

KEI PUTA TE WAIRAU

YOUR PĀNUI, EVENTS & INFORMATION

HAKIHEA / DECEMBER 2019

Paora Mackie is all smiles after his voyage south with the crew from Ngahiraka Mai Tawhiti and Haunui. Paora and Suz Tawaka were our Trainee Berth recipients representing Rangitane o Wairau in the Tuia 250 flotilla. Photo: Jodie Palatchie

TAUIHU TO MARK IWI HISTORY IN WAIRAU

November was an extremely busy month for Rangitāne o Wairau as trustees and staff worked tirelessly to make Tuia 250 ki Tōtaranui a success.

We helped lead the pōwhiri at Meretoto and hosted two evening events at Ūkaipo. We also escorted our Tahitian whanaunga around Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe where our local whānau shared with our manuhiri some of the history and traditions of this wāhi tapu.

Tuia 250 is not yet over for Rangitane.

As part of the Tuia 250 kaupapa we will be unveiling our Tauihu in a ceremony at 4am on 24 January 2020. Again, trustees and staff have put in a huge effort to bring this project to completion.

This is a community initiative and we have received tremendous support from the Marlborough District Council, the Rātā Foundation, Marlborough Lines and Pelorus Trust.

The Tauihu, constructed from steel and bronze, will stand alongside existing sculptures in Marlborough commemorating our other rangatira, such as Te Huataki, and add to the visibility of Rangitane in the Wairau.

The site is on Grove Road near the Rangitane commercial development in Horton Street, and marks the significance of the area to Rangitane.

The mauri of the site was laid by Rangitāne whānau in October and included mauri stones from Tapuae-o-Uenuku and the Wairau River.

MANA TAHUA | COMMERCIAL OPERATION

Rangitāne Holdings and Rangitāne Investments are continuing to develop and enhance the Group's commercial assets. Solid progress is being made on our objectives for the year.

OBJECTIVE	TARGET 30/9/19	RESULT 30/9/19
To achieve a full year pre-tax profit of \$2.293m	\$1.086m	\$1.053m
To contribute \$1.113m to the operations of the Trust	\$0.557m	\$0.557m
To complete the Horton Street Development by Sept 2019	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
To achieve 90% occupancy of Rangitāne House	90%	95%
To complete the Milford Investment by Sept 2019	COMPLETE	COMPLETE



Looking west over the Blenheim CBD from the rooftop of Rangitāne House. *Photo: David Calder-Flynn*

PROPERTIES & INVESTMENTS

Hortus have been appointed as the vineyard management contractor for the **Flaxmill Vineyard** in Rārangi. The company have been operating in the region since 2008, and we're looking forward to working with them to ensure this investment delivers good results for Rangitāne.

With **Rangitāne House** now in excess of 95% occupied, we are progressing a number of property improvements, including a concept to develop a small express style café in the foyer of the building. We're currently working through design options and hope to have the café operational in a few months' time.

Our **Managed Funds** and Share Market investments continue to perform positively. The \$5m investment in Milford

Asset Management has yielded \$65k in capital growth since the initial investment was made in August.

We continue to hold **shares** in Mercury, Meridian Energy and Foley Family Wines. The share investments, as shown in the graph, have continued to grow in value in recent years, with \$436k growth in the year to November. The Tiwai Aluminium Smelter is having an impact on the performance of the Meridian and Mercury shares; however, this sector remains very attractive in the longer term, due to high barriers to entry and a positive demand picture from the electrification of vehicles and dairy processing.

Stage One of the **Horton Street Development** was opened in September,

and we welcomed Marine & Outdoors to their new building. The development is the first stage of a wider plan to develop a series of light industrial premises on the site. We're continuing to engage directly with interested parties on further development options at the site.

We have completed a further \$300k investment in **Maara Moana Limited**, which brings the total investment to date to \$400k. The Maara Moana mussel farming investment provides further diversification to our balance sheet, represents an opportunity to partner with ngā iwi o Te Tauihu and is anticipated to generate positive returns in excess of 7%.

Tā Mark Solomon finished his term as a Director of the Rangitāne commercial entities at the recent AGM, and Calvin Hart has resigned as a Director in order to provide more time to focus on the activities of the Trust. The Directors have resolved to appoint Leigh MacDonald as the Chairperson of the commercial entities. Leigh's role will play a critical part in leading the ongoing growth and development of the commercial operation.



MANA TAIAO | OUR ENVIRONMENT



A special visit to Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe for our Tahitian whanaunga.

Photo: Matt Sauire

MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a delay with the Conservation Management Plan for Te Pokohiwi.

After meeting with trustees in late January, Tina Porou will then present the proposed draft plan to the iwi at Ūkaipō, 5.30pm on 19 February.

We are expecting the plan to be completed early 2020.

MĀTAURANGA

Poroiwi Grants

Close 4pm, 31 December 2019

Rangitāne General Scholarships

Close 4pm, 28 February 2020

POU WHENUA UNDERWAY FOR NEW ŌPAOA BRIDGE



Award-winning Spring Creek master carver Reg Thompsett has been commissioned to carve the 7m Pou Whenua that creates a commanding presence to the gateway to Wairau (Blenheim) on the northern side of the new Ōpaoa River Bridge.

Reg chose a large Matai log sourced locally as his raw material for the carved pou.

Information panels will be an integral part of the new landscaping, with two landscape format panels forming walls on either side of the courtyard. One panel will include stories from mana whenua while the other will focus on the history of the site and the heritage bridge.

Mana whenua iwi – Rangitane o Wairau, Ngāti Rārua and Ngāti Toa Rangatira ki Wairau – are working with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency and Marlborough District Council on the Pou Whenua, gateway and landscaping.

For further information go to nzta.govt.nz/projects/new-opaoa-river-bridge.

MANA TANGATA | OUR PEOPLE

TE IPUKAREA TOUCH CHAMPIONS



Congratulations to the Rangitane Tamariki touch rugby team. They cleaned up and took out first place in their grade at this year's inter-iwi sports day hosted by Ngāti Rārua in Mōtueka. An excellent result, well done team! Thank you to all our players and supporters who made the trip over to Mōtueka. Ngāti Toa Rangatira ki Wairau will be hosting next year's event. Photo: Nicole Akutara



Welcome Sally Neal our Kaiwhakahaere Taiao. Sally comes from a local family and has worked for the last 14 years as a Resource Consent Consultant for Smart Alliances in Blenheim. The Taiao role is important and allows us to actively protect our environment so that it is sustainable for generations to come. There are some important heritage and environmental issues coming up for this region, including the consent for the sewerage ponds outfall. In particular, we will ensure the concepts of mauri, whenua, mana, manawhenua, kaitiakitanga, rāhui and tapu are part of the planning processes for this region. Sally lives in rural Wairau, with her husband, two children.

CHANGES IN PĀNUI DELIVERY

Due to an increase in postage prices and to better align with our sustainability values we will be trialling a move to electronic pānui. However we will still be sending out pānui by post to our kaumātua. E-Pānui will be available on our website and sent out to members email addresses via Mailchimp. If you would like to receive electronic pānui please ensure the office has your correct email address.



Merry Christmas from the team in the office We will be closing at 12pm on Tuesday 24 December and reopening on Monday 6 January Have a safe and happy holiday season

CALENDAR

Tauihu Unveiling

4am | 24 January | Grove Road

Te Pātaka o Wairau Māori Night Market

4-8pm 5 February | Seymour Square

Waitangi Day

6 February

Te Pokohiwi CMP Hui

5.30pm | 19 February | Ūkaipō

Te Tapuwaetahi o Rangitāne

Easter Weekend | Wairau

UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

We are committed to keeping whanau well informed on iwi initiatives, events & news. To help us to stay connected with you and your whānau please ensure we have your correct contact details.

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