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Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi
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Chairman - Ngākiwi Tomoana

Mihimihī

Tena Koutou e hika ma, a kare ma

Whaia te iti Kahurangi ki te tuohu koe me maunga teitei.

This whakatauki took another life, another step at the inaugural scholarship awards night. Our achievers in the academic world stand proud and tall ready to assail the next hurdle and the next mountain, carrying a survival pack of whakapapa, experience, success and hunger for more. It will not be plain sailing but full of tests and challenges. These are the taraongaonga me te tutumatakuru prescribed in Pinepine te Kura. These ritual tests of the ages also apply to our aspirations in employment, health, economic, personal and political opportunities.

**Haria te mere me te taiaha
Kia tutuki pai te kaupapa
Hei oranga tatou.**

Foreshore and Seabed Submissions

Thank you to all those who put in personal, whanau and hapu submissions to the sub committee for the Foreshore and Seabed. These submissions will have a huge effect, if not on the bill itself, then on the confidence of our mokopuna to carry on the kaupapa.

The conclusion of the Ngāti Kahungunu submissions are:

- Ngāti Kahungunu is convinced that any legislation which so fundamentally breaches both Te Tiriti o Waitangi and accepted human rights norms is not only unjust but simply bad law.
- We offer no amendments but unreservedly call for its withdrawal.
- At that point, as we indicated during the Government's consultation hui, we are willing in good faith to offer an alternative resolution to this issue that reaffirms our rangatiratanga in relation to the foreshore and seabed while guaranteeing rights of access to all New Zealanders.

The Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi's Submission can be viewed on our website: www.kahungunu.iwi.nz

Māori Party

One of the outcomes of the hikoi and our submissions to the select committee on the foreshore and seabed was to challenge the Government at the next election in our own rohe. The obvious waka for this to occur is the Maori Party established recently by Tariana Turia, Dr Pita Sharples and Dr Whatarangi Winiata. This might run into whanau issues, as most whanau have usually supported the Labour Party, which in our rohe means supporting the Minister of Maori Affairs, the Honourable Parekura Horomia. Parekura is number four on the Labour list rankings, so regardless of whether he is successful locally or not he will still be in Parliament and will still be a high ranking Minister if the Labour Cabinet has any integrity.

Part of Ngāti Kahungunu's 25 year vision is to have increasing political autonomy. The Maori Party is a strategy that will take us further up this poutama, pre-empted by Ngāti Kahungunu's repudiation committee back in the 1870's and Ngāti Kahungunu hosting the first sitting of the Maori Parliament in 1892. These movements languished in their time but the spirit of political self determination has lived long and deep in our psyche.

The Maori Party has established a committee for the Ikaroa Rawhiti Region as follows:
Chairman: Gordon Paku, Deputy Chairman: Ngāhiwi Tomoana and Secretary: Waiora Rogers.

Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated does not have an administrative role for the Maori Party. Local whanau can contact Wairoa Rogers for further communication:
Ph: (06) 878 5892 or further inquiries can be made through the National - Maori Party Communication Centre: Ring toll free: 0800 2 MAORI (62674) or Phone: (09) 813 9204
Fax: (09) 813 9206, PO Box 20683, Glen Eden, Waitakere City,
Email: enquiry@maoriparty.com, or check out the website: www.maoriparty.com

Iwi Consultation Hui - Housing, Education & Health

In 2002 Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated visited with 90 marae in Kahungunu to present the 25 year vision. Since then committees have been formed to provide quality organizational structures to develop strategies to progress toward that vision.



Over the past two months Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated has been promoting the Housing, Mātauranga and Health plans to whanau at each Taiwhenua as part of a consultation strategy to encourage whanau/hapu involvement. This exercise has proven to be a great opportunity for whanau/hapu input. To date we have visited at Heretaunga, Tamaki Nui a Rua and Wairoa Taiwhenua. It has been a great opportunity for Taiwhenua representatives to encourage whanau/hapu support on a local level.

Mātauranga Strategies

The Mātauranga Board have identified five focus areas for the iwi consultation at taiwhenua. These have been:

- Leadership - what do future leaders in the iwi need and how can we develop them?
Education participation and participation in iwi education – how do we improve participation in mātauranga and iwi mātauranga mahi, and what are our iwi aspirations for education (eg. Wananga)?
- Communications and Consultation – What are the best ways for you to make contributions to our mahi and for us to keep you informed with what we are doing?
- Te Reo me ona Tikanga – what are some of the things Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc should be doing to support the revitalisation and growth of te reo me ona tikanga Kahungunu?
- Education quality and information – what are the things we need to know about the achievement of our tamariki to help whanau get involved in education effectively and how do we improve the quality of education our tamariki are receiving?

The Heretaunga, Tamaki Nui a Rua and Wairoa Hui have identified that whanau, marae and hapu development should be a strong focus in education strategy. These hui have also identified a need for taiwhenua hui to discuss ideas, issues and strategies. The need for a Kahungunu wananga that can foster the growth of our reo me ona tikanga across the Kahungunu rohe was a priority of the Wairoa Hui.

If you are unable to come to the consultation hui in Whanganui A Oroto, Tamatea or Wairarapa, the mātauranga board would still like your whakaaro. Please e-mail: kym@kahungunu.iwi.nz.

Hauora Strategies

The Hauora presentation for the Iwi consultation has highlighted the problems that we often have, accessing the health system and its services. The main focus of the consultation is to test iwi support for the establishment of a Maori Public Health Organisation or a strategy for a Kahungunu led Primary Health Organisation. Feedback, to date, has been supportive of this initiative especially if it means better access to quality healthcare and lower costs for our people in paying for health services.

If there are other Hauora priorities and issues you think Ngāti Kahungunu should be looking at and you are unable to come to the hui, please e-mail: aramanu@kahungunu.iwi.nz

Housing Strategies

The Kahungunu Housing Plans involve ten strategic priorities with targets to help approach the housing needs in Kahungunu. The first priority is to undertake a housing needs assessment throughout the whole Kahungunu rohe to see what the current housing needs are, where they are located and develop a housing needs database to measure progress. Once we have a starting point we can advance through each strategic priority and meet our targets.

More information on the Housing Strategy can be viewed on our website: www.kahungunu.iwi.nz
Any inquiries or feedback can be sent to aramanu@kahungunu.iwi.nz

Mātauranga

Scholarship Awards Evening



Dr Rangimarie Turuki Rose Pere

On Friday 16th July, Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc. celebrated an inaugural scholarships awards evening at the Heretaunga Park Community and Conference Centre.

Ngāti Kahungunu has been awarding education scholarships for four years. More than 30 of the 60 recipients attended with their families. Each scholarship was worth \$1,000.

Dr Rangimarie Turuki Rose Pere presented the keynote speech on Te Wheke, a celebration of infinite wisdom. Dr Pere is an inspirational and motivational speaker bringing the gifts of Te Ao Kohatu, the Ancient world, into its modern context. Her speech provided challenges to Ngāti Kahungunu to be assertive in their education and development as descendants of a great ancestor.

The kaleidoscope of talent and hunger across the vast array of educational disciplines was an overwhelming surprise for the recipients, for their whanau and for the iwi. It all augurs well for the future of Kahungunu across the wide spectrum of challenges that this iwi faces in education, health, business and cultural development.

Christine Teariki, Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc. Deputy Chair, said that the iwi is committed to be supporting and honouring educational achievements and the success of the evening will ensure that this will be an annual celebration for Ngāti Kahungunu.

Kym Hamilton, Educational Manager for the Iwi, said she was amazed at the calibre of our people succeeding in the education system.

Robert Joseph who is completing his PhD in Law at Waikato University spoke on behalf of the recipients and said how important and exasperating education has been, but at the end of the day his qualification will support his whanau, hapu, iwi and the whole community.



Robert Joseph

Ngāti Kahungunu Kohanga Reo Korowaitanga

On the 24 June 2004, a wonderful celebration took place at Matahiwi Marae to honour the achievements of our Kohanga kaimahi. Seated with the officials for the day was Dame Te Arikini Te Atairangikaahu, who also came to pay tribute to kaupapa of the day. 23 graduates received their Tohu, for achievements in three different levels of learning, Te Aratuatahi, Te Araturua and Whakapakari Tino Rangatiratanga.

Te Aratuatahi is a one year course that has been available since 1996 for whanau with little or no Reo. It introduces new whanau to the Kaupapa o Te Kohanga Reo through the use of Te Korowai which houses indepth korero on nga pou e wha and how we can work towards achieving these desired cultural objectives and practices. It has child development components in the context of the Kaupapa.

Te Araturua is a one year course for Kaimahi and whanau who have completed Te Aratuatahi and or are semi-fluent to upskill their te Reo and knowledge of Te ira Tangata me Te ira Atua. It introduces each Kete o te Ako (10) as preparation for the 3 year Whakapakari Tino Rangatiratanga.

Te Tohu Whakapakari Tino Rangatiratanga is the flag ship for the Movement. The knowledge and skills gained by Akonga are the nucleus of all aspects of Maoridom and is the basis for Kaupapa Maori from Kete Tuatahi – Te Orokohanga to Kete Tekau – Whanaungatanga which takes them from Te Po ki te Te Ao Marama.

The first pilot was run in 1992 for our Kaumatua, Kuia matatau I te reo. Thereafter whanau were enrolled into what is now a 3 year course which focuses on Kaiako in Kohanga to work alongside mokopuna, matua, kaimahi, whanau, hapu and iwi. Since then many akonga have supported the kaupapa and attained their Tohu. Many of these people continue to work hard in Kohanga implementing their skills.

Kaumatua, Aunty Hana Cotter who celebrated her 90th Birthday on the 26th May this year, was acknowledged for her stalwart strength, who at 87 years of age graduated from this beautiful kaupapa and today she continues to be the Kaiako/Kuia for her Kohanga which is open and operating in Te Whanganui A Orotu.

Among the graduates was Rangitane-Ngāti Kahungunu graduate Ataneta Paiwai from Tamaki Nui A Rua. Ataneta had a bus full of supporters who came to tautoko her on this special day.

*Nga miki nui ki a koutou katoa.
Whaia te iti Kahurangi!*



Cultural Arts

Ka Moe Ka Puta

Kahungunu Ka moe...Ka Puta... Te hokinga mai o te whare wananga had a successful and emotional closing in July. Congratulations and huge kudos to the Iwi of Wairarapa for a magnificent and ground breaking exhibition, reaching into every corner of Kahungunu society within the rohe.

The numbers that attended were in excess of 27,000 - Surely a record that would be hard to emulate. But the Mauri has been handed on to Wairoa who will open the exhibition on Waitangi Day 2005. Thank you Wairarapa, Kia kaha Wairoa.



Wairarapa Roopu - Frances Reiri Smith, Niniwa Munro, Mizpah Amunson, Rawiri Smith tracking down taonga in Wanganui for what ended up being a fabulous event.

Whakapapa

"Facing the past, inspiring the future", was a term used during the Ka moe...Ka Puta exhibition in Wairarapa. The stirring feeling of knowing you are a descendant of many ancestors who have left a legacy that has been passed down from generation to generation, can be very inspiring, and can often lead to further inquiries.

Over the past six months there has been a considerable amount of whakapapa inquiries that have come through the Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated office. It tells us that whanau are trying hard to connect themselves to each other but need a little help in achieving this.

Whakapapa can be quite time consuming and after the first attempt it can seem like an impossible task, and unfortunately many people give up and stop trying. Whakapapa is important to all of us and it gives us a sense of identity, defining our heritage and it helps us to move forward. Similar to the phrase, "Looking to the past, inspiring the future", it is really that. Sometimes we find out things that are not so nice, but heiaha, it is part of our past not our future.

Unfortunately we do not have a whakapapa unit at the Iwi Office, however staff try their best to help link family members. Other options could include visiting the public library in your area and seeing if they have access to genealogy records. In Heretaunga we have access to this kind of support through the Hastings Public Library and also the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Genealogy Library which is full of resources and information that could help whanau with whakapapa inquiries. The internet is also a great resource. The best option by far, is to korero with our Kaumatua and listen to the stories they tell.

Please don't wait too long before you become interested in your whakapapa. Many of the inquirers who call our office are in the 20-50 year age bracket and they have genuine inquiries, usually with no leads. Learning about whakapapa could mean talking to your children, so they can learn at an early age, the importance of whakapapa.

Marae - On The Web

We have finally got our website organized and there is now a place for us to promote our Marae. This is a great opportunity for our marae/hapu, especially for our whanau who reside in other parts of the world. Information from pepeha through to the next marae sports day, can be placed on our website.

Every marae has a story and Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated offer to help promote your marae - on the web. For more information about this, please don't hesitate to contact Ruth Wong - Communication Officer: Ring toll free (0800) 524 864 or if you live within the free calling area phone: (06) 8762-718, Email: ruth@kahungunu.iwi.nz

Preserving Taonga for the Future

Early in July, Rangi Te Kanawa gave a workshop on the preservation of the cloak collection at the Hawkes Bay Cultural Trust Museum. Approximately 80 cloaks ranging from korowai (muka fibre cloaks with black muka tags) to kahuhururu (feather cloaks) to Kaitaka (muka fibre plain cloaks with detailed woven taniko borders) are kept at the museum.

In 2002 the Museum began a project to provide an overall conservation plan for the cloaks that would assess their condition, plan for their treatment and rehousing in adequate storage conditions.

Rangi Te Kanawa, Maori textiles conservator, has assessed approximately half of the Trust's Maori Cloaks providing an individual condition report for each cloak and a treatment proposal. The collection has also been photographed leading to a comprehensive imaging list accessible to researchers and visitors, minimising future handling of these precious and fragile pieces. Each cloak has also been assessed for future treatment and re-housed by staff in improved storage according to Rangi's recommendations.

The large, representative collection of diverse textiles is very important to iwi. The artistry, variety and beauty of the kahu (cloaks) is a real talking point for iwi when viewing the collection. In many cases, these are the only surviving examples of rarer cloak types in the Hawke's Bay. Weavers in New Zealand receive great benefit from using these kahu as an educational resource to keep alive the weaving traditions and techniques which are facing a revival.

Rangi Te Kanawa (Textile Conservator) has worked on the kahu. During her work, Rangi identified a paepaeroa (plain muka or flax fibre cloak with a detailed taaniko border) and korowai whakahekeheke as being the largest ever seen, each being three metres wide. Rangi also remarked on a cloak of long feathers from an unknown bird, and speculated whether it could be from a moa. Professor David Lambert, a microbiologist from Auckland was contacted and visited the Museum to view the taonga. He has tested a portion of a feather and early indications say the bird may have been an emu. However, he has requested another sample of a feather which has fallen from the cloak to run another test. Dr Richard Holdaway, a moa specialist, has also studied the cloak. Rangi Te Kanawa estimates it was woven about 1850, and could relate to Governor George Grey as he imported exotic birds into New Zealand, and may have traded feathers. Watch this space, we will be following this up for the next edition of Hoeara.

The korowai and other taonga at the Hawkes Bay Cultural Museum can be viewed any time on request. Why not make a day of it and come and see for yourself what beauty lies within the museum.

In October and November a display of all taonga Maori held in the collections is being arranged for show in the Founders' Room at the Hawkes Bay Museum. This is a great opportunity for everyone to come along and see the taonga on display.



Open Days

Wednesday 13th October	Powhiri	11.00am - 2.00pm
Wednesday 10th November	Powhiri	11.00am - 2.00pm

Hawke's Bay Museum

9 Herschell Street/65 Marine Parade Napier. Phone: 06 835-7781

Super 12 Kapahaka

Almost 100 students participated in the inaugural Ngāti Kahungunu Secondary Schools Performing Arts Competition staging electrifying performances to a capacity crowd at the Napier Municipal Theatre.

Each team had 12 minutes to showcase their talent on stage with performances that incorporated poi, haka and waiata a ringa.

Inspired by the National Super 12 Kapa Haka Competition, the local event was initiated by Kia Piki Te Ora O Te Taitamariki Co-Ordinator, Sally Rye and Whariki Trust Event Manager Moana-Lee Raihania. The intent of the programme was simple says Sally, "It's using performing arts to encourage wellbeing and confidence in tamariki. Our youth are our future leaders and this event was one way of letting them express and explore their identity; their culture; and their aspirations."

Schools that joined in the Super 12 event included; Hastings Girls High, Hastings Boys High, St Johns College, Sacred Heart College, Hukarere College Karamu High School, Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Te Aute, and Te Whare Kura o Ngāti Kahungunu Ki Wairoa. Tamatea High and Te Ara Hou contributed significantly to the build up of the event including participation in all preparational wananga and hui.

A major feature in the success of the programme had been the co-ordinated effort between Whariki Trust and Kia Piki Co-ordinators Sally Rye, Traci Tuimaseve and Bernita Caines.

The community response was overwhelming and there is no doubting the potential of the event to become an annual occurrence-especially given the huge amount of interest and excitement it has generated amongst students and the community this year. Winners of the Competition were St Johns and Sacred Heart College (1st), Te Aute College (2nd) and Hukarere Girls College (3rd). Hon. Parekura Horomia who attended the event, donated \$500 in prize money to the winners and an all expenses trip for two to the Bledisloe Cup in Wellington. Tauke!



Hakinakina Kahungunu Sports Awards

The Kahungunu Sports Awards is coming up in November. Nominations for candidates can be picked up at the Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated Office or at the Sport Hawkes Bay Office in Taradale. Alternatively they can be downloaded from the Sport HB Website: Cut off date for nominations is early October, so don't hesitate, get in now and nominate that someone who you think deserves to win.

Inter-Iwi Sports Challenge

The Iwi Sports Challenge is only five months away. Event coordinator Danielle Keil-Lambert has been meeting with the Iwi Challenge Committee to plan and prepare for the triennial event that started in Te Arawa in 2002. This event takes place on the 21-22nd January, so mark your diaries. If you are keen to join in and a play, please register your interest by calling Danielle - phone: (06) 8459 333 or email: DanielleK@sporthb.net.nz

Paora Winitana Goes To Athens

A very experienced New Zealand men's basketball team has been confirmed to compete at the Athens Olympic Games beginning on August 13.

The New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC) in conjunction with Basketball New Zealand, announced the twelve players in the squad. Pero Cameron (captain), Ed Book, Dillon Boucher, Craig Bradshaw, Mark Dickel, Paul Henare, Phill Jones, Sean Marks, Aaron Olson, Kirk Penney, Tony Rampton and our Kahungunu Tall Black - Paora Winitana.

Paora was NBL Rookie of the Year in 1996 and made his international debut for New Zealand in 2002. This year he faces a new challenge as an Athlete in the Athens Olympic Games. Well done Paora!

Kahungunu Sponsorship

Tamihana Wairama

-Awarded for his superior techniques

Tamihana Wairama of Kahuranaki Marae Heretaunga, has had the opportunity to represent not only his whanau, hapu and iwi but Aotearoa, in his chosen sporting career of Taekwondo. In May, Tamihana represented Hawkes Bay in the NZ Taekwondo Nationals and won the Junior Heavy Weight Gold Medal. In June he represented Aotearoa in his first overseas fighting experience in South Korea at the World Championships. The New Zealand team comprised of four fighters and one coach Mr Eruera Wilson. Their team were successful in winning the 5th World Junior Taekwondo Championship Cup which was presented to the coach.

Tamihana is a World Silver Medalist and World rank of second for the Heavy weight Individual Male Junior Division and was evidently awarded a Diploma for his superior techniques and outstanding spirit in the Sparring Competition held in Hwarang.

Tamihana's third World Tournament was on the 1 -5th July. Competing against 84 other countries, he came sixth in the International Taekwondo Korean Open Championships winning the Bronze medal for the Heavy weight World Junior Division.

While Tamihana was away he also celebrated his 15th birthday and says that he'll never forget this birthday or the experience he has had and looks forward to representing New Zealand again in the near future with his brother Wiremu Wairama, also a past World medallist.



Jenny Wilkes

- Beating personal bests as a Gold Medalist

Jenny Wilkes is 23 years old with links to Kahungunu through her Mohaka, Ngāti Pahauwera whakapapa. Jenny has cerebral palsy and a hearing and visual impairment. However that hasn't stopped Jenny from swimming competitively for 15 years with the exception of 2 years when she was a student at Homai School for the visually impaired in Auckland.

Jenny swims for the Aqua Gym swim club in Christchurch and trains with an able bodied squad training every day except Sunday. She competes in both disabled and able bodied competitions and has competed in many parts of New Zealand and also in Sydney, Perth and Melbourne.

Jenny enjoys swimming and says that it is also very good for her physical condition (cerebral palsy). Her interests include following rugby, rugby league and netball and she also enjoys music. She is currently doing a computer course at CPIT and is trying to get a job working with young children.

Jenny recently competed in the Division 2 National Swimming Championship, which was held in Invercargill earlier this year. Division 2 Swimming is the pinnacle National event for New Zealand's elite disabled swimmers. At this meet Jenny swam 5 personal bests out of 8 races and set a new NZ record in 3 events, 50 and 100 metres freestyle and 100 metres breaststroke, in her disabled classification. Jenny brought home medals-one gold, two silver and one bronze.

Jenny has had a very successful two years. At the Paralympics Nationals held in March 2003, Jenny got gold's in 6 events and broke the NZ record for her classification in 50 metre backstroke and both the 50 and 100 metre breaststroke, swimming personal bests in 4 events. At the QE 2 Sprint Meet held in February this year Jenny broke the NZ record again in the 50 metre backstroke in her classification.

We congratulate Jenny on her inspirational achievements and wish her all the best for future endeavors.