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#### **Ngati Haua Iwi Trust**

Tena koutou katoa e nga uri o Ngati Haua. Welcome to our newsletter for December 2015. In this issue we are honoured to share with you a Christmas message from the Tumuaki along with some of his highlights from 2015. We also have an update from Te Waharoa Investments Managing Director Rukumoana Schaafhausen providing some of the detail around the work completed by our commercial investment arm in 2015.

On behalf of my fellow Trustees, I wish you all a very happy and joyful Christmas. Mokoro Gillett — Chairperson

# Message from the Tumuaki Kia ora koutou katoa

Hine and I would like to wish you and your whanau a very safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I would like to send my condolences to all you who have lost a loved one this year or commemorated your loved ones year of passing. For those whanau that have been grieving, I hope that 2016 brings you courage, strength and love.

This year has been very busy, attending at Kingitanga events throughout the motu, and other events that have occurred throughout the year.

The return of the Korowai Kahu Kiwi to Ngati Haua along with the preservation of the bible was a very special moment for all those that were present on the day.

We are all very proud of the whanau at Raungaiti marae for the recent opening of the wharenui Te Oro and the commitment made to the auspicious occasion celebrated alongside our other whanaunga.

"Nga Mihi o Te Wa me Te Tau Hou" Anaru Tarapiipipi Wiripoai Te Awaitaia Thompson



Left: Signing of the Kings Kawenata at the 100 Year Commemorations of the Tupuna Whare Hineranai Tawhaki on 31st October

Right: At Karapiro Domain - Tumuaki Anaru Thompson, Roger Pikia and Eru George (Te Arawa) and Mayor of Waipa Jim Mylchreest







looking at the possibility of holding another block of classes and we will send out details if/when this is confirmed.

On Saturday 21st November 2015, a tribal wananga was held at Rukumoana Marae facilitated by Sonny & Te Raumako Karena and also our Chairperson Mokoro Gillett. Nga mihi nui ki a ratou....

Ko te kaupapa o te wananga ko te Poukai me ona ahuatanga katoa — this was a great opportunity to learn more about Poukai - the history, the purpose, the tikanga and the roles and responsibilities specific to Ngati Haua.



Poukai, formerly known as Punakai, was established by Kiingi Tawhiao as a means to ensure the sustenance of his people. First held in 1884 at Whatiwhatihoe, Poukai continue to be recognised and celebrated by marae throughout Waikato as well as Shannon, Tauranga and Rotorua.

"Kua whakatuuria e ahau teenei taonga hei aawhina i te pani, i te pouaru, i te rawakore. He kuaha whaanui kua puare ki te puna tangata me te punakai" — Kiingi Tawhiao

One of the emerging themes of the wananga was the need to mobilise greater numbers of our people to attend poukai.

A list of the confirmed 2016 Poukai dates will be distributed out via email and Facebook very soon.

## **Cultural Development Kia kotahi**

As set out in our Annual Plan 2015-16, one of our key strategic priorities for this year is to provide opportunities and initiatives aimed at stregthening the cultural identity of Ngati Haua — kia kotahi ai te iwi.

In line with this objective, a free seven week reo course was successfully delivered during October and November. Our thanks and acknowledgement to Te Wharekura o Te Rau Aroha for hosting the course and to Nga Wairere o Te Ora Clinic for the assistance with transporting participants to and from the course.

He mihi nui ki a Whaea Pikikotuku mo te rawe o tona mahi. We were very fortunate to have Whaea Pikikotuku Tumai teaching our classes and the feedback about the classes has been hugely positive. We are

#### Te Hokinga Mai o Nga Taonga

On Wednesday 18 November 2015, a powhiri was held at Rukumoana Marae to mark the return of the Korowai Kahu Kiwi (which belonged to Tupu Atanatiu Taingakawa Te Waharoa) and the Bible (Te Paipera Tapu)

A large number of Ngati Haua whanau attended as well as a large delegation of Ngati Mahanga and Ngati Te Wehi

In 1922, following the burial of our tupuna Kauki Tauira, Kuia of the time gave the korowai to her mokopuna John Joseph Tupu Grey. Our tupuna Kauki was from Ngati Mahanga and Ngati Te Wehi and as such they were invited to share in this special day.





## **Te Waharoa Investments - Managing Director Update**

#### Kia ora koutou katoa

Christmas is a special and important time of the year. For many of us it is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ — a birth that gives us hope that our past wrongs will be forgiven and a hope in new beginnings. As I reflect on new beginnings I am reminded of the gift we have been given as an Iwi to restore the years that were taken from us during the time of colonisation. It is well documented in history that the impact of colonisation on our Iwi resulted in social, cultural and economic deprivation, the impact of which is still felt today.

Te Waharoa Investments Limited (TWIL) is committed to doing its part to restore the wealth and prosperity of our people. As directors we understand the challenge this statement implies but we are equally excited by the opportunity it presents to position our people for a better future.

2015 has been a year of consolidation and exploration for TWIL:

We are required under the settlement documentation to establish a Limited Partnership structure and a number of other founding documents. This work is almost complete and we will consult with each of the Marae early in the new year on what these documents mean for you.



We have also been busy exploring investment initiatives and partnerships. We have a limited asset base, so we need to invest wisely and prudently. We are currently in discussions with other parties whose values align with Ngati Haua and we are hopeful that we will see enduring and profitable results.

TWIL is committed to outworking its mission in 2016 to create wealth and opportunities for the inter-generational benefit of the Ngati Haua Iwi Trust and each of our Marae. We look forward to meeting you in the New Year to let you know what we are up to and to get your feedback. In the meantime, from your Directors, myself, Taari Nicholas and Linda Raupita we wish you a safe and Merry Christmas.

E te Atua manaaki ki a koutou

Rukumoana Schaafhausen



### Kia mahi tahi tatou, kia ora tahi ai

We have been working collaboratively with the Ngati Haua Mahi Trust and have developed an MoU for the purpose of creating an enhanced relationship between our two organisations particularly as we both work in the environmental area.



We have worked together on a number of recent projects including the Landon Park sub-division in Cambridge and Inghams Waitoa resource consent matters and planting discussions.

We wish Keri and her staff at the Ngati Haua Mahi Trust a great Christmas!

# **Waikato Expressway – Cambridge Section**

The Cambridge Section of the Waikato Expressway opened to traffic on Wednesday 16th December. Ngati Haua and Ngati Koroki



Kahukura have been involved with this project from the outset through an MoU with the New Zealand Transport Agency which provided for mana whenua to have active input into the project.

Storyboards and artworks which share and acknowledge some of the history and whakapapa of our rohe are a feature of the expressway section and were unveiled by the Tumuaki on the 10th and 12th of December.





We wish to thank and acknowledge the work of Rangitionga Kaukau, our representative on the project working group and all those who supported this kaupapa.



#### Kua ora ano a Te Oro

A huge mihi to our whanau of Raungaiti Marae who have recently completed the successful rebuild of their wharenui Te Oro, it was a

pleasure to share in the opening ceremony held on 28th November 2015.

Acknowledgements to all those who were involved in the project for all of your hard work and commitment to seeing the project through.



#### He mihi

On behalf of our small team of staff at Ngati Haua lwi Trust, thank you for your support during 2015. We are making steady progress with many aspects of our Annual Plan 2015-16, and have alot of mahi to get on with in 2016. We look forward to engaging with you on matters such as our Five Year Plan, hearing your thoughts via our online survey and also providing you with further reports at Hui a lwi.

E te Tumuaki, nei ra taku mihi ki a koe korua ko Hine me to whanau. Ano nei te mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa e te iwi. Kia pai, kia hari, kia ngawari te Kirihimete me nga hararei....

#### **Lisa Gardiner** General Manager

