



# NGĀTI KUIA

## Maranga Mai

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Kei āku māngainga o te whānau  
a te iti Pakohe, nei te au a mihi  
ka rere

ka wawe kainamu mai i a tātou e  
Mākeremumu hūpē tautau

ko roimata te kitea ko niho koi a  
Hinetakurua ka auau te rongohia

Ka moe nei te whenua, ka herea  
te turi o te Kōkā

ākene pea a Puanga a Matariki  
ngā whetū ka tarewa ki te pae

ka tangihia te hunga kua riro

ā ka hurō te Mātahi o te tau, hei  
tau pai anō te tau

Kua Pouwhakarewarewahia te  
kete kōrero a Kuia

Ko tētahi ara tēnei i rautakina ki  
te reo me ōna tikanga

me kī a au ka pēnei “e tū tātou i  
te tū o te Uru Kahikatea”

nā konā ka whakatānekaha ai  
tātou i a tātou



## FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Tēnā koutou ngā Whānau o Ngāti Kuia.

Since the last edition of Maranga Mai we seem to have moved back into pre Settlement days where matters of Iwi status and mana continue to be part of some forum debates.

Establishing a Pou i.e. to state one's position by proclaiming kaitiakitanga over any particular place or activity is being confused with the term statutory acknowledgment i.e. the mana to be consulted as of right. Each Iwi Settlement Act gives any Iwi, rights under this definition, to be included in kōrero and decisions, on any particular matter within their stated boundaries. The Ngāti Kuia Settlement Act states that our boundary is from Kahurangi Point in the west to Te Parinui o Whiti in the east. Within it are many sites of significance, taonga, and broad span moana and whenua. Statements are quite specific. A current issue, Ngā mana ki runga ki ngā Wai, is a good example of the current shape of kaitiakitanga. However, these rights bring about obligations to act responsibly in support of them. As examples, some of the articles in this issue, can be referenced to what this is all about.

We are not at all confused by any of this. We are consistent in upholding one of our key principles, that as little harm shall come to Ngāti Kuia what ever that might be. In simple terms, it is what it is and that's how it shall always be. We will hold fast to this.

*E Tū Te Iwi o Ngāti Kuia*

Nāku noa, nā

Waihaere Mason MNZM



# TE RŪNANGA O NGĀTI KUIA TRUST 2017 TRUSTEE ELECTION

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust (the Trust) is the PSGE entity created to receive and manage the assets arising from the Treaty of Waitangi settlement for Ngāti Kuia. Three positions on the Trust will become vacant in August this year and nominations will be opened on Monday 17 July.

Nominations must be made on the official nomination paper which can be obtained by phoning the election helpline 0800 666 030 or emailing [nominations@electionz.com](mailto:nominations@electionz.com). Nominations close at 5pm on Wednesday 9 August 2017. In the event that more nominations are received than are required, an election will be held amongst registered adult members of the Trust by postal, internet and ballot box voting at the AGM, to be held on Saturday 23 September 2017 at Te Hora Marae, Te Hora Pa Road, Canvastown, Marlborough commencing at 10.30am.

## ENROLMENT

Descendants of Ngāti Kuia who have not yet registered with the Trust can obtain registration forms by ringing the Trust office on 0800 642 845 or the election helpline on 0800 666 030.

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## WHĀNAU WHENUA

### OVERVIEW

The Whānau Whenua Initiative began in April 2016 and ended in April 2017. The purpose of this initiative was to enable whānau of Ngāti Kuia to realise aspirations and desires for their whenua within Te Taihira rohe. A road trip that took in six locations across the motū and meetings with Iwi, whānau and key organisations enabled further discussions to support whānau to aspire to developing cultural, social and or economic outcomes for their whenua.

Overall 23 whānau registered with the initiative, this will benefit between 160 to 250 individuals, with hui held with 18 stakeholder organisations and numerous hui with whānau.

## HE MAUNGA PAKOHE RAUTAKI HAUORA

**Kia ora koutou ngā whānau o  
Ngāti Kuia.**

Just a quick update about **“He Maunga Pakohe Rautaki Hauora”** which has now been agreed as a key strategic priority (Tangata Pou) by our Board. This research and storytelling based initiative will not only establish what it is that you think is important for Ngāti Kuia, but it will also set the way forward for future generations.

Since our last pānui I have been working with the Social Policy and Evaluation Research Unit (SuPERU) based in Wellington on the development of an overall approach and scoping proposal. They have been providing technical research advice and support, and I hope to have some good news funding wise in July.

Another key aspect of our approach is to ensure that the voice of whānau is clearly heard and understood at all times. And so as I mentioned in December an Advisory Rōpū is also being established to make sure that this happens.

Noho ora mai,  
Rebecca Mason



Above: Delroy Pope and Sam Thorn looking over Te Hora Pā with Kahuroa in the distance. Te Hora was one of a number of occupation reserves set aside as part of the Te Waipounamu Purchases (1853-1860). The reserve amounted to 230 acres. Ownership of the reserves was determined by the Native Land Court during the 1880s and 1890s. There were 36 original owners.

## THE JOURNEY

This was an initiative that enabled whānau to talk about their aspirations and for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust to support. Whilst many whānau discussed their goals for the development of their lands, most whānau just wanted to 'walk their whenua'. Additionally, for many whānau the ability to call a hui for Succession inspired Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust to run two hui on succession with the Māori Land Court. This resulted in another hui being held recently in May of this year.

Meeting and discussing aspirations with whānau has been a highlight of this initiative and being part of a journey that encourages and inspires whānau. There have been some real success stories including being part of a journey with whānau who want to live and work together on their whenua in which they were raised, and contribute to their Iwi. To enable whānau to remain in Te Taihū, participate in economic growth, social and cultural development that has long term outcomes for Ngāti Kuia has been an honour and a privilege.

The greatest success has been that whānau now can look at their whenua and have multiple choices of what can be achieved to develop for future generations, retain their whenua and continue to live in Te Taihū.

As an outcome of this initiative a course provided by an approved training organisation to train Ngāti Kuia whānau in bee husbandry and honey production will begin in August. Many of those enrolled on the initiative are part of this programme that will run for a year. Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust is supporting this programme.

## THE TEAM

The success of this project was in great part due to the support of the Trustees with special mention and appreciation of Waihaere Mason, Elaine Wilson and Sharyn Smith. Project management was jointly shared by Dave Johnston and Mark Moses (in Germany), who kept this project on track and supported us to complete and carry out our mahi, ngā mihi kōrua. We wish Mark a speedy and healthy recovery. Administration was provided by the team at the Ngāti Kuia office, thanks to Lea, Nicki and Billy. Special thanks and appreciation of Sam Thorn for his GIS and drone development skills and his easy and enthusiastic approach to assisting wherever he could, ngā mihi kia koe Sam.

To our fellow Navigator Anthony Patete - ngā mihi kia koe.

## NGĀ WHĀNAU O NGĀTI KUIA

Finally, to all the whānau who we met on this journey, had hui with, welcomed us into your homes and shared openly with us your aspirations and goals and who have made this initiative a success.

Nā

Tracey Kingi

Kereopa Ratapu

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### July

- 7-9 Matariki Wānanga – Te Hora
- 17 Ngāti Kuia Trustee Nominations Open
- 19 Kaumātua Hui – Te Hora
- 20-22 Rangatahi aged 11-17 Wānanga–Te Hora

### August

- 2-3 Elect Mining Public Hearing – MDC
- 9 Ngāti Kuia Trustee Nominations Close
- 23 Ngāti Kuia Elections Voting Opens

### September

- 20 Ngāti Kuia Elections Postal and Electronic Voting Closes
- 23 Ngāti Kuia Annual General Meeting



Above: Members of Ngāti Kuia exercising their customary rights at Titirangi. Titirangi is annual taiao wananga at which environmental issues are discussed and matauranga imparted.



# TE POUTŪMĀRŌ

Ōtira, rau rangātira ngā mihi kia koutou mō tō tautoko ki tēnei mahi, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Kia pou te tū

Kia mārō te tū

Ko Te Poutūmārō

Te Poutūmārō is a pan-tribal kapahaka based in Christchurch and draws membership from the four corners of Te Waipounamu. In February this year, the team took the stage at Te Matatini in Hastings. The team was led by Ngāti Kuia brother and sister duo Tom and Tiana Alesana alongside their good friends Jahmaine Cummings and Mahia Brown. They were the highest placed Te Waipounamu team and have breathed new life into competitive kapahaka throughout Te Waipounamu.

There were five Ngāti Kuia performers including Tamati-James Wirihana, Ariana McKinlay, Wayne Hippolite, Tom Alesana and Tiana Alesana. Ngāti Kuia was also well represented in the background with Tania and Sonny Alesana taking lead roles within the group's executive committee. Te Poutūmārō took inspiration from Ngāti Kuia kōrero tuku iho and recited the whakapapa links between Ngāti Kahungunu and Ngāti Kuia.

Ngāti Kuia is proud to be the Pinnacle Sponsor of Te Poutūmārō for 2017 and looks forward to growing more of our rangatahi to take part in positive Māori kaupapa like kapahaka. Kapahaka is an area that we are keen to grow, especially as Te Taihupo o Te Waka prepare to host Te Matatini in 2025. To start our preparations, Ngāti Kuia will be holding a Rangatahi Wānanga to grow understanding of Ngāti Kuitanga, develop skills in kapahaka, and build cultural ambassadors for the future.



Who: Rangatahi aged 11-17

When: 20 - 22 July 2017

Where: Te Hora Pā, Canvastown

This wānanga is the first of a series of wānanga that will enhance our tamariki and rangatahi in their Ngāti Kuitanga.

For more information please contact [billy@ngatikuia.iwi.nz](mailto:billy@ngatikuia.iwi.nz)



## NEW PUBLICATIONS

During our Road Shows whānau indicated that they were keen to learn more about our history and oral traditions. Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia took heed of that desire by incorporating it into our Strategic Plan. One of the plan's objectives is to produce publications that retell our stories.

We are happy to say we now have a third children's book to accompany Riding the Wai and A Titi Tale. Bowki and Bubba is a retelling of the tradition of Kaikaiāwaro and Matuahautere. Although targeted at our tamariki we think Bowki and Bubba is a timely publication, especially when we take into account Ngāti Kuia opposition to the proposed change to the Marlborough District Council Plan that would allow for the establishment of salmon farms near to Te Ana a Kaikaiāwaro.

Another publication to note is: Peter N. Meihana with Richard Bradley, Judith MacDonald and Mark Moses, 'Old Ground, New Battles: The Kurahaupō Settlement', in The Treaty on the Ground, Auckland: Massey University Press, 2017.

## MATARIKI WĀNANGA

7–9 JULY 2017

Te Hora Pā

Celebrate Matariki with Whānau and Friends

Topics this year include Matariki, Star Navigation and Waka

Enquires to;

Raymond Smith 03 579 4328 or 027 253 5043

Billy Wilson 0800 NGATIK



## NGĀTI KUIA KAUMĀTUA HUI

Te Hora Pā

Wednesday 19 July 2017

10.30am followed by lunch

Agenda to be advised

Transport will be available

Please contact the  
office to RSVP





# REO WĀNANGA

Ngāti Kuia ran its' third wānanga reo me ōna tikanga hui over Queen's Birthday Weekend, with an average of about 100 people in attendance. The kaupapa was Kia āta mai te wai, or waiata. Each group was required to create a ten minute set incorporating the elements of mahi-a-ringā (actions), pūoro (traditional instruments), a full band providing contemporary music, our karakia “Ko te reo o manu tērā” which is depicted in the mural now hanging up at Titiraukawa. The composition of both traditional and contemporary tunes with lyrics provided by 3 waiata and 1 karakia recently translated from the Pakauwera material not performed since the late nineteenth century.

This activity culminated in a concert on the Saturday night to perform group brackets worked on over the duration of the wānanga. Our rangatahi also prepared the hāngi and pig caught that morning for this purpose from start to end with the guidance of their pakeke (adults). The hui, which catered to all age groups, was a great success and everyone who attended look forward to many more like it in future.



Above: Mitchell Tareha and Angie Stretch



Above: Reo Wanānga participants

# NGĀTI KUIA SCHOLARSHIPS

There were 13 successful scholarship applications totalling \$19,200 this year.



One of the recipients, Sari Rose Robb is a Law student currently studying at Canterbury University. She grew up in Nelson and attended Waimea College.

From an early age Sari had a love for the justice system which stemmed from her need to help others. This need for justice ignited her passion to pursue a career in the police force. She started by accompanying local police on ride alongs throughout the area. However, after spending time shadowing police she decided to refocus on her career choice.

Sari left her whānau in Nelson and began her law degree at Canterbury University. Because she had been out of school for several years she decided to take a summer paper to re-familiarise herself with academic writing and the schooling system. Sari graduated at the top of her summer class and entered the academic year inspired and ready to start her law degree.

Although this path may seem unconventional Sari recommends taking summer papers to anyone who has been out of study for a while as it prepared her for what was to come.

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Sari is currently finishing her first term at Canterbury University and she is excited about her future. The content continues to inspire her and her love for justice has only grown stronger.

Once she graduates she would like to use her degree to work as a crown prosecutor, she has high aspirations for herself and is familiar with what it takes to get to where she wants to be.

Sari is on an inspiring journey following her career aspirations, showing that your career goals are a product of your own hard work and determination.

## NGĀTI KUIA OFFICE

We are pleased to announce Ngāti Kuia has purchased 192 Rutherford Street, Nelson to become the new home and offices of Ngāti Kuia in Whakatū. Many will remember this building as the old Tile and Slate business.

Exciting times lay ahead with the start of the re-build just around the corner. Before the refit and renovations commence, the building requires earthquake strengthening.

We will endeavour to keep you up to date with progress (and photos) as the new office starts to emerge.

Watch this space.





# TE TAUIHU NGĀ MANU KŌRERO

## Ngā Manu Kōrero o Ngāti Kuia

Ngāti Kuia is extremely proud of our rangatahi who had the courage to speak at the regional Manu Kōrero competition recently.

Two of our rangatahi, Kiripounamu Nepia and Lucas Baker, have both been working hard over the last couple of months in preparation to take to the stage.

Kiripounamu Nepia won the following sections and taonga for the senior Māori section. He Taonga Whakapumau Rangatahi for impromptu, Te Mauri Kōrero for prepared section, He Tohu Maumaharatanga Kia Karaitiana for overall winner and the Whakatū Incorporation Trophy for top Female Speaker. Kiripounamu is looking forward to the challenge of representing Ngāti Kuia and Te Taihuhu at the nationals in September.

This was Lucas Baker's first attempt at the competition and he was also very successful. Lucas won the Paora Awatope Patu Memorial Trophy in the Sir Turi Carroll/Junior English and second in the Rawhiti Ihaka/Junior Māori Speech Competition. He was awarded the Te Takoha Aroha Trophy for Māori and English Joint Aggregate.

This has been a great challenge for Lucas and he now looks forward to representing Ngāti Kuia at the National Manu Kōrero Competition in New Plymouth where he will compete in the Junior English section.

E ngā mangai nui o Ngāti Kuia tuhia tō reo ki te rangi



Above: Kiripounamu Nepia and Tama Baker

# TAHUARIKI MEIHANA

We are very lucky to have been given this photograph of Tahuariki Meihana. Tahuariki was born at Ohana, Rangitoto Island, in 1856. His father, Meihana Kereopa, represented the Kurahaupō tribes in the Native Land Court in 1883 and 1892. Oriwa, Tahuariki's aunty, was married to Te Patete of Ngāti Koata as part of the *tuku*. Having failed in their attempt to have their rights to Rangitoto recognised, Meihana and his relatives moved to the Pelorus Valley where they took up land at Orakauhamu (Ruapaka). Tahuariki married Heeni Te Mete of Port Gore and begat eight children (Te Mutini, Kumeroa, Harena, Reretawhangawhanga, Rewanga, Matina, Mere and Kipa).

During the second half of the nineteenth century, Tahuariki and Meihana travelled throughout the Marlborough Sounds and the Wairau speaking with tribal elders and collating whakapapa. These whakapapa, along with those recorded in the Hemi Manuscript, would later underpin our land claims and treaty settlements.

(Te Rūnanga o Ngāti would like to express our sincere thanks to Aunty Haromi Taylor for making this photograph available to us).



Above: Tahuariki Meihana, historian and one of our first scribes, pictured here with the Meihana Manuscript.

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