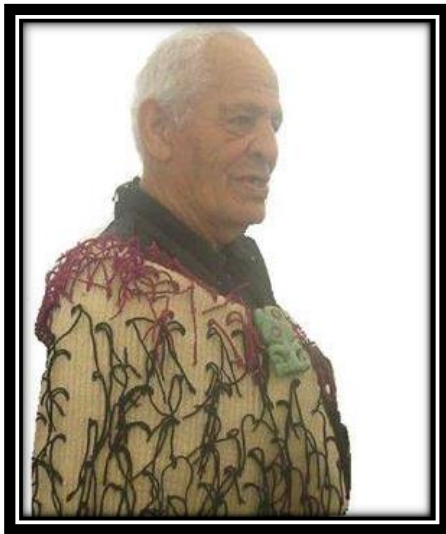


Maranga Mai

December 2014



Ngāti Kuia
Te Iwi Pakohe



William 'Bill' Hemi



Frances Manihera

Mai i te Aka i te Rāwhiti ki Te Matau i te Uru
Kia horapa ai te Kupenga o Kuia
Me tū ko Ngāti Kuia te Iwi Pakohe!

Rere tonu ngā roimata mo rātou kua mahue mai i ā tātou
No reira e ngā mate haere, haere, haere atu ra

Tihei mauri ora!

Tēnei te mihi atu ki a koutou i runga i ngā whakaaro o tēnei wahanga taumaha o te tau.

No reira,
Maranga mai e te Iwi Pakohe, Maranga mai e te Iwi Ngāti Kuia!

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Canvastown School 1930's

Transitional Manager Report

Kia ora koutou e te whānau whānui o Ngāti Kuia.

Welcome to our final Maranga Mai Panui for 2014. We thought it would be a good time to celebrate and it is with real pride that we reflect on the year that was.

2014 has been a year of many milestones for the Rūnanga and on behalf of your management team here is a summary of some of the highlights.

In April 2014, following the culmination of many years of mahi the final 3rd reading at parliament took place for Ngāti Kuia. This was a significant day and the Iwi was very well represented on this momentous occasion.

On September 11 our chairperson Waihaere Mason received an MNZM honour for his services to Iwi and education. He acknowledged that this was received on behalf of the entire Iwi and this was a proud day for everyone.

At the beginning of the year the combined trust boards developed our long term strategic plan and continue to hold joint hui. The boards reviewed and agreed on its post settlement legal entities and developed an implementation plan to consolidate and transition all entities under the one umbrella. As part of building our foundation we also developed a yearly Risk Organisational Assessment process that helps us manage risks in a proactive manner.

Our Marae:

The major Wharekai renovations at Te Hora have commenced and we hope to have this completed by April 2015. At the same time wānanga are being held to adorn the marae facilities appropriately in preparation for the opening. On December 5th we received confirmation of a lottery marae grant for \$500,000 to assist with the build. We are grateful of all the hard work that went into this application and for the support of those who were involved in this lengthy process. We had to delay our planned celebrations following our deed of settlement on 1 August 2014 due to the uncertainty of the renovation date however we will be planning to bring the Iwi together to celebrate both milestones around April 2015. Please keep this date pencilled in.

We continue to support Whakatū Marae both operationally and financially.

Te Tangata:

We have introduced new grants during the year and have a special one-off return to school grant featured in this panui. As part of our Reo Strategy the Rūnanga Offices in Nelson held Te Reo night classes during the year with 10 whānau members graduating recently. There is strong demand to continue and grow these classes going forward. Four Iwi members also achieved their three day course skipper's tickets and many Iwi members participated in the various other wānanga held during the year.

Ngāti Kuitanga:

Our 2nd children's book was published during the year "A Titi Tale". It has been in high demand with additional requests from libraries and publishers. This month we are recording a Ngāti Kuia waiata CD and booklet that will be sent out to all whānau households early next year.

Te Taiao:

We have established a Taiao unit to manage our relationships across the three councils in our rohe. Initially we have established a pilot for four months to get things running, which will be led through our Wairau Office.

The Iwi has also launched its Pakohe Management Plan and website with all three councils. We are the first Iwi in Te Taihū to achieve this and it is a culmination of work over many years.

We are also looking at new opportunities to access kai moana as part of our pātaka benefits for Iwi members.

New Office:

We recently purchased and opened a new office in Wairau at 19 Kinross Street, Blenheim. A whānau evening should have been held by the time this goes to print. Raymond Smith who manages this office is looking forward to having a place that whānau can visit and we are quickly seeing the benefits that this whare can provide as a place for whānau to hui.

Te Putea:

I am pleased to confirm that the Iwi now own nine school properties and are receiving rent on each. We have also spread our risk and diversified some of our putea into a “blue chip” share purchase program of managed funds. In association with Ngāti Apa, we have developed a fishing joint venture and are working with other north island Iwi which should bring benefits to us over the coming seasons. Our directors continue to consider and complete due diligence on other commercial property investment opportunities and we should see some developments in the new year with Woodbourne Airbase and Airport.

Our overall consolidated equity position across the entire group improved 6% over the year from:

2013	39.172m
2014	41.532m

Conclusion:

There are many more things in action and we can be quietly confident about the opportunities ahead. The board will meet early in the New Year to review our strategic goals and then management will draft a new annual plan to be ready for 1 April 2015.

I would like to thank all of our staff and mandate holders for their valuable contribution over the year. Also to the trustees and company directors who have worked together to help us achieve these many milestones.

Lastly, to all the Iwi whānau for your support and involvement during 2014. May you all have a wonderful Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

Nāku noa nā,

David Roha Johnston

Education Grants and Scholarships 2015

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia recognises that it has a responsibility to support the educational aspirations of its members. In order to meet these obligations Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia has established grants and scholarships for 2015 which are available to registered members.

Application forms are available at both Ngāti Kuia offices, by phoning 0800 642 845 or online at www.ngatikuia.lwi.nz/grants.

1. 2015 Tertiary Scholarships

The applicant's course of study must be full time at degree level and undertaken at a recognised tertiary institution.

Applications must be received by 5pm Friday 30 January 2015.

2. Back to School Grants

\$50 per child grant for children aged 5 to 18 attending either school or an approved course in 2015. The purpose of the grant is to help towards the cost of uniform, stationery, school fees or other related costs.

Applications must be received by 5pm Friday 16 January 2015.

General Grants 2015

The Rūnanga also offers grants to support the cultural and sporting aspirations of its members. Individuals or groups who require financial assistance may apply to Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia.

Applications are considered quarterly. Closing dates for 2015 are:

Friday 30 January

Thursday 30 April

Friday 31 July

Friday 30 October



Brian Stevens (pictured left) was one of the 2014 Grant Recipients.

Brian was awarded the general grant to help cover his travel and accommodation costs to attend the NZCT NZ International Aims Games held in Mt Maunganui in September.

Brian played squash at the tournament.

Te Hora Marae

The Wharekai development is progressing well. We were successfully granted \$515,114.00 from the Lotteries Marae and Heritage November funding round.

Along with the Wharekai development, the Wharepuni is also getting an upgrade. Due to a shortage of space on the tūpuna wall, the Komiti are asking for whānau to reduce the size of their photos to 6x4 and to consider couples photos if both are deceased, in time for the reopening.

Te Hora Marae remains closed until approximately April 2015.



Above: The current wharekai development which is well under way

Below: Whānau working at Te Hora in the mid 1990's



Ngāti Kuia Pakohe Management Plan

The Ngāti Kuia Pakohe Management Plan acknowledges our responsibility as the Kaitiaki of Pakohe.

Our Ngāti Kuia Pakohe Management Plan was adopted by Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia in August 2014. The plan has now been formally lodged with the three Councils of Te Taihū, as an Iwi Management Plan under the Resource Management Act.

The Pakohe Management Plan specifically focuses on the protection and sustainable management of Pakohe across Te Taihū. The Plan was developed in partnership with Marlborough, Nelson and Tasman Councils and the Department of Conservation and provides policies and an implementation plan covering:

- The recognition of Ngāti Kuia association with Pakohe (as the descendants of the original people and the workers of Pakohe)
- Protecting wāhi tūpuna (the places our people lived and worked Pakohe including archaeological sites)
- Sustainable management of wāhi pakohe (the natural resource found in rivers and in land not associated with archaeological sites)
- Revival of Customary practices (including annual wānanga – see the photos next page)
- Investigate commercial use
- Kaitiaki over Taonga Pakohe



The Pakohe Management Plan and further information can be found on our Pakohe website www.ngatikuiapakohe.com.

Wānanga Pakohe 2014

This year we had Dante Bonica from Auckland University join us to share his vast knowledge on Pakohe and the traditional making of toki (adzes). We began the wānanga by gathering hammer stones from Cable Bay and then Pakohe from Pelorus River.



Huataki Whareaitu (above left) looking for Hammer Stones, Cable Bay and Stan Richards (above right) carries Pakohe for our wānanga, Te Hoiere (Pelorus River).

Dante showed us how to create the pre-form and then we practiced hammer dressing— check out the website (www.ngatikuiapakoh.com) for photos and to hear us working.

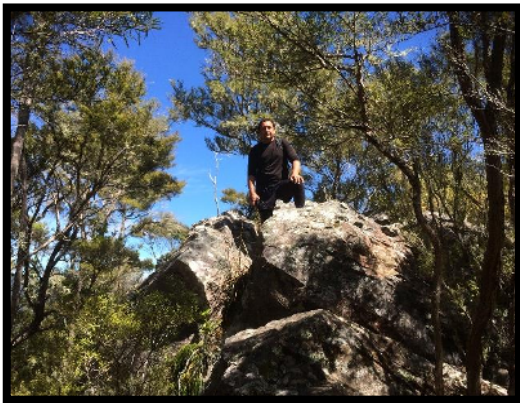


We were also joined by Chris Jacombs (Otago University), Marshall Weisler (University of Queensland) and Steve Bagley (DOC) for the annual stroll up to the Rush Pool quarries. Chris and Marshall are part of the South Pacific Archaeological Research team who are working on Wairau Bar and researching the role of Pakohe in the first two hundred years of settlement in Aotearoa, AD1300.

<http://www.spar.co.nz/firsthundredyears.html>



Te Maungarongo Wilson (above left) grinding down his adze to the finish product. Marshall Weisler (above right and below right) checking out the work of our tūpuna, Rush Pool quarries.



Keelan Walker (above left) showing us how big the Rush Pool Quarries are.



Robert, Steve Bagley, Gena Moses-Te Kani, Marshall Weisler and Chris Jacomb resting after a long walk to the Rush Pool Quarry along the Pakohe Trail.

Te Rito o Te Reo Ngāti Kuia 2014

Te Ataarangi ki te Tauihu o te Waka-ā-Maui had an exciting opportunity to partner with Ngāti Kuia and NMIT to deliver a beginners Te Reo Māori class for Ngāti Kuia Whānau in Whakatū.

Whānau ranging from 14 to 60+ years learnt in a comfortable whānau friendly environment. Regular weekly night classes were delivered at the Ngāti Kuia Office, using the Te Ataarangi methodology.

Graduation was an extremely proud, emotional event, especially for the older members of the class who could not believe they were able to accomplish what they had in their first year.

We look forward to coming together again next year to continue our journey along with new students who are keen to jump on board our fantastic learning waka.



From left to right: Kaiako Jaime Duncan, Toia Gibbons-Smith, Paige Byers-Hemi, Teone Smith, Sharleen Rhoden, Linda Mead, Veronica Hippolite-A 'Court, Terry Hemi and Rebecca Hemi

2014 Nelson and Blenheim Christmas Hours

The Offices will close on

Friday 19 December 2014

Re- opening on

Monday 05 January 2015