



# Whakaue Ora

'Uerongo—September 2020

*Tupu ki roto  
Tupu ki waho  
Tupu ki te whai ao ki te Ao Mārama,  
Tihei mauri ora!*

Tēnā ra tātau e te nui o 'Āti 'Ue. Tātau i roto i ngā tini ahuatanga o te wā. Tangihia ngā mate o te wā, kia tae atu ki te Wāhi Ngaro, kai Tiwarawara rāno. Ki a tātau te pito ora e hāpai nei i ngā mahi i waihotia mai, tēnā tātau katoa. Ngāti Whakaue ki tai, Ngāti Whakaue ki uta, koia nei tō tātau karere i ngā pitopito kōrero o te wā.

Ko 'Uerongo he tohu aroha nā ngā Poari huhua o tō tātau iwi. Kia hiwa rā, kia hiwa rā!

E hīkaka ana te ngākau kia whakarewa ai a 'Uerongo, he kawē kōrero mā Ngāti Whakaue. Ia te toru mārama puta atu ai a 'Uerongo ki a tātau o Ngāti Whakaue. Nō ngā Poari huhua o Ngāti Whakaue tēnei kaupapa hai painga mō te iwi. Ko te mahi a 'Uerongo he whakamōhio atu ki a koe ngā nukuhanga me ngā nekehanga o ia te Poari kia mōhio ai koe i wā rātau na Kaupapa. Ka kite hoki rā koe i tētehi māramataka me ngā kaupapa nui kua tuhia ki runga hai āwhinatanga māhau.

We are proud to present our very first edition of 'Uerongo, a quarterly newsletter for Ngāti Whakaue. 'Uerongo is a collaborative effort between our Ngāti Whakaue entities. The purpose of 'Uerongo is to provide you with news and updates on the activities and events of our Ngāti Whakaue entities. The newsletter will also contain a list of upcoming Ngāti Whakaue events and key dates for you.

Ko te tikanga o te ingoa 'Uerongo, he tuamakātanga o te ingoa 'Ue me te kupu rongo. I ahu mai te ingoa 'Ue nō roto i ngā kupu o te mōteatea i kīa ana ko "E Tama na Tau e." Ko te kōrero e mea nei ko "'Āti 'Ue" he whakarapopototanga o te ingoa "Ngāti Whakaue." I wēnei nei wā takoto noa te 'rongo' i tava kīanga i roto i ngā whaikōrero, i ngā waiata me ngā tuhinga. Ko te kupu nei ko te rongo, he kupu atu anō i te pitopito kōrero, maramara kōrero rānei. He kōrero me mōhio rānei te tangata kia māramaai ia ki ngā nukuhanga me ngā nekehanga o te wā. Nō reira, ko 'Uerongo, he kawē kōrero mā Ngāti Whakaue whānui.

'Uerongo is a mixture of two words - the name 'Ue and the word rongo. The name 'Ue comes from the lines of the mōteatea "E Tama na Tau". The actual words are 'Āti 'Ue. This is a shortened version of the name Ngāti Whakaue. 'Ue of course refers to Whakaue. The word rongo refers to news. Information that people need to know so they can gauge what is happening around them. So 'Uerongo is used as the name of our newsletter to denote - News for Ngāti Whakaue.

E noho koe ki tō tūru, whakamahi he kapu tī, pānuhia mai

Please, put on the kettle, make yourself a cup of tea, sit down and enjoy.

## Ngā Rangi Matua / Key Dates

- 4 September—Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands election nominations open
- 18 September—Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands nominations close
- 24 September—Ngāti Whakaue Assets Trust Strategic Plan Consultation closes
- 7 November—Pukeroa Oruawhata Trust AGM (10.00am)
- 7 November—Ngāti Whakaue Assets Trust AGM (2.00pm)
- 14 November—Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands AGM
- 29 November—Te Komiti Nui o Ngāti Whakaue AGM
- February 2021—Ngāti Whakaue Whānau Day



## Tēnā rā tātau Ngāti Whakaue

Te Kotahitanga o Ngāti Whakaue Assets Trust ("Assets Trust") is a charitable trust established in 2008 to receive, grow and distribute Ngāti Whakaue's portion of the Central North Island ("CNI") iwi collective forestry settlement - the largest Treaty of Waitangi settlement.

It has been four months since we provided an Assets Trust video update on our Facebook page. COVID-19 continues to present challenges to the pā tūwatawata o Ngāti Whakaue and to Assets Trust. From an investment point of view, the biggest impact was on forestry. We are currently working through the annual audit of our financial accounts, and forestry is a focus area. Notwithstanding the challenges to our financial position, COVID-19 has also presented investment opportunities. Since May we have investigated at least four potential investment opportunities, both in our Ngāti Whakaue rohe and outside. We will keep you updated as opportunities are progressed.

COVID-19 highlighted the need for a comprehensive Whakaue member register. We are working with providers for various options, so that we are more connected with our whanaunga.

We have also been busy progressing the review of the following key documents:

- Te Mahere Rautaki (Strategic Plan) is instrumental in guiding our activities. It is important that the document is aligned with the wants and needs of Ngāti Whakaue and so we are undertaking an eight-week consultation process with the iwi (ending 24 September – go to our website for the consultation survey link [www.whakaue.com/strategicplan](http://www.whakaue.com/strategicplan)). We will present the finalized document at the AGM.
- The reviewed Trust Deed will also be presented at the AGM.
- Te Kaupapa Tohanga Hua (Distribution Policy) has been reviewed. Further information about the grants and initiatives for 2020/21 will be made available on our website.

Finally, the Trustees and Management had their first Trust wānanga, facilitated by our whanaunga Scotty Morrison. This is a new initiative that has been stood up to support the ongoing learning of the Trustees and Management of the stories, history, whakapapa and reo of Ngāti Whakaue. Scotty led a great wānanga, and we all enjoyed the insights and discussion.

Nō reira tēnā tātau

## Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands



Tēnā rā koutou ngā whānau whānui o Ngāti Whakaue, tēnei rā te mihi ki a koutou katoa

Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands (NWTL) is a Māori Incorporation formed on 26 July 1960 through the amalgamation of 34 Māori land blocks owned by Ngāti Whakaue descendants. These land blocks include 3,000 hectares surrounding the Rotorua township of which 1,800 hectares are part of 3 sheep and beef farms (Wharenui, Ngongotahā & Tihiotonga), 600 hectares are in forestry and the balance is being used for residential development, leases and riparian planting.

### Ngāti Whakaue Housing Strategy:

Our residential development - Wharenui Rise has been progressing well with bulk earthworks being completed in August, and civil works re-starting after the winter period. The other major development is that NWTL signed an MOU with Kāinga Ora in July this year. This marks the beginning of a partnership with the government which commits both parties to working together to find pathways which may assist whānau into homes and address Rotorua's current housing shortage. This partnership provides major momentum for the Incorporation's owner and

shareholder base who have made it clear that helping whānau into homes, improving returns from our lands, and developing employment opportunities, were key priorities.

### Grants Initiative:

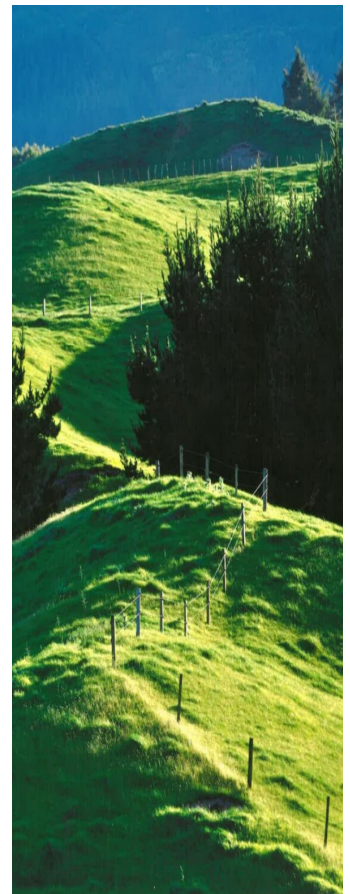
NWTL also continue to provide Health, Tangihanga and Discretionary Grants for owners and the Iwi - so be sure to apply online ([www.ngatiwhakaue.iwi.nz](http://www.ngatiwhakaue.iwi.nz)) or pick up a form from our office (Pukeroa Oruawhata House, 1/1176 Amohau Street, Rotorua).

### Committee Election:

Geoffrey Rolleston, Tamarapa Lloyd and Tanira Kingi retire by rotation and are eligible and available for re-election (and do not require re-nomination). Nominations for other candidates must be lodged at the Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands office no later than 12 noon on Friday 18th of September 2020. Nominations must be in writing and signed by both the shareholder making the nomination and the candidate. Nomination forms are now available from the Ngāti Whakaue office.

### Upcoming Events:

We have some more exciting news that we will be sharing at our AGM which will be held at Te Papaiōuru Marae on 14 November 2020. Look forward to seeing you all there!





## PUKEROA ORUAWHATA GROUP

### Upcoming Events:

Our AGM is scheduled (subject to COVID-19 restrictions) for Saturday November 7th 2020—to be held at Tamatekapua, Ōhinemutu. Check our website for details.

### Trustee Election:

Tina Ngatai's term of office as Trustee expires this year and she is available for re-election. We have appointed Glenn Hawkins (GHA) as the Returning Officer for this year's election. Nominations open shortly—details are available on our website ([www.pukeroa.co.nz](http://www.pukeroa.co.nz)), the GHA website ([www.gha.co.nz](http://www.gha.co.nz)) and advertised in the Rotorua Daily Post.

### COVID-19 Update:

It goes without saying, that COVID-19 has impacted the Trust and subsidiaries. As a commercial landlord, we had many of our tenants facing a period of no income during lockdown and proactively worked to support our tenants through these unprecedented times. Our focus has been one of "we together", recognising the commonality of interests of our tenants, ourselves and our city. We are pleased to say that we reached agreements satisfactorily with all of our tenants. Our support has come at a significant cost, however, it has meant that we have helped save numerous jobs.

The impact of Covid on our cash flows has meant that we have suspended grants made through the Charitable Trust.

During COVID-19, we have provided direct support to Whakaue Ora through a cash grant and Te Arawa Whānau Ora's food parcel/care package distribution by making commercial premises available to them free of charge.

### Lakefront Development:

During the lockdown we made application to the Crown Infrastructure Partners (CIP) for funding of the Wai Ariki Hot Springs and Spa as a "Shovel Ready" project. Our application was approved meaning that the Spa can continue as planned supporting up to 250 jobs during the construction phase and creating a significant number of new jobs when the facility is complete. We are actively working with our preferred construction firm, Spa Operator and Toi Ohomai on the delivery of construction apprenticeships and training programs. Details of these will be on our website and expressions of interests can be lodged by e-mail ([admin@pukeroa.co.nz](mailto:admin@pukeroa.co.nz)) or by popping in to the office (Level 1, Pukeroa Oruawhata House).

## Te Taumata o Ngāti Whakaue

After a significant period of rebuilding the Trust with extensive support from the Ngāti Whakaue entities, the trustees are delighted to announce Tina Leach has been appointed to the role of General Manager.

Tina joins us from the Ministry of Education, starting 31 August and we look forward to her joining us.

A brief overview of our services:

### Kōkiri Alternative Education

An alternative education service for rangatahi who are at risk of disengagement, providing a nurturing learning environment for young people to "reset, refocus and relaunch" their educational aspirations.

### Puna Manawa

A bi-lingual early learning centre providing quality care and education to tamariki from 2.5 years. Delivering rich learning opportunities where tamariki are empowered and have a strong connectedness to te ao Māori. Committed Pouako work collaboratively with whānau to nurture, support and guide our tamariki.

### Housing First

As the Iwi provider within the Mangatakitahi Collectives alongside LifeWise and LinkPeople our aim is to work with the chronic homeless to end homelessness within Rotorua.

During the COVID-19 Crisis, Te Taumata alongside other agencies provided support and assistance to our mānaha into emergency housing where Te Taumata are able to provide ongoing support in a "kaupapa Māori" way.

### House of Science

Providing bi-lingual, hands-on, fun science resources to our children and their teachers. The vision of "Every child in New Zealand is Scientifically literate" is realised daily by hundreds of children engaged in reo rua science experiments building their curiosity, critical thinking and problem solving skills.

### Paepae Wānanga

Focuses on providing Ngāti Whakaue Reo, Hītori, whakapapa, waiata, pakiwaitara, whaikōrero, karanga, karakia to Ngāti Whakaue including Te Arawa.

### Problem Gambling

Mai Maketū ki Tongariro—The team deliver a professional service to our Iwi, hapū and community in harm reduction, harm minimization with a goal of abstinence from gambling, delivering one on one confidential counselling sessions.



TE TAUMATA O  
NGĀTI WHAKAUE IHO AKE

## Te Komiti Nui o Ngāti Whakaue



Te Komiti Nui o Ngāti Whakaue Trust (Komiti Nui) was established in 2009 as the Post-Settlement Governance Entity (PSGE) to represent Ngāti Whakaue in the Central North Island (CNI) Forest Iwi Collective Settlement (CNIHL).

In addition to the CNI Settlement, we were also mandated by Ngāti Whakaue in the same year to settle the outstanding historical Treaty of Waitangi claims on behalf of Ngāti Whakaue. Our waka is guided by the kaupapa set out in our mandate & Trust Deed and our vision of restoring te mana motuhake o Ngāti Whakaue.

Komiti Nui is governed by 10 Trustees who represent all of Ngāti Whakaue across Ngāti Whakaue ki uta and Ngāti Whakaue ki tai. We meet each month to ensure we are achieving our mission of a fair, just and enduring settlement of our outstanding claims. Our claims cover all areas of Ngāti Whakaue - ki uta, ki tai. These claims have been fought for, for many years and we have an opportunity to settle these claims, heal the mamae and create a future for ourselves and our mokopuna.

To date we have distributed over \$11 million from the CNI forest settlement to our sister Trust - Te Kotahitanga o Ngāti Whakaue Assets Trust for charitable purposes benefiting Ngāti Whakaue whether it relates to the relief of poverty, the advancement of education, their socio-economic position or religion or to any other purposes

beneficial to Ngāti Whakaue. Inevitably when Komiti Nui achieve our objective, both sister entities will dissolve into one Post-Governance Settlement Entity (PSGE). The new Ngāti Whakaue entity will then be the body that receives and looks after the settlement redress on behalf of and for Ngāti Whakaue.

For past, current & future Ngāti Whakaue Settlement, and community updates, please like our Facebook Page @NgatiWhakaue and visit our website: whakaue.org.



### Te Mahi Tahi / Collaborations

We will keep you informed of the collaborations occurring between our entities. This year we have collaborated on the following kaupapa:

- Whakaue Ora - a coordinated Ngāti Whakaue response to COVID-19
- Ngāti Whakaue Kawe Mate - held for Ngāti Whakaue whānau who lost loved ones during the nationwide COVID-19 lockdown
- Chairs Forum - a monthly hui between the Chairs of our entities to discuss general activities and opportunities, and any important kaupapa affecting Ngāti Whakaue
- Whakaue Whānau Day - to be held in February 2021. We hope everybody can come to Whakaue Whānau Day to have some fun and collectively celebrate our Ngāti Whakaue tangata!

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