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RONGOTAI'S UNVEILING AT PUKETERAKI MARAE

With the help and support of her whānau, Marie, granddaughter of Wiki and Dave, daughter of Rawi Paterson, saw a long-time dream come to fruition to mark her Uncle's grave. 68 years to the day he was buried, Rongotai’s plaque was unveiled. A beautiful service was held at Hui Te Rangiora Church.

Marie would personally like to thank everyone who attended and helped to make this day so special, especially David Ellison our Upoko, who spoke with heartfelt love at the service and Suzanne and Aroha who prepared a lovely meal for us when we arrived.

“It was so lovely to see my Dad reunited with his cousins, at 85 years of age, it was another dream come true for me. He loved everything about that weekend, not forgetting the special titi bird treats from Roger’s son-in-law Mike and a “take away” bird from Mitty and Hawea.

To know where to start is the hardest part
To express how you all made us feel
the love, the welcome, the laughter and tears
It really now seems so surreal

The greeting we received from Roger in Christchurch
Was a genuine expression of love
then the welcome from Pete with his heartfelt words
Were another sign from above

That no matter the distance, no matter the gap
Puketeraki will always bring cheer
And this weekend was just a reminder to us
that our Turangawaewae is there

To have our Dad Rawi re-connect and embrace
All the things and the people from home
Was incredibly special and reinforced
that he’s always a rolling stone

He will never forget this special weekend
And like many memories he holds
Will remain in his heart and keep him warm
For the rest of his days I am told

Our wee Ambassador Rongotai
Is now free to run, laugh and play
Some of them heard him doing just that
In the wee small hours they say

So what started as something so daunting
 Ended as nothing but joy
We are proud and happy and quite at peace
that there is now a plaque for our boy

Arohanui, Marie Paterson

Hāngi revival

Our whānau here have begun our monthly hāngi wānanga at Puketeraki marae. The purpose for this is to educate our rakatahi in the cultural process of cooking food in the ground, that is hāngi. This is an opportunity for them to learn about a process that is a key practice of preparing and cooking at the marae. Kai hāngi, Kai ora, Mauri ora!!
Charitable funding grants

There are modest charitable funding grants available at the Runaka (up to $300) for those who are struggling to make ends meet. Please don't be shy in making an application. We are here to help. Funding for education is available with a focus on those who are pushing the boundaries and/or striving to develop themselves in ways that will benefit them and our runaka. To find out more about charitable funding grants, contact Justine at the Runaka Office or check out our website www.puketeraki.nz/wellbeing/he korowai - charitable giving.

Hon. Tame Parata Scholarship

Applications are now open to members for the 2016 Hon.Tame Parata Scholarship. Rangatahi who are either at high school or in their first year of tertiary study are encouraged to apply. Each scholarship is worth up to $1,000 depending on the number of scholarships awarded in each category and can be used in further education such as, school or university fees and resources such as a laptop. The winners of each category will be announced ahead of the Tame Parata Scholarship awards at Puketeraki Marae on the evening of Saturday 5 November where recipients will briefly present their winning assignment to the attending members.

Applications involve carrying out an assignment based on a question set by the He Korowai Whanau Komiti (see below). The assignment must be accompanied by a copy of the students' previous year's academic record, school report or similar information. The assignment can be English or Te Reo Maori. To find out more and view the assignment brief, either contact Justine at the Runaka office or go to www.puketeraki.nz - learning - runaka scholarships.

Applications must be submitted no later than 5pm, Friday 16 September.

Kaupapa Taiao Scholarship

Though advertised in the last Runaka newsletter, we are now focusing on the Hon. Tame Parata Scholarship, band have put launching the Kaupapa Taiao Scholarship on hold for now.

Flax coffins by Rawinia Puna

Recently Rawinia Puna, artist and ecopreneur, featured in the Taranaki Daily News as the creator of a new hand-finished funeral casket made from harakeke flax paper, the traditional way Maori would prepare their tūpāpaku for burial. The casket sells for less than half the average cost of a traditional coffin. Rawinia's first casket was named Kahu, after the New Zealand native hawk, and she has since created a series of caskets with a pohutakawa theme.

'Traditionally both my Māori and European ancestors would have used woven flax to cover themselves of their caskets, so it makes me proud to have crafted this fibre into designs that can be used today', Rawinia said.

Importantly the material used offers a sustainably-sourced option, one which is also environmentally friendly. The caskets are made from organic cardboard, lined inside and on the outside with the flax paper. Rawinia’s creations sell for $1600 in comparison to the average bill of about $3,500 for a wooden coffin. She can tailor the design to whatever clients think would be represent their loved one, with etching possible on the lid and on the handmade paper, which acts as a shroud. Some families have requested maps of where their hapū come from.

For more information about a flax coffin, contact Rawinia at punaflaxpapers@actrix.co.nz.

A call to business owners

If you are a Kāti Huirapa member and a business owner, we invite you to advertise in the Runaka Newsletter. It’s free, it comes out four times a year and is available to over 800 members. Ads should be in pdf form, ready for placement. Please contact the runaka office if you want to place an ad - admin@puketeraki.nz.
**Brinds Points whare restoration**

The old whānau homestead at Te Awa Koiea, [Brinns Point] was built in the mid 1870s by Mary and William Lloyd. The headland jutting out to sea just north of the house is called Brinds Point and it was here that a Mrs Brind, whose husband was a whaler, looked out to sea with a spy glass to see when he was coming home. The old Māori name for the point is Te Awa Koiea, named after the small paua that was found there. The descendants of Mary and William still own their Tipuna’s land, which was granted to Mary’s parents, Morere Wharu Te Kaiaraki and John Rodden Thomson by Governor Grey, to compensate for the land that was taken from her at Moeraki.

Today the whānau are renovating the whare to make it a place to come back to for hui. We have a new generation of enthusiastic young people who have already started planting, fencing and planning the next stage, under the guidance of the older members of the whānau.

*Nā, Phyllis Smith*

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**Refugee welcome in Ōtepoti**

On Friday 19th August David Ellison helped to welcome the latest group of Syrian Refugees to Dunedin. The welcome from manawhenua, the Red Cross and the Mayor to the families that had fled their homes in Syria, and are now building new lives in our country, was very moving. David was reminded of the time his family landed in Canada many years ago, not knowing anyone and setting out on an adventure in a new land and he thought how much more intimidating and scary it must be for the refugee families stepping off the aircraft onto foreign land.

David said in all his life he has experienced and witnessed many things but one of the most moving was when the keys to their new homes were handed over to the families that had just landed at Dunedin Airport.

*From left: Leisa de Klerk, Belinda Le Lievre, Steve King (all from Red Cross), David Ellison and Paul Gourlie from Mosque, practising waiata ahead of the arrival of refugee families, at Dunedin Airport*
Kaupapa coming up - put in your diary!

**MANAWA HOU KI PUKETERAKI**

4-7 October

On the 4-7 October this year, Kāti Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki invites 25 Ngāi Tahu teenagers to Puketeraki. This is an opportunity for rangatahi aged 15-18 to explore their Ngāi Tahu identity and Ngāi Tahu takiwā. The four day wānaka is designed by the hapū and delivered by a group of local tuākana.

**HUI RAKATAHI**

4-6 November

Hui Rakatahi is a time to celebrate all the amazing things our Puketeraki rakatahi are doing. During this weekend rakatahi will connect with their Puketeraki whakapapa, marae and whanaunga. We encourage all rangatahi out there to get on board this waka!! The hui will be held in conjunction with the Tame Parata scholarship ceremony on the evening of Saturday 5 November and the Annual General Meeting/Runaka General Meeting on Sunday 6th.

**KIA KŪRAPA REO WĀNAKA**

11-13 November

Keen to get started with te reo Māori? Or maybe brush up on the basics? Then Kia Kūrapa is for you. Kia Kurapa is a marae based, weekend long wānaka aimed at beginners and intermediate language learners. Registrations for this event will open in mid-September.

**FIRST AID RAKATAHI WĀNAKA**

2-4 December

Tumai Ora Whānau Services and Kāti Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki are working alongside St John to host a wānaka for both our rakatahi and St John rakatahi to better equip themselves in emergencies.

If you want to take part in, or have any questions about any of the above wānaka, please contact Waiariki Parata-Taiapa at waiariki@puketeraki.nz.

**TUKUTUKU WĀNAKA**

18-20 November

Whiria ka Aho ki Puketeraki, our weaving group, are holding a tukutuku wānaka at the Marae on the 18-20 November, with another to follow in early February (date to be confirmed). We have been funded for these wanaka by the Ngāi Tahu Fund. There will be no cost to the participants. We have some whānau from Arowhenua coming and some from Wanaka, in Central Otago, who would like to learn this artform.

It would be beneficial to us to have an idea of how many would be interested in being part of this wānaka, so please can you contact either: Betty Apes @ bettyapes@xtra.co.nz or, Phyllis Smith @ phylsmith.kls@xtra.co.nz

New page on website for upcoming kaupapa

You can now click on a link on the www.puketeraki.nz website to see what kaupapa are coming up at the runaka. Have a look under the images at 'Coming Up....' and click on 'Read More'. If you have kaupapa you want added please send copy to Justine at the Runaka Office.
Another Tamariki/Rangatahi school holiday programme has come and gone. This is the 10th year it’s been running. Who would have thought that from the first couple that we would still be running bigger and better than ever programmes! This year we had 60 tamariki/rangatahi at the programme.

We started on Wednesday the 20th at 2pm with a mihi whakatau then moved into their ropū/groups (the first day is all about getting to know each other - whanaungatanga).

We ended up over in the marae paddock playing games and rolling down the hill on our sides before the rain came and sent us up back up the hill to the marae. After dinner Waiariki Parata-Taiapa came up to teach some kapa haka.

Day two was an early start with the bus ride into Dunedin. First port of call was the Otago Museum where we split into two groups to do the activities we had set up for the morning - Discovery World, the tropical forest and Marama-A-Whetu planetarium show. After lunch we went over to the Otago Uni with the School of Physical Education for fun and games with Dr Anne-Marie Jackson and her awesome crew, which was followed by a tour around the Uni library.

Then it was time to head home on the Silver Fern Railcar. It stopped at Puketeraki just above Hui Te Rangiora church, so the tamariki could just follow the path of cones back down to the marae. Later on that night we had a dance party for some entertainment and a game of spotlight to end the night off.

Day three we started with workshops in the morning.
1) Hip hop dance with RASA School of Dance
2) Whakapapa with Ngāi Tahu Māori Law Centre
3) Arts – Mahi Toi with Tanya

After that, Metiria Turei, co-leader of the Green Party, came to talk about what it’s like to work in parliament and what it is the Green Party does. That was a great Q and A session!

Tumai Ora made a lovely lunch for us once again before final farewells and home!

I would like to thank Kāti Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki and Tumai Ora Whānau Services for their continuous support for the programme without which we would not be able to run such a successful hui.

Nā, Aroha Ellison

Governance workshop

We were lucky enough to have Rangimarie Parata provide governance training to members of the runaka. It was a great opportunity to hear firsthand some of the experiences she had and how this shaped her governance career.

Her korero was based around the steering of the waka. For a waka to keep afloat and go where the crew wanted it to go it required a number of inter-related events. She was able to relate this to governance and the different roles and skills that are needed to a board to successful.

I look forward to applying these skills to my own governance roles with the runaka.

Nā, Jeff Broughton, Executive member
EDUCATION UPDATE

Hui Ako
At the recent East Otago Cluster Hui Ako, Karitane School got the chance to show off their emerging kapa haka skills. Our whole school community was extremely proud of our wonderful tamariki and their passionate performance.
We are so grateful for the ongoing support and encouragement of Kāti Huirapa Runaka, and in particular, Aroha Ellison and Waiariki Taiapa-Parata who were our inspiring Kapa Haka tutors. Aroha and Waiariki are loved by all our children and staff for their generosity of spirit and gentle leadership. They come most weeks to share their knowledge of Te Ao Māori with our school and we hope that this relationship between the school and the Runaka will be one that will continue long into the future.
Nā, Nicola Philip, Principal Karitane School

Kāti Huirapa Runaka Education Team
Our Kāti Huirapa education team (Aroha Ellison, Waiariki Parata-Taiapa, Jake Matheson, Matapura Ellison and I) have visited most schools in the East Otago cluster and are using our individual strengths to support them with the hope of helping them to establish an inclusive environment for our whānau. Fortunately Waiariki, Jake and Aroha Ellison have already been making positive contributions to many of the schools over the last few years.

On Wednesday the 10th of August, we hosted an evening hui for Kāi Tahu whānau in education in the Otago region at Puketeraki Marae. The aim was for us to connect and inform each other on what’s happening, share concerns and come up with what our education priorities are as an iwi and a hapū. Although it was a small turnout, those who made it on the night made a great contribution. We are hoping to hold another education hui in the next school term. This kaupapa is open to all members who are interested in education so please contact the office so we can add your contact details.

East Otago High School
A successful whānau night was held at East Otago High School (the largest turnout of Māori whānau the school has seen for some time), with the focus being whakawhanaungatanga and informing whānau about new opportunities for their children along with ways that they can get involved. On Tuesday the 6th of September, we are having a dress rehearsal and a potluck dinner at the marae for the East Otago High School kapahaka group before they perform at Polyfest.

Manawa Hou Wānaka
We had a very successful wānanga at the marae on 12th to the 14th of August for our Manawa Hou tuākana. There was a strong turnout of tuākana from Kāti Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki as well as tuākana from other rūnaka. It was a great time for us to build new relationships and reconnect with our whānau in preparation for us tuākana running the next Manawa Hou wānanga in October here in Karitane.

Whā 2016
Kāti Huirapa Runaka Pānui
August 2016
Taiaha Wānanga

On 3-6 June Puketeraki held its 3rd annual taiaha wānanga. We were blessed to have Tuari Dawson (Ngā Puhi, Ngāi Tahu) come down and train our boys and men who came predominantly from Milton, Wanaka, Oamaru, Dunedin and the East Otago area. We were up training from 5.30am on the beach through to the night. Our boys took part in star gazing, cleaning duties, games, helping with the lighting of our Hāngi, acknowledging the ones who have past and a lot of training and fun. We look forward to the next one and providing this kaupapa to more of our whānau. It was a blessing to have Tuari Dawson here to lead out on the wānanga and hope he can come back.

He mihi nui tēnei ki aku hoa i whakapau kaha mō tenei kaupapa whakahirahira nei ōtira ki ngā kaiawhina, ki ngā ringawera, ki ngā whānau, tae noa atu rā ki a koe e te toa matarau Tuari. E kore e oti noa ngā mihi ki a koutou katoa

Na, Waiariki Parata-Taiapa

Aoraki Bound 2017 scholarships

Aoraki Bound 2017 is a 20 day hikoi from Anakiwa to Arahura, finishing at the feet of Aoraki, from Friday 3 February to Wednesday 22 February. Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu is offering Papatipu Runanga nominations for the programme. Applications must be in by Friday 14th October at the latest.

Significant grants of up to $6,500 are available which can contribute towards course fees. This leaves nominated whanau members to contribute or fundraise $750.00 in total.

The Runaka will nominate someone for Aoraki Bound but you need to let us know if this is something you wish to do, with a short letter stating your reasons and the benefit you think you would get from attending. You must also be available on the February dates.

The criteria for joining Aoraki Bound is your genuine desire to learn more about Kai Tahutaka and an openness to challenge yourself. Beyond that, Maori vowel pronunciation is key, and there is also a fitness criteria - you must be able to run 3km in under 25 minutes and partake in (very intense) full day activities (like tramping for 7 hours, up to 21km run, etc).

For more information see: http://ngaitahu.iwi.nz/whanau/aoraki-bound

Please send your expression of interest to Justine at the Runaka Office by the end of September at the lastest.
Beyond Orokonui Project

The Beyond Orokonui Project's current focus is getting the practical aspects of the Halo Project into place. The Halo Project is a response to the spread of invasive pests that are threatening the vitality of the Beyond Orokonui area, such as stoats, ferrets, rats and possums that prey on lizards, birds and eggs, as well as destroying native foliage. The project is a community-run land management programme and aims to connect communities by working collectively to install and monitor traps and bait stations in homes, streets and hinterlands. The first practical initiative, now that the pest management strategy has been finalised, involved running a series of pest trapping workshops for community members. The Karitane workshop was held at the old school complex on 20 August and attracted nearly 40 enthusiastic 'trappers'. OSPRI led the workshop and showed a plethora of ways to humanely trap animal pests. The Otago Regional Council has given over $100,000 to the project for pest management equipment which is a dream come true for the Halo Project. Onwards and upwards!

Check out the Beyond Orokonui website for more information - www.beyondorokonui.org.nz

Kia ora koutou. It feels like we are only just heading out of winter but Hauteruruku ki Puketeraki Waka Club has come out of hibernation both on and off the water. Club members and supporters got together for an off water series of events last month as part of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori.

Hauteruruku was housed in the central library at Otago University. Some wonderful whanaunatanga occurred from start to finish including co-ordinating the arrival of our waka into the building, the welcoming, hosting various groups and having kōrero around waka at the library, to the return of him back to Kāritane.

We enjoyed amazing manaaki from the university staff, in particular the library staff.

July also saw us take the Matariki Indigenous Student Mobility rōpū out on the awa while they were here for a noho visit. One of these young students had never seen the ocean before.

Another first of a different kind occurred when we took a group of International Student Volunteers (ISV) out earlier this month. With snow on the surrounding hills, we were paddling through large sheets of ice floating down on the out-going tide.

Next month we are aiming to take Pūmaiterangi onto the Otago harbour to run a follow-up waka programme, for university PE students, with the Fire in Ice Outrigger Club. If you would like any information about the club my contact is suzi.flack@yahoo.com.

You can also follow us on Facebook under ‘Hauteruruku ki Puketeraki’.

Na, Suzi Flack - Hauteruruku club secretary.
Whakahaumanu Puketeraki Wananga Series

Bad weather put paid to the planned wānaka to Murihiku in May. The four or five days of cold and rain happened at the wrong time for us, forcing the call to be made to postpone the wānaka. There was no way even our adventurous roopu would have enjoyed exploring sandhills, scenic vantage points and exposed southern sites in those conditions. And then more recently we gave away our October wānaka dates to ensure whānau could attend the Marine Protected Areas drop-in session being hosted at Puketeraki Marae on 30th October as this is the last chance to influence the MPA outcomes, a very important kaupapa for our area.

So this year, despite our best intentions of planning ahead & locking in dates, we haven’t been very successful in holding our wānaka. Luckily for us the whakapapa and history remains and the sites of significance are still there so we can pick up the wānaka series again in 2017. The tentative plan is for the Murihiku haerenga to take place in late January 2017 before school starts. We are trying to confirm the availability of key people but will let you know the dates as soon as possible.

Nā, Suzanne Ellison, Runaka Manager

From the Archives

The image to the left was discovered amongst the Hardwicke Knight collection given recently to the University of Otago’s Hocken Library and sent on to us. We were very grateful for this. The image shows ‘Mr Harpur’s house in Karitane’ and includes tangata whenua on the front verandah. The image is now available to the public under the accession number P2014-014/4-016. The photo below was obtained from the ODT Archives recently.
Member Profile
Since we last caught up with Brendon McIntosh, who received a Ka Putea Scholarship back in 2012, he has come a long way in his chosen career - health. When we first began our korero on Brendon he was a post-graduate entrant in the Otago School of Pharmacy. Since then, he has had a stint on the West Coast, then over to Christchurch to work for a naturopathic pharmacist. Currently, he is working in a new role at the Canterbury Clinical Network as the Māori Health perspective on the Flexible Funding Pool Service Level Alliance. Keep up the great work improving health outcomes for Māori Brendon! We’re proud of what you achieved in your life so far!

New Members

New email and website address
We have dropped the .co in both our email addresses and on our website address. Please note the following:
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Waiariki - waiariki@puketeraki.nz
Alex - leotc@puketeraki.nz

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Strategic plan 2013-2018
Thanks to Phil Broughton for the initial idea of creating a 1 page summary of the Strategic Plan 2013-2018 (24 page document), the information mapping & creative design skills of Rachel Ruckstuhl-Mann, plus the keen graphic design eye of Justine Marshall, we now have a visually pleasing 1 page representation of the Strategic Plan priorities, outcomes & strategic projects/relationships (see back page of this panui).
This summary is a quick way to remind ourselves of the very ambitious and wide-ranging Strategic Plan that we are currently working to implement. When new ideas & opportunities come along, as they frequently do, we now have an easy way of doing an initial assessment to see if it’s in line with the Strategic Plan or not, while remembering that Ahi Kā is the first & foremost priority.

Ngā Mate
Montero (Monty) James Daniels
Kevin (Butch) Te Raki
Hui te Rangiora Church
A service is held at Hui te Rangiora Church at 10.00 am every fourth Sunday of the month. The church is located above Puketeraki Marae in Apes Road, Karitane.
Contact the Rūnaka Office
Phone (03) 465 7300
**PRIORITIES**

**AHI KĀ**
All things pertaining to life at our home base, especially our people

**HOURUA**
Key partner relationships

**KI WAHO**
Runaka interests/involve beyond our home base.

**OUTCOMES**

**MANAAKI**
- BEST STRUCTURE
- GOOD PROPERTIES
- ECONOMIC GROWTH
- ROLES/TRANSPARENCY
- WHĀNAU ORA, RUNAKA ORA

**ADVOCACY**
- PRESERVATION
- CONNECTIONS
- VALUED SERVICES
- STRONG RELATIONSHIPS
- SUCCESSFUL MANAGEMENT

**LEOTC**
- Matāriki
- KTKO Ltd
- Huriawa
- Tumai Ora
- Education
- Hauteruru
- Araiteuru Marae
- East Coast Taiāpure
- Māori Reserve Trusts
- Ngāi Tahu Māori Law Centre
- Papatipu Rūnaka Ki Araiteuru

**TREATY BASED**
- REPRESENTATIONS
- SUPPORTIVE INITIATIVES
- MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS
- SUSTAINED RELATIONSHIPS

**TOITU**
- Mātā Waka University
- Polytechnic
- Otago Museum
- Papatipu Rūnaka
- Public Art Gallery
- Dunedin City Council
- Otago Regional Council
- Other Local Authorities
- Otago Natural History Trust
- Department of Conservation
- Southern District Health Board

**STRATEGIC PROJECTS**

**Whānau**
- Financial
- Kaupapa Taiao
- Legal Matters
- Buildings and Land
- Culture and Identity
- Economic Development
- Asset and Infrastructure

**STRATEGIC PLAN 2013-2018**