



Manu Rere



New Project Manager for MANU AO

There were a couple of changes to the MANU AO Academy staff members for the year, with Robyn Matthews taking on full-time study and Rawiri Tinirau taking on the role of Project Manager. Rawiri has the responsibility of implementing key projects, such as the Leadership Course and Academic Forums. Rawiri has expertise in Project management; Māori event management; Māori business and organisations; and Māori oral history. He has tribal affiliations to Te Āti Haunui-ā-Pāpārangī, Ngāti Rangī, Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Ngāti Kahungunu me Ngāi Tūhoe.

Regional Co-ordinator changes included Malcom Mulholland becoming the Massey Co-ordinator as Nathan Matthews took on a Senior Lecturer position and Maria Huata taking over the Waikato Chapter from Kirsten Gabel. We would like to welcome our new members on board and would like to wish Robyn, Nathan and Kirsten all the best in their new positions.

Weekly Seminar Reviews



Dr Wiremu Manaia – 9 Mar

[Video: Changing the face of Māori Leadership in Aotearoa](#)

Dr Manaia presented a framework that is currently being tested and developed for Māori youth leadership, which has relevance to indigenous leadership internationally. 'Mauri Kaiarahi' is based on five key values, namely whakatutuki (success), whakamana (earning respect), te awe tūrangā (building influence), kaha (power) and kawē (responsibility), and the need for future Māori leaders to look beyond their own personal desires and visualise the benefit of their actions on all Māori was reiterated. Underpinning these values is the need for Māori leaders to have a strong sense of their identity, which is critical to a secure future. Issues that Māori leaders will need to confront in the future included an increased incidence, complexity and severity with addictions; increased nutrition and dietary complications; mental health trauma and counselling; effective parenting and interdependence of youth; and the retention and growth of Māori identity.

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Nau mai haere mai ki a *Manu Rere* te karere rorohiko o MANU AO mō tēnei marama.

The E-Newsletter is designed to keep people up to date and in touch with current initiatives assisting Māori Academics and professionals in their leadership development.

Every month MANU AO will profile the latest seminar reviews and also keep you informed on what is happening in each of the University Chapters as well as other associated events. We welcome all your feedback and if you have any pānui you would like to be shared through the MANU AO network please let us know.

Tihei Mauri Ora!

Tihei Mauri Ora commenced for the 2011 year, featuring Mark Solomon on working together for the community to have the common courage to find the faith and hope we need for tomorrow. Georgina Te Heuheu was about integrity, to be above board and honest with your dealings. Koro Dewes on being action orientated people, concentrating on the here and now; and Tainui Stephens on having the ability to determine our ultimate best.

Please go to the MANU AO website to access these motivators and more.

If you would like to receive Tihei Mauri Ora! – Monday Motivational email, please contact Taniya Ward at T.M.Ward@massey.ac.nz to be put onto the mailing list or visit our website on www.manu-ao.ac.nz

2011 Upcoming Seminars (at all University BRCCS sites)

The month of April will be themed around Education



TeHuia Bill Hamilton – 16 Mar

[Video: Rights and the Treaty of Waitangi](#)

Mr Hamilton introduced a framework that has been developed by the Human Rights Commission to facilitate discussion and debate within our communities on the relevance and application of the Treaty of Waitangi. As our country's founding document, the Treaty has been described as 'the promise of two peoples to take the best possible care of each other'. Mr Hamilton argued that the Treaty belongs to all of us, and that it affirms the status of tūrangawaewae for tangata whenua, and creates tūrangawaewae for all New Zealanders. An overview of the articles of the Treaty was presented, focusing on the establishment of a governance framework for the nation; affirming rangatiratanga or self-determination for tangata whenua; and the provision of equal rights for all. Furthermore, the importance of wairuatanga or spirituality was also emphasised, and is protected under the Treaty.



Dr Simon Lambert – 23 Mar

[Video: Sons of Soil - A history of Māori farming through the Ahuwhenua Trophy](#)

Dr Lambert discussed the findings of his work on innovation in farming, and in particular, the social history of the Ahuwhenua Trophy. Established by Sir Apirana Ngata in 1932, the Ahuwhenua competition preceded the NZ Young Farmer-of-the-Year contest. Dr Lambert discussed some of the features of the competition and developments over time, such as ceremonial aspects of the competition, the standard of farm accommodation, the involvement of Māori women, and a declining interest in the Ahuwhenua Trophy from the 1960s. The contest was rekindled in 2003 with an injection of support from different stakeholders within the Māori, agricultural, financial and Government sectors. Dr Lambert's final thoughts included how Māori might sustainably develop resources in an environment that is non-linear, dynamic, complex and interconnected, as well as how we might be able to realise the cultural capital of Māori land and resources.



Dr Selwyn Katene – 30 Mar

[Video: Treaty negotiations in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara: The Kahawai and the Shark](#)

Dr Katene provided an analysis of the trials and tribulations faced by Ngāti Tama during the Treaty negotiation process in the Wellington area. Crown breaches included the validity of the New Zealand Company land purchases; the disposing of wrongfully acquired land; dispossessing Māori of their homes and taonga; and the implementation of laws affecting Māori. Some Ngāti Tama preferred a separate process and representation of Ngāti Tama on the Port Nicholson Block Claim, and although this stance was initially supported by the Crown, the Crown eventually weakened its resolve. Within the Deed of Settlement, provision for Ngāti Tama to have their historical claims settled separately was made, although Ngāti Tama are still included within the Taranaki Whānui ki Te Ūpoko o Te Ika definition. Some of the outcomes of this process included the assertion of Ngāti Tama identity, mana and tino rangatiratanga, and an independent voice and focus for advancement of Ngāti Tama interests in Wellington, despite Ngāti Tama failing to reach agreement among themselves and with the Crown prior to the Port Nicholson Block Settlement.

Wed 6 Apr
12noon-1pm
Prof. Wally Penetito
An education that looks, sounds and feels Māori

Wed 13 Apr
12noon-1pm
A/Prof. Huia Tomlins-Jahnke
Primary Education

Wed 20 Apr
12noon-1pm
Mere Berryman
Te Kotahitanga: A culturally responsive model for teacher professional development

Wed 27 Apr
12noon-1pm
Distinguished Professor Graham Smith
The advancement of Māori education

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