

# TE PŪRONGO Ā-TAU ANNUAL REPORT 2020



**TE TATAU O  
TE ARAWA**

## HE MIHI

**Koherī!**  
**Koherā!**  
**Tūtapa mai nuku**  
**Tūtapa mai whiti**  
**Ka rongo te pō**  
**Ka rongo te ao**  
**Kia kōtata mai tō hau manawa ki tōku aronga manawa**  
**Kia puta ki te whai ao**  
**Ki te ao mārama**  
**Tihei Mauri Ora!**

A tēnā, ka tahuri atu ki ō tātau mate huhua, haere e ngā mate, haere atu koutou i te huanui, i te ara kua papatauria e te tapuwae kauika tangata. Takoto mai koutou i te urunga e kore e nekehia, i te moenga e kore e hikitia. Ka tangi kotokoto tonu ki ngā waha kōrero, ngā whakataunga wairua me ngā kaihautū o ngā marae maha o Te Arawa otirā, o ngā tai e wha, kua ngaro rehurehu atu i te ara e kore e titiro whakamuri mai anō. Ehara rā te kākahu o aituā i te kākahu hou, he mea i ūhia ki te ao i te horahanga mai o te takapau i whakamamaetia ai tō te tangata whānautanga mai ki tēneki ao. Haere, haere, haere whakaoti atu rā.

Ka tahuri mai ki a tātau te hunga ora e pīkau tonu ana i ngā kaupapa i mahue mai ai e rātou mā hei kōkiri mā tātau. Tēnei anō te mihi maioha a Te Tatau o Te Arawa ki a koutou, otirā tātau katoa. E tika ana kia whakaupokohia te pūrongo nei ki te mihi i te mea ai hoki koinei te whaiwhai noa ake i ngā tikanga a kui mā, a koro mā.

Kāti me pēneki pea te whiore o ēnei mihi hei whakaūnga mā tātau,  
***Tōia Te Arawa tapotū ki te moana mā wai e tō? Mā te whakaranga ake!***  
***Te Arawa māngai nui, upoko taki tahi e kore e nuku!***

Kāti ake ngā mihi i koneki,  
Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātau katoa

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## KO WAI MĀTOU | OUR BOARD

We have 14 Te Tatau o Te Arawa members representing the diverse voices of Te Arawa as elected in August 2019. The board brings a mix of skillsets, wealth of knowledge and experience.

### TE ARAWA IWI & HAPŪ



**Aroha Bray**



**Eraia Kiel**



**Gina Mohi**



**Dr Kēpa Morgan**



**Potaua Biasiny-Tule**



**Te Taru White**

### NGĀTI WHAKAUE



**Rangitiaria Tibble**  
**PAN TE ARAWA**  
**ENTITIES**



**Te Mauri Kingi**  
**KOEKE**



**Geoffrey Rolleston**



**David (Rawiri) Waru**

### LAND TRUSTS & INCORPORATIONS

#### RANGATAHI



**Eugene Berryman-Kamp**



**Kiri Potaka-Dewes**



**Danielle Marks**



**Kahutapeka Ututaonga**

## TE KAUPAPA O TE TATAU O TE ARAWA

Te Tatau o Te Arawa is an independent Charitable Trust working to achieve:

### OUR VISION

Sustainable, intergenerational well-being of People, Culture and Place within te rohe o Te Arawa.

### OUR MISSION

To serve and represent Te Arawa whānui and to work in partnership with Rotorua Lakes Council to achieve enhanced socio-economic and cultural prosperity for Te Arawa, for Māori and for the wider community in the Rotorua district.

### OUR VALUES

	<b>Tikanga &amp; kawa</b>	We respect and practice Te Arawa tikanga and kawa
	<b>Tātau Tātau</b>	We work together towards a shared vision, we value diversity and promote collaborative solutions
	<b>Rangatiratanga</b>	We recognise that each partner has autonomy, different lines of accountability and we enable each party to develop and grow in its own way while recognising and acknowledging each other's independence
	<b>Whakaaro Pai</b>	We will create an environment of trust, goodwill and respect towards each other, recognising and understanding the capabilities and constraints each party brings to the relationship
	<b>Manawhenua</b>	We acknowledge and value the right for hapū and iwi to represent their specific interests directly with Council. We support this by focusing on the collective interests of Te Arawa and plan an enabling role for hapū and iwi to have direct engagement
	<b>Tauutuutu</b>	We recognise and value balance and reciprocity
	<b>Whakapapa</b>	We respect Te Arawa whakapapa and the origins of kaupapa
	<b>Te Tiriti o Waitangi</b>	We respect the intent, the full text, the principles, and application of Te Tiriti o Waitangi
	<b>Fenton Agreement</b>	We respect the intent, the full text and the principles of the Fenton Agreement

## HUI Ā-TAU 2019 | 2019 AGM MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT GHA OFFICE ON SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 2PM.

#### Present

Eugene Berryman-Kamp, Mala Grant, Te Taru White, Jude Pani, Jenny Riini, Aroha Bray, Geoff Rolleston, Kēpa Morgan, Rawiri Waru, Gina Mohi, Kahutapeka Ututaonga, Kiri Potaka-Dewes, Danielle Marks, Harina Rupapera, Martyn Evans, Tiana Hodge, Kingi Biddle, Trevor Maxwell, Cheyane Kahukiwa, Glenn Hawkins, Te Mauri Kingi.

#### Karakia

Rawiri Waru

#### Apologies

Eraia Kiel, Te Mauri Kingi (late).

**RESOLVED:** That the apologies be accepted.  
Rawiri/Te Taru *Carried*

#### Minutes of Previous AGM

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the 2019 AGM be accepted  
as a true and accurate record.  
Rawiri/Mala *Carried*

#### Chair's Report

Te Taru presented his report.

#### Council partnership

We are around the committee tables and influence the conversation, however, we need to influence operations as well. Need good strong leadership at second tier level. Te Tatau influenced the appointment of Gina Rangi and the Ahurei, and more recently Kingi Biddle in his Pukenga Māori role. We can now focus on our governance role.

#### Projects

Three exciting projects Te Tatau is undertaking are Te Arawa E Vision; Rotorua Reorua; and building our hapū and iwi capabilities.

#### Acknowledgments

Te Taru acknowledged new board members, as well as returning member Geoff Rolleston and Rangitīria Tibble who replaced Tina Ngatai and Kingi Biddle respectively, following their resignations from the board. He thanked Jude Pani and Jenny Riini for their mahi; Rosemary Rangitūira and Megan Lacey and Karla Kereopa for their contribution; and Glenn Hawkins for his support.

Geoff acknowledged Cr Trevor Maxwell and Kingi Biddle for attending the AGM as representatives of the council. He said he would have thought that because Te Tatau has a partnership with the council, one or two others might have attended.

Trevor thanked the chair for his report. He said Te Tatau o Te Arawa is successful and have the accolades and awards to prove it. He said the naysayers are getting less and less.

Kingi acknowledged the mahi of Mauriora Kingi and he said having Te Tatau o Te Arawa bodes well for Rotorua.

**RESOLVED:** That the Chair's Report be received.  
Rawiri/Gina *Carried*

#### Reports from Committee Appointments

##### Strategy, Policy & Finance

Eugene Berryman-Kamp presented report.

We can genuinely put a Te Arawa perspective around the council table. When we get the SP&F pack, we can share that with the 14 Te Tatau board members to get their input, which is a great advantage. If we get it right for Te Arawa, we are going to get it right for everyone else.

There have been improvements since having three Te Arawa staff in high level operational roles at Council. Need to remind them of the issues for Te Arawa and to re-organise the thinking.

#### **Operations & Monitoring Committee**

Rawiri Waru presented report.

#### **Resource Management Act Committee**

Gina Mohi presented report.

With long-term plans coming up for councils, there may be an opportunity for Te Tatau to facilitate workshops for whānau.

There is a covenant over clearing native bush on whenua identified as being of significance to the district. RMA Committee recommendation to Council was a rates rebate at the next rates review on areas landowners can't clear; they should not have to pay for the resource consent for fencing or any other work on the whenua; and establishing a fund for fencing, planting etc.

The biggest frustration on the committee is continually having to ask about the iwi engagement process. Gina has given a formal tono to the chair to investigate the internal process on cultural impacts etc.

The board congratulated Gina for being the winner of the National Westpac Award for Rural Wahine of the Year.

#### **Rangatahi Report**

Te Mauri Kingi presented report.

A key point is that diversity amongst young people is growing. Te Tatau is a good vehicle to lead rangatahi kaupapa.

**RESOLVED: That the committee reports be received.  
Kiri/Harina Carried**

#### **Manahautū Report**

Jude Pani presented her report.

#### **Election**

This year, Te Tatau started its first solely managed election. Electoral Services were contracted. Elections commenced in May, and incoming trustees were elected in August. Jude and Jenny facilitated kano ki-te-kano ki engagement at marae, but it was mainly a social media campaign, which Rosemary and Megan pushed hard. Kingi and Mala also worked alongside Jude, and really encouraged enrolment on the Te Arawa register, managed by TALT. Jude said it was a privilege working with the last board, and she is excited about working with the new board – a mix of sound experience and fresh energy – over the next triennium.

#### **Te Arawa E**

Te Arawa E covers three kaupapa – Vision, Rotorua Reorua and Mana Whenua Hapū Capability. Jude and Jenny decided to link the work together for funding and engagement. Te Puni Kōkiri is providing overarching funding support across all 3 streams.

#### **1. Vision**

Te Tatau was mandated to develop a Te Arawa Vision and secured funding from Lotteries and DIA to begin work. Jude has been impressed by Jenny's hard work and attention to detail. Draft submission is expected Christmas/New Year, with a launch in the first quarter of 2020. Phase 2 thereafter is about turning the Vision into a spatial plan.

#### **2. Rotorua Reorua**

Rotorua Reorua was launched in 2017, with the first two phases led by Kerri-Anne Hancock. Have moved into Phase 3, which is about normalising te reo Māori and sustainability. This year, the project plan has been implemented with funding support from Te Mātāwai. We have a certain number of reorua events to deliver under Te Mātāwai criteria.

#### **3. Mana Whenua Hapū Capability**

Have been working with mandated hapū willing to partner with us at places where Council has an active strategic involvement. Te Tatau is partnering with the University of Canterbury's Geospatial Research Institute and the Ōhinemutu Working Group on a piece of software geographically centred around Ōhinemutu Village that captures their narratives, stories and taonga – including geothermal in the place-based tool. The three-year project is being funded under MBIE's Endeavour Fund. A prototype will be created by December.

We are also supporting Ngāpuna on their planning processes with council.

We have also begun acting as an umbrella funder for different Te Arawa rūpū who don't have governance structures but have projects they want to deliver. We umbrella those rūpū and RECT and TPK are happy as long as they come through Te Tatau.

Te Tatau now has charitable status after trying for three years.

Jude acknowledged the support of Te Tatau contractors and funders, along with TAML and GHA.

**RESOLVED: That Jude's report be received.  
Te Taru/Rawiri Carried**

### **Financial Report**

Glenn Hawkins, GHA, presented his report.

#### **Financial Performance**

TOTAL REVENUE: \$339,703  
PROJECT COSTS: \$65,467  
EXPENSES: \$269,404  
**YEAR'S SURPLUS: \$4,832**

#### **Financial Position**

TOTAL ASSETS: \$201,940  
LIABILITIES: \$179,967  
**NET ASSETS/EQUITY: \$21,973**

We are a charity, so we are not here to make a lot of money, but we do need to be able to buy any equipment we need and continue to be sustainable.

Te Taru said he was really impressed with the financial result. It is relative to what has been achieved. He thanked Glenn for staying true to the obligations of the trust.

**RESOLVED: That the board approve the annual financial statements  
for the year ended 30 June 2019.  
Aroha/Danielle Carried**

### **Confirmation of Chair & Deputy Chair**

Te Taru stepped aside and let the board discuss.

Jude advised at a recent hui, Te Tatau confirmed that in the spirit of succession planning, it would appoint the chair and their committee representatives and review annually.

Kēpa nominated Te Taru for chair and Mala as deputy chair. As there were no other nominations, the pair were appointed.

### **Confirmation of Nominations to Council Committees**

At the hui, Eugene and Rawiri put their names forward again for continuity purposes for the first year, which the board approved. Aroha, Danielle and Kahutapeka also put their names forward. Eugene and Danielle would be the Strategy, Policy & Finance representatives; and Rawiri and Aroha would sit on the Operations & Monitoring Committee, while Kahutapeka would be shadow the pair. After a year, Te Tatau could re-look at it.

Kiri requested to sit on a committee. Kēpa has put his hand up to go through the RMA Commissioners Programme. Jude and Rawiri are accredited RMA Commissioners and happy to fill in any gaps for Te Tatau.

### **General Business**

No further business.

Rawiri closed the AGM with a karakia.

## TE PŪRONGO A TE TIAMANA | TE TARU WHITE

### Tēnā rā tātou katoa,

The reporting year ending 30 June 2020, has been a series of highs and lows but thankfully the reach and resilience of our Board and operational staff to uphold the mandate given by Te Arawa to work on their behalf and in partnership with the Rotorua Lakes Council has endured.

The Te Tatau o Te Arawa elections in August last year followed by the local government elections, the passing of our Deputy Chair Ngaroma (Mala) Grant and of course COVID19 all added to a challenging and un-nerving year for Te Tatau. While cumulatively, this had the potential to undermine the efforts of Te Tatau, I am pleased to say, we stayed the course.



*Te Taru White*

In terms of the elections, there is always a nervousness around what the end result might be as all Board positions are up for grabs and having a strong, diverse and skilled Board is essential for success. That has been achieved so congratulations Te Arawa, you have chosen well. New Board members have settled in and some have been appointed to key Council Committees alongside the “old hands.” Committee members will give you a sense of key issues they have fronted with Council later in our AGM report.

The loss of our whanaunga and dear friend Mala, was deeply felt. Her heart was always with our people and as TTOT’s Deputy Chair, I valued her wise and steadying counsel and the calmness she brought to her role. Before she passed, she expressed a desire to see a unified Te Arawa bringing positive change for our people. She was a beautiful soul, sorely missed and her parting comments are not lost in our endeavours.

COVID 19 brought a dramatic halt to the year that was to be. The impacts are well known but that did not stop Te Arawa from showing its class and resilience in the face of adversity. The COVID19 strategy employed by Te Arawa, the hapū/iwi engagement and supporting whanau on the ground was an exemplar of Te Arawa’s ability to collectively organise itself and was impressive. It showed the power and influence of a unified Te Arawa that Mala so desired - as do we all.

With that in mind, the work undertaken by Te Tatau on the development of a Te Arawa 2050 Vision document was a monumental effort in the reporting year. It brought together many Te Arawa entities and individuals across generations, to forge a vision to 2050 of where Te Arawa believes it should be. It speaks to our origins and values as a foundation upon which to build. It is a transformational document well received by Te Arawa and while COVID19 delayed its launch to the next reporting year, it was a significant high in a year of major challenges. Work on its implementation will be the focus of the next reporting year and beyond.

Te Tatau is continuing its efforts to build Rotorua as a truly bilingual city and while progress has been slower than we would have liked, we are confident over the next electoral triennium that we will have taken major strides to normalising Te Reo in Rotorua as a bilingual city.

The third leg in a trifecta of major projects referred to as “Te Arawa E” (the first two being Vision2050 and Rotorua Reorua) is the building of Hapū capability particularly as it relates to equipping them with tools, to strengthen their participation in Council planning processes and decision-making - including a joint venture project with Canterbury University with a focus on Ōhinemutu as a pilot.

These Te Arawa E projects are “the highs” of this year and taking these to conclusion, along with continuing the work our members are doing on key Council committees gives me confidence, that we are giving our best efforts to honour the mandate Te Arawa has given us to represent them in a partnership with Council.

At present partnership remains a key aspiration and is work in progress. However, Te Arawa are here forever, capability is rising, and true partnership is inevitable. Te Tatau will remain focussed on the work it needs to do to contribute to making this happen.

Importantly all this requires resources. In this reporting year as for previous years, we have had a \$250,000 contribution from Council including GST with an expectation that we find additional resources elsewhere. Through the excellent work of our Manahautū Jude Pani, we have had strong sponsorship from other agencies and research institutions that have supported us to progress the Te Arawa E projects. This has enabled Te Tatau to report a positive financial result for the year ending 30 June 2020.

Finally, I would like to offer my sincere thanks and gratitude to fellow Board members for their enduring commitment and representation on behalf of Te Arawa, our people, culture, and place. I acknowledge it can be taxing given that they all have “day jobs” and commitments elsewhere and I truly respect them for the time they were able to give.

A very warm thank you to our Manahautū Jude Pani whose guidance and skilful advice on “matters Council” has proven to be a great enabler for Te Tatau. I have particularly valued her loyalty to Te Tatau and the trust she has built over the years. There are others who Jude has brought on board to help with our collective effort namely the tireless workhorse Jenny Riini and our communication people Megan Lacey and Rosemary Rangitauira. Their efforts are much appreciated. I also wish to acknowledge Glenn Hawkins and his team from GHA. They are very supportive of the kaupapa and as our Accountants continue to provide Te Tatau with sound professional advice and support.

A final acknowledgement to our Mayor Steve Chadwick, members of Council and staff. As I have indicated, partnership is work in progress and as Chair of Te Tatau I have appreciated their effort and intent, and I do believe good progress has been made. Te Tatau will continue to play its part as long as our people continue to support the model and of course as long as our partner wishes to continue. The key measure will always be a test of what we do and achieve rather than what we say.

Ngā mihi nunui ki a koutou katoa,

**Te Taru White**  
**Chairman**

## TE PŪRONGO A NGĀ MĀNGAI | REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

### STRATEGY, POLICY & FINANCE: Eugene Berryman-Kamp & Danielle Marks

Over the last year, Danielle Marks and myself were the two Te Tatau o Te Arawa members appointed to the council's Strategy, Policy & Finance committee. The committee has oversight and makes recommendations to Council on the adoption and development of all its strategic, policy, planning and regulatory frameworks. Its members are made up of the mayor and all councillors, two Te Tatau o Te Arawa members, one Lakes Community Board member, one Rural Community Board member, with full voting rights for all members.

The committee's function is to receive, consider, hear submissions and making recommendations based on council reports on matters such as:

- Draft plans strategies and policies (such as the Long-term Plan, Annual Plan; funding and financial policies; reserves management plans and asset management plans)
- Rating policy; financial strategy and budgets
- Bylaws, including hearing submissions
- Council's strategic direction and District Vision
- Reports from working/strategy groups
- Development of guidelines for council strategic decision making
- Establishment of levels of service across Council services to ensure alignment with strategic goals and priorities
- Development of Treasury and funding functions
- Oversight of Council controlled organisations (including the appointment and remuneration of Directors, formation of constitutions and shareholder agreements)
- Proposals for the sale and purchase of land
- Issues relating to Council leases
- Draft Council submissions/responses in relation to Central government policies, plans and proposed legislative reform; Proposals by other organisations/authorities (local and regional).



*Eugene Berryman-Kamp*



*Danielle Marks*

I have been a member of the SP & F since 2016 and found this committee to be very interesting and wide-ranging. The importance of ensuring the Te Arawa perspective is incorporated into the strategic and policy considerations of council, is not to be underestimated. Danielle and I needed to be able to input into the council process in a way that ensures that Te Arawa's interests are considered, but also in a way that ensures the entire community's interests are considered. Danielle Marks, one of our rangatahi representatives, joined me on the committee this year and this is beneficial for succession planning, as well as Danielle's legal studies background and strong rangatahi perspective.

**Eugene Berryman-Kamp**

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## **OPERATIONS & MONITORING: Rawiri Waru & Aroha Bray**

Toia Te Arawa tapotū ki te moana, mā wai e tō? Māku e tō! Mā Te Tatau o Te Arawa e tō.  
Kei aku iti, kei aku rahi, kei ngā uri o nunui mā, o roroa mā,  
Tēnā rā koutou katoa,  
Nei rā te kupu whakamihi te rere tika ake nei ki a koutou, otirā tātau katoa!

I am once again privileged to be one of your representatives on the O&M committee of RLC in my second term on Te Tatau. This is indeed a position I take very seriously sitting alongside my fellow Te Tatau board member, Aroha Bray. Tēnei te mihi maioha ki a koe Aroha. Nōku kē te whiwhi. Together we have ensured that a Te Arawa worldview in Council processes is heard clearly and articulately.



*Rawiri Waru*

The experience gained over the last 4 years or so has put me in good stead to represent Te Arawa appropriately with intelligence, strength and an unwavering unapologetically Te Arawa stance. For this, I must thank my fellow trustees and our operational team for the leadership, support and wise counsel. It is only because of you that Aroha and I are able to do what we do. Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari he toa takitini!

Some of the major kaupapa for me in this period that have come across the table are things like the continued debate around waste water discharge solutions, the Covid 19 response, local commercial and residential developments, mana whenua relationships, RLC cultural capability and capacity, LTP processes and of course in amongst all this, navigating the political landscape which has proven to be very interesting to say the least. I will continue to give 100% to our kaupapa and represent Te Arawa to the best of my ability at all times.

Tēnā tātau katoa

### **Rawiri Waru**

As a new Te Tatau o Te Arawa board member, I was rapt to be given a seat around the committee table to provide a Te Arawa worldview in Council processes. However, after I attended my first two hui I realised they were drawn-out affairs with endless kōrero about issues not necessarily relevant to the kaupapa. Fortunately, the schedule was changed to allow for a productive hui in a more acceptable time frame. And what a difference it has made. I really enjoy taking part in the hui and have learnt so much.



*Aroha Bray*

The feedback Rawiri and I receive before each hui from Eugene, Gina and Kēpa has proven to be immeasurable, while Jude has always been available with her expertise at the drop of a hat. I'm not only grateful, but blown away by their intelligence and overall knowledge of Council issues and dynamics.

Admittedly, I was very nervous about contributing during the first few hui. But I have found my feet and no longer conscious about all eyes being on me. In fact, I get a buzz every time I press that green button on the microphone to speak on behalf of Te Arawa.

Every single agenda item discussed in these hui is important to Te Arawa, and I believe Te Arawa is strongly represented via the Te Tatau o Te Arawa board.

### **Aroha Bray**

## **AUDIT & RISK, AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW: Geoff Rolleston**

I am pleased to be able to report on my role as Te Tatau o Te Arawa representative on both the Audit and Risk Committee and the Chief Executive's Performance Review Committee. With our Chairman Te Taru White recusing himself from RLC committee roles owing to his election as Regional Councillor for the Ōkurei Constituency and being a member of similar committees for the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, I was appointed to Audit and Risk and CE Performance Review committees following the 2019 local government elections.



*Geoff Rolleston*

Serving as an appointed member on these committees has been both rewarding and frustrating. To be able to make a difference in local government while navigating through the suite of local government legislation is challenging. Along with the tight timeframes receiving agendas only two days prior to the meeting, bringing into the committee kōrero the views of Te Tatau was at times problematic with both these committees dealing almost entirely with confidential information. There are legal requirements relating to how members of committees manage confidential information presented to the committees.

Included in the purpose of the Audit and Risk Committee is monitoring the council's external and internal audit process and supporting measures to improve management performance and internal controls. A major issue for this year was providing overview of the risk management framework in the COVID-19 environment.

The Chief Executive's Performance Review Committee this year, under the guidance of Greg Timms (external consultant) reappointed Geoff Williams to the Chief Executive position for a further 5-year term. The Committee has also worked alongside the Chief Executive to establish his key performance indicators for the coming year and will continue to review his performance throughout the year.

Again, with COVID-19 the landscape and outcomes expected of the Chief Executive were refocused and the organisation needed to be agile enough to react to these changes.

Tenā tātau katoa

**Geoff Rolleston**

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## TE PŪRONGO A TE MANAHAUTŪ | JUDE PANI

As Manahautū, it is my pleasure to present the Te Tatau o Te Arawa annual report for the year ending 30 June 2020. A year of highs and lows and tremendous change for us all. Life will never be the same and we must now embrace the opportunities that this change has presented to us.

Firstly, I must acknowledge the sad passing of our dear Mala Grant this year. Mala was a great wahine leader – generous and intelligent, with a beautiful heart – and I miss my dear friend and confidante immensely. Like everyone who met Mala, she made you feel like you were special. Mala had been with Te Tatau since its inception and while she is no longer with us in body, we know she is in spirit.



*Jude Pani*

Te Arawa elected its new Te Tatau members for its second triennium, following its first solely run and managed election. Te Taru was once again appointed Chair, with Mala also resuming her role as Deputy Chair. With Mala's passing, Rawiri Waru took on the Deputy Chair role; and we welcomed back the experienced politician Potaua Biasiny-Tule as an Iwi/Hapū representative.

### **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

Following the local government elections, we had changes in our Council committee representatives, mixing the 'old' with the 'new' – I am not talking about age. Danielle joined Eugene on the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee, while Aroha joined Rawiri on the Operations & Monitoring Committee, bringing a fresh new perspective to these committees and valuable learning for our newest Board members.

Of significance, and new for Te Tatau, is the inclusion of Te Arawa representation on the Audit and Risk Committee. This position was filled by Geoff Rolleston. Geoff was also the appointed Te Tatau member on the Chief Executive's Performance Review Committee previously occupied by the Chair of Te Tatau.

Kēpa Morgan was nominated by Te Tatau to the RMA Policy Committee – replacing Gina Mohi. To date, Council has not yet established this committee nor has Kēpa undertaken the RMA Commissioner training to enable him to sit on this Committee. We are hoping to report in our next annual report that this is in place.

With a view to the future and succession planning, Te Tatau has set up an annual review process for all appointed positions.

### **COVID-19**

Te Tatau was involved in the Te Arawa COVID-19 response hub. The objectives of TA COVID-19, alongside the lead agency (Lakes DHB), included assisting the health led response; coordinating welfare supporting lead agency; and facilitating and assisting public communications.

### **TE ARAWA 50-YEAR VISION**

The Te Arawa Vision was launched in July 2020, after more than a year's robust consultation with Te Arawa iwi, hapū, marae, organisations, and individuals. The document sets out goals the confederation of Te Arawa hapū and iwi aims to achieve by 2050, including restored wai and whenua to sustain food and resource demands, and enabling Te Arawa businesses to become the major employer of iwi descendants.

We are determined to play our part in implementing the Te Arawa vision and will be reviewing our own Vision, Mission and Values to coalesce with those of Te Arawa 2050, and the board have also already committed to a new programme of 5 key strategic work streams for 2021 that builds on our current project priorities and adds tangible Te Arawa 2050 related projects such as developing a Te Arawa Spatial Plan and

Housing Strategy and facilitating the development of a workable, Te Arawa-wide post-c19 Transformational Recovery Plan to help give effect to the Te Arawa Vision.

### **ROTORUA REORUA**

In this, the third year since the launch of Rotorua Reorua, we are making great strides to achieve the goal of establishing Rotorua as a leader of the normalisation of te reo Māori.

Te Tatau has acted as an umbrella funder for several community groups and organisations who delivered Rotorua Reorua events, including *Aronui*, *Matariki Glow Show*, and a rangatahi run event for Te Wiki o te reo Māori. We also provided sponsorship for Rotorua's inaugural *Waitangi – For the Love of the People*, and for the inclusion of reo Māori *Rotorua Lakeside Concert* performers.

Facilitating reo Māori translations has resulted in achieving some lovely community-based outcomes, including supporting *Ka Pai Kai* to have reorua menus, and supporting the installation of four defibrillators with reorua signage in local lakeside communities thanks to the Rotorua Lakes Community Board who funded two defibrillators, which were placed at the Rotoiti Sports & Community Association and Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Rotoiti, while community associations funded a further two defibrillators to be placed in West Rotoiti and Hamurana.

We also commissioned a significant research project undertaken by Roku Mihinui, to recommend a sustainable structure to drive Rotorua Reorua going forward. Te Tatau board approved Roku's recommendation to establish a partnered approach for Rotorua Reorua - starting between Te Tatau and RLC and then broadening out to be a collective of community and iwi-based partners passionate about te whakawharikitanga o te reo Māori.

### **HAPŪ O TE ARAWA CAPABILITY**

Te Tatau o Te Arawa worked in partnership with the University of Canterbury and the Geospatial Research Institute who together with Ōhinemutu hapū (as represented by the Ōhinemutu Development Working Group) have co-created a replicable, open sourced, cultural narrative driven, place-based tool for their village. This tool will essentially enable the hapū to build their own culturally layered GIS map of their village and the taonga within to better lead/inform town planning processes with Council while better controlling their stories and information. Owing to COVID, the launch of this tool has been delayed until early 2021.

This project was woven into the Te Arawa E kaupapa to align with one of Te Tatau's primary objectives of building iwi capacity and capability and strengthening Te Arawa participation in Council's decision-making and other processes.

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Early next year, the Te Tatau office will relocate to Haupapa House, as our current location is no longer suitable for our requirements. We thank Te Arawa Management Limited and Te Arawa Lakes Trust for sharing their accommodation with us over the past five years. We have enjoyed this year building a close relationship with our office buddies the Te Pumautanga team.



A personal mihi to my dear friend and colleague Jenny Riini who is no longer a council employee and is working for Te Tatau as a contractor. This is a significant coup for Te Tatau. We now have two key operational resources with Jenny leading superbly the roll out of the projects for Te Tatau.

Finally, thanks to our comms support Rosemary and Megan, whose dedication and effort is instrumental to our continued success. As is the support from the many contractors who have worked with Te Tatau o Te Arawa and continue to do so.

Tēnā rā koutou katoa.

**Jude Pani - Manahautū**





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