

Te Puritanga.

Te Puritanga was the name given to the waiaua dining hall.

This tipuna was the wife of Ruamoko and she was Whinipares daughter, the latter whose name was given to the Teere dining hall.

Along with other members of the hapu, its builders were Matawiri, Walker, Harmona Walker and Donald Mihare. These were some of the name quoted to me by my informant. Built of corrugated iron it is soon to be dismantled and replaced by a new one. The kitchen sink cupboards and stove came from the old convent building. Auntie Wairata negotiated for these as well as the lining of the hall which was installed by Tommy Moore and Mike Waterson.

They with the help of Thomas Moore who was a young boy at the time, laid concrete onto the dirt floor of the kitchen.

Other buildings which have recently been added to the marae complex are shelters for the pae pae and ope and an ablution block which was built onto the back wall of the wharenui. A door was built to allow internal access to and from the meeting house, a move very much appreciated by the kaumia-ua on cold nights. There is also an outside entry to the ablution block. All these additions were carried out by Tommy Moore, Mike Waterson and Jim Collier and his family.

The latter designs were outlined by Dean Collier and Ngati Patu members helped to complete them. Amongst this art work is a huge tiki which was painted on to the back wall depicting a tukutuku design.

The frontal exterior āmo were carved by Heke Collier.

² The wooden flooring of the porch was replaced with concrete³

Although most meeting houses of the Whakatōhea are used for Ringatu services the Ngati Patu who are predominantly Catholics use their church which stands on a flat below the marae.

Quite a unique setting for church and marae nestled under the bosom of Makeo.

Foot note.

- 1 A.C. Lyall. Whakatōhea of Opatiki. A.H. + A.W. Reed. LTD. 1979.
- 2 Korero - a-waha with Amanda Walker Whakatōhea Trust Board. 21st Sept 1990
- 3 Korero - a-waha with Auntie Wairata at her residence.

HISTORY OF NGATI PATU

ko Makeo te Maunga
 ko Waiāua te Awa
 ko Waiāua te Marae
 ko Ngati Patu te Hapu.
 ko Whakatōhea te Iwi
 ko Ruamoko te Tipuna

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Sources of information: A.C. Lyall 'Whakatōhea of Opatiki'

~~Interview with~~

Oral history received from: ~~Mr~~ Tommy Moore

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Ko Mākeo te Māngā
 Ko Wāraua te aua
 ko Wāraua te narae
 Ko Ngati Patu te hōpū
 Ko Ruamoko te tipuna
 ko Whatatōhea te iwi

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 Cited book: AC Lyell 'Whatatōhea of Opatiki'
 Interviews/oral history: Warrata Walker
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