

NGĀTI PĀHAUWERA DEVELOPMENT GROUP NEWSLETTER

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#### FROM OUR CHAIRMAN – Toro Waaka

#### Mahia ngā mahi o Kahukura. Pursue your Dreams.

My Dad had this saying 'ad astra per aspera' which is latin for 'through bolts and bars up to the stars', it means that through adversity we can get through it and reach for the stars. He picked it up when he served in the NZ Airforce. That was before he transferred to the Maori Battalion, then to Armed Infantry and then to serving in Japan before he returned to Aotearoa and the uneconomic whanau lands that he left to

become a teacher. His generation lived in a time of rapid forced change and challenges yet they adapted, upskilled to strategically provide for the future of the whanau.

Today we also live in a world of rapid forced change and challenges and we also have to adapt, upskill and provide for the whanau. It is predicted 47% of all jobs we know will be replaced by the new technologies of Digitisation, Robotics, and Artificial intelligence. If your job can be automated it will be, so the option of a career shift is less likely if you don't strategically upskill.



In promoting Te Oranganui o Ngāti Pāhauwera it is inspiring to see the fruits of labour of the many whanau who have encouraged their children to aspire for greater heights. The recent achievement of the son of Tania Hodges the Trusts Deputy Chair, Te Ra Hodges-Tai becoming a Doctor is great to hear. Others are Trevor Strickland who received a Defence force medal for saving a Navy trainee's life, and Ereti King who won her division of the regional Manu Korero competition. We have profiled Trevor and Ereti in articles later on in this issue.

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All are great achievements for their whanau and Iwi. These are but a few examples of the many young achievers in Ngāti Pāhauwera whanau. If you know of examples of other stories like this in Ngāti Pāhauwera send the information to our office so we can showcase our positive role models. It is good to see previous years Manaaki grant recipients graduating with qualifications that not

only contribute to peoples wellbeing but also qualifications that put them into sound and well-paying careers. NPDG would like to see all of our Ngāti Pāhauwera members succeed and demonstrate a reward for qualification culture if we wish to attract and retain the skill base we need.

Peter Eden who works with the Trust on training and employment has found work for our members, and then been let down when they did not turn up. There is opportunity in that there are a variety of jobs available now, and there are currently more scholarships available than the uptake, especially in the area of horticulture. Because we now have sizable landholdings the market prediction of there being a scarcity of vegetables in New Zealand because of overseas demand in five years is an opportunity we can capitalise on if we build the infrastructure and skill base. Our people could also be thinking about Tourism as a complimentary income source.

The same principles of appropriate skill should apply when we vote for Trustees. We should not vote for people because they tell you what you want to hear or simply because they are close whanau. Trustees need to have the skill and knowledge base to deliver quality outcomes for the people. This requires a



good understanding of Governance, Financial Management and Strategic Planning along with a willingness to upskill. Our Treaty assets and the future opportunities for our people are at risk if we do not have a winning team.

It is regrettable that two of the NPDG trustees have been removed for breaching the legal constitutional requirements of our Trust Deed and policies that our people endorsed on our nationwide consultation rounds before accepting the Treaty settlement. Recent meetings to resolve issues with the two dismissed Trustees revealed that even after a year of being on the board they do not fully appreciate the legal obligations of the role.

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Learning also requires us to unlearn behaviours that are destructive to ourselves and others. We have resources in our Karakia, oriori, waiata, korero tawhito, and tikanga to help us guide our behaviours and practices so we can be good role models for our children and mokopuna. The Pou Hono wānanga being held on our Marae are positive examples of upskilling opportunities and positive Ngāti Pāhauweratanga.

People who are secure in themselves do not have to undermine others to feel better about themselves. That behaviour does nothing to grow a better Ngāti Pāhauwera.

No one is perfect and we can all be on the journey to improve our own skills and behaviour as part of lifting our own aspirations as part of helping improving the wellbeing of our people.

Mahia ngā mahi o Kahukura. Pursue your Dreams.

#### **STAY UP TO DATE:**

#### Register and update your details with the Trust.

We have a number of members who we do not have updated contact details for. We have put them on our website and facebook are asking all registered members to update their details with us e.g. If you have moved recently, if you have had a new addition added to the whanau or if you have lost a loved one.

This information would be very much appreciated. We invite all those who whakapapa to our hapū to register with the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group:

- To be kept in touch with the exciting things that are happening for our hapu and marae.
- To participate in the decisions at the AGM and other General Meetings.
- To elect Trustees to Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group and
- To be counted allowing us to identify who and where our whānau are thereby helping the Trust to better serve our whānau and hapū.

To register with us, please download the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group Registration form. Fill out and return to either of the following:

a) Mail: PO Box 374, Wairoa 4160 b) Email: admin@npdt.co.nz

Alternatively, you can also collect a Registration Form from either of our offices, details on back.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact our office on 06 838 6869. Once we have received your form, your registration will be checked by the Whakapapa Committee and confirmed in writing

Click here to download a registration form

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group held their Annual General Meeting at Pukemokimoki Marae on Sunday 12 November.

The AGM booklet which included an overview of activities conducted and financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2017 were accessible to iwi members one month prior and discussed in depth at the well-attended hui. The booklet also includes reports on achievements and the plan for the coming year (2017/2018). Ngā mihi to all of those that attended and are engaged and please remember that the door is always open at either the Wairoa or Napier offices, don't save your questions for the AGM.

Click here to view AGM booklet

## **TE HUKI MARAE**– Treasurers Update

The pressure now eases as we get closer to achieving our first goal of attaining a third of the funding required by Lotteries. Meeting with Mark Sowman (1/12/17) of First Light he was confident that the committee's application would be successful.

Once we receive the funding from First Light we will be able to submit an application to Lotteries which opens early next year. If successful we would have raised the bulk of the funding required to complete Te Huki.

This huge effort has been made possible by the continuous support of those, both at home and away, continuously digging deep to buy the neverending raffle tickets, battens up tickets, hangi and attending the Wananga, the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group, the Wairoa Taiwhenua, the Eastern and Central Trust, Te Puni Kokiri, the Te Huki fundraising committee and the \$100 Club.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

- Gene Waihape (Te Huki Marae Treasurer).

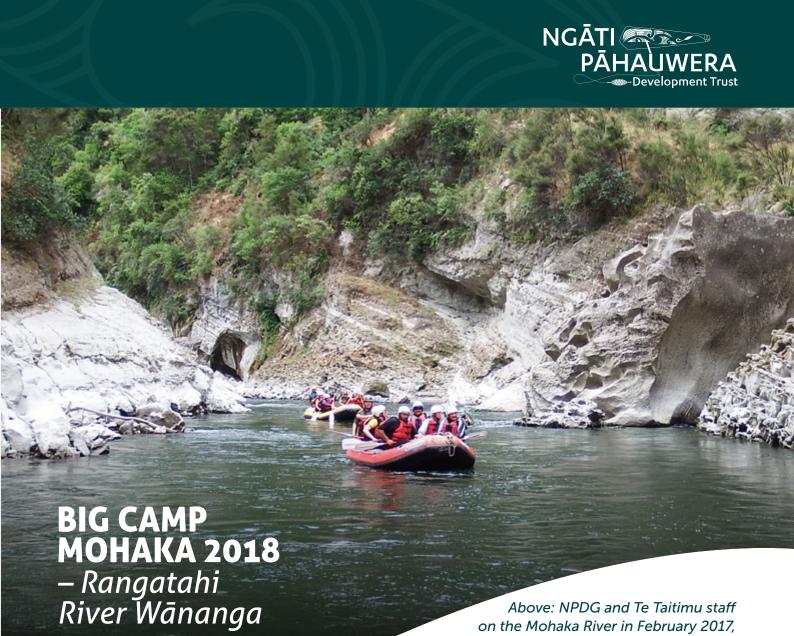
#### **LUMINO** – The Dentists

### The dental truck will be back in Wairoa on Monday 15th – Friday 19th January 2018.



Due to dentist availability, they will only be here for one-week next year and appointments have already filled up. We apologise in advance if you were not able to receive free dental treatment this time. If you are interested in dental treatment in the future, please leave your name and contact details with us to be put on to the waiting list. As there is high demand, this leads us to the bigger korero around what is happening in Wairoa (and the country as we have people travelling from all over the North Island) and the need to use this service. Therefore, the Trust will look to work with other organisations to increase the availability of treatment going forward.

Please contact the Wairoa office for more information on 06 838 6869.



In 2018, there will be an estimated 70 tamariki and up to 50 support crew of kaiako, mentors, whanau and staff to support this week long camp for rangatahi.

The NPDG Trust is working alongside Te Taitimu Trust (@tetaitimu on facebook) on building resilience, connectedness, confidence and leadership in our rangatahi. Suicide prevention was the catalyst behind the establishment of the Te Taitimu Trust who have been delivering successful programmes for over 10 years. This year the Big Camp Mohaka programme will be based on the Mohaka River and look to integrate unique Ngāti Pāhauwera cultural aspects of ngahere/bush (rongoā, kaitiakitanga, pig hunting, survival) and moana/ beach (fishing, reti board, hangi stones and rakau) learnings. Based at

Waipapa A Iwi Mohaka Marae activities will be: one day at Wairoa community centre learning water safety and doing activities, two days on the river, one day on the beach/ marae covering the bush learning activities. The Wananga concludes when all the rangatahi go home culminating in the recognition of rangatahi who have demonstrated leadership and mentoring.

on the Mohaka River in February 2017, planning logistics for Big Camp Mohaka.

There may be spaces available at the time of printing, so check with Michelle Thompson at the Wairoa office. Whanau are invited to come to Waipapa A Iwi Mohaka Marae for the welcome hāngi on Saturday 20 January 2018, the entertainment and hangi on Wednesday 24 January 2018 or pop in during the wananga to see what it is all about so that your tamariki can participate next time. It would be great if whanau could give their name and attendance numbers to the Wairoa office for our hāngi nights by 10 January so that we can cater appropriately.



The Trust has been very active in the Taiao space. As well as applying for funding, project planning and management, growing plants, riparian planting and fencing, staff participate in a variety of external projects.

Recently, Theresa Thornton, Jaz Thornton and Gene Waihape worked on the Cape to City Display at the A&P Show 19 and 20 October. Theresa and Jaz were there explaining some of the work they have been doing with Poutiri Ao o Tane and cultural harvest. Gene had her soaps and creams on display to show some of the uses of native plants.

Some Pāhauwera members and staff attended the Cape to City conference 14-16 November. The purpose of the conference was an opportunity to find out detail about what the project has been learning over the last four years in large scale ecological restoration and landscape scale predator pest management. Bonny Hatami is a project team member on Cape to City and the Hawkes Bay Marine Group

Above: Theresa Thornton, Jaz Thornton and Gene Waihape worked on the Cape to City Display at the A&P Show.

Below: Robin Hape and Kuki Green attended the Tuna Conference 17 and 18 July 2017



representing the Trust. She has also been working with the Department of Conservation on reserve planning and as part of that Fiona Wilcox from Wildlands spent three days in the field with NPDG staff looking at the sites within the Core Area, the information collected will be used to understand the threats and management priorities in our rohe.



A NPDG convened symposium/hui was held on 28 November at Putere Marae to bring whanau and experts together to discuss the health of the Putere Lakes. Last year NIWA divers came and assessed the health of the three lakes, they came back this year with the support of Hawkes Bay Regional Council and Ngā Whenua Rahui to explain the report and future management options of the lakes which are in poor condition. As part of the hui attendees were taken to the Lake Rotoroa where the NPDG team have done a great job fencing, riparian planting and conducting pest control.

We were near the end of reaching Takutai Moana recognition when the Government changed. We have previously mentioned 'the goal posts' of the Government changing regarding Takutai Moana in the past, therefore we await the new Ministers decision on our ratification results. In the meantime, we are also waiting for our application to start in the High Court. In the new year the Trust will be starting the Te Awaawa Stream project which is being co-funded by NPDG and the Ministry for the Environment. A worthy project this will work to improve the health of the stream and reconnect our members to Tawhirirangi.



#### **PANUI**

If you have a pānui or story that you would like to suggest we include in Te Putorino, please contact:

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## MANU KÖRERO COMPETITION

In June 2017 Ereti King who lives in Mohaka and attends Wairoa College was first place winner for the Te Matau a Maui Ngā Manu Korero regional competition Korimako (Senior English) division. Held at EIT it was a great day for Māori students from all of Hawkes Bay's High Schools. Congratulations! In September this year Ereti then travelled down to Taranaki with the other regional representatives for the Ngā Manu korero National Speech Competition 2017. While they didn't place, it is a huge achievement to win regionally and a fantastic experience to be a part of nationals. Ereti's whanau are extremely proud of her and will miss her when she leaves to go to Victoria University in Wellington to study Law and Commerce.





Trevor Dean Aririu Strickland, is the son of Querida Whatuira-Strickland and Dean Strickland, he's the eldest of Tom and Betty Gemmell's mokopuna Tuarua, with his mum Querida being their eldest mokopuna. Trevor is a stepson to Tracee Te Huia, Querida's partner, and also the eldest grandson of Neti (nee Gemmell) and Trevor Whatuira, he is father to 3 beautiful children Tomairangi, Jordan and Logan, a nephew to Titi and Peter MacGregor and grandson of Ruth and the late Aririu Harry Strickland. The whole whanau are extremely proud of Trevor. He has represented the NZ Royal Navy in Rugby and Rugby league and he has captained the NZ Defence Forces team for rugby which was coached by Buck Shelford. Trevor saved the life of a trainee diver in 2015 - he received an award for this and was acknowledged in an article in 'Navy Today' October 2017 edition

"A Navy diver whose professionalism and quick-thinking saved the life of a trainee during a diving exercise has received a meritorious award for his actions: Acting Petty Officer Diver Trevor Strickland, based with HMNZS MATATAUA, was awarded the Defence Meritorious Service Medal by Chief of Defence Force Lieutenant General Tim Keating on 1 September 2017. In 2015, Leading Diver Strickland was a student on the Petty Officer Diver Course, during which he was required to act as a diver and diver supervisor under assessment. He was given the task of playing the role of an unconscious diver for the benefit of student drills for the Able Diver course operating from diving tender HMNZS MANAWANUI, which required him to lie face down in the mud on the sea bed, in the vicinity of a wet diving bell. A student diver, acting as the "rescuer", suffered a flash flood in his mask, causing him to panic. Tearing off his mask at a depth of nine metres, he attempted to reach the surface, but he was negatively buoyant and attached to the sea floor through the diving bell. In water visibility of less than one metre, he started to drown. LDR Strickland, realising the student diver was taking too long to reach him, started to look around for him. A break in visibility enabled him to spot the student diver fighting for his life above the mud a short distance away, and he immediately went to his aid. Unable to find a route to the sanctuary of the diving bell through the thick mud, he ordered the surface crew to take up the slack on the lifelines, allowing him to use them as a guide to the safety bell. Once inside he was able to restore the casualty's airway and instruct the crew on MANAWANUI to bring the bell to the surface. Once on the dive deck he took over the care and resuscitation of the casualty. His citation notes LDR Strickland's "professional skill and presence of mind displayed were of the highest order and saved the life of a fellow diver... in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal New Zealand Navv."





This year I had the pleasure in tutoring the senior kapa haka roopu, this was very challenging for me at times but I managed to get through the year with the awesome help from Cheyla Samuels (ex-Mohaka School student) and her partner Manual Tauiwi to tautoko our boys.

The junior group were tutored by Mrs Hawkins, Nanny B and Cheyla. Our tamariki performed in the Ngāti Kahungunu Festival hosted by Peterhead School and the Wairoa District Festival hosted by Tiaho School. The Trust supported this as part of my professional development.

### LABOUR MARKET - Employment & Training

## Unemployment has decreased consistently over the previous 2 years with high growth in construction.

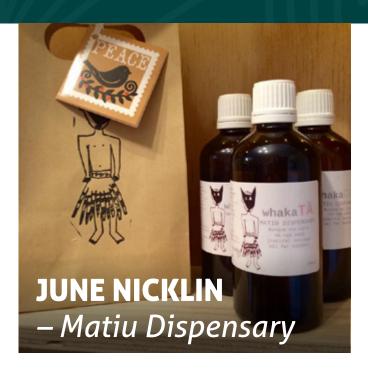
A number of whanau have enrolled in the EIT building course at EIT and have entered employment in this industry, a special mention to Casey Aranui who has completed the course and now has an apprenticeship.

Reece Aranui has transitioned from the freezing works to enrol at EIT to start his hikoi to becoming an Architect, Pāhauwera transitioning from jobs to careers and building for the future is exactly what we want to see; Whanau making a difference.

An important step with the changing employment market is to iidentify what you would like to do and initiate steps as the whanau mentioned have done to realise their potential. It is always an important process to identify your career pathway before embarking on your hikoi as often we have examples of whanau starting their hikoi and changing their minds after starting mahi.

Have a lovely break over the Christmas period. Mauri Ora Peter Eden

If you are thinking about a career or looking at employment send me an e-mail and let's start the journey together. **Peter.eden@npdt.co.nz** 



He Māori au, e noho Māori nei, i toku ao Māori — Te Ao o Matiu. I Am Natural, Living Naturally, Within my Natural World — Matiu's world.

June Nicklin is the daughter of Pip and Dolly (Leila) Nicklin, granddaughter of Alice Huata and John Te Hau, her Ngāti Pāhauwera marae are Te Huki and Waipapa A Iwi. She is based in Palmerston North and started making Rongoā products when she was hapu with her pēpi Matiu (now 2). June was worried about what she was putting in and on her body. Self-taught (which is amazing itself), she looked at what worked best for her and created formulas that were safe for her and her whanau. During pregnancy, she used massage oils that she had developed and once Matiu was born she developed a mirimiri massage

oil safe for babies. She was giving it to friends and whanau and from there, it evolved into the business it is today. She now has a range of massage oils, perfumes and serum. 'Matiu Dispensary', June's business has a website and Instagram and Facebook pages. These platforms promote her products but also her passion for Te Ao Māori, environmentally friendly and sustainable living. June however prefers to meet her customers kanohi ki te kanohi so that she can explain the benefits of her products. She does this at various markets and events where she sells her products in the Manawatu region. Don't worry, if you can't make it personally, Matiu Dispensary can ship their products to you in NZ or Australia.

June is super busy with work, as a mum, with her business and is studying Te Reo. Her taha Māori comes through strongly in everything she does and how she will bring up her son. He is at Te Awhina Kohanga Reo and will go onto Kura Kaupapa Māori and with this in mind, she and her sister were on the Te Pūtakitanga o Te Reo Māori programme which is a full immersion beginner class delivered by Te Wananga o Aotearoa. Her tane Joshy Campbell is also on the Reo Waka, and completed his Certificate in Te Ara Reo Māori this year, also through TWoA. June says that learning te reo has been very fulfilling and it has been great to go on that journey with her whanau. It looks like they are very talented, with father Pip recently completing Te Aupikitanga ki te Reo Kairangi Diploma (Intermediate full immersion) through TWoA and her brother Zeb recently winning Best Short Story written in Te Reo Māori with his story 'Kaitiaki' at the 2017 Pikihuia Awards for Maori Writers. Awesome achievements!

### If you are looking for presents this year or next there is no shortage of natural rongoā products available from our Pāhauwera wahine:

SOAPS AND BALMS: Arakanihi by Gene Waihape. Contact: genewaihape@gmail.com

PERFUME, MASSAGE OIL, FACIAL SERUM: Matiu Dispensary by June Nicklin: www.matiudispensary.tictail.com

HERBAL REMEDIES, TEAS, BALMS, SKINCARE, DIFFUSERS, CANDLES: Lua by Awhina Motutere. www.lua.co.nz

The Trust wants to profile and support our Pāhauwera businesses – let us know what your business is along with contact details and we can put you on our social media pages or in this newsletter.





On December 4th the Company Directors put on a lunch at Pihanui Station to show their appreciation for all the efforts of the farming, fencing and nursery team over the past 12 months.

Michael Chamberlain, Chairman of the Company, listed a few of the more significant achievements from the last 12 months as being:

- A stream crossing has been built which will stand the test of time
- Two sets of cattle yards were built which now allows stock to be weighed and tracked
- Covered yards have been expanded and a sheep autodrafter put in at Pihanui
- 50 hectares of pasture have been renewed across the farms with drought resistant species
- 70 hectares of maize is now established to be used for green feed and silage
- 125 calves were reared which now allows calf rearing to be expanded and reduces our stock replacement costs
- About 40 kilometres of new fencing has been instituted

- Over half our sheep flock has been changed out to better genetics
- 300 hectares of gorse and blackberry was sprayed
- Ahuwhenua Young Māori Farmer of the year was taken out by one of our staff, Jordan Biddle
- We are now into the next round of judging for the Ballance Farm Environmental Awards
- For the first time the farms produced a profit and are set to repeat the result in this financial year.

He noted that these achievements are the result of hard work, passion and a focussed team. Well done and thanks to everyone connected with the farms and Ngāti Pāhauwera Commercial Development Ltd.



On the 27 Sept 2017 there was a formal signing of the contract between the Trust and Lewis Pest Control Ltd at Kakariki Farm, Kotemaori.

The contract is a direct result of the Memorandum of Understanding between Ospri TB Free NZ and the Trust, which was negotiated in the recent year and with the Iwi's position of no 1080 in our forest.

#### РНОТО:

Back row (L - R):

Jimmy Lewis of Lewis Pest Control; Kuki Green NPDG; Mrs Grace Lewis (Jimmy's mum); Charles MacGregor LPC; Kurawari (Trish) Panere; Jimmy's sister; Doug and Veronika, staff Avatar Products; Peter MacGregor Project Manager Pest Control NPDG.

Front row: Michael Hubbard, LPC and Quintin Whakataka Stock Manager, Kakariki Farm, NPCD Ltd

Absent: Ropihana Heta, LPC.

Photographer: Robin Hape, CEO, NPDG

## WHANAU FISHING COMPETITION

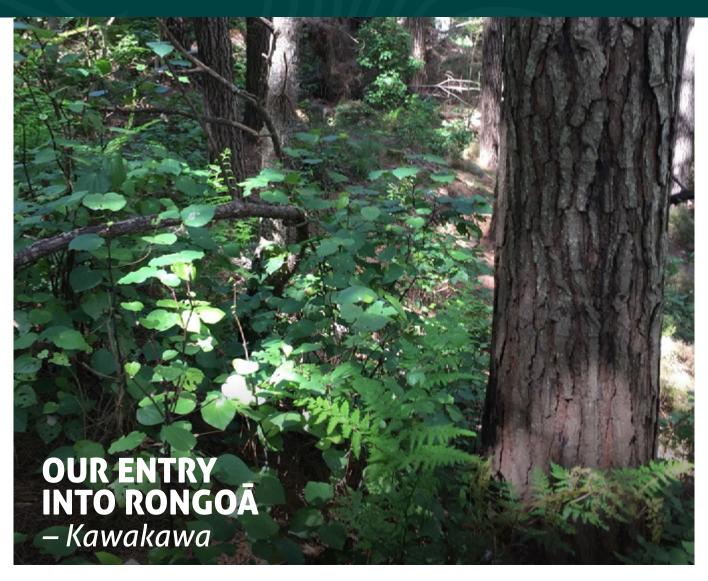
- Mohaka Beach

Mohaka Beach (Southside), Sunday 7th January 2018, 7am—2pm, \$20 per rod Enquiries: Marjorie Rangi 06 8376 545. Donations of prizes greatly appreciated.

#### **COMPUTER CLUB**

The ICT Club project is operating successfully in Wairoa with over 120 members attending. We hope to extend the club to Mohaka at the school which will also provide computers for the children at the kura while the club is not operating. A computer suite for a Napier based contingent will also be set up in the NPDG offices in Napier.





### Across the 15,500 hectares of forestry land owned by Ngāti Pāhauwera there is an abundance of native plants growing beneath the pine trees.

One of those plants is kawakawa which thrives in this environment. The medicinal properties are well known among māori and now increasingly being utilised by others.

Through a company that Ngāti Pāhauwera has an investment in, Phytomed, we have been able to utilise this resource and supply dried leaves to them. Our supply to them is only small at present at about 80 kg. Our goal is to become their preferred supplier and increase volumes over time in a sustainable way.

The photo above shows kawakawa under 25-year old pine trees after the team have been through and harvested. Leaves from the top of the plants are taken leaving about 75% of the plant still intact. The plants are fully regrown after about 12 weeks.

This a sustainable method of harvest because:

- The trees will be harvested inside the next three years which will see total destruction of the kawakawa
- The plants are not killed by our harvesting and across 15,500 hectares we can supply our needs from just 10 hectares
- We are supplementing other areas with our own kawakawa plantings. Over 1,000 seedlings are being raised now for planting next winter such that we are putting back more than we take.
- As we build scale with our kawakawa harvest we create employment and generate wealth for the iwi. Our goal is continue this with other rongoā species.

#### THE YEAR THAT'S BEEN: TE PUTORINO O PĀHAUWERA







## MIHI FOR CHRISTMAS - Robin Hape, CEO

It has been a busy year for the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Group and I take this opportunity to thank all the staff, trustees and members for their efforts.

The Ngāti Pāhauwera story is still unfolding and I have the honour of being part of that development for another year.

This year NPDG distributed over \$210,000 in Manaaki Grant funding, over \$90,000 was provided to the Raupunga Water Project and over \$40,000 was provided in dental care to the Wairoa community (the majority being Ngāti Pāhauwera members). In employing staff and contractors living in the core area we are contributing hundreds of thousands of dollars directly to the whanau of our members and supporting the community. The Trust has improved our communication with the 'Te Putorino' newsletter which is available in print and online and by consolidating our facebook pages. We have also provided training and employment assistance to our members and been successful in receiving funding for future projects and partnerships with Ospri TB Free NZ for Pest Control, Ministry for the Environment for the Te Awaawa Stream project and the Māori Digital Technology Development Fund through Te Puni Kökiri for our IT rangatahi



Photo: AGM 2017 at Pukemokimoki Marae, Maraenui.

project. Planning for the Rangatahi Wānanga (Big Camp Mohaka 2018) has shaped up an exciting programme for our young ones, which will also start to build capacity in the Trust to deliver these programmes in the future.

Some notable achievements in the past year for Pāhauwera whanui are the awards to our own Jordan Biddle for Ahuwhenua Young Māori Farmer of the Year, The Raupunga Water Committee for their Hawkes Bay Health award in 'Commitment to reducing Inequities', the YMP Rugby Team for their many sporting awards and trophies including Team of the Year in the Wairoa Sports Awards, Toro Waaka, Caroline Herewini and Peter MacGregor for their New Zealand Order of Merit awards.

The Ngāti Pāhauwera offices are closed from 21 December to 8 January.

We hope you enjoyed this bumper issue of Te Putorino and wish you a safe and happy holiday season with your whānau.

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