



**NGĀTI TAMA**  
KI TE WAIPOUNAMU  
TRUST

**ANNUAL REPORT 2019**



*Mate koe i te aroha  
Titiro ki Horoirangi\*  
E kite koe i te auahi  
Nāku i tahu e*

When stricken with grief or loneliness  
Look to your ancestral peak  
See the billowing smoke of the home fires burning  
Know that someone is always at home

\* Interchangeable with any other ancestral peak name



PHOTO: Wākapuaka.



**ABOVE:** Kapa haka at the Ngāti Tama Christmas Lunch 2018 **BELOW:** Ngāti Tama ki Te Waipounamu Trust Trustees  
**STANDING (BELOW):** Kerensa Johnston (whānau), Anaru Stephens, Leanne Manson  
**SEATED (BELOW):** Nikita-Marie Day, Phil Sparks (Deputy Chair), Butch Little (Chair), Fred Te Miha, Margje Little.





PHOTO: Wakapuaka.

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*This report includes the annual reports of the NTWT and NTCT and contains information about our commercial entity TAHC. As part of our groups reporting responsibility, TAHC’s financial results have been summarised in this report, however the full annual report for TAHC can be provided in a separate publication. Contact the Trust offices for a copy. This report can be downloaded from [www.ngatitama.iwi.nz](http://www.ngatitama.iwi.nz)*



**ANTHONY (BUTCH) LITTLE**  
Chairman, Ngāti Tama ki  
Te Waipounamu Trust

*E tiaki tomu ake  
ngā taniwha e  
Kaiwhakaruaki,  
Ngārarahuarau,  
Huriawa,  
Poutini e.*

# Chairman's Report

Tēnā koutou e te whānau, as we look forward to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in April, I would like to reflect on the progress that the Ngāti Tama Group has made in the last financial year. I am very proud to be appointed as Chairperson for Ngāti Tama ki Te Waipounamu Trust Board; it is an honour and privilege to hold this position and to present the Annual Report for the year 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019.

Firstly, I acknowledge our tūpuna, for their courage and determination over many years to ensure that ngā uri o Ngāti Tama ki Te Taiuhu stand as proud and passionate as we do today. I also would like to acknowledge those whānau who have passed in the last year, haere, haere okioki atu rā, we will continue to strive and uphold your legacy.

## OPERATIONAL

Looking back on FY18-19, we have continued our journey of growth, both operationally and financially. After a short time with the Trust, General Manager Jaqui Ngawaka has grown the operational team to develop and streamline accounting activities, te reo, tikanga, communications and put provisions in place to develop the

Board funding aspirations. Through the appointment of a Group Accountant, a Cultural Manager and a separate Communications Manager we are excited to see the development of those portfolios. The experienced team we now have operating for Ngāti Tama today places us in a strong position to achieve real results for our people and the wider community.

I am grateful for the work Jaqui has dedicated to the operational team allowing the Trust Board to focus on governance and strategies for moving Ngāti Tama into the 2020's and beyond.

*The Board are pleased with the capacity and capability growth in our operational team which has transformed what we have been able to achieve.*

## GOVERNANCE

The current strategic plan is due to expire at the end of our financial year and we have made good progress into understanding whānau aspirations and goals so that the Board are well informed when setting the next strategic priorities for Ngāti Tama. We welcome whānau to continue to feedback with their vision for Ngāti Tama ki Te Taiuhu, there will be further opportunities for

feedback on our website, email and at the next whānau wānanga in April.

## FINANCIAL STRATEGY

This year has seen the successful transfer of our commercial assets from the Waipounamu Trust Board to the Tama Asset Holding Company (TAHC). Through the settlement process many assets had to be received by the Trust Board with the intention of transferring the commercial assets to the TAHC. The TAHC was originally set up to govern and manage all commercial assets held across the Tama Group, and finally after a long process the commercial assets are now in their right home where they will be managed by the TAHC.

The FY18-19 year also saw the Tama Group acquire the services of Koau Capital Partners as a management company to support and assist the directors on TAHC. Koau have transitioned seamlessly into this role providing further expertise and experience to the Tama Group in asset management and investment strategies, as well as providing opportunities to work with our Iwi whānau in Taranaki and further afield.

A key focus for the year has been identifying long term investment opportunities and increasing direct investments while managing our risk in managed funds. This year has seen further acquisition in forestry, including land in Motueka and Mārahau,

purchasing the Crown Forest Lease for our two forest blocks in Golden Bay and reviewing our lease on our Motueka forests which resulted in substantial rental increase.

Aquaculture is a vastly growing industry in Te Taiuhu with a huge increase in mussel farm water space (mainly in Golden Bay) having been made available through the consenting of the Tasman Aquaculture Management Areas. Ngāti Tama continues to explore opportunities for direct investment in aquaculture, this has been mainly through acquiring high quality waterspace in which farms can be developed.

Ngāti Tama continues to have mussel farm leases with Tui JV, and we are in the process of finalising another joint venture opportunity to acquire two fully devolved mussel farms.

*Maara Moana Limited, a joint Te Taiuhu Iwi Company involving all eight iwi has been formed to govern the new iwi-owned waterspace that is now being established.*

The audit for the FY18-19 has seen a change in how we need to value our quota shares on our balance book, we are now required to value quota at the purchase price rather than the value it is today. This is a technical issue which shows a quota value reduction on our books of \$2.6m, however the real value of the quota remains at \$4.988m.

In closing, I would like to thank te whānau o Ngāti Tama for their continued support and encouragement to the Board and wider Ngāti Tama Group, we value your input and ideas on where you would like to see our iwi grow. The Tama Group are committed to building better outcomes for our whānau, while protecting and developing what is most important to us.

Finally, on a personal note I would like to thank the Board, Asset Directors, Operational staff and Tama representatives for their continual hard work, dedication and commitment to Ngāti Tama.

Ka tū te tangata o Ngāti Tama ki Te Taiuhu. Uphold the wairua, tikanga, and mana of the iwi for the future generations.

Mauri ora,

Butch Little

CHAIRMAN



# General Manager's Report

This is my first contribution to the Ngāti Tama ki Te Waipounamu Trust Annual Report as Pouwhakahaere (General Manager) and I am pleased to provide some comments about our operational activities. Since I started in the role in July 2018, my major focus has been to assist the Board with progressing the work of the Trust by encouraging alignment across the Ngāti Tama Group of entities.

It has been inspiring to hear and understand the histories, connections, views and aspirations that pāhake, trustees, directors, representatives, staff and many of you as whānau have willingly shared with me. As I reflect on the year that has been, it is satisfying to see the progress we've made and to feel the closer connections and shared understandings between us all.

## *"Whakaraupō i a koutou e te iwi"*

TE WHITI O RONGOMAI

A constant endeavour as General Manager is to develop and support a team of people to successfully 'do the mahi' by implementing multiple business cases, executing challenging workstreams and navigating complex requirements. It is a privilege to undertake this work for the iwi so on behalf of the office team I extend our thanks for your continued trust and support.

In the past year there have been several staff changes. After two years with the Trust as Cultural Manager, Mane Tahere took up an executive position within the public service and although it was a loss to us, it also opened the opportunity to build capacity across the team. To do that we split the role previously covered by Mane and welcomed Te Ahu Rei as Pou Hāpai Tikanga (Cultural Manager) and Christina Harris-Pakeho as Pouwhakawhiti (Communications Manager).

The potent mix of Te Ahu's Ngāti Tama whakapapa, his extensive knowledge of tikanga Māori, passion for te reo and love of teaching provides a solid platform for Ngāti Tama cultural development work into the future. Ka mutu pea! Christina brings a vibrant

energy to the team, backed up with strong credentials and practise in communications work with a key focus to build whānau engagement and explore external funding opportunities. Narissa Armstrong also resigned from her position at the end of the financial year after seven years of service to Ngāti Tama and as sole-charge administrator for much of that time. Narissa's impact on the Trust and whānau was widely felt, evidenced by many of you who took the opportunity to express your thanks at her farewell celebration.

We are also pleased to have welcomed Paul Marlow to the team as Pou Tahua (Group Accountant). Paul has brought sound financial experience, skills and knowledge allowing us the ability to conduct accounting activities in house for all Ngāti Tama entities. Nikita Takai is the newest member of the team and her eleven years' experience with the NZ Medical Council has positioned her well to take up the demanding Pouāwhina (Administrator) role.

I extend my thanks and appreciation to all of our staff for their valuable contributions including Kura Stafford, Pou Taiao (Environment Manager) and other independent contractors who have assisted us with project work. We wish to also acknowledge Andrew Harrison and Jordan Pentecost of Koau Capital Partners who joined us this year as Commercial and Investment Managers. They have supported me to

better align the Trust, Company and Charity objectives and their considerable networks and expertise has propelled the commercial profile and progress of Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihuhu.

Our development work for this year has been prioritised towards Te Reo, Tikanga, Whakapapa, Education and Environment. We have started reviewing internal systems and processes, worked on understanding more about the current state of each area, and considered what may be required and who may be the best partners to help us reach an ideal future state. Although the incomplete 2018 NZ Census has hindered our ability to access up-to-date iwi information, the comments from recent workshops have provided a good start to understanding what the priorities are for individuals and whānau across the country. Our eyes and ears are always open, and we welcome your ideas and contributions for Trustees to consider when they set the upcoming Strategic Plan 2020 -2025.

Personally, I thank you for embracing me as one of your own and I look forward to the journey ahead. Ka tū te tangata o Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihuhu. Kāti i kōnā me aku mihi pono ki a koutou katoa.

Nā,

Jaqui Ngawaka

POUWHAKAHAERE



**JAQUI NGAWAKA**

Pouwhakahaere, Ngāti Tama ki Te Waipounamu Trust

*E Rangī, e Papa, ka mihi atu au.  
He aroha ki te iwi nei e.  
Ko Ngāti Tama te tīpare.  
Mai i Kahurangi ki Whangamoa,  
ki Te Taihuhu e.*

STANDING: Nikita Takai, Paul Marlow, Christina Harris-Pakeho, Kura Stafford SEATED: Jaqui Ngawaka, Te Ahu Rei





**MARGIE LITTLE**

Chairperson, Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihu Cultural Trust

*Tama tū, Tama ora  
Tama noho, Tama mate*

# Cultural Trust Report

## Report of the Chair of Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihu Cultural Trust

It is my privilege to report back to ngā uri o Ngāti Tama for the financial year 2018 - 2019. As I reflect on the activities and achievements of the Cultural Trust, we see that it has been another busy year. Through the increased capacity in the office, the Cultural Trustees have been able to transition away from hands-on operational matters to focus more on iwi wide matters and further develop and support our whānau through wellbeing projects and personal development.

A few highlights from the year include; we nearly doubled the number of education grants administered to whānau since the last annual report. We welcomed our whanaunga Te Ahu Rei to the role as Cultural Manager and increased initiatives and activities that support our pāhake living locally and afar.

The Trust have undertaken several initiatives to acknowledge and support our pāhake in Te Taihu. We hosted both the health day and Christmas lunch, at Whakatū Marae. These events bring our pāhake together in a safe environment

to kōrero, kanohi ki te kanohi, and bring a sense of community and togetherness. In the past financial year, the Cultural Trust launched two key initiatives, delivering firewood to our pāhake in Te Taihu during winter months and continuing our Christmas koha initiative.

Te Reo o Ngāti Tama continues to be a priority and we are focused on securing opportunities that elevate and enhance Te Reo me ōna tikanga. Through funding from Te Mātāwai, we launched Te Reo classes at the Tama offices, and sought to understand more about the aspirations, goals and barriers to learning Te Reo for our whānau. We look forward to continuing to pursue the development of Te Reo forums for Ngāti Tama. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of the staff at Ngāti Tama and their commitment to see our cultural priorities progressed.

The Water Conservation Order for Te Waikoropupū and associated water bodies continues to be an important kaupapa for us. The Order was lodged June of 2017 in response to serious

concerns raised about water allocation, pollution, E. coli and nitrate levels in the Waikoropupū reserve. Protection of this unique body of water ensures the spring is there for our tamariki and mokopuna. We anticipate a decision very soon and will continue to keep keep whānau updated on the status of the WCO.

In the latter part of 2019, Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihu Cultural Trust was approved to perform the charitable role within the Ngāti Tama Group, following a review of the Ngāti Tama entities and overall structure. All cultural matters will now be dealt with directly through the Ngāti Tama Ki Te Waipounamu Trust.

Therefore, this is the last report of the Cultural Trust in its current form and the last report I will give as Chairperson. I would like to take this opportunity to recognise the various kaupapa that the Cultural Trustees and staff have been part of and supported over the years. I also want to recognise the dedication of all Trustees and whānau who have worked tirelessly to uphold the kaitiaki legacy of Ngāti Tama.

Margie Little

**CHAIRPERSON**



BELOW: Ngāti Tama Christmas Dinner 2018



ABOVE: Port Nelson. Blessing of the new tug named 'Hūria Mātenga II'

# Commercial Investments Report

## Report of the Chair of Tama Asset Holding Company Limited

On behalf of the Directors of Tama Asset Holding Company (TAHC), I am pleased to present this report of activities for FY19.

In order to grow an investment portfolio that Ngāti Tama is proud of and to also provide sustainable distributions to the Trust, TAHC's focus over the last financial year has been to:

1. Consolidate the commercial assets in TAHC and enhance capability
2. Continue to enhance the performance of the existing investments
3. Develop and implement long-term direct investment strategies

The resettlement of all remaining commercial assets from NTWT into TAHC was finalised in September, enhancing the clarity of reporting and accountability. We also appointed Koau Capital Partners as investment managers part-way through the year, to support the Board and General Manager.

Forestry has again provided strong financial performance and is a key direct investment focus for providing reliable and stable income each year to fund distributions. TAHC now owns 13,300Ha of forestry land with low risk

lease arrangements and this works well as it continues to establish long-term foundations.

TAHC made the strategic purchase of the 50% share of Motueka 15 from Te Ātiawa Iwi (TAHC now 100% owner); jointly purchased Te Atiawa 33% stake in Motueka 16/17 (TAHC now a 50% owner with Ngāti Rārua) and purchased the Golden Bay Crown Forestry License (CFL) from Evergreen Forests Limited. TAHC also undertook a comprehensive CFL lease review resulting in a significant

increase of 45% from its 2016 rental, with the full benefit to be realised in the FY20. TAHC continued planting Manuka in the Kaiteretera and Mārahau blocks. The programme is now in its 2nd year and will continue for another two years with the planting of an additional 64Ha.

Aquaculture is another key direct investment focus for TAHC given it's long-term outlook for Te Taihu. TAHC has further developed its aquaculture strategy which will see us looking to grow our long-term ownership of

high-quality water space and also enter into low risk lease arrangements with commercial operators that provide an appropriate return on investment. This will allow Ngāti Tama to grow our footprint and influence in the industry in a low risk commercial manner while we establish a wider investment portfolio and reassess our strategy in the medium to long term.

FY19 saw significant developments in Maara Moana Limited (MML) an entity that, once fully consented, will own 400 hectares of consented water space in Te Tau Ihu, of which TAHC is 1/8th shareholder. MML finalised consents on three of the eight blocks prior to the end of FY19 with leases in place to an operating entity for the new financial year. The remaining five blocks were consented prior to Christmas 2019. TAHC largely centralised its other aquaculture interests under the management of Tui LP, whose strategy aligns with TAHC's, and of which TAHC Director Toni Grant is Chair. TAHC also entered into discussions towards the back end of FY19 to acquire two mussel farms and lease to an operator and we expect this acquisition to be finalised soon.

TAHC managed funds play the role of prudently investing surplus monies in a diversified way while we patiently implement direct investment strategies in a robust and disciplined manner. During the financial year TAHC

liquidated its funds with JBWere and transferred them to Mercers who now oversee all TAHC's managed funds. TAHC are invested in Mercer's Balanced Fund which comprises investments with over 50 independent investment managers all over the world. Mercers is an internationally recognised fund manager who advises several of the largest community funds in NZ and provide a high level of independence and accountability.

TAHC also now maintains higher levels of cash, as compared to prior financial years, in order to be investment ready for direct investments that arise opportunistically and to reduce the downside exposure of timing markets.

During the year TAHC has invested significant time progressing its property strategy. This resulted in the sale of Rata Avenue (a bare section) after the end of the financial year, given TAHC didn't see that the property could add any commercial value and also that it held no cultural value. The decision was made to hold Stringers Road to land-bank and reassess any development potential in the medium term. TAHC also invested time into understanding and reviewing settlement Right of First Refusal (RFR) opportunities and will be focused on assessing any opportunities that arise moving forward.



**WAARI WARD-HOLMES**  
Chairman, Tama Asset Holding Company Limited

*He kākano i ruia mai i Rangīātea,  
ka tau iho rā ki Te Taihu,  
Hei ara whakamua mā Ngāti Tama,  
mā ngā uri whakaheke,  
Kia rite mai tātou... kōkiri!*

A seed cast from Rangīātea,  
has settled in Te Taihu  
Forging a pathway for Ngāti Tama  
and the generations to follow  
Let us prepare... forward!

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FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE		
Tama Asset Holding Company Limited		
For the Year ended 30 September 2019		
	FY2019	FY2018
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Managed Funds *	\$1,683,712	\$1,804,240
Direct Investments **	\$1,057,838	\$972,214
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,741,549</b>	<b>\$2,776,454</b>
Operating Expenses	\$449,576	\$408,068
<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	<b>\$2,291,974</b>	<b>\$2,368,386</b>
Revaluation of Investment Property & Agricultural Assets ***	\$2,507,552	\$3,919,115
<b>NET SURPLUS (BEFORE TAX)</b>	<b>\$4,799,526</b>	<b>\$6,287,501</b>
Other Comprehensive Income	\$137,070	\$174,389
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (BEFORE TAX)</b>	<b>\$4,936,596</b>	<b>\$6,461,890</b>

NOTES: \* Managed Funds are Net of Management Fees

\*\*\* Excludes revaluation for Fisheries Quota

\*\* Aquaculture Settlement not included as it is a one-off

Lastly TAHC has reviewed how it can best invest in commercial property as it sees this as another cornerstone of its investment portfolio that can generate reliable cash returns to sustain distributions while maintaining the real value of the capital. TAHC considered acquiring property directly itself but the issue is it would only be able to acquire one decent sized property itself and hence wouldn't achieve the diversification of property, tenant and lease term required to give the security of cash returns it requires.

Hence TAHC has progressed a collective commercial property investment vehicle with five other Iwi that will invest throughout New Zealand. This was finalised in early October; TAHC committed \$5m of equity and the vehicle now owns 4 properties worth over \$65m. One of the target areas for investment is Nelson.

#### PLANS FOR 2020 FINANCIAL YEAR

With the rationalisation and the transfer of assets from NTWT to TAHC now completed, TAHC's focus for FY20 will be on continuing to implement its direct investment strategy while also continuing to monitor its existing investments and ensure they are performing to a high level. The direct investment focus includes:

1. Continue to grow aquaculture space and forest land if it can obtain high-quality and good value opportunities with low risk leases in place

2. Continue to grow the commercial property portfolio via the Iwi Collective Property Vehicle
3. Monitor and manage the RFR for direct property opportunities
4. Monitor Te Puia Tāpapa (Māori Collective fund set up to coinvest with NZ Super Fund) with hopefully 2 investments occurring during FY20
5. Consider other Iwi Collective direct investments where TAHC can team up with other likeminded Iwi to access direct investment opportunities that it couldn't on its own

Overall, we were happy with performance relative to risks taken and we expect our profits to grow as we grow our direct investments.

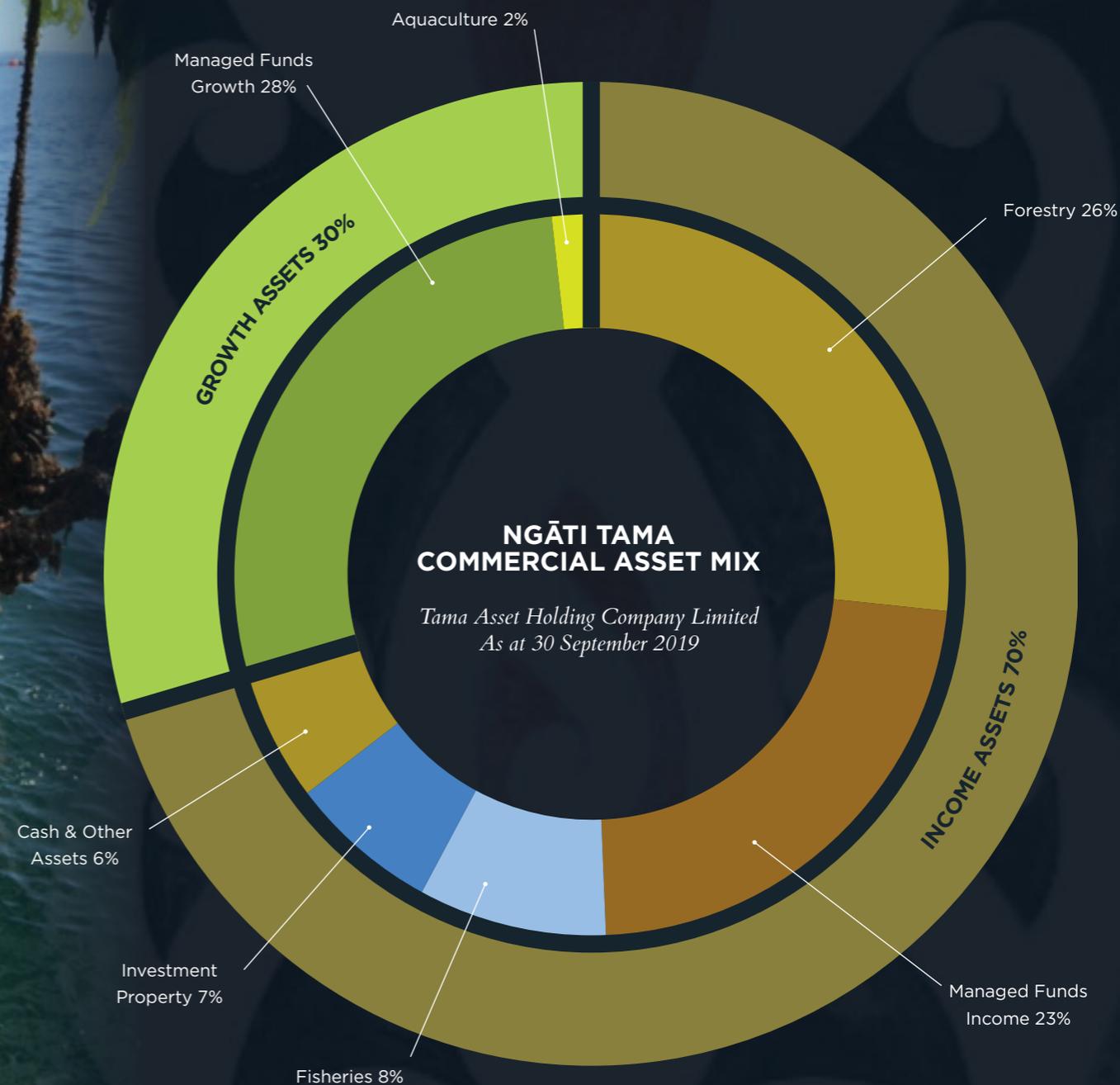
Our thanks go to NTWT office staff for their assistance and support during the year and a special acknowledgement to Jaqui Ngawaka as General Manager. Despite the difficulties of being without a Commercial Manager for 15 months we are glad that we waited as the appointment of Andrew Harrison and his team at Koau Capital in March 2019 has brought a level of expertise and experience to TAHC that has had an immediate positive impact.

Nā reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Waari Ward-Holmes

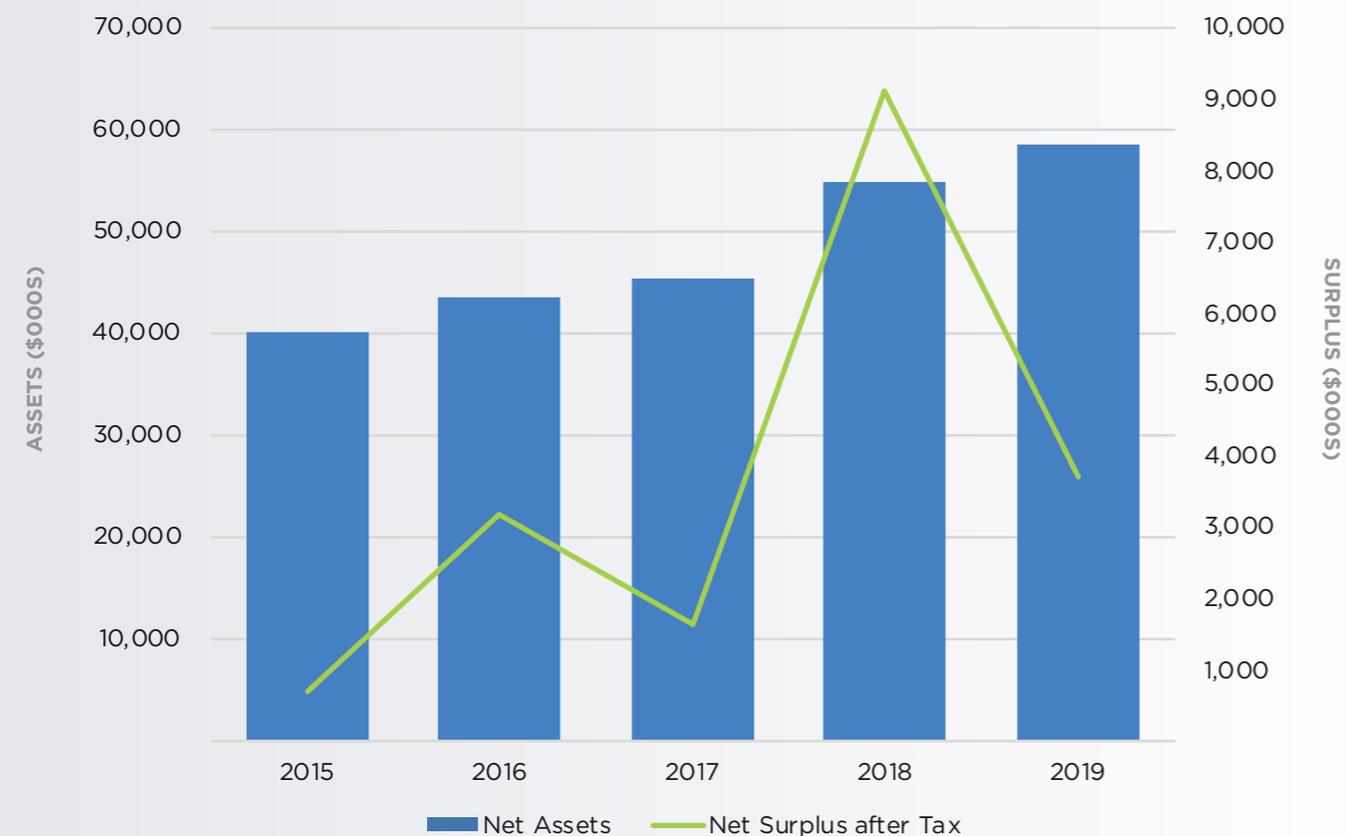
CHAIRMAN

PHOTO: Maara Moana mussel lines in Golden Bay.



# Financial Overview

## Ngāti Tama Group: Net Worth & Annual Surplus



### NOTES:

Details are summarised from Audited Financial Statements - A copy of the full Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2019 is available on request.

In 2019 the basis for valuing the Quota was changed to settlement cost from market value. This change has been reflected in prior year figures. Further details are in the Audited Financial Statements.

## Financial Performance

	2014/15 (\$000s)	2015/16 (\$000s)	2016/17 (\$000s)	2017/18 (\$000s)	2018/19 (\$000s)
Operating Revenue	1,574	2,123	2,710	3,628	3,280
Revaluations	-	1,207	596	4,547	2,634
Settlements	-	1,492	-	3,175	-
Other Revenue	155	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>4,822</b>	<b>3,306</b>	<b>11,350</b>	<b>5,914</b>
Expenses	832	1,583	1,600	2,051	1,896
Grants & Distributions	92	37	33	63	93
Taxation	106	30	32	118	219
<b>Net Surplus</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>3,172</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>9,118</b>	<b>3,706</b>

## Financial Position

	2014/15 (\$000s)	2015/16 (\$000s)	2016/17 (\$000s)	2017/18 (\$000s)	2018/19 (\$000s)
Bank and Cash	218	1,136	1,346	468	3,358
Term Deposits	11,904	3,494	613	518	500
Other Current Assets	93	292	229	201	237
Managed Funds	10,923	20,891	26,285	33,136	29,606
Other Investments	1,791	385	426	435	436
Investment Property	13,453	12,487	11,140	15,762	19,607
Cultural Assets	749	749	759	759	1,129
Quota and other intangible assets	1,119	4,378	4,606	3,884	4,011
Property, Plant and Equipment	6	91	103	63	80
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>40,256</b>	<b>43,903</b>	<b>45,507</b>	<b>55,226</b>	<b>58,964</b>
Current Liabilities	169	278	241	328	361
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>40,087</b>	<b>43,625</b>	<b>45,266</b>	<b>54,898</b>	<b>58,603</b>
After tax Return on Net Assets (excludes settlements)	2%	4%	4%	11%	6%

# Tama at a Glance

## Highlights

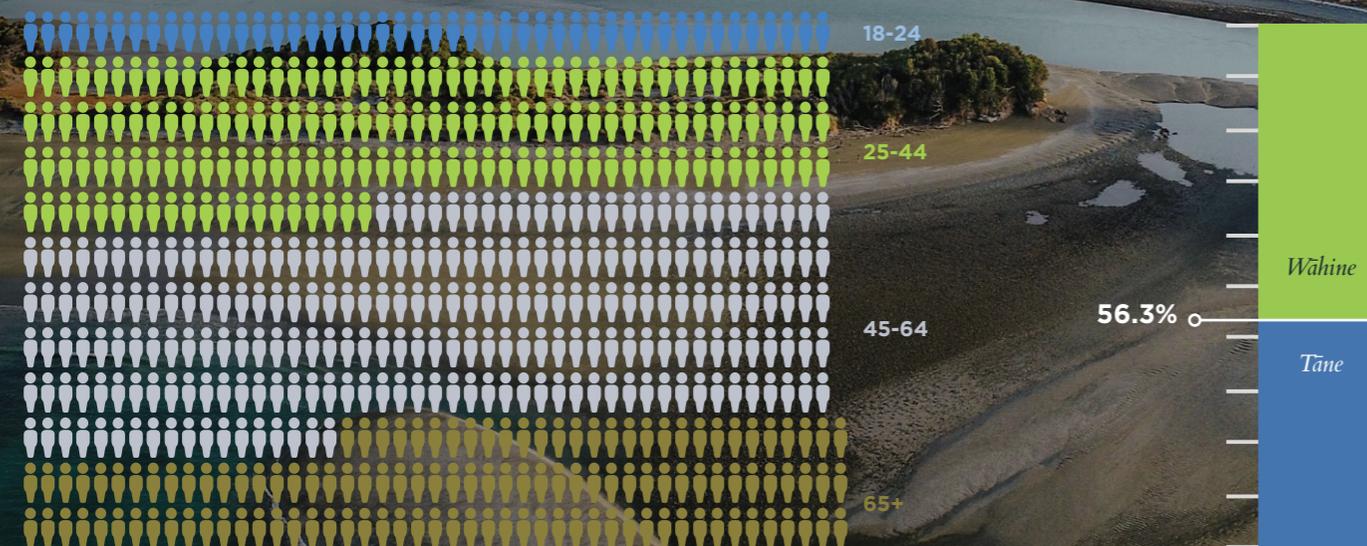
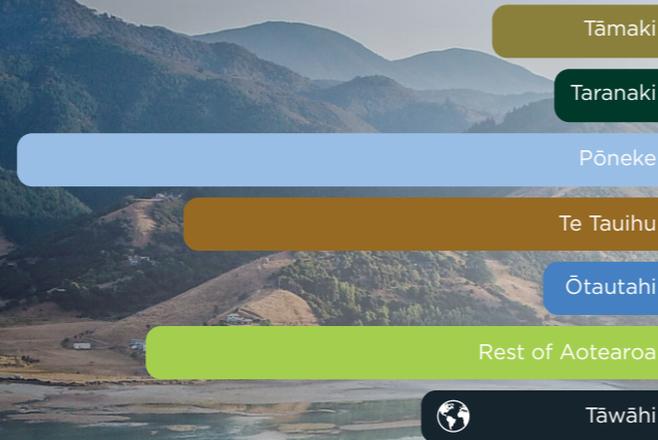
**\$3.7M**  
Net Surplus

**\$58M**  
Net Assets

**13,300Ha**  
Forestry Land

**555**  
Registered Whānau

### TAMA KI TE AO



- Preschool
- Primary & Intermediate
- Secondary
- Tertiary & Apprenticeship
- Manaaki Grant

## Education Grant Recipients

Mereana	Anderson	Otaki	Miller
Bridget	Ardron	Steven	Miller
Ian	Brons-Ware	Scarlett	Mitchell
Jordan	Burge	Bryn	Morgan
Jasmine-Anne	Day	Caylin	Morgan
Dhru	Elkington	Te Koomuri Aroha	-
Jershon	Elkington	Taarewa-i-te-rangi	-
Lanarain	Elkington	Brandon	Nicholls
Cody	Ford	Samantha	Nunns
Onetea	Ford	Russleigh	Parai
Tuakura	Ford	Arielle	Parai
Atawhai	Ford	Kyla	Parai
Ko'iawekaloha	Gilbert	Israel	Parai-Karepa
Manawanui	Gilbert	Reikorangi	Parai-Karepa
Hutana-Parana	Grant-Taylor	Blade	Parai-Tupene
Turehu	Hare-Herbert	Grayson	Parai-Tupene
Whareporera	Hare-Herbert	Saiyan	Parai-Tupene
Iwingaro	Hippolite	Logan	Parai-Tupene
Lisa	Hoeta	Drea	Parai-Tupene
Xavier	Hoeta-Flower	Ella-Jess	Parai-Ware
Wyntah	Karatau-Te Kuru	Nathan	Purdie
Johannah	Katene-Burge	Riley	Rei-Quinlan
Sierra	Katene-Burge	Fletcher	Ryan
Amohia	Keepa	Lachlan	Ryan
Mai-Aoreere	Keepa	Kiamaia	Snow
Teina	Kingi	Ginnae	Solomon
Te Kanawa	Kingi	Nassah	Solomon
Raewyn	Klenner	Ezaiah	Solomon
Meri Rosa	Little	Jason	Spicer
Tama	Little	Abby Mere	Stafford
Kiriana	Little	Georgia	Stafford
Tahana	Little	Te Manawa	Staples-Rei
Trini	Loftus	Paris	Studu
Maiana	Mason	Kelvin	Tapuke
Harriet	Mason	Te Rangimarie	Tapuke
Otis	Mason	Kotuku Komene	Tapuke
Keelia	Mason-Eru	Jesse-George	Teissonnieres-Smeaton
Kaiah	Mason-Eru	Wairere	Tepania
Helen	McConnell	Renee	Thomas
Glenn	McConnell	Senae	Turner
Waitahi	McGee	Bobbi	Ward-Holmes
Meihana	McGee	Maia	Wharewera-Ballard
Tarah	Miller	Renee	Wharewera-Ballard
		Sophia	White

# Grant Recipients

## Meet The Whānau

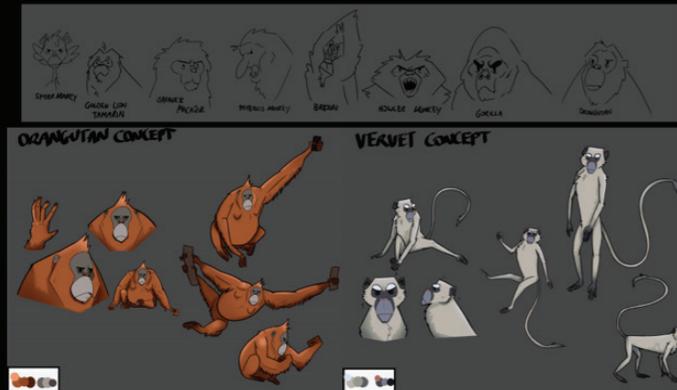
### JASON SPIER

Bachelor of Digital Design  
Auckland University of Technology

#### How did your past year of study go?

My first year went well Averaged an A to A- so did well. It was all a huge learning curve, all the things I learned was all new and nothing like I learned in High School. Learning about things like industry standards was such a big learning curve. The Maori whānau here at AUT are so supportive, and amazing. There is a peer support program where year 2-3 students support first year students. AUT are so supportive of their first year students.

**BELOW:** Concepts developed by Jason Spicer as part of his first-year assessments.



#### How did the education grant support you in achieving your education goals?

Incredibly thankful for the grant, it was a big weight off my shoulders, that I didn't have to think about.

#### What are your plans after study?

Preferably I would like to work at WETA, and it's the best way to get job opportunities anywhere else. This work can take you anywhere in the world, in NZ specifically WETA is the best place to go to. What people probably don't realise is WETA is a top business in the top world for visual effects and that is crazy when you think about how small we are. Once you get into WETA you can go anywhere overseas like Canada, and America, you can do whatever you want.



**ABOVE:** Ginnae with her husband and sons.

**BELOW:** Ginnae Solomon, Tiwai Parai (dad), Kyler Parai (sister), Arielle Parai (sister).



### GINNAE SOLOMAN

Bachelor of Applied Management  
Waikato Institute of Technology

#### How did your past year of study go?

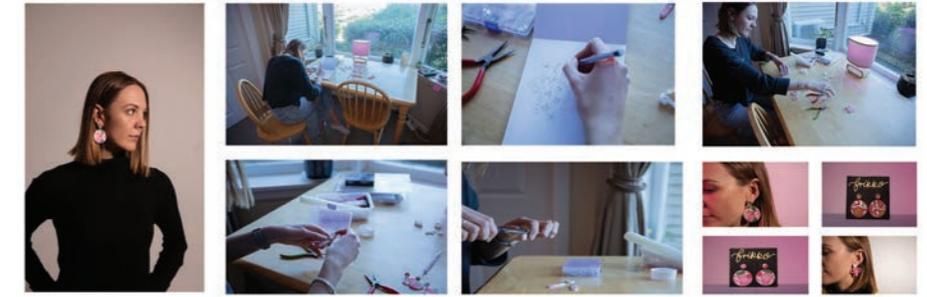
I study full time at WINTEC in the Waikato and I'm happy to report that I passed all my papers for my second year of study.

#### How did the education grant support you in achieving your education goals?

The grant was awesome. I apply for grants every year, not only for myself but also for my children as well. The grants help us as a whānau with the costs of rugby and basketball. The costs build up over the year and can cost up to \$400 per child per year and that's just for fees. For myself, the grant helped me pay for my parking on campus, petrol to get to school and get my whānau to school and work.

#### What are your plans after study?

I hope I can use my placement at the DHB to get my foot in the door and get a better position there for the major that I'm doing and work in my field. Before I started studying, I was a stay at home mum, so any foot in the door especially under the DHB is going to look good on my CV as a new mum in the workforce.



**ABOVE:** Mereana's commercial advertising work



### MEREANA ANDERSON

Bachelor of Design and Photography  
Massey University - Wellington

#### How did your past year of study go?

It went amazing, I did better than I expected to be honest. I was taken out of my comfort zone and got myself and my name out there. I started helping out at a local charity that helps get people into jobs, doing photos and that sort of thing.

#### How did the education grant support you in achieving your education goals?

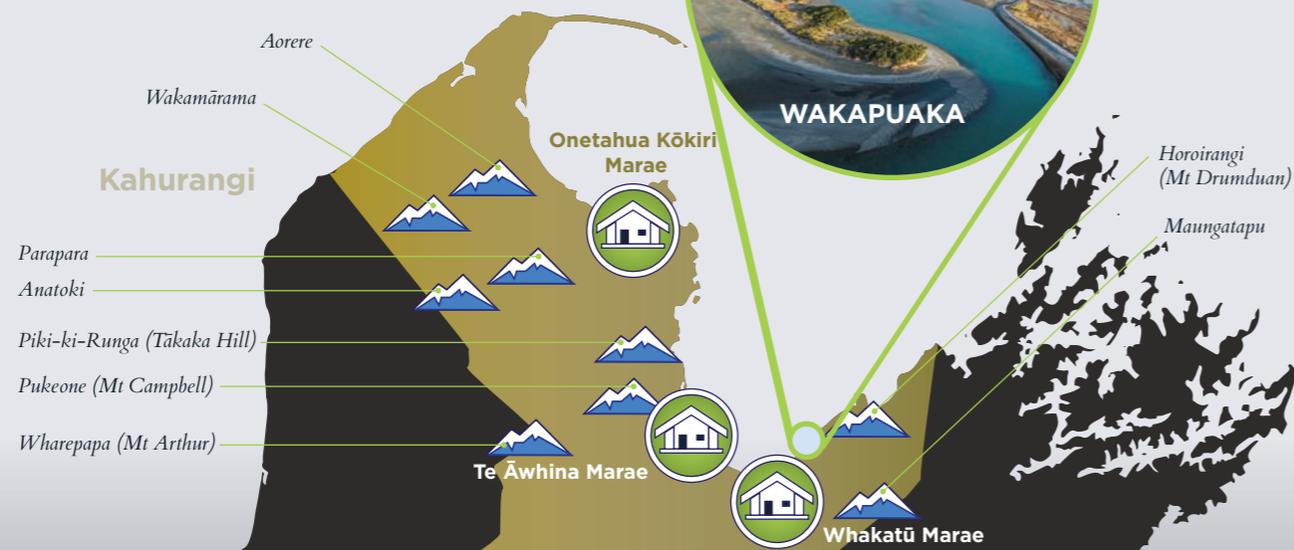
It helped me with doing a big project that I did in the first semester of last year. The project was based on my grandmother's memory and history back here in Wellington. I had to organise getting her down here to Wellington, accommodation and travel.

Printing at Uni is very expensive, and the grant helped with those costs and I got a good grade for that. The grant gave me a sense of ease knowing I have a bit of money in my account and getting that help when I really needed it. The grant also helped me get involved in iwi kaupapa, I do look for Tama sports team that I can get involved in, I have cousins that get involved in it.

#### What are your plans after study?

I would like to travel and see what my photography degree can take me. Maybe work with a company doing commercial photography and later do my teachers degree in Palmy and become a High School arts teacher. I think my arts teacher in High School inspired me on this path.

# Whenua Tūpuna



Wakapuaka includes: Haua urupā, Horoirangi, Whangamoā awa, Māheipuku, Puketī point, Ataata point, Rotokura.

Wakapuaka is ancestral lands and referred to as whenua tūpuna because of the whakapapa connections, both spiritual and physical, for the descendants of the Hūria Mātenga Trust, Wakapuaka 1B Trust and Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihū.

Delaware Bay was named after a significant historical event. The ancestor Hūria Mātenga was instrumental in the rescue of the crew from the ship named Delaware. In September 1863, the ship ran aground at Wakapuaka in stormy weather where Hūria along with her husband and others helped the crew ashore.

All but one of the crew were saved and Hūria Mātenga became a national heroine\*.

There are several wāhi tapu located at Wakapuaka which are reflected in the number of registered archaeological sites recording pā, urupā and taonga finds. Hūria urupā is located on the sandpit and the land is privately owned. Although not owned by whānau, haukāinga continue to protect the area.

Wakapuaka was well known for traditional fishing practices and mātaitai gatherers; a rich mahinga kai source as well for fisheries and birds. In 2002, a designated area near Delaware Bay was confirmed a Taiāpure, under the Fisheries Act 1983. The purpose of the Taiāpure is to protect,

restore and enhance the fisheries and habitat of the marine environment. The Taiāpure is managed by a committee of representatives from whānau, marine interest groups, and the community.

In the 1850's whānau resisted the sale of their land at Wakapuaka to the Crown during the period of the Waipounamu purchases. The Crown was forced by the Court to accept the status of Wakapuaka as land reserved for Māori.

Wī Kātene Te Pūoho and descendants enjoyed undisputed customary ownership of Māori land at Wakapuaka.

\* Gerard Hutching, 'Shipwrecks - Perils of the sea: 19th century', Te Ara - the Encyclopedia of New Zealand, <http://www.TeAra.govt.nz/en/shipwrecks/page-2> (accessed 15 October 2018)

# Whenua Kōrero



1883

**IN 1883** - the Native Land Court investigated the customary title again and affirmed Hūria Mātenga as the sole owner of the land including the mudflats. However, the status of the land changed from Māori customary land to Māori freehold land.



Many non-Māori families recalled asking Hūria Mātenga for permission to go fishing in the inlet and Bay in acknowledgment and recognition of her authority and rangatira status over the Wakapuaka area. That acknowledgment has continued through to Hūria's descendants that live in the area.



1986

**IN 1986** - the land was vested in an investigatory trust under section 438 Maori Affairs Act 1953 to determine the owners of land and estuary and to identify who should provide administration services.



1998

**IN 1998** - Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihū lodged an application to the Māori Land court to reaffirm status of land and estuary as Māori customary ownership.

**IN 1998** - the Crown challenged the status of the land and what was then known as 'mudflats'. The Crown submitted that mudflats are an estuary for the purpose of legal analysis and that the bed of the estuary be treated as foreshore and seabed.

Whānau maintained that the mudflats are part of Māori customary land reflecting the holistic worldview that everything is interconnected and interrelated.



TODAY

**TODAY** - Today the trustees of Hūria Mātenga Trust are Anaru Stephens, Fred Te Miha, Moetu Stephens and Taku Parai. The Māori Land Court vested the mudflat area in the Trust back in 1993.



**DERYK MASON**  
Ngāti Tama Representative on  
the Brook Waimārama  
Sanctuary Trust

## Kanohi Kitea

*Ngāti Tama representatives sit on various Boards and Committee's within Te Taihuhu to strengthen relationships and help protect the interests of Ngāti Tama. Deryk Mason is Ngāti Tama's representative on the Brook Waimārama Sanctuary Trust. Here is an update on the work being done at the sanctuary.*

It has been a progressive year for the 690ha Brook Waimārama Sanctuary Trust as its ecosystem restoration plan enters the next phase.

The Sanctuary now offers around 15kms of tracks open to visitors. Of note, the main, accessible Loop Track was finally made into a complete loop thanks to funding being secured (Lion Foundation, Charis Foundation and Fields Pond Foundation) for the construction of The Founder's Bridge. The Bridge was completed by the end of December 2019.

Visitor signage throughout the Sanctuary, updated branding, a more comprehensive visitor map and a new website were all key communication accomplishments during the last year.

Fundraising is a priority focus with hundreds of thousands of dollars needing to be raised annually through grants, sponsorships, and donations.

Recruiting volunteers is also a priority. While a predator-proof fence greatly reduces the danger to our vulnerable species, it does not eliminate predators completely and constant vigilance and response is needed. This bio security work, along with many other activities essential to the operation is made possible through an estimated 20,000 hours of voluntary labour per annum.

Happily, the Sanctuary is now on the brink of the reintroduction of endangered or lost native creatures. The list is long but initially the hope is to soon be welcoming back tīeke (saddleback), the very rare orange-fronted kākārīki and tuatara.



## Te Mahitahi o Te Taihuhu

Ngāti Tama has continued to grow and strengthen relationships with other Te Taihuhu iwi in support of building and maintaining a strong united presence across the region.

### TE TAIHU GM FORUM

Initiated in Sep 2018 by Ngāti Tama GM to provide a dedicated space for Te Taihuhu GM's to share experiences and identify opportunities for collective influence and resourcing.

### MAARA MOANA GROUP

Established as a result of Te Taihuhu iwi receiving a settlement entitlement of 20% of Aquaculture Management Areas (AMAs) in Tasman Bay and Golden Bay. Ngāti Tama's representation in Maara Moana is via Tama Asset Holding Company.



### TE PŪTAHITANGA O TE WAIPOUNAMU

The Whānau Ora commissioning agency for the South Island with representatives from all Te Taihuhu iwi and Ngāi Tahu.

### REGIONAL INTERSECTORAL FORUM

This forum has existed for several years as a collaboration of iwi, government agencies and local council across four Pou - Cultural, Economic, Environment and Social. Ngāti Tama now participates in all four Pou and has provided technical skills to key projects.

### TE KOTAHITANGA MŌ TE TAI AO ALLIANCE

An alliance formed by Councils, Iwi and DOC focussed on landscape-scale conservation projects that also have environmental, social, economic and cultural benefits.

Ngāti Tama also continues to actively participate collectively with the other iwi in Taonga Tūturu, Te Taihuhu Iwi Chairs and Te Taihuhu Fisheries Forum.





Flowing from the peak  
at Horoirangi\* are the  
cool freshwater springs.

Flowing from my eyes  
are the warm tears of  
joy and aroha.

*Kei Horoirangi ngā  
punawai mātao.*

*Kei aku kamo ngā  
punawai wera e.*

\* Interchangeable with any other ancestral peak name



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