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Kua pūmahana te whenua, me ngā otaota, me ngā rākau.

The earth has now acquired warmth, as also have herbage and trees.

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TE PŪRONGO O NGĀ POU MATARUA | CO-DIRECTORS UPDATE

The past month has been an extremely
busy one at NPM with our network being in
full planning mode for the upcoming virtual
10th International Indigenous Research
Conference (IIRC22) and MAI Doctoral
Conference, both in November.

We had a fantastic response to our call for
abstracts for IIRC22 with more than 170
submissions received from Aotearoa and
abroad, and covering a vast range of
disciplines. We are incredibly grateful to
our Abstracts Review Committee who went
through each and every one of them:
Associate Professor Margaret Forster
(Rongomaiwāhine, Ngāti Kahungunu), Dr
Te Rita Papesch (Waikato-Maniapoto, Ngāti
Porou, Ngāti Whakaue), Dr Tūmanako
Ngāwhika Fa’aui (Ngāti Whakahemo, Ngāti
Uenukukopako, Ngāti Te Roro o te Rangi,
Te Arawa), Dr Deborah Heke (Ngāti Hineira
me Te Uritaniwha), Associate Professor
Maree Roche (Raukawa) and Associate
Professor Mohi Rua (Tūhoe, Ngāti Awa,
Ngāti Whakaue). Ngā mihi nunui ki a
koutou!

We have also had a huge amount of
interest in our MAI doctoral conference, the
first in-person one to be held since 2020.
The conference is an opportunity for
emerging Māori scholars and leaders to
present papers, discuss key kaupapa, and
deepen bonds. NPM Pou Rautaki Dr
Hinekura Smith has done an incredible job
pulling it together, assisted by the team at

Te Whare Wānanga o Wairaka | Unitec.
Places are capped at 150 and organised
through the MAI co-ordinator network. The
conference will be held at Unitec, 17 – 20
November.

Later in this e-pānui you can read more
about the ten successful PhD scholarship
recipients who will join NPM’s highly
successful Māori Futures Programme. We
are thrilled to be supporting their rangahau
which covers diverse topics from hapū data
sovereignty and utilising mātauranga to
guide biomedical research, to wāhine Māori
leaders in governance and culturally safe
spaces for Māori nurses.

Finally, we acknowledge the recent passing
of Maanu Paul ONZM (Ngāti Awa, Ngāti
Manawa) whose many decades of
contribution to Te Ao Māori included critical
work undertaken for the New Zealand
Māori Council, leading national debates on
Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and involvement in Te
Tiriti negotiations.

Moe mai rā e te rangatira, moe mai, moe
mai rā.

Ngā Pou Matarua | Co-Directors

Professor Tahu Kukutai
Professor Linda Waimarie Nikora

KAUPAPA MATUA: WĀHINE TOA & THE PETITION

Renowned artist Mr G completed a five-storey mural of Hana Te Hemara (Te Atiawa, Ngāti Raukawa, Ngāi Tahu) to celebrate 50 years since the petition for te reo to be taught in schools.

REMEMBERING HANA

While most students studying at Victoria University in the 1970’s were engrossed in their studies and the usual social rituals associated with university life, one of their number spent her spare time gathering signatures on Lambton Quay. Braving the sun, the rain, and the inevitable barking cold winds, nineteen-year-old Teorongonui (Josie) Keelan had bigger fish to fry. And the weather was the least of her worries.

Fifty years ago, Josie was a member of Ngā Tamatoa and was gathering signatures for the petition for recognition of Te Reo to be taught in schools. Today Josie works as a highly valued member of NPM and she remembers feeling very vulnerable doing the mahi for the petition all those years ago. “It was scary, because it’s like anything, you are asking people to sign a petition and some people respond positively and some people get really abusive, so you leave yourself open to all sorts of reactions. You just have to overcome your fear of rejection basically, and anticipate that it was likely to be 50% of the responses that you got.”

“My motivation to become part of Ngā Tamatoa was being of service, which was sitting alongside the four pou of Ngā Tamatoa which were Te Reo, whenua, justice and the Treaty,” she says. Josie was at the recent celebrations in Taranaki commemorating fifty years since the petition was presented to Parliament by Hana Te Hemara and she remembers Hana as fearless. “We became friends through Ngā Tamatoa. I also did a three-month placement at Carrington Hospital staying with Hana and Syd at their home in Avondale, so I got to know them and their children.”

“Hana had a point of view. She had absolutely no fear in saying what her view was. And she did not brook any criticism that as a woman she had no right to be standing up to speak. She was absolutely and utterly fearless, but always extremely elegant,” says Josie.

She says there was no contradiction in Hana being a graceful warrior. “If you look at the Japanese samurai, while they were warriors, they were also experts in the arts. So, to me it all goes hand in hand. Hana believed if you really wanted to be taken seriously, then you had to dress well," she says.

"One of the unknown things about Hana was that she organised several fashion shows of clothes by Māori designers. She did that throughout the whole country. She was a pioneer and was way ahead of her time. We tend to think that Māori and fashion have only been around for 20 years with Fashion Week, but it’s been around a lot longer than that. You just have to look at Whetū Tirikātene Sullivan and what she wore.”

“Most of us back then were 19- and 20-year-old students and pōhara as. But as some of the others will tell you, Hana took them, and she taught them how to shop in the hokohoko shops, and she taught them how to recycle and be fashionable.”

Josie believes Hana’s contribution and the role of wāhine toa was crucial to the
petition. “Whose idea the petition was depends on who you talk to. But what you can say is that Hana made it happen. I would say that Hana’s role and the fact that she got out there and became the face of the petition, that it’s her name on the petition - you can’t take that away from her.” While the issue of Te Reo was being raised in other ways, Josie says, the petition was a pivotal moment in the history of the language. “Hana’s contribution was extraordinary, given that she didn’t have the reo. Despite attending lessons untold times, she just couldn’t grasp it. But that was our Hana, she knew how important it was.”

“Women were the strength in the kaupapa behind the petition. The women did the hard yards and organised things. For example, Cathy Dewes who was in Te Reo Māori Society, would allocate the streets that people needed to canvas for signatures. Ngā Tamatoa in Wellington were advised by Hana that we had to work with the Society which we did. Cathy did a lot of the organising and everyone got out and about and got the signatures.”

The lack of acknowledgement of the work of women towards the petition has been apparent. However, recent celebrations in Taranaki addressed this. “The reason Ramari, Hana’s daughter, had the concept of ‘I Am Hana’ was to give our wāhine toa the acknowledgement and mana they deserve. The team they had around them was women and they really looked after us. Ramari wanted to counteract the media tendency to always ask the same men for their opinions.”

“I think what the petition did was it opened the door slightly and enabled a whole lot of other people to then push the door wide open. That’s a pretty good description of the impact of the petition. When we get together, we feel pretty good about ourselves, but at the end of the day, it was something that needed to be done and we did it. Then other people have followed on and they have done some fabulous things.”

HE HOKINGA MAHARA | Ngā Pae back in the day...

We delve into the archives of our NPM Annual Reports to reflect on our milestone moments from 'back in the day'.

2010 Annual Report Highlights

Eleven new research projects supported, bringing the number of active research projects to thirty-three.

Hosted and organised by NPM, the 4th International Traditional Knowledge Conference in Tāmaki Makaurau attracted over 400 delegates from Aotearoa and overseas.

A joint initiative with Fulbright NZ enabled Indigenous research links with the USA to develop excellence in Indigenous development.

Six journal issues were successfully published: three issues of AlterNative: An International Journal of Indigenous Peoples, and three MAI Review issues.

Thirty-two conferences, symposia, and events supported by NPM reached large community, national, and international audiences.

In 2010 Dr Rāwinia Higgins, Dr Kāterina Te Heikōkō Mataira,
Dame Dr Iritana Tawhiwhirangi, Professor Te Ahukarumū
Charles Royal, and Dr Pōia Rewi initiated Pae Tawhiti: Te Kura
Roa, one of eleven new NPM research projects.

2011 Annual Report Highlights

NPM hosted a national research symposium on Māori Economic Development:Critical Success Factors.

Online hosting of AlterNative increased our international reach while reducing our environmental footprint.

Ten research projects completed in 2011, 7 projects initiated, and 14 projects continued to receive direct support.

More than 75 presentations were given at conferences, seminars, wānanga, and community events, showcasing NPM research, some of which were supported by our knowledge sharing awards.

Twenty-one on-going PhD students supported, highlighting NPM’s commitment to excellent emerging research and researchers.

RANGAHAU | RESEARCH

2022 NPM Māori Futures Programme PhD Scholarship Recipients

NPM are thrilled to announce the successful recipients from the 2022 Māori Futures Programme PhD Scholarship round. It was a strong round of high-quality applications, assessed by members of our NPM Kāhui Ārahi (senior leadership team). NPM is excited to support the following PhD researchers and their projects:

PhD Researcher: Coral Wiapo
(Ngāti Whātua) The University of Auckland
PhD Research Title: Ahakoa he iti, he pounamu: How do wahine Māori nurses utilise mātauranga Māori as a means to address health equity in Te Tai Tokerau?
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Terryann Clark (Ngāpuhi) The University of Auckland
Dr Sue Adams The University of Auckland
Hemaima Reihana-Tait (Ngāpuhi) Te Hauora o Ngāpuhi
Dr Tania Cliffe-Tautari (Te Arawa, Ngāi Tahu) The University of Auckland.

PhD Researcher: Ashlea Gillon
(Ngāti Awa, Ngāpuhi, Ngāi te Rangi)The University of Auckland
PhD Research Title: Mana Tinana, Mana Mōmona, Mana Wāhine: Ngā Pūrākau o Ngā Tinana Body Sovereignty and Fat Māori Wāhine
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Tracey McIntosh (Ngāi Tūhoe) The University of Auckland
Dr Jade Le Grice (Te Rarawa, Ngāpuhi) The University of Auckland
Professor Melinda Webber (Ngāti Whakaue, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Hau) The University of Auckland

The late Dr Cat Pausé Massey University.

PhD Researcher: Stacey Ruru
(Ngāti Hāua, Ngāti Raukawa)The University of Waikato
PhD Research Title: Mō ngā uri whakatipu: Women leaders paving a pathway for future generations in governance
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Associate Professor Bridgette Masters-Awatere (Te Rarawa, Tūwharetoa ki Kawerau, Ngāi Te Rangi) The University of Waikato
Professor Chellie Spiller (Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairoa) The University of Waikato
Dr Amohia Boulton (Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi te Rangi, Ngāti Pūkenga and Ngāti Mutunga) Whakauae Research Services Ltd

Mr Utiku Potaka (Ngāti Hauiti, Ngāti Apa and Te Āti Haunui-ā-Pāpārangi) Whakauae Research
Services Ltd

PhD Researcher: Jennifer Tokomauri McGregor
(Ngāti Raukawa,Waikato) The Auckland University of Technology
PhD Research Title: Kawa Whakaruruhau: Culturally-safe spaces for Māori nurses practice development
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Dr. Alayne Mikahere-Hall (Ngāti Whātua, Te Rarawa, Waikato-Tainui) The Auckland University of Technology
Associate Professor Denise Wilson (Ngāti Tahinga) The Auckland University of Technology.

PhD Researcher: Mana Mitchell
(Ngāti Maniapoto) The University of Otago
PhD Research Title: Utilising Mātauranga to Guide Biomedical Research
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Dr Esther Willing (Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Ngāti Koata, Ngāruahine) The University of Otago Professor Peter Crampton The University of Otago
Dr Olivia Harrison The University of Otago.

PhD Researcher: Hannah Rapata
(Kāi Tahu) The University of Auckland
PhD Research Title: Te Kai Ora a Kāi Tahu: Conceptualising Kāi Tahu kai sovereignty and Māori nutrition data sovereignty
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Associate Professor Donna Cormack (Kāi Tahu, Kāti Māmoe) The University of Auckland/The University of Otago
Dr Erena Wikaire (Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Hine, Te Hikutu, Te Kapotai) The University of Auckland

PhD Researcher: Emily Atireira Bain
(Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga, Ngāti Toa Rangatira) The University of Otago
PhD Research Title: The Inequities of the NASC system in Aotearoa for Whaikaha Māori
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Dr. Esther Willing (Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Ngāti Koata, Ngāruahine) The University of Otago
Mrs Arianna Nisa-Waller (Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāi Te Rangi) The University of Otago

PhD Researcher: Kahurangi Waititi
(Te Whānau- ā- Apanui, Ngāti Porou, Ngāi Tahu) The University of Waikato
PhD Research Title: He oranga tuku iho: Oranga through mahinga toi. He tirohanga nō Te Whānau a Apanui.
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Linda Tuhiwai Smith (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Awa) The University of Waikato
Dr Lisa Perrot The University of Waikato

PhD Researcher: Waratah Taogaga
(Ngāti Whātua, Ngāpuhi, Barkindji (NSW), Ngāti Hāmoa) The University of Auckland
PhD Research Title: Hua o te Kawariki - Ngāti Whātua Curriculum
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Melinda Webber (Ngāti Whakaue, Ngāpuhi, Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Hau) The University of Auckland
Dr Hinekura Smith (Te Rarawa, Ngāpuhi) Unitech Institute of Technology

PhD Researcher: Ella Newbold
(Ngāti Tiipa, Waikato, Ngāti Porou) The University of Waikato
PhD Research Title: Protecting Ngāti Tiipa hapū data sovereignty
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Tahu Kukutai (Ngāti Tiipa, Ngāti Kinohaku, Ngāti Māhanga, Te Aupōuri) The University of Waikato
Dr Tony Trinick (Te Whānau-ā-Apanui) The University of Auckland

PhD Researcher: Kapua O'Connor
(Ngāti Kurī, Pohūtiare) The University of Auckland
PhD Research Title: Tutungia te kāpura hei oranga mō te hapū: Light the fires for our collective vitality
PhD Supervisors and Mentors:
Professor Tracey McIntosh (Ngāi Tūhoe) The University of Auckland
Dr Tiopira McDowell (Ngāti Hine, Ngāpuhi) The University of Auckland

Rangahau - Kōrero with Professor Helen Moewaka-Barnes

Each month we feature a member of our NPM Kāhui Ārahi- Research Leadership Team in our e-pānui. This month we talked with Professor Helen Moewaka-Barnes who is a director of Whāriki, co-director of the SHORE, based out of Massey University. Helen leads NPM Pou Pātai Puawai.

Ko wai tō ingoa, nō whea koe?

He uri nō Ngāpuhi ahau, Te Kapotai te
hapū. Ko Helen Moewaka Barnes ahau. He
kairangahau tēnei mō Te Rōpū Whāriki,
College of Health, Massey University, heoi,
he Pou Pātai Puawai ahau mō Ngā Pae o te
Māramatanga.

Can you give us a little glimpse into a
‘day in the life’ of Helen?

I get up at dawn and go for a run, eat a
breakfast of homemade muesli and
yoghurt. Then I wake up and realise I was
dreaming. I drag myself reluctantly out of
bed, only because the cats and dogs have
very strong and vocal opinions about
breakfast. I make coffee and think about
my lists of things to do. Each day is
different but usually includes a lot of small
tasks I can cross off my list, giving me a
feeling that I’ve done something. There are
usually a few zooms and, if I have time,
some writing. A lot is now done online;
things tick over, but it’s not the same.
Before covid I spent a lot of time with hapū
and iwi partners, one of the things about
my mahi that I loved the most. Nowadays
I’m busy making travel plans then
cancelling them. I’m hopeful that, as things
open up, I will get to make travel plans
and keep them.

What excites you about leading out
Pou Pātai Puawai?

I’m excited about working with the other
Pou Pātai and with our wider team,
including the research programmes. This is
an opportunity to work with the
mātauranga we already hold as well as the
knowledge emerging from our mahi
rangahau going forward. Coming together
to support change and voice are key
interests.

Our NPM vision is flourishing Māori
futures. What does that mean for you?

To me this means living with all the wealth
and richness that being Māori offers us; not
in the sense of monetary wealth but in
respectful relationships with all things,
beginning with the whenua that nurtures,
teaches and challenges us. Flourishing also
means that the human world around us
needs to change.

Lastly, if you could be a manu Māori/NZ
Native Bird which one would you choose
and why?

I think the life of a kawau might be good –
they get to fly, dive, swim and live by the
moana. I wouldn’t like to be just any kawau
though; I’d like to be the one that hangs out
at the Mangonui fish and chip shop and gets
fresh fish on demand.

NGĀ MANAAKITANGA | OPPORTUNITIES

Māori Women’s Wellness after Breast Cancer Program: Māreikura Tū Kōwhai – Call for Leadership to further develop programme.

NPM researcher Dr Tess Moeke-Maxwell and her team are seeking researchers to develop steps for a Wellness After Breast Cancer Programme (Māreikura Tū Kōwhai) specifically for wāhine Māori. Tess led a pilot programme with support from Te Ārai Kāhui Kaumātua and Cancer Trials NZ, using Kaupapa Māori research methods. This included the cultural elements of pūrākau, atua, karakia, karanga, Māori symbolism, and imagery to inform the research design and the qualitative analysis.
The results of the participants’ engagement and use of the adapted program were very positive. The inclusion of spiritual and cultural dimensions provided women with an inclusive way of engaging with the program and including their whānau. It provided a safe way to work through the original program’s content (healthy eating, exercise, fatigue, body image, sexual health, managing stress, illness prevention, and future goal setting).
The team now wishes to engage with Māori researchers or Māori research groups to develop the next steps of this programme according to their kaupapa, so that it may become more available to wāhine Māori nationally.
Those interested please contact Tess Maxwell <t.moeke-maxwell@auckland.ac.nz> by 30 October, 2022.

PUNA MĀTAURANGA | PUBLICATIONS

Kate Souness belongs to Ngāi Tahu, Kāti Mamoe and Waitaha and also has whakapapa to Te Arawa and Ngā Puhi.

Ocean voyager, astronomer, scholar, and now author, Kate Souness has released two books this year.

Kate is a NPM PhD scholarship recipient and released the books to support those in the teaching profession to grow their knowledge and delivery of Kaupapa Māori in the classroom. Prior to gaining her Masters, Kate worked as a teacher in a range of schools. Over a twelve-year period within the teaching profession she observed a lack of resources and education content available that included mātauranga and pūrākau (oral traditions).

Both books are inspired by her passion for Kaupapa Waka and offer waka and navigation as sources of inspiration for both the mainstream and Kura Kaupapa curriculum. She believes teaching mātauranga in schools can be applied to many subject areas and tauira Māori will be uplifted and inspired by a more holistic approach to subject matter.

The knowledge Kate has about Kaupapa Waka was accumulated as part of her membership within the Te Aurere waka crew since 2003. Kate was on board Ngahiraka Mai Tawhiti from Rapanui to Tahiti in the Waka Tapu voyage that sailed to Rapanui, Tahiti, Rarotonga and back to Aotearoa.

Her books are:
Ko Au He Waka, He Waka Ko Au - Kaupapa Waka and Education
This book celebrates the events and history of the waka renaissance movement throughout the Pacific. At the heart of the book are stories and interviews from experts in the field of Kaupapa Waka, their experiences in the school system, and views on the education content within the Aotearoa curriculum. This book is a contribution towards promoting more mātauranga and pūrākau to be included in content taught in schools. This book highlights the politics between mātauranga and science within curriculum content and the importance of recognising Māori cosmologies and knowledge as an approach to understanding the natural environment.

Te Kāpehu Whetū
This is a bilingual resource to support learning about star navigation. The book was written to share knowledge about the traditional Māori star compass. It provides a base knowledge for traditional star navigation at sea and shows how to identify and find Matariki and other stars. Books are available from: https://www.teuruao.co.nz/shop-our-books

HUI, EVENTS, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, WEBINARS, EXHIBITIONS

NOT ONE MORE ACRE!

The Auckland Museum marks the 40th anniversary of the eviction of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei from their ancestral lands. It tells the story of the 506-day protest against the Crown’s proposed sale of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei land at Bastion Point Takaparawhau. A symbol of Māori land rights, this exhibition showcases iconic imagery from photographers Mairi Gunn, Gil Hanly, Margaret Jones, John Miller and Robin Morrison. Free entry.

2022 IIRC CONFERENCE: 15-18 NOVEMBER

The following link will give you access to registration. https://www.iirc.ac.nz/
Register now for the 10th International Indigenous Research Conference 2022 Online.

IIRC22 has a theme of Flourishing Indigenous Futures and it is a time for reflection, sharing, planning and innovating. Engagement modes include small cohort collabs, master classes, premiere keynotes, discussion forum, social connects, live and pre-recorded papers and posters. Early bird registration is available to October 14. Presenters will be notified by October 3.

Pātai from the conference theme:
Te Ao Taketake: How can Indigenous languages, customs, traditions, values and knowledge continue to inform our futures?
Whānau: How can Indigenous kinship wellbeing be realised in everyday life?
Mauri: How can mātauranga (Indigenous knowledge, wisdom, understanding) inform and drive sustainable and just societal practices?
Puāwai: How can Indigenous-led research be used transformatively to accelerate the achievement of flourishing Indigenous futures?

IIRC22 Key Dates

14 Oct 2022 Pre-recorded videos due
14 Oct 2022 Early-bird registration closes
15 – 18 Nov 2022 IIRC 2022 begins

Sign up for the IIRC22 mailing list to be notified of our amazing lineup of Indigenous keynote presenters

HE PITOPITO KŌRERO | NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Professor Jacinta Ruru (Raukawa,
Ngāti Ranginui, Ngāti Maniapoto) who has been awarded
the University of Otago’s top honour. The Distinguished
Research Medal was awarded to Jacinta for her work on recalibrating laws to be more respectful of Māori rights, interests and responsibilities. The distinguished medal is the university’s most prestigious award and is given to recognise the outstanding performance of individual
researchers or research teams. Jacinta is Aotearoa’s first Māori professor of law and is a previous Co-Director of NPM. The award sits alongside other significant awards. This month Jacinta was also invested as a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to Māori and the law.
E poho kererū ana mātou Jacinta!

Congratulations to Dr James Berghan (Te Rarawa, Te Aupōuri) from the University of Otago Te Kura Kairuri School of Surveying. James won a Curriculum Innovation Award from the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy in the United States for his teaching practices in his third-year urban design paper. His imaginative teaching practices were both stimulating and practical for students and
included the use of jenga blocks, doing parkour in the urban environment, and creating virtual tours. Student projects included a range of urban-design concepts
spanning the identification of traffic calming devices, to
street art and hauora-based ideas such as the role of
public and green spaces. Only four awards are offered
annually.

Kāti rā ngā kōrero mō tēnei wā,

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