

TUWHARETOA
MAORI TRUST BOARD



About the Group

The Tuwharetoa Genesis Group was formed after an agreement was reached between the Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board and Genesis Energy in 2000 as part of the process to renew the resource consents to continue to operate the Tongariro Power Development (TPD). The agreement was reached to mitigate the effects of the TPD on the Ngati Tuwharetoa rohe and came about after many years of consultation working through complex and difficult issues. The agreement addresses long-term and current matters of mutual interest and has paved the way for a long-term relationship focused on broader objectives than the renewal of the TPD resource consents. It allows for cultural, environmental and economic projects to be jointly undertaken, and funded by Genesis Energy.

Genesis Energy and Ngati Tuwharetoa each have three representatives on the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group. Together, their role is to investigate and encourage activities that will promote the implementation of the agreement. They meet regularly, to assess the progress of current projects, to assess applications following closing dates and discuss matters of mutual interest.

The three Ngati Tuwharetoa representatives are appointed for a three yearly term at a hui-a-iwi. The next elections are due to be held in March 2006.

PHOTO, RIGHT: TUWHARETOA GENESIS GROUP
MEMBERS: BACK ROW: JARROD BOWLER,
CHARLES WALL, ANDY HEMA,
FRONT ROW: DAYLE FENTON, RAEWYN JUDD,
LANA TE RANGI AND BONNY HOOKER.
ABSENT: RAKATO TE RANGIITA.

Tuwharetoa Genesis Group Newsletter

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Introduction

Kia ora and welcome to the third Tuwharetoa Genesis Group newsletter. We hope that this periodic publication will provide useful information on the work of the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group for Ngati Tuwharetoa hapu and the community.

This issue covers a brief overview of the Group, who the members are, and the progress of the Group in the past 12 months including the development of our Strategic Plan and the appointment of a Funding Co-ordinator. Some examples of projects that have been funded by the Group are discussed. The criteria for assessing the funding applications is also outlined.

The Group aims to be accessible to Ngati Tuwharetoa people so issues can be addressed as they arise and to foster closer working relations between Tuwharetoa and Genesis Energy. We welcome any feedback you may have.



The representatives are:

Lana Te Rangi - Lana is a member of the Turangitukua Marae Committee and works at Tongariro/Rangipo Prison. She is the Chairperson of the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group. Phone (07) 386 8092

Charles Wall - Charles is involved in many groups in the Taupo area, for example he is the Chairman of the Tauhara Mountain Trust, Waipahihi Marae Committee and the C75 Lakeshores Reserves Committee. Phone (07) 378 5608

Rakato Te Rangiita - Rakato is involved in the development of Nga Runuku's Marae and surrounding lands but also works with various hapu in the Turangi area. Phone (07) 386 5255

Bonny Hooker - Bonny is an Environmental Coordinator for Genesis Energy and is based at Tokaanu Power Station. Phone (07) 384 7234

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Raewyn Judd - Group Secretary - Raewyn is the Office Co-ordinator for Genesis Energy and is based at Tokaanu Power Station. Phone (07) 384 7235

Dayle Fenton-Funding Coordinator - The Group is pleased to advise that a Funding Co-ordinator has been engaged to assist Ngati Tuwharetoa Roopu in making applications to the Fund. Dayle Fenton's role also includes the implementation of actions outlined in the Group's Strategic Plan and the facilitation of workshops upon request. Dayle can be contacted on 027 252 0572 or email: daylefenton@xtra.co.nz.

What are the objectives of the Group?

The objectives are detailed in the agreement but are broadly to:

- Progress environmental/cultural projects involving waterways influenced by the TPD and adjacent lands.
- Undertake activities and promote projects to support the kaitiaki role of Ngati Tuwharetoa generally.
- Promote projects to facilitate the education, health and well-being of Ngati Tuwharetoa issues.
- Involve Ngati Tuwharetoa people in monitoring activities undertaken by Genesis Energy as required by the resource consents granted.
- Facilitate the protection of waahi tapu that may be affected by the operation of the TPD.

A key to the Group's success and the progress of these objectives is the sharing of information between Ngati Tuwharetoa and Genesis Energy. This two-way process allows each party to better understand and work through new and ongoing issues.

Application Criteria

1. The applicant must clearly demonstrate how the proposal will contribute to achieving one or more of the key objectives.
2. The applicant must be of Ngati Tuwharetoa descent.
3. Preference will be given to those applications that have wide benefit (and show how the outcomes will be communicated) to Ngati Tuwharetoa at the hapu and/or iwi level, however proposals at whanau level will also be considered.
4. Preference will be given to those proposals that have the support of other parties/organisations (in addition to hapu endorsement).
5. Applicants for EDUCATION ASSISTANCE must demonstrate that their proposal will lead to a tertiary qualification in areas related to resource management, planning and/or environmental sciences.
6. Applicants for PROJECTS must include written endorsement from the relevant hapu and minutes of a hapu meeting with resolution passed (hapu endorsement is not necessary if you are applying for an education, health and well-being grant).
7. If successful, the applicant will provide written feedback to the Group on the outcome of their proposal and may be asked to present this at a Group meeting.

What funding is available and how do I apply?

The funding available to the Group has been divided into categories according to the key objectives of the Group. These categories are prioritised and the percentage of the funds allocated annually to each is shown below:

FUNDING CATEGORIES	PERCENTAGE OF FUNDS ALLOCATED
Projects	
a) Cultural Enhancement, Environmental Enhancement, Scientific Study	52%
b) Kaitiakitanga i) Wananga ii) Heritage	16% 16%
Education, Health, Well-being	16%

Two funding application forms are available; one for **projects** and the second for **education, health and well-being** activities/events and these detail a set of criteria that need to be met when applying for funding.

How to apply

Applicants are welcome to discuss their proposal with the Funding Coordinator and/or the Group members before applying. Application forms can be requested from, and completed forms should be sent to the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group (C/- Raewyn Judd, Group Secretary) at the address provided below. Copies of the application forms can also be found on the Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board website at: www.tuwharetoa.co.nz.

Applications close 31 August 2005 & 28 February 2006

Strategic Plan and Action Plan

In 2004, the Group developed a Strategic and Action Plan 2005 - 2008. The Plan outlines the Mission, Goals, Actions and outcomes that the Group hopes to achieve over the next three years.

Strategic Goals:

- Strengthen relationships between the Group and Ngati Tuwharetoa roopu.
- Promote increased awareness and understanding of the fund.
- Enhance Tuwharetoa / Genesis Energy partnership.
- Demonstrate leadership in administering the fund.
- Optimise the level and mix of funding applications approved.
- Continually assess and improve internal processes and service delivery to applicants.
- Promote enhanced communications between the Group and the Tuwharetoa Mighty River Power Development Group.

Key Outcomes:

1. Increased number and types of applications that comply with the Groups objectives.
2. Increased number of funded projects that directly relate to issues raised by hapu during consents process.
3. A range of Ngati Tuwharetoa roopu are enquiring about the Fund.
4. Hui-a-iwi are attended by a diverse range of Ngati Tuwharetoa roopu.
5. A significant number of Ngati Tuwharetoa people are involved in projects.
6. Amount of funding sought exceeds the amount available.
7. Funded projects have resulted in tangible benefits to both Ngati Tuwharetoa roopu and the taonga within their rohe.
8. Copies of the Strategic Plan and Action Plan 2005 - 2008 are available upon request from the Group Secretary.

Grants and sponsorships - 2004

The Tuwharetoa Genesis Group has provided funding for a number of groups over the past 12 months. These range from helping with Wetland Enhancement, Tikanga Wananga, representing New Zealand in the international sporting arena, and the development of cultural and kaitiaki projects. Listed below are the initiatives supported by the Group in 2004 (some are complete and others are ongoing) and three examples are detailed in this newsletter.

Ngati Kurauia - Tokaanu Tailrace
waahi tapu site Fencing

Te Mahau Marae Committee
- Tu Matua Tu Taua Wananga

Temuera Hall, Chris Winitana
- Te Whare Wananga o Tuwharetoa

Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board
- Whakapapa Scroll Protection Project

Stephanie Takarangi
- NZ Polocrosse International

Robert Joseph - 2004 PhD

Katie Simon - 2004 PhD

Derek Downes
- World Mounted Games France

Nga Rehia o Tuwharetoa
- Marae Sports Day

Ngati Rongomai
- Rongomai Marae Flood protection and Wetland Restoration Project

Tuwharetoa Polocrosse Squad

Tuwharetoa Snowboard Squad

Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board
- Catfish Control Project

Tongariro Whanau Support Trust
- Youth Support Project

Tuwharetoa Cultural Schools Festival

Rongomai Marae Flood Protection and Wetland Enhancement Project - Contributed by Les Owens

The project at Rongomai marae is well underway and involves hapu wananga as well as the construction of flood protection measures and environmental enhancement of the adjoining wetland. The following korero relates to the Wananga aspect of the project.



NGATI RONGOMAI: TURETANGATA KETU (TE WAA), RUIINGARANGI CHISHOLM (TE WAA), RANGI WILLIAMS, MATE MARAMA HEMARA & HORI KETU

Ngati Rongomai held six Wananga from November 2004 to April 2005 at Rongomai Marae situated along the shore of the Waitotaka River. As each month passed more and more whanau, both the young and old were returning home. A few of them had not been back for years, so it was a learning experience for them to regain their history. We have also learnt over the past months to work together as a hapu. Each Wananga covered the following:

Whanaungatanga - Whanau from all over Aotearoa and Australia return for the Wananga, to share their skills and knowledge with Ngati Rongomai. To return home to their Turangawaewae gives them all a sense of belonging.

Wairuatanga - Our spiritual needs were catered for at each Wananga. Our Kaumatua and Kuia (a few are Awhina from the Ratana Church) would whakamoemiti when the need would arise. Their spiritual guidance has uplifted our whanau.

Manaakitanga - The support from our whanau and outside organisations i.e Tuwharetoa Genesis Group and Cheal Consultants has helped our hapu immensely. We are able to achieve goals which may not be possible without their tautoko.

Mana - As each Wananga progressed our hapu has grown and has reconnected with different whanau from outside our roopu. The voice of Ngati Rongomai is being heard and is becoming stronger.

Aroha - The aroha felt during each Wananga grows stronger each time. As our whanau rekindles new ties and strengthens the old ones.

Te Oranga - In March a Diabetes Health clinic was held for our Whanau. Blood pressure checks, fitness test, prick test, nutrition advice was given and we also had reflexology and massage.

The wananga have been a success which would not have been possible without the funding from the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group. Words cannot express how much Ngati Rongomai has grown, physically, spiritually and mentally. Our mana as a Hapu has grown tenfold and with the guidance from our Kaumatua, Kuia and professional consultants we will achieve the tasks set out for us in years to come. Ngati Rongomai would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all those who have supported us in this project.



MEMBERS OF THE VICTORIOUS KOROHE MARAE RUGBY TEAM AND SUPPORTERS AT THE MARAE SPORTS DAY



NGATI RONGOMAI TAMARIKI
EATING LAMBS TAILS.....YUM YUM



RANGATAHI FROM TE RINGATAHI MARAE

Nga Rehia o Tuwharetoa Marae Sports Day 2004

- Contributed by Amy Walker

The 2004 Nga Rehia o Tuwharetoa Marae Sports Day is estimated to have been attended by more than 3000 people. This is double the attendance on the previous year.

The sport's day was represented by 15 hapu of Tuwharetoa participating in more than 10 activities ranging from rugby, touch rugby, netball, basketball, petanque, chess, tamariki duathlon and cards. Most hapu had specially designed t-shirts and colours to make sure their teams 'stand out'.

The flags flew triumphantly for some, especially Turumakina, who took the overall winner's trophy for the day. Korohe, not to be entirely outdone by Turumakina, took the Rugby final trophy. At the end of the day however, they were all winners - those who competed, those who supported, or those who just came along to listen to the music, have a bite to eat and enjoy the atmosphere.

The organising committee had many helpers and sponsors to help make the day a success and would like to thank all these people and organisations including the Tuwharetoa Genesis Group.

The objectives of the event were clearly met: Encouraging whanaungatanga; supporting and encouraging the health and well being of Maori through participation in sport and recreation.

Tuwharetoa Polocrosse Development Squad

- Contributed by Kerrian Duff

Tuwharetoa Polocrosse began their first season of Polocrosse at the Te Maire tournament in Manunui on the 20th - 21st November 2004 and ended it with their fourteenth tournament back at Manunui at the Veterans tournament on the 2nd - 3rd April 2005. In the beginning we had three trucks which carried two teams and a few spares, now, we have seven trucks which carry four teams with spares sitting on the sideline.

Our goals are simple i.e. to develop our children within this sport thereby reaping ongoing benefits for their futures.



MEMBERS OF THE TUWHARETOA POLOCROSSE DEVELOPMENT SQUAD IN ACTION

Examples of our successes:

- Ten Tuwharetoa juniors and intermediate squad members selected to play for King Country at the New Zealand Juniors and Intermediate Polocrosse National Championships.
- Three Juniors selected for the New Zealand Team to play at the World Quadrangular Series in Australia between South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Zimbabwe.
- We were coached by the England and New Zealand Mens Coaches i.e. Errol and Gregory Gloyn.
- The only professional Polocrosse team in New Zealand, SEMCO, has asked for some of our young players to play for their team.
- One junior has been awarded one of two New Zealand scholarships to travel and play polocrosse in Australia for six weeks in 2005.

Thank you Tuwharetoa Genesis Group for all your support, for without it we would not have had the successes we have enjoyed this year.

Other projects

A number of other projects are presently in progress and we will keep you informed of these projects through future newsletters and hui-a-iwi.

Funding Workshop

A successful funding workshop was held on 1 July at Waitetoko Marae and the Group will look to hold others in the future.

Annual hui-a-iwi

The Group's annual hui-a-iwi will be held in March 2006. The hui-a-iwi is an opportunity for the Group to meet with and update Ngati Tuwharetoa hapu and for any issues or questions to be raised. The hui-a-iwi will be widely advertised in advance and elections will be held for Tuwharetoa Group members.

As noted earlier, the Group would welcome feedback and suggestions. Feel free to contact the members directly or pass on your feedback to Raewyn Judd at the address below.

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