

Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust

Pānui January 2013

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held at Tukorehe Marae, State Highway 1, Kuku, Ohau Levin on Saturday 23rd February 2013 at 10.00 a.m. Trustees will present the Annual Report, including the Annual Accounts and Annual Plan, proposed amendments to the Trust Deed and the 2012-2013 Distribution Policy. The AHC Directors will also report to the beneficiaries, that is, registered members.

A quorum is 25 adult registered members and a majority of trustees. Book the date on your iphone or your calendar.

Website

www.raukawakitonga.maori.nz

In the first year we have received 12,000 hits. Send feedback to us about what you want to see on the website.

Tēnā koutou katoa

Iwi Registrations

You are receiving this letter because you are registered with Raukawa ki te Tonga. We have almost 10,000 people registered as members. Help us to double the numbers. Encourage whānau to register. The registration form is on the website:

<http://www.raukawakitonga.maori.nz/index.php/registration-form>

OR you can call 0800KITETONGA (0800548386642) OR email raukawakitonga@twor-otaki.ac.nz and ask for a form to be sent to you.

Validation of forms

Registrations are validated by iwi and hapū appointed validators. You are then added to the register for the iwi / hapū you have chosen. In some cases people have indicated they wish to be validated as Raukawa ki te Tonga and this is also approved.

Changing your postal address or email address

Each time we send out a newsletter we receive dozens back again with a stamp - GNA (Gone No Address). Please inform us of your address to help us keep you updated. Email the secretary at raukawakitonga@twor-otaki.ac.nz or phone 0800KITETONGA (0800548386642).

Appointment of Trustees to the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust

The Deed of Trust is our book of rules approved by the iwi. Because a Trustee must stand down and seek election after 3 years in office, we have begun the rotation of Trustees with 4 of the current Trustees standing down and seeking re-election now. The notice of election was emailed to Trustees, posted on our website, notified in the Dom Post and at various hui over the past year. Electionz.com was appointed to run the election and invited nominations for 4 Trustees. The 4 Trustees who stood down were the only members who sought election and therefore they have been re-elected.

On 13 December 2012 we received the following:

Nominations have now closed for the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust - 2013 Trustee Election. The confirmed candidates for the four positions are (*Surname, First Name*):

KNOX, Colin SPINKS, Aroha TEIRA, Te Kenehi WAAKA, Rupene

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, an election is not required. I therefore declare **Colin KNOX, Aroha SPINKS, Te Kenehi TEIRA and Rupene WAAKA** elected unopposed as Trustees of the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust.

Anthony Morton, Chief Returning Officer – Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust
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Elections 2014

The next round of elections will be in late 2014. At that time, Trustees who have held office for 3 years must retire (and may seek re-election).

Summer 2012-2013

The Trustees wish all our members a safe and happy summer on our beaches, lakes, rivers and roads. Know how many paua and kina you can harvest, count your pipi and tuatua, measure the crayfish and paua, only take what you can eat, don't be wasteful and look after our natural environment as well as your children's skin in the hot sun. We look forward to seeing you all in 2013.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou katoa

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