

Te Haonga Mai

Whanganui River Maori Trust Board Newsletter.
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*Tihei mauri tu,
Tu ki runga,
Ki te whai ao, ki te marama,
Ka rongō te po, ka rongō te ao.*

*Mai I te kahui Maunga ki Tangaroa,
Kua mohiotia e Te ao whanui,
I tona otinga atu e kii nei,
'ko au te awa, ko te awa ko au'.
O tatou mate huhua o te wa,
Na koutou te manuka I whuia ki te papa
Ma matou e hiki, otira, ma tatou katoa.*

Tena koutou me nga mihi, kia ora rawa atu tatou katoa.

Trust Board Trivia

The team at the Trust Board is slowly settling in after the changes of the past few months. We've had some additions and renovations, of people that is... Just to keep you informed here is a quick look at our new roles;

Nancy Tuaine, Transitional Manager

Nancy looks after the management of the Trust Board and is also working on the transition of the Trust Board activities over to Te Runanga O Te Awa Tupua Whanganui.

Mike Potaka, Corporate Administrator

Mike is responsible for many of the day to day operations of the Trust Board, referring Resource Consents, Land bank issues, maintenance of properties and scholarships. Our 'pou' whom provides stability and consistency to the Trust Board...

Raylene McKenzie, Whanganui River Claim Executive Assistant

Raylene provides overall administration/secretarial support to the team overseeing the Whanganui River Claim. A big job given the task ahead!

Kataraina (Honey) Potaka, Office Administrator

Honey, as we all know she works hard to keep the operations of the Trust Board flowing and accountable. If we haven't paid our bills this is whom you speak to....

Tuera Pirikahu, Receptionist/Clerk

Tuera keeps the place going, she's usually the first voice you hear when you phone or arrive at the office. Tuera is always willing to help a friendly face....

Now that you know who we are, we had better check that you know where we are:

PO Box 323, 61 Taupe Quay, WHANGANUI.

You can email us on wrmtb@wrmtb.co.nz

P.S We are currently building our Iwi Registration Database if you or your family have not completed one call in or send us an email and

we'll get one to you. If you have filled it in you can drop it off at your local runanga or send it back to us.

Out and about in Tupoho

Te Runanga o Tupoho comprises of two representatives for each Hapu, and a Pae Matua member/s. The Runanga meets on a bimonthly basis to share information and to discuss any issues that may arise within the Hapu or within the Rohe.

Major meetings take place at given Marae, during this time most issues are co-ordinated by the hapu that holds the tokotoko in conjunction with administration. For example on February 16th the tokotoko was handed to Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo Kaumatua from Te Awa Iti from the Parapara Otoko Marae Kaumatua.

As part of the presentation the previous holder of the tokotoko may wish to explain some of the Hui or tasks that they have carried out whilst holding the tokotoko. At the present moment Ngati Hineoneone holds the tokotoko.

Whilst holding the tokotoko each hapu is required to attend and chair all major meetings during the two month period. Fortnightly they are required to attend Runanga administration meetings. Those holding the tokotoko are responsible for overseeing the Runanga operations and calling Hui where further hapu consultation is required.

The reason for traveling around Tupoho Marae to hold runanga meetings is to encourage greater participation by hapu members. The next Runanga meeting will be held at Kaiwhaiki Marae on 15 June 2003, commencing at 10.00am, as usual.

Administration is lead by the Kaiwhakahaere and members that have committed themselves to attend most meetings, at the present moment this is an average of three or more representatives.

Your hapu representatives are:

Linda Thompson

Emily Bayly

Pou Patea

J W Takarangi

Mariana Waitai

Dardinella Metekingi Mato

Geoffrey Hipango

Jonella Simon

Pene Patea

Te Terenga Whanarere

Ripeka Green

Ken Mair

Charlie Osborne

Mike Potaka

Brian Kora

June Rogan

Rocky Ratana

Gary Scorringe

Tim Waitokia

Jane Marks

Neil Ranginui

J.N. Maihi

Sonny Teki

Wahi Teki

Johnny Tuka

Sugar Teki

Kore Rogers

Te Awa Iti

Te Awa Iti

Te Awa Iti, Pae Matua

Ngati Tupoho, Putiki Wharanui, Pae Matua

Ngati Tupoho, Putiki Wharanui

Ngati Tupoho, Putiki Wharanui, Admin

Wainuiarua, Te Ao Hou

Nga Paerangi

Nga Paerangi

Ngati Hine te Ra

Ngati Hine te Ra

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo, Admin

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo, Pae Matua

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo

Ngati Tuera, Ngati Hinearo, Pae Matua

Ngati Hineoneone

Ngati Hineoneone

Ngati Hineoneone, Pae Matua

Ngati Hineoneone, Pae Matua

Ngati Pamoana, Kaiwhakahaere

Ngati Pamoana

Ngati Pamoana, Pae Matua

Ngati Pamoana, Pae Matua

Ngati Pamoana, Pae Matua

Patutokotoko

Na J N Maihi

Tamaupoko

"One of our whanau Moana Bell has been interviewed at the end of this month for a position on the DoC Ranger course in Nelson. The interview is an achievement in itself as there are a large number of applicants for about 20 positions.

Marae based studies in *Te Reo* through TWOR is still continuing. A group of our whanau with their Kaiako Morvin visited Tieke Marae last week month.

Hapu have just completed their Training and Development plans. These will be taken to a meeting with the Tertiary Education Commission to determine funding for training under the *Mahi Tahī* programme for the next financial year.

Talks are about to take place between the Tamaupoko Executive and Wanganui District Council management. A discussion paper will be prepared on the Relationship agreement with the focus on clear priorities and improving governance and management of work efforts to achieve good results. A Runanga/Council meeting will be called to work through the paper."

Hinengakau

Uhi taa Rakau – Whakairo (Maori Carving arts)
National Certificate – 1 year
Diploma levels – 3 years

Any Tane interested in this career pathway.
Contact HDT office or Uhi Taa Rakau Whakairo 078967092

River Guide Training Course - 12 people needed for this 6 week course

Starting date 19 May 2003

NZQA recognised

Course Contents include: 1st Aid, Water Rescue and Safety, tikanga, manufacturing fiberglass Waka, Kiwi Host,
Please forward, Name and contact details to HDT office:

Te Whare Ora
Hauora Clinic

The staff at the Clinic has been very busy since the opening.
For more information or appointments.
Phone 078958778

At the moment we are still in the early stages of developing some exciting stuff for our people, HDT will send in more news for next months issue.

Tamahaki

In April our kaumatua/kuia kaunihere (KKK) o Uenuku reviewed their membership, they meet once a month at Te Puke Marae, sometimes here in Tamahaki building, all depends on what's happening at the Marae, Tamahaki will accommodate them. We go along to their Hui and listen, they're with it, they are reviving some old waiata, waiata we use to sing at parties a few years back. They are learning weaving and other things also, but they like it.

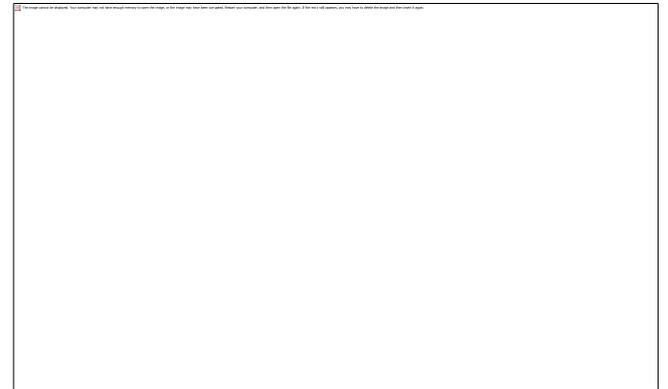
Contact person: Marina Williams
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(06) 385 4505
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Whanganui Waka Ama

The sport of Waka Ama was introduced to our rohe in the year 1999. A long lost Uncle just happened to pop in at our marae at Kaiwhaiki with a group of rangatahi who had paddled 2 of their Waka Ama down from Pipiriki. What an awesome sight it was to see these long, slender and beautiful vessels adorning the banks of our marae, with 15 rangatahi washing and polishing them as if they were living beings that deserved respect for getting everyone to their destination safely. The marae whanau buzzed with wonder and fascination.

Quite different from the waka Kuia told us about and the ones our tupuna used in the log hurdling races or the waka that transported the whanau up, down and across the awa and nothing like the majestic waka used to carry our warriors to war.

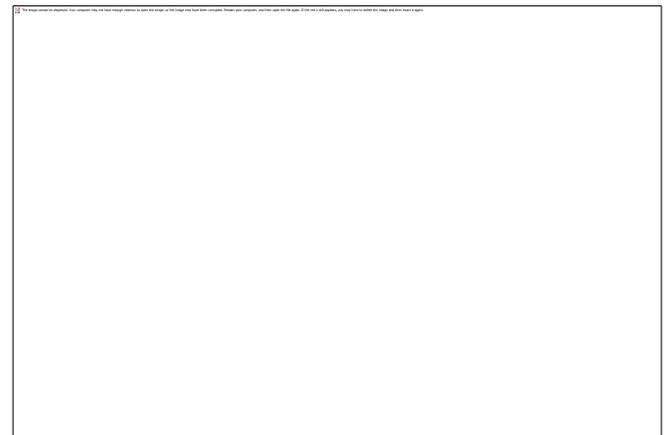
These waka were 16 metres long and 1 metre wide, had an ama (outrigger) attached to the waka by two wooden poles, 6 seats evenly positioned inside and made of fiberglass. These were the new age waka that were made to be strong, light and fast for racing. The hoe (paddles) were the width of two canoe paddles, had a slight bend on the blade and twice as thin, making them very light and easy to switch from side to side.



This initial visit was the beginning of a new relationship with my Uncle Howard Hyland living in Whakatane, but from Kaiwhaiki, and the development and ongoing support for the Whanganui Waka Ama sprint challenge that we know today.

Since January 2000, we have held four successful Waka Ama sprint challenges on the Awa. At our peak we have had up to 50 teams competing for the honor of their Marae. The most recent event was held on March of this year, unfortunately the numbers of local whanau participation were down and significantly less than outside whanau and guests who traveled to participate in an awesome two day event.

So lets repeat our performances of the past and get along to the next challenge to represent your marae.



AWA Fm Panui File

Bright Eyes Trust

It's that time of the year again, and the Bright Eyes Trust are holding a 'Party in the Park' at Churton School in Aramoho, Whanganui.

For any further information you can contact Karen Tyson-Tahana on (06)3477355.

Mana Magazine Photo Competition

To celebrate Mana Magazine's 10th anniversary, manaonline is presenting Te Puna Whakataa – Pool of Reflections. This is a photo competition aimed at capturing the essence of New Zealand Maori.

Four categories provide every budding photographer with the opportunity to portray Maori people in art/recreation/sport, a day in the life, portrait and a special category for under 18 year olds.

There's some great prize money to be won so check out the site www.manaonline.co.nz. You've got until the 30th of June 2003 to get snapping and capture the essence of New Zealand Maori in Te Puna Whakataa.

AWA FM would like to congratulate Mana magazine and all its readers on their 10th Year Anniversary.

Te Papa Update

E nga reo, e nga waka, tihei mauri ora ki a tatou katoa,
huri noa te rohe, otira, huri noa 'Te Ao Maori'.

Ko o tatou mate huhua ki a ratou, ko tatou enei ko nga
urupa i waihotia e ratou, ki a tatou. Heti no, tena koutou,
kaati, kia ora mai tatou katoa!

Greetings all as we add our voice of approval to this periodical from the Trust Board.

I have been asked to give a quick rundown on what is happening in regard to our slow but careful move, towards the Whanganui Iwi Exhibition planned to open on the 29 November, 2003.

Suffice it to say, that if we were baking a cake, our present status would be that 'all of the necessary ingredients are on the bench' but the mixing, kneading and baking still has to be done! Let's try and explain that like this.

Mai i te Kahui Maunga ki Tangaroa, ko au te awa, ko te awa ko au!
From the family of mountains to the sea, I am the river and the river is me!

This is the principal premise upon which the whole of the exhibition is based.

A walkway is planned to take the visitor through four distinct sections that we will call segments. These segments represent a journey across time and the changing face of tradition.

Through Segment One, **Te Ao Kohatu**, a number of artefacts will be on display that will try to capture the essence of that era. These will be complemented by the use of cutting edge technology in the form of 'inter-actives', or TV monitors that will also help feed the senses, sight, hearing, feeling and so on. (More later.)

Segment Two takes the visitor through Te Ao Kohatu into '**Te Uku me Te Rino**' or the concept of 'the Clay and Iron' of Colonisation

issues, the impact of the Missionaries, the Treaty of Waitangi, the Purchase of Whanganui, the Poisoned Flour, the Riverboats, the River Diversion, Pakaitore and Claim Wai 167. Inter-actives will also operate to show footage of the various issues.

Segment Three, **Te Ao Hurihuri**, goes on to show where we are in the world today in our development, in our culture, in our education, in our tradition.

Segment Four, **Te Ao Apopo** will try to show where we hope to be in the future, where our young people will lead us to find the fruition of their dreams.

Film Clips

There will be rolling film clips showing early photos taken throughout the river basin, films of people being interviewed and talking about the river and its impact on their lives, digital mapping showing the river from the mountain to the sea as well as background music appropriate to the segment concerned.

The Whanganui Iwi Exhibition is the fourth such Exhibition following on from **Te Atiawa**,

Te Aupouri, and incumbent **Ngai Tuhoe**. None of them however, has had either the time or the personnel to pursue their exhibition to the extent that we have had, and therefore it is important that we make capital of the opportunity that we are progressing to finality right now.

Putiki

From October of last year, Kura and I have been helping with 'kapa haka' practices at Putiki. Progress is slow but steady and now that the Hui Aranga is over, we hope to call upon the services of the clubs to join us on Sundays at 1.00 - 3.00pm or alternatively, find a time and we will come to you. We are aware that many of you know all of the songs already that we have been working on, and some of them a listed here for you information.

**Aue te aroha
E noho
E te Wainui a Rua
Kii mai
Koia nei nga rohe
Ko te rite
Kumea mai ra
Nga waka e whitu
Te Wai o Whanganui
Tutuki**

We hope to call a community meeting soon, ensuring that any other matter not covered here, will certainly be picked up and expounded upon then.

No reira, mo tenei wa, ka nui te mihi, tena koutou, kia ora mai tatou katoa!

Naku noa, Morvin



Terms of Negotiation Signing

On March 6th 2003 at Matahiwi Marae, about 500 people gathered to celebrate the historic signing of the Terms of Negotiations for the Whanganui River Claim.

Treaty of Waitangi Minister Margaret Wilson signed off on behalf of the Crown alongside 160 of Whanganui Iwi.

The Minister acknowledged that the river needed to be treated as a whole “inclusive of the water and all taonga that give it its essential life”. Margaret Wilson recognised that Whanganui was the first major river to have its Treaty Claim dealt with and that it was likely to set precedents, she said, but did not anticipate whether there would be many other rivers who Claims were dealt with separately from the surrounding land.

Iwi Representatives negotiating for Whanganui River:

Brendon Puketapu – Lead Negotiator	Tamaupoko
Ken Mair – Lead Negotiator	Tupoho
Robert Cribb, Marina Williams and Rangimarie Ponga	Tamahaki
Rumatiki Henry and Graham Bell	Hinengakau
Whakataumatatanga Mareikura and Piripi Haami	Ngati Rangi