

Our News

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Te Pūmāutanga o Te Arawa Trust

Chair's Corner

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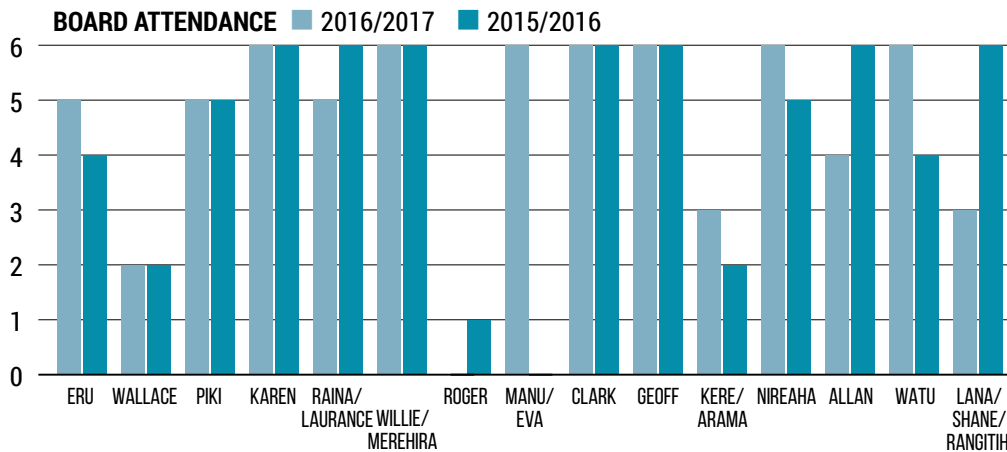


Ko tēnei taku mihi ki a koutou e noho mai rā i runga o tātau marae maha o Te Arawa, otirā, ki te whānau, whānui o te motu ki tāwāhi hoki, tēnā koutou.

Me te tangi aruaru anō hoki ki te kāhui whakangaro, ngā kākā wahanui o te Wao nui ā Tāne, ngā Kaihautū o ngā Marae o Te Arawa, rātau kua huri kaweka nei, haere atu, tahuri atu, whakangaro atu rā.

Tiheī mauriora ki te Whai Ao, ki te Ao Mārama. E taku iti, e taku rahī, e rau Rangatira mā, ka nui te mihi atu ki a koutou e tautoko ake ngā mahi o Te Pūmāutanga o Te Arawa. E whai ake nei, ko ngā kupu hai whakamaharatia te huarahi e pa ana ki enēi mahi katoa.

No reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātau katoa.



As we complete the first 90 days of our financial year it is prudent that we step back and review our progress beyond our financials and consider the holistic nature of our responsibilities as Governors of our Board. The diagram in the photo below sets out at a high level, our holistic role as governors and our core components responsibilities. Whilst we have big issues in front of us, such as mana whenua, financial sustainability and discussions with TAGH, we must not take our eyes off the high level responsibilities we face.

Our two governance priorities for the next 90 days include;

- Confirming our Strategic Direction
- Monitoring our Governance and Organisation Performance

Setting the Strategic Direction

The Board will embark on a review of our Strategic Direction in conjunction Mana Newton from Deloitte and send that out to affiliates for their comment. As we are nearing our financial crisis point there is need for some serious discussion about our future and our strategic direction. Also, included in those comments are the issues of Mana Whenua, Equity and TAGH support.

Monitoring our Governance and Organisation Performance

One of the simplest indicators of governance performance is Board attendance (see the graph above).

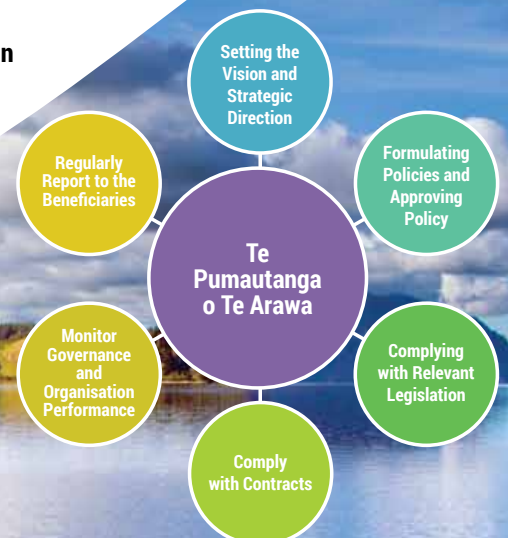
We have recently

performance reviewed our General Manager, Wally Tangohau and are pleased to announce that Wally continues to perform above and beyond his role requirements.

Any questions don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Nāku te rourou, nāu te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

Karen



Management Corner

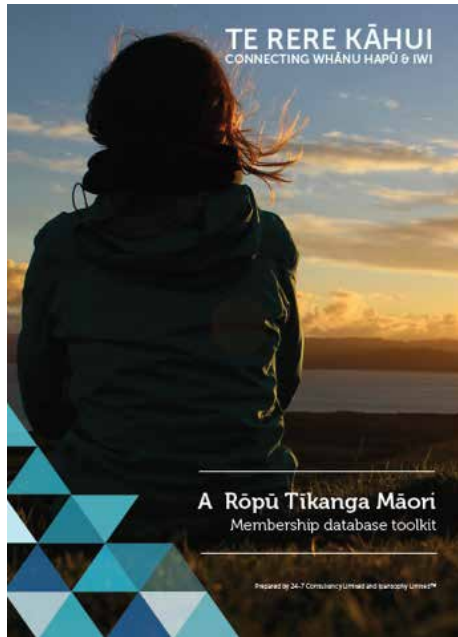
Kia ora and welcome to Management Corner.

The digital age is defined as the time-period starting in the 1980s and is on-going, with the introduction of the personal computer with subsequent technology introduced providing the ability to transfer information freely and quickly. The Internet revolution, a global communications network, a very complex and revolutionary invention of 1965, has changed our world.

Te Rere Kahui

This design toolkit is an initial product of the very first Te Rere Kāhui pilot funded by Te Puni Kokiri, completed in 2017. What is presented in this book is but the first step in a much longer journey.

Today, Māori creation, use and control of digital information are an essential basis for achieving the aspirational goals set by the members of Māori organisations. To achieve empowering outcomes of this kind, an urgent need exists to



reclaim our Māori cultural identity and reframe many of the practices, policies and protocols that have been used in the past, by both Māori and non-Māori organisations, to collect and use personal information relating to whānau and Māori communities.

Designing a Membership database isn't a perfectly linear process, and invariably has its own contours and character. But no matter what kind of design challenge you've got, you'll move through three main phases: Design, Develop, and Implementation. By taking these three phases in turn, you'll build deep empathy with the communities and individuals you're designing it for; you'll figure out how to turn what you've learned into a chance to design a new solution for your people; and you'll build and test your ideas before finally putting them

out into the world. Kaupapa-centred design has been used around the world to tackle a vast array of design challenges, and fits perfectly with Māori organisations.

TPT is acknowledged for providing assistance and support in arranging focus groups with TPT affiliates, Ngati Whakaue and Ngati Rangiwewehi. If you are interested in a copy of Te Rere Kahui a publication, it is available on our website www.tpota.org.nz.

Dividend Pay-Out 2016 Completed

We are pleased to advise that all 8 Affiliates have now received their 2016 dividend. Most affiliates manage their own administration and secretarial functions with financial services out sourced to financial providers. Management is reviewing how we can provide advice and support to affiliates that assist in efficiencies and document management processes that might be helpful.

Marae Insurance

Facilitating provision of affordable insurance for marae has been a challenging task with no resolve anywhere close. The retirement of Terry Orchard from Marsh Insurance means that all previous developments towards a collective model are no longer. Marae have been left to manage their own insurance needs with those pursuing discounted options through Aon Insurance and others. While affordable insurance for marae remains a challenge, management remains open to pursuing options you may be aware of that assists marae with affordable insurance cover. Feel free to give us a call.

Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa Charitable Trust (TPTCT)

With charitable status approved by the former Charities Commission, now called Charities Services, there are annual obligations upon the trustees.

New reporting standards came into effect on 1 April 2015 and registered charities now need to prepare financial statements and performance reports in line with the new standards. To determine which tier to use for reporting, refer to: <https://www.charities.govt.nz/new-reporting-standards/about/> for further clarification.

A decision of the Board to wind down TPTCT activities in 2015 due to challenges with self-sustaining funding placed TPTCT at risk of losing its charitable status. Although, management continued on an ad-hoc basis with facilitating charitable activities, that fortunately contributed to maintaining our charitable status.

To maintain charitable status, TPTCT must ensure to continue to undertake activities, however small, to achieve or advance its charitable purposes. The Board of trustees agreed to reactivate Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa Charitable Trust. For those who are not aware and have approved charitable status with the Charities Services and is either in recess or undertaking no activity, you should note the above.

Registration of Beneficiaries

The number of beneficiaries registered and validated by koeke as at 1/09/17.

No.	Iwi / Hapu	Registered
1	Ngāti Rongomai	1634
2	Ngāti Pikiao	3909
3	Tuhourangi Ngati Wahiao	3727
4	Ngāti Tahu Ngāti Whaoa	1722
5	Ngāti Tarawhai	1340
6	Ngati Uenukukopako	2540
7	Ngati Tuteniu	1337
8	Ngati Te Roro o Te Rangi	1855
9	Ngati Tura Ngati Te Ngakau	656
10	Ngati Kearoa Ngati Tuara	903
11	Ngararanui	871
Number of beneficiaries registered		11,362
Registered beneficiaries that Whakapapa to more than one Iwi/Hapu		9,132
Total beneficiaries registered		20,494

“Am I registered?”

If you affiliate to one or more Iwi or hapū from TPT's settlement you may register as a beneficiary.

Why should I register?

- It identifies you as a member of your iwi/hapu
- It enables you to vote on tribal matters
- It enables you to participate in trustee election for your iwi/hapu
- It enables you to participate in trustee election for TPT board of trustees
- It enables you to apply for free seasonal hunting permit within Kaingaroa forestry and/or hunting or gaming in Rotoehu forestry.
- Receive regular communications via newsletter or facebook

You may be entitled to a Forestry Scholarship. More information can be found on the Timberlands website at www.tll.co.nz/ employment

TO REGISTER YOU HAVE 3 OPTIONS

1. Download the registration form online at www.tpota.org.nz
2. Email office@tpota.org.nz
3. Phone (07) 347 4615 to request a registration form.

Newsy Bitsy Corner

Country Music Awards fever calls at Te Puke in June



Dazzling Diamonds Winner - Sita Emery

It was Sita's 27th consecutive year to date at the Te Puke Country Music Awards. This year she entered the 18+ years Gospel, 18+ years Country Rock, and 75+ years Dazzling Diamonds, and was feeling positive even though she's on the bright... and right side of 80. After packing the blingies, bangles, boots, hat, glitters and chord charts she was away laughing with Big Hone's photo beside her.

There were a high number of entries in Gospel, Rock and Dazzling Diamonds sections. Not to be deterred, she thought to herself 'Oh well God

loves a trier, so go and give it heaps. Wow the crowd, woo the judges, and rock their socks off. Yeah right!

Sita did a lot of movin' an groovin' in the Rock, packed a lot of emotion in the Gospel, and gave it heaps in the Dazzling Diamonds. However, in spite of positive comments and good marks she wowed the judges in the Dazzling Diamonds section only. wOne out of three however is better than none out of three, and making it into the Finals Concert that evening was a bonus; she absolutely loved the buzz

and the blast of it all.

Sita believes 'It's all about attitude' and that 'No attitude means no altitude', also that participation is the aim of the game. She is looking forward to the NZ Star Awards at Bethlehem at Labour weekend where she will also be a competitor for the 27th consecutive year. She's wondering if it's time to hang up her boots and saddle, but in the meantime, is going to keep on rocking.

Contact TPT office if you wish to order Sita's CD of gospel, rock, country, reggae and te reo.



Nga Rarau O Okere



Nga Tāne O Nga Marae O Mourea



Wahine O Ngati Hinekura

Iwi/Hapu Corner



Xzaevia Martin

Ngati Pikiao Iwi Trust

Piki Thomas, Chairperson of the Ngāti Pikiao Iwi Trust (NPIT), says that the recent resumption of dividend distributions to their affiliate has enabled the Trust to support things that really matter and make a difference to Ngāti Pikiao. The NPIT was unanimous in its decision to on-distribute its annual dividends from Te Arawa Group Holdings to parts of the iwi that play a significant and positive part in the support and development of the tribe.



Iwi/Hapu Corner CONTINUED

Supporting Marae

Being the affiliate with most beneficiaries and most marae, places the NPIT in a predicament about how it could make the most of the resources in an equitable way for the iwi. So, it should come as no surprise that each of the 11 affiliate Pikiao marae were immediately allocated \$5000 for use on general operating costs for the marae. This is likely to be an annual grant that's equally disbursed to help with running the Pikiao marae.

Supporting Koeke

The NPIT also supports the Pikiao koeke monthly hui by ensuring that costs associated with these hui are not left with any individual, marae or hapū. Supporting the koeke to gather and discuss matters of importance is essential to create understanding and unity amongst our people.

Collaboration

Piki says, "until now, the Ngāti Pikiao Iwi Trust has only been able to support its other Pikiao mandated entities 'in principle' and not much else. However, with a little bit of putea we feel that we can empower others in the community with an iwi mandate such as Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Pikiao and the Ngāti Pikiao Environmental Society to help manage our social and environmental interests more



Nga Marae O Mourea

effectively." Subsequently, the NPIT has commissioned an initial piece of work to see how Ngati Pikiao entities can work together more efficiently for the benefit of the iwi and



Wahine O Ngati Hinerangi Hinekiri

those wanting to engage with Ngati Pikiao.

Supporting Culture

The NPIT's most recent investment in its people has been the sponsorship of the 2017 Ngāti Pikiao Ahurei. The Pikiao ahurei has been the catalyst for reconnecting our people to their marae, hapu and iwi. The ahurei was instigated by Pāora Te Rangi several years ago to revive ngā waiata tawhito o Ngāti Pikiao, invigorate our marae, and reconnect whanau back to their turangawaewae and to generally raise the level of performing arts in Pikiao. Whanau travel from near and far to just be together for the bi-annual festival. The NPIT saw so many positives associated to the Pikiao ahurei it was an easy decision to commit support to the kaupapa.

Matariki Magic 2017

The Holiday Inn's foyer was abuzz with excited koeke meeting, greeting, hugging, laughing, joking and reminiscing with a tad of nostalgia.

As per usual the familiar and welcome sounds of the forever popular, **Janey Pou & The Matarikians** greeted us as we entered the glowingly lit and lavishly decorated Pohutu Room, Holiday Inn. The tables were beautifully set to enhance the chosen theme, and create the mood.

Prizes for best dressed, lucky dips and many give a-ways were ongoing during the evening. Of course, some Dancing Queens and a few fancy Stepping Kings were up and away. All were doing their best to move n groove to the endless songs which pounded out. Maybe a few hearts were pounding too! In saying all

that, a dire shortage of Kings was noticeable. Aue! Them's the breaks. During the arvo and into the evening, our MC **Mr Biddle** kept the ball rolling with his wit and woo. P.S. 'The Statue Waltz' was a real hoot and very intense as well.

The sumptuous supper was most welcome, with congrats to the Chefs for the delightful cuisine. During our meal, a few of our familiar locals crooned and swooned on stage entertaining us with several of the golden olden favourites. However, the most important highlight was the crowning of our 2017 Royals. "May the force be with them all, and hopefully

they reign peacefully over Te Arawa."

Congratulations, and well done to the 'A Team' of organizers who, as usual came up with more new exciting innovative ideas.

Finally, to our many Trusts who gave so generously and again made our memorable, prestigious and auspicious occasion come to fruition.

Ngā mihi māhana me te aroha tino nui rawa atu ki a koutou katoa. Ngā manaakitanga, na ngā koeke tokomaha o Te Arawa.

Kia ora tātau katoa. God Bless.


Sita Emery



MATARIKI MAGIC 2017 - Gold n Bold was the theme and my gosh we were!!

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