

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.

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Care for the land, Care for the people, Go forward

Prime Minister John Key Apologises to Te Arawa

At a ceremony to mark the final part of the journey towards settlement for the people of Te Arawa, Prime Minister John Key apologised for historical Treaty breaches against Te Arawa.

Marking a momentous day, Te Arawa Affiliate iwi and hapu members welcomed Ministers of the Crown, officials and invited guests to Owhata Marae on 28 August 2009 for the formal Crown Apology.

Prime Minister John Key acknowledged the struggles and efforts of Te Arawa descendants in seeking redress, justice and compensation for their Treaty claims of grievance.

“The Crown profoundly regrets and unreservedly apologises for the breaches of the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles,” he said.

The ceremony was a time to reflect on the journey for Te Arawa towards settlement. Historical Treaty breaches noted in the Crown Apology included the Crown’s aggressive purchasing techniques for land opened to pakeha settlement in the central North Island. Te Arawa suffered losses, in the main, through consolidation schemes and public works takings. For example, Ngati Tahu were denied compensation for the taking of papakainga, urupa and other wahi tapu.

Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Chairman Eru George spoke on the significance of the Apology for the Te Arawa people. An important part of the healing process for Te Arawa



Rt Hon John Key delivering Crown Apology

was the ‘Telling the Story’ hui in 2005, where Te Arawa expressed the suffering they had endured directly to Crown Ministers.

Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations Hon Chris Finlayson said, “As a nation we must acknowledge these injustices and remember, so they are never repeated.” He said redress through the return of cultural taonga had been crucial to Te Arawa’s settlement.

He commended the vision and leadership of Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust and the goodwill of the Te Arawa people for delaying their own Treaty settlement to allow for the negotiations on the largest individual Treaty settlement in Aotearoa, the Central North Island Iwi Collective Forestry Settlement.

This final part of the journey ended six years’ hard mahi for Te Arawa to gain redress for their Treaty grievances. And now, 24,000 iwi and hapu members will benefit from the Treaty settlement and Te Arawa can continue their new journey towards economic growth and prosperity.

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Message from the Chairman

A day that will be remembered as yet another defining moment in the history of Te Arawa is 28 August 2009. It is the day the Crown acknowledged the wrongs perpetrated against our people and formally apologised to Te Arawa. We were honoured with the presence of the Prime Minister, Rt Hon John Key, who delivered the formal Crown Apology.

For me, 28 August 2009 was a day to reflect on the journey we have travelled. While the delivery and receipt of the Crown Apology marked the completion of one phase of the journey, they also marked the start of another. In thinking about what I would say, I was reminded of my days growing up at Horohoro. It was there that I listened to the stories of my koroua, stories of our mountain and our stream, and of the loss, the taking of our lands. Ngati Kea Ngati Tuara once held 50,000 acres of land. Today, only 4,500 acres remain. The coming together of the collective now known as Te Pumautanga provided us with the opportunity to address, in a very small way, the grievances emanating from that loss, and an opportunity for each of our Affiliates to seek redress.

In September 2006 we signed a Deed of Settlement with the Crown and looked forward to the successful passage of our settlement legislation. In 2007 the Crown asked us to allow a delay in the introduction of our settlement Bill. In doing so, Te Arawa provided an opportunity for our CNI partners, Ngai Tuhoe, Ngati Whare, Ngati Manawa, Ngati Tuwharetoa, Ngati Raukawa, Ngati Rangitihi and Ngati Whakaue, to come together and negotiate a comprehensive settlement over the central North Island forests. We celebrated the successful conclusion of those negotiations in June 2008 and the passage of both the Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust (TPT) and Central North Island (CNI) settlement legislation in September 2008.

The challenges for TPT and the CNI Collective as a whole are before us. The Government has handed over to us the job of sorting out the land interests beneath the CNI forests with the various iwi involved. An agreed mana whenua process has begun and it is hoped that, with a spirit of cooperation and goodwill, we can arrive at a solution that will please everyone.

The ceremony for the Crown Apology allowed us to pause on our ongoing journey and look back at where we have come from – to look back and remember those who began the journey. Although they did not live to see the conclusion, their spirit remains with us still. It was appropriate that we held our ceremony at the place where the journey for Nga Kaihautu began, at Owkata Marae. It was appropriate also that we remembered our two Trustees who fell along the way, Pinda and Mita Pirika. Moe mai ra korua.

This issue of *Pumautanga Kōrero* is not just about looking back; it is also about looking forward. TPT is charged with the duty of helping the Affiliates grow their economic base. We have established Te Arawa Group Holdings as our commercial arm to hold the commercial settlement assets and grow wealth for the benefit of the Affiliates and our beneficiaries. To assist them we sought your approval to



Chairman Eru George

amend our Deed of Trust. The results of that approval process are published in this issue. An update on the work of TAGH is also reported on.

As we go to print, the Whakarewarewa and Roto-a-Tamaheke Vesting legislation was being pushed through Parliament by the Minister of Maori Affairs, Hon Pita Sharples, assisted by the Minister for Treaty Negotiations, Hon Chris Finlayson. It is that legislation that will see the return of the Thermal Valley and Lake and the Arikikapakapa blocks to a joint trust established for Tuhourangi Ngati Wahiao and Ngati Whakaue. It is hoped that ownership of the Te Puia business will soon follow.

The Te Arawa Iwi River Trust comprises representatives from the three Affiliates associated with the Waikato River – Ngati Kea, Ngati Tuara, Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa and Tuhourangi Ngati Wahiao. Agreement around a co-management framework over the Waikato River has been delayed while the government reviews the proposed structures that will be dedicated to the clean-up and future health and well-being of the river.

We continue to progress negotiations on the Ruamata Marae Airspace claims. These claims were specifically excluded from the TPT settlement to allow 'space' for these negotiations.

The ceremony for the Crown Apology on 28 August 2009 was a chance to pause and to reflect. Having done so, it is time for us to go forward.

Eru George
Chairman



Iriirikapua, the sacred rock



Tutanekai



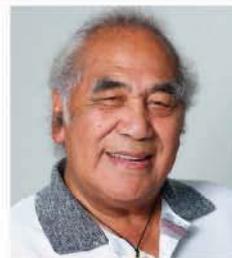
Hinemoa



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Descendants of Hinemoa and Tutanekai Plan for the Future of Owhata Marae

Kaumatua Te Pohawaiki Wiringi-Jones shares his special connection to Owhata Marae and the future plans for its people from the Te Arawa Treaty settlement.



Te Pohawaiki Wiringi-Jones

Now 76, Te Pohawaiki grew up on Owhata Marae with the true love story of his ancestors Hinemoa and Tutanekai. A sacred rock, Iriirikapua, is an historic landmark for the people of Ngati Te Roro o Te Rangī. Hinemoa would sit on the rock and listen to Tutanekai play his flute across the lake on Mokoia Island. And from that rock she swam across to Mokoia Island to unite with Tutanekai.

“The culture, the reo, tikanga and kawa – we (the elders) lived that life. We want to give the future generations that life,” he said. Owhata holds a rich and long history for the people of Ngati Te Roro o Te Rangī. The first wharepuni, Hinemoa, was built in 1903, and Hinemaru (Hinemoa’s

mother) was the first wharekai. Mother and daughter stood side by side. In 1941 Tutanekai, the tupuna whare, was established. Owhata Marae once housed 16 families and today seven families live on the marae.

Te Pohawaiki was elected Chairman of the Hapu Trust, which comprises seven Trustees who will manage the expenditure of \$1 million from the Treaty settlement. Business planning will focus on education and health, with a priority on attractive opportunities for Maori youth. Plans include the establishment of wananga to capture the language and history of the marae and Te Arawa.

New opportunities can attract more whanau home to the marae. Tourism and housing ventures will be managed through the pending establishment of the Whakapoungakau Development Committee. The Committee will endeavour to make good use of a 2,000 acre farm and will explore housing opportunities for iwi and hapu members.

Whanau Day gathers together whanau for sports, games, fun and whanaungatanga. This innovative event held every two years is hosted by Owhata Marae. Te Pohawaiki said, “It is important that the practices of the old people are retained.” He said for entertainment in the old days hapu would host games and compete with other hapu of Te Arawa in taiaha, patu, and running races. In recent times hapu have competed in tennis and rugby.

“We can determine our future, fulfil the dreams of our koroua and kuia, and educate our children to stand tall in this world.”



Trustees of Te Roro o Te Rangī Hapu Trust

Back row – Clark Pirika, Vicki Bhana, Robert Pirika
Front row – Hohepa Heke, Maxine Rennie, Matthew Heke
Background – Te Whare Taonga o Te Arawa (Rotorua Museum)



Mokoia Island



Pohiri



He Wero – Nero Panapa Jr



He Wero – Chad Manga

1. Pohiri for Crown officials – Hon Georgina Te Heuheu, Rt Hon John Key, Louis Moeau and Hon Chris Finlayson

2. Trustees of Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust and Crown officials

Front row – Blanche Kiriona, Wallace Haumaha, Anaru Rangiheuea, Eva Moke, John Waaka, Rangipuawhe Maika

Middle row – Ruka Hughes, Pohawaiki Wiringi-Jones, Jim Schuster, Te Poroa Malcolm, Hon Georgina Te Heuheu, Rt Hon John Key, Eru George, Hon Chris Finlayson

Back row – Roger Pikia, Materoa Peni, Fred Cookson, Edwin McKinnon (obscured)

3. Signing of the Crown Apology documents – Rt Hon John Key, General Manager Rawiri Te Whare, Chairman Eru George and Hon Chris Finlayson

Te Arawa Celebrates Crown Apology

Owhata Marae, overlooking the shores of Rotoruanui-a-Kahumatamomoe, was a wonderful place for Te Arawa to receive the Crown Apology.

Te Arawa Affiliate iwi and hapu members welcomed manuhiri including the Crown officials and government representatives, and many who contributed to progressing the Te Arawa settlement.

Te Arawa iwi and hapu leaders paid tribute to many of those who have assisted in its journey towards settlement – tupuna, kuia, kaumatua, whanau and hapu members, advisors, and Te Pumautanga Trustees and staff.

Te Arawa manaakitanga hosted guests with a hakari to celebrate this special occasion.

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Manuhiri

Hakari



Paepae welcome



The Crown representatives



Trustee Blanche Kiriona greeting the Prime Minister



Te Arawa celebrating



Staff of Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust

Hon Chris Finlayson and Mayor Kevin Winters



Our tamariki



Wallace Haumaha

Million Dollar Investment Boosts Profit for Te Arawa Affiliates

Leading business and investment opportunities, Te Arawa Group Holdings (TAGH) is venturing into a diversified operations base with a strong commercial focus to grow wealth for its Affiliate iwi and hapu members.

Interim Chairman Wallace Haumaha said, "Each iwi and hapu is set to gain profit of \$40,000 a year on a \$1 million term investment. The \$40,000 profit is the expected interest accumulated over a one-year period. Each Affiliate can draw on the principal of \$1 million and/or interest once they have met the approved criteria from Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust."

He said iwi and hapu members will benefit from initiatives with that putea – education, health, social, cultural and financial opportunities for their marae and whanau members. Since 2006 the 11 Te Arawa Affiliate iwi and hapu have established their own governance structures through individual legal entities to manage their share of the assets.

Mr Haumaha said TAGH is taking a prudent approach to opportunities during the economic recession. The Bank of New Zealand offered the best rate of return on a 90-day term investment. "TAGH is considering lucrative business ventures with low risk and the best financial gains for our Affiliates," he said.

The investment strategy for TAGH will explore the benefits in geothermal energy. The settlement included the return of four geothermal wells at Ngatamariki to Te Arawa. Discussions are being held with Mighty River Power on how the four wells can be utilised.

Mr Haumaha said TAGH will continue to identify and maximise opportunities to grow a capital asset worth \$34 million.

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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1 Peace Street	0800 524 428 (New Zealand)
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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

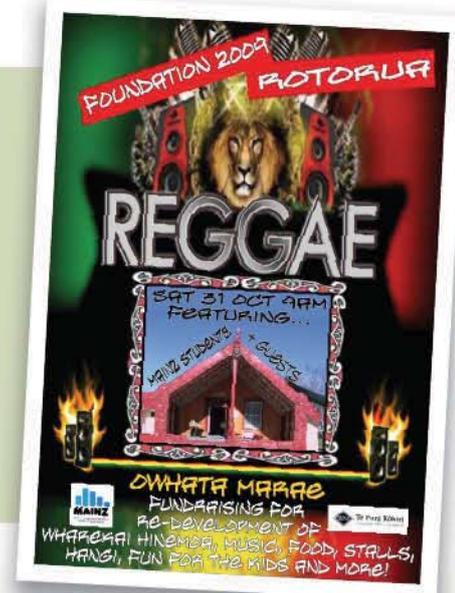
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Amendments to the Trust Deed

Te Arawa beneficiaries voted in September to amend the TPT Deed of Trust.

Information hui were held in Te Arawa rohe, urban centres throughout New Zealand and in Sydney, with presentations from the TPT management team and Trustees.

Seven major amendments to the Trust Deed were identified, four pertaining to TPT and three to TAGH.

The proposed amendments will enable TPT to better manage the settlement assets into the future.

The amendments will ensure recognition, inclusion and empowerment for the Affiliate beneficiaries and entities.

Relationships can be strengthened between the TPT Board (parent body) and Te Arawa Group Holdings Ltd (TAGH, the primary commercial subsidiary) and CNI Iwi Holdings Ltd (the body charged with holding the Crown Forest Licensed Lands in trust on behalf of the members of the CNI Iwi Collective).

Key Amendments to the Trust Deed

- 1. Specifically define Affiliate entities (new clause 1.1).**
Defines Affiliate entities as beneficiaries and allows TPT to distribute shares directly to those entities.
- 2. Reconfirm criteria for recognising Affiliate entities (new clause 8).**
- 3. Enable Affiliate entities to manage the appointment of their TPT representatives (new Schedule 1, clause 3).**
Provides for the highest polling candidate(s) in any Affiliate entity election to be automatically appointed to the TPT Board as the Affiliate trustee(s).
- 4. Enable Affiliate entities to have input into the TPT planning and reporting processes (new clause 14.2).**
Provides opportunity for Affiliate entities to participate in the TPT planning/approval cycle.
- 5. Allow TAGH to transfer TAGH “B” shares to Affiliates (new clause 4).**
- 6. Remove pre-emptive rights of TPT to new TAGH shares (remove clause 4.3(c)).** *Removes the TPT’s pre-emptive rights to shares allowing the Affiliates to receive “B” shares.*
- 7. Allow TPT Trustees to be appointed to TAGH (remove Schedule 1, clauses 4.2 and 5.1; Schedule 4, clause 2.1 restricting this from occurring).** *Ensures TPT Trustees are able to sit on the TAGH Board as Directors.*

The Voting Process

Beneficiaries voted on a single resolution FOR or AGAINST approving the proposed amendments to the Deed of Trust. Approximately 6,000 adult registered beneficiaries were sent information packs.

- Sealed ballots were able to be deposited into the locked ballot box or posted in a Freepost envelope. Voting closed at 5pm on Wednesday, 30 September 2009.
- Independent scrutineers, former Attorney-General Paul East and Dr Candy Cox, counted the votes.
- Ballots were counted on Thursday, 1 October 2009.
- The resolutions were approved by an overwhelming majority.
- The results were published in local, regional and national papers on 8 October 2009.

Brief Background to the Amendments to the Trust Deed

The TPT Trust Deed was approved by the Crown, and by the beneficiaries through a ratification process in September 2006. The post-settlement governance entity, now known as Te Pumautanga O Te Arawa Trust, was ratified by a 92% majority.

Since 2006 TPT Trustees have identified a number of inadequacies in the associated Trust Deed.

By approving the Trust Deed the Crown required assurance that some key elements were included in the Deed, that is:

- the iwi and hapu affiliated to TPT were properly represented. *Representation on the TPT Board is proportional based on population. Nine Affiliates have a single representative while Ngati Pikiao and Tuhourangi Ngati Wahiao each have three representatives.*
- all of the necessary legal requirements were met in accordance with the Trustees Act
- the provisions of the Trust Deed were consistent with the Deed of Settlement 2006
- there were clear lines of management and financial accountability.

In 2007 the Crown asked TPT to delay the introduction of its settlement legislation to provide opportunity for the CNI Collective to negotiate a comprehensive settlement of Crown Forest Licensed (CFL) lands in the central North Island. The CNI iwi focused on nine CFL lands covering an area of 186,000 ha. The CFL lands were valued at \$203 million with associated accumulated rentals of \$230 million.

TPT actively participated in the CNI negotiations and undertook parallel negotiations with the Crown seeking enhancements to the original Deed of Settlement 2006.

The revised TPT Deed of Settlement was signed on 11 June 2008. The CNI Deed of Settlement was signed by TPT, other CNI iwi and the Crown at Parliament on 25 June 2008.

Both settlement legislations were enacted in September 2008. The significant size of the combined settlements meant that the assets transferred in July 2009.



Beneficiaries at the hui in Wellington

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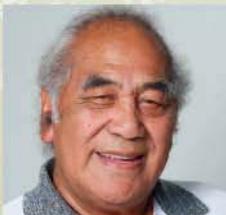
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Frank and Dickie Maika

E Koro Ma E!
Tangi hotuhotu tonu ana
Mo korua kua wehe atu.

Kainamu Ei!
Ka whakangotea ki te wai
O te kakahi.

Taimona Ei!
Te poito whakarewa
I te kupenga a Te
Rangipuawhe.

Korua tahi
Nga Kakahi Whakairo
O Rotokakahi.

E Koro Ma E!
Haere korua
Ki te murau o te tini
Ki te wenerau o te mano
Haere whakangaro atu!



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