

Chair's Report

E te iwi, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

Welcome to the Tauhara North No2 Trust 2010 Annual General Meeting of owners.



Delivery of Purpose

Our Trust deed requires us to report on how we have performed in furthering the Trust's purposes and as such 2009 was another exceptional year even with the onset of the recession. Fortunately the economic down turn has not effected the Trust as a whole or its commercial venture, but more importantly it has not impacted on the Trustees guarantee to provide the initiatives enjoyed by the owners, beneficiaries and their spouses.

The 2009 owners meeting, provided those owners and beneficiaries a bus tour of Nga Awa Purua power station; 10 months into the construction of the power station, followed by a short 10 min trip north to Ngatamariki, the second geothermal development with our joint venture partners, Mighty River Power.

The chair's report outlined five key strategic goals which formed the basis of our activities for 2009 - 2010, they are: Health & Well-Being, Cultural, Environment, Organisational Capacity and Economic Development. The month of May herald the beginning of the Trust's annual strategic planning secession held over one and half days resulting in the prioritisation and implementation of two strategic goals being:

- ② **Cultural & Environmental** - Te Reo Re-vitalisation Program in association with Ngati Tahu Tikanga and Kawa which is fully funded by the Trust for a three year period.

The Runanga o Ngati Tahu – Ngati Whaoa manages the program on the Trusts behalf. The tutors are Rawiri Te Whare and Mere Phillips (owner), general information showed a total of 23 Students, made up of 10 Tauhara North beneficiaries, 10 males & 13 females, of those students 17 are Ngati Tahu / Ngati Whaoa Iwi, 2 other iwi and 4 non-maori.

The primary objective is to address a serious cultural deficit within the iwi of Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa. This deficit is evidenced by the lack of fluent speakers in Te Reo Maori, an in depth knowledge of tribal tikanga, kawa and tribal history; and men & women coming through to manage the critical roles on the Marae with particular reference to whaikorero and karanga. The Runanga provides a quarterly report which allows the Trustees a view to measuring the success of the program.

Thanks to the Runanga o Ngati Tahu – Ngati Whaoa for facilitating our revitalisation initiative. A bouquet to each of the students for making the commitment to spend one whole day a week for this program and congratulations to all participants who provided karanga, whaikorero and entertained at the end of year Kaumatua gathering held at Mataarae Marae.

“There was certainly a tear shed and supportive words from our Kaumatua”

📍 **Organisational Capacity** – Owners Wananga 2009, “SENSE OF BELONGING”
Our aim was to create a “sense of belonging” wananga for the owners and beneficiaries of Tauhara North No2 Trust to reconnect to their tribal rohe “Ngati Tahu”. Our objective is to close the gap between Tauhara North No2 Trust, owners and beneficiaries. Our focus was to hold the Wananga at Ohaki Marae to reconnect our owners and beneficiaries with our Tupuna, TAHUMATUA. Our function was to provide a whole different experience for the owners and beneficiaries, upon leaving the Wananga with a sense of pride and to promote the experience within their whanau.

The Trustees were completely surprised by the RSVP response, however for safety reasons only the first two hundred to return their RSVP were legible to attend; this prompted the Trustees to plan for the next Wananga in October 2010, Labour weekend for those who missed the first one.

The Wananga started promptly with the Powhiri whereby the programmes to follow was a key contributor to the success of the weekend.

Each participant was asked to fill in a survey of their experience during the weekend. The result as follows:

- Rating was scored from 1=poor to 5=walk on water. Overall the rating came in between 3.5 = very good to 5 = walk on water, this also included expectations, catering, and facilities
- Additional type of comments were:
 - **Day 1** – Very well organised, Ngahihi Bidois and Rawiri Te Whare are fantastic speakers, interesting from like experiences to interpretation of our history
 - **Day 2** – Although the weather restricted our Hikoi the wairua of the journey was uplifting and inspiring. The evening entertainment was excellent and enjoyed by all

- **Day 3** – Excellent topics presented by Perry Fletcher, Roger Pikia, and Kevin McLoughlin that generated robust discussions between the whanau. Exceeded all expectations, it was open and relaxed that allowed for lateral discussions

Acknowledgements to those individuals who made the Wananga a success:

Team – Adele Barsdell, Kevin McLoughlin, Sue Trevethick, Esther Pubben, Rangimarie Ngamotu, Rawiri Te Whare, Dubby & George Reweti, Grant Hohepa and Martha Moke

Might River Power – Raewyn Doe, Richard Frankis, and Spence McIntock

Whare Barlow – For providing the historical banners of Orakei Korako from the Auckland Museum

Contact Energy – Craig Stevenson and Dominic Bowden

Health & Well-Being – The Health and Well-Being initiatives started in 2007 with some reservations as to whether the Trustees were opening up a can of worms as in the past similar initiatives had been offered to owners from other Maori Lands Trusts, and some of these resulted in failure with the Trustees responsible being removed and pursued for costs.

However the implementation of our initiatives has been **SUCCESSFULLY** running for three years. This a result of the establishment of good effective policies, associated with efficient processes as experienced by the owners, beneficiaries and spouses.

The table below shows the number of applications processed from 2007 to 2009, a steady increase which is expected. The 2009 increase has been contributed to the owners awareness of what is available and the economic down turn.

Category	2007	2008	2009
Optometrists	27	48	51
Dental	17	35	41
Dentures	22	29	31
Primary Care (GP)	4	0	30
Hearing	1	1	7

Education – Prior to 2007, the Education Grants had only been afforded to Year 11, 12, 13 and Polytechnic/University full time students. This was for financial reasons and because it was easier to manage. The Trustees in their wisdom saw a need to provide further assistance to the owners and beneficiaries from 2007, by factoring in Year 9 & 10 students, increasing the value of Year 11, 12 & 13 and provide assistance to part time study students.

The table below shows a decline for year 9 & 10, this is due to some of our owners moving overseas. It's great to see the Polytechnic/University applications increase, this is a result of our tamariki wanting to further their education and thereby gain higher qualifications; but also the recession has meant some of our owners having to re-think their employment situation, where the assistance for part time study has been a life saver.

Category	2007	2008	2009
Year 9 & 10	18	21	11
Year 11 to 13	30	20	19
Polytechnic/University	25	24	37

“We look forward to receiving your applications for the coming financial year”

Economic Development – Protecting our investment. Strategies have been implemented, the infrastructures in place to protect Tauhara North No2 Trust and its assets. Kevin McLoughlin our commercial CEO will provide a more detailed overview later in the program.

In Summary - It is only right that recognition be given to my fellow trustees, personnel within the Trust office, and our advisors. They are extraordinary people, doing extraordinary things.

Tena tatou katoa

R. Ngamotu