



Trust Board

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Haere Hoki

Tuera Pirikahu recently took flight and headed out into the big wide world landing just down the road in Palmerston North.

The Trust Board would like to acknowledge Tuera for the work that she has done for the Trust Board and Whanganui Iwi.



Awa Tupe, our Board representative for Hinengakau has recently been appointed as the Secretary/Clerk for the Presbyterian Māori Sinad. Awa is photographed here in Ohope where she will be based with Millie the National Moderator.

Tamahaki are on the Move

Tamahaki are on the move to bring families closer together. This was the message that they sought to bring to whanau that connect to the rohe o Tamahaki beginning with Wananga in Tamaki Makaurau.

Arthur Edmonds, Co-Chairman of Tamahaki Council of Hapu and Tamahaki incorporated Society says that the message is all about letting whanau know of the Tamahaki initiatives in the rohe and to connect with whanau. "Our task is simply to find those members of our whanau that have moved out of the area and let them know who we are and where we all come from".

Whakapapa was the main aim for the Wananga and included presentations on the Awa Tupua

claim, this also included Wai 555, the land claim to the Waitangi Tribunal by Tamahaki, and korero on the Whanganui River.

Boy Cribb, Manager for Tamahaki Developments said that it is important to let whanau members that live outside the rohe know of the initiatives that Tamahaki seek to do.

These initiatives include land claims, settlement, environmental protection, Genesis waahi tapu, waahi taonga policy and the Whanganui River Claim alongside the Whanganui River Maori Trust Board. This also included korero on the development of the economic and social arm of Tamahaki. Boy Cribb said further, it is important that Tamahaki has a mandate to do these things. "We can't shut out those

people that are outside of our rohe yet Whakapapa to our area"

He said further that there is clear indication of the interest in the development of Tamahaki. The Wananga began at Waitakere in Tamaki Makaurau, and will continue on to Wellington and Masterton ending in the Whanganui Area.

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Genesis

At the time of printing Te Haonga Mai the Trust Board along with Tamahaki and Ngati Rangi are preparing for the High Court Appeal filed by Genesis this year against the 10 year Resource Consent judgement delivered by the Environment Court earlier this year. The hearings will take place in Wellington on Monday 25th July and finish on Wednesday 27 July 2005.

An initial review of the Genesis submission sees great work of strategic spin on the part of Russell McVeagh (Genesis Legal representation) as they attempt to synthesise the Environment Court's decision to an overly simplistic level (ie, portray it as an unprincipled sop to Maori) then attack that simplistic portrayal almost in isolation from the wider decision. It is clear that the case will be run in a manner designed to appeal to the "moral majority" emphasising the endless consultation carried out by Genesis (even though consultation was not an issue before the Environment Court) and suggesting that the Maori interests are extreme and unable to be reasonably satisfied.

Our legal representation will focus the Court on the fact that these proceedings are only to deal with matters of law and not consider factors such as those raised by Genesis in isolation to the whole case.

Report from Morvin & Kura Simon

Mai i nga tihi o te Kahui Maunga, heke iho ki te Takutaimona, tenei ano te mihi atu ki a koutou, nga uri whakaeke o Te Awa Tupua me ona tini hapu, tena koutou i te wa iti nei, me te anga atu o te titiro ki a ratou kua karangahia e te ringakaha o Aitua. Haere e nga mate, whakangaro atu ra. Ka hoki mai ki a tatou ki te kanohi ora, tena koutou, tena koutou, huri noa, kia ora mai tatou katoa.

Te Papa Updates

Each week, Thursday's 10.30am, Awa FM will interview Morvin and myself and we will do a weekly update of all that's happening here at Te Papa, so tune in if you have a spare ear,. Hei otinga atu, ko te tumanako o Te Runga Rawa, ka uhia ki runga ki a tatou katoa, ainei ake nei, amene!

It is with great humility that I write. Within the past few weeks, Morvin and I have been on the receiving end of great honours; firstly for our whakatau at Te Papa Tongarewa and secondly, for the bestowing of an Adjunct Professorship on Morvin at Palmerston North .

Kaumatua Changeover Te Papa

Aunt Piki & Uncle George

No reira i runga i tena, ka pau te kaha ki te kimi i nga rarangi tika, hei whakatakoto i te aroaro o kaumatua Te Oti, me tana hoa rangatira, me Piki Waretini. Tena korua e mau nei i te mana o Te Atihau kei nga marama tekau ma waru kua huri ake nei. Ko to maua tonu, he mea whakakii i te whawharua ka waihotia e korua, e koro ma. No reira, ma te Atua korua e manaaki e tiaki i nga wa katoa. Thank you both so much for your care of our exhibition.

Saturday, May 7, 2005, Morvin and I arrived from our 10 Ebor St Apartment A13, Wellington address to Te Papa at 10.45am.

We both knew that, besides our own siblings, children and mokopuna, there were going to be a number of ropu and whanaunga represented from Whanganui, Taranaki, Papaioea and Wellington, but were overwhelmed to see how many. Thank you all so much for being there to witness and to support the changeover of kaumatua and kuia of our Te Awa Tupua Iwi Exhibition.

Te Wānanga O Aotearoa Graduation

We would also like to take this opportunity to offer our sincerest congratulations to Te Wananga o Aotearoa for a wonderful graduation. The organisation of the day and having the three sessions of core programmes, Te Ara Reo Maori, and then mahi ora separated with their own kai at the end of each was awesome.

And though there were several hundreds of proud students there to receive their tohu each session, the time went very quickly and made for a lovely day. Thank you to all the organisers, to the emcees, to the everybody in every department for putting together such an enjoyable occasion.

Te Wananga ki Whanganui

Heoi ano, e tika ana kia huri aku mihi ki nga kaiwhakahaere o Te Wananga o Aotearoa ki Whanganui I tenei wa, kia tuohu ko aku mihi ki a koe e te tamahine Katrina (Pop) mo tera o nga tungane 'B', kia kaha to manaki atu I o tuahine katoa. Ko koe te uretarewa o koutou, nga kaimahi, noreira kia kaha, kia maia, kia tu kaha atu!

TE HAONGA MAI

The second occasion, Saturday May 21, 2005, took place at the Convention Centre at the Graduation of Te Wananga o Aotearoa, whom we both had the privilege of being employed by for the past two and a half years.

Several weeks earlier, our Campus CEO, Mike Watson, approached me for a CV-cum-resume of Morvin because he and the academia, strongly felt that Morvin was way overdue for a formal acknowledgement of all the work he has done, and is still doing within the academic, the musical and the cultural spheres throughout the community nationwide.

It wasn't many weeks, before the word came back that the academic powers-that-be had sanctioned the professorship.

I decided then that the tribute would be kept from Morvin and was to remain a surprise till he arrived to graduation. Apart from my family and his, I told only one person who took on the mantle of spreading the word. Tena koe Ripeka!

I was receiving so many phone-calls this past week at our Te Papa office, that I ended up going into the ladies to answer them – It was so hardcase and I was enjoying the secrecy of it all too. People would ring and sometimes get Morvin, and would say, "No I want to talk to Kura not to you", so it got a bit tricky now and then. In response to his queries though, I used the guise of my Advanced Tertiary Teaching certificate, and that they were coming to support my receiving that and wanted details of the day; he was satisfied with that 'story'.

Needless to say, on the day, when Mike took him aside to the other end of the room to dress him in this bright orangy-red gown and passed him the funny looking black hat with the gold tassels, and a little whisper in his ear, I watched Morvin's face turn to bewilderment, and besides now being very nervous (not a trait he's known for), he realised when I gave him a big hug that I already knew, and he couldn't believe that I had kept it from him –

Major Regional Initiative - Tourism

The Ruapehu, Rangitikei and Whanganui District Council have joined with Iwi to work on the Regional Partnership. The focus of this partnership is to implement a Regional Economic Development Strategy including three major regional initiatives.

Establishing a Regional presence for visitors is the first of these initiatives to be launched on 4 August 2005 at the Chateau, Mt Ruapehu by the Minister of Economic Development. This initiative aims to;

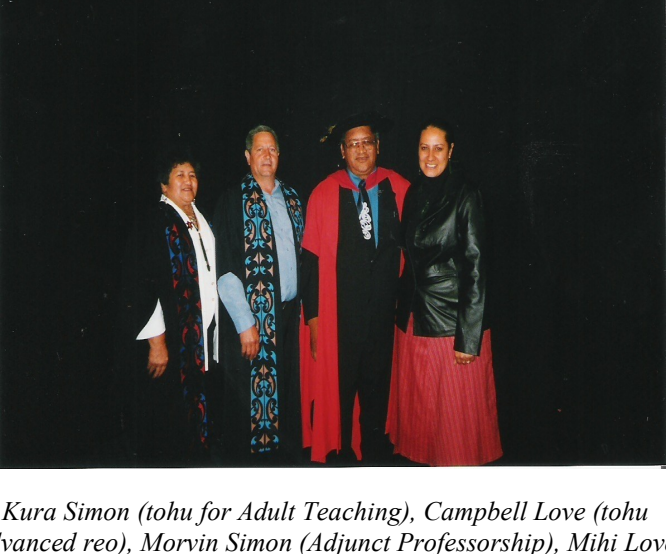
- Deliver more visitors to the region
- Develop our tourism businesses so that we have more products to offer and higher standards of service and professionalism
- Encourage visitors to slow down and stay longer in our district meaning they are likely to spend more
- Net result more visitors who spend more money

This MRI is a good opportunity for Whanau/Hapū to start participating in the Tourism Sector, get a feasibility study done on your idea and prepare to capatalise on the opportunities that will flow from this MRI.

Don't forget that the Whanganui Māori Regional Tourism Organisation is there also to help strengthen our capacity and

His first concern was that no one from home knew so I told him to not worry and to trust that they'd all be there, and be there they were.

To have kuia Te Manawanui Pauro, his Kaiwhaiki whanau, and cousins galore, and his own children & grandchildren present made his heart glad, and we both say thank you so much for being there for this man, Morvin Te Anatipa Simon, that I know to be your brother, your cousin, your nephew, your father, your grandfather, your teacher, and especially, your friend.



Kura Simon (tohu for Adult Teaching), Campbell Love (tohu advanced reo), Morvin Simon (Adjunct Professorship), Mihi Love (Bachelor Maori visual art).

Te Rūnanga O Te Awa Tupua

The participation levels within the Runanga have dropped to an unsatisfactory level. The research done with Hapu representation last year highlighted barriers such as travel, communication and facilitation, some of which have since been alleviated yet it has failed to make a difference.

The people confirmed their support and agreement with Te Runanga O Te Awa Tupua through a series of hui, over the last 10 years, but in reality this support has not transformed in to practical commitment. Only the few committed people are currently providing some stable input into the collective decision making responsibilities that are required at this time.

As people wait for progress to be made they often fail to recognise that people are required in order for that progress to happen. Those currently fulfilling the roles are often stretched beyond their limits sacrificing Whanau and health to protect what little gains we have made as a people.

So Whanau, please take your opportunity to come to the Summit scheduled for September where we will discuss how we move forward.

Pae Rangatahi 2005

During June 30 and July 1 over four hundred Rangatahi converged on the Whanganui War Memorial Hall to participate in the Manu Kōrero and Pae Rangatahi competitions. It was pleasing to see Whanganui Rangatahi participating in Whaikōrero and Kapa Haka with passion, commitment, excitement and awesome talent.

It was an opportunity to see each of the Kura within our rohe and in particular their commitment to uphold Tikanga and Mita Whanganui. At the end of the day everyone performed well and showed that they were proud to be Rangatahi Māori, Rangatahi Aotea, Rangatahi Whanganui. Some excellent leaders of the future.

