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Matariki Pōwhiri by Joseph Te Hau Clarke

PREPARING FOR SUMMER



Here are some tips on how you can stay healthy this summer.

BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Opening hours of doctors, hauora providers and community pharmacies may change over the summer period. Be sure to get in touch early if there is anything you need over the holidays, including:

- Regular prescription medicines
- RATs and masks
- Covid booster, if you are eligible, and/or measles (MMR) vaccine
- Basics you may need over the break, like paracetamol and first aid supplies

MANAGING THE HEAT AND SUN



Some summer days will be very hot, so be prepared and look out for those who are more likely to be affected by the heat, including older whānau.

- Plan ahead - check the forecast daily
- Drink plenty of water and have water available throughout the day
- Stay out of the sun during the hottest part of the day, find shade outside wherever possible
- When outside, wear high-SPF sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses and loose clothing that covers your skin
- Cars can get very hot in the sun so please don't leave children or pets in them unattended
- Exercise or do outdoor activities early in the morning or later in the evening

HEALTHCARE SUPPORT

Call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for free medical advice 24/7, 365 days a year. Interpreter support and Māori clinicians are available.

Healthline is important if you don't have access to your regular doctor, or if you are unsure if you should go to hospital or not. Save the Healthline number to your phone so it is handy if you need it.

In an emergency call 111 or go directly to your closest Hospital Emergency Department.

TRAVELLING OR LIVING RURALLY

Health services and pharmacies may be limited, particularly in remote areas. Have on hand:

- Regular medication/prescriptions
- Plenty of sunblock
- A first aid kit
- Thermometer
- Pain relief
- RATs
- Masks
- Hand sanitiser
- Insect repellent



Find out more
[info.health.nz](https://www.healthline.govt.nz)

Nā te Kaiwhakahaere



**Tēnā tātou katoa e te iwi
E maioha tou atu nei te kākau
Ki te tai whakaruka, ki te tai whakararo
Ki kā parika tai tākata i pari mai ki Te Ahi Kaikōura
a Tamakiteraki
Kia pae ki ruka ki te takahaka hui ā-iwi kātahi ka tū nei
Hai whākai i te wairua
Hai whakapehapeha i te kākau
Nā konei a mahara ka hihiri, a marikanui ka nanawe
Kurī Mana e! Marukaitātea Ihi e! Kaikōura rakatira e!
Mai i Parinui o Whiti ki Pari Whakatau
Mai i Tapuae o Uenuku ki Marokura Tai
E pari kārakaraka tou atu nei tō mana e!**

It is hard to believe a full year has passed since I was elected Kaiwhakahaere and started writing these updates for *Te Pānui Rūnaka*. The year has been characterised by leadership change and strategic evolution within Te Rūnanga Group, occurring in the context of a volatile political environment and mounting social pressures born out of a global economic downturn.

In amongst it all, Papatipu Rūnaka have continued to build and develop and keep the home fires of our iwi burning. In a rapidly changing world, it is these home fires that keep us grounded, reminding us of our purpose and identity. Kei aku huāka, kāore e ārikarika aku mihi ki a koutou.

It was great to finish the year at Hui-ā-Iwi. Kāti Kuri should be proud of how they looked after us. The hākari was fantastic and the entire event flowed smoothly with lots of on-site and off-site activities to get involved with. A highlight for me was seeing some of our next generation of kaikōrero laying down kaupapa at the pōhiri. Those spaces are uniquely ours and it is important that we utilise them to discuss and debate tribal issues.

Hui-ā-Iwi also set the scene for the launch of our new collective vision *Mō Kā Uri – Kāi Tahu 2050*. The vision has been launched with three founding tiketike and nine taumata and you can see them described on this website www.mokauri2050.co.nz. The next task is to align our workplan with this vision in time for a full launch at Matariki 2025. Te Rūnanga, alongside our Chief Executive Officer Ben Bateman, have been doing a significant amount of work to get our house in order in preparation for *Mō Kā Uri*, and it is exciting that we are now on the home stretch.

In my last update, I mentioned that we were preparing to host Te Pūnuiotoka, our response to the other Hui ā Motu of 2024. The hui was exceptional. Over 2,000 people from around the motu descended upon Tuahiwi to hear what the southern wind had to say. It was a great opportunity to share what we have learned through the partnership between the Ngāi Tahu Research Centre and the Tulo Centre of Indigenous Economics in Canada.

Overall, we delivered a kaupapa to the motu that was innovative, and which offered a practical pathway for Te Iwi Māori to pursue kotahitaka and mana motuhake. Most importantly, we did it our way, in true Kāi Tahu fashion. I have had many comments from people about how impressed they were that the bulk of the kai served to our manuhiri was kai Māori — Kāi Tahu kai tūturu. I want to express my thanks to Ngāi Tūāhuriri and to all our rūnaka and whānau who made this possible.

Turning now to looking outward at the current political environment, we continue to stand firm against the regressive legislative and policy proposals being advanced by the Coalition Government. We are active in our engagement with Crown ministers, including the Prime Minister, and we are making our positions known in the media and public discourse. When our relationship with the Crown becomes strained as it is now, we cannot walk away from the table. Instead, we need to double our efforts and make our presence known. Our rakatirataka is not dependent on the Crown's permission or the political fashion of the day.

We will begin 2025 with a great example of exactly that: the beginning of the trial for our statement of claim on rakatirataka over fresh water in our takiwā. This trial is

a stake in the ground for our rakatirataka and is hugely significant for the tribe. It is set to begin on 10 February 2025. We are making a distinctly Kāi Tahu argument that sidesteps political and bureaucratic processes, and cuts right to the heart of the Treaty relationship.

2025 is set to be a transformational year for Kāi Tahu on many fronts. The beginning of the year will be marked by a lot of discussion of the meaning and significance of Waitangi Day in the context of the Treaty Principles Bill and the current political environment. This will be followed by the beginning of our freshwater trial. And at the arrival of Matariki and Puaka, we will be ready to officially begin implementing our new tribal strategy, *Mō Kā Uri*.

I am deeply grateful for the support and feedback I've received in my first year as Kaiwhakahaere, and I look forward to continuing to serve our iwi in the year ahead.

Lastly, I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday period. We all deserve some time to rest, reflect, and recharge.

Justin Tipa
Kaiwhakahaere



Nurture your hauora

From sharing kai with whānau, going for a hikoi, or heading out fishing, to learning te reo, or taking up a new hobby or sport...

We can do many things to strengthen our hauora (wellbeing) and boost how we feel and think. How do you nourish your hauora?

Watch videos of whānau sharing what they do to boost their hauora and learn how to improve yours at ngaitahu.iwi.nz/wellbeing

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**Te Rūnanga o NGĀI TAHU**



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Over the years, some of the email and phone details we hold for registered Moeraki whānau have become outdated. Update your details to stay connected with Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and go in the draw to win some amazing spot prizes.

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TE PĀNUI RŪNAKA

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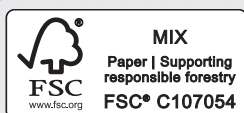
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Matariki Pōwhiri

by Joseph Te Hau Clarke (Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Wairewa)

Ko Aoraki te maunga
Ko Waimakariri te awa
Ko Takitimu te waka
Ko Ngāi Tahu tōku iwi
Ko Wairewa tōku marae
Ko Clarke tōku whānau
No Ōtautahi ahau
Ko Hohepa tōku ingoa

The scene in the artwork is set at Ōtākou Marae and features native trees and birds. It is titled "Matariki Pōwhiri."



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Kaikōura Rūnanga

Charlotte Wilson – Whānau Submission

Year 9 Diving results for this year.

North Island Diving Champs – Hamilton,
22-24 March for North Harbour Diving.

Charlotte placed in the following events for
Age Group Girls 13-14 years:

First Place in Platform 5 and 7M

First Place in 3M Springboard

Second Place in 1M Springboard



National Diving Championships – Wellington, 5-7
July for North Harbour Diving.

Her results were in Age Group Girls 13-14 years:

First Place in Springboard 1M

First Place in Springboard 3M

First Place in Platform 5 and 7.5M



Auckland Secondary Schools Diving Championships
– August 22 at Westwave, Henderson, Auckland.

Westlake Girls High School top Auckland High
School winner's trophy.

(After 13 years in a row of Albany High School
winning the overall top Auckland high school trophy,
the Westlake Girls broke their winning streak).



Charlotte also finished in third place in the Junior
Age Group Girls 13-14 years, less than one point
away from first place, so it was very close.

New Zealand Secondary-School Diving
Championships at Westwave Henderson, Auckland
on October 5-6.

First-equal Place in Junior Springboard 13-14 years

First place in Junior 5 and 7M Platform 13-14 years

Charlotte did well to get two wins. Her points alone
managed to get Westlake Girls a 4th place in the
overall New Zealand school placings.



Regards **Dene and Pamela Wilson.**

Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura has made a significant investment into medical cannabis company Puro.

The Kēkerengū-based company, north of Kaikōura, is one of New Zealand's first medical cannabis companies, and has been working with the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) to develop industry standards.

Rāwiri Manawatu, managing director of Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Ltd, said he was excited by the investment.

"Our investment not only supports Puro's growth but also emphasises our commitment to values and partnerships that enhance education, employment, and improved land use outcomes for our hapū and iwi.

"This is a collaborative effort to create a sustainable future for our people, connecting them to their whenua [land]."

Puro chief executive Sank Macfarlane said the company prided itself on its sustainable and environmental practices.

"We are very proud of our organic products and local rūnanga have been incredibly supportive in our journey and our success to date.

"Their ongoing support reflects a shared vision of promoting the welfare of the community while adhering to tikanga and kawa, the traditional practices and values of tangata whenua."

Macfarlane said the global legal cannabis market, currently valued at \$75 billion, was projected to grow rapidly.

Te Ara Pūkenga

As we are nearing the end of 2024, we here at Te Ara Pūkenga are also nearing the end of our second round of taura, courses and cultural development.

We have seen some amazing growth and achievements with our taura. Certificates achieved include Criminal Psychology, Digital Marketing, Medical Reception, and Child and Adolescent Mental Health. Some of the taura will continue to study their apprenticeships and degrees outside of Te Ara Pūkenga.



We have had a lot of fun learning te reo this round – everyone now knows their pepeha and mihi along with understanding their connections and deeper meaning to them, along with growing in confidence to stand and speak to them aloud and proudly. We have also learned sentence structures, numbers, months, seasons, time and much more.



Our hīkoi have been incredible, with visits to pā sites and other significant areas, from the northern end of our coastline to the southern end, learning the stories of, and connecting us to our tīpuna, their migration and settlement to our takiwā, our hapū and iwi. We are so fortunate to have access to these learning opportunities for our tangata.

Our celebration evening is approaching. We can't wait to share the evening, celebrating our taura and their achievements with their whānau, friends and employers.

Te Ora Haumanu

Our mahi on the whenua continues as we grow our expertise and capabilities. Recently we caught up with Kelly and Charlotte from Ngāi Tahu Properties, Greg from Environment Canterbury and Norm from Oaro as we reviewed the mahi completed and opportunity to enhance moving forward. Norm shared his stories of weed control efforts from earlier times, and the changes he has seen over the years. Greg and Norm have been supporting us since we first started the weed control down at Oaro – you could say they're basically whānau now.



Che Pauro, Norm Kerei Keepa, Greg from ECAN, Charlotte and Kelly from Ngāi Tahu Properties.



This is one of several prospective ecological restoration projects in the pipeline, and another great opportunity for our team as they are working closer to home as we start to wind down and reach the end of the year.

Our community trapping project has been a great hit, with 10 projects set up for people around the Kaikōura community. We hosted an induction evening where we had a small presentation, a demonstration on how to use the traps by one of our field kaimahi, and of course kai! We offer full wrap around support for our trappers, whether they need help working the TrapNZ app or just another pair of hands to get the traps out to their project area – we are one call away! We are looking forward to ending our year on a high with some awesome mahi!

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae

A big mihi to everyone that has celebrated birthdays in the months below, if you celebrated your birthday but you aren't included in the list below, aroha mai and happy birthday to you! Please contact the office and we will add your birthday to the list.

October

Tania Hutana, Theresa Rooney, Milly Campbell, Wiremu Weepu, Courtney Sargent, Jamie Meihana-Whittle, Ariana Tainui, Rosemarie Tainui, Kelly Mason, Arana Sutton, Te Aotumarewa Meihana-Eiffe, Maia Tonihi, Tioti Campbell, Gaylene Culling, Te Ngarahau Mason, Chance Beckett-Ria, Jo-anne Coakley (Millie), Sophie Tiller, Tessa Treadgold, Tom Downs, William Simpson, Davida Simpson.

November

Rahera Tainui, Tayejana Coulston, Shiana Meihana, Tonihi Paewhenua, Katene Campbell, Tama Coulston, Arama Weepu, Aroha Tainui, Lawrence Price, Eldon Wilson, Darcy Stokes, Fiona Lang, Anaru Lang, Lilly Treadgold.

December

Santana Tainui, Aroha Blacktopp, Caroline Parker, Chela Mason, Natasha Beams, Jarad Lang, Shane Lang, Quinn Johnsen, Tauwera Weepu, Dane Tumahai, Francois Tumahai, Honey Tauwhare, Huck Tainui, Helena Mason, Jamie Whittle, Judith Turanga, Kaleb Mason, Karen Mason, Kim Mason, Missy Campbell, Ned Tauwhare, Santana Tainui, Shaquellie Culling, Tahlay Meihana Eiffe, Tenaya Meihana Eiffe.



He Pēpi Hou

Liam and Tiffany Hutana are excited to announce the safe arrival of the beautiful baby girl, Hayleigh Caroline Hutana, born on 11 October. Her older sister Amelia cannot get enough of her! Congratulations e te whānau xx

He Mokopuna Hou – Nā Missy Campbell

Earlier in the year, this taua was blessed with two more delicious mokopuna (YAY!) adding to my hapū.

Aoraki Stuart Campbell blessed us with his presence at home in Kumara Junction @ 11.16pm on 24 January. Pēpi #2 for Tioti and Shannen and little bro for Casey. Marino Yoriichi George Ielua-Meihana decided he wanted to bless us with his presence very very early in Christchurch Woman's @ 6.43am on 12 March. First pēpi for Lucy and Jason.

Both mokopuna are thriving and doing exactly as mokopuna should – keeping their parents on their toes!



Mason's Under 15s I.S.A Tour

Mason Tūhuru, the talented mokopuna of Paul and June Tūhuru and Roger and Mata Pomare, has made his mark by representing New Zealand in the International Softball Academy tour in Sydney Australia. Mason has gained life-long experiences on and off the diamond from this opportunity. He has played alongside some very talented young boys from around the motu.

We would like to thank all of our whānau, as well as the Arahura Rūnanga, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and Poutini Waiora for your sponsorship and support.

Ka Rawe Mason, we are so proud of you!



West Coast Heartland Team: Lochore Cup Final

The West Coast Heartland team, made up of remarkable talent from Te Tai o Poutini, recently went head-to-head with King Country in the much-anticipated Lochore Cup final of the Bunnings Warehouse Heartland Championship. We are proud to highlight that the team includes five talented men from Ngāti Waewae, who play and represent with dedication and skill. These men are Henare Mason, Quinn Johnsen, Brad Tauwhare, Kane Parker, Troy Tauwhare and Logan Winter.

What an exhilarating and nail-biting match it was! With the score tied at full-time, the teams entered a tense overtime period of 10 minutes each way. West Coast truly played their hearts out, embodying the spirit and tenacity that our province is known for. The final score was 46 – 44 to King Country.



A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the supporters in 2024! Proud Coasters across the rohe are celebrating the outstanding effort of our boys in what became a thrilling battle to the final whistle.

While it was a fantastic day to be a Coast supporter and a tremendous effort overall, we were so close to victory. Congratulations to the West Coast players and management on another commendable season!

What a game of rugby it was – Heartland rugby at its finest. Hold your heads high!

Fusion Holiday Programme

We have had another successful year of Fusion school holiday programmes with the next generation of tamariki, and it has been an absolute blast!

From engaging workshops to fun-filled activities, our tamariki have had an amazing time learning more about their tūrangawaewae and having fun with their cuddies. It's been heart-warming to see the tamariki grow in confidence while connecting with their roots.

On behalf of the admin team here at Arahura Marae, we would like to give a huge and heartfelt mihi to our ātaahua ringawera Miriama Johnsen and Tania Wallace for cooking the most delicious kai – we have been absolutely spoiled this year!

We would also like to thank all of our kaiako who helped out this year. E pupuhi atu nei te hau o mihi ki a koutou katoa!



Fusion 15 Year Celebration Evening

In 2024, we celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Arahura Fusion Programme, a remarkable journey that began with Chantal Tumahai's unwavering vision and dedication. Since its inception in 2010, Chantal has nurtured Fusion from the ground up, transforming it into a vibrant and thriving space for the Arahura rangatahi of today.

What started as hip-hop lessons for the OG (original) rangatahi at our whare wānanga has blossomed into a powerful space where young people connect with their identity and tūrangawaewae. Fusion has provided a grounding place for our rangatahi, helping them embrace their tūrangawaewae, even before the establishment of our marae. The bonds formed among these rangatahi have created lasting connections, fostering a strong sense of whānau that extends beyond the programme.

With the opening of Arahura Marae in 2014, Fusion evolved further by integrating Poutini Ngāi Tahu kapa haka under the guidance of whānau tutors Te Rua and Miriama Mason. At a time when many tamariki on the West Coast were searching for their roots, Fusion became a beacon, ensuring they not only learned where they came from, but also took pride in their whakapapa.



Fusion 2012.

As we reflect on these 15 years, we honour Chantal's remarkable contribution and the countless lives that have been enriched through Fusion, inspiring confidence, connection, and a deep sense of belonging in our youth.

As an original rangatahi myself, I am profoundly grateful for the opportunities created by Chantal Tumahai, Miriama Mason, Te Rua Mason, Hamiria Ngaamo, Nelly Mason, Lisa Tumahai, Francois Tumahai, Missy Campbell, and all the kaimahi, aunties, uncles, taua, and poua who have tirelessly fought to establish this vital space for future generations.

Mō tātou, ā, mō kā uri a muri ake nei.

Nā Aleigha Ngaamo



Fusion Reunion 2024.

The Whare Taurikura Eatery Opening | Punangairi Visitor Centre



For the past six months, we have been welcoming visitors to our Punangairi Visitor Centre at Punakaiki. We are thrilled to announce a new partnership with Emily Lucas, CEO and Founder of The West Coast Pie Company for the launch of the Whare Taurikura Eatery.

The Punangairi Visitor centre is an incredible opportunity for us to share our pūrākau and kōrero through the up-and-coming Paparoa Experience – A Hidden World Awaits – located in the heart of Punakaiki – this beautiful piece of paradise where we have deep ancestral connections. We can't wait for everyone to experience the rich heritage and breathtaking environment that makes this place so special!



Ben Bateman appointed as the new CEO of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu

Congratulations to our kaihana, Ben Bateman, on his appointment as the new kaihautū (CEO)! Ben, born and raised in Te Tai o Poutini, has strong ties to his whānau and is deeply rooted in his whakapapa. He is an experienced executive and transformational leader, and we are incredibly proud to have him at the helm.

Ka rawe Ben!



Our AGM will be held on the 15 December at Arahura Marae.

If you have any rūnanga business queries including whakapapa registration forms, please contact our rūnanga administrator Aleigha:

Aleigha.Ngaamo@ngaitahu.iwi.nz or 037556451.

If you have any marae bookings or queries, please contact our marae manager Miriama:

Events@ngatiwaewae.org.nz or 037556451.

Keep in the loop

You can keep in the loop with our upcoming wānanga and events by:

- Joining the Poutini Ngāi Tahu and Arahura Rūnanga Facebook pages
- Registering at: www.ngatiwaewae.org.nz for access to our whānau portal with resources, updates and upcoming events.
- Providing your email address to Aleigha for rūnanga communications

Te Rūnanga o Makaawhio

Poutini Book Launch

We recently hosted the Poutini Ngāi Tahu launch of *Poutini* by Paul Madgwick at Māwhera Pā, Te Ara Pounamu Centre. This event brought together whānau, community members, and supporters to celebrate a significant contribution to our shared history. Paul's work is a taonga for Kāti Māhaki and all Māori, providing a comprehensive account of the Māori history of Te Tai Poutini. For the first time, these accounts are captured in one book, authored by someone from our own community.

Poutini is more than a collection of historical events; it weaves together whakapapa, historical narratives, and cultural identity. Paul's approach has preserved these stories and placed them within the context of our present and future. Look for a full feature on the book and its author in the next issue of TE KARAKA. Copies are available online through the Ngāi Tahu bookstore.



Ōkārito recognised as Tohu Whenua Site

The recognition of Ōkārito as a tohu whenua site was celebrated in collaboration with the Ōkārito community. The site's cultural and historical significance includes three ancient pā sites, Te Tai Poutini West Coast's oldest known building, and the expansive Ōkārito Lagoon. The sunny South Westland day allowed for a warm celebration, and local schoolchildren contributed with waiata following the pōwhiri.

In attendance were Hon. Paul Goldsmith, Minister for Culture and Heritage, his Ministry team, and representatives from Heritage New Zealand. The rūnanga is pleased to have nominated Ōkārito as a tohu whenua site, adding it to the growing list of culturally significant sites, including Te Kōpikopiko o te Waka at Weheka/Fox Glacier. Ōkārito now joins six other tohu whenua sites on Te Tai Poutini: Denniston Mine, Historic Reefton, Waiuta, Brunner Mine, Hokitika Port, and the Commercial and Government Centre.



Annual Kaumātua Dinner

This year's annual kaumātua dinner took place at our Hokitika office, bringing together kaumātua for an evening of food, music, and socialising. This annual gathering provides an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of our kaumātua. The evening included a meal, traditional games, and karaoke.

A highlight was "Pass the Parcel" which was an audience

favourite, while karaoke offered further entertainment. Many thanks to Trish Barlow for preparing the kai, and to Foxy Joe for providing the karaoke. It was an enjoyable evening that recognises the contributions of our kaumātua.



Hui-ā-Tau – Te Rūnanga o Makaawhio

On October 9th, we held our annual general meeting at Te Tauraka Waka a Māui marae at Makaawhio. Members attended from across the region, and it was encouraging to see so many pēpi and tamariki present. The hui covered a range of topics related to rūnanga governance and community plans, providing an opportunity to reflect on past achievements and prepare for future projects.

This year, three executive positions were up for election, attracting a broad pool of candidates. We are pleased to announce that Toihi Wright has joined the executive, with Rachael Forsyth and Kahurangi Wilson-Mahuika returning. We extend our thanks to Melvyn Wilson for his work during his tenure on the executive. These new and returning members provide strong leadership for the rūnanga.



Flynn's Basketball Achievements

This year, Flynn, son of Chelsea and Courtney Sargeant, has represented Nelson College in basketball and achieved significant accomplishments. Flynn and his Nelson College team recently competed in the South Island Junior Schools Tournament in Dunedin, securing

2nd place in a close match against Horomaka, with a final score just 7 points behind.

Flynn also represented Whakatū at Nationals in Auckland with the under-16 team, finishing 9th overall.



Most recently, Flynn traveled with the Nelson College senior team to the Secondary School Nationals in

Palmerston North, marking his debut with the senior team. They finished in 9th place, and Flynn's efforts were evident throughout. Flynn's achievements reflect his dedication and hard work, and we look forward to seeing what he will accomplish next.



In Memory of Puhanga Hemi Tupaea

We wish to share a tribute to Puhanga Hemi Tupaea, daughter of Tiemi and Ruihi Hemi, a respected member of our community. Puhanga, who was previously featured on the cover of this magazine, was known for her longstanding dedication to her hapū and whānau. Her commitment to Kāti Māhaki and Bruce Bay was evident in her work and relationships within the community.

Puhanga's whānau now remember her with fondness, as they experience the recent passing of both their parents. Her legacy is respected by many within our community, and her contributions have left a lasting impact on Kāti Māhaki.

Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga

Te Pūnuiotoka



Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou, ka ora ai ngā hau e whā.

Kāore e mutu ngā mihi ki te whānau whānui o Ngāi Tahu kua haere mai ki te tautoko i a mātou ngā kaimahi o Tūāhuriri. From the kaimahi of Tūāhuriri we would like to acknowledge the coming together of our whanaunga of Ngāi Tahu whānui and their support in our preparations and completion of Te Pūnuiotoka.

The weight of workers and kaimoana that came from Awarua, Murihiku, the kinship of support and workers from hapū of Bank's Peninsula and Moeraki, last minute call to Te Tai Poutini for watercress, the backing of Ōtākou and Arai Te Uru and, as always, the backbone of Ngāti Huirapa – all of this contributed to Te Pūnui o Te Toka.

Tuahiwi Times

Inspiration of the day:

Hā ki roto (breathe in)

Hā ki waho (breathe out)

Kia tau te mauri e kōkiri nei
(settle the mauri that stirs inside)

I ngā piki me ngā heke (through the ups and down)

Ko te rangimārie tāku e rapu nei (it is peace I seek)

Nā Mero Irihapeti

Taurite Tū

Kia ora whānau,

For some time now, our Taurite Tū group has focused on enhancing our wellbeing and mobility through the use of rākau sticks and poi. These two activities have been at the heart of our sessions, providing us with both physical and mental benefits, all while staying connected to our culture.

The rākau exercises help us build strength, improve our balance, and sharpen our coordination. The rhythmic movements have a calming and grounding effect, allowing us to stay present and mindful while moving our bodies.

At the same time, poi has played a significant role in developing our flexibility and coordination. The flowing movements of poi exercises have been great for improving upper body strength and mobility. Combining these exercises with the use of te reo Māori has made our sessions even more meaningful, helping us to keep our bodies active while nurturing our wairua.



These activities not only improve our physical health but also provide a space for us to gather as a whānau, supporting one another in a fun and inclusive environment. The benefits of rākau and poi are felt by all as we work together to maintain our Taurite Tū.

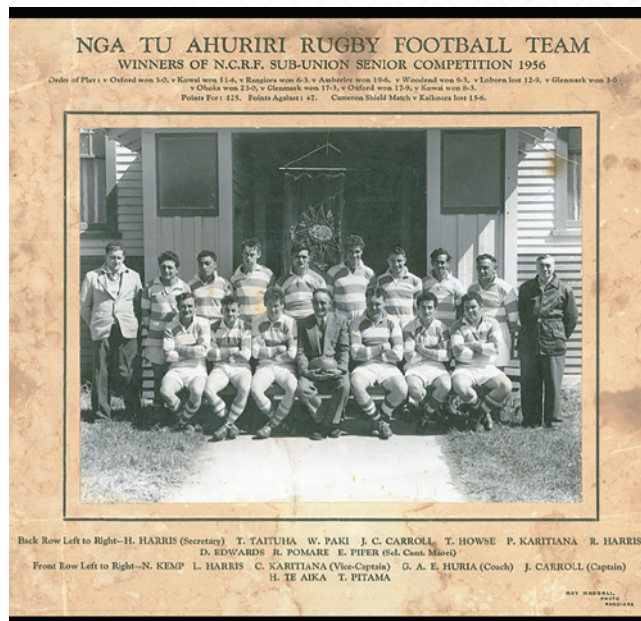
Thank you to everyone for your ongoing commitment and enthusiasm. Let's continue to move forward together with strength, grace, and unity.

Mauri ora!

Take care whānau. Christmas is not sneaking up on us, it is roaring down the road over the speed limit so please take precious care of your hauora.

Kathy Casey

Boys of the Pā 1956



Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke

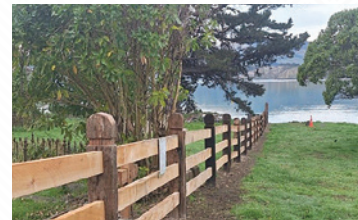
Rāpaki School Restoration Completed

The move, restoration and extension of the Rāpaki School was recently completed with an opening planned for Saturday 7 December. Big thanks to all who contributed: Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou!



Church Fence

The hapū had the opportunity to recycle timber from the inner harbour jetties in Lyttelton. Our amazing hapū member Kahu Piripi has made the columns seen here in the photo, which finishes off the fence around the Rāpaki Church. We also need to mention other whānau members who have helped – Lyle Phillips, Eddie Piripi, and Billy Murphy.



Jamie Jones: National Kapa Haka Performer

My son Jamie Jones who performed as a member of Te Roopu Tuhono in Wellington at the IHC National Kapa Haka Festival on Show Day.



Jamie is in his element when performing and absolutely awesome when doing the haka. This picture was taken at last year's IHC Kapa Haka Nationals in Christchurch.

Mum Nola Jones

Christian Tikao: New Zealand National Welterweight Boxing Champion

Christian Tikao who boxes for the Papanui Boxing Club, represents Canterbury Boxing Association and is the current 2024 South Island Golden Gloves Champion, a title he has held for over 10 years in different weight categories. This year at the National Boxing Championships held in Ōtautahi, his first bout in the 67kg weight division was against the 2023 New Zealand champion which he won convincingly. He eventually reached the final of his division against an impressive Auckland representative who hadn't lost any of his previous bouts in the tournament either. Christian dominated his opponent from the first round right through to the end of the final round which featured intense combat. His ferocious and continuous pressure resulted in the judges awarding Christian the winner by a unanimous decision, earning him the National Welterweight Champion title of New Zealand 2024.

Much of his success came from his intense training regime which includes running with his dog Joy from the base of our maunga at Rāpaki,

Te Poho o Tamatea (takes him 45 minutes to jog up), swimming in Whakaraupō from Gallipoli wharf to the beach and back several times. He is also a personal trainer and boxing tutor for Snap Fitness, plus attends

boxing training sessions at the Papanui Boxing gym where his late Uncle Mark Tikao was a legend trainer and coach there along with his stepson Jason and daughter Nadine who boxed. He reckons Mark will be looking down from heaven with a huge smile on his face, beaming at Christian's success as does Christian's family, Roy, Ruth, Michelle, Summer, Ruby, Tania, Charlie and his wider whānau. Christian's dad Roy says he is very proud of his son's dedication and massive commitment to his sport which has resulted in him reaching this national achievement. Christian is tremendously proud to represent his Ngāi Tahu iwi, Hapū o Ngāti Wheke and Ngāti Irakehu whenever on the local, regional, national or international boxing stage (has fought once in

Australia) and this is always a tremendous boost to him as he prepares himself before entering the ring.



Left to right, Ruby Tikao, Summer Tikao, Christian and Roy Tikao.

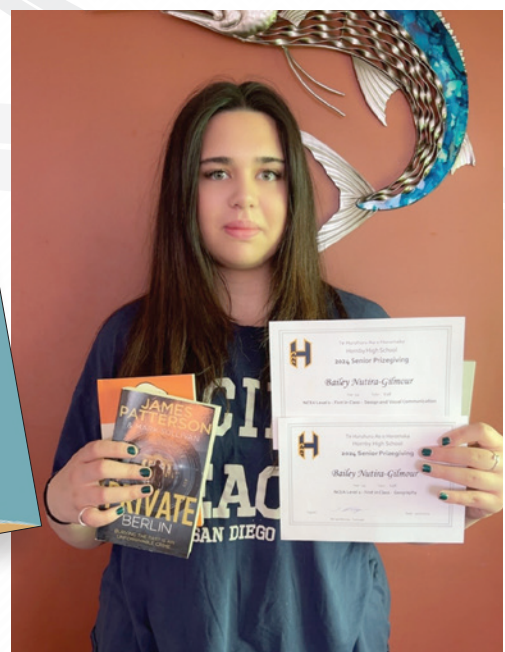
Te Taumutu Rūnanga

Bailey Nutira- Gilmour (16) Ngāi Tahu, Ngāti Mamoe, Waitaha, Tainui, Ngāpuhi is the daughter of Tamra Nutira and James Gilmour, and moko of Rose Nutira.

Bailey has successfully completed Year 12 at Te Huruho Ao o Horomaka, Hornby High School. Her efforts have been recognised with two certificates awarded at the end of year prize giving –first in her class for Geography and first in her class for Design and Visual Communication.

Well done, Bailey, your whānau are so very proud of you!

Some of Bailey's work was used in the July issue of the *Te Pānui Rūnaka*.



Anayah-Noor

Our Taumutu tamariki, Anayah-Noor, is gaining confidence in her identity as a Muslim, Māori girl. Her kaiako, T Allanah, has noticed how she lights up when she shares her heritage, especially through a new whenua book written by her kaiako, that celebrates the backgrounds of her friends from places like Palestine, Somalia, Malaysia, and Indonesia.



In the book, Anayah-Noor reminds everyone, “I was here first,” honouring her ancestors who arrived in Aotearoa long ago. She takes pride in her marae, Ngāti Moki, and enjoys sharing its importance with her classmates. Through these stories, she has embodied manaakitanga, welcoming others while celebrating her own rich history.

Leeston’s new tuna sculpture

A beautiful new addition to the Leeston townscape was officially celebrated recently. The 11-metre-long stainless steel tuna (eel) sculpture and surrounding information panels are the result of seven years of planning, fundraising and mahi by the Ellesmere Lions Club. The Lions worked closely with local rūnanga, Ngāi te Ruahikihiki, and various community groups, businesses, and councils to create a monument reflecting the rich heritage of the Ellesmere district.

The Selwyn Libraries and Selwyn District Council worked with the Ellesmere Historical Society and Ellesmere RSA to produce several information panels, which tell a range of stories, from the creation of tuna to the history of farming and industry in the Ellesmere district.

The tuna sits at the eastern entrance to Leeston on High Street, between the war memorial and medical centre. Around 100 people gathered on a sunny spring day for the ceremony, which was marked with a speech by Lions Club President Donald Green, a karakia from Puamiria Parata-Goodall (Ngāi te Ruahikihiki), and an official ribbon cutting by Selwyn District Council Mayor Sam Broughton.



Photo from Selwyn Libraries.

Lincoln University support kai for whānau

The Biological Husbandry Unit Organics Trust (BHU) at Lincoln University is run by Harry who reached out to Katrina to help support kai for whānau.

Katrina was able to use two tunnel houses and Harry provided seeds to plant. With the help from whānau and students we were able to grow lettuce, and currently beetroot and carrots. We have had a few setbacks with flooding and too much nitrogen in the soil, but a great learning opportunity so that hopefully we can find funding to run a miniature project of paddock to plate.

We also send out a bi-monthly e-pānui and other important communications to our whānau via our whānau emailing list. If you would like to be added to the list, please email us at Taumutu@ngaitahu.iwi.nz

Wairewa Rūnanga

This past year has truly tested our strength. Early in January, we faced the heartbreaking loss of many key figures from our marae – a loss that has deeply impacted us all. Their absence reminds us of their lasting legacy and the immense contributions that continue to shape our rūnanga.

Whānau engagement has flourished, with increasing participation in activities such as planting days, kapa haka, and other wānanga and hui. Our team has also represented Wairewa at many tangihanga and events, deepening our connection to our histories and pūrākau. As we reflect on this journey, we honour those we have lost and celebrate our resilience and growth. Kia ū koe ki tō marae, mā tō marae ka kīa koe he tangata.

You can find our 2024 annual report on our website – wairewamarae.co.nz



New Wairewa Tari

On Saturday, 12 October, whānau gathered bright and early to celebrate the opening of our new Wairewa tari at 501 Tuam Street, Phillipstown. The day began with a ceremony filled with karakia, waiata and kōrero, marking this new chapter for our rūnanga. There was a sense of kotahitanga as familiar faces and new ones came together to celebrate this milestone. Following the opening, we shared a kai, a special moment to reflect on the journey here and what lies ahead. Nau mai, haere mai – our doors are open, and we invite you to come and visit us at the new tari, Whare Noi.



Wairewa Rūnanga General Hui Dates 2025

Sunday 16 February
Sunday 28 April
Sunday 29 June
Sunday 24 August
Sunday 26 October
Sunday 07 December

Wairewa Office Christmas Closure

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe, happy New Year! Enjoy this time with whānau and friends. We look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for the year ahead. Meri Kirihimete me ngā mihi o te tau hou!



Ōnuku Rūnanga

Ōnuku hosts climate change wānanga

Ōnuku Marae hosted its second Climate Change Adaptation and Catchment Planning wānanga – Te Kori a te Kō.

The marae hosted whānau, water scientists, climate change experts and representatives from local, regional and central government. It was a full house over the two-day event on 8 – 9 November.

Those in attendance learned about the Akaroa Catchment Map Series and climate change risks for whānau and the communities around Akaroa Harbour

Ōnuku Rūnanga chair Rik Tainui kickstarted the day with a tongue-in-cheek welcome to “the best Ngāi Tahu marae”.

He quickly switched to a more sombre tone, as he spoke about his sadness as a 26th generation Ngāi Tahu, that the hills around Ōnuku aren’t covered in native bush, and that water in the harbour isn’t teeming with fish.

“I’ve been thinking about what it was like 800 years ago when our tīpuna came into Akaroa Harbour. The hills were natives from top to bottom and the water was full of fish.

“That’s what this climate change wānanga is about. It is a continuation of a conversation that started here a couple of years ago, about creating a 200-year plan for what our whenua and moana could look like,” he said.

Rik said the critical first step was to get the wastewater out of the harbour.

“That’s the beginning. For 60 years, our whānau have tried to get that wastewater out of the harbour. We’re not quite there, but it is happening soon.”

He said Ōnuku was working to regenerate the harbour pointing to the kelp farming project under way in partnership with Dutch-owned company, Kelp Blue.

The kelp farming will improve biodiversity and bring back fish, says Rik.

Te Kori a te Kō organiser and Ōnuku Te Taiao portfolio manager, Debbie Tikao, says the idea for the wānanga sprung from wanting a mahinga kai management plan for Akaroa Harbour in 2019.

Addressing manuhiri on the first day, she spoke about climate change anxiety.

“The Latest UN report ruined my day. Climate anxiety is real. It impacts your wellbeing. It’s a depressing snapshot. Are we on track? No.”

Debbie said the wānanga was designed to bring together climate change experts, scientists, ecologists, council, whānau, rangatahi and community, to share knowledge, grow understanding, develop a shared vision for the future of the harbour and chart a path forward towards a more resilient future.

Aquatic ecology scientist Shelley McMurtrie shared knowledge on some of the unique characteristics of Akaroa Harbour and the main threats to the coastal ecosystems and taonga species.

She presented the Focus Catchment Map series, which is intended as a shared resource to help decision-making about awa catchments.

Coastal scientist Melanie Burns spoke about the impact of climate change on the harbour and wider coastal environment.

She warned of habitat loss, pressure on species from increased macroalgae and phytoplankton

blooms, increased sea temperature and marine heatwaves, and increased sedimentation from storm events.

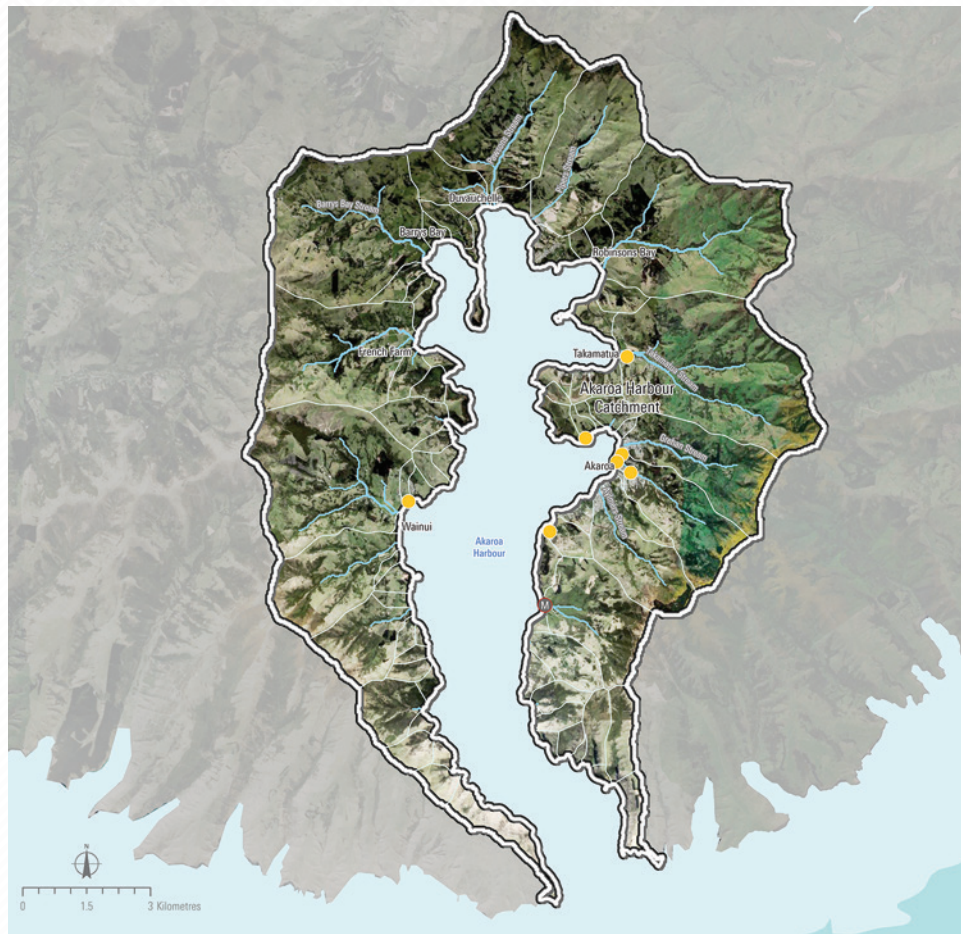
All the experts there delivered a clear message – act now and work together. The stronger and healthier



the natural environment is now, the better it will be able to adapt to the changes ahead. There is a lot of work to do.

Later at the wānanga things got practical with a stream science challenge in which groups competed to find macroinvertebrates, taonga species, and plants that are indicators of stream health from a mātauranga Māori perspective.

With help from a freshwater ecologist, the groups sampled water quality and learned facts and issues about the stream.



Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua

Arowhenua Marae Fundraising Komiti Haerenga, across the generations

On 18 October 48 whānau members embarked on a four-day haerenga tracing ancestral footsteps through Awarua, Rakiura and Waihopai. It was our goal to take 50 Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua whānau members on this haerenga but due to one person falling sick the day before we left, and another making it as far as Balclutha before having to pull out due to illness 48 whānau made the journey of a lifetime. Ranging from tamariki to kaumātua, the group came together with a shared purpose – to reconnect with their whenua, their whakapapa, and whanaungatanga. For many whānau, it was a homecoming to their ancestral whenua, with some setting foot on Ōneke in Rakiura for the first time.

The haerenga, months in the making, was a powerful reminder of the strength and resilience of Arowhenua whānau, who came together through dedicated fundraising and help from Ngāi Tahu and Te Pūtahitanga to make this journey a reality. It was an experience of growth, discovery, and cultural unity for all.

Staff welcomed us at the Moeraki Boulders Café for breakfast on day one and at both Awarua (evening meal, day 1) and Waihopai (brunch, day 4) whānau received warm welcomes, with the manaakitanga extended by both whānau and kaimahi adding a special warmth and depth to the experience. At Awarua and Waihopai the group were immersed in the whakapapa and kōrero of the whenua, which connects them to these special places. This sharing of knowledge strengthened the sense of connection and belonging, enhancing their journey, and ensuring these bonds endure through generations.

Rakiura itself, with its landscapes and unique beauty, provided the perfect backdrop for the haerenga. The group learned about ongoing conservation efforts on the island by the Department of Conservation (Ulva Island) and Rakiura Māori Lands Trust (Ōneke) and the historical significance of whenua linked to Arowhenua whakapapa which enriched the group's

understanding of the importance of protecting the whenua for future generations. Blessed with beautiful weather, the whānau embraced each moment, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Reflecting on the haerenga, whānau expressed deep gratitude for the time spent together, strengthening whanaungatanga and embracing their shared whakapapa. This was more than a journey into the past – it was a step forward, nurturing cultural pride, conservation awareness, and a stronger sense of belonging to ensure the legacy of Arowhenua endures for generations to come.

On a personal note, I would like to acknowledge both Michael McMillan (Kaikōrero) and Georgia Gunn-Solomon (Kaikaranga) who put themselves forward to take on these roles for this haerenga. Along with another two whānau members we had a total of four pakeke future leaders amongst us that I could see supporting future initiatives by the membership.

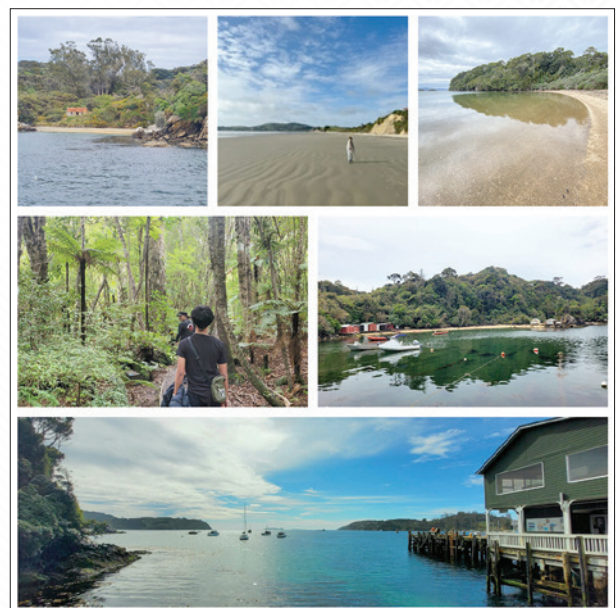
Pamela Manning

Arowhenua Kaumātua Secretary
Fundraising Lead



Above: Dick Te Kapa, Gray Taipana and Cindy Te Kapa.

Right: Tim Russell and Tai Benson, Ulva Island.



Te Rūnanga o Waihao

AGM

The AGM was held on 20 October, followed by a whānau wānanga. The members of the Te Rūnanga o Waihao Board are:

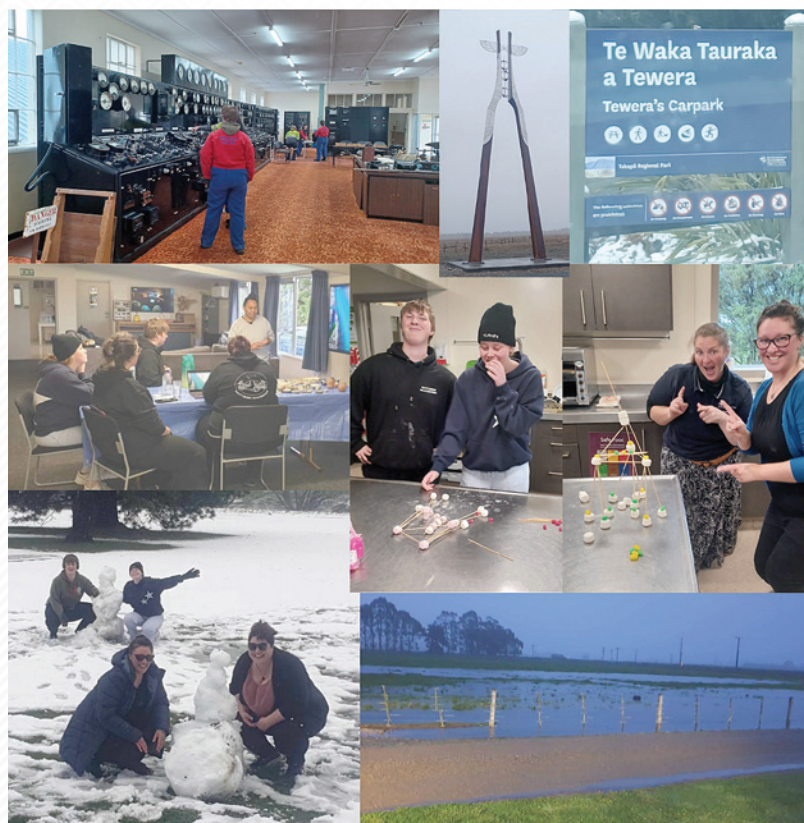
Member	Appointment
Dardanelle McLean-Smith	Elected Board Member – Chairperson
Karyn Reid	Elected Board Member – Deputy Chairperson
Kurt Scoringe	Elected Board Member
Sam MacDonald	Appointed Board Member
Melissa Slatter	Appointed Board member
Jo McLean	Rūnanga Representative
Kahu Jones	Associate Board Member

Rakatahi Wānaka

We had a great time throughout the week. We had many Pākeke vs Rakatahi challenges with the rakatahi sneaking ahead in points to take out the win. We visited a variety of sites with cultural significance to Waihao including, the Waimate Museum, Waitaki Dam, Dark Skies, rock art sites, Te Kāhui monument and Tewera's carpark.

A mihi to Sacha and Kihere for merchandise and reo cards for our rakatahi.

Kā mihi nui to all those involved, Sally and Rynee for coming to support our rakatahi and sharing their valuable knowledge.



Upcoming Events

Rakatahi wānaka

18–22 January 2025

Te Mana o Te Wai wānaka

15–16 February 2025

Whakapapa wānaka

7–9 March 2025

Update your details

Time to check that your contact details are up-to-date on our database. Have you replaced your landline with a cell phone, changed email or home address, new addition to your whānau?

Send us an email to refresh your details:
waihao.manager@ngaitahu.iwi.nz

Please note that the office will close on Friday 20 December and reopen Monday 13 January 2025

Meri Kirihimete, stay safe and happy holidays!

Telephones and emails will not be monitored during this time as kaimahi take a break. Any urgent correspondence can be directed to Trudy Heath, Executive Officer via email:
trudy.heath@ngaitahu.iwi.nz



Tipi Haere to Tūhura

On Saturday 19 October, Waihao whānau participated on a tipi haere to visit our taonga at Tūhura Otago Museum.

Starting at Waihao Marae, whānau hopped on the bus and drove the two hours to Ōtepoti. Gerard O'Regan showed us some of the taonga that are under their care – a truly breathtaking experience to be seen over two tables. A tour down to their vault afterwards resulted in viewing the last surviving mōkihi and some rock art which is currently trying to be preserved. This showed the dedication of their team in preserving our personal history and narrative.

The drive back to Waihao was a relaxed and enjoyable with a visit to Tone's Bistro in Waimate for dinner, where whānau connected and engaged with each other while eating some beautiful kai!

The success of this tipi haere and feedback from whānau means we will be making this an annual October excursion to reconnect with our taonga.



Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka ki Puketeraki

Tēnā koutou, ko Te Aho o Kuratūhope Tūterangiwhiu tōku ikoa.

I puta ai ahau i te tuawaru o Paeka-Whāwhā 2024 ki Kirikiriroa.

Nō Kāti Huirapa ki Puketeraki ōku tipuna, arā ko Pakinui rāua ko William Harpur.

He matahīapo, he puipuiaki, he māpuna ahau ki te ao hurihuri nei!

Nā Hinga Whiu



Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou

Whānau Submission

Mihiata Te Kaehe Parkinson has enjoyed a remarkable year on the figure skating circuit, clinching 1st place at the South Island competition. Recently, she competed in the New Zealand Figure Skating Championships, achieving 4th place in the Juvenile under-12 division. Her dedication and talent earned her a spot on the New Zealand Figure Skating Development team. With her sights set on the next season, she's already excited to master new tricks and elevate her skills even further. Kua poho kererū mātou ki a koe, Mihi.



Kā Mihi Aroha

Māturuturu ana kā roimata ki a rātou kua whatukarokaro ana ki tua o Paerau. E rere atu ana kā tai o aroha ki a koutou kā whānau, ka urupa o rātou mā i tenei wā. Our thoughts and deepest sympathy are with whānau who have lost a loved one recently, including the whānau of Sharon Marsh and Dorothy May Muir (Dot). May each whānau find comfort in your memories, and from those who surround you with love and care. For those who are in hospital or unwell at home, we wish you a speedy recovery and return to good health.

He pēpi / Ngā pēpi

Nau mai ki te ao marama Pikihiua Koara Wesley-Evans. Born 29 September. Our congratulations go to Makareta



Wesley-Evans on the birth of Piki, another mokopuna for the Wesley whānau, Taua Rachel, Taua Moana and Taua Cec Wesley. She came in weighing a good ol' five pounds and is the apple of her poua's, Uncle Tees and all her auntie's eyes.

Wee swete, Pikihiua Koara Wesley-Evans, born 29 September 2024 to her beautiful mum Makareta Wesley-Evans.

Methodist Pūtea Grant 2025 is now open 1st Sept 2024 to 12 noon 31 March 2025

Application forms can be obtained from the Ōtākou Rūnaka office, contact details below.

TPR pānui 2025

We welcome your whānau and personal pānui/news articles for including in each bi-monthly TPR. Please send your pānui to us as soon as possible after the event including pēpi hou; ngā mate or memorials; achievements in sports; education; or activities such as visiting the marae or attending hui that build on the traditions or customary practices of your whānau or the rūnaka. Please include a caption and name people in each photo. Send your photos as jpeg attachments to office@tro.org.nz Thank you.

Marae maintenance

Flooding occurred on 1 October after heavy rainfall caused the creek to breach at the top bridge, resulting in a wide band of water to descend downhill to the waharoa and main carpark. The immediate priority was to turn the water away from the back of the whare karakia while unblocking the breach at the bridge culvert. Fortunately, Connor Muir Ropata was holding a noho marae for rakatahi. They raided the garden shed for tools and formed work parties to carry out the mahi at strategic points around the marae.

(photos on next page)



Office closing and reopening dates for Christmas/New Year

The office will close at midday on n 23 December and will reopen on 9am Monday 6 January 2025.

Ōtākou Marae Facebook, website and contact information

Feel free to browse our Facebook page and our Ōtākou Rūnaka website. Information to register as a hapū member or to book the marae for functions can be done online. Bookings are subject to any health and safety restrictions in place at the time including tangi which take precedence; <http://www.otakourunaka.co.nz/#home-image> or email office@tro.org.nz or phone 03 478 0352.

Kia ora tonu tātou ki ō tātou kāika – stay safe whānau.



Hokonui Rūnanga

Kia Tū SIT Trade Training Pathway Programme

On 6 October we welcomed the new cohort with a mihi whakatau, marking the beginning of their journey in the Kia Tū SIT Trade Training Pathway Programme.

Ākonga have engaged in site visits to local employers to gain firsthand experience in different trades. These visits include interactions with industry professionals, gaining insights into potential career paths and pathway planning to identify

their aspirations and the necessary steps to achieve their goals – support brokering potential job opportunities or further training to help with smooth transition into the workforce.

Recently the cohorts experienced a tour around the local Tiwai Aluminium Smelter. They were shown around the plant and explained the trades and operator roles that Tiwai offers and the pathway to securing a role there. The ākonga were really engaging with their tour guides, asking plenty of questions about the work roles and the pathway to potential employment at the smelter.



Ōraka Aparima Rūnaka

Whenua Hou – a poet's response

A second trip for Rūnaka whānau members to visit Whenua Hou was able to go ahead in early November. This time a slightly larger group of nine plus kaiairahi Tāne Davis got to experience its beauty, including one of our Kāhui Kaumātua, Teoti Jardine. He has shared this poem from his experience:

Tōku Haereka ki Whenua Hou
E takohia ahau i te pene me te puka tuhituhi.
Ekari, kātahi kei hia kā kupu?
Aue, kā kupu kia ora ki roto i te whenua,
i te kāhere
i te taki o kā manu hoki.
Ka hoki, kā kupu ki te maumaharatia
o kā Tūpuna o Whenua hou,
tuku iho ki a mātou.

Teoti Jardine 11 November 2024



Ōraka-Aparima Rūnaka kāhui kaumātua Teoti Jardine on Whenua Hou.
Photo credit: Ricky Mulqueen

New Great Walk in our takiwā

Conservation Minister Tama Potaka was in our takiwā to celebrate the opening of New Zealand's eleventh Great Walk – the upgraded Tuatapere Hump Ridge Track – just before Labour weekend.

The three-day walk is in Te Wāhipounamu, in the south-west corner of the South Island, near Tuatapere. It weaves through diverse landscapes, including, beaches and seascapes, native forest, and an alpine section.

The area has rich stories of tangata whenua and forestry heritage, as well as the viaducts and Port Craig.

As part of her role as iwi representative on the governance body, our kaumatua Muriel Johnstone had a significant involvement in sharing knowledge for information panels.

The trail start also features a magnificent waharoa by Stephen Solomon.



From left: Stephen Solomon, Kaumatua Muriel Johnstone, DOC staff member, Minister Potaka and Rūnaka Executive member Carl Church at the opening of NZ's newest Great Walk, the Hump Ridge Track.

He Mana tō te Kai

Wānaka for whānau to learn about whakapapa, māramataka, kaitiakitaka and manaakitaka in relation to kai were held at Takutai o te Tītī Marae and online in November.

The He Mana tō te Kai programme was offered by Kaupapa Māori organisation Para Kore and was led in Murihiku by Bee Pikia.

Participants learned about traditional kai harvesting seasons and practices and then mapped out the food sources available nearby, revealing abundant opportunities for locally sourced kai, including tītī, kaimoana, tuna.

Our marae also has a large tunnel house providing kai for whānau. This is mostly looked after by two of our kaumatua, Phil and Joan Fluerty. If anyone would like to help out with this Kaupapa, please get in touch with the office. Email office@orakaaparima.org.nz.



From left: Some of the participants in He Mana tō te Kai, kaumatua Phil Fluerty, Kaiarahi Bee Pikia, Joan Fluerty and Janelle Ladbrook.

Ahakoia He Iti He Pounamu ki Taramea wānaka

The Taramea landscape was once peppered with numerous streams and puna, which were valued and respected by mana whenua for their qualities, values and uses.

Due to development, many of these have either been lost completely or altered, so that what some might dismiss as dirty drains, on closer inspection reveal life – inanga, pūha and kōura to name a few species.

Whānau had the opportunity to see this for themselves at the Ahakoia He Iti He Pounamu Ki Taramea wānaka last month, which is part of a wider Fish Futures programme.



Nicole Fluerty with a kōura from one of the sites that lived up to its name.

Ahead of the day there was much poring over maps to determine which watercourses were still there or should be there and what the names behind the watercourses mean.

The wānaka was a day of intergenerational learning, with everyone involved in eDNA testing (or water fights for the young ones) and kaumātua sharing memories from their youth, including how to bob for eels.

One site had been set up for the weekend using a traditional catch method of binding bracken fern together to catch kōura.



Whānau looking for signs of life in a stream.

Meri Kirihiomete!

Our office will be closed from Friday 20 December to Monday 6 January. We look forward to being in touch again in 2025.

Meri Kirihiomete me te Hape Nū la ki ngā whānau katoa!

Waihōpai Rūnanga

Taonga Takaro Wānanga

Waihōpai Rūnanga had the pleasure of hosting Te Mahi Ako to run a Taonga Tākaro programme for the Invercargill Community. The free, fun 2 day wānanga and programme is designed for people actively involved in ngā taonga tākaro, such as: hakariki, kaipara, kī-o-rahi, kuku-mamau, manu pakanga, pipi, ruru-nei, taunaronā, tī-uru, poitoa, matimati or rākau.

With Ki-O-Rahi being such a popular upcoming sport down in here in Murihiku we had an overwhelming response to the kaupapa, increasing our maximum number of participants to ensure all had access to this fantastic opportunity. Participants gained 40 NCEA credits and a certificate in the knowledge to lead, teach and play ngā taonga tākaro with whānau, hapū, iwi and other rōpū.



Ngā mihi nui ki Te Mahi Ako, Ngāwai, Heps and Terrance for enriching our hapori with this taonga.

Southland Museum Ground Breaking

Our Deputy Chairman/ Kaiwhakahaere Joe Wakefield had the pleasure of blessing the site ready for construction for the re development of the Southland Museum. It was a monumental event to be apart of, we are looking forward for the vision to come to light and enjoy the amazing proposed venue.



Respect Network

White Ribbon Breakfast – Rose

The Southland Respect Network hosted, largely self funded, motorbike riders from Te Waipounamu Riders Against Domestic Violence who are started their ride in Murihiku raising awareness about the heartache caused by domestic abuse as they travel around Te Waipounamu, South Island. Waihopai Hauora are the organizers of the Southland RESPECT Network.

At the Breakfast, Te Waipounamu Riders against Domestic Abuse told some stories of their experiences of turning their lives around after being involved with family violence as members of the community, NGO's and government organisations came together. On Monday night we met again, we had tāne within the professional sector as well as community to come together again to discuss how the riders have raised awareness in their community, started tāne and wāhine groups and hopefully encourage some to jump on board with this kaupapa.

After the breakfast at Murihiku Marae they had school visits including to Aurora College, James Hargest College and Otatara School, speaking to students and staff. They spoke with tamariki and kaiako about the issues and their life experiences around domestic abuse, in order to raise awareness of where to get help and decrease its prevalence across our communities.



Te Runanga o Arowhenua Noho

In late October Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua ventured down the motu learning their history and pūrākau along the way, we loved having Arowhenua whānau here for a lovely breakfast and whakawhanaungatanga. The kaupapa of the haerenga is something we wish to do ourselves and will be great to return the visit to Arowhenua.

Te Rourou Rakatahi Hui

Te Rourou – One NZ held a hui for the Rakatahi o Murihiku here earlier this month. It was great to have such a wonderful group of young leaders here. The day consisted of planning forums, waiata, whakawhanaungatanga and kai. Seeing kaupapa and rangatahi like thriving makes us excited for a promising future.



Community Trust Conference Pōwhiri

The Community Trust National Conference commenced with a pōwhiri and dinner here at Murihiku Marae this month. It was great to host the collective Community Trust's and extend the experience of a pōwhiri and te ao Māori.

Awarua Rūnanga

Te Rau Aroha Marae News

On 19 October we set off for the drive to Tuahiwi Marae to help support the haukāinga during Te Pūniotoka Hui.

Three months of preparation in between normal bookings went into cooking 150kg of blue cod into fish bites, 600 cray tails into patties, 200 pāua into patties and 4000 cream cakes.

Thanks to Dave Williams and Dwayne Herbert for providing the customary kaimoana. Also, to Ngāi Tahu Seafood for helping us store and deliver our kai to the marae.

A massive thank you to Trish Kerr, Daylee Batchelor, Barbra Metzger, Rick Topi, and Stu Ryan for all the mahi hours you put in to have it ready in time for the hui.

Our efforts were well received by our Ngāi Tūāhuriri. It was an absolute amazing effort to host such a huge event.

We started our morning at 5am to cream and cook all the kai we had prepared.

Thanks to Gail Thompson, Kaiah Beaton, Angie Hopkinson, Joe Watson, Stu Ryan, Justin Fowler, Kat Thompson, Trish Kerr and Aunty Daylee. You were an absolute superstar team and did Awarua proud.

Gina Ryan

Te Rau Aroha Marae Coordinator

Ngā Mate

We remember with aroha, Patricia Williams, Gail Williams, David Tipa, Karen Johnson, Gary Waaka, Geoff Young, and Alison Anderson.



*Geoff Young.
Beloved husband to
Trish. Admired father
to Justin, Jody and Dan.
Adored Papa to Sascha,
Breyton, Taneko, Manaia,
Teriria, Deacon, Lochie,
Van and Harper.*



From left to right: Gina Ryan, Stu Ryan, Joe Watson, Daylee Batchelor, Gail Thompson, Trish Kerr, Kevin Kerr, Angie Hopkinson, Kat Thompson, Kaiah Beaton and Justin Fowler.

Below: Ricky and Stu; Gina and Trish.



From left to right: Angie Hopkinson, Kaiah Beaton, Gina Ryan, Daylee Batchelor, Trish Kerr and Gail Thompson.

Whānau New

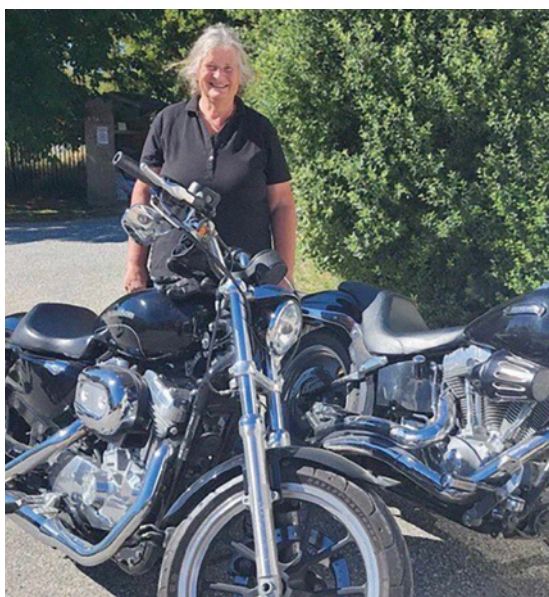
Kia ora whānau,

I decided to withdraw some money from my Whai Rawa account and do something special since I was turning 60 this year.

Having not ridden a road bike since my early 20s, I felt now was the time to fix that, and my hubby soon had a riding buddy to join him. Sadly, he passed away before we could do much riding together, but I know his wairua will be with me as I ride this Summer. I am so glad I could use my Whai Rawa this way in my semi-retirement years. Life is for living and enjoying while we can.

Ngā mihi

Kathryn Bennie



Te Rau Aroha e E karanga atu nei

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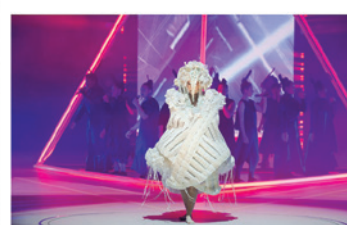
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Lex and Donna Allfrey

Lex and Donna Allfrey were proud to be chosen as finalists in the 2024 World of Wearable Art Award show, with their creation of Papatūānuku, entered into the Aotearoa section.



To register with Awarua Rūnaka, please email:

Registration@awaruarunaka.iwi.nz

To contact Awarua Rūnaka, please email office@awaruarunaka.iwi.nz
or phone 027 525 0030 or 03 212 8652.

To contact Te Rau Aroha Marae, please ring 03 212 7205.

Unveiling of plaque at the old Bluff cemetery 8 November 2024, for Lin Mason (née Spencer)

Linley Joan Mason (née Spencer) was born to Stewart and Eileen Spencer in Greenhills 18 July 1946 and died 2 November 2023.

Aunty Lin's whānau and friends had come from all over the motu and Australia, and gathered at the gate of Te Rau Aroha at 4pm on a wet and windy day, waiting for the karanga. On Friday, 8 November, we were led onto the marae with Tarryn Ryan and Leonie Spencer as kaikaranga and Tony Froud as our kaikōrero. After the pōwhiri, Corey Bragg gave us a wonderful kōrero about the whakairo and pou in the whareniui. We then ate a magnificent dinner and spent the evening catching up with each other and enjoying genial whakawhanaungatanga before we settled in to sleep in the whareniui.

On Saturday morning, we went up to the Bluff cemetery where the sun had come out to warm us. Leith Gideon (née Tait), led us in the unveiling of the plaque, prayer and waiata for Lin. Her plaque is placed on the rock next to both her parents, Stewart and Eileen Spencer.

After the unveiling there was a hākari back at the marae which was fit for a king! Thanks so much to the ringawera. Michael Stevens, one of our whanauka (and one of Aunty Lin's special favourites), spent the day with us on Saturday. He told us some stories of our tīpuna, explained more about the construction and design of the whareniui, and shared photos of whānau, muttonbirding and the making of pōhā. Later he spent time with some of the young people teaching them how to tie the Bluff knot.

On Sunday morning it was time to go back to where we all came from. Lucy Denham told us more stories of our tīpuna, and led us in a poroporoaki. It was a happy and sad farewell. It had been a long time since we had been together like that and we'd had such a wonderful time. It was hard to let go and return to our ordinary lives. Our stay at Te Rau Aroha was such an enriching experience for us as a whānau; to be able to spend that time together on our marae was incredibly special. For many of us it was the first time we had been there. Aunty Lin would have loved every minute of it, and we felt she was with us in spirit.

Many thanks to the marae staff and ahi kā for making it all possible, making us so welcome and feeding us so well. We are incredibly grateful and look forward to another whānau gathering in years to come.



*The Spencer whānau circa 1950.
Left to right: Bruce, Eileen, Stewart,
Pam, Lin in front, Norma, and Don.*



Taurahere Groups

Ngāi Tahu Ki Whānganui-a-Tara

We got caught out with how quickly the year has sped by so did not manage to organise our planned hui last month. Aroha mai to the whānau as they have missed out on the whanaungatanga for the latter part of 2024.

We are planning for 2025 and as stated before, we will hold hui in central-ish Wellington, Porirua and Lower Hutt. We will also plan to bring in speakers either from the Office of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu or local.

Keep an eye out for the dates and venues which come out via email to you (if we have your email address; if not,

send it to Tewhanganuiatara.taurahere@ngaitahu.iwi.nz) and on our Facebook page (join up if not a member: Ngāi Tahu ki Te Whanganui-a-Tara).

We are excited about the year to come and working with the Office of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu to bring more information to you all about our new collective iwi vision: *Mō Kā Uri: Ngāi Tahu 2050* and its new strategic direction to support bringing the vision to life.

Meantime, enjoy the holidays with you whānau and stay safe! See you all in 2025.

Ngāi Tahu ki Tauranga Moana

Recent Hui

At our most recent hui, Derrin Richards shared his beautiful presentation on the design and creation of the newly erected pou crafted by artist Ross Hemera.

Ngāi Tahu Whakapapa came to visit again and helped to make connections by providing more information for our whānau. Joseph Hullen shared with us more Ngāi Tahu pūrākau and we enjoyed learning some Ngāi Tahu waiata, patiently taught to us by Zhivannah Cole and Tarnia Jackson. We are very thankful for the Whakapapa team and their contributions to our hui; we always look forward to seeing them in Tauranga Moana.



Tarnia and Zhivannah teaching waiata and actions.

Moe, mai rā Whaea Daphne Hardee

We are saddened by the passing of Whaea Daphne Hardee. She was important to our rūpū, and when able to attend hui, she always came with kindness, aroha, and wisdom. We were always pleased to see her and she always made herself busy. One of our whānau was able to see Daphne before she passed, it was important to us that she knew we were thinking of her. Our heartfelt condolences to the whānau. Me te aroha tino nui atu (with loving sympathy).

Mā te hau mahana o te kāhui o te rangi me te wairua o ngā tupuna tātau e tiaki, tātau e manaaki i ngā wā katoa.

May the warm winds of the spiritual realm and the spirits of our ancestor's guide and take care of us always



Whaea Daphne (centre) dressed in black and white striped top and black jacket standing among members of the Ngāi Tahu ki Tauranga Moana rūpū.

Ngāi Tahu ki Tauranga Moana

Tauranga Boys' College Senior Academic Prize Giving

Congratulations to Hezekiah Smith who was the recipient of the Tauranga Boys' Senior Māori Performing Arts Award. The award he is holding was donated by Robert Gilbert (Ngāi Tahu, former Tauranga Boys' Deputy Principal and current Principal of Papanui High). The recipient also receives a \$150 award. Hezekiah and his older brother also worked with artist Ross Hemera to help install the pou in Aronui earlier in this year.



Ross Hemera and Hezekiah Smith.

National Māori Hockey Tournament

Kylen James, a talented rangatahi from Tauranga Moana, was selected to play in the annual National Māori hockey tournament during Labour weekend. This was held in Whangarei and hosted by Te Tai Tokerau Hockey. While studying at Waikato University, Kylen (Ngāti Wheke, great-granddaughter of Moke and Harriet Couch), had the opportunity to represent Waikato-Maniapoto at this tournament. Although Waikato-Maniapoto did not place in the tournament, they had a fantastic weekend of hockey and participated in an enjoyable evening of kapa haka entertainment. Kylen is thankful for the support of the Ngāi Tahu Pūtea Manaaki (sports grant) for making this opportunity possible.



Kaumātua Morning Tea

Recently our Ngāi Tahu ki Tauranga Moana kaumātua gathered for coffee and kōrero at the local Elizabeth Street Cafe and Larder. Everyone had a wonderful time, and there was a lot of chatter. We hope to make this a regular event moving forward, so keep an eye out for updates on Instagram and Facebook.



Julie and Ross Hemera, Joe Morris, Ollie Irving, Phil Ozanne, Shona Morris, Auntie Pirihira Douglas, Margaret Stevenson.

Waka Building Symposium

On 7 November, kaiwhakairo from across Aotearoa and Te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa gathered at Sulphur Point in Tauranga to begin the construction of three waka kōpapa. The symposium, held from 7 – 17 November, centred around the waka building at Sulphur Point, with the ceremonial Tākitimu waka also on display. Local iwi invited representatives from the Ngāi Tahu ki Tauranga Moana committee to join the pōwhiri, recognising the shared ancestral connections to the waka Tākitimu.



Taonga on display.

Left: Kylen James (wearing red) representing Waikato-Maniapoto.

The Office

**Waiho i te toipoto,
kaua i te toiroa**

Be like Stefanie



Stefanie Moke
Ngāi Tūāhuriri

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NGĀI TAHU

Stefanie's Journey with Te Pou Here

Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa highlights the importance of staying connected to move forward together. This principle is embodied in Stefanie Ngarangi Moke's journey with Te Pou Here. Read her inspiring story here.

Pūreirei offers support navigating first career steps with whānau at your side providing pathways to scholarships and entry level opportunities. After securing the first role in her new profession, Stefanie updated her Te Pou Here profile transitioning from Pūreirei to Takata to connect with next-level development avenues.



Takata connects you with employment and development opportunities, from the operational floor to the boardroom. It is your gateway to growth, leadership, and community. A driven Ngāi Tahu wahine with goals to grow as a quantity surveyor, Stefanie says, "My new role is going really well. I've been there for just over a year now, and I'm involved in several high-profile commercial projects."



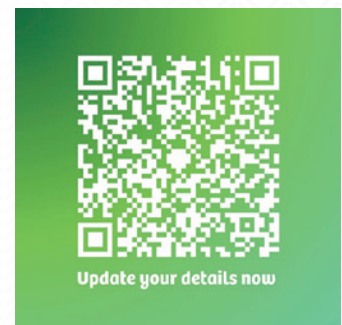
Being registered with Te Pou Here Takata opened an exciting global leadership development opportunity that immediately caught Stefanie's interest. Stefanie was keen but unsure if the timing was right, given her recent career shift. "I wanted to know if I should apply or wait to gain more experience in the industry first." Through Te Pou Here, she connected with the team to explore her options and was introduced directly to the opportunity coordinator. "I have Te Pou Here Takata and their professional network to thank for this

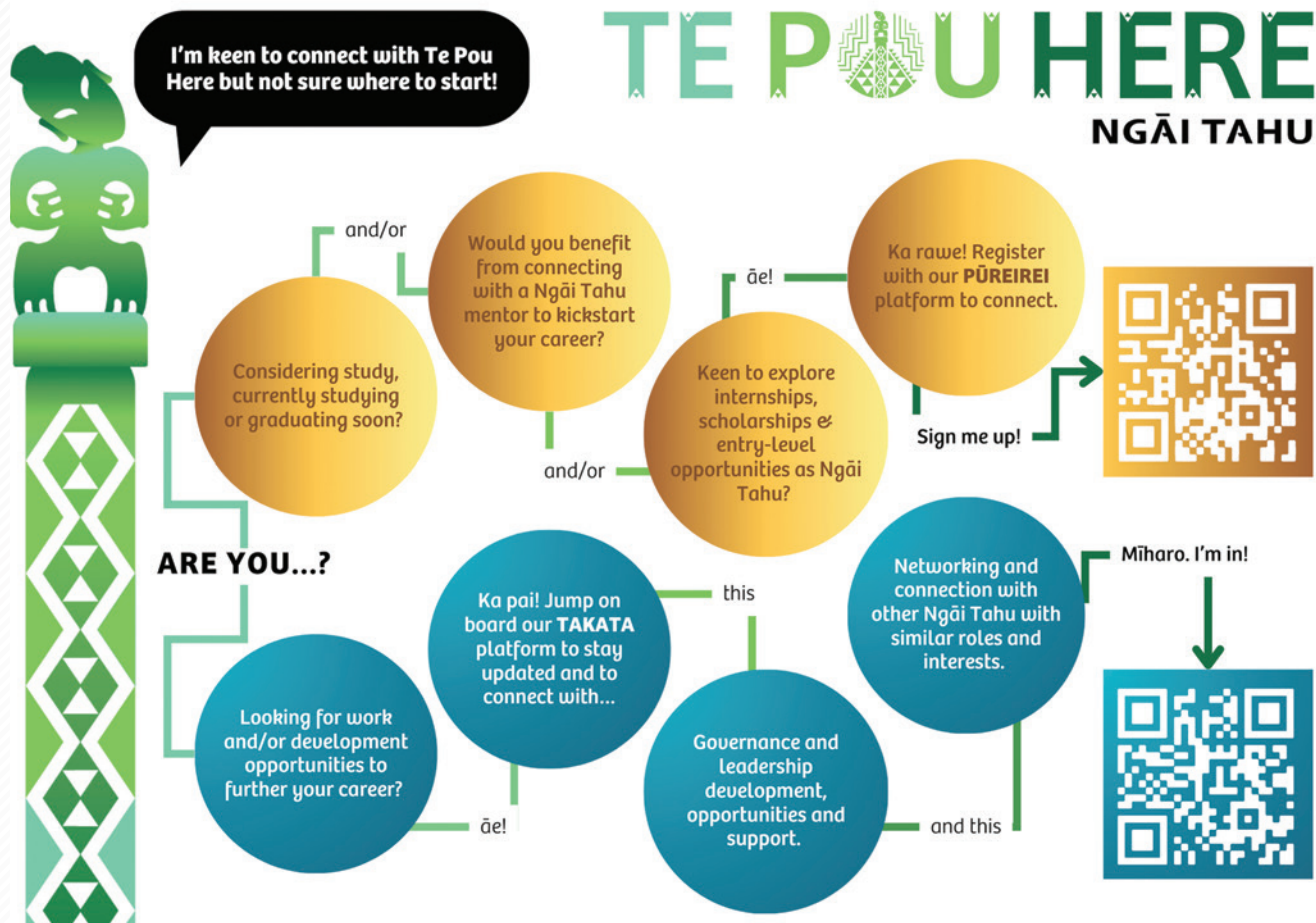
introduction. Without them, I wouldn't have known about this opportunity." The support enabled her to explore the opportunity in-depth and decide if it was the perfect fit.

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Stefanie, like many of us, is dedicated to contributing to the success of our iwi. She envisions her path might lead to an external governance role, but the future holds many possibilities.

Her story highlights the importance of keeping your Te Pou Here details up-to-date to ensure you receive relevant pānui and opportunities that align with your career stage.





Whakapapa Ngāi Tahu

As Māori and as Ngāi Tahu, our deep connection to whakapapa and whenua enriches our wairua and aligns us with who we are. This profound sense of identity is what drives our team to support our Ngāi Tahu whānau in strengthening their connection with their whakapapa. Whether this is achieved through events such as our Ngāi Tahu Roadshows, or simply through shared kōrerō and kai, our Whakapapa Ngāi Tahu team are committed to acting as kaitiaki for this vital ancestral link.

The whakapapa team handles key tasks such as managing the tribal register and enrolment, preserving the 1848 whakapapa files, providing advice, services, and research on whakapapa matters and leading projects to enhance whānau connection with their rūnanga affiliations.



Right: Back Row: Arapata Reuben (Whakapapa Manager), Sian Smith (Whakapapa Research Writer), Tarnia Jackson (Whakapapa Project Manager), Joseph Hullen (Senior Registrations Advisor). Front Row: Zhivannah Cole (Whakapapa Research Writer), Jaleesa Panirau (Whakapapa Registration Advisor), Moyra Newton-Green (Whakapapa Registration Administrator), Shira Crofts (Whakapapa Registration Advisor).

Auckland

The team attended the first Tāmaki Makaurau wānanga since the Covid pandemic. The day was filled with whakapapa kōrero, allowing whānau to delve into reconnecting to Ngāi Tahu. Mahi toi provided an amazing experience for tamariki big and small, while pūrākau brought ancestral stories to life. The wānanga emphasised whanaungatanga, offering a time for whānau to come together, strengthen relationships, and celebrate the



unique journey of being Ngāi Tahu. Good kai was shared, rounding off a day of laughter, connection and learning.



Nelson

The team was hosted by Waikawa Marae and spent time with whānau in Nelson for our last wānanga for the year. It was a meaningful experience filled with connection, learning, and kai. Engaging in kōrero with whānau and sharing pūrākau to strengthen whakapapa ties.

The tour with Allanah Burgess (Kaiwhakahaere – Waikawa Marae), which included visits to shared pā sites, was a great opportunity for mātauranga to be shared. We were also able to assist whānau in Nelson with one-on-ones and received several whakapapa registrations to close out the year.



NGĀI TAHU
Whakapapa

Tauranga

Our team recently traveled to support whānau and the Tauranga taura here rōpū at their wānanga by strengthening connections and sharing knowledge. The team brought with them pūrākau, which they shared with whānau to connect their Ngāi Tahu whakapapa. They engaged in meaningful interactions, providing tailored support through fully booked one-on-one sessions, where they helped individuals explore their whakapapa.



Auckland



Whakapapa Kirihimete Update

As the team prepares for a much-needed break with our whānau, the last day for registrations to be processed for 2024 will be 16 December. Registrations received after this date will be processed in the new year.

The team wishes all our Ngāi Tahu Whānau a Meri Kirihimete me te Tau Hou and look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Ngāi Tahu Archive

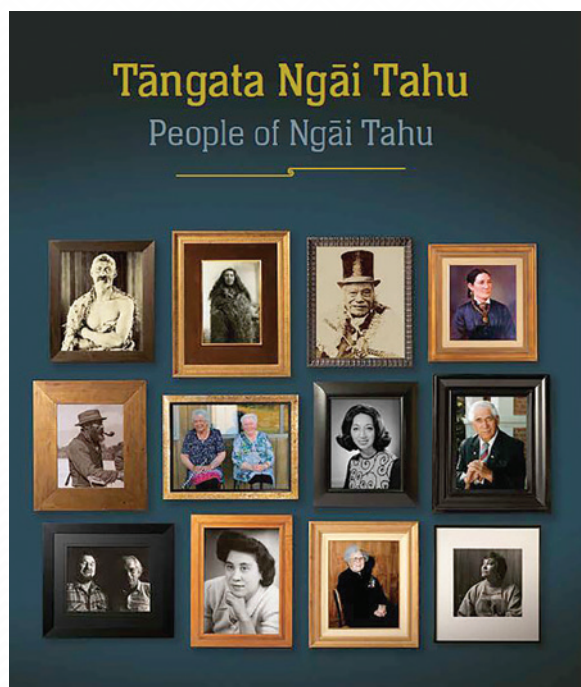
The Ngāi Tahu Archive team is dedicated to working with and for Ngāi Tahu communities to help preserve Ngāi Tahu history, protect tribal knowledge, reclaim our heritage, and assist in maintaining and promoting Ngāi Tahu identity.

The Ngāi Tahu Archive comprises the collections of the Ngāi Tahu Māori Trust Board, the records of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, and the personal papers of selected individuals. Through digitisation, the Archive is also increasingly becoming a repository for archives of tribal significance repatriated from external institutions. The team manages these collections and makes them accessible to whānau and Papatipu Rūnanga. The team also provides support to Papatipu Rūnanga and whānau for the care of their own collections.

Tāngata Ngāi Tahu II biographies launched on Kareao

Fifty biographies from Volume 2 of 'Tāngata Ngāi Tahu' have been published on our online archive website Kareao (www.kareao.nz). This means that all 100 biographies from the 'Tāngata Ngāi Tahu' series are now available online. Spanning time, geography, and kaupapa, these biographies commemorate people who contributed to their iwi, hapū, and whānau in myriad ways: they are wāhine toa, matriarchs and marae stalwarts, rangatira and tohunga, community leaders,

activists and scholars, fishermen and food-gatherers, adventurers and authors, weavers, musicians, and many more.



'Poutini: The Ngāi Tahu History Of The West Coast' book launch

In early November the Ngāi Tahu Archive attended the launch of 'Poutini: The Ngāi Tahu History of the West Coast' at Pounamu Pathways, Māwhera. Written by Ngāi Tahu historian Paul Madgwick, Poutini is the most comprehensive history of the West Coast. Poutini follows on from Paul's earlier book 'Aotea: A History of South Westland Māori', which was described at the launch as 'the most stolen book in New Zealand.'

The launch was well attended by local whānau and hapū representatives celebrating Paul's lifetime of dedication to recording Ngāi Tahu history to ensure that it is available for future generations. The Ngāi Tahu Archive wishes to pass on our congratulations to Paul on this magnificent achievement.

Co-published by Oratia Media and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, the book is available on the Ngāi Tahu Shop.

Conservation Workshop at Te Whare wānanga o Waitaha

In September kaimahi from the Ngāi Tahu Archive attended a paper conservation course at the invitation of Macmillan Brown Library. The two-day course at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha was taught by conservator Lynn Campbell and covered draft cleaning, the making of methyl cellulose paste, and the repairing of paper tears. The skills learned were invaluable, enabling our kaimahi to clean and mend the more fragile items in our care.

Word Christchurch Festival

In September kaimahi and friends of the Ngāi Tahu Archive team spoke at the WORD Christchurch Festival.

Drawing from the whakataukī developed for the Ngāi Tahu Archive by Dr Hana O'Regan: 'He mano rau, he mano ara, whaia te ara o te Kareao: A thousand leaves, a thousand branches, follow the path of the Kareao', panelists highlighted their favourite items from the Archive.

Items included the Joseph Lowthian photograph collection that has been recently repatriated from the Alexander Turnbull Library to discuss the establishment and unveiling of the Kaiapoi Pā monument in 1899; the Hoani Kāhu notebook held at Hocken Collections which contains hundreds of Māori place names; the 1898 map of Māori place names by Rāwiri Te Maire used for Kā Huru Manu; and the NĀIA digital animated pūrākau to show the need to use digital tools to make history more accessible to whānau.



Paul Madgwick signs a copy of his book 'Poutini' for Susan Wallace at the recent book launch at Pounamu Pathways, Māwhera (Greymouth).

Below: Ngāi Tahu Archive kaimahi mending paper tears, left to right: Robyn Walsh, Gabrielle Faith, Freya Hargreaves-Brown, and Sarah Christie. Photograph courtesy of Tania Nutira.



Kaikōrero at the WORD Christchurch Festival, left to right: Darren Solomon, Rocky Roberts, Helen Brown, and Takerei Norton. Photograph courtesy of the WORD Christchurch Festival.

Pūrākau Survey

Over June and July, the Archive conducted a survey of participants and host rūnanga as part of a review of the wānanga pūrākau programme. We received 40 responses, (over 50 percent.) Most respondents had attended between two and five wānanga (approximately 40 percent), while a quarter were new to the wānanga, and another quarter had attended more than five. One hundred percent of respondents said they would recommend the wānanga to others, and 80 percent felt that an important reason for attending was to connect with their Ngāi Tahu. The hīkoi were also rated very highly. The responses were overall extremely positive with good constructive ideas on how to make improvements for future wānanga. Thank you to all who took the time to submit a response.

National Archives of Fiji visit

In October the Ngāi Tahu Archive welcomed Losena Tudreu and Aloisio Ranasoiso from the National Archives of Fiji for a morning of talanoa. After a tour of our Wigram facility, we discussed shared challenges and opportunities that archives worldwide are facing. Adapting to fast-paced digital technology developments and providing quality access to our communities were top of the list. The visit was co-hosted with our colleagues from Archives New Zealand, and our building partnership and collaboration model was discussed with interest. We were joined by post-graduate student Ariela Zibiah from the Macmillan Brown Centre for Pacific Studies at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha, who extensively utilises the National Archives of Fiji in her research. During their time in New Zealand, Losena and Aloisio attended Fiji Day (10 October) celebrations in Rolleston where they connected New Zealand-based Fijian communities with records from the National Archives of Fiji. We look forward to strengthening the relationship between the Ngāi Tahu Archive and the National Archives of Fiji.

ASA/ARANZ/PARBICA Conference

In October the Ngāi Tahu Archive team attended the joint conference of the Australian Society of Archivists (ASA), the Archives & Records Association of New Zealand Te Huinga Mahara (ARANZ), and the Pacific Regional Branch of the International Council on Archives (PARBICA), held in Ōtautahi.

Focused on the theme of ‘opening the archives’, the conference brought together speakers from the Caribbean, Fiji, Tuvalu, Australia, and New Zealand to share their experiences and strategies for improving access and engagement with communities. The Archive team presented a joint plenary session with Archives New Zealand to discuss the advantages of our co-location arrangement.

The third day consisted of a symposium commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Tandanya-Adelaide Declaration, which calls on archives to acknowledge indigenous knowledge and ownership and decolonise their archives. This was an opportunity to hear from, and network with, other first nation community members and GLAM (galleries, libraries, archives and museums) sector practitioners. The Archive team presented the opening address at the symposium focusing on our policy framework, projects, and use of technology to show tino rangatiratanga in action. The team made good connections with indigenous archivists and practitioners in Australia and the Pacific which we hope will lead to ongoing relationships.



Ngāi Tahu kaimahi present at the Tandanya-Adelaide Declaration Symposium, left to right: Tania Nutira, Helen Brown, Gabrielle Faith, and Takerei Norton. Photograph courtesy of Robyn Walsh.



Kia Kūrehu ki Arowhenua

Kia Kūrehu ki Arowhenua was held from 18 – 20 October. Kia Kūrehu is an immersive weekend wānaka for whānau who already have some proficiency in te reo Māori but are looking for a kaupapa to further build their confidence and conversational skills. Participants had the opportunity to engage in reo sessions facilitated by our amazing kaiako; Stephanie Reihana, Gaynor Hakaria, and Alex Solomon. Kai kā reo waitī, koutou kā kaiako o te kaupapa nei, kā toki o tō tātou reo rakatira, tēnei a Kotahi Mano Kāika e mihi atu ki a koutou, kua rakatira te kaupapa i a koutou. Otirā nāia kā whakamihi ki te haukāika o Arowhenua me kā rikawera mō te kouka o te manaakitaka i utaina atu ki ruka i te wānaka nei, tēnā koutou.

Tamariki were busy with a programme of activities facilitated by our dynamic team; Grant Hakaria and Flayme Wharerau, with support from Te Awhina and Ave Tumai. Mei kore ake koutou kā rika e manaaki ana i kā tamariki! Without your support our kaupapa would not be successful.



Coming up

Kia Kūrapa

Are you interested in starting your journey with te reo Māori, or perhaps refreshing your basic skills? Kia Kūrapa offers a safe and supportive environment to develop your te reo Māori.

Kia Kūrapa is a marae-based, weekend wānaka, tailored for those at a beginner level of reo proficiency. These beginner-level reo weekends are designed to kickstart

your te reo Māori learning. We also cater to advanced beginner/intermediate level within this kaupapa. The first two wānaka will be hosted at the beginning of 2025, with a third to follow in May/June (tbc)

Stay tuned for registration details on our Facebook page and website: [kmk.maori.nz/event](https://www.kmk.maori.nz/event)

Kaupapa	Āhea / Ki hea	Taumata Reo
Kura Reo Kāi Tahu	7-11 January 2025 Arowhenua Marae	Te reo speaking whānau, full immersion.
Kia Kūrapa ki Ōtākou	31 January – 2 February 2025 Ōtākou Marae	Beginners to intermediate
Kia Kūrapa ki Makaawhio	21 -23 February 2025 Te Tauraka ā-Māui	Beginners to intermediate
Kura Reo ki Te Waipounamu	13 – 17 April 2025 Ōtākou Marae	Full immersion. Intermediate to advanced speakers.

Raumati

Here are some words and phrases for you to use this summer



He Rāraki Kupu (Vocabulary List)

1. Kauaronui	1. Breast stroke
2. Kautuarā	2. Back stroke
3. Whareama	3. Hat
4. Paparewa	4. Surfboard
5. Werawera	5. To be warm, perspiring
6. Pani ārai	6. Sunblock
7. Mōhiti ārai hihirā	7. Sunglasses
8. Whāhauhau	8. Air conditioner
9. Mānu	9. Float
10. Kuku	10. Hold breath
11. Tātahi	11. The beach, seaside
12. Whakatā	12. Relax

He Rereka Kōrero (Example Sentences)

1. Kā mihi o te wā	1. Season's greetings
2. Ko tā te manawa	2. Time to relax
3. Me haere tātau ki tātahi?	3. Should we go to the beach?
4. Komohia tō whareama	4. Put your hat on
5. Kauraka koe e wareware i ō weruweru kaukau!	5. Don't forget your togs!
6. Whakaroko ki kā manu	6. Listen to the birds
7. Te wera hoki o tēnei rā!	7. It is so hot today!
8. Me kaukau tātau!	8. Let's swim!
9. Kai te makariri te wai!	9. The water is cold!
10. Pania ki te pani ārai rā	10. Lather on some sunscreen
11. Kia tūpato!	11. Be careful!
12. Me noho tātau ki hea?	12. Where should we set up?

Pānui

Māori Reserve 755 Waitoto

This is a pānui for the owners of Māori Reserve 755 Waitoto, to inform you of an upcoming meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and seek agreement on the following;

- the terms of Licence to Occupy agreements on the whenua; and
- trustee replacement for the Waitoto 755 Ahu Whenua Trust

This hui will be held in person, with attendance via Zoom available. To register to attend via Zoom, please email waitoto755trust@gmail.com.

VENUE: Te Rūnanga o Makaawhio Offices,
125 Revell Street, Hokitika, 7810

DATE: Sunday 19 January

TIME: 2:00 PM

Puharakekenui MR892

To the owners and shareholders of Puharakekenui – a Wānaka will be held at Tuahiwi Marae at 11am on Sunday 23 February 2025 for the purpose of discussing a development plan as ordered by the Māori Land Court before heading to 796 Lower Styx mill road to view the property.

For all owners who are interested in coming along to find out more about MR 892 firsthand please contact Neville Kemp @ neville4hair@gmail.com or 0277339385.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Date and time: 15 February 2025
commencing at 9.30 am.

Location: Murihiku Marae, 408 Tramway Rd, Invercargill
Light refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the non-Rakiura Māori business at 12.00 pm, before the resumption of the meeting for Rakiura Māori.

Permits to enter the Rakiura Tītī Islands (formerly Crown Islands) in accordance with the Rakiura Tītī Islands Bylaws 2005 will be dealt with at this meeting. Applications for permits must be in writing on the form set out in the Bylaws and must be received on time.

Note – the closing date for building and entry permits for non-Rakiura Māori (except whānau) is 5.00 pm 14 January 2025. Permits for Rakiura Māori and their whānau to enter the islands must be received by 12 noon on permit day.

Elections will be held to fill three vacancies on the Administering Body. Nominations for these positions must be on the appropriate form and be received by the Administering Body no later than 5.00 pm 14 January 2025. No late nominations will be accepted.

Work programmes under consideration by the Administering Body for the 2025 year will be presented at the meeting. Research programmes both current and proposed for 2025 year will be presented at the meeting.

Attendance – please confirm your attendance at Annual General Meeting with the Secretary for catering and seating purposes no later than 5.00pm 4 February 2025.

Nomination forms and permit application forms are available from the Secretary.

All correspondence and attendance confirmations to be forwarded to the Secretary.

Rakiura Tītī Islands Administering Body,
C/- 173 Grant Road, No 9 RD, Invercargill 9879,
or email rtiabcontact@gmail.com

Nāku noa, nā.

Tāne Davis

Kaiwhakaheare

Rakiura Tītī Islands Administering Body

Kaikōura

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