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Nga Mate

Alex Grooby
Peri Thomas

Our thoughts and sympathy are with their whanau.

Huirapa

Ko Hikaroroa to matou mauka
Ko te Papatuwhenua ko Puketeraki
Ko te awa a Waikouaiti
Ko te moana "Te Moana Roa a Kiwa"
Ko nga waka a Huruhurumanu, Uruao,
Takitimu me Araiteuru
Ko nga hapu, Kai Te Ruahikihiki, Kati Hawea,
hoki tonu Kati Huirapa ki Puketeraki

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Happy Birthday

A special Happy Birthday to Lu Ritchie, Peg Fraser, Hawea Ellison, Mahana Walsh, Makareta Blackler, Mitty Ellison.



Happy 85th Birthday to Cyril Kent (10th October) and happy 67th birthday to Lex Kent (14th October), love and best wishes from your whanau.



Happy birthday to all members who have celebrated a birthday over the past two months and the coming few months.

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Managers Corner

Kia ora

A big thank you to those who have continued to work tirelessly for and on behalf of the runaka. Thank you also to those who offer support from behind the front line. Considerable effort has occurred recently to communicate and subsequently reflect membership's views while preparing the 2005/2006 annual plan. The value of this process is directly immeasurable but indirectly I have witnessed favourable growth in membership participation and support.

The executive continue to strive for transparency in their actions on your behalf and one of the ways this can be represented is in the recent development of a new 'Minute circulation policy'. *The Aim* – To ensure that all meeting minutes are circulated in accordance with the Runaka guidelines. *The Guidelines* – Minutes are available to all registered members upon request.

Whare Mahana continues to be an exciting and expanding business. Recently it was central in attracting the observance of the Minister of Finance, Dr Michael Cullen when he visited a home that was receiving a retrofit from one of our teams. More recently, Maori Television has interviewed some of our Whare Mahana team for their news segment. There is no doubt that this business is gaining momentum as it continues to function in the community and work alongside institutes such as DCC, DHB, Otago University and Contact Energy.

A table highlighting some of the activities that have occurred over the last few months is in the Executive Review section on page 4

Warren Mason



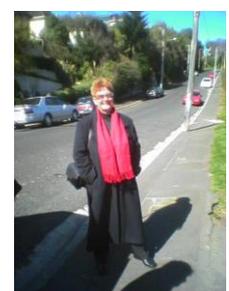
David Benson-Pope, Pete Hodgson, Dr Michael Cullen



Pete Hodgson, Dr Michael Cullen, Bruce Ritchie



Pete Hodgson, Faith McQueen (homeowner)



Dale Preddy



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Haere Mai Ka pepi

Congratulations to Nicky Beveridge and Riki Duff on the birth of their son, Maddix, a wee brother for Courtney.

Maddix was born on Thursday 29 September 2005 weighing 6lb 9oz.

Maddix is the first grandson for Ann Duff.

Congratulations to ...

Marama Dale Preddy who got a life membership of the Otepoti Branch of the Maori Welfare Women's League. Well done.

And to

Stephen Preddy who represented South Otago in the Under 18 NZ Indoor Bowls. Stephen also qualified for the Southern Zone team to play the Northern Zone. Well done.

Whakapapa Hui - 30 July

We had a very successful whakapapa hui to progress the refurbishment of our wharenuī, wharekai and marae atea.

The hui was opened by Matapura Ellison and all the whānau who attended were actively involved in putting forward their ideas and suggestions about who should be represented, what stories should be remembered and what form this should take.

By the end of the evening, the ideas were coming thick and fast and so the next phase is to put these together to develop a plan that can then be presented to the rūnanga membership for comment.

A number of people have been assigned tasks; however, there will be plenty of mahi for everyone that wants to participate. We have had some valuable suggestions from whānau about what they would like to see, so these will be incorporated into the overall design.

A big thank-you to all those who took part. This is just the start of what will be a very exciting project for the hapu.

Feedback

Kia ora koutou

Thanks for the summary of the whakapapa hui held in July. I would have loved to have been there but was unable to.

I was impressed with the list of principles which you have come up with because they are sensible and well thought through.

The result of the korero is awesome and I congratulate the whanau for their efforts.

Moana-o-Hinerangi

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Speech competitions

Recently Tawini and Te Hau White, two great, great, great grandchildren of Tawini Miller (no Purakaunui), did very well in the inaugural South Hokianga Schools Speech Competition.

Tawini won first place in the Year 8 Te Reo Maori section. The topic of her speech was Te Taku Taimoana and focussed on the recent Seabed and Foreshore debate.

Te Hau won first place in the Year 7 English category with his speech about Gallipoli and the Turkish Campaign.

That same day their younger sister, Kaahu represented Rawene School at the Northland Rotary Speech Competition. Her speech was about her mauka, ko Aoraki.

What an awesome effort guys!

He rawe!

Pink Floyd Experience

Ken Te Tau has just completed playing in the Nelson Mandela theatre with his band the Pink Floyd Experience.

The band was well received by African's, both black and white.

During their stay they have been able to visit local attractions and townships, in particular Soweto. The people are fantastic and the community vibrant despite their horrific treatment under apartheid.

Ken visited the former house of Nelson Mandela in Soweto which has now become a sort of shrine, a reminder of the struggle, hope and victory over the oppressive apartheid years.





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Hui Te Rangiora Church

The services are held on the fourth Sunday of the month at 10.00am.

Everyone welcome.

Annual General Meeting

Sunday 6 November – 11am

Panui

If you have any contributions towards the newsletter or for Te Panui Runaka please contact Sue on 465 7300 or sue@puketeraki.co.nz

Website

The website is nearing completion. We will notify you when it is up and running and look forward to your feedback.

Waikouaiti Māori Reserves Trust: Hereby gives Notice that

On: Saturday 15th October

At: Puketeraki Marae, Apes Road Puketeraki

Time: 1:30pm

There will be a meeting of owners of the following blocks of land held in trust.

- Matainaka & Waikouaiti Block IV part Section 6
- Waikouaiti Block XII Section 74A
- Waikouaiti Block XII Section 101A
- Waikouaiti Block XII Section 102

And

There will be a Meeting of persons interested in the following reservations, Ngāi Tahu descendants, as beneficiaries of the reservations.

- Waikouaiti Block XXVI Section 30
- Waikouaiti Block XII Section 98
- Waikouaiti Block XII Section 99

Those who are entitled to attend are: The beneficial owners of the lands within the above trusts, including their heirs, executors, administrators, trustees, or duly appointed solicitors or proxy. A list of owners can be obtained from the Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka c/o Post Office Karitane, email admin@puketeraki.co.nz, phone 03 465 7300.

And the beneficiaries of the above Reservations: Ngāi Tahu descendants.

The purpose of these meetings is to appoint a new set of Trustees to administer the above Reservations and Trusts respectively.

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Executive Review

July	August	September
John Ellison resignation	Preparation of a Runaka Taonga for Ngai Tahu Exhibition at Te Papa	General meeting. Annual plan presented and ratified
Firewood available to members	Main retaining wall advertisement for tenders	Retaining wall tender accepted and alterations scheduled to commence 3 rd October
Main retaining wall Planning continuing	Archives project continuing	Archives project nearing completion
Charitable company and Executive meeting	Web page concept draft complete.	New 'Over All Maintenance Position' applications close. Appointment expected in early October
Archives project continuing	Portfolio concept introduced to the executive. The concept is expected to spread the workload, encourage accountability, effectively utilise skill base/knowledge and encourage membership participation.	Web page information loading training agreed and scheduled to commence early in October with web page expected to become live in late October.
		Drafting of a policy for 'charitable distribution'
		Huriawa work program developed
Marae Bookings	Marae Bookings	Marae Bookings
17th July Waiata	5 th – 8 th Ngati Tipi	12-13 th NZ Children's Health
19th July Zoology	9 th – East Otago High School	14 th – Alexandra Primary
31st July Kaumatua Day	15 th – 17 th Conservation Corps	15 th – 16 th DoC
5th-8th August Ngati Tipi	31 st – Te Kete o Aoraki	
9th August East Otago High School		

Member Contribution

Editors Note:

*We welcome and value member's contribution to this section of the newsletter and acknowledge that these comments are the opinion of the individual. **These comments are unedited.***

Tena koutou aku whanau o Kati Huirapa.
Mihi aroha ki a koutou te mahi pai ana
Ki a matou whanau e noha ana kei rung ate motu.
E whakaaro ana ahau mo tatou kainga hapu.
Taku aroha ki a koutou.

Bill has just read your latest newsletter to me. I congratulate you on all your work for our people and Marae.

I have a take to discuss relating to functions at the Marae. My age 1926-2005. My first memories – 1930 sitting quietly on the stage with other youngsters while adults discussed their take. This happened several times as I accompanied my Tauga Pani Te Tau.

Others probably did the same – evening meetings – or sometimes for a meeting we would sit by the fire in the kitchen. The building was not a Wharenuī as such – (a) kitchen, (b) slide for serving into dining room. The intention was to build a whare (which was burnt down), it stood facing the now front of the whare.

1st world war, the depression, 2nd world war. The building was used for all kinds of functions. At one time people respected the complex – no drinks inside. Early times – drinks were had at Uncle Henry's house on the corner or at home prior, later in car's and flasks. So it became a dance, weddings, birthdays, full entertainment cabaret, plus tangihanga.

Today we have a wharenuī and dining room. This being so there are certain restrictions and respect. The wharenuī has its definite rules – hui hui, korero, moe and tangihanga etc. The dining room is the place that maybe more relaxed, suitable to Marae – these need thinking through and adhered to when decisions are made – ie wedding breakfast in the dining room.

A whare is a Wharetipuna and must be kept as such.

In time perhaps an entertainment centre could be included in the motel complex, along with an art area, at the old Karitane school or perhaps in the existing car park area.

Just a few points from me at my time at home. Huirapa really was the only venue, but intentions of our elders were never realised, so Kai Tahu and Haapu as such were set up again – a few areas of protocol then has to be discussed, agreed upon then actioned.

Just a few thoughts.

Arohanui

Taini Wright



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Chairpersons Comments

E ka rakatira ma, huri noa, huri noa, tena koutou katoa.

Have you heard the media are more and more starting to mention Christmas. Now that the elections over I guess they've got to focus on something. While certainly not wanting to diminish or takahi it as a significant Christian celebration, I'm really focusing on one other rather insidious aspects namely the passing of time and what that represents. The old adage of our tipuna oft said "where has all the time gone" rings clearly in my tarika.

As we now rush headlong towards the end of another year some retrospective thinking pervades the mind with the question "has the use of my personal leisure time been used wisely?" For me the answer is a simple "yes" even at this stage of the year because I think being part of some great runaka developments is worthwhile. Everyone is different of course and many see things differently. The commitment by those who give up their recreational free time in upholding our hapu mana therein giving effect to our whanaukataka (sense of collective whanau), (kaitiakitaka (traditional guardianship) responsibilities and rakatirataka (chieftdomship) is the beating heart of our marae.

A great challenge for us is to win the argument in the minds of young and old that this mahi has a real relevance for our lives. I think is a really hard one to keep on top of. Our runaka and marae activities face stiff competition from many other things which rightfully could be thought to be more immediate importance to a whanau or individuals. Just keeping the bills paid is hard enough nei. At the moment I think we're losing the battle for the minds of our youngsters as we really have little physically that draws them to our marae. We gained some ground with the setting up of the young tamariki (children's) play area but for those older taitamariki (young adults) we haven't hit the mark yet. We are planning to restart the kapahaka so that could help.

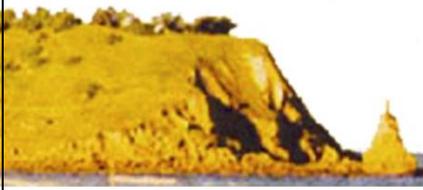
Maybe we're even losing with some of our older whanau members who are uncomfortable in the reinvigorated cultural environment and particularly the use of te reo Maori. Being able to be confident with tikanga (correct customary ways) and kawa (protocols) can also be daunting especially if you're expected to know the right answer.

We have instituted some changes in the way we use our wharenui which has annoyed some people. My wero (challenge) to us all is that we have actually lost very little by the changes we have made and collectively we have even more to gain by holding to our present course. A bar-b-que in Maririhau next week could be quite good.

One of the great opportunities to be involved in something really exciting is the marae arts project. You may or may not have got involved in this to date. Many of you will recall the pride we all felt and the strength that grew in us with the culmination of our new wharenui and upgrade of Maririhau project. That represented around twenty odd years of effort. Well, I think the end result of the marae arts project will be of equal potential as a vehicle for unity and sustaining hapu pride. I'll leave it at that for now but welcome more debate amongst us. Remember, ko te kai o te rakatira, he korero.

Matapura Ellison

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Te Matapihi

The runaka has a copy of the Te Matapihi concept document. This document is available for comment. Any feedback is greatly appreciated.

*Ana Mules
Kaikokiri Kaupapa Maori
Otago Museum*

Moana Gow Pool

The runaka has a card to access the Moana Gow Pool (Hawksbury Village).

This is available for members to use. If you would like to use the card, please contact the office.

Kaumatua Day - 31 July

Huirapa marae hosted a very successful kaumatua day for about 50 kaumatua and whanau from Moeraki, Otakou and Puketeraki. Organised by Paulette Tamati-Elliffe as a KMK project for Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, the taua and poua had the chance to talk about their experiences of learning the reo when they were young.

Then they were treated to some activities which included line-dancing, mirimiri (massage), housie and waiata. It was great for our kaumatua to catch up with old friends and to meet new. By the end of the day, everyone had thoroughly enjoyed themselves, although there were a few weary looking people.

Many thanks to Paulette and her crew of helpers for this great KMK initiative.

Te Kete o Aoraki

On Wednesday 31st August a "Te Kete o Aoraki" East Otago Principals Hui was held at our marae.

After the powhiri and kai, a series of presentations, based on the contents of Te Kete, were delivered by Huata Holmes, Katharina Ruckstuhl, Diana Mules and Tama Smith.

All those present really enjoyed the information sharing and it is likely that another follow-up hui will be organised.

If you have any questions about Te Kete, contact Tama Smith on 03 488 6360.

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John Ellison

John Ellison resigned his position at Kati Huirapa as Environmental Officer. John had worked in this position for over four years. He will be sorely missed with his knowledge and expertise. We wish him well for his future endeavours. John is still living in the Karitane area so we look forward to seeing him at the marae.

John contributed to the planting, development of tracks, maintenance of tracks and plants on Huriawa Peninsula. The work done on the peninsula is of benefit to everyone who lives or visits the area. John also supervised Probation workers and community service workers.

John is an amazing storyteller and manages to capture any audience regardless of age.



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Kāti Huirapa to host Ngāi Tahu Cultural Summit 28 -30th Oct.

Kāti Huirapa is hosting the Ngāi Tahu Cultural Summit in conjunction with Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu at Puketeraki Marae from 3pm Friday 28th October – Sunday 30th October.

Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu want to hui with those people throughout the iwi who have provided cultural leadership in the past and those who continue to fulfil those important roles, and to launch the Ngāi Tahutanga fund. The direction received from the hui will help determine the areas of culture that receive priority support from the fund.

Part of Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka strategic plan states,
“The main purpose of Kāti Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki is to:

- Uphold the mana of Kāti Huirapa ki Puketeraki
- Restore and enhance our cultural knowledge and practices...”

We can put those words into action over the period of the Cultural Summit by making sure we are well represented on the ground as the home people. Our older members are needed to be with our visitors in the main hui, younger whanau are needed for a range of other manaaki mahi.

In preparation for the hui kai moana needs to be gathered, offers gratefully accepted. Everyone who can be present is encouraged to come along. If you can only be there for a short time then consider supporting the powhiri 3pm Friday 28th Oct.

For more information about the Cultural Summit please contact Suzanne Ellison, ph 03 465 8212, Suzanne.ellison@xtra.co.nz

If you can attend or support the Cultural Summit in any capacity please contact Sue at the Runanga office.

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Well done

Katie Mason recently competed in Whitestone Country Music Awards in Oamaru.

Winning the Junior solo, the Junior gospel and overall Junior.



After playing in the South Island tournament, Wesley Mason was selected for the South Island zone team from which the New Zealand development squad will be picked.

Congratulations

To Valley Lodge team, for winning the Dunedin Pool Association Division two.

Valley Lodge won the team's event, the team trophy, the aggregate cup and the champions of champions.

The team is now going to be competing in Division one. Bruce Ritchie is a member of the Valley Lodge team.

Rugby

Christopher (Spud) Preddy and Wesley Mason were selected for the Otago Under 16 rugby team. They have just finished competing in the South Island tournament at Oamaru.

Otago won the competition. Well done boys!

