

*Maringi mai te tomairangi
He tohu aroha,
no te Tohunga Tapu
Kia raranga ai tatou te iwi
I Tona kaha.*

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā whanaunga maha o te motu tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa.

Kei te tangi tonu te ngākau mo ngā mate kua wheturangitia. Hoki wairua atu e koutou ki to tīmatatanga hei okioki ai i waenganui i o tātou mātua tupuna. E kore e mutu te aroha mo koutou. Moe mai ra. Haere!

E te hunga mate koutou ki a koutou, tātou te hunga ora ki a tātou tēnā tātou katoa.

WOW!! There are now only 41 weeks left in the year and we have a lot to do to make sure that Rongoā has a voice in the future of our tamariki, mokopuna. There is no doubt that they deserve to have the very best of Hauora Maori AND Rongoā Maori and more to the point they have a right to make an informed choice on which modality is the best for them.

Speaking of this here is the list of rongoā modalities we can showcase during the **RONGOĀ EXPO** in October. Aren't we fabulous!

- **Mirimiri a wairua**
- **Mirimiri a tinana**
- **Rongoā Rākau**
- **Romiromi**
- **Rongoā is Kai, Kai is Rongoā**
- **Mirimiri a kōrero**
 - Wānanga Reo
 - Wānanga Karakia
 - Wānanga whakapapa
- **Mirimiri a Toi**
 - Art Therapy
- **Te Ao Turoa**
 - The Natural World

Contact your regional trustee for further information and to check out which modality YOU may be delivering.



TE KĀHUI RONGOĀ PĀNUI

UPDATE TREATY CLAIM

Aroha mai ki a tātou.

If it wasn't for Te Tau Ihu and Tainui responding to the last pānui we would have had no response at all to this incredibly important *take* for Rongoā.

Perhaps we are still in holiday mode or perhaps not absolutely certain that we really ARE serious about submitting a Contemporary Treaty Claim on behalf of Rongoā. Either way e hoa ma we can't wait much longer before we need to take the next step which will be to actually submit the letter of intent to the Waitangi Tribunal. From there we will engage with one or more of our extremely talented legal beagles and translate our list of prejudices into legal speak. You will notice I said 'engage' and not 'employ' which is another way of saying we are still pōhara but ready, willing and (only with your support) able to progress this matter further.

These really are **exciting** times and we have been given a golden opportunity to stand up for Rongoā.

Enough is Enough is the catch cry and if we want things to change then we need to take responsibility to do something about it. Aroha mai if

HUI TAUMATA 2015

We have a confirmed date and venue for the Hui Taumata.

Friday 2 October to Sunday 4 October 2015

Venue: Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Tupoho

Cross Street, Castlecliff, WHANGANUI

Proposed programme:

Day One: Powhiri, Whakawhanaungatanga, set up displays

Day Two: Rongoā Expo—open to public.

Day Three: Hui a Tau, New Trustees, Hākari, Poroporoaki

UPDATE cont'd

that sounds like kohete korero it is just a reality wake-up call for us all.

Having said all that we have had some great feedback from Kereopa and Reggie from Te Tau Ihu. Added to the list of concerns that adversely affect Rongoā Māori will be:-

11. The Natural Health Bill
12. If iwi are expected to take responsibility for rongoā in their respective rohe will they receive a percentage of the taxes already paid to do so.
13. Results Based Accountability
14. DOC Commercial Concession
15. Current research into new models for Maori Health/Rongoā Maori? Who has been employed to do this and why overseas?

If you want to know more about any of these issues and the ten other issues from the last pānui please contact your regional trustee or phone Marilyn (06) 344 6873 email marilyn.vreede@clear.net.nz OR Marie (07)3123361 email wotowai_wave@ihug.co.nz

If we can't help you we can certainly refer you to someone who can.

LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE

RONGOĀ EXPO

Watch this space

KEEP IN TOUCH—RONGOĀ NEEDS YOU