

# Whakapapa Club – Main Maori Genealogy Site on the Net

## Research Log – User Notes



### *How to use the Research Log Sheet*

- Record each person on a different line
- Put LAST NAMES in capital letters – it makes it easier to skim the page when looking for certain whanau
- It is better if you have a few names listed then start your research
- Put a tick in each box when you have checked out the resource
- You do not have to look in all places at once
- Check back at the Whakapapa Club and run your searches again – you never know what has been added since you last checked.

### *Explanation of the headings on the Research Log Sheet*

#### **General Information**

- **Date:** The date you first start researching this person
- **Name:** The name of the person – put the LAST NAME in capitals. If there is not a surname recorded, do not put one in

#### **Whakapapa Club Searches**

This section is so you can track the searches you can do at the Whakapapa Club.

- **Records:** Put the name in the search box on any page of the Whakapapa Club and search the records. This will search all of our lists which hold over 30,000 names, with more being added monthly.
- **Forums:** Put the name in the search box on any page of the Whakapapa Club and search the forums. There are over 17,000 posts in the forums and a lot of those have more than one name.
- **Google:** Click on the Create a Google Whakapapa Search link from any page and fill in the first name and last name box to create the searches. Then click on the Google Search button and a search page will come up – check out the results.
- **FamilySearch:** Click on the Create a Google Whakapapa Search link from any page and fill in the first name and last name box to create the searches. Then click on the FamilySearch link and a search page will come up – check out the results. *NOTE: Not all records in the FamilySearch site are accurate, but it can give you a starting place.*

## ***Other Places To Search***

This section gives you other places to search.

- **Whanau:** Ask whanau about this person
- **Urupa:** When you are next in the urupa / cemetery wander around and take a look at the headstones – you may find other information there.
- **MLCM:** The Maori Land Court Minutes. These are not available online unless you want to pay to see them. However, a lot of the libraries around the country hold the MLCM for their area, as well as Archives NZ where you are able to access the records for free.
- **BDM:** The Historical Births Deaths and Marriages are available at <https://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/Home/> or you can use <https://bdm.psopho.co.nz/> which is an easier way to search. <http://marvin.otago.ac.nz/marriages/marriages.php> is an easier way to search for marriages
- **Archives:** Archives NZ have a wealth of information although a lot of it is not available online. You can use <https://archway.archives.govt.nz/> to see what is online and where it is kept. To access most of the records in Archives NZ you need to make a personal visit. They hold many records such as school rolls (which are not indexed so you can not find the names online), government workers and so much more. It is best to set aside at least a half day aside when you take a trip to Archives NZ – preferably a whole day.
- **Birth Reg:** Church Birth Registers can be held in a variety of places. In the church itself, in the main archives at the church headquarters and in libraries.
- **Marr Reg:** Church Marriage Registers can be held in a variety of places. In the church itself, in the main archives at the church headquarters and in libraries.
- **Death Reg:** Church Burial Registers can be held in a variety of places. In the church itself, in the main archives at the church headquarters and in libraries.