

Te Runanga O Ngati Porou ki Hauraki

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Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

In our 2009 December Newsletter the Runanga asked the then membership base, to persuade their Whanau who were not members to join our Runanga. At our AGM on the 6th March 2010 at Harataunga, it was evident that the Whanau had taken up the request and Mereana and other Runanga members were kept busy witnessing signatures on application forms. Carol has also been kept busy updating our Register and the Runanga would like to thank you all for the time put into ensuring our Register keeps growing.

I believe that the manner in which our opening and closing Karakia were performed by Winiata Harrison and Kingi Ihaka set the mood for a very positive AGM and the Executive of the Runanga believe that the swelling of our membership ranks was one of the many positives that came out of that Hui. Our thanks go to Winiata and Kingi for that positive contribution.

I would like to record my apologies for my omission of recognition of the support given through the years from 2007 to the present by our Kuia Marie Dobbs.

Apologies also go to Mary Hovell and Marie Dobbs who both missed participating in the AGM Hui as they found themselves solely responsible for the preparation of the kai for the after Hui hakari.

In our 2010 February Newsletter we gave an outline of the timeframe proposed by Mike Dreaver the Crown Chief Negotiator. On the 14th May 2010 Ngāti Tamaterā, Ngāti Hako and Ngāti Tara Tokanui joined the Hauraki Cluster. This now means that we have a full membership of the Hauraki Cluster. Progress has been very positive and a lot of ground has been covered in a very short time. This has occurred because the clusters consist of folk well versed in the Treaty, their knowledge of the methodology needed to achieve the goals that the leadership has set and the work skills to bring those goals to fruition. For your Chairperson to be part of and to be able to witness the use this knowledge is put to, together with their skills and experience in dealing with the Crown is a joy to watch and be part of. I believe that within the next six weeks, our Runanga will be advertising a Hui-a-lwi to bring the Draft Hauraki Collective Framework Agreement back to our lwi to see if you agree/disagree or want changes made.

Carol will post on the Website a copy of the current Hauraki Collective Hui Summary. Some of you folk may have already seen the summary dated 25 May 2010. When the next summary becomes available, which should be after the Hui on 14/6/2010, Carol will post that one on our Website. As the Hui Summary is updated we will continue to post it on our Website.

Once again thank you one and all for the positive comments from the AGM and a big welcome to the new members on our Register. Remember there is strength in numbers and each of you brings skills and experience to our Runanga which you may well wish to share with and work with us to enable our Runanga to grow in strength and governance.

Kia ora mai anō

Fred Thwaites
Chairperson
Te Runanga O Ngati Porou ki Hauraki Harataunga

Harataunga Ahi Kaa Nominations:

The time has come to call for nominations for Harataunga Ahi Kaa representation on Te Runanga o Ngati Porou ki Hauraki and the following criteria must be met by nominees:

Commitment to Harataunga (some examples are):

- Know the history of Harataunga
- Has had or have involvement in local community activities
- Has had or have involvement in marae activities

Must meet normal criteria - as per Runanga constitution (some examples are):

- Has not been a bankrupt
- Has had no criminal convictions
- Appropriate skills and knowledge

Skills and knowledge of Harataunga - mihi (some examples are):

- Know the stories of your old people
- Know your whakapapa
- Know the traditions of living in Harataunga that have evolved over time
- Know how, who, why and what has happened to make Harataunga what it is today

Must be a registered member of Te Runanga O Ngati Porou ki Hauraki.

Your nomination form must be filled in and returned to The secretary John Rabarts by the **18th June**.

Special Announcements:

Congratulations to Georgina Ngamu from Mataora who was ordained on Saturday 29th May at Saint Georges Anglican Church in Thames.

Reminders:

Those wahine who have reached that time in life when breast screening is an important consideration. It's free and made accessible in your area. You can have a free screening mammogram every two years throughout Aotearoa if you meet the following requirements:

- You are aged 45 to 69 years of age
- You have no symptoms of breast cancer
- You have not had a mammogram in the last 12 months
- You are not pregnant

Don't wait till it's too late ladies, enrol today.

For our Harataunga kaumatua and kuia, he Hui Hauora

- Where: Harataunga Marae
- When: Wednesday 7 July 2010
- Time: To be confirmed
- Contact: Louise West 0212422542

Fisheries Report

Rohe Moana Applications

Over the last six months we have been very busy developing our fisheries involvement and forward planning for the use of our resources in both Harataunga and Mataora. Careful research of our traditional coastal and freshwater fisheries has allowed us to complete our applications for Rohe Moana.

There is an application for Mataora which covers the coastline in that area out to the reefs that marked the Mataora traditional boundaries. There is a second Rohe Moana application for Ngati Porou ki Harataunga and Ngati Raukauri combined.

The traditional Harataunga coastline is from Anarake point just north of the "Haystack" by Newchums beach, around into Kennedy's Bay past Ohau, along the beach and around the corner opposite Hovell's to Ropata Point. It includes the Harataunga estuary and the streams that feed into it. The land boundaries go from Anarake point to the top of the range, along past the Tokatea summit to the top of the Mangatu ridge and down that ridge to Ropata Point.

Ngati Raukauri includes the Mangatu and Whareroa valleys, the Hovell lands on the north side of Kennedys Bay harbour around through Kopoai, Tuatēawa, Waihirere, Taihararu and Little Bay to Kamakamakura point at the south end of Waikawau or Matamataharakeke beach. The land line runs from Kamakamakura point back to the Mangatu ridge. The northern sea boundary is from Kamakamakura point out towards Great Barrier (Aotea) then north of Cuvier Island (Repanga). The southern sea boundary lies from Anarake point out past sail rock at the north end of Mercury Island (Ahuahu). We also claim an area from Anarake point out to sea on the southern side of the Mercury Islands group that is shared with our neighbouring hapu to the south.

These sea boundaries take in all of the traditional fishing grounds that were jointly shared in ancient times (from about 1550AD) by Ngati Huarere and Ngati Porou and of course into modern times by Ngati Porou ki Harataunga of Kennedy's Bay and Ngati Raukauri a Huarere who lived in the Tuatēawa Valley, Waihirere and Taihararu.

The Minister of Fisheries has acknowledged our applications and we expect these to be advertised for public comment very soon. Information on these developments was given at the Runanga AGM in March, but the application wasn't in then.

Eastern Seaboard Cluster Group

For a year or more we have been meeting with other hapu/iwi of the Eastern Seaboard of the Coromandel Peninsula (Te Tai Tamahine) to look at co-operative efforts to develop a joint fisheries plan that will look to preserving and expanding fish/seafood stocks and opportunities to develop customary, recreational and customary commercial fisheries. The cluster group meets regularly and has made some positive steps towards having an overall plan well underway by the end of this year.

A working group has been appointed to develop plans including a Roopu organisation involving all of the traditional hapu involved on the Eastern Seaboard, that will guide the development and implementation of the Fisheries Plan for the future of our whanau of today and mokopuna of the future.

Possible fisheries research and development projects being considered for recommendation include, Paua farming by restocking and nurturing of our local Paua in the areas where they grew and were harvested by our tupuna. Crayfish (koura) farming in the same way we are looking at the Paua restocking. Eels (tuna) still thrive in our creeks and swamps. Mutton birds (Titi), were once plentiful around the coast and could be restocked. Whitebait a fishery that can be nurtured and developed. Flounder once a popular catch in the bay, could be redeveloped to commercial levels.

All of this will take time and also money. We are looking for funding to help with establishing a Roopu organisation and the research and development of the various projects.

John Rabarts.