

NGĀTI PĀHAUWERA DEVELOPMENT GROUP NEWSLETTER

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Taiao Report



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Kua Hinga he totara nui o te Wao nui a Tane. E te Rangatira haere, haere, haere.

The CEO and I represented NPDT in paying respect to Tumanako Wereta (former Tuaropaki Trust Chairman) at Ratana Pa. His Leadership in Te Ao Māori was unrivalled.

His demonstration of what Māori could achieve independent of government resources is an exemplary example of what can be done if you free yourself from the dependency on Government mentality.

A Te Puni Kokiri hui with Ministers Nanaia Mahuta and Meka Whaitiri celebrated a long and fruitful relationship between Ngāti Pāhauwera throughout the Treaty claim process and up to the current NPDT Cadetship Scheme, the Raupunga Water Committee, Papakainga funding and Te Huki Marae assistance.

Ngāti Pāhauwera met with the HBRC and other Iwi that border the river in mid April to progress the Mohaka plan change. It has taken seven years to get the HBRC to make this commitment.

HBRC Joint Planning Committee members held their meeting at Mohaka Marae followed by a visit to the gravel extraction area at Te Arero. We then went to Putere Marae area after a series of presentation on issues within our rohe. We visited the supplementary feed area on Rawhiti.

The feedback from the visit was positive with Councillors now having a greater understanding of our rural issues including our concerns relating to forestry silt and slash.

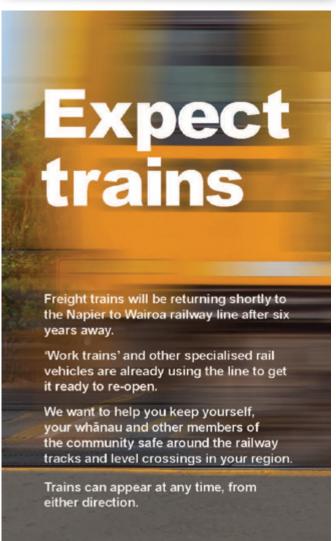
We had a final meeting with representatives of Government departments on process and responsibilities. There are some sharp Māori involved including Margaret Mutu, Bill Hamilton and Jessica Ngatai. A key observation of mine from the Māori Community hui is the wide array of understandings by Māori on Te Tiriti, the Declaration of Independence and the legitimacy of the Government.

I have attended a number of meetings with organisations including the Wairoa District Council to support the regional economic Development. Ngāti Pāhauwera was represented at a recent Ministry of Foreign Affairs hui by NPDT Trustees Tom Keefe and Amiria Tomoana. Strategically, the more we understand about how we can add value to our produce that is exported, the better are we in position to negotiate future sales and have wider networks.

Finally, The Prime Minister's visit to Waipatu Marae in April provided an opportunity to share information on local developments and articulate our voice for change.

Nga mihi Toro Waaka









Kia ora ra,

Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust continues working to achieve te oranganui o Ngāti Pāhauwera with the sometimes labouring interaction with agencies on different fronts but also the more direct investment through wānanga, our own work streams and the investments through the manaaki grants.

In this issue of Te Putorino we maintain the focus on rangatahi through Te Taitimu Trust, showcase work being undertaken in the reserves, acknowledge the work of kaiako through wānanga and showcase wider interaction that the trust is working on to create more opportunities for members.

In response, members achieve on their own merits and where possible NPDT pursue other resources including those from Crown agencies. In that regard, congratulations to all those tauira that were successful in graduating with Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiarangi and other learning institutions as the saying goes;

Ma te huruhuru te manu ka rere, a, ko te manu e kai ana te Miro, nōna te ngahere; ko te Manu e kai ana te mātauranga nōna te ao. (The bird that eats from the Miro tree owns the forest; the bird that eats from the tree of knowledge owns the world.)

Hawkes Bay Regional Development

ICT and multinational Datacom – Regional Growth Development with a possibility of Datacom locating in Hawke's Bay. NPDT supporting local government, business and iwi bid to enhance ICT opportunities by enticing Datacom to Hawke's Bay.



Provincial Growth Fund opportunities

Poutama Trust is discussing options for developing horticultural investments in the Wairoa area.





Farming

Ahu Whenua visit to Te Awahohonu Guavas Station. Farm staff visiting the finishing unit presentation as one of the finalists. Ngāti Pāhauwera's Tanenuiarangi Hubbard was also trying for Young Farmer of the Year.

Photo (above) of the powhiri for all competitors and visitors.

Ministry of Trade

The Ministry of Trade meeting to discuss trade options and forestry opportunities.



The Regional PGF Applications

A powhiri by Hastings District Council for Independent Advisory Panel members took place and NPDT were first up. We presented to the Independent Advisory Panel considering the regional PGF applications.

An announcement in June will be made to advise on whether we are successful or not.

Photo (below): Council staff, the Hastings Mayor and ourselves welcoming the members.





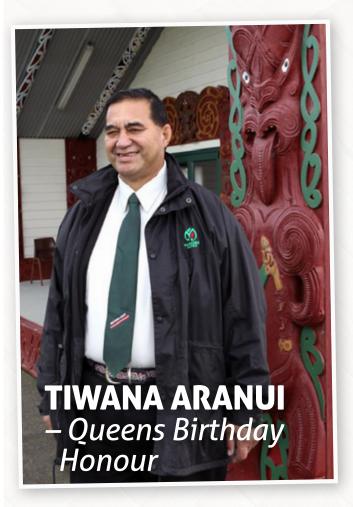


Tumanako Wereta tangihanga

Ko te kupu Whakamutunga ki nga mate, me nga roimata mo ratou. E te hunga mate rere atu ki te ao wairua, ki te tini me te mano haere, haere atu ra. Ki a koe Marjorie Rangi – moe mai e te kuia.

Our local kuia and servant of the Anglican faith acknowledged along with the other whānau members who have passed including Tumanako.

Photos (above) for Tumanako Wereta tangihanga – taken at Ratana pa before powhiri were John Whaanga, Rino Tirakatene, Tamati Olsen and Michelle Hippolite.



He mihi nui and Congratulations to Tiwana Aranui for his Queens Service Medal announced over Queens Birthday Weekend.

Tiwana is a very busy man in the community, he is Pukemokimoki Marae chairman, has been a member of the Kohanga Reo national trust, on Napier City Council's Māori consultative committee and support role pou ahurea with the Hawke's Bay District Health Board, and has held roles at the Maraenui Rugby Club, formed in 1981, and now known as the Maraenui Rugby and Sports Association. Tiwana was a winner at the Ngāti Kahungunu Māori Language Awards in 2017.

AHUWHENUA YOUNG MĀORI FARMER AWARDS – 2019 Finalists

The finalists in the 2019
Ahuwhenua Young Māori Farmer
Award for Sheep and Beef have
been announced.

Congratulations to Kristy Maria Roa, Tumoanakotore-i-Whakairioratia Harrison-Boyd, and Taane-nui-a-Rangi Rotoatara Hubbard.

Taane is Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Pāhauwera, Tainui, Ngāti Pakapaka, Ngai Tahu and Ngai Tuhoe. He is a shepherd on Caberfeidh Station in the Hakataramea Valley near Kurow, northwest of Oamaru.

Congratulations to Taane for becoming a finalist! The three were selected from a number of entrants from around the country. Lead judge Peter Little says it is never an easy task to select finalists given the pool of young Māori who in a short space of time are making great progress in their careers in agriculture.

Peter Little says the training undertaken by the finalists has helped them establish themselves in good jobs and provide an excellent platform to progress to senior positions within the industry. He says the farming sector needs talented, motivated young people and this award is about recognising their achievements thus far, but also showcasing to other young people the great career opportunities that are awaiting them in the primary sector.

Taane Hubbard, 23, is an experienced shepherd on Caberfeidh Station in the Hakataramea Valley near Kurow northwest of Oamaru. He grew up in the East Coast town of Wairoa and in his last three years at secondary school joined a special Agricultural Academy set up at Wairoa College



(similar to a gateway programme). He says this meant he spent three days a week doing normal curriculum studies but the other two were spent on local farms – mainly Tangiwai Station and Burnside Farm – seeing the options the sector offered and learning skills that would eventually set him on his path to a career in agriculture.

At the Academy he gained level 2 and 3 in Agriculture through Primary ITO. He then worked as a casual farm worker before working briefly at the local freezing works. He then started his study at Taratahi Agriculture training centre completing level 4 and a Massey Diploma in Agriculture before being offered a position at the historic Tautane Station in Central Hawke's Bay working as a shepherd general. After nearly two years he moved to his current position at Caberfeidh Station. This farm is 6,000 hectares (5,300 effective) and runs up to 17,000 ewes and 550 mixed aged cows, (finishing all progeny, depending on conditions it also finishes an extra 15-20,000 lambs, grazes fattening or dry stock, as it is) a large operation with twelve staff working on the property.

Taane was a finalist in the 2015 AYMF award along with his partner, Hemoata Kopa.

He says his long term goal is to be a supervisor or General Manager of a large Māori Incorporation farm with a strong emphasis on helping other rangatahi find a career in agriculture.





In January 2018 Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi visited Pāhauwera with the view of engaging and offering interested people in our communities an opportunity to use their land for growing kai and feeding whānau.

In April 2018 Ina Huata, Theresa Thornton and Isobel Thompson were employed by Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi to register locals and extended whānau to start a NZQA Level 3 Kai Oranga Course.

This learning is "how did our ancestors look after their land and grow kai?" Then "how did our parents do it?" to, "how are we doing it today?"

We are teaching the following six principles of Te Mahi Mara Hua Parakore which will help us answer the above questions.

- 1. Whakapapa
- 4. Wairua
- 2. Mana
- 5. Te Ao Turoa
- 3. Mauri
- 6. Maramatanga

We got off to a great start with classes of 20 tauira each, and then we spent the next 12 months teaching.

We learnt and taught about:

- The Kaupapa of Hua Parakore
- Food sovereignty
- Designing your Mara
- Sowing seeds
- Seed storage and seed swap
- Maramataka and much more

This was a great introduction to Pāhauwera as we and the younger generation are realising the value of our land and why our ancestors protected the land so that whanau of a generation to come didn't sell it.

Some great work has been done and lots learnt. We were very fortunate to be given another 2 Kai Oranga Level 3 courses this year (2019) and a Level 4 Permaculture course as well.

These are both well on the way now.

Kapai!



MARGARET ERIHA, MOHAKA MARAE TRUSTEE

It was all hands on deck on the 22nd February when Maulder Builders team arrived at the Marae to start the long awaited renovations to Rongomaiwahine.

With a karakia from Kuki Green the work started. Peter Maulder is married to Deborah, who is the daughter of Jim Eriha and Dagmar Puna, Ngāti Pāhauwera, so there was a lot of jovial banter throughout the day.

As the old walls were being stripped off, the locals got into the job of carting all the rubbish away, while some of the others were undercoating all the new timber.

Whānau came from Palmerston North, Bennydale, Napier and just down the hill to lend a hand. The atmosphere was amazing. Everyone had a job to do and they were serious about it.

The electrician turned up and installed a new LED spotlight to light up the back outside area and he also repaired one of the spotlights in the front, the other is a work in progress when he returns he will have the new parts for it.

Two young men from Superior Roofing arrived and immediately got into the job of removing all

the iron from the back and in front of the tanks and side of the Roundhall.

All timber that needed replacing due to rot was removed and replaced with new timber. It was great to watch the transformation from old to new, every board placed, every nail hole drilled first and all in line, every cleat measured and trimmed to fit perfectly, true craftsmen at work. Smoko and lunch times were a hit, the boss said sandwiches and sausage rolls would be sufficient, he soon learnt that the cooks were in full swing and there was kai galore, fresh fish, roast pork, venison, fish curry, helpers came with a plate or fresh baking for the table, topped off with desserts. One of the builders said he was excited to come back to see what was on the menu next time.

Throughout this whole renovation which was over 3 weekends, Kaumatua George Hawkins was there watching the transformation, he was so pleased to see it happening, it was fitting that he was given the honor of banging in the last nail. In approximately two months time they will be back to renovate the inside.

None of this would have been possible without the help of the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust's Manaaki Committee who have given us a grant of \$140,000.



ANZAC DAY SERVICE – 25 April, 2019

KORERO FROM MOSES ERIHA

The Anzac Service held on 25
April at Waipapa A Iwi Marae
Mohaka at 6.00am, was attended
by about 50 whānau from near
and far. Guest speaker for the day
was Moses Eriha, son of Margret
and Jim Eriha of Mohaka.

"20 years ago on this very day I stood along with 100 odd other guys my age formed up in the dark outside the Waiouru Army Head Quarters building. As I stood there I wondered why it had taken me 19 years to attend my first ever Anzac day Dawn Parade service.

The formalities started and the guest speaker began his spiel, I still remember bits of his speech as he started off; On the 25th of April 1915 men from Australia and New Zealand leapt from beach landing craft to storm the beaches of Gallipoli, for many of them it would be their final steps, for others that were lucky enough to find cover from the heavy machine gun fire they would become the legends we remember as the ANZACs...

He waffled on a bit more and then as he wrapped up he looked towards us and said "you young men and women are about to join a family, you are about to set out on an adventure, one which will challenge you and change you, you have massive shoes to fill so do your best and make yourself, your family and country proud."



I left Waiouru a few days later and headed to Trentham to begin my trade training, I soon found out what army life was like and I loved it, we would train, learn our trades, get paid, and of course we would party. We had fun, sometimes a bit too much fun!

In 2002 I qualified as a Maintenance Fitter and was now based in Linton. In November that year my boss told me that I was deploying to the small war torn Island of Bougainville as part of the peace monitoring group. I was stoked, my first deployment.

The following year in Feb 03 I jumped into the back of a c130 Hercules aircraft and set out to ultimately do what I had trained to do for the last few years.

I would not leap off a landing craft to storm any enemy positions in Bougainville, in fact I walked off the Herc into 35-degree heat and walked to an idling Toyota Land cruiser - aircon on cold - and was driven back to base. Bougainville was a unique situation, Kiwis had gone to Bougainville after many failed peace agreements. We didn't take weapons with us, we took our culture and guitars.

▶ Only within the last few weeks, a documentary has been aired in cinemas around the country called 'Soldiers without Guns' – it's all about the Bougainville conflict and how New Zealanders brought peace to the island.

Bougainville was my first ANZAC experience, it was an Australian led mission much to the local's disgust, but we worked alongside them and amongst the friendly banter we worked well together. Aussies operated slightly different to us but we managed to get the job done. I met some amazing local people there, they loved the Kiwi emblem sewn on our uniforms – to many of them Kiwis were the saviours of their island and we were welcomed with open arms wherever we went.

There was a large population that was very highly educated, their island paradise had been destroyed by an Australian mining company and greed.

But they didn't hold any grudges, they were just grateful to be alive, I had never seen a grown man so happy to receive a brand new pair of jandals.

The place itself was amazing, seeing photos of what the island before the conflict looked like and then seeing it now was truly heartbreaking, but it was safe to say that when we left it was recovering, but very slowly.

In April 2007 I deployed again on a 6-month Deployment to the War ravaged country of Afghanistan. We trained hard for this deployment and what an experience it was.

Afghanistan would change me in many ways, just saying goodbye to my wife and mum and knowing it could potentially be the last time I saw them wasn't something I wanted to do too many more times in my life.

Mum however was a sucker for punishment as she did it again a few years later when younger brother Dags deployed to Egypt.



I experienced firsthand life in a war zone. Coalition soldiers were dying almost daily from combat with the Taliban, even driving down to the local town was quite a serious activity.

You couldn't leave camp without a minimum of two vehicles, 300 rounds with one in the chamber, grenades in your webbing, body armour, helmets, rocket launchers, communications, you name it we had it. It was everything I had trained for and now we were doing it daily, it was cool and after the first month it became ground hog day.

All coolness aside the reality was that Afghanistan was a country that had never known peace, its bloodied past still haunted the country since the days of Ghengis Khan. There has always been some conflict, amongst the war torn nation were a group of war hardened people, and like every other warn torn country comes horrendous stories.

A local American run orphanage had stories of young children that were sold off simply because their parents couldn't afford to feed them or because they were girls. It really was another world, the Bamian province where we were based had one of the first all-girls schools in the country, the Taliban had outlawed girls receiving an education so to see that school in full swing was very heart warming.



However kids didn't finish school, as soon as boys could work they would and quite often you would see young boys building something, or trying to weld something together, I think that's why when I see kids back here in NZ skip school simply because they can't be bothered, it really bothers me – they really have no idea how easy they have it.



I have many stories and memories from Afghanistan and could waffle on all day about what we did there, but Afghanistan and ANZAC day would take on a whole new meaning to me after 2012.

A friend I had deployed with in 07 who had returned to Afghanistan died when the Humvee he was in along with Lance Corporal Jacinda Baker and PTE Richard Harris drove over an improvised explosive device instantly killing all three of them. Corporal Luke Douglas Tamatea was 31 at the time and left behind a partner and his four daughters. Seeing that was enough to know it was probably time to hang up the uniform. So in 2013 I started a civilian job at Trentham Military camp as a civilian trade tutor, and that's where I now spend my days.

While I no longer wear the uniform I still live by the very ethos and values that the Military instilled in me. I always encourage young people who have no idea what they want to do with their lives to look at a career in the defence force.

See, Pāhauwera has always produced great servicemen and women, you only need to look on the monuments or around the Urupa to see the sacrifice and service already given to this country.

This area produces natural soldiers, naturally tough people, when put into that environment they thrive.

So encourage that son, daughter or moke to give a military career a thought, they won't be disappointed, we will always need good men and women to serve, and this area has them in abundance.

Ladies and gentlemen thank you for listening to me waffle on, it has been an absolute privilege and honour.

I would like to finish with a quote I have heard several times.

When you go home, Tell them of us and say, For your tomorrow, We gave our today."





PUKEHOU MARAE - Wānanga

ELMAADI TE AHO

We had 9 rangatahi attend the overnight wānanga at Pukehou Marae ages from 7-13 yrs supported by Te Taitimu Trust.

This opportunity was available to a small group. The wānanga was about building wellness within whānau, confidence and resilience, and providing opportunities in communities with rangatahi.

Time was spent at Waipukarau Community Pools where rangatahi went through a variety of workshops in the water, learning to use a snorkel and goggles, floating with and without a life Jacket on and how far you were able to hold your breath under water.

Back at Pukehou Marae, rangatahi were placed into groups and taken through basic life skill workshops, this included making a bed, setting tables, cleaning toilets, Waiata, Karakia and a range of different games over the time, Rangatahi thoroughly enjoyed their overnight stay.









ECHINACEA CROP - Our first harvest LUKE HANSEN

The team led by Andrea King have just completed hand harvesting and drying the Echinacea roots from our first planting.

The crop is being grown organically and the roots will soon be sent to Auckland for processing into KiwiHerb natural health products.

Growing a crop organically comes with a lot of challenges and with each crop we learn a lot more about how to do it more efficiently.



The photo above (inset) is of our second crop, a vast improvement on the first crop – the result of continuously improving. We hope to move from hand harvesting to more machine harvesting when we dig up our second crop.

We have a number of members who we do not have updated details for.

There are a variety of reasons for this, it may be date of birth, address, phone, email address, if you have moved or married recently, if you have added to the whānau or if you have lost a loved one.

If you have not received AGM details, Voting Packs, Manaaki Grants information – either you are not registered, or we do not have the correct details. Please go to our website NPDG Registration form http://ngatipahauwera.co.nz/rehitatanga/

This mahi is ongoing, we ask all registered members to update their details with us. This information would be very much appreciated. Please email your updated form to: admin@npdt.co.nz or drop it in to one of our offices.



This is the end of the Department of Conservation (DOC) funding received to fence, do weed and pest control on the two smaller lakes (Lake Rotoroa and Lake Rotongaio).

We would like to thank DOC for the funds, Horizon Trust for working with us to give access to the lake and the Ngāti Pāhauwera staff, fencers and contractors who did the mahi.

For Lake Rotongaio, we have received some funds from Ngā Whenua Rahui for riparian planting which will be done in the next few months in conjunction with the landowners, the Putere Community and the Kai Oranga wānanga, who have also received some separate funds and will contribute towards the planting. Plants from the Raupunga Nursery that were grown as part of the River Restoration project will be used.

Riparian planting and fencing are practical ways to improve the health of the lakes by providing filters, shade and excluding stock from waterways.



We hope to support Putere Marae and landowners with their aspirations for Lake Rotonuiaha in the future.



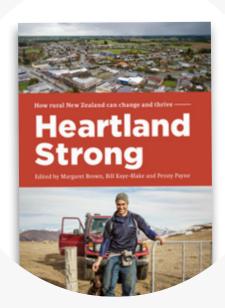
HEARTLAND STRONGAgResearch

Last year I contributed to a chapter regarding Ngāti Pāhauwera farms in a book that has just been released.

This has come about from the relationship with AgResearch that has been going for the past few years. The book is based on years of research, shows how, and provides useful insights into the ongoing process of change in rural communities and the resources on which they draw to support their resilience.

Resilience is something we need to consider due to coastal erosion, extreme weather and climate change.

NPCDL continue to work with AgResearch on a project to analyse land and people development.



You can see an overview of the book at: www.masseypress.ac.nz/books/all/all/heartland-strong



TE AWAAWA STREAM

In mid-March Ngāti Pāhauwera staff along with Peter Eden (MSD) and Charlie Lambert went to Te Tirohanga the Māori Unit at Hawkes Bay Regional (Mangaroa) Prison.

We are looking to work with Ngāti Pāhauwera members and others who are going to do some carving for the project. Charlie will continue to liase with them regarding our history and carving design. He will also do some carving.

Access on Tawhirirangi was predicted and continues to be an issue, however we have local digger expert Tommy Heta working with us and have completed tracks and stockpiled some gravel which will be used to stabilise tracks.

Hawkes Bay Regional Council is on board with us to assist with assessing the stream itself and planting of native plants is being planned for this winter.

If you have any queries or korero please contact Project Manager Michelle Thompson: Michelle.Thompson@npdt.co.nz

TAKUTAI MOANA

The Office of Treaty Settlements has been rebranded: Te Arawhiti – The Office for Māori Crown Relations.

Ngāti Pāhauwera met with Te Arawhiti Takutai Moana Staff Project for an update after a very long time. We will advise when anything substantial comes of these discussions.

It is disappointing but in the meantime we are also in the High Court for the area south of the Waikare. A Judicial conference will be from 9 February to 2 April 2021 in Napier.

The applications that will be heard with ours are the following:

- CIV-2017-485-000235 Malcolm J Kingi on behalf of Ngāi Tahu O Mohaka-Waikare;
- CIV-2017-485-000241 The trustees of the Maungaharuru-Tangitū Trust for and on behalf of Ngāti Kurumōkihi, Ngāti Marangatūhetaua, Ngāti Whakaari, Ngāi Tauira, Ngāi Te Ruruku ki Tangoio and Ngāi Tahu;
- CIV-2017-485-000246 Rapihana Te Kaha Hawaikirangi on behalf of Ngāti Pārau;
- CIV-2017-485-000512 Cletus Maanu Paul (whole of New Zealand):
- CIV-2017-404-000538 Rihari Dargaville (whole of New Zealand):

The Judicial conference is a seven week hearing in early 2021, there is a lot of preparation work required which is underway.

At this point, I would like to acknowledge those who gave evidence for our Mohaka River Claim, the Seabed and Foreshore Claim, our Treaty Settlement and again the Takutai Moana Claim. There are many who gave evidence, their whakapapa, hītori and korero and are now no longer with us. Ka whawhai tonu matou.

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION– Reserves

Work has been conducted in Maulders (Ngakoauau), Pihanui Reserve, Mangaturanga and Kakariki Reserve

This work is challenging and includes mapping, cutting tracks, removing trees, assessing gates and fences. We will also install pest control traps and look at future opportunities for these reserves.

Helen Jonas (Wairoa DOC) has recently been up to Te Heru with Theresa Thornton and Walker Gilbert (volunteers) to do maintenance on Ngutu Kaka enclosures.



NGĀTI PĀHAUWERA TAKUTAI MOANA:

KA WHAWHAI TONU MĀTOU WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT!



Over 40 Pāhauwera kaumatua and members gave new evidence in 2013-2014 for this application.







MOHAKA PLAN CHANGE

Mohaka Plan Change kicks off on the 17th of April 2019.

HBRC Regional Planning Committee members (Regional Councillors and Post Settlement Entity Representatives) and staff visited Waipapa A Iwi Mohaka Marae, Mohaka River, Putere Marae, Putere Lakes and Rawhiti Station.

It was a very full and busy day as they also held their Regional Planning Committee hui and Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust presented on Environmental and Economic mahi and opportunities for HBRC to work with us.

I've been given the ok by Ngāti Hineuru, Te Awahohonu, Te Matai Land Trust and Paroa Trust to represent and report back to them and work with HBRC on the Mohaka Plan Change regarding co-design and Tangata Whenua values.





If you are interested in any of the Taiao kaupapa and would like to know more or contribute please get in touch with Bonny at bonny.hatami@npdt.co.nz

In particular with the Mohaka Plan Change on the horizon, **if you are part of any Māori owned land blocks, Trusts or Farms in the Mohaka or Taharua Catchment** I am interested in your views and issues (forestry slash, gravel, sedimentation, nitrate leaching, future water use/restrictions etc)



THERESA THORNTON

In November 2018, the Raupunga Marae Trustees were informed that the Oranga Marae funding application was successful and the funds would be available to complete the marae re-build.

The news was acknowledged over a trustee dinner held at the Napier RSA with Mere Pohatu (Te Puni Kōkiri), Norman Apirana (Oranga Marae) in attendance along with various Raupunga kaumātua and Paul Sheeran (Project Manager).

The Raupunga community celebrated the commencement of the re-build with a blessing in January 2019. The acknowledgement of the recent passing is given to Marjorie (Kani) Rangi who organised the event. The blessing was well attended by the wider community of Ngāti Pāhauwera and everyone was very excited to hear that the Marae Trustees lead by Theresa Thornton

and Gene Waihape had secured the required funding from Oranga Marae.

Fred Niblett Construction Ltd (FNC Ltd) were contracted again to complete the re-build.

The work commenced on the 7th January 2019 and is to be staged over a period of 8 months.

FNC Ltd have completed a large amount of the internal building work including installing the timber framing and lining of the internal walls. The flooring preparation is programmed to be completed in the next 2-weeks with the internal painting, kitchen installation and flooring to follow.

Local kaumatua Ruku Wainohu has been integral in the restarting of the re-build providing a bridge of knowledge from the previous build programme. Sandy Adsett will finalise the supply and instalment of the artwork inside the whare tipuna.



While the building project remains on track towards completion, a Raupunga Marae working committee has been formed to work alongside the trustees.

Given the mandate from the trustees to prepare for Labour Weekend, Saturday October 26th 2019, the committee has been made up of membership from each of our marae in Ngāti Pāhauwera, a rangatahi rep, YMP Rugby Club rep, tikanga and kawa representatives supported with kaumātua and kuia guidance and input.

Doug Putaranui is leading this committee to prepare for the Labour Weekend re-opening.

At this stage preparations are still with the committee who are framing the re-opening. Both meetings held so far have been well attended and positive contributions made. Allocated responsibilities are currently being worked on. The framework for the October reopening will be shared with Ngāti Pāhauwera iwi whānui on our facebook page with key dates leading up to and including October 26th.

The Raupunga Marae working committee and trustees acknowledge our kaumātua and kuia who have passed on over the last 12 years as the driving force towards October 26th and beyond – "Ka mua ka muri, learning from the past to shape the future!"

FIREWOOD

Yearly wood provided by Pan Pac, is delivered and dropped off to the areas of Raupunga, and Mohaka, for local whānau.

Please ensure that whānau follow the safety rules of gathering wood, Safety chaps and high-vis to be worn at all times.



NPDT acknowledge the sad passing of the following:

Maude Mary Paul

James (Jim) Edward Waihape aka (Jimmy Cool) Reverend Marjorie Rangi nee Tuapawa.

Titi Vaiana MacGregor wahine of Peter MacGregor

Rangi (Mana) Ernest Hancy

Robert Keefe

Moe mai e hika ma I te ao wairua, ma te Atua e manaaki e Tiaki. TAWHIRIRANGI TE MAUNGA TAPU

MOHAKA TE AWA

TANGITŪ KI TE MOANA

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