

Sir James Henare (left) and Lady Rose Henare (right) with distinguished guests.

50th wedding anniversary for Sir James and Lady Henare



Paki Cherrington presents an anniversary present from artist Sandy Adsett.

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The Otiria Marae, Moerewa was the venue for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebrations for Sir James and Lady Rose Henare.

Hundreds of relatives and friends from all over New Zealand were in attendance. Distinguished quests included Mr Ben Couch, Minister of Maori Affairs, Sir Graham Latimer, Chairman of the New Zealand Maori Council, Dr Bruce Gregory, M.P. for Northern Maori, John Rangihau of Tuhoe, Mr Hiwi Tauroa, Race Relations Conciliator, and Mr Neil, M.P. for Bay of Islands.

The weekend was notable for the many people who visited Otiria to give their best wishes and then carried on to other huis in the North being held on the same weekend, in particular, the opening of a marae at Panguru and the Maori Art Exhibition at Whangarei.

Members of the New Zealand Maori Artists and Writers Society went to Otiria from Whangarei after the opening of the Art Exhibition. They took with them as a taonga for Sir James and Lady Rose, a work by Sandy Adsett. Arnold Wilson spoke for the Artists and