

TE HIKA O PAPAUMA

Your farm has this year enjoyed a very comfortable financial year. Although this has been helped by the sale of the Cross-hills farm there were other sources of external income.

Because of the dry spring this year there are three week old lambs that have not been rained upon. This is a pleasant contrast to the wet spring of 2008.

THE RETIREMENT OF MATAI BROUGHTON

After 35 Years of continuous service to the Incorporation, Matai has retired. The farm had a farewell evening for him in June and many from around the district attended and spoke of his contribution to the community, coastline and the Incorporation. He and Kura's children expressed their gratitude of having spent their childhood on this piece of coastline and the farm Aohanga.

Matai was a Court named member of the original Incorporation Committee of Management and served for many years. His experience in farming matters was recognised by the court and in retrospect, well founded.

There will be a small presentation ceremony at the Annual General Hui.

Kia kaha e te mokopuna a o tatou tupuna whenua.



Terraced reef formations

ANNUAL GENERAL HUI

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at Papauma Marae, Owahanga Station on SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2009, commencing with a whakatau at 9.30 AM.

This is the 36th AGM of the Incorporation.

Nau mai haere mai.

As per usual there will be *whaka whanaunga* time on Friday night with a Powhiri at 6.00 pm.

There will also be a farm tour this year which will visit the Mataikona end of the farm.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT VACANCIES

George Matthews retires by rotation. from your Committee of Management. Hohepa Tatere vacates the seconded position he has held.

George is again standing for re-election.

Nomination forms are available at the Registered Office of the Incorporation and you can Phone Maryanne on (06) 374-7059 at MCI to be sent a nomination or proxy form.

The Committee of Management encourage you to participate in the process of selecting your representatives to manage your Incorporation on your behalf.

KAITIAKI FISHERIES COURSE

Three members of the Hapu have participated in this training course which has been held over the last 12 months via four noho weekends, of which the last was at Aohanga. Previously noho have been held at Rangiwakaoma, Porangahau, and Pirinoa, the final will be held at Okautete.

Participants have come from within the Coastal Hapu Collective (CHC) of which Te Hika a Papauma is a member. The course teaches the biology, reproductive cycles, preferred habitat, water quality requirements, natural predators and a host of other important issues that need to be understood when hapu develop Coastal Management Plans.

All the Statutes and Government Departments that are charged to administer those statutes are also studied to identify the best legal options forward that may protect the Iwi cultural take the most (if that is what hapu want).

Anyone interested in participating in this type of course are urged to contact George Matthews (COM).



A local guarding his space

OLIVES

The olive has been harvested for the second time and the good news is that oil production has increased from 30 litres last year to 200 litres this year. After several years of scepticism the grove is moving into a new phase and should soon be a 'stand alone' operation. Alyson Bullock has managed this project tenaciously and its success has been a result of that attitude.

There will be bottled oil available for sale at the AGM.

FARM FUTURES PROJECT

This project was presented to the assembled shareholders at the last AGM.

There will be an update this year of where the project is up to. There is approximately 18 months to run and this will be an exciting time for the hapu. This project will have a long-term effect and be a helpful tool in farm management decisions. Strong sustainability means the preservation of integrity of all ecological systems. This journey of new awareness is intended to illuminate and validate all initiatives toward sustainability. A strong sustainable hapu lives and develops as an integral part of the surrounding ecosystem.

As Maori we place importance on non-material sources of happiness and we are able to remove perceived linkages between economic growth, material possessions and success.

We believe in the deep interdependence of the hapu and its associated values, which among others includes mutual respect, fairness cooperation, gratitude, compassion, forgiveness, humility, courage, confidence, courtesy,

integrity, loyalty and respectful use of all our resources.

Therefore land development, which is tīkanga based is an important aspect of the project.

Matauranga Maori is the basis of our learning and important to whanau, hapu growth. Kaitiakitanga is the practice of responsibility and not a right as some people believe it to be.



Generational knowledge being passed on.

TE HIKA A PAPAUMA MARAÉ COMMITTEE

Whanaunga George Griggs has been elected as the new chairman and as a new 'broom' is displaying a high level of energy. Sincere thanks were given to cousin Warren Chase, for his past mahi and years of service.

Kia kaha te tiaki o te ahi kaa o tatou tupuna marae.

As an aid to communication the committee has asked that anyone who wishes to be included in the business notices' of the marae to supply an email address.

Contact George Griggs at; kairangi@actrix.co.nz. Or speak to him at the AGM.

NGA WHENUA RAHUI

At its March hui this year the Committee of Management resolved to sign off on an agreement with the Minister of Conservation to place 2,449.3 hectares [6,123.25 acres] of the farm under a Kawenata for a period of 25 years.

We now share the governance and management of this land with the Minister.

There was a consideration (koha) paid for fencing of the block and other activities. We are able to use the block for tourism and tīkanga based activities, eg. Gathering rongoa and kai etc.

The signed Kawenata will be available to view at the AGM. If anyone wishes to view it before then please contact the office;

Maryanne Kroot,
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