

Chairman and Trustee's Annual Report

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History Oromahoe (Papatupu)

E nga Uri whakatupu o te Taonga Whenua o **Oromahoe 18R2B2B2 Trust**:

Tena Koutou, tena tatou katoa. Heoi ko mokemoke ano te taumata o tenei marae o Ngati Kawa, Ngati Rahiri, Matarahurahu, Ngare Hauata, Whanaurara me Ngati Kaihoru. (Koia enei o nga tino Hapu o Oromahoe, me Te Ti Waitangi.) Kei te mokemoke tonu te Taumata o Oromahoe Marae me Te Ti Marae o Waitangi i te hinga o tenei Kaumatua o matou a Kingi (Albert Taurua). Nga miro matauranga i kaingatia no te Te Ao Kumekume. Ko Albert; te ingoa i mohiotia nei au mai ta maaua haerenga ki te Kura o Oromahoe. A, ka koroheke nei e ia ka rongo tana ingoa ko, Kingii. Na reira e Kara e, Kingi (Taurua), te Kingi o Ngapuhi, moe mai ra. Tetahi. He shareholder ano hoki ia. Kia ratou katoa o te hunga kua moe, moe mai. Ka hoki mai kia tatou nga maramara o ratou ma - Kia ora mai tatou.

Historical Background:

Oromahoe and its main icons. Ko Pouerua te Maunga, Waiaruhe te Awa Tapu - i timata mai i Parahirahi Nga Puna Waiariki o te Ngawha ka timata mai tana rere. Te ingoa ki kona, ko Tuwhakino, ka rere ki raro iho o te pā Maungaturoto ki Kaungarapa Tapu, kia Umurangi Tapu ka tae ki Maunga Pouerua, ka huri te ingoa ki Waipuna ki Waiaruhe te Awa. Te whenua ka wehe mai i Maunga Pouerua ki ona rekereke ko Pakaraka kei te taha anga mua ana mai i te taha rawhiti ki te rawhiti anga ko te Roto Owhareiti ki te tonga ko Maungaturoto ki te taha hauaru ara te rohe o Taiamai.

POUERUA MAUNGA: (Tiriti Claims) E ta nga korero, te Rangatira Ariki tuatahi ka nohoaina tenei maunga i taua wa te ingoa ko Pukenui ara ko Tahuhuniorangi nana i hanga tana whareni me nga pou e rua, ka noho tena ingoa ki kona mai i taua waa taenoa ki tenei. Ka tupu ake taua Hapu Ngai Tahu. Otira ka timata mai te Hapu Ngati Kawa. Mai tana tamaiti Kawa. Ko te tamaiti o Tahuhuniorangi raua ko Te Kahaiti. Kia mohio mai koutou ki ēnei ingoa: Tomotomokia, Umurangi, Waikaramu (1000acres) he awa rere ana ka hono atu ki Awa Waitangi, Kawemaheno. (Williams Deeds) Ki ēnei ingoa: Pouerua 3000 acres, Kotikotinga 100 acres, Horotutu 50 acres, Titirangi (Turton Deeds)

Oromahoe: te ingoa. ORO - te tangi o te patu e hamahama ana nga rahu-aruhe (raharahu - Hapu Matarahurahu)

- mahoe - he rakau Koiano te ingoa o te whenua o te haukainga. Te Marae me te Kura. During the 19th century the kaumatua who had mana rangatira were Mahikai and his teina Marupo, Tuhirangi and his teina Peia and Hone Heke, Parangi the brother of Marupo's wife Te Waihue, Whiorau teina of Te Pua and Te Kemara and Moko. Present owners trace their descent from these tupuna. (Freda Kawharu's report) The dominant hapu in Oromahoe are Ngati Kawa, Ngati Rahiri, Ngarehauata, Matarahurahu, Whanaurara. Other hapu Ngati Tautahi, Ngati Whakaeke and Ngati Kaihoru are others.

The Treaty Claims: negotiations with Government on the Ngapuhi Claims are continuing. I reflect on it now and think what was the thinking of our tupuna at the time of signing that document: Te Whakaputanga, Te Tiriti; when Marupo 7th signature and Hone Heke 1st to signed.

Oromahoe 18R2B2B2 Ahuawhenua Trust Kia Tū Tika Te Whare o Kawa: the whare of Kawa will forever be upright. Te rohe a Kawa o konei o Tahuhurua nei puta noa ki Pouerua. No mua noatu ia i a Te Ra no muri iho ranei. Na te whare o Urekoatanui nga roi. He koroi a whatiwhati taiaha kei te taha o te awa o Kuparu. (Hori Tane 1904)

Oromahoe: - (nga korero mai i nga rangahau tuhi o Paratene Hirini Tane, 2016) sits in a wider tribal district that stretches from the ancestral pā of Pouerua, (Pakaraka) following te awa Waiaruhe through to the eastern coast of Te Ti Waitangi. It is the first pā of Ngāti Kawa and Ngāti Rahiri. For a greater part of the 16th to the 18th centuries, the pā was a political expression of our hapū mana over surrounding landscape, waterways and their resources. The geographic area relevant to the claims at Pouerua ki Te Ti Waitangi. This includes from Pouerua to Puketotara. (A

tributary flowing into the Waiaruhe awa to Oromahoe connects to Manaia and Kuparu) it then joins up at Puketona to the Waitangi Awa coming from Roto Omapere to Te Ahuahu to Waimate to Te Waihirere o Haruru ki Te Wahapu o Te Ti Waitangi.

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GENERAL

We again thank our dedicated farm staff for all of their effort in producing another pleasing year, both operationally and financially.

Farm Manager

It is time to pay tribute to the contribution of our Farm Manager, Ian Gadsby, who retired in February 2018 after 30 years of service. The Oromahoe farm was originally a Landcorp farm, with quite dated policies and operations. Ian developed the Oromahoe farm from that base, to where it is now, in the top 10 – 20% of farms in our category. Ian was instrumental in the purchase of the Waimatenui property and was responsible for substantial development of that operation, as well as the Oromahoe farm. The Trustees thank Ian for his long and successful career with the Oromahoe Trust and his significant contribution over that time.

The new Farm Manager is an existing staff member, Sam Kidd, who was promoted from Assistant Farm Manager when his application for the job was successful from a group of 20 other applicants. Sam is from Whangarei and moved to the area with his family at the age of 14. At 17 years of age, he was working for us, where he learnt many of his shepherd skills and general farm skills. As a young man he took time out for travel, returning to us more than once, most recently as Assistant Farm Manager (4 years ago). Sam lives on the farm with his partner Karene and young daughter. We acknowledge Sam for his dedication and conscientiousness in farm operations. We particularly note the challenges he faced early in the role, with the Micro Plasma Bovis redirection notice being in place from June to August of 2018. This matter was managed very well and in full compliance with the requirements of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

Administration

We have started the transition of the administration of the Trust's accounts to an internal resource, following the upcoming retirement of Suzette Neeley and Mike Nesbit of Neeley Management services, which they signalled to us in September 2017.

The Trust thanks both Suzette and Mike for the skilled resource they have provided. They have shown steadfast support to the Trust for more than 25 years, including operational and financial management of our assets, accounting, administration, insurance management and forestry management. With the input of their advice and tight financial management, the assets of the Trust have grown significantly.

Kathryn Starr has been employed by the Trust as Administrator/Trustee Secretary. Kathryn's Mother was Noelene Starr (nee Penney), a family with strong connections to Oromahoe to this day.

Trustee Changes

Leon Penney will be retiring in 2018, with Phillipa Wynyard coming in as a Trustee. We are awaiting confirmation of these changes from the Maori Land Court, with their process working very slowly.

The Trust acknowledges the significant contribution of Leon Penney as Trustee for 20 years and Trustee Secretary, a role which required many hours of work to keep the governance and other secretarial duties of the Trust in order.

DISTRIBUTION POLICY

The Trust continues to distribute Grants to beneficiaries (over 60'S, Education and Tertiary).

TRUSTEE MATTERS

Our 5-year plan is still a work in progress. This is not a concern for the Trustees as our budgets are still being adopted, implemented and reviewed in the meantime. With the additional resource of a paid Administrator/Trustee Secretary, it will be possible to advance these projects faster.

TRUSTEE WORKPLAN FOR NEXT YEAR

- Continue to review our annual budget and operations
- Adopt a new five-year Farm Plan. This is due to be adopted in early 2019.
- Assist with research projects, including site farm visit.
- Investigate further farm purchases or other investments
- Encourage trustees and staff to undertake further training and attend seminars, conferences and workshops.
- Review trust operations, plans and strategies.

Kia ora mai tatou