

TE MAUNGA EXPRESS

An Expression of Tūhoe

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Kia ora readers, I'm *Te Maunga Express* and my job is to inform you on the activities and issues discussed at your Te Kotahi ā Tūhoe Board meeting. As always we welcome your feedback.

**BOARD HUI: SUNDAY 17 JUNE, 2007
10AM - TĀNEATUA.**

Kāingaroa—TKAT to attend the court of appeal hearing with Tūwharetoa over Kāingaroa issues 19 June, 2007. Waitangi Tribunal hearing in Rotorua 25-27 June 07 to inquire into the negative impact of the Kaihautū Settlement.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Te Whāiti** – busy running Tūhoe wananga ki Te Whaiti.
- **Waimana** – establishing a presence at the Mātaatua assembly. Good work done on Waimana support to the mandate. Reported on the positive tribal hui held at Tanatana.
- **Ruatāhuna** – Acknowledged the whānau for their support of the mandate. Interested in the role of pakeke in the process and do see a need for their advice and guidance.
- **Auckland** – Very widespread, difficult getting information out to the many whanau.
- **Ruatoki**—Trust Board elections continue to be stalled by the Trust Board management.
- **Next Hui 19 Aug, 2007 10am–4pm. Anamata PTE, Morrison St, Tāneatua. All welcome.**



Mātaatua Hui—Te Punga o Tūhoe

Minutes of the May Rotorua Maataatua marae hui were distributed. The group “Te Punga Kaumaatua o Tūhoe” was formed to advance elder influence and participation in tribal affairs, however many kaumaatua were alarmed at the favouritism of invitations, the underhand advert, the faulty information shared and the devious political intent by the promotion of TKAT mandate opposition. The idea of a Tūhoe Kaumaatua alliance is noteworthy. However, members generally agreed that the role, purpose, function, membership and relationships must be made plain and agreed to by an open forum before endorsing its establishment.

Pōneke Representation

TKAT delegation met with Tūhoe ki Pōneke (TKP) 11 June 07. The meeting was forward-thinking with an agreement to work together post-haste on lingering relationship problems, also trust and confidence matters. TKP want 3 reps based on population. The Chair sought direction and the trust agreed to 1 representative in view of the total seats available and the ahi kaaroa provision. Agreement to further hui to follow up on specific points and questions that may undermine TKAT and its collective strategic intent.

Waikato Representation

TKAT held a information hui in Waikato. Te Hono a Kiore did not attend. The TKaT Chair gave an overview of issues occurring with Ngāti Ruapani, OTS, Kāingaroa and mandate to explain the role of a TKAT rep. Those attending the hui requested an open election process occur.

We believe in

Arahanga, Pono,

Māramatanga, Kaha

Leadership, Integrity,

Foresight, Courage

The Plan is to work with the whānau and hapū of Tūhoe to represent their interests accurately and comprehensively, whilst working toward the establishment of a new tribal entity, and the achievement of a full and enduring Treaty settlement with the Crown.

TKAT OPERATIONS

Manager: Kirsti Luke

Project Administrator(s)

Shelley Rangihika

Harba Grogan

Communications

Finney Davis

Database

Shelley Rangihika

Claims & Negotiations

To be appointed

Structural Development

Awhina Rangiaho

Trustee Pledge to TKAT—The pledge is a consolidation of Trustee obligations and responsibilities. Trustees are required to have a working knowledge of the strategic documents and policies referred to in the pledge. All Trustees are asked to acknowledge that commitment by signing the agreement.

Need help with the little letters?

CFRT—Crown Forestry Rental Trust

TKAT—Te Kotahi ā Tūhoe

OTS—Office of Treaty Settlement

TKP—Tūhoe ki Pōneke

TKW—Tūhoe ki Waikato

OPERATIONS

- **Policy Development**

The sitemap of the policy framework was tabled for consideration, Trustees to assist by way of participation to the policy sub-committee.

- **Trust Deed**

Copies of the TKaT Trust Deed are available from the office for anyone who would like a copy. The Trust Deed review is to remain open to allow additions and amendments to be considered.

- **CFRT**

Enabling TKAT to collaborate with other Iwi over their experiences and insights of Crown negotiations.

DATABASE

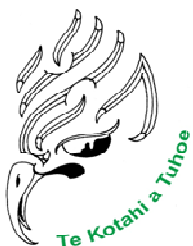
Registration form improved, explanations of changes provided. Database built and all forms entered. Priority is to complete the policies before approaching tribals and rohe. A key process to develop is verification, important that marae/hapuu (and not TKAT) validate whakapapa and then advise TKAT. Once the policies have been completed and tested, Shelley will approach Trustees to develop a rohe by rohe implementation strategy.

CLAIMS & NEGOTIATION

An analysis of the written mandate submissions resulted in 70% in support and 30% opposed. Officials to complete recommendations by 11 July 2007. Met with Parekura Horomia and Mark Burton. Ministers commended Tūhoe on the process undertaken; the highest number of people to attend mandate hui; the highest number of submissions received; and the largest Iwi to go collectively into the mandate process. Members commended Aubrey Temara's support and contribution to these hui.

Met with Kurahaupō ki te Waipounamu to discuss their experiences with negotiations. This was a very valuable exercise and good networking relationships were formed. The Tribunal has issued its report on the Rotorua urgency hearing held earlier this year. Contact the office if you would like a copy of that report.

**THANK YOU TO THE MANY WHO GAVE
SUBMISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE TKAT
MANDATE**



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Ngati Tuwharetoa—Lake Taupo**GROWING RELATIONSHIPS**

Further hui held to unite and collaborate together with all Kaingaroa Iwi, these include Ngati Tuwharetoa, Ngati Awa, Te Arawa, Ngati Manawa & Ngati Whare. The position of the hui supported collaboration and to refer to Kaingaroa lands as "all of ours" to avoid fragmentation battles in front of the Crown. Matt Te Pou and Robert Pouwhare are representing TKAT on a research steering group to identify economic potential over that whenua.

COMMUNICATIONS

Trustees sought ways to keep their tribals informed of TKAT issues and acknowledged the birth of the newsletter Te Maunga Express. There is an opportunity to promote info via the airwaves, this medium needs to be considered. Website report and framework given. Contract with McGovern Online to be completed by mid August 2007. Holding page due up shortly. Excited at the potential of the website to communicate information on negotiations, raupatu issues, and collaboration efforts.

Please send Shelley photo's or images that you would like to be considered for posting to the website. The office will be updating the website regularly with updates on mandate and negotiations.

STRUCTURE

Restructure of priorities suggested to promote unification of TKAT & TWMTB organisations. A full proposal to be submitted to the next TKAT

**WE ALWAYS LOOK FOR-
WARD TO HEARING
FROM YOU**

