



TE PŪRONGO

An update from the Chief Executive

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E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā uri o Ngāti Rangitīhi whānui - Tēnā koutou katoa. Tangihia ō tātou tini aitua o te wā, rātou kua rūmene ki tua o te ārai, haere atu rā. Tātou ngā mahuetanga iho, ngā kanohi ora, tēna tātou katoa.

Greetings to you all

As we move into the second month of spring we have a range of important matters and exciting initiatives to update you on.

Te Arawa Fisheries Withdrawal Hui – 5 November 2011

The first of two preliminary hui will now be held on **Saturday 5 November 2011 at Rangitīhi Marae**, Matatā to vote on commencing the withdrawal process from Te Arawa Fisheries. It is important for all Ngāti Rangitīhi members to attend this hui and have your say on this crucial issue.

Both Te Arawa Fisheries and Te Mana o Ngāti Rangitīhi Trust will have the opportunity at each public hui to present their cases including full financial analyses of the costs and benefits of withdrawal, so that you can make an informed decision. Unless we obtain a 75% majority at the upcoming preliminary hui, then our fisheries taonga will be managed by Te Arawa Fisheries in perpetuity. Only those present at the hui are able to vote - another condition of the withdrawal process.

A summary of the withdrawal process set out in the Te Arawa Fisheries trust deed is available on the Te Mana o Ngāti Rangitīhi Trust website, as well as plenty of information on the reasons why the trust believes it best for Ngāti Rangitīhi to manage its fisheries independently from Te Arawa Fisheries and in direct partnership with Aotearoa Fisheries Limited.

The hui will be open from 10:30am until 5:00pm to give people plenty of time to pop down and cast your vote. Nau mai, haere mai.

Te Aka Baseline Survey – Now Closed!

Our iwi-wide survey “Te Aka” has been running for several months, gathering information about what iwi members want to see for the future of Ngāti Rangitīhi. The online iwi-wide survey has now closed and I wish to thank all of you who took the time to answer some key questions that will enable the trust to identify your needs as well as develop programs that you want to see happen for the benefit of Ngāti Rangitīhi whānui.

Welcome to our new staff

We are pleased to announce the arrival of two new staff members to Te Mana o Ngāti Rangitīhi Trust. Tanira Raureti has joined us as our Office Manager and Lee Warbrick as Resource Development Officer. We are proud to welcome these two new staff as we continue to build our organisational capacity.



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Annual General Meeting – 19 November 2011

Te Mana o Ngāti Rangitahi Trust's next Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 19 November 2011 at Rangitahi Marae starting at 10.30am. Important developments including our Iwi Environment Management Plan, Baseline Survey, Comprehensive Treaty Settlement mandate strategy and Annual Report will be presented at the AGM by our Board. Pānui for the AGM will be published in the regional newspapers next week and via our website and social media.

Final Rangitahi Kai Tahi for 2011

The last gathering on 18 September 2011 was a huge success with the Pū Whenua Māori performing arts group providing entertainment as well as the Pua Wānanga whānau joining us after their weekend stint at Rangitahi Marae where they participated in a wānanga on Te Arawa tikanga led by Te Ururoa Flavell. The whānau also enjoyed an introductory presentation by Nick Marr about his journey around Te Moana Nui a Kiwa with the Pacific Voyagers crew (see www.pacificvoyagers.org for more on Nick's amazing journey).

Our final Rangitahi Kai Tahi for the year is confirmed for Sunday 20 November 2011. As this will be our last Kai Tahi before Christmas we will be celebrating with a Xmas theme and a BYO BBQ. We would love to have as many of our whānau and tamariki there as possible.

Supporting Healthy Lifestyles

We continue to work with Bernie Marr to develop a communal garden initiative in Matatā. This exciting project is taking shape and we will keep you up to date as developments progress. The second of the Healthy Lifestyles initiatives hui has been scheduled for the second week of October 2011, confirmation of the hui date will be advised by pānui to be sent out shortly.

Te Arawa FM Hui

A community hui led by Te Arawa FM will be held on Saturday 15 October 2011 at Rangitahi Marae to discuss the possibility of Te Arawa FM extending a new frequency to service Ngāti Rangitahi in Matatā. All people interested in the new frequency should attend to hear what the proposal is about.

As always, we are keen to hear from anyone with ideas on how we can further promote our Trust's kaupapa:

*Kia tū ora ai a Ngāti Rangitahi i runga i tōna ake rangatiratanga mō ake tonu atu.
To enable Ngati Rangitahi to flourish in perpetuity supported by their unique self-determining capabilities.*

Nāku noa, nā

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