

TAUHARA NORTH NO.2 TRUST

NEWSLETTER | HŌNGONGOI - JULY 2020
COVID-19 PĀNUI

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā karanga maha, Tena koutou kātoa.

Ki o tātou mate tuatini i takoto mai ai i runga i o tātou marae maha, kua uhia rātou ki ngā taumata korero e tika ana hei poroporoaki i a rātou. Nā reira me ki pēnei ake te korero, tukuna rātou kia okioki i runga i te moenga roa. Ko rātou te hunga mate ki a rātou kua wheturangitia rātou. Ko tātou te hunga ora ki a tātou. Tēnā ano tātou kātoa.

Kia mau ki te whenua
Whakamahia te whenua
Hei painga mo ngā uri whakatipuranga

Congratulations to everyone for getting through COVID19 and keeping our whanau of 9000 owners and descendants safe. The health and wellbeing of Aotearoa is certainly benefitting from the sacrifices we all made earlier. However, I also acknowledge those who we lost along the way and certainly pay respect to the many who have lost their lives overseas and continue to do so.

These have been extraordinary times and Tauhara North No.2 Trust has reacted in extraordinary ways that have held the values and taonga passed on to us by past owners and tupuna. I would like to acknowledge the extra days of hard yards put in by your Trustees, our Group CEO Mana Newton and all of our Tauhara staff who moved swiftly to cope with changes such as working from home so that it was business as usual for TN2T.

Over the coming months we will be rolling out mahi and support including our AGM. I would like to signal that the next AGM which will be held before the end of 2020 and will be for owners only and their support people. We will also be keeping a close eye on COVID developments in this country and will postpone it again if we need to for everyone's safety.

Thank you all for your continued support. Your correspondence of thanks has been much appreciated by us all. Ngā mihi ki a koutou kātoa.

Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui.
Be strong, Be brave, Be courageous/steadfast.

Ngahihi o te ra Bidois
Chair TN2T



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Tena tatou katoa e te whanau whanui o Tauhara North No2 Trust,

Our world is facing unprecedented challenges due to COVID 19, the Corona Virus. Across the globe Nations are planning, protecting and trying to stop the spread of the virus. Since then we have been keeping ourselves up-to-date on the COVID 19 Pandemic around the world and particularly in New Zealand.

Like many of our Tauhara North No. 2 Trust whanau, COVID 19 has meant many changes to the 'business as usual' activities of the Trust. This includes the AGM, our grants, camps, educational programmes, business operations and many more. This newsletter is to inform whanau about some of the COVID 19 impacts and to update whanau on what we are doing to support and continue to serve you.

It was humbling as a Trust to receive so many messages of thanks and appreciation from our owners and descendants during this time. Many of our kaumatua had fun trying new recipes through kai packs while others shared about valuable time with their whanau. Whatever you did during the COVID 19 lockdown we hope you were safe and had good support through whanau and friends.

I would like to thank our Tauhara North No. 2 Trust team. They have had a huge amount of work with the additional COVID 19 grants as well as the standard grants processing. We will never get everything right but our team has made an amazing effort in trying to support our owners and descendants.

Lastly, during trialling times it is important to hold onto what is most important to you. As a Trust the things that are important to us are simple, it is our whakapapa, our whenua and kaitiaki of our whenua, and it is our people of yesterday, today, and the future.

Kia mau ki te whenua,
Whakamahia te whenua,
Hei painga mo nga uri whakatipuranga.

Nga mihi,
Mana Newton

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COVID 19 IMPACTS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

SUPPORT DURING LOCKDOWN PERIOD

As many of you know when we first went into level 4 lockdown the Trust acted quickly to support whanau with the following:



Kaumatua kai support during level 4 and level 3.



Special Kaumatua grant



Household grant for \$200 per household.



Increase to owner's dividend to \$320,000 and immediate payment

From the number of responses many owners and descendants have feedback their appreciation. We are grateful to be in a position that we are able to connect with so many of our whanau and support through these difficult times.

If you have not received this support but believe that you should have please contact us 0800 828 427 or through email info@tauharano2.co.nz

ADDITIONAL COVID 19 SUPPORT

We understand that for many of our whanau and our country the impact of COVID 19 continues to cause distress and more support is needed.

Based on this need the Trustees have determined that the Trust would like to do a second round of financial support for our whanau as follows:

- An additional Kaumatua grant
- A second owners' dividend of \$320,000 and paid with owners' approval. (see voting details attached).
- An additional household grant for \$200 per household.

The COVID 19 support grants will be held open until 31 December. If we don't have your bank account details please contact us at **0800 828 427** or through email info@tauharano2.co.nz

***For whanau living overseas** we will pay into a bank account you have nominated. Please be advised we will have to call the owner of the account as well to confirm use of their account unless you provide an email.*

TN2T 2020 ELECTIONS

The 2020 Trustee elections are about to open with nominations beginning in the coming weeks. For our owners please watch your mail for communications on nomination forms. Once we complete the nomination process we will begin elections.

AGM 2020

As many of our whanau are aware we had postponed the 2019 AGM due to COVID 19 which was set to happen on 21 March, 2020. We are preparing to hold the 2019 AGM in October this year and will have further communication closer to the date.

TRUST UPDATES

CAMPS

The global impact of Covid-19 has led to the postponement of TN2T Youth Camps in 2020. With much anticipation and excitement, we plan to return in 2021 with a New-Look, Rohe-based Summer Camp Experience.

Join whanau from all over Aotearoa in a journey of self-discovery and interconnectedness. Kia Mau ki to Ukaipo - Summer Camp is an opportunity for our rangatahi to form positive connections with whanau and whenua, and to develop essential life skills and gain confidence.

Through whenua-based activities and challenges campers can experience an increased sense of esteem as they master activities and explore their cultural identity and heritage as descendants of Ngati-Tahu Ngati Whaoa.

SUMMER CAMPS 2021 - COMING SOON, KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR YOUR INVITATION EARLY IN THE MAIL.

EDUCATION

We are pleased to announce that Tauhara North No2 Trust has granted approval to fund extra tuition for our Tauhara students again from Term 3 onwards.

If you are interested in educational support we may be able to help in the form of extra tuition lessons or assist you with funding towards a learning disability assessment. If your student is experiencing other learning difficulties we may be able to provide support in this area.

There has been a delay getting the Before School packs delivered but they are on their way. All our registered tamariki turning 5 years of age receive a school bag packed full of awesome goodies from us to acknowledge and celebrate the beginning of their learning journey.

For more information regarding education call Maraea on 027 455 9740.

TRUST WHENUA

In the past year, we have cleared about 15ha of large size blackberry (> 2m high), wilding pines, broom, gorse and other scrub weeds. We also restored a longstanding wetland that had become silted up and overgrown with pasture grasses.

The area was cleaned out, including unclogging six natural springs, some of which are geothermal, so as to allow standing water to return to the site. A couple of islands were shaped to allow safe nesting places for wildfowl and ducks. Areas cleared of scrub weeds are being maintained to prevent their return and to control animal pests. Fences are being renovated to keep stock out.

To date, ten thousand indigenous (native) trees and shrubs have been replanted and flaxes and other water plants are being planted around the wetland. Many more trees are to be planted in the next few years until the whenua and Reserve (running beside the Awa) have been restored. The trunks of the wilding pines have been cut into firewood and delivered to our local kaumātua.

Our thanks to Ngati Tahu/Ngati Whaoa Rūnanga Trust for their support on these projects.

