



Foreshore and Seabed

Takapuwahia Marae hosted one of the 21 foreshore and seabed hui being held around the motu regarding the review of the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004.

The National Party made a commitment to the Maori Party at the 2008 elections to review the Act. National commenced the review in 2009, and there was a thorough public consultation process throughout the country.

A ministerial review panel was set up to carry out a series of hui and their recommendation was that the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004 failed to balance the interests of all New Zealanders. The Act was discriminatory and unfair.

In March the Government released the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004 consultation document that outlined the governments proposed options*. These are:

Option 1: Crown notional title

The Crown's absolute title would be replaced with a notional title. Any customary title that was extinguished by the 2004 Act would be restored. Where customary interests are investigated and found not to amount to customary title, the Crown's notional title would become absolute ownership.

Option 2: Crown absolute title

The Crown would continue to hold its absolute title. There would be tests for the recognition of (former) territorial and non-territorial customary interests



Above: Makere Reneti asking the Minister Chris Finlayson a question.

of coastal hapu/iwi. If either test were met, the Crown's title would remain unaffected. Proven customary interests could be recognized through certain statutory awards. The tests and awards could be set out in legislation and applied either by the courts or through negotiation. The tests and awards could be the same as those proposed in Option 4 below.

Option 3: Maori absolute title

Ownership of the foreshore and seabed (except land in private title) would be vested in Maori. There would need to be a process for determining who would hold ownership in any given area, and the rights of others.

Option 4: Public domain/takiwa iwi whanui

No one would own (ie, by freehold title) the foreshore and seabed (except existing land held in private title). Instead of identifying an owner of the public foreshore and seabed, legislation would specify roles and responsibilities within it. The Crown and local government would continue to have regulatory responsibility. The area would be named 'public domain/takiwa iwi whanui'.

The feedback from the hui was clear that there was a fundamental need for the Crown to acknowledge that iwi have mana over the foreshore and seabed; and to manage the relationship with regard to Treaty of Waitangi principles. Jurisprudence should be taken into account and a framework developed. The hui was opposed to using the Aboriginal Title framework developed in Canada and Australia.

A key argument raised by Whatarangi Winiata was the need for recognition of the tension between kawanatanga and tino rangatiratanga that is inherent in the Treaty. The hui called for Crown and iwi recognition that tikanga form the basis for resolving these tensions.

It was clear from the hui that a blanket approach to dealing over ownership issues over the foreshore and seabed would need to be resolved through an iwi to Crown approach rather than Crown to Maori.

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From the Chair



E te iwi, tena koutou Ngati Toa Rangatira ma. Kia a ratou kua wehe atu ki Hawaiki roa, ki a Hawaiki pamaomao te hono i wairua, moe mai, whakangaro atu. Tatou te kanohi ora, tena ano koutou katoa.

We extend our aroha and thoughts to those many whanau who have suffered loss recently.

I would like to welcome Mathew Solomon, Winham Hammond, Miria Pomare, Moana Parata, Poaneki Rene and Margaret Jacobsen on behalf of our Iwi to Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira. Some of you are returning to the board and others are new to the table. This period of time for Ngati Toa will become significant in our history for decisions made and directions decided. The responsibility is quite daunting but exciting. Our best wishes and support are offered with every hope of a productive, enjoyable and useful experience. I would also welcome our finance committee members Ian Lyver, Francis Freemantle

and Ian Parata. Willis Katene has joined the committee as the Runanga appointee. We look forward to their specialist skills, advice and assistance.

On Wednesday 24 March, the third and final reading of the Maori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Bill was read and signaled the transfer of our share of a regional settlement for Te Tau Ihu. Our share is approximately \$10m and Te Ohu Kai Moana has indicated they will pass this sum on after the Crown's mandatory 10 day period. Deep water quota assets arrival is near and we have yet to settle our iwi coastline agreement to secure remaining quota assets. These assets can now transfer as a direct result of our transformation to a Mandated Iwi Organisation (MIO) a rigorous and robust process we can all be proud of.

Current negotiations with the Crown have been frustratingly slow. We can only hope they are just busy with the logistics of asset transfer rather than retracting agreed settlement assets. The new National government at a cost to us to the tune of \$8m+ announced it's arrival. The outgoing Labour government lacked the courage pre-election to sign off our Deed of Settlement. We have since made some good solid progress across both cultural and commercial redress items, but there are many details and issues to finalise which require

significant decision making, such as the costs and viability of Crown forestry lands in Te Tau Ihu and Kenepuru Hospital lands.

The Foreshore and Seabed consultation hui has direct consequences for Ngati Toa iwi. Many of our people whakapapa to lands in Te Tau Ihu, Te Waipounamu and at Hon-goeka. It is important in my view we give the government the message of Maori ownership, repeal the FS&SB Act and have the option to go to court to prove ownership in its true sense.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Iwikatea Nicholson the latest recipient of Te Arikinui Te Atairangikaahu Lifetime Achievement Award although he may not appreciate me doing so. Iwi is very deserving of this honour and all of Ngati Toa are proud to have him and his mahi among us and others recognised. *E te Toki o Tainui, ka nui te mihi aroha.*

Naaku na,

Te Ariki Wi Neera Snr
Kaiwhakahaere Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira

Ngarongo Iwikatea Nicholson



Ngarongo Iwikatea (Iwi) Nicholson has been a very active member of the Ngati Toa and Ngati Raukawa iwi throughout his life. Currently Iwi sits as a member of the Ngati Toa treaty

settlement negotiations team, Te Kaha and is a Matauranga Maori teacher at Te Wananga o Raukawa whilst carrying out his other roles within the iwi, hapu and marae.

Iwi's contributions to the work he has done on behalf of both iwi (Ngati Toa Rangatira and Ngati Raukawa) over the years was recognised last month when he was awarded the 2010 Lifetime Achievement Award at Te Amorangi National Maori Academic Excellence Awards held at Turanga-

waewae Marae in Ngaruawahia.

Iwi had an ope of 30 that accompanied him to receive this auspicious award presented to him by Kingi Tuheitia.

"It was fantastic to see Iwi's efforts recognised. I'm not sure if he was 100% comfortable with receiving an award as he is a humble man however, we see how hard he works for us [as an Iwi] and his great sense of obligation to seeing maori progress. It was great to share in this evening with both Iwi and Ngawini", says Matiu Rei.

Runanga Business



Kia ora koutou

Overview

As was reported in April, Te Kaha are becoming increasingly concerned at delays, and lack of engagement from the Crown regarding negotiations. In particular, we are still awaiting responses on a number of key issues.

We have had very limited engagement from OTS, however it seems they have not progressed a number of the key issues very far since our last update. We have now proposed a series of workshops and meetings to discuss these issues further.

Kenepuru Hospital Lands

The Crown has proposed that surplus land at Kenepuru could be transferred to Ngati Toa earlier than provided for in the Letter of Agreement. We have responded that this has significant risks for Ngati Toa, as well as significant cost implications. However, we have indicated that we are willing to discuss whether and how these issues might be mitigated. We have met with the crown to discuss this issue further, and engaged our professional valuers to undertake preliminary site investigations for Kenepuru.

Further, we have reserved the right to revert back to the provisions in the Letter of Agreement which provide a 2 year period from the date of settle-

ment, in which the property can be purchased.

Poutiaki Instrument

We have had limited engagement with OTS officials in relation to the proposal that Ngati Toa put forward to the Minister in December 2009 for the poutiaki (previously kaitiaki) instrument. OTS officials indicated in late February that, as proposed, the Natural Resource Plan Committee could be implemented through the Ngati Toa settlement legislation. However, we have been unable to progress these discussions any further and await further engagement from OTS in relation to this redress.

Kapiti Island Redress

Te Kaha have discussed on a number of occasions the need to protect significant wahi tapu on Kapiti Island, particularly the burial caves located at Wharekohu Bay. We have proposed to OTS, mechanisms to recognise the significance of these sites. We are still awaiting a response from OTS on this proposal.

Overlay Classifications

Ngati Toa have been offered three joint overlay classifications over sites in Te Tau Ihu. We have been advised that OTS have not yet reached agreement with Te Atiawa or Rangitane on those sites.

Te Kaha have emphasised that it is OTS's responsibility to get their agreement as Ngati Toa have accepted a joint overlay over The Brothers and the Wairau Lagoon. If there are any problems OTS need to keep Ngati Toa informed as to what they are.

Whitireia Park

We have been working closely with Greater Wellington Regional Council with regard to developing joint management arrangements for Whitireia Park. We are confident this should be completed soon.

2011 Rugby World Cup Design

We are pleased to announce that Piri-hira Tukapua has been selected to develop the Haka inspired design logo for the 2011RWC. Te Ariki and Jennie have been working through this process with Piri-hira and expect to have a final design shortly. The designs will be used on official Rugby World Cup products. Piri-hira is a graphic designer who owns and operates her own business Taitoko Designs based out of Levin.

Ika Toa

Ika Toa has purchased an inter tidal water space and has begun developing it into an oyster fattening farm.

It is with considerable regret that we have received the resignation of Diane Steven's our Nurse Practitioner. Diane has struggled for quite some-time due to recurring health issues.

Diane has been a long standing member of our nursing workforce and has played a leading role in implementing changes within the medical service over the years.

Diane's knowledge, experience and professional attitude will be greatly missed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Diane for her many years of service to our organisation.

Kia piki to ora

Matiu Rei

Runanga

Ora Toa Health Unit

CREEK FEST 2010

The OraToa marquee was pitched high amongst many other hauora stall holders at this year's Creek Festival. An amazing team made up from Rangataua Mauriora and OraToa Dental with the talented Miss Ashleigh Me-tekingi worked together to brief screen the community for gambling harm and survey rangatahi about their health needs. Every participant of the Gambling Brief Screen and Rangatahi Survey were pleased to collect cool giveaways such as water, fruit, dental care products, soaps, pens and problem gambling bags.

Thank you to all the kaimahi who made the day a success!!



Mere Elkington and Steve Kenny at Creek Fest

ORA TOA HEALTH UNIT

JUDY HUTTON

ABC FACILITATOR



who smoke.

Judy has an extensive background in the health sector supporting behaviour change for a positive health outcome. She aims to improve health outcomes for those

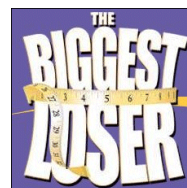
RAELINDA FERMANIS

KAITOKO WHANAU SUPPORT



accountability to whanau, hapu and iwi.

Raelinda has joined Ora Toa to work with vulnerable whanau in our community to help identify needs. This is a unique maori approach based on whakapapa with



The Biggest Loser competition is currently into its 3rd month and has approximately 30 participants.

Clients attend regular gym sessions and meetings with the Kaha Toa gym staff and are starting to enjoy the benefits of weight loss, more energy and enjoy the social environment as they work along side friends at the gym.

One client has lost 9kg in one month and will be pushing hard as the competition comes to a close July 30th.

So watch this space to find out the overall winner of the Biggest Loser.

Ora Toa Health Unit

20 Ngatitua Street, Takapuwahia

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E Moe, Māmā, Maternal Health and Sleep in Aotearoa/New Zealand Study

Rangataua Mauriora Clinical Psychologist Kara Mihaere is involved with the sleep/wake research.

The Sleep/Wake Research Centre at Massey University (Wellington) recently received just under one million dollars from the Health Research Council of New Zealand to run a study investigating links between the sleep changes women undergo during pregnancy and early postpartum, and how those changes might affect her birth experience and her mood after

birth. Researchers aim to recruit 1,000 pregnant women (500 Maori, 500 non-Maori) for this study.

Pregnant women are welcome to enrol for the study if they:

- Are over the age of 16 years
- Live in the Lower North Island (Hawkes Bay, Palmerston North/Mid-Central area, Kapiti Coast, Hutt Valley and Wellington)
- Are comfortable enough with English to complete written questionnaires
- Are only carrying one baby (not twins or multiples)

What is involved for women who join the study?

- Completing a written questionnaire at around 35-37 weeks of

pregnancy about sleep, life style, the pregnancy and mood.

- Answer a few short questions about sleep and mood by telephone when their baby is 6-weeks old
- Completing a final written questionnaire when their baby is 12-weeks.
- Each time a woman completes a written questionnaire she will receive a \$20 voucher

To find out more about the study, or to enrol:

Free telephone: 0800 mumsleep

Free text: Text SLEEP to 5222

Website:

<http://sleepwake.massey.ac.nz>

email: mumsleep@massey.ac.nz

Runanga Business cont.....

Porirua Harbour Hui

In February the Runanga hosted Porirua City, Wellington City and Greater Wellington Regional Council Councillors and staff at a hui on the health of Porirua Harbour at Takapu-wahia Marae. This hui was the culmination of work being carried out with the Runanga and the various councils on restoring our Harbour. This was the first time that Council had come to iwi to discuss and listen to the stories of iwi members regarding Porirua Harbour and its importance to the iwi.

Porirua and Greater Wellington City staff provided iwi with overviews of the scientific studies that they have been carrying out and highlighted the certain types of contaminants that we face in assessing the harbour and the factors we need to consider in putting together a plan to restore the harbour to its former glory.

Ngati Toa kaumatua provided valuable stories of how the harbour was their food source, playground and breeding area for various fish species such as flounder.

Janey Edwards remembers, "it was a

medicine chest. Mum would say go sit in the water and that seemed to cure us. It was our bath tub. At 10pm at night we would get a soap and a facecloth for a bath".

This was the first time that many of the council staff had heard the stories of our kaumatua and the vital role that the harbour played to our community.

Iwi member, Steve Kenny invited members of the hui out for a paddle on the waka ama to share the enjoyment that the harbour can provide. Waka ama is a growing sport in Porirua with a number of teams using both the Porirua and Pauatahanui arms of the harbour. Toa Waka Ama club members were very interested in hearing the information that the council representatives had to say as well as giving their feedback as frequent users of the harbour.

Porirua City Council is now producing a Porirua Harbour Strategy Development plan that will become a public document open for consultation. The Runanga will be working closely with our council partners to ensure that iwi are fully involved in this project.

Rangatahi Historic Tour

The Rangatahi have arranged a historic bus tour of some of the Ngati Toa rohe.

The trip will be on Sunday 30th May, 10am. Meet at front of Takapuwhia Marae.

If you are aged between 14 – 35yrs (the actual international youth age range)

The bus seats 46 and we will be taking an extra two vans.

Whanau with tamariki are welcome to follow the bus in their own vehicles as we will be stopping along the way.

Don't forget to bring your cameras.

Contact Naomi or Raewyn on 04 238 4071 or 027 499 0731 if interested.

First in fist served.

Rangataua Mauriora Community Garden

Over the next few weeks we will be working on the community garden at 2 Ngatitua Street, Takapuwhia. This is a combined project with our afterschool programme, girls group, rangatahi and the community. It has been a slow project, but the tamariki especially are very eager and we were successful last year in obtaining a grant through TPK. We will be using this to purchase garden tools and more topsoil as well as securing the little chicken hutch, which we will use as a hothouse.

We would appreciate if anyone has any resources or anything that we could utilize. We are looking for the following things

- Old bath tubs, planters, paint, plastic window coverings, gloves, spades, recyclable materials, plants, seedlings, or garden furniture that we could either grow in or use to decorate the place. We also welcome any suggestions or ideas!

We will be spending time at the site over the next few weeks, Tuesday afternoons and during the holidays, so please feel free to come and have a look. Alternatively if you have any old stuff please contact Raewyn Klenner on 04 238 4071.

KAHA TOA GYM

If you would like to enrol in the gym you must meet one of the following criteria:

- Member of Ora Toa Services / Rangataua Mauriora
- Ngati Toa Iwi
- Approved organized group
- Over 14 years of age (OSH requirement)

Under 14 years of age through an approved group

Clients need to enrol and a full assessment will be completed.

If you are Male 35 and over and Female 45 and over you need to undergo a cardiovascular risk assessment.

Hours of operation are currently 8.30am - 7pm daily - closed public holidays.

For any further enquiries please contact the Ora Toa Health Unit on 237 0110.

Runanga

Foreshore and Seabed (continued)

Public submissions for the Foreshore and Seabed closed on 30 April. The Runanga made a submission on behalf of the iwi that supported the Government's initiative to repeal the Foreshore and Seabed Act but we were not satisfied with the options proposed by the Crown. The Runanga's submission supported the removal of Crown ownership of the public foreshore and seabed but did not believe there was enough detail in the consultation document regarding the 'public domain' concept.

The consultation document also failed to provide adequate detail regarding the customary title tests and awards. We believe that any test that was based on customary title would ultimately treat Maori inequitably as it would be difficult if not impossible to satisfy the customary rights tests. Both Foreshore and Seabed Act and the Government's current proposal fails to address the issue of post-1840 loss of land through Crown action.

We are concerned that many, if not the majority of iwi and hapu would be unable to participate in the new regime outlined in the Government's proposal as they will face major difficulties in meeting the tests to prove either non-territorial or territorial interests due to loss of coastal land through Crown action.

In regards to Ngati Toa we believe that the loss of coastal land through coercive Crown action had the effect of limiting our ability to exercise our customary rights over the foreshore and seabed. We believe that this loss

should not preclude us, or any other groups from participating in the new foreshore and seabed regime.

We did not believe that we should be looking at common law and customary title regarding a solution to this matter rather a more holistic approach that would not only recognise customary interests but also restores tangata whenua to their rightful position as mana whenua, mana moana and kaitiaki over their coastal resources.

The message also needs to ring clear that Maori need to be able to fully participate in the resource management of our Coastal Areas.

Our submission also supported recommended foreshore and seabed models submitted by the Iwi Leaders Group, of which Alec Wineera and Matiu Rei are members.

Our submission also encouraged the Government not to rush into any decisions and to take time over consulting with its iwi partners before a decision is made so that the same problems and grievances do not remain.

The Ministry of Justice is now reviewing the submissions and will be drafting the amended Foreshore and Seabed Bill. It is envisaged that the amended Bill will be brought before Parliament by the end of the year for consideration.

The Runanga will be watching this matter closely and will advise iwi of any additional hui that may be held in the near future regarding this matter.

We will have all updates posted on the Ngati Toa website www.ngatitoa.maori.nz or the iwi facebook page - Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira.

* This information was obtained from the *Reviewing the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004 Consultation Document*.



ANZAC DAY



Above: Nohorua Kotua

ANZAC Day is a well established annual event in the Ngati Toa calendar of events. This year was no different. It was fantastic to welcome home Ara Kotua and Nohorua Kotua who travelled up from Whakatu and also Debu Arthur who travelled home from Tokoroa.

It was an early start for our returned servicemen like many around the country 'forming up' for a Dawn Service start. It was off for breakfast then the Porirua Civic Ceremony before heading to Takapuwahia Marae.

A call was made for whanau to carry photos of their whanaunga that had been in the armed services but were no longer with us, and it was wonderful to see their whanau members carrying their photos onto the marae.

We were honoured to have Major Peter Fraser and his whanau attend our service for another year and listen to him speak on 'Brotherhood within the armed forces', a topic that many of our returned servicemen could relate to.

Another well attended ANZAC Day.

Out and About

The Prince visits Kapiti



Above: Prince William and Kahu Ropata

Prince William visited Kapiti Island Nature Reserve as part of his first official visit to New Zealand.

This event was top secret which was extremely hard to keep 'under wraps' as we are sure many whanau would have liked the opportunity to meet the Prince.

The Prince and Prime Minister John Key travelled to the island on board Runanga owned Kapiti Tours boat, Te Aihe.

Prince William and his entourage were welcomed to the Island by Kahu

Ropata, kaiwhakahaere and Minnie Clarke, kaikaranga. Kahu welcomed the Prince to Aotearoa and acknowledged the Prince's charitable work and that of his mother, commenting that the apple obviously didn't fall far from the tree.

Kahu commented, "the Prince enquired about Te Rauparaha and the haka and I gave him a quick summary that Te Rauparaha used to live right where we were all gathered, and that if the All Blacks come to the Island to learn about the haka before the rugby world cup, England and everyone else wouldn't stand a chance at winning [the world cup] next year. The Prince laughed and said he will try everything in his power to stop them (All Blacks) from coming to the Island. We both had a good laugh over that".

Kahu also recalled that when he and the Prince went to hongi it was blinding with all of the paparazzi taking photos. "There were two bus loads of overseas paparazzi following the Prince. After the powhiri they were taken back to the mainland so that Prince William could mingle with the

other visitors, Department of Conservation staff and dignitaries", says Pania Solomon, Manager Kapiti tours.

Island resident, John Barrett provided a history and a description of the islands bird life and history.

After an opportunity to meet a little spotted kiwi up close, he went for a walk across Rangatira Point and up the Wilkinson Track..

After spending time on the Island taking in the sights and sounds of this tranquil paradise, Prince William was whisked away by helicopter to continue on his royal tour.



Above: Prince William and Pania Solomon



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Nga Tapuwae o Hine-te-iwiwa - Certificate in Mastercraft Weaving

A Whitireia Polytechnic weaving course has been run at Hongoeka Marae for the past eighteen months, with its' second intake of students starting in October 2009, in addition to a new course commencing this year in February for those at a more advanced level.

With a total of 16 students (one of Ngati Toa), tutored by Kohai Grace, the course gives opportunity for students to specialise in either raranga (kete etc), whatu (cloak s etc) or tukutuku panel making. Over the summer months students have mainly focused on harvesting and processing weaving materials such as harakeke (flax), and kiekie, with a lot of the weaving planned to take place over the winter months.

A visit to Pataka recently entailed a look at some of the taonga in storage, such as kete muka and korowai, some dating up to 100 years old. Of special significance was a kete of kiwi feathers made by Ruta Rene. Next month the group will visit Te Papa to view other historic weavings in storage, and also learn about other weaving materials that are gathered in autumn.

If you would like more information on this course please contact Whitireia Polytechnic on 04 237 3100.

HAKINAKINA

WAKA AMA

Toa Waka Ama headed off to Lake Karapiro for the 2010 National Waka Ama Sprint champs. Like previous years our paddlers ranging from the mighty midgets through to the masters were amped and ready to take to the water.

The race conditions weren't the best and the first day was delayed by about 6 hours which was frustrating for some but to the tamariki meant they got to have a big long swim and play with their cuzzies longer! The wait was worth it as when the tamariki got onto the water they were amped and ready to paddle.



Races carried on into the night so that the racing could get back in track for the second day of the juniors competition but the weather wasn't co-operating. Although the weather continued to be up and down over of the remainder of the competition it didn't dull the competitive desire of all the competitors.

The 2010 Nationals was another successful year for the club with teams returning with 11 medals and others narrowly missing out.

Our medal board looked like this:

Intermediate Boys	Silver	W12, 500m
	Silver	W6, 500m
J 16 Girls	Silver	W6, 1000m
	Bronze	W12, 500m
J 19 Girls	Silver	W12, 500m
	Silver	W6, 1000m
023 Women	Bronze	W6, 500m
O23 Men	Silver	W12, 500m
	Bronze	W6, 500m
Open Women	Gold	W12, 500m
Master Women	Bronze	W12, 500



The club would like to acknowledge the Coaches, Managers, helpers and sponsors that helped the paddlers get to the nationals. It is a costly event for our whanau that paddle but it is well worth it to see our people strive for excellence. The Toa Waka Ama Club would like to thank the Runanga for the iwi Sports Grants that provide the Ngati Toa paddlers with the additional financial assistance.

2010 Waka Ama Sprint Champs

The 2010 Waka Ama World Sprints Championships are to be held in New Caledonia from May 25-29. New Zealand has a number of teams in each age category and most of those teams are based regionally. We have seven young Ngāti Toa Rangatahi women selected to represent Aotearoa. In the J19s we have Amiria Salzmann, Briar Barnsley and Kawai Winiata with Cereace Wallace, Marama Elkington, Ohana Elkington and Grace Matenga paddling for the J16.



In addition, Kawai Winiata has qualified to do one-mans at the Worlds in the J16 girls category by coming 4th at the National Waka Ama Sprint Championships held in January this year. The top 6 at the nationals go through to the Worlds. Kawai also won gold in the J16 girls category of the one-mans at the Secondary School Waka Ama Sprint Championships held last month. If we have any other whanau that are competing please let us know as we would like to acknowledge their efforts. *Pictured: Toa Waka Ama girls headed to the worlds*

Out and About

AARYN & WILL GANDY



Aaryn and Will Gandy have been clocking up a string of medals with their swimming skills for quite sometime. Both boys swam extremely well and the National Swimming Competition and placed in the top five swimmers in their chosen events in the country. Aaryn winning Gold and bronze in 50, 100 & 200m backstroke, Bronze in 100 & 200 free and a bronze in the 200m freestyle regional relay team and Will winning bronze in the same relay team. He also placed fourth and fifth in his two main events - 50 fly and 50 breast.

The boys have worked hard this year to achieve their goals. The boys are extremely committed to their sport living in Opotiki and swimming for Whakatane they have had to travel to Tauranga to train twice a day. This can put a strain on most people, however they have both been successful in their academic, sporting and school pursuits.

Basketball

In early April four Ngati Toa boys headed off to the Albert Schweitzer Basketball Tournament in Mannheim, Germany as part of the Junior Tall Blacks Team.

Representing their country and their iwi proudly were Jordan Ngatai, Hyrum Hippolite, Dyson Hawea and Shaquille Hohipa-Wilson.

The team that travelled away were quite young so it was always going to be a tournament that the boys could gain experience as a lead up to the 2010 FIBA Oceania Championship.

We wish the boys well in their build up to the 2010 FIBA Oceania Championship tournament and we look forward to bringing you progress reports on how their build up is going.

TOA HOCKEY

Toa Hockey is going strong with the club adding an additional team to the competition this season.

There has been a number of our rangatahi that have signed up to play and are really giving it there all. They have the fitness and speed and are working at refining their skills. This shouldn't take too long as the club has been getting some fantastic coaching tips from iwi member and ex-NZ Black Sticks player, Lisa Bishop.

The club has also managed to recruit new players through the whanau hockey summer season. A noted standout would be goalie, Miri Gripp that played so well over the summer months that the hockey Aunties told her she had to come and play!

With over 40 people signed up for hockey and majority of them being iwi members its great to see that Toa hockey is still going strong after 80 Years!

Tamariki

Our Under11 girls hockey team has made a good start to the season with more than enough girls waiting to take the field. As we now have a number of hockey teams in place the women can be assured that we have a great bunch of players waiting to come through the ranks.

We look forward to bringing you updates throughout the season.

TOA RUGBY

Toa Rugby have started the 2010 season off with a bang. Last year the club had reduced down to one team but this year has seen a resurgence as they are now fielding both a Senior A and Senior B team in the Horowhenua Kapiti Rugby Union.

Both teams are currently sitting third on the points table with the A's having won three from four games, and the B's winning two from four games.

The rugby hype has definitely hit the Takapuwahia community as we hear that both teams are getting a great turn out from supporters.

We look forward to see how this season progresses and reporting back to the iwi with how the Toa boys are doing.

Pictured to the right is Sterling Tito in their game in against the Levin Wanderers where he scored 2 tries. Thanks to the Kapiti Observer for this picture.



Obituaries

Hineweera (Aunty Lady) Osmand Luke

Hineweera Luke was born in Wairau on the 29th of October 1918. She was the Daughter of Rea Macdonald and William Francis Cheeseman and had two Sisters Katherine and Rea. Hineweera married Nawi Henry Luke who was the son of Wirihana Tana Ruka of Wairau and Amaroa Hohepa of Te Kuiti. Hineweera and Nawi lived all of their married life at the Luke Homestead at Wairau Pa. Hineweera and Nawi had five children being Henry (Jack), Raurangitira (Rau), Te Rangi Wehenga (Rangi) Joseph (Luke), Brian and Wirihana (Willy).

Hineweera lived with her parents until the death of her Mother in 1920 when she was adopted by her Grandparents Hoani and Polly MacDonald. Later,



Hineweera went to live with her Aunt Maud Green at Nelson and while there attended Nelson Central School. She also attended Wairau Bar and Wairau Pa Schools and Correspondence School for a time. During her teenage years Hineweera represented Marlborough at

Basketball and Hockey but was more widely known for her ability as a hard worker. Hineweera like her sister (Coggy) worked on her Uncle Manny MacDonald's farm at the Pa for a short time.

Hineweera was heavily involved with the Wairau Pa Marae where she always worked hard running the wharekai and ensuring that there was more than enough Kai to go around. She was a founding member of the Wairau Pa Marae Komitti and was still a staunch advocate for the Marae until her passing on the 31st of January 2010. She is survived by three of her five children being Raurangitira, Rangi and Brian and is sadly missed.

Ben Hippolite

Ben Hippolite passed away in Hamilton on 14 January 2010. The husband of the late Emma (Tammy) Hippolite and the son of the late Benjamin Hippolite (Snr) & Maria Tuo Elkington.

Ben had nine children, 40 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Of Ngati Koata, Ngati Toa, Ngati Kuia and Ngai Tahu affiliations, Ben spent his earlier life in Nelson, undertaking a variety of work. During his late teens and early 20s he completed an apprenticeship in joinery, undertook curbing and channelling on roads, worked as a salesman for Encyclopedia Britannica and then as an insurance agent for Norwich Union. In his early 30s Ben served as a Nelson City councillor.

Eventually Ben and his family moved to Hamilton, and to a position with the Government Life Insurance Agency. He then embarked for a period of teaching (trade training) in Fiji. It was while stationed in Fiji (1990) that his Ngati Koata people asked him to return home and run an Access Life Skills course at D'Urville Island, in the Marlborough Sounds.

"It was for 12 weeks, involving 12 guys – some of whom were real hard cases



and at the end of it, all but two found permanent work."

The timing of Ben's return to New Zealand was just about perfect, for then the position of Kaupapa Atawhai manager for Department of Conservation, Nelson/Marlborough Conservancy came up. Ben was appointed and filled the role with distinction until his retirement in 1996.

Ben's passing brought to an end two decades of distinguished service to the Department as Kaupapa Atawhai manager (Nelson/Marlborough Conservancy) and, in later years, as Kaumatua Atawhai for Waikato Conservancy.

On the occasion of Ben's retirement, several speakers at Nelson's Whakatu Marae paid tribute to Ben as they looked back over his many contributions. The

then Conservator (and later Director-General) Hugh Logan said Ben had been a tremendous Kaupapa Atawhai manager, setting a level of excellence that others were now aspiring to.

"Ben has been able to offer advice and support to staff, not just locally, but to others around the country, on how to handle the type of issues that we are all faced with. Because he is a little bit older than most of us!"

Rugby, boats and family - another passionate side of Ben

Ben had a highly competitive nature and a deep interest in sport that was never evident in the various passive and stately roles that he played for the Department. Said Ben's son Frank at the tangi on 18 January: "My dad died last Thursday. By now, word will have reached Basketball NZ, and every rugby referee in the country will be relieved. If we have any referees present in the congregation – it's safe to come out now!"

The Runanga would like to thank Alan Hippolite for submitting this article written about Ben Hippolite by Des Williams of Department of Conservation.

Kirsten Solomon

The passing of Kirsten was a shock to our whanau. We would like to thank all our whanau and Kirsten's friends for coming together over the period of her tangihanga to share their memories of Kirsten and their love.

To our whanau that worked hard in the kitchen and made this difficult time a little more bearable knowing that everything was well taken care of - nga mihi.

Mate i te tamaiti he auru kowhao, mate i te matua he takerehaio.



Thomas (TomTom) Kenny



The sudden passing of Tom Tom was a devastating experience for our whanau. We would like to acknowledge and thank our beautiful nieces, nephews, cousins, uncles and aunties for honouring him and our whanau.

Your tremendous outpouring of service, aroha and manaakitanga left us truly humbled. Your love enabled our brother to have a send off 'fit for a king' kia moe moea e tama ataahua.

The Kenny Whanau

See note last page re obituary submissions

Miriama (Tina) Parata



On behalf of the whanau of Miriama Parata (Tina), we would like to thank the whanau of Ngati Toa Rangatira that came together to celebrate the life of Tina. We would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to all the ringawera for the magical creations that come from the wharekai and Etu for their mahi. Mean maori mean! My sister would have loved it all. We would like to acknowledge the Parata Whanau with a special acknowledgement to Helen and Hucky, Hera and Jack, Tira and Eric, Pare and Missy for all your aroha and manaaki you have shared with us all. For anyone else I may have missed, kia ora koutou.

Ramiha Sullivan and whanau (brother)

Whanau Announcements

Births

Michelle (daughter of Liz and Pat Kelly) and Brent Collins celebrate the birth of the first daughter a baby girl named Ngawai Cherie Collins. Ngawai was born on 4 March 2010 weighing 6'14''.

Liz and Pat Kelly also celebrate the birth of another moko, Kharrington Elisabeth Filo born in Brisbane on 15th April. Mum and Dad (Stu and Kathleen Filo) are also wrapped with their new arrival.

Congratulations to Pepe Parai on the birth of her baby boy Matangi Parai born 25 Feb 2010.

Rawinia Woods and whanau welcome the arrival of their baby girl Jahleah Woods.

Kenny Woods and whanau celebrate the birth of a baby boy named ToaRanga-

tira.

Tanui Parata and Ashleigh Chadwick had a beautiful baby girl Anahera Parata born on 13 January 2010.

Evie and Damien Wild (son of Allenan and Terence Wild) are jumping for joy in the streets of Sydney with the birth of their baby boy Harper Chace Wild born 27 March 2010 weighing 3.7kgs.

Mason Vettori and Chanelle Coker celebrate the birth of Kaiya Miriata Coker born on her Nanny Kaka's unveiling on 27 March 2010.

Texas Coker and Casey Thornton baby boy Kady Edward John coker 23/12/2009—7pd1

Peterina Taurima and Scott Duncan are enjoying being first time parents to baby William Piripi Arapeta Taurima.

Adyn WiNeera and Juvena Fee wel-

come their baby girl Makaia Lea WiNeera. Makaia was born on 25th March 2010 weighing 6'5''.

Ngahui Woods and Sarah Watene are celebrating the birth of their first baby Ngahui Jnr Woods born in Brisbane on 4 April 2010 weighing 6'5'. Nanny Mihi has elated to be in Brisbane to see her latest mokopuna.

Weddings

Congratulations to Te Taku Parai and Ranei Wineera who married on Friday 30th April. Taku and Ranei were married at Takapuwahia Marae surrounded by whanau and friends with the hakari held at Pataka. The happy couple had a fantastic reception and danced the night away.



Sammi Rei



Congratulations to Sammi Rei (moko of Uru and Sam Rei) who has embarked on a career in Real Estate.

‘I knew it wouldn’t be an easy task, but knew that to make some money and get ahead in life something would have to be done to enable me to provide my children with security for the future. I studied through open polytechnic via correspondence and by February 1st 2010 with a lot of training I was offered a position with RE/MAX. I feel fantastic and my tamariki get to see their mother setting a goal and achieving it’.

Sammi is now working hard to build a portfolio of clients out of the Kapiti Remax office. You can contact Sammi on 021 250 9880.

Takapuwahia Marae Committee

The Marae Committees income is predominantly based on earnings from catering jobs.

The work in and around the Marae is 100% voluntary with all money earned going to the Marae Committee that manages the day to day running and maintenance of the Marae. This is a big job and requires many hands to keep on top of everything that needs to be done. The Marae Committee are appealing to our Ngati Toa whanau to contact Venessa Arthur or Pania Solomon if you have any spare time to help in the kitchen when we have catering jobs. If you cannot cook that is ‘kei te pai’ you may be able to help wash the dishes or set the tables. All offers of help will be greatly appreciated. We understand that a lot of our whanau work but if you can bake for us that too would go along way to helping our ringawera get through their catering events.

If you can help please call or text Venessa on 027 2071 689 or Pania on 027 248 1512.

Panui notices

We would like to acknowledge that at the time of going to print we had members of the iwi pass. With the permission of their whanau we will print an acknowledgement of these iwi members in the next addition of Tikarohia.

If members of the iwi would like us to inform the iwi of a whanau members passing and tangi details please email the Runanga on runanga@ngatittoa.iwi.nz.

Panui articles—if you have an article for the panui please forward to runanga@ngatittoa.iwi.nz—subject line PANUI. All articles will be subject to editing if required.

Iwi Facebook

Just a reminder that if you have a facebook page log on and check out the Runanga’s page - Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira. We update our facebook page regularly with all of the up to date Runanga events.

Maramataka

Runanga meeting

This meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month at Puna Ora (the old Museum) at 3pm.

Hongoeka Marae Committee Meeting

This is held every third Monday at 7pm in the wharetupuna, Te Heke-mai-raro

Takapuwahia Marae Committee Meeting

This is held on the third Wednesday of the month at 6pm in the old wharekai.

Kaumatua meeting

This is held on the first Tuesday of the month at 10am at Puna Ora (the old Museum).

Ora Toa Health Services Cancer Support Group

1st Friday of each month
Ora Toa Health Unit from 10am

Diabetes Support Group

Last Friday of each month, 10:30-12pm
Ora Toa Health Unit

Kaumatua Support Group

Meet once a month, from 10:00am-12 noon, Ora Toa Health Unit

Tamariki Ora Mother’s Group

Fridays from 10:00 to 12noon
Ora Toa Health Unit

Shape Up for Mums

Tuesdays 10:30am
Ora Toa Health Unit
Contact: Debz Hurst

Massage Clinic - Joanne Hyde

Mondays 1:30pm - 4:00pm - Appointment necessary
Ora Toa Health Unit

If you have any questions regarding the Ora Toa Health Services please phone 04 237 0110.