



TE IPUKAREA 2018



It was 'game on' at Te Ipukarea Inter-iwi Sports Day held at Lansdowne Park recently. Teams and supporters representing the eight iwi of Te Tau Ihu gathered in Blenheim for the annual sporting event. This year's games saw teams competing in netball, touch rugby and the traditional game of ki-o-rahi. Our tamariki teams were the ones to beat on the day winning netball and touch rugby, with Rangitāne o Wairau taking out the title Whakaihūwaka (Overall Winners). Special thanks to Janis de Thierry for co-ordinating our teams and supporters again this year and to our hosts Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō for organising a great day.

NGĀ TOHU REO MĀORI - FINALISTS

On Friday, 23 November we attended Ngā Tohu Reo Māori (Māori Language Awards) at Te Papa Tongarewa in Wellington.

The awards are held by Te Taura Whiri (Māori Language Commission) and are an important part of the Māori language calendar, recognising initiatives and activities throughout the year. This year's theme was "Kia kaha te reo Māori": "May the Māori language be strong". The evening certainly confirmed the strength of te reo Māori across a range of people and mediums.

We were nominated alongside Paraone Gloyne (Ngāti Raukawa) and Muriwai Maggie Jones in the iwi category which was sponsored by Maori Television. Though we didn't win, it was humbling to be part of a night that celebrates this important kaupapa across Aotearoa and which recognises our ongoing journey in Te Tau Ihu.

Thank you to Jeremy MacLeod, Janis de Thierry and all those who continue to focus on the revitalisation of our language and culture.



Rangitāne kaumātua about to board the Coastal Pacific passenger train with Te Tai Tonga MP, Rino Tirikatene. From left: Aunty Isobel Smith, Aunty Moira Hebbard, Aunty Marj MacDonald, Uncle Taane and Aunty Eileen MacDonald.

TRAINS BACK ON TRACK

Last month saw the return of the KiwiRail Coastal Pacific passenger train. The train made its first journey since the 2016 earthquake on Friday, 23 November, travelling from Picton to Kaikōura. To mark the momentous occasion Prime Minister Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern joined passengers embarking on the journey at the Blenheim Railway Station along with Te Tai Tonga MP, Rino Tirikatene, Mayor John Leggett and several of our Rangitāne kaumātua.

The line was badly damaged in the magnitude 7.8 earthquake, after dozens of massive slips covered the rail corridor and mangled large sections of the tracks.

KiwiRail acting chief executive Todd Moyle said re-opening the line was “critical to regional economies”.

He said pre-quake, the Coastal Pacific brought about 42,000 passengers a year into Marlborough and Kaikōura alone. Passengers were estimated to spend \$34 million across the two regions, supporting about 300 local jobs.

The regular Coastal Pacific tourist service resumes from December 1, marking a return to full services on the line.



OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT



Wilson Pearce

We are delighted to welcome Wilson Pearce to our team. Wilson will be working for us over the summer months organising our environmental documentation and improving our Taiao systems and processes. He will also support Tina Porou with the Te Pokohiwi management plan where required.

Wilson descends from Tuiti Makitanara (Sweet MacDonald) and is currently completing a Bachelor of Science with a major in Environmental Science and a minor in Planning Studies at Massey University.



New Waiata Resource

We launched our waiata resource “He Kohinga Waiata” at this year’s AGM.

There is one booklet for each household. For those of you who haven’t already received your copy, one will accompany this pānui. The resources are also available on our website rangitane.org.nz/resources/waiata/



Rik Palatchie at the peak of Tapuae-o-Uenuku.

NEW TRUSTEE JOINS THE BOARD

We welcome Rik Palatchie to the Board of Trustees following the elections announced at this year's AGM. Rik descends from two lines through his mother, the late Rozmund White, Te Oti MacDonald through his maternal grandfather Nugget MacDonald and Hariata Kere through his maternal grandmother Marie MacDonald (nee Huntley). Rik is passionate about the protection of our cultural heritage, our environment and the preservation of our assets.

There were three vacant positions, Jeremy MacLeod and Haysley MacDonald were re-elected for the two three-year positions with Rik being elected for the two-year term. The official results are available on our website.

TE REO FOCUS GROUPS

Following the successful launch of our Tangata Rau, Reo Kotahi strategy in September and development of an implementation plan, we are about to take the first exciting steps towards revitalising our language and culture.

Over the next few months we will be inviting iwi members to be part of a series of focus groups. We want to know about your learning needs and preferences so we can shape events and programmes in the future. For example, we received a lot of great feedback about the Fush and Chip Te Reo evening with Anton Matthews. If this is the type of event that you would like to see more of, then come along to our focus groups and let us know.

We will have more details on the focus group meetings once dates have been confirmed. If you would like to register your interest please contact the office.

TANGATA RAU REO KOTAHI

He rautaki whakarauora i te reo Māori me te ahurea o Rangitāne o Wairau | 2018-2050

COMMERCIAL OPERATION

Horton St Development

In the new year, you will start to see the development of our land at 14 Horton Street behind the Railway Station. A light industrial showroom and yard will be purpose built for our new tenant and we're looking forward to the utilisation and further development of this prime site.

Milford Investments

Following a Request for Proposal process, Milford Investments have been appointed as the fund manager for the Rangitāne Group. This appointment will bring expert financial advice and management of our funds which were otherwise sitting in low interest earning bank accounts. Led by Brian Gaynor, Milford Investments are a New Zealand owned and operated firm, and represent a number of iwi organisations.



Dave Jessep

Dave Jessep (our current ARCC Chairperson) has been appointed as an Independent Director of Rangitāne Holdings Limited and Rangitāne Investments Limited. Dave replaces Megan McKenna who has resigned due to increased work commitments which require national and international travel. We thank Megan for her contribution and wish her all the best in her new role. We also thank Dave for stepping into this role and welcome his ongoing contribution to Rangitāne.



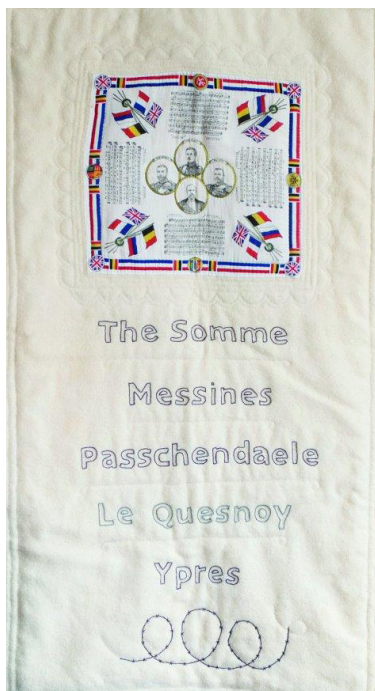
From left: Roger Howard, Isabella Howard, Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy GNZM QSO, Anne Scott (ONZM), Charlotte Howard.

ANNE SCOTT ONZM

Congratulations to Anne Scott from our Moore whānau who recently became a member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to quilting.

Anne has been quilting for the past 25 years and was the founder of the *New Zealand Quilter* magazine. The giant walls of her home in Newtown, Wellington are adorned with the most spectacular quilts which all tell stories of their own.

Anne's quilt, "In Foreign Fields" (right), records some of the places our family members fought during WW1. The quilt is made from an old wool hospital blanket and cotton handkerchief from WW1.



EDUCATION GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Rangitāne o Wairau 2019 Scholarships are open. Applications are invited for the Poroiwi Education Grant (closes 31 Jan 2019) and General Scholarship categories (close 28 Feb 2019). A new scholarship category Te Koha Mātahi, supports study in Te Taiao (including Fisheries, Resource Management and Environmental Science). We have also expanded our PADI diving scholarships to include a range of advanced courses.

Application forms are available on our website under the Resources tab.

UPCOMING...

Kirihimete - Office Closed

Closed: Monday 24 December 2018

Reopens: Monday 7 January 2019

Te Pātaka o Wairau

Tuesday 5 February 2019

4pm-9pm Seymour Square, Blenheim

Pukatea Whānau Day

Wednesday 6 February 2019

Pukatea (Whites Bay)

Details to come

Te Tapuwaetahi o Rangitāne 2019

22,23,24 March 2019

Pahiatua

Details to come

UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

We are committed to keeping whānau well informed on iwi initiatives, events and news.

To help us to stay connected with you and your whānau, in the following weeks we will be contacting members to confirm their contact details on our database are correct.

You can also check the Gone No Address (GNA) section on our website. If you have whānau on the list please ask them to contact the office and update their address details.

www.rangitane.org.nz/Resources/GNA

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