had significant lands, including forestry assets, returned from the Treaty settlement.

"Opportunities for improved Treaty settlements on lands for Iwi can be advanced through land use flexibility and Iwi can benefit in business by harvesting the good carbon from retained carbon emissions," he said.

"The reality is developing nations are focused on economic negotiations rather than environmental issues. The focus now is on ensuring that the average temperatures remain low at 2 degrees," he said.

As the Iwi economy develops, along with global business, it will require time to adjust to a new way of operating. "It won't happen overnight. There are high expectations for reducing carbon emissions and high costs. It is much harder to achieve," Mr Pikia said.

"We are a high carbon society by using vehicles and rail. The emissions economy will increase and investigate opportunities that will remain economically viable," he said.

World climate change discussions are to resume in Mexico in December. Mr Pikia said the key outcomes have been left to world leaders from the USA, China, Brazil, the European Union and now Mexico.

"It's the only way a deal can be done," Mr Pikia said. Although, the end of 2010 will reach a conclusion on climate change no-one will put business on hold. At the end of the day it's about putting kai on the table."



Waiteti Marae to celebrate 100th anniversary

The Tupuna Whare, Ngararanui, celebrates two of the sons of the eponymous ancestor, Whakaue Kaipapa, namely the second and third sons, Tuteaiti and Ngararanui. Centenary celebrations are planned for Waiteti Marae in March when it celebrates its 100th anniversary.



Kaumatua Henare Colbert prepares for the 100th anniversary for Waiteti Marae



Ngararanui e ngunguru nei

Kaumatua of Ngararanui Henare Colbert said, “As descendants of the sons of Whakaue Kaipapa we have ‘tuakana’ status within the wider Ngati Whakaue tribe. We are ‘teina’ to the eldest child, Tawakehemoa, the tupuna of Ngati Rangiwewehi at Te Awahou.”

Ngati Ngararanui is a smaller hapu with 450 registered beneficiaries.

Henare said, “Ngati Ngararanui Hapu Trust is investing wisely from the Te Arawa Treaty settlement. The interest accumulated from the \$1 million distribution to each of the Affiliates will assist the hapu, and the upkeep and maintenance of Waiteti Marae.”

Preparations are underway for the centenary celebrations. Henare said, “Many of our wahine are expert weavers, having studied under the renowned master weaver, Emily Schuster. Our wahine have always been the driving force for our marae committee and they are experts in the art of ‘manaaki manuhiri’. Our pride is enhanced by their endeavours.”

“Ngati Ngararanui are custodians of the old Patuwatawata site of Whakaue, known as Weriweri, and of the taonga

Hine-tua-hoanga, a sacred sandstone brought to us on the Te Arawa waka. We are proud to be the only Ngati Whakaue Marae to fly the Whakaue flag.”

The Tupuna Whare, Ngararanui, was first erected at Poeke on the Tauranga Harbour by the Ngai Te Ahi people to celebrate their connection to Ngararanui. From there it was moved to Hairini, and then to Waiteti.

Tamahika, whose wife, Ngaruinga, was a grandchild of Ranganui, was defeated in battle by Ngati Ranganui. Tamahika’s descendants survived the war because he tricked Ranganui into believing that his male tamariki were female and so they were set free. This ingenious plan ensured the continuation of Tamahika’s whakapapa within the rohe of Ngati Ranganui. In honour of Tamahika’s warrior-type death, his descendants changed their name to Ngai Te Ahi.

Henare said, “Descendants of Ngararanui, Tuteaiti and Tamahika will gather to celebrate our 100th anniversary and share the memories of our ancestors with our Ngai Te Ahi cousins of Tauranga Moana. We will stand on our whenua below Weriweri and plan for the future.”

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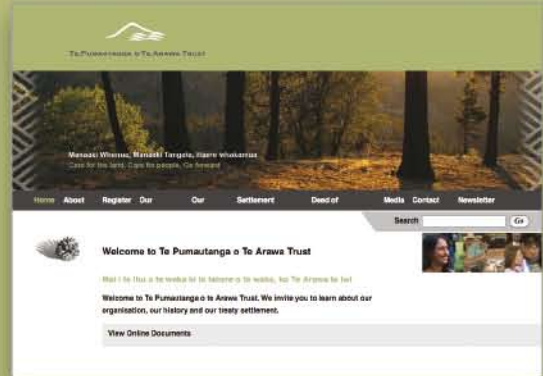
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