

Te Karere a Hauiti

NGĀTI HAUITI NEWS

Ko Ruahine Te Pae Maunga. Ko Rangitīkei Te Awa. Ko Tākitimu Te Waka. Ko Ngāti Hauiti Te Iwi.

Tāku tumu herenga waka, tāku rākau whakaruruhau, haere ki te maninihau te huinga o te kāhurangi e.

E ngā whānau, e ngā hapū o Ngāti Hauiti, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Ruahine is the Mountain Range, Rangitīkei is the River, Tākitimu is the Canoe and Ngāti Hauiti is the Tribe. My berthing place, my sheltering tree (those departed), go with the pleasant winds to the gathering place of the honoured and distinguished. To the families and sub-tribes of Ngāti Hauiti, greetings and salutations to you all.

Ngāti Hauiti Representation

After about two years of operating in an interim capacity, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti was formally appointed as the governing tribal body of the Ngāti Hauiti people.

The Kaupapa of the Rūnanga is "*The Enhancement and Preservation of Ngāti Hautitanga (all those things that pertain to us)*". The Hui-a-Iwi in October 1996 also resolved that:

- ♦ The Rūnanga be authorised to represent Ngāti Hauiti with a focus on tribal issues, whānau & hapū development and service provision where appropriate.

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HAPŪ PROFILES

- ♦ That the Rūnanga be mandated to deal with all issues within the following areas: Ngāti Hautitanga, Social Well Being, Environment, Waitangi Claims & Research and Management Support.

Hapū Profiles

Future issues of this newsletter will include, basic profiles on those hapū which form the Ngāti Hauiti Iwi. While many are inactive, it will be chance for people to see how they are part of Ngāti Hauiti. Some of those hapū that will be covered include: Ngāti Tamatereka, Ngāti Hora, Ngāti Haukaha, Ngāti Ruānga, Ngāti Te Upokoiri, Ngāti Tumokai, Ngāi Te Ngāhoa and Ngāti Hinetio.

Iwi Achievements

In the short time the Rūnanga has been operating, there have been a number of significant milestones achieved with only a few resources at hand.

- ◆ After making submissions to the Waitangi Fisheries Commission and gaining the support of neighbouring Iwi, Ngāti Hauiti was acknowledged as having "Iwi" Status by the Commission. This would ensure that Ngāti Hauiti would be part of any fisheries settlement.
- ◆ Te Maru o Ruahine Trust was established and incorporated in August 1996 to deliver Social Well Being programmes. The Trust is accountable to the Rūnanga
- ◆ A claim was lodged with the Waitangi Tribunal (Wai 581) relating to Ngāti Hauiti's Rangatiratanga over the land, rivers and lakes within our area of primary influence.
- ◆ In September '96, the Kaupapa Taiao - Environmental Policy Statement was launched at the Rātā Marae. It was the culmination of joint efforts by Iwi members to provide a sound framework for dealing with environmental issues. Neville Lomax, convenor of the Rūnanga stated "The publication is timely as we embark on an exciting era of development that will see the consolidation of our whānau, hapū and Iwi as we deal with a continuous stream of natural resource issues". Copies of the book are still available to Iwi members free of charge by contacting the phone number below.
- ◆ Rangatahi hui are being held for secondary school children. A successful four day hui was recently held this month. The programme included learning Te Reo Māori (basic mihimihī), tribal and Marae history, self defence, Students Against Drunk Driving, kapa haka and a night of entertainment including skits & kareoke. If you have secondary school aged young people, send them along to the next one. Contact our director of Social Well Being, Joanne Eagle.

Higher Learning

If we are to survive as a people, we must be able to adapt to an ever changing environment. Education is one tool that can assist us to not only survive but to excel. Ngāti Hauiti will support and encourage educational opportunities, particularly at tertiary level. Through Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti, written support has been given for two people to attend Te Wānanga o Raukawa. An educational grant of \$5,000 was awarded to Maurini Haines by Te Ohu Kaimoana to study for a Diploma of Māori and Management in fisheries

management. Peter French was also supported to study for a Diploma in Public Sector Management with a particular emphasis on whānau, hapū and Iwi structures.

Also, Neville Lomax, Robert Mete Kingi and Grant Huwyler should graduate with degrees this year.

Iwi Happenings

We know that our whānau have many questions relating to Ngāti Hauiti. This is understandable as in the recent past, there has been a huge vacuum of knowledge regarding our Iwi, with the result of many unanswered questions.

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Ngāti Hauiti Wānanga

At the Rātā Marae on 17th & 18th of May

The major emphasis will be getting to know Ngāti Hauiti, our history and where we fit into the big picture. It will be a learning experience for many so don't be whakamā or shy to come along. Nau mai, haere mai.

Contacts

Some of you will be wondering how and why we got your contact details. Raihania Potaka has been working furiously using our whānau networks to track people down. This is so that the Rūnanga can be accountable to the people by sending information out to members and to give everyone the opportunity to take part in tribal activities. This will become more important as assets such as fisheries and land are returned to the Iwi. We do not want to hear people saying they were never informed of what was happening.

If you have any questions or contributions to make to the newsletter they should be addressed to Utiku Potaka at:

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