

# Te Karere a Hauiti

## NGĀTI HAUITI NEWS

*Ko Ruahine Te Pae Maunga. Ko Rangitikei Te Awa. Ko Tākitimu Te Waka. Ko Ngāti Hauiti Te Iwi. Ki ngā tini aituā, ko Mina me ētahi atu, haere ki tua o te ārai haere haere. E ngā whānau, e ngā hapū o Ngāti Hauiti, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa. Heoi anō.*

*Ruahine is the Mountain Range, Rangitikei is the River, Tākitimu is the Canoe and Ngāti Hauiti is the Tribe. O ancestors, go beyond the veil of darkness, farewell. To the families and sub-tribes of Ngāti Hauiti, greetings and salutations to you all. Enough.*

## Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti

**T**he results of Census '96 are out. The Stats Dept have said that 880 people identified themselves as Ngāti Hauiti. AUE! - this is an increase of 100% since Ngāti Hauiti wasn't identified at all in the '91 census.

Fund-raising has begun with a hiss and a roar - literally. A pre-sold hāngi sold 400 meals. Thanks to those people who donated food and of course also the workers. There have also been a couple of quick fire raffles (thanks to Georgie Wardlaw for jerseys). The funds raised will be going towards a number of commitments including the Iwi track suits and the Rātā Marae showers.

The Iwi wānanga was held in May and a great time was had by all. A highlight of the wānanga was a dawn hikoi (where was Hape that morning?) to Ohingaiti where we viewed the kāinga and pā of our tupuna Hauiti.

Te Reo Māori classes have been organised on a weekly basis at Utiku. It is an opportunity for beginners to learn the language in a whānau setting. Thanks to Rewa Potaka for taking classes.

Kapa Haka is up and running now every fourth Sunday of the month between 1-3pm. Come along for a sing song and have another chance to mingle with our whānau and learn traditional Ngāti Hauiti waiata.

The Rūnanga intends to employ a Programme Manager who will develop hapū and Iwi initiatives that will increase Ngāti Hauiti well being towards the new millennium. The project is titled "Ki Te Mano Tau" which will be a pivotal role in our development. Applications for the job close 8 October.

Many more activities are planned over the next year including a trip down the Rangitikei River and the erection of a pou whenua. We are also keen to draw-up an Inter-generational development plan and a constitution for the Rūnanga. If you're interested in getting involved, let us know.

## Ngāti Tamatereka Hapū

**N**gāti Hauiti Iwi is made up of several hapū. This is a brief profile of the Ngāti Tamatereka hapū.

Tamatereka was the son of Haeretekura who was the son of Hauiti. Tamatereka was a prominent war chief who along with his relatives, held by military force the Rangitikei region. A final attempt was made by Ngāti Kahungunu to take control of the region and a huge force was sent to destroy Ngāti Hauiti and Ngāti Te Ohuake. A battle ensued at the fighting pā of Omanono, near Ohingaiti. Tamatereka and Tutemohuta defeated the invaders and this battle helped confirm the rights of Ngāti Hauiti in the region.

While Tamatereka's descendants traversed much of the district, their primary places of residence were situated to the west of the Rangitikei River.

Some of the main families who form the Ngāti Tamatereka hapū include the descendants of Tapui Potaka, Ihakara Te Raro, Horima Paerau, Topia Tūroa and Paramena Te Naonao. Tapui's son Utiku Potaka built what is now known as the Rātā Marae and which in his time was a focal point for Ngāti Tamatereka activities. The hapū ties were strengthened when Utiku married Rawinia, daughter of Ihakara Te Raro.

### Te Maru o Ruahine Trust

**W**e have successfully held a number of hui for Rangatahi (secondary school age youth). The response has been very positive and is reflected in the increase of Rangatahi attending. Policy is being finalised to ensure hui continue to run smoothly.

Our joint Iwi health venture with Ngāti Apa, Marton Marae Committee and Te Oranganui, have appointed two community health workers. Tingi Te Ahuru and Ngaio Papuni provide a range of services including health education, liaison, advocacy and hui.

Our whānau support service continues to grow and so Jodene Chase has been appointed as a whānau support worker to cover the Mangaweka and Utiku area of our rohe. Jodene has responsibility for providing general liaison, advocacy, information and promotion however Joanne Eagle will continue to provide counselling.

For further information contact Joanne on 0800 HAUITI or (06) 322-8765

### Iwi Happenings

**T**he next Ngāti Hauiti wānanga is fast approaching and preparations for it are well underway. We encourage whānau to attend as it helps to answer many of those niggling questions.

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#### Ngāti Hauiti Wānanga

At the Winiata Marae, Taihape on the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> of October commencing at 10am. The major emphasis will be learning some of the detailed history and whakapapa of Ngāti Hauiti. It will be a learning experience for many so don't be whakamā or shy to come along.

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#### Utiku School Reunion

Pōwhiri at the old Utiku School 8<sup>th</sup> of November. The Utiku School Reunion is gearing up to be a major event in our rohe. Ngāti Hauiti will have a major role in the Pōwhiri so for those of you who know the Hauiti Haka Pōwhiri, start brushing up.

### Rātā Marae

**K**ia ora e te whānau. Yes, the Rātā Marae is still operating and the committee does welcome your suggestions, involvement, letters and visits from you. We endeavour to hold meetings once a month so please feel free to voice any concerns.

In the past year, we worked on leaky roofs, cleaning up of shrubs and trees, the back wall of the wharepuni and plans for the extension of the Marae.

Fund-raising in general remains a major concern particularly for development insurance, replacement of breakage's and general maintenance. Once again, thank you to everyone who has given a koha when they have returned home to Rātā.

Over the summer, we hope to see progress with the transportation of the Rātā Hall to the marae complex. Additionally, the adventure playground should be completed by xmas.

A suggestion has been made that a young peoples committee could be formed for possibly those under 40. I think that it would be a great idea for this to happen. Unfortunately, I would just miss out. For any questions call me on (06) 3228084 Paddy Potaka

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

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