

look at it in perspective you see positive manifestations such as land development in forestry, horticulture and business; resurgence in Maoritanga; Kohanga Reo; Matua Whangai; Whakairo, Tukutuku and hosts of other cultural activities aimed at specifically fostering a Maori identity which Olly would have us deny. This denial would perpetuate the brown Pakeha image which is the root cause of many of our ailments.

In conclusion Olly, we admire you considerably as a very able, magnetic T.V. personality so look after that most important task, Tuhoe, Ngati Whare, and Ngati Manawa from whom you spring are proud of you; more especially when you answered a question put to you by one of your children — "What is your main ambition"? Your reply was this — "To develop and renovate your Waikotikoti Marae complex". Now then Olly surely that means *kia mau ki nga taonga o tatau tipuna hei tikitiki mo to mahunga*.

Kia ora mai ano na to Whanaunga,

Henry Tahawai Bird
Chairman Southern Tuhoe Executive

Dear Ed,

First let me introduce myself, I am Mrs Sarah Boxall originally from Gisborne, my maiden name being Richmond daughter of Mrs Dorothy and Whare Richmond of Gisborne my home town where I was born and raised in Stanly Road Awapuni. My youngest sister is probably known to you, The Lightwood Family entertainment group who are now residing in Melbourne. Her name Nancy Lightwood nee Richmond.

I have been in Australia for the last fifteen years and during that time I have become involved working among the Aboriginal people in Western Australia. The last few years my involvement has become more intense and I accepted a challenging position to manage an Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Centre here in Mullewa. Its population is 5/600 Aboriginal and 4/500 white population. I feel this is the grass roots of the Aboriginal problem, and if we are to preserve this nomadic race of people this is where the re-education must start in Centres such as these throughout Australia.

I don't want to go into much more detail than this at the moment, as my main objective was to write and ask for the assistance of my own Maori people. Now how you can help me is to put me in touch with people who are doing the same sort of work I'm doing amongst our own people who would be interested in coming together to pool our resources at a conference.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Sarah Boxall
Manageress

Dear Sir,

The Auckland Entrepreneurs Association was formed in late 1982 by local members of the Vth Tu Tangata Business Wananga held at Massey University and conducted by Dr George Kanahele from the Hawaiian Entrepreneurial Training and Development Institute. A Constitution for the Association has been drawn up and we are at present in the throes of petitioning for registration under the Industrial Societies Act 1908.

The Association has been formed to assist people already engaged in or intending to set up in a small business. It is a non-profit organisation geared to assist primarily the Maori people but membership is not restricted to any racial group in keeping with modern trends to share expertise with all.

The objects of our Association encompass the acquisition of technical and business expertise, deployment of innovative talent, development of skills in promotion and marketing, the establishment of a comprehensive store of information relative to the business interests of members etc. We are anxious to work closely with established business agencies such as the Auckland Chamber of Commerce, Small Business Development Division of DFC etc, with whom we have already established contact.

In order that we may reach more Maori people with items of news relating to business, the development and day to day running of same, it has been suggested that we approach your maga-

zine with a view to becoming a regular contributor. You will appreciate I am sure that the Tu Tangata Business Wananga members have been drawn from throughout New Zealand and that during the time the courses have been conducted a large number of people have passed through successfully. However, although members of our Association do keep in touch with classmates of their particular Wananga group outside of Auckland, there does not seem to be any other attempt to keep open the lines of communication.

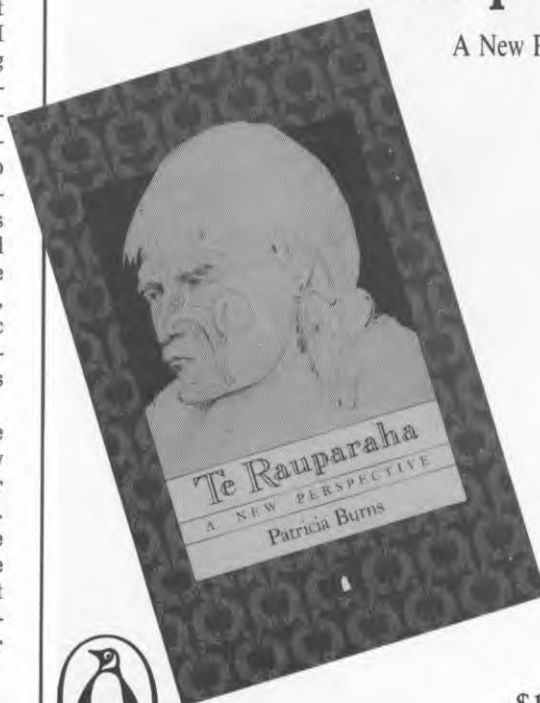
Our Association feel that your magazine, having a national circulation, would be an ideal carrier of news to these people as well as creating interest in others especially in these difficult economic times where small businesses are having problems. We feel that tremendous encouragement is needed and that people must know just where to go to gain information on their particular project or business idea. All Wananga people have received the training to provide these things and if by publishing in your magazine news material about progress made by ex-Wananga students, others are encouraged to set up in business, the Tu Tangata Business Wananga will continue to contribute to the community.

We would appreciate your approval of our suggestions and of course any advice or ideas you may have which would be of assistance to us.

Yours faithfully,
Christine L. O'Brien
Secretary

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