



# Hauraki



Matariki Celebrations

E ngā mana, e ngā iwi o Hauraki, tēnā koutou katoa.

Tēnei te tuku mihi atu ki a koutou e noho mai nā i ō tātou papakainga i runga i ngā papanekenekehanga, arā, i runga hoki i ō tātou pae marae i roto o Hauraki.

Me mihi hoki ki ō tātou mate i poua nei ngā parekawakawa ki tēnā marae, ki tēnā marae, i tuia hoki rātou. Moe mai rā koutou i ō koutou moengaroa i roto i ngā manaakitanga o te Atua.

Ki a tātou e noho nei i roto te mokemoketanga mō rātou, me anga atu tātou ki te ao tūroa. Tātou te kanohi ora o ngā tūpuna me ngā mātua, te whakatupuranga i waihotia hei whakatutuki i ngā wawata o rātou mā.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa.

Ko tēnei te pānui ka puta atu ki a koutou. He mea nui rawa atu kia kōrero ngā take i waenganui o te iwi. Na tēnei ka kite mātou me whakamōhio atu ki a koutou ngā pitopito kōrero o roto o Hauraki. He maha ngā take i mua i a tātou nō reira he tika hoki me whakawhānui ngā kōrero o te kāinga ki a koutou.

E mihi ana hoki ki a koutou i te wā kirihimete, me te tau hou e haere mai ana. ki a pai o koutou wā whakatā, manaakitia hoki a mātou tamariki mokopuna.

Tēna koutou katoa  
Toko Renata Te Taniwha  
Chariperson



Scholarship recipient PJ Dempsey

## Introduction

Kia ora and welcome to this first Hauraki Māori Trust Board pānui. It is simply called "Hauraki" to reflect the whenua and the people. We hope that this quarterly publication will provide useful information on the Trust Board and the work it undertakes.

The Kaupapa that we work to is "Building the Hauraki Nation, Together"

Our aim is to increase accessibility of information and the level and quality of participation the whānui have in nation building. This pānui is a step towards this aim.

In this first issue of the newsletter we have gone back over the last year to identify some of the key issues and events that the Board has been involved with. You will read of the progress we have made in our treaty claims, fisheries and aquaculture settlements, find trustee election details, get a brief overview of the work our Whānau Development team does and hear about some of the events and young people we have celebrated & supported.

We hope you will enjoy this pānui and we welcome your feedback. If you know of any events or activities occurring in our rohe that you think may be of interest, please contact us.

Josie Anderson  
Chief Executive



Whangamatā Marina



Whānau Development



## Annual Plan

The Annual Plan for 2008 - 2009 was finalised earlier this year and a copy is included with this pānui. The annual plan sets out the Trust Board's priorities for the upcoming year and identifies what our contributions will be to the Strategic Blueprint over the next 12 months.

If we look at the Strategic Blueprint as our foundation document, then the Annual Plan sets out how we will achieve this.

A copy of our Strategic Blueprint can be found on our website [www.hauraki.iwi.nz](http://www.hauraki.iwi.nz)



## Iwi Registration

Being on the Hauraki tribal register is important as it allows you to identify yourself as a tribal member of Hauraki, lets us communicate with you and gives you a direct say in decisions that affect you and your whānau.

To date the Hauraki register contains over 5,500 adult members (18+) and nearly 3,000 tamariki and is steadily growing. If you know of anyone in Hauraki, New Zealand or overseas that can whakapapa to Hauraki and is not already registered, please pass our details on to them or have them contact us directly.

We are now able to offer you the convenience of online registration at: - [www.hauraki.iwi.nz](http://www.hauraki.iwi.nz)

The website facility can also be used by those who have provided their email addresses to check and update their contact details.

If you have any registration queries, please contact Frank Waitai, Administration - Iwi Registration - 0508 468 288.



# Are you on the Hauraki Iwi Register?

## Te Poipoia Tukino O Hauraki

Transforming and Healing Whānau Violence in Hauraki

The Hauraki Māori Trust Board in conjunction with Te Korowai Hauora O Hauraki, Te Whākiri Manawahine O Hauraki, Wahine Ora and Te Kupenga O Ngāti Hako, formed Te Poipoia Tukino O Hauraki at the end of 2005 as a forum for Hauraki Māori to develop and implement solutions that work to heal whānau violence in our rohe.

Our strategy was launched in September this year under the skilful emcee-ing of Glen Tupuhi of Ngati Paoa who has an extensive work history in alcohol and drug education, counseling and violence prevention. It was a significant occasion and the culmination of a lot of hard work that had involved consultation with Hauraki whanau, healers, artists, counsellors, rangatahi and services about their views and ideas.

There are currently only two Iwi-based strategies for dealing with whānau violence in Aotearoa, and one of them is ours. Understanding the relationships between colonisation and whānau violence is one of the milestones in the strategy that sets us apart from mainstream initiatives.

We must stand strong and be willing to say 'enough is enough'. Six Hauraki mokopuna dying in one year as a result of whānau violence is six mokopuna too many to sacrifice.

A copy of the strategy document and posters are available from the Board office in Paeora



# Polocrosse

"Polocrosse is more than just a sport – it's a way of life" said Peter-John Dempsey.

Peter-John (PJ) is a 15 year old who attends Tongariro High School in Turangi and is of Hauraki descent. He has been playing polocrosse for the Tūwharetoa Development Squad for the last five years. This year, PJ was selected to be part of the New Zealand Junior Polocrosse Team that travelled to Australia to compete in an international tournament.

PJ flew out to Australia on 26 June ahead of his family, as he was also the recipient of a NSW polocrosse scholarship which saw him spending time on a ranch in Narrabri (about 8 hrs out of Sydney). This scholarship is provided to two junior polocrosse players each year who spend time in NSW to further develop their game. PJ stayed with the Melbourne family and played with the Galloping Gully club. He says the experience really helped his polocrosse and he loved every minute of it.

Normally the NSW/NZ scholarship would last at least a month, but PJ had to leave early to meet up with the New Zealand Junior Polocrosse Team in Maitland to compete. The tournament was very successful for the New Zealand team with victories over Bunnan and Maitland, followed by a 21-8 win over USA.



PJ Dempsey bringing up the ball

This was an amazing experience for PJ and the Hauraki Māori Trust Board is proud to have been able to support him in his chosen sport and as a young achiever of Hauraki. PJ's goal is to be selected for the World Cup Team and we wish him well for the future.



Shawn Thwaites (Centre Back)  
J16 V12 Silver Medalists in 500 mtrs

# Whenuakite

In January 2007 a "for sale" sign went up at Whenuakite Farm Station on the Coromandel Peninsula. This sparked a major protest by locals, Ngāti Hei, iwi and others to prevent the sale and to safeguard the land for a treaty settlement.

The land, estimated to be worth approximately \$10 million was in the final stages of being sold. Government entity Land Corp was expected to decide on the successful bidder when Ngāti Hei "repossessed" the land on Sunday 24 February 2007.

The Hauraki Māori Trust Board joined Ngāti Hei in seeking a remedies hearing in the Waitangi Tribunal and also sought an injunction in the High Court to stop the sale.

Hauraki received support from the local community and the general public. The Tainui Waka Alliance, comprising of the four iwi of Tainui, plus strong allies like Tuwharetoa met with Ministers Horomia (Māori Affairs), Mallard (SOE) and Burton (Office of Treaty Settlements) to halt the sale.

The Government backed down from selling the farm and have agreed to hold it for four years, by which time it is expected that it will be part of a Hauraki treaty claims settlement.

Earlier this year Land Corp sought to recover their legal costs against us in the High Court. In August 2008 the court issued its decision in favour of the Hauraki Māori Trust Board, with the court noting that the Trust Board acted responsibly and ruled that each party should bear its own costs.

Going forward, a new procedure has been introduced to consider sensitive land sales across the country, unfortunately the consultation process with affected Māori is non-existent. This is something we will have to work on improving so that other parts of our region can be protected in a pro-active way rather than finding out it is to be sold when the 'for sale' signs go up.

# World Waka Ama Championships

At the 13th Bi-annual World Waka Ama Championship event held in the United States this year, New Zealand had strong representation, with one of our own, Shawn Thwaites of Coromandel, being selected for the J16 Mens Te Puku o te Ika Regional Team.

In August Shawn and his family travelled to Sacramento to participate in this world class event on Lake Natoma. They were joined by competitors from 41 countries and competition was fierce. Shawn's training and commitment paid off, as his team secured a medal victory in the 500mtr event.

The Trust Board congratulates Shawn and his team on their success and was happy to be able to support him in his chosen sport.

# Whānau Development

Whanau Development is the Trust Board's social service delivery arm. Our contribution to the Board's vision of "Building the Hauraki Nation Together, is providing whanau focused services that will support those we engage with to make lifestyle choices and changes that are relevant to their lives and aspirations. To assist us in our task we have reorganized ourselves into a team of workers who deliver a range of services that are strength based. We look for the potential in our people and we support their strengths. We focus on understanding the causes of issues such as poverty, whanau violence, rangatahi offending and what these mean for Hauraki and we work alongside of whanau to identify solutions that best meet their needs and are responsive to the circumstances they find themselves in.

For too long our people have been categorized as the defiant and deviant ones, the uneducated, the violent ones, the dole "bludgers." We know there is another picture that is not often told. That picture is about whanau who care for their



It is our aim to ensure that tamariki in or belonging to the Hauraki rohe are nurtured and protected

mokopuna and tamariki, it's the picture of our rangatahi who are successful at sport and education, the untold stories of our people who choose to a life of non-offending. Those who work in whanau development get to see and work with these successes as well as with whanau who are at the beginning stages of make changes in their lives. We know that making a start is the beginning of many successes that whanau will move through as they strengthen their resolve to take control of their lives and make informed choices that suit their social and economic realities.

The Whanau Development team has staff with skills, training and experience to work with whanau and the people who make up whanau – mokopuna, tamariki, rangatahi, wahine, tane, kuia, koroua.

The services we have available are:

- Hauraki Family Start - this is a home-based service that works with mokopuna and their whanau to assist achieve their goals for their mokopuna and to ensure whanau have access to the most appropriate health, social and educational services for themselves and their mokopuna.
- Whanau Support - provides support to whanau who are seeking to make changes in their lives and are struggling to identify how to achieve those changes or whanau who need to be linked into other support services they are unaware of or not sure how to access
- Rangatahi Support and Mentoring – aims to walk alongside of rangatahi to assist them identify their strengths and make wise lifestyle choices that will increase their chances of succeeding in their aspirations.
- Supporting the Prevention of Whanau Violence – provides support to whanau members and whanau who have chosen to heal from violence.
- Moving on From Offending – provides a tikanga focused programme for those who have chosen to live a life of non-offending
- Tiaki Tamariki – provides care for Hauraki mokopuna as an alternative to being in the custody of CYFS.
- Budgeting – provides budget support to whanau.
- SWISs – Social Worker in Schools service works with low decile schools in the Paeroa area, The focus of the service is to support tamariki and their whanau whose social circumstances may disadvantage their education, welfare and health outcomes.

Overall, Whanau Development is a service that is committed to working with the potential and strengths of Hauraki whanau and the people who make up whanau, so that in their lifetime they can contribute to and participate in "Building the Hauraki Nation" in ways that are meaningful and relevant to their life's work and purpose.



Our Social Worker in Schools works with the children in four Primary Schools in Paeroa



# Matariki

Matariki is the name given to the group of stars also known as the Pleiades star cluster. The rising of these stars along with the sighting of the next new moon in June each year marks the start of the Māori New Year and this signals the beginning of a new cycle of life and a time to reflect on the year gone by. Today Matariki is about celebrating the unique place we live in, our heritage, our culture and our people. The significance of Matariki to Hauraki is told by Dr Ahukaramu Royal and is available by DVD presentation on our website.

The Board celebrated Matariki in conjunction with its 20th birthday by hosting a celebration dinner on 28 June 2008 at the Thames Civic Centre.

The evening showcased the Hauraki Māori Trust Board over the last 20 years, looking at where we had come from, our present and our future as told by our mokopuna. Jamie McCaskill of Ngāti Maru moved us through the evening where Hauraki models took to the catwalk in garments by Ngāti Hako fashion designer Jeanine Clarkin, messages were received from whanaunga living overseas, we were entertained by rangatahi from the Manaia community and a local dance troop and we were captivated by Elena, a classical violinist from Wellington who enthralled us with the music of the great classical composers, adapted to embrace her Māori heritage.

The event was celebrated by many people that have been a part of and helped to build the Hauraki Māori Trust Board. We remember Hauraki Matariki 2008 and look forward to next year's celebrations.



The 20th Birthday Cake was cut by King



Uncle Dick Rakena enjoys the entertainment by Elena the Violinist

## Treaty of Waitangi Claims and Settlement Issues

The Hauraki Māori Trust Board continues working to get the wider Hauraki claims settled. Progress has been slow as the Labour Government had chosen not to recognise the mandate the Hauraki Iwi have given to the Board, despite receiving approx 90% endorsement in the postal vote. It is unfortunate that the actions of a few within Hauraki have held things up to the disadvantage of the majority of our iwi members. We look forward to finding a new pathway forward with the new Government.

In June 2007 the Waitangi Tribunal issued a damning report on the process the Crown used to achieve the Ngāti Whātua o Orakei Agreement and recommended that settlement be halted.

The Board opposed the Ngāti Whātua deal as it did

not believe they should have exclusive recognition and management control over the iconic maunga of Maungakiekie (One Tree Hill) and Maungawhau (Mount Eden) because of our strong links to these maunga. We also opposed them having exclusive rights through taonga protocols with the Auckland Museum and the first right of refusal over land in Central Auckland and naval housing at Devonport.

The Trust Board Treaty Claims team has also been involved in the Northland Waitangi Tribunal Inquiry which is due to start next year. Hauraki is seeking to have its customary rights and interests recognised in an area from Cape Rodney near Leigh to Devonport in Auckland and the Hauraki Gulf Islands. These were areas not covered in the Hauraki Inquiry from 1997 - 2002.

## Waikato River Settlement Bill

On 22 August 2008 at Turangawaewae Marae, the Waikato River Deed of Settlement was signed by the Crown and Waikato-Tainui. The Deed of Settlement allows for co-management of the river by a guardian committee comprising equal numbers of Crown and Iwi representatives.

The Hauraki Māori Trust Board has been in discussions with both the Waikato Iwi negotiators and Crown officials to ensure the Waikato River co-management settlement does not prejudice the interests of Hauraki Iwi when it is time to obtain our own settlement.

The Government has introduced legislation giving effect to the Waikato River Settlement and this Bill is known as The Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Bill. This Bill will be considered by a Parliamentary Select Committee in the coming months.

We value the relationships and the tribal connections we have with Waikato and we are aware that they feel the same. We want to work with Waikato to share the kaitiakitanga role and responsibilities in a suitable manner and we are hopeful that a positive outcome will be achieved.



# Whangamatā Marina

They paved paradise to put up a parking lot..."

Extract from Big Yellow Taxi, Joni Mitchell

The message behind Joni Mitchell's waiata captures what the fight against the Whangamatā Marina has been about for the last 13 years and it's symbolic of the ongoing loss, to development, of coastal lands throughout Hauraki. In Whangamatā it specifically means the destruction of an important pātaka kai for Hauraki whānau and the irreversible loss of local biodiversity.

In 1995 the Whangamatā Marina Society lodged resource consent applications to construct a marina at Te Matatuhi. These were opposed by Hauraki Iwi. Representatives of Environment Waikato and the Minister of Conservation formed the Council hearing committee that delivered a split decision, with EW telling the Minister of Conservation he should grant the consents and the Minister's representative saying they should be declined. The next 9 years was spent in the Environment Court and was marked by delays so the Marina Society could obtain further consents which they failed to get the first time around. That period also saw the Minister of Conservation allowing the salt marsh to be destroyed for \$40,000 which would be used to create another salt marsh in the vicinity.

The Environment Court delivered their final decision in October 2005 and recommended to the Minister of Conservation to allow the foreshore and seabed to be dredged for a marina basin and the reclaiming of the salt-marsh for a car park. While Hauraki Iwi could have appealed to the High Court it had lost confidence in the legal process and the legal costs were crippling. Instead it was advocated that the Minister of Conservation make the right decision and in March 2006 Chris Carter did just that and declined the marina applications.

The Marina Society was up in arms and judicially reviewed the Minister's decision. Judge Fogarty found the Minister had erred in process and asked him to re-consider his decision. The Minister delegated to the Environment Minister, David Benson-Pope, and he made his decision on 18 December 2006 to grant the marina development.

In the 21 months since the Benson-Pope decision the Marina Society has been making changes and applying for new consents that weren't obtained in the first 11 years. These have included the occupation and use of coastal space for the purposes of a Marina, removal of indigenous vegetation and erecting a 50m breakwater. Environment Waikato approved these applications without notifying Iwi or the community. Around that time a significant population of moko skink was

found at the marina site and steps were being taken to remove them from their

habitat. On 1 July, out of sheer frustration, members of Hauraki Iwi and the local Whangamatā community occupied Te Matatuhi to raise awareness about what had been going on.



Whangamatā Marina Occupation

Photo courtesy of Waikato Times

A team from the Hauraki Māori Trust Board visited the occupation and was called on to do what it could to get the Environment Minister, now Trevor Mallard, to independently audit the performance of local Councils over their handling of the latest Marina consents and Minister of Conservation, Stevie Chadwick, was asked to clarify her position on the foreshore and seabed aspects. Minister Mallard said he'd look into whether an audit was required and on the strength of that undertaking, the occupiers left in good faith on 27 July to await Mallard's decision.

On 1 September 2008 Minister Mallard said he would not conduct an audit and on the same day Marina Society contractors and the diggers moved onsite. On the 9th September they got the go ahead to dredge and reclaim the salt-marsh.

And so the saga continues . . . .



## Website

We have now gone live with our new website. With a fresher cleaner look and easy to use navigation the site has new and improved features and information about the work we do here at the Hauraki Maori Trust Board.

Please log on to . . .

[www.hauraki.iwi.nz](http://www.hauraki.iwi.nz)



# Hauraki Fisheries Settlement

Bringing the fish home remains a priority for the Hauraki Maori Trust Board despite being locked in the Maori Land Court as a result of legal action taken by a few of its trustees.

In July 2006, the Trust Board concluded its consultation and ratification process for the fisheries settlement mandate with a postal ballot result of 92% in favour of the Board becoming the Joint Mandate Iwi Organisation and 51% majority in a hui vote. On 1 August 2006 Te Ohu Kaimoana recognised the Board as the trustee of the Pare Hauraki Fishing Trust and subsequently, the Pare Hauraki Assets Holding Ltd was incorporated to receive the assets. It was expected that the initial transfer of settlement quota would take place in 2007 but this has been prevented by the legal action taken.

In May this year, the Maori Land Court issued advice on questions that were put to it regarding the hui aspect of the mandating process. The court accepted that the Board had acted in good faith and with the best of intentions of reaching the decisions and taking the actions that it did, but considered that there was confusion about the voting process. The Maori Land

Court's advice was for the parties to go into mediation.

Trust Board Chair, Toko Renata said "I find it difficult to accept that after 16 long years, a splinter group here in Hauraki would work to prevent us from finally bringing the settlement home".

"The Trust Deed allows each of the Hauraki Iwi to withdraw their share of the fish when it comes home if that is what the Iwi want, but this handful of people have now removed the right of every Iwi to have their say" he said.

Although clearly disappointed with the Courts advice, Mr Renata said he wanted to see the matter resolved and to remove any concerns around the voting process, especially when a significant number of the Boards membership had voted in favour of bringing the fish home.

The matter remains before the Maori Land Court.

## WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO BRING HOME

Quota	\$ 13.5M
Shares in AFL	\$ 5M
Cash	\$ 0.46M



# Aquaculture Settlement

On 13 October 2008, the Crown, the Hauraki Maori Trust Board and the Iwi of Te Tau Ihu and Ngai Tahu signed an agreement in principle to satisfy the Crown's "precommencement" space obligations under the Maori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004. The total value of this agreement is \$97M, with almost \$20.3M of that coming to Hauraki. The Crown has agreed that this settlement should be made available to Iwi now rather than Iwi having to wait until 2013.

The agreement will be formalised into a Deed of Settlement and the Settlement Act amended before it comes into effect which could take up to 6 months. Once this has occurred, the settlement to Hauraki will initially be transferred to Te Ohu Kaimoana as trustee of the Maori Commercial Aquaculture Settlement and then transferred to the Hauraki Maori Trust Board, as trustee of the Pare Hauraki Fishing Trust, once the legal action against it, has been removed. We look forward to talking

more about this with the whaanui in the new year.

Although it will be some time before the benefits of this agreement are realised by Hauraki, it does mark a significant step forward in bringing the aquaculture assets home, along with Hauraki's fisheries settlement, to benefit all Hauraki members.

Hauraki will be further entitled to 20% of all new aquaculture space created in our area after 1 January 2005 under the Maori Aquaculture Commercial Settlement Act 2004. An application of this nature is currently being processed.

## WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO BRING HOME

Cash	\$20.3M
Waterspace	20% of all new water space created for aquaculture in our area



# Hauraki Māori Trust Board Trustee Election

The Hauraki Māori Trust Board is made up of one representative from each of the 12 Iwi of Hauraki. Together the representatives form the governing body and set the strategic direction of the organisation. In November 2008 we Commenced the election process to select trustees that will represent us for the next 3 years. If you are interested in standing for election to represent your iwi then please contact us for further information before nominations close.

## One Representative from each Iwi . . . .

Ngāti Paoa	Ngāti Tara Tokanui
Ngāti Hako	Ngāti Tamaterā
Ngāti Maru	Ngāti Whanaunga
Ngāti Hei	Ngāti Pukenga ki Waiau
Ngai Tai	Ngāti Rāhiri-Tumutumu
Patukirikiri	Ngāti Porou ki Harataunga ki Mataora

## Important Dates to Remember . . . .

Public notice given	7 November 2008
Nominations close	17 December 2008
Ballot papers sent out	16 January 2009
Close of voting	13 February 2009
Count of Votes	20 February 2009
Declaration of Results	27 February 2009
Advise Minister of Māori Affairs	27 February 2009
New Trustees take Office	April 2009

## Hauraki Māori Trust Board Trustees 2008

Your representatives for 2008 are . . .

Toko Renata Te Taniwha (Chairperson)	Ngāti Whanaunga	Jill Taylor	Ngāti Rāhiri-Tumutumu
Harry Mikaere (D/Chair)	Ngāti Pukenga ki Waiau	David Taipari	Ngāti Maru
John Linstead	Ngāti Hako	Pahi Tupuhi	Ngāti Paoa
Caroline Karu	Ngāti Tara Tokanui	Kemara Tukukino	Ngāti Tamaterā
Stephen Zister	Ngai Tai	Joe Davis	Ngāti Hei
Wiremu Peters	Patukirikiri	John Tamihere	Ngāti Porou ki Harataunga ki Mataora

## Dates to Remember

17 December 2008	Hauraki Māori Trust Board Board Meeting @ Hauraki Māori Trust Board
23 December 2008	Hauraki Māori Trust Board - Closes for Christmas
5 January 2009	Hauraki Māori Trust Board - Re-opens for 2009
16 January 2009	Hauraki Māori Trust Board - Election of Iwi Representatives - Ballot papers sent out
20 February 2009	Hauraki Māori Trust Board - AGM

If you have any queries regarding this pānui or about the mahi that the Hauraki Māori Trust Board does on your behalf, please contact us:

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