



Candidate Profiles

Rohenga Tipuna 3 - Pohautea ki Te Onepoto
2018 By-election

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Hohaia COLLIER



E ngā whanaunga e noho ora mai nā i te rohe mai Pohautea ki Onepoto, koutou o Ngāti Porou whānui, tēnā koutou. Tēna koutou i o tātau aituā tāruru, rātau i hinga mai nei, i hinga mai nā i roto i ngā tau kua pahure ake, i tēnei tau tonu. Haere koutou ki te kāpunipunitanga o te wairua, haere, takoto tīraha, takoto okioki, moe mai rā.

E hika mā anei tā koutou mōkai a Hohaia e tuku whakaaro kia mōhio koutou he aha nga poukopu o taku whare whakaaro.

- Ko te marae te kāinga tūturu, te ūkaipo; manaakitia, tiakina kia pakari tana tū.
- He taonga kāmeahameha te reo ake o Ngāti Porou me ōna tikanga; kōrerotia, wahapūngia kia rongo te ao.
- Ko ngā tamariki, mokopuna tō mātau oranga, whakatipuria, whakaorangia kia mau, kia ū ki tō rātau Poroutanga.
- Nā tō mātau mana motuhake, ka rangatira tō mātau tū, nō reira whāia te pae mamao hei tūranga rangatira mō tātau.

Mēnā ka tū pakari ai ngā poukopu nei māma noa iho te rākaitanga o te whare.

Nāku iti nei

Nā

Hohaia Collier

Te Whānau a Uruahi, Te Whānau a Takimoana, Ngāti Horowai

Aroha COULING



I acknowledge the late Heni Tawhiwhirangi who demonstrated a unique dedication to and aroha for Ngāti Porou. I therefore offer myself as a candidate for the Rohenga Tipuna 3 trustee vacancy and hope to develop and display those same qualities as nurtured in me by my nanny, whānau and hapū.

My husband and I have lived and worked in Tokoroa for over 30 years. We have an adult daughter.

I have lived away from home for a long time, but my family and I have remained actively engaged in whānau and marae kaupapa all of that time. In doing so, news and events of home are real and meaningful to me, encouraging me to make the commitment to return home for as many kaupapa and hui as possible. In time, our aim is to return home, where we hope to be of value and service to the wider iwi.

My work experience has been in the public service, and in education, where I have operated at grass-roots and managerial levels. I am a trustee for Tinatoka Marae, and I am a committee member of Ngawhakatutu (Kia Ora) Station.

My life and work experiences as Ngāti Porou ki te whenua, I offer as a potential strength and lens to this position. For me it is not about changing our Ngāti Poroutanga, it is about willingly contributing to strengthening those skills and knowledge that move us forward: empowerment, for a better future.

I believe that effective two-way communication is key, and is needed for us all to belong. I am a thinker and a doer, and I will do my best to contribute to further enhancing communication.

I will do my utmost to uphold my beliefs and values of empowerment and effective two-way communication, as well as attend to other trustee responsibilities. I know that being a trustee is a challenging role, and I am willing to rise to the challenges.

To conclude I have selected, as a whakatauki, the opening lines of Tuini Ngawai's waiata, 'E Kore Te Aroha E Taka Nei'.

No reira ka mihia to tātau tipuna kuia, tohunga whakaaro kupu tohutohu.

'E kore te aroha e taka nei e, i waho i taku manawa e,

Uia e hine he aha ra, he aroha e'

'My faith will never wane from within my heart

You may well ask why? It is my love for you'

Derek Tinia FOX



A few days before she left us so suddenly Heni came to Mahia with her great pal Agnes. They came and stayed with me while they attended an 80th birthday dinner for another coastie – Martin Haua – who also has very strong Mahia ties.

The birthday dinner was great, but even better was the time spent at home with Heni and Agnes before and after the function; reminiscing about friends and whanau those living and more fondly those who've passed on.

So it was a great shock when she passed away.

I didn't immediately think about the vacancy she left on the Runanga, but some weeks later I had approaches from a few people asking me to consider putting my name forward. On this the second time nominations have been called I have agreed.

For me the role of the board of the Runanga is to set the rules and parameters for the good governance of Ngati Porou's assets and affairs; to appoint a person to manage those expectations, and to hold that person accountable for carrying out that task.

That's what I will endeavour to do should I be elected to the board.

I have considerable governance experience, like my six years as a Wairoa district councillor and then a further six years as Mayor of Wairoa. My involvement in both a governance and managerial role in the establishment of Maori Television; and more recently as a board member of the Trust that runs Nga Taonga – the Film, Sound and Television Archive.

It would be a great privilege for me to represent my rohe and in particular my principal marae Te Horo. But I would do so taking into account the Ngati Porou 'greater good'.

Heni wasn't everybody's 'cup of tea', but she was never afraid to question something she felt wasn't quite right, and you were never in doubt about what her thoughts were on any particular issue.

I have a different style and approach; one that has been honed in the governance roles I alluded to earlier. Ngati Porou deserves good governance to develop its assets to ultimately deliver a return to our people. I would welcome an opportunity to help do that.

Kia ora

Naku na

Derek Tinia Fox

Hira OHLSON



Ko Pukekura te maunga

Ko Mangaoporo te awa

Ko Tinatoka te marae

Ko Horouta te waka

Ko Tinatoka te whare Tupuna

Ko Rangikapitiao te whare kai

Ko Tinatoka te rangatira

Whakapapa te taha o tāku Māma: Tamati Ngakaho – Hamana Waihi / Ngakaho – Warihi Waihi – Arapera Waihi – Hira Ohlson

Whakapapa te taha o tāku Pāpa: Potatau – Te Hata – Hunapo – Noa – Hira Ohlson

Ko Te Whanau-a-Uruahi ki Tinatoka te hapu me te iwi hoki

I live at 859 Te Araroa Rd, Tikitiki, otherwise known as Uruahi.

I own two logging trucks under the company name H2OH Login Ltd.

I also lease the whanau paddocks (approx 130 acres).

I intend to go back to school to complete my BA Degree in Matauranga Maori at Awanuiarangi. I started it in Ruatorea under Jack Chambers (2 years), then the Waa in Gisborne under Weherua Rutene (2 years), then 1 3/4 years under Nikora Taipeti.

Dorina PAENGA



E ngā maunga, e ngā awaawa, e ngā pātaka o ngā taonga tuku iho a Ngāti Porou whānui tonu, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa. Tēnā hoki koutou i o tātau tīni mate, ko Hēni Tāwhiwhirangi tēnā, nō reira, ko koutou kua wehi atu ki tua o te ārai, kua mene ki ngā pō, kua mihia rātau, kua tangihia rātau, kua ea te taha ki a rātau. Hoki mai anō ki a tātau te hunga ora o te whānau whānui o Ngāti Porou, mai i Pōtikirua ki te Toka a Taiāu, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

With my four sisters, older brother and the oldest mokopuna I was raised at the foot of Te Taumata Kārangaranga o Rākaitēmania at Te Horo Marae overlooking the mouth of the Waipū River. My early days were filled with making bows and arrows, building tree huts, swimming at Port Awanui and helping mum clean the Marae for the ensuing hui, or sorting through cutlery and counting crockery which were stored in the old kāuta at the time.

I have memories of attending Waiomatatini School as a toddler before venturing into “town” to attend Manutahi School in Ruatōria. Like my mother before me, I attended Hukarere Girls High School in Napier and then onto Waikato University before embarking on my great OE to London almost 20 years ago, and in the process meeting my husband Curtis Bristowe from the great lineage of Tūwhakairiora of Te Araroa.

Now residing in Hamilton, we are proud parents of three heavenly boys who remind us each day that the greatest wealth we have rests in whānau, language, culture and identity.

I hope I am able to adequately fill the void left by Hēni Tāwhiwhirangi, and that my experience and skills contribute toward an already valuable asset base of our incumbent trustees on our Rūnanganui. I look forward to learning from my tuākana as we journey together towards the collective aspirations of our whānau, hapū and iwi.

Hei whakakapi ake i tāku, me kī penei, mā te mana, me te orangatūtanga o te reo me ōna Tikanga o Ngāti Porou ake, ka whakawhanake ake ai, te tuākiri, te pitomata, me te oranga o te iwi rangatira a Ngāti Porou whānui tonu.

E aku rangatira e kore e mutu ngā mihi me te aroha.

Nāku noa nā,

Dorina Paenga

Henare Te Apatari POROU



Tena ra koutou,

Te take e tu ana au mo te turu roto to tatau Runanga, a, ko enei tonu.

1. Na tetahi kaiteaki i runga te Runanga e tono mai ki au, e tu
2. Na tetahi o oku pakeke roto tenei rohe e ki mai, me tu koe.
3. Na etahi o oku tamariki e ki, e pa, me tu. Ka hoki oku mahara ki etahi o oku koka, i roto i enei kupu, i enei tonu;
 - a) Koka Rose Harrison me Pane McIlroy, boi, e tu koe mo to tatau whenua, AkuAku.
 - b) Koka Ruihi Porou, boi, haere mai, e tu koe mo nga komiti o Maraetaha me Whareongaonga.

I te wa tamariki ana au, na toku whaea e ki ki a au, “Me kore koe korero atu ko wai koe, ma te iwi e tonotia mohau”.

Koina te take kei te tu au mo te rohe e whakatipu mai au i roto, o ratau wariu kei te ora i roto i au.

Henare

Ngarangi Kanewa WALKER



Ko Hikurangi te maunga

Ko Waiapu te awa

Ko Ngati Porou te iwi

Ko Waiomatatini te pa

Ko Porourangi te whare

Ko aku tipuna ko Raana Walker raua ko Mary Roa Milner me ta raua tama ko George Kiwa Walker; ko Hamuera Ngarimu raua ko Maraea Reweti Akuhata me ta raua tamahine Keita Whakato Ngarimu; ko Watene Moeke raua ko Mei Pohatu me ta raua tamahine Tilly Te Koingo Moeke; ko Te Kotuku Rerengatahi (George) Reedy raua ko Iritana Hakuwai Haig me ta raua tama Tamati Muturangi Reedy. Ko Claude Reuben Walker taku tati; ko Riripeti Heneriata Reedy taku mama.

Ko Ngarangi Kanewa Walker ahau.

This is my third time putting myself forward hei taringa whakarongo ki te hau kainga me nga uri o te kaenga kei wahi ke, mena ka hono te whanau ki te whenua, ka ora te whanau; ka hono te whenua ki te whanau, ka ora te whenua; ka ora te whanau, ka ora te whenua – ka whai rawa tatau katoa. Connecting the whanau to their whenua will strengthen participation; connecting whenua to whanau will enliven the whenua; when whanau and whenua are connected, we can all work together to harness opportunities and possibilities to enrich all of our lives.

A tick for me is a tick for your future.

Noho ora mai!