

## Te Ātiawa Nō Runga I Te Rangi

### Mihi

Tukuna kia rere ngā mihi ki te Atua i runga rawa - te tīmatangata me te whakamutunga o ngā mea katoa.

E kore e mutu ngā mihi ki ngā mate maha mai i ngā tōpito e whā o te motu, o tira nō te ao whānui nui tonu. Moe mai i ngā ringaringa kaha o te Atua.

Kei te iti me te rahi - tātou ko te hunga matatahi o Te Ātiawa ki Te Tau Ihu - nau mai ki te pānui o te wā.

### Chairperson's Report Nā, Glenice Paine



As we head toward our AGM on the 27<sup>th</sup> November, we at the Trust table begin to reflect on the last year's effort and also and more importantly, the things that we need to do next. Part of that process of evaluation is the reality that achieving to our full potential is directly related to our ability to make the right decisions, at the right time. Then being able to follow through on those decisions with good implementation.

The most important thing we as Te Ātiawa need to do is ensure we have a Trust Board that is capable and committed. Again, this year you will be asked to elect four Trustees to act on your behalf for the next three years.

### Important Date

**Annual General Meeting**  
Waikawa Marae  
27 November 2016

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## Chairperson's Report (cont.)

Importantly  
... as a  
Trustee ...  
knowing the  
people are  
supportive of  
the kaupapa  
and the effort  
that is  
applied ..  
... I encourage  
you to  
exercise your  
opportunity to  
vote ...

The details of the election process will be forwarded to eligible members in accordance with the process outlined in our Deed in the near future.

At the time of writing this report to you I am not aware of the list of candidates, but I would like to take the opportunity now to thank those people for putting themselves forward to serve Te Ātiawa and make a difference to us all. Importantly also, as a Trustee, is knowing the people are supportive of the kaupapa and the effort that is applied. An indication of that support can be seen in the level of participation by our people. In this regard, I would like to encourage as many of you as possible to exercise your opportunity to vote in this year's Trustee elections. Furthermore, I encourage you to attend the AGM at Waikawa in November. I know that AGMs can be less than exciting at times (most of the time possibly!), but it is also an opportunity to reconnect with the whānau.

A few notable activities that have continued to focus us over the last few months include:

- ◆ input into the Marlborough Environment Plan,
- ◆ engaging with the Crown over the proposed Marlborough Sounds Recreational Fishing Park proposal,
- ◆ further developing the Strategic Plan, and
- ◆ a plethora of resource management related activities.

In the near future we will also be meeting with the Attorney-General (Minister for Treaty Settlements) Chris Finlayson to discuss a range of post settlement issues.

The process for the appointment of additional Directors to Totaranui Ltd will hopefully be complete by the time this pānui reaches you. Again, my thanks go out to those Te Ātiawa and others who offered themselves for selection to these roles in order to make a contribution to Te Ātiawa economic development.

As always there are too many issues for us to manage at one time. We continue to strive to engage on as many as possible on your behalf and will direct greatest effort for the greatest benefit to Te Ātiawa. In order to do this we need you to keep the Trust Board grounded and aware of the issues that are of 'most importance' to you.

Kia ora,  
Glenice



Notable  
activities ...  
\*Marlborough  
Environmental  
Plan  
\*Marlborough  
Sounds  
Recreational  
Fishing Park  
\*Strategic  
Plan  
\*Resource  
Management

Te Tau Ihu has been a hive of activity in as far as Local government and resource management issues are concerned. The three rohe are still under a great deal of development pressure from subdivisions, agricultural conversions and commercial developments. The pressures reflect a renewed confidence in the economy and the future of the various regions.



Local government elections have been finalised with the majority of incumbents, across the three regions retaining their councillor seats. Although there are some new faces within each council, the returning majority should bring a stability to each council and further boost development confidence within each region. The three Councils are also continuing with their reviews of their Resource Management Plans. Each Council has different processes and different priorities but all are likely to culminate in public processes between mid and late 2017.

Central government is also steaming ahead with its legislative reforms in an attempt to get them all completed before the election in late 2017. It does not look like there will be much of a reprieve before the end of 2016 but many important and interesting issues for Te Ātiawa to be involved in. Following is a summary of current resource management issues. A more comprehensive report can be found on our Iwi website. Contact the RM office to learn more.

**Waikawa Estuary :** The Marlborough District Council has completed a broad scale and fine scale scientific analysis (the ‘Wriggle’ report) of the Waikawa Estuary.

**Mapping :** The RM Office travelled to Christchurch on 7 October to meet with Ngāi Tahu representatives to discuss their cultural mapping project.

**Te Tai Tapu :** Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui has sent a letter to NZ Petroleum and Minerals expressing concern at the Department’s issuing of mineral exploration permits within Te Tai Tapu.

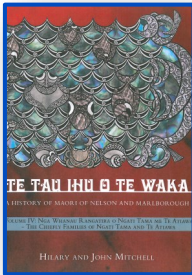
**Totaranui Seabed Mapping :** The Marlborough District Council, in association with LINZ and NIWA has started a six-month project to map the seabed of Totaranui (Queen Charlotte Sound) and Kura Te Au (Tory Channel).

**Rabbit Island :** The Tasman District Council has adopted Reserve Management Plans for Moturoa / Rabbit Island and Motueka Ward Reserves.

**Totaranui (Queen Charlotte Sound) :** The current ecological surveys of Totaranui (Queen Charlotte Sound) are showing that the ecological environment and associated communities are in decline.

# Christmas Gift Ideas

## Te Ātiawa in Te Tau Ihu



**Te Tau Ihu o Te Waka, Volume IV**, written by historians, Hilary & John Mitchell, focuses on 28 biographies of chiefly whānau of Ngāti Tama and Te Ātiawa in Te Tau Ihu

(Nelson / Tasman / Marlborough). These books are available for purchase to registered Te Ātiawa beneficiaries. Please contact the Te Ātiawa Trust Office for further details.

## Hoodies, T-Shirts, Polos

Reminder to Iwi that we now have a permanent online shop set up for you to purchase Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui hoodies, t-shirts and polos.

The website address is :



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## Reminder

**Trustee Elections** – nominations for four Trustee positions have been called. Iwi members will be receiving voting packs from **electionz.com** with relevant information during the last week of October / first week of November.

**Postal Voting Closes** - 5pm, Wednesday, 23 November 2016.

Please refer enquiries to **electionz.com** - 0800 666 031 or [iro@electionz.com](mailto:iro@electionz.com)



**John Arthur's Camping Ground, Waikawa Bay**

The late Mrs Ngaire Noble relates a little history on her father, John Arthur's Camping Ground at Waikawa Bay. "After leaving school I stayed home to do the work, and help in the home. Also to help my father, who was a sheep farmer, he also ran a Camping Ground in Waikawa Bay here. We used to have many people come here to camp, so I helped to do the cleaning at the Camping Ground. It was a wonderful time we had there.

The Māori children used to come around, and we had concerts and sang down on the foreshore for the people who came to camp. We enjoyed it and so did they.



**Another view of John Arthur's Camping Ground**

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Kaumātua Mrs Ngaire Noble (nee Arthur) - Oral History interviewed by Mike Taylor, November 1995. Photographs were also kindly supplied by Mrs Noble.





## Poutama Ahi Kaa

Poutama Ahi Kaa is a series of wānanga funded by Te Pūtahitanga and operating under the marae through the coordination of Diane St Claire. These wānanga are designed to strengthen our whakapapa ties with one another and develop our collective knowledge, confidence and participation in our Te Ātiawatanga. Those amongst our iwi/hapori with knowledge & expertise are

sought as wānanga facilitators to cover kaupapa such as the stories and symbolism within our whareniui, *Arapaoa*, Te Ātiawa kawa and tikanga, iwi history, our local families and rohe, Parihaka significance, Matariki and the hāngī process.

### We have had these wānanga/events so far:

**Matariki Celebrations:** We had our local schools involved in a number of marae based activities around Matariki, a kōrero about our Whare Tūpuna, weaving, haka, poi, ngā tohu – signs for the coming year, planting at waharoa, māra kai and Te Ātiawa kōrero about Puanga.



We also had an evening concert from “Beneath the Words” a group of our whānau from Taranaki (Māori/Irish performers and performance instruments).

**Hāngī:** Rangatahi worked with Georgie Aldridge (ngā mihi ki a koe Georgie) through the entire process and tikanga of a traditional hāngī. At the end, they delivered hāngī to our local kaumātua as a koha from the marae and school. He kai tino reka tā koutou!

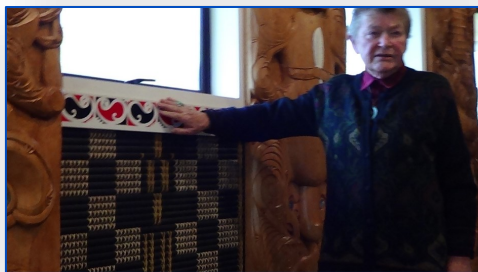


## Waikawa Marae News (cont.)

**Whānau/Hapori Hui:** We outlined the programmes we have planned and we asked for whānau suggestions for incorporation into future wānanga.

**Our Whare – Arapaoa:** we began to “unpack the whare” learning about the tukutuku, kōwhaiwhai and pou – we began with the waka wall and a number of interactive activities to engage and focus on the carvings – who, what, etc. We also unpacked the Tūpuna wall.

**Our Whare - Carvers:** Pita Rua came and shared his carvings and mahi with us. Tim Wraight, John Mutu and Greg Keenan came and told the stories of their carvings. Greg was supported by



Tyne and Paora (Uncle Paul) Ropata. Uncle Paul provided a wonderful depth of mātauranga to Greg’s kōrero. These were amazing wananga where we heard the whakapapa of many of the carvings, and our links, as Te Ātiawa, across all waka. Lyn Smith also shared her knowledge of some of our whareniui kōwhaiwhai and we

viewed the DVD presentation by some of our women who created our stunning whareniui tukutuku.

Maui Productions (Video gurus) filmed and recorded the carvers.

Ngā mihi ki ngā kaimahi: thanks to the facilitators and creators of our beautiful art works who shared so willingly with us.

We also visited points of interest – Arapawa Māori Rowing Club, Karaka Point, & Vennessa Ede’s museum room.



### **Future Wānanga**

#### **5-6 November Parihaka and Our rohe:**

We will learn the Parihaka stories and links. We will also be looking at and visiting local sites of significance and share local stories. We would love participants to bring old whānau photos to share.

We have a Christmas celebration planned for **10 December**.

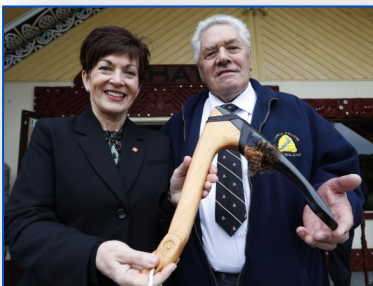
**February 17-18, 2017: Our Histories:** Alan Riwaka, Mike Taylor, Hillary and John Mitchell will be with us to facilitate these sessions and share their knowledge.



The last two months have been really busy at the Whakatū Marae. Many small hui have taken place with some more significant hui lately. We have been host to NZAP National Conference over two days with bicultural training being the focus. This saw many of our Māori Health and Social workers having the opportunity to hear some excellent speakers. On 30<sup>th</sup> September we

had the privilege of hosting 70 Ambassadors of the Diplomatic Corp with the Nelson City Council who were formally welcomed by iwi. This was most successful and informative for all concerned.

On 1<sup>st</sup> October Iwi had the privilege of hosting the new Governor General the Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy on her first regional visit since being sworn in. The pōwhiri came about with her acceptance to open the new redevelopment of the Bishop Suter Art Gallery – Te Ara Toi o Whakatū. Iwi advised the protocol was for the Governor General to be welcomed by Iwi first which was



agreed to. This took a lot of planning in a short space of time to meet all the formal requirements such a visit entails. The pōwhiri had to take place inside Kaakati due to the inclement weather but did not dampen the enthusiasm and importance of the occasion.

Last week, the Marae hosted the Māori Caucus of Māori Oranga Hinengaro for two days. This culminated in their Whetu Kanapa

Awards being presented to members. All-in-all a very busy few weeks. The Marae is encouraging whānau to use the Marae more often over and above these bigger hui to help them reconnect and be supportive of the Marae.

**Photos :** Pōwhiri to Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy accompanied by Piri Sciascia-Kaumātua, and her husband Sir David Gascoigne accepting the wero from Mr W Elkington. The second photo is with the taonga made and presented by Frank Wells on behalf of Iwi to honor her first visit to the region and her first official event of her term.



## What the Iwi Have Been Doing ...



### **Dawn blessing to welcome the 'Kuaka' after their long 9-day non-stop epic journey from Alaska**

**Joy Shorrocks** (Te Ātiawa Trustee) pictured on right, along with Rima Piggot (Ngāti Rārua) left, and Kaumātua Rore Stafford (Ngāti Rārua, Ngāti Tama).

The Kuaka manu have been making this journey for thousands of generations and their epic journey was well known to the Tūpuna. The background features the Motueka Sandspit, where the Kuaka live until their return to Alaska in March. It is also the home of the Tuturiwhatu, a protected bird who features in our Deed of Settlement where Te Ātiawa has an exclusive protective overlay (korowai). The overlay means, should any environmental matters impact on areas that the Tuturiwhatu live, the Crown are obligated to consult and engage Te Ātiawa.

## Motueka High School - Te Whare Taikura o te Maatu

On Friday 5 August 2016, a dawn service and blessing was held for opening of the Motueka High School's long-held dream for a cultural education centre.



Te Whare Taikura o te Maatu

First photo taken during the dawn service / Second photo taken during the day



Haka Powhiri for the opening: This image features Nike Schofer and Tangiwai Koopu who are both descendent of Inia Te Hunhuna. Nike also descends from Ngapaki Parana (both on the original Tupuna list).



Kai karanga & Kai puoro bringing on the manuhiri. Rita Powick, myself (Joy Shorrock), Ngawhakaara (Sarah) Taylor, Cindy Batt plus Molly Luke from Ngāti Rārua.



Hana & Bayley Tava-Hart (two girls on the outer side of the three) and Rowena Hart with her baby Sonny. Te Ātiawa whānau whose Tūpuna are from Waikawa. Here they are supporting Waimea Principle Scott Haines. Scott was the Principle at Motueka High School who actually lead the development project.





Kia ora e te whānau. It gives me great pleasure to share some of the news and events of Mohua with you.

The Manawhenua Ki Mohua (MKM) komiti continue to administer to the ever increasing demands of Resource Consents, Environmental issues, Iwi Monitoring, Forestry, Roothing Maintenance, Buildings, Education, Museum, Conservation just to name a few. Over and above the administration of Mohua matters, our small number of komiti members hold positions on several boards and komiti in the district.

Having Te Atiawa Trustee, Harvey Ruru, present for the monthly meeting at Mohua is invaluable along with Harvey's recent back up, Trustee Joy Shorrock. Their presence allows MKM to function with first-hand support and direction from the Trust. Thank you Harvey & Joy.

## Anaweka Waka:

Since January 2012 MKM whānau and community helpers have been actively involved with the care and restoration of Anaweka Waka.

Whilst this has consumed hundreds of hours for several of us, this ancient taonga has built the strengths



of MKM

people. With the knowledge and skills of Dr Dilys Johns - Archaeologist Conservationist from Auckland University, MKM have embraced the importance of this magnificent find.

Working bees and the nerve-racking manoeuvres of the waka from tank to tank at times tested us all. The last move carried out recently was the most testing. Anaweka Waka was moved from Tarakohe to the Fonterra storage shed near the back of Takaka township.



## Marae News - Onetahua (cont.)

Over the next few months Dr Johns will be visiting Mohua and would be available to do a presentation at public viewing times. MKM will finalise a pānuī for these times shortly.

I would like to take this time to acknowledge those folk who have given extraordinary number of hours in the kaitiaki of Anaweka Waka:

Bob Butts, Takaka Fire Brigade (George Duff, now deceased), Simon & Kathy Walls, Chris Hill & Anya Van Holden, John Ward-Holmes & Chrissy Griffiths, Laurelee Duff, Mairangi Reiher, Lindsay Hill, Mick Brown, Steve Bagley and many others. Thank you.

### Taiaha Wananga:

Two very successful taiaha wananga have been held at Onetahua Marae over the last eighteen months with another planned for March 2017.

Greg Delaney was thrilled with the results tutoring 18 lads with several fathers joining also training. The wananga included preparing the hāngī and serving, bush walk to Wainui Falls and Grove Reserve, Greg showing the importance of the plants for their survival in the bush. John Mitchell gave a



wonderful historical /cultural presentation on Mohua/Golden Bay followed by a garage of questions.



Along with the arduous training on Pohara beach and at the Marae, an amazing building of responsibility, respect, support and friendships were acknowledged from the tamariki in their poroporoaki.



## What the Iwi are doing ...



### **Rachael Hāte**

**Principal, Early Years  
The English Playgroup Educational Company  
Kuwait**

At EPG, we all believe that every child deserves the best possible start to their educational career and to “Be All That They Can Be.”

Our Early Years teachers shape their practice according to the English National Curriculum to provide quality learning experiences for children. We acknowledge that every child is unique and respond to them individually in all aspects of teaching and learning.

At the heart of Early Years learning experiences is the concept of Purposeful Play. This allows children to learn in an age appropriate manner with opportunities to grow and develop physically, intellectually and emotionally.

Our branches are well resourced to meet the children’s needs for all types of learning. Regular trips, events and celebrations of learning are planned so that children can connect their learning to the real world.

Our staff share a real passion for working with children. The safety and education of children is paramount and at the heart of everything we do.

We firmly believe in building strong relationships with parents, and we look forward to working with you throughout the year.

I am excited to be part of this dynamic organisation that offers quality learning in a nurturing environment, and therefore on behalf of the Early Years team, extend a warm invitation to you to visit us if you would like to know more.

Further information can be viewed on [http://epg.edu.kw/principal.php?cat\\_id=1](http://epg.edu.kw/principal.php?cat_id=1)

PS : Rachael is an Iwi beneficiary from Waikawa, Picton.

## Did You Know?

### Health :

Iwi members in Te Tau Ihu (top of the South) have access to health advice through **Te Piki Oranga**. For more information, check out their website : <http://www.nmdhb.govt.nz/health-services/maori-health-services/maori-community-health-services/>

### Mental Health :

Te Hauora O Ngāti Rārua Ltd and C.A.R.E. Marlborough are working together to deliver the **Like Minds Like Mine** programme under the umbrella of **Te Ara Mahana**, a team committed to increasing social inclusion and reducing stigma for people who experience mental illness. For more information, their website address is : <http://www.thonr.org.nz>.

## ??? Have you ???



Moved house?



Changed your mobile phone number?



Changed your landline number?



Changed your email address ?



Had changes in your whānau?

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## Annual General Meeting

The 2016 Annual General Meeting for Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust is being held in Waikawa. Details are :

# AGM

**Date : Sunday, 27 November 2016**

**Venue : Waikawa Marae**

210 Waikawa Road,

Waikawa, Picton

Time : 10am

Copies of the Annual Report will be available from Thursday, 27 October '16, If you are unable to attend the AGM but would like to receive a copy, contact the Trust Office.

# Education Grant Report

The Trust is always delighted to receive communication from Iwi beneficiaries who have been the recipient of Education Grants, who have graduated and reached their goal, as is the example of **Rachael Sim** who recently graduated with her Doctoral of Clinical Psychology.

Dr Rachael Sim

29 July 2016

Te Arawa Trust  
PO Box 340  
Picton 7250



From left : James Montgomery (Rachael's partner), Rachael, Kevin & Anna Sim (Rachael's parents)

To whom it may concern,

As I recently received your email about the Nuffield and Aquaculture scholarships, it reminded me that I haven't written a final letter to Te Arawa Trust to say, thank you for the continuous support you showed me over my many years of tertiary study. It meant a lot to receive your help, and I am forever grateful.

As you may know, it took me almost 10 years to complete my study. You supported me throughout these years. I gained a Bachelor of Arts, a Master of Arts, and at the end of 2015 I graduated with my Doctoral of Clinical Psychology. Since graduating, my spouse and I have moved to Australia (as it provides him with work opportunities ~~to~~ not really available to him in New Zealand). We live in Perth, and although it was initially somewhat of a struggle, we are now both working and enjoying moving on from student life and beginning our next journey.

Again, thank you for the support over the years.

Yours sincerely

Rachael Sim

## 2016 Education Grant Recipients

Twenty-three studious Iwi beneficiaries applied for, and were successful in receiving an Education Grant through Te Ātiawa.

### He whakamihi ki a koutou katoa.

Arbuckle, Demi - Whakatane	Bachelor of Communications
Begley, Hannah - Hamilton	Bachelor of Nursing Year 1
Begley, Patrick - Hamilton	NCEA Level 1
Burns, Abigail - Blenheim	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - Mechanical Engineering
Burns, Olivia - Blenheim	Bachelor of Commerce
Foster, Isaac - Nelson	Bachelor of Science - Computer Science Major
Gibbs, Danielle - Picton	Bachelor of Midwifery
Gibbs, Jordan - Blenheim	Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery & Bachelor of Medical Science with Honours
Hate, Rachael - Picton	Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)
Holder, Jamie-Lee - Taupo	Diploma in Commercial Skydiving
Kameta, Christian - Tauranga	NCEA Level 1
Kameta, Jimi - Tauranga	NCEA Level 2
Kameta, Olivia - Tauranga	Certificate in Foundation Studies Level 4
Lousich, Kathleen - Tauranga	Bachelor in Creative Industries Level 7
McGregor, Teone - Nelson	Bachelor of Arts majoring in Maori Studies
MacLeod, Jeremy Tatere - Hastings	PhD (Maori)
Mason, Chloe - Nelson	NZ Certificate in Animal Care (Level 3)
Mason, Kai - Nelson	Diploma in Applied Fitness (Year 1)
Mollet-Wright, Elliott - Wellington	Bachelor of Law
Opie, James - Tauranga	Bachelor of Biomedical Science
O'Malley, Hannah-Louise - Dunedin	Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery
Skipper, Jordan - Dunedin	Postgraduate Diploma in Physical Education / Te Ara Reo Maori Level 4
Witika-Park, Te Wainui - Hamilton	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)

# Culture, Arts & Sports Grant Recipients

## Hip Hop International World Championships

Nā, Hana Morris (Nelson)



My first experience at the Hip Hop International World Championships held in **Las Vegas** was an unforgettable journey that I will forever be grateful for.

The competition began with the opening ceremony where all the different countries from around the world were introduced. This was followed by a massive flag ceremony, and small performances from each country. **New Zealand performed the haka**, which left the whole crowd buzzing. The next day we competed in the Preliminary round where there were 57 teams in our section. We placed 16th, advancing through to Semi's!

Our Semi's performance was amazing, but unfortunately, we dropped to 19th after Semi's, meaning we didn't make the top 6 and advance to finals, but that still meant **we were in the top 20 in the world**.

I am so grateful and humbled to have had this experience, and I can't thank every single person enough that helped me get there.

**Hana**



**Read Hana's full report on our website  
(Grants & Sponsorships)**



# Culture, Arts & Sports Grant Recipients

## National Secondary Schools' Kapahaka

Nā, Tui Henry (Motueka)

Kia ora koutou

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Te Ātiawa iwi trust for the cultural grant I received in support of my 3<sup>rd</sup> and last stand at national secondary schools Kapahaka held in **Hastings** (Te Haaro o te Kaahu). I stood proudly for **Te Rourou Kura**, a combined schools Kapahaka roopu from Te Tau Ihu. Though we were a very small group and had a variety of experience level amongst the roopu we stood strong and proud.

It was an unforgettable experience that I would willingly do again if I had the opportunity. Being able to watch the vast range of Kapa Haka roopu that stood on the stage was amazing. Being able to watch the top groups was a highlight as you were able to see the experience of Kapahaka in their performances.

Once again I'd like to thank you all.

Tui



More photos of Tui & Te Rourou Kura are on our website  
(Grants & Sponsorships)

Watch their performance on <https://www.maoritelevision.com/mi/pouaka-whakaata/nga-hotaka-katoa/nga-kapa-haka-kura-tuarua-o-aotearoa-2016/S06E018/nga-kapa-haka>

# Culture, Arts & Sports Grant Recipients

## Cultural Exchange, Melbourne, Australia

Nā, Dré Fale-Solofa & Trish Little (Picton)



**From Dré (13 years old)** : When our kapahaka group, Te Rerenga o Te Rā, landed in Melbourne, Australia on Thursday, 20 October 2016, we were met by a man from Macedonia. His name is Nikolai, and he and his friend, Peter, arranged for us to perform at different places, and chauffeured us



around Melbourne for the three days. On the second day we were in Melbourne (Friday), we performed on a ferry from Queenscliff to Sorrento. The passengers and crew were very surprised and happy to watch our performance.

On Saturday we performed at an RSL / RSA in the suburb called Caulfield. When we had finished our performance, there was this one man who was very emotional and bought us all a drink.

On the Sunday we performed at a Wine & Cheese Festival. Crowds of people came to watch, and some New Zealanders said we made them homesick.



My main role in our kapahaka group is using the purerehua (a traditional Māori wind instrument), mau rakau, and performing the haka.

The thing I enjoyed the most was meeting and spending time with the two men from Macedonia who took their own time and money to transport us around Melbourne. We gave each of them a pounamu to thank them for their time with us.

I want to thank my Iwi, Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust, for helping my Nan & I go to Melbourne. This was a very special time and I was very proud to share our Māori culture in the city where my Mum and Uncle grew up.

**From Trish** : What a very special time for our kapahaka rōpu, including my mokopuna, Dré, to share our Māori culture in Melbourne. Heart-felt appreciation to the Trust for approving a Culture Grant for us to attend this Cultural Exchange. Photos and more information will be posted on the Te Ātiawa website.