

Christmas Pānui 2017

Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri Iwi Trust

He Kōrero nā te Kaiwhakahaere

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Nga mihi kia koutou te whānau o Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri. Kiaora whanau and welcome to the last monthly pānui for 2017.

I want to acknowledge those who have passed on from us. A mihi to Evelyn Tuuta who worked tirelessly to the very end keeping us on our toes. She worked hard with the intent to get outcomes that were best for all of us as Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri. Moe mai Evelyn.

I also acknowledge the Tuuta and Fraser whanau. The loss of our rangatira, stalwarts of our tribal identity on the island, has been major for us. Some mighty tarahinau have fallen.

It's been a busy time since I became the Chairperson of our Trust. As I look back on the past couple of months I'm humbled by the tireless manner in which our Settlement Negotiators, Settlement Governance Group, our Iwi Trust Management, and my fellow trustees have worked as we work to meet the needs of our whanau and our Iwi. I am looking forward to having a full board of Trustees in 2018.

Christmas is a time of whanau and just being together. The Trustees and I would like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Be safe whanau.

John Kamo

Christmas & New Year Office Hours:

So you know, the office closes 5:00pm Thursday 21 December and is open again 8:30am Tuesday 9 January 2018. Have a safe and enjoyable break.





Kaumātua Christmas Lunch



Monique and Lois Croon with Eileen Whaitiri, Colleen Black, and Barbie Joyce



A beautifully dressed Whakamaharatanga



Lavinia Lanauze and Pat Smith in full celebration

Each year our celebration just gets better. The Iwi Trust once again hosted our Kaumātua Christmas hakari in collaboration with Ha o te Ora. We had a great time with our whanau and Kaumātua. This event is really becoming one of the year's social calendar highlights. What a pleasure to be able to host our Kaumātua. And of course a special mention goes to our ringawera Jacqui Southcombe, Lavinia Lanauze, Natasha Croon, Lynn Fraser, Liz Fraser, and Greg Robertson—miharo! These celebrations simply don't happen without our hapori .



Joe Thomas and Peter Reriti



A Merry Christmas to you all!



Rene Barr and Eric Dix



Wharf Blessing

The blessing of the decommissioning of the old Tee and use of the next structure went ahead. Raana Tuuta and George Day lead the way and maintained cultural safety not only for Ngāti Mutunga but all who use the facility. A great day for all. Also, a full opening is due in March 2018.



He Tohu

Whanau—in our last pānui we let you know we were looking for tohu to represent our Iwi and Iwi Trust.

To help inspire you along we've included a tohu above that was designed by Graham Tipene (Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei). It's a waka (yes pretty obvious) and a lovely piece of work.

Whanau this is your chance to put together your whakaaro and submit your artwork. We have an RFP on our website for you to get some guidance on what we are looking for.

Go to <http://www.nmow.co.nz/announcements/ngati-mutunga-o-wharekauri-rfp-logo>

Next Pānui

Our pānui are as much about you as it is Iwi Trust business. Frankly, our Iwi is more than just asset holding company updates, Iwi Trust financials, and issues around our Trust Deed. So on that note, we welcome, indeed sincerely want, contributions from you whānau. It can be anything you want to let our whānau know about e.g. hui, births, ngā mate, birthdays, the lot.

We'd also love any images you want to share of your Christmas, holiday etc. The next pānui is due out end January so don't hesitate to tell us your stories.

Please send them to: karere@nmow.iwi.nz