



MIHI KI NGĀ MATE

POU: HE TĀNGATA |
NGĀTI KUIATANGA
MP BAJWA

Ka haea te ata, ka hāpara te ata
Kei whea rā aku kōparapara
e kō mai te ata?

Ka uia te poupou o te whare
Kāhore te kī mai te waha
Ko te hū o Moho,
e kore mātou e rongu
anō i tō momo

Ka pōkaikaha noa te kāhui pī nei
Kokomea e ura ana ki runga
Kōkōwai e pae ana ki raro
Ko te Tahu-nui-a-rangi
Ngā kahukura o Hine-nui-te-pō
Kua riro rā koutou ki te whare
o Pōhutukawa
Ko Poutererangi e koutou e

The morning light breaks
Where are the birds to
herald the dawn?
I ask the posts of the house
And a net with stillness
The rarefied Moho has been silenced,
we may never hear
another in our lifetime
The band of youth is left bereft
A burning rufescent glow
in the evening sky
The rich red ochre that lines your
earthen resting place
A resplendent array of colours,
illuminating the night
The radiant prisms of Hine-nui-te-pō,
lighting the pathway to the heavens
You have been taken,
to the house of Pōhutukawa
To Poutererangi,
the gathering place of chiefs

Ngāti Kuia Maranga Mai

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CHAIRPERSON'S KŌRERO

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA

Tēnā koutou e ngā whānau ō Ngāti Kuia.

It has been a very busy time since our last Maranga Mai. Thankfully, all our planned mahi is progressing well and on track. However, we do have other matters involving Ngā iwi o Te Taihū still under consideration and requiring further kōrero to resolve varying points of view.

The South Island Customary Fishing Regulations, that took some time to agree on, has not met with total approval of some Iwi, who now want a revamp of the regulations. We are quite satisfied with what was previously agreed as they support our Kaitiaki status to grant Kai permits from within our stated boundaries – Kahurangi Point to Parinui o Whiti. A mediator will be required to help facilitate matters. Raymond Smith has led this kaupapa for some time.

Taonga Tūturu is back again for debate. Peter Meihana and Awhina Twomey are leading this mahi. Our stance remains constant in that Iwi own, share, and must care for all taonga.

The Marlborough College(s) transfer of ngā tauira, from and to, respective sites, is gaining some attention from a wide range of community rōpū. Ngāti Kuia own the Marlborough Girls and Bohally site, the chosen place for the Co-ed Boys and Girls College. Naturally, we are interested in all cultural and academic aspects of the Kura and would expect for the mana of all Iwi of Te Taihū to be appropriately recognised. Vanya George represents us on the Advisory Committee.

For the past while, Mark Moses has led kōrero on our whakapapa. Our noble and ancient lines



Above: Waihaere Mason, Photo credit: Melissa Banks.

clearly link us to Te Taihū with specific reference to our stated boundaries. From Kupe me Whātonga – Ngāi Tara, Ngāti Māmoa me Tūmatakōkiri – among others, the lines are clearly established. The kōrero has also dispelled misleading whakapapa from various authors. The true lines of descent will now be established in future pukapuka. This mahi is timely when we consider the ramifications of the above kōrero.

We have two important events coming up. The first is the launch of our Hauora Report. Research findings will be presented to whānau at Te Hora Marae on Saturday the 22 May 2021. The second is the opening of our new kānuka processing facility planned for the 3 July 2021.

Lastly, thank you for your support and it's good to see some of our aspirations being realised.

He moana pukepuke e ekengia e te waka
A choppy sea can be navigated

Nāku noa, nā
Waihaere Mason MNZM



Left: Miriama Rauhihi Ness, Pauro (Paul) Rauhihi
Right: Wayne Cook.

UPDATE ABOUT TE KURA ORA FUND

POU: TE PŪTEA | HE TĀNGATA

Te Kura Ora Fund update

The decision has been made to close down the fund with the idea that it may resurrect again if necessary. Rangitāne o Wairau, Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō and Ngāti Kuia have enjoyed working collaboratively for the whānau who whakapapa to Kurahaupō Te Taihu. The decision is effective immediately and no further applications will be accepted. If whānau feel the need, they are still encouraged to contact their respective iwi for support. If there are any queries regarding the closing of the fund, please email admin@rangitane.org.nz for the respective kōmiti to read and/or answer to.

Over the coming months it will still be important for whānau to be updating their contact details. If you don't get through to us straight away leave us a message with your name, concern and best contact channel so we can ensure we can get back to you.

We are pleased that we continue to have the opportunity to strengthen manaaki-ā-iwi in Te Taihu through the provision of a Whānau Ora Navigator service delivered by Cliff Saxton.

This role is to support the eight iwi collaboration in our ongoing response to Covid-19. The role is based from our Ngāti Kuia Whakatū office and Cliff is doing a great job helping and supporting whānau.

Cliff can be contacted by email navigator@ngatikuia.iwi.nz



MĀTAURANGA UPDATE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA | TE TAI AO
VANYA GEORGE



Above: Matua Hautere resource image.

Mātauranga Projects Update

We've had a busy start to the year with supporting Tuia i te Hoki Nei, Te Kāhui Mātauranga work, teacher only days and planning our mahi for this year.

Our goals for this year are to:

- Develop our Ngāti Kuia Curriculum
- Produce resources that support the delivery of our curriculum
- Strengthen and develop our Wānanga delivered
- Advocate for our strategic outcomes in education settings

These goals relate to Toki Ngao Pae and Toki Ngao Tū (phase 2 and phase 3) of our implementation plan and fit carefully with our 5 priority areas in our Mātauranga Strategy.

Through the development of our Mātauranga strategy our whānau were really clear that they want to hear and see our history taught in schools, but they also want the opportunity to learn about it first.

Our whānau stated that they wanted to be able to teach their own tamariki and mokopuna about our history so that they didn't hear about our tūpuna or our special places for the first time in the classroom.

Our education working group named Te Ngaru Tūātea have been working hard alongside our historians Peter Meihana and Mark Moses to wānanga through the contents of our curriculum and our first resource is about Matua Hautere.

Pakohe Wānanga

At the end of March we held a pakohe wānanga at Titiraukawa. Lewis Smith and other whānau were able to share their expertise and knowledge with the whānau. Highlights of the trip were visiting the quarry sites on Maungatapu and a visit to Toro Frank Wells pakohe workshop.

"I really enjoyed it. It was a once in a lifetime experience to be able to walk up Maungatapu with my whānau. I really enjoyed hearing the pūrākau of Matua Hautere while actually standing on Maungatapu seeing the places our tūpuna walked and named. Lewis had so much knowledge to share with us and I just really appreciated the opportunity to learn from him." Kassianna Hemi.

SELO

Strengthening Early Learning Opportunities (SELO) is a contract with the Ministry of Education to provide support for ECE centres in the wider Wairau area. We have targeted centres where our mokopuna attend or our whānau work for this round. Lewis Smith, Tom Alesana and Vanya George will share pakohe, pūrākau, karakia, kapa haka and Treaty of Waitangi workshops through March, April and May.

Two Wānanga for April

Ngā Tohu Whenua Sites of Significance Bus Tour was on Saturday 10 April. It was an opportunity for whānau to reconnect with sites in

Whakatū and to continue to develop our curriculum. This tour was also part of the Nelson City Council Tuku21 Heritage Month with the programme being led by Hamuera Robb.

Te Reo Kia Rewa Wānanga Reo was held 28-30 April. There was such an awesome response from whānau. We are looking forward to sharing more in our ePānui, on social media and in our next edition of Maranga Mai.



Above: Sites of Significance Tour Group.



Above: Te Hora Marae, Photo credit: Melissa Banks.

TE HORA MARAE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA
BILLY WILSON

Te Hora Marae

Our Marae is currently a hive of activity again, well and truly recovered from the Covid-19 fall out that restricted access and the types of bookings we could accommodate for.

Of note is the number of local schools coming to stay at the Marae over the next few months. Several schools have booked from right across Te Taihū. As the land most of these schools are built on was returned to Ngāti Kuia as part of our Treaty of Waitangi Settlement, this provides us with a great opportunity to engage with these schools, whilst also teaching them a little bit about who we are and what we do.

We currently also have a couple of build projects taking place. Our shed is getting a timely upgrade which will allow us to better store maintenance equipment, as well as provide a safer storage place for our extra mattresses and such. We will also be extending our Māra Kai at the Marae. These projects are the result of a successful Provincial Growth Fund application and should both be completed by the end of the winter months.

As instructed by the Iwi AGM last year, planning has begun for our new Whare Tupuna at Te Hora. A hui is planned for June 2021 to update and discuss this further with the Iwi.

TE RŪNANGA O NGĀTI KUIA EVENTS CALENDAR

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

TE TARI

KAUMĀTUA MORNING TEAS POSTPONED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.

TE RŪNANGA O NGĀTI KUIA TRUST AGM -
SATURDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2021

For more information contact
Lea Hemi at lea@ngatikuia.iwi.nz

HAUORA

HE MAUNGA PAKOHE RAUTAKI HAUORA
RESEARCH REPORT LAUNCH - SATURDAY 22 MAY,
TE HORA MARAE

For more information contact
Vicky Thorn at vicky@ngatikuia.iwi.nz

MĀTAURANGA

RANGATAHI WĀNANGA - JULY TBC
WAKA WĀNANGA - JULY TBC

For more information contact
Vanya George at vanya@ngatikuia.iwi.nz

TE HORA MARAE

TE HORA MARAE HUI-Ā-IWI - SATURDAY 19 JUNE

For more information contact
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IWI ECONOMY

KĀNUKA PROCESSING FACILITY LAUNCH AT
TITIRAUKAWA DURING MATARIKI -
SATURDAY 11 JULY

For more information contact
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FOR ALL OTHER QUERIES ABOUT EVENTS &
ACTIVITIES CALL 0800 642 845 OR
MESSAGE HAS ON FACEBOOK MESSENGER.

HAUORA UPDATES

POU: HE TĀNGATA
VICKY THORN

He Maunga Pakohe Rautaki Hauora Research Report

The project team are pleased to advise that our research report is near completion, we are working on a test print of the Report. The launch of the report will occur at Te Hora Marae on 22 May 2021. Details of the day will be sent to all whānau closer to the time. The project team wish to give a big mihi to everyone that has been on this journey with us, and I personally want to thank you all, it has been very humbling for me and I feel now the Ngāti Kuia voice will be heard and seen. We as Ngāti Kuia are on the precipice of making effective change and we will be in the driving seat of that change.

Covid-19 updates

Whānau please be ever vigilant on your journeys, we encourage you to use the app tracing code. This is key in supporting you with communication should there be a community transmission issue in

your rohe. Remember to be safe and mindful of others. Practice good hygiene.

Ngāti Kuia will be part of the regional support for the Covid-19 vaccinations roll out across Te Taihū. This will ensure that communications support whānau in their decisions whatever they may be. For information refer to the Ministry of Health NZ Covid-19 vaccines webpage: <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines>

Iwi representation for health sector

I continue to be active in representing on our Iwi health board in reviewing the health delivery services provided across Te Taihū, which is led by NMDHB. This includes representing Ngāti Kuia on VTAG (vulnerable technical agency group) monitoring and supporting a coordinated approach to community health issues that directly affect us.



Above: Elaine Wilson and Marlin Elkington, Photo credit: Melissa Banks.

HORTICULTURE COURSE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | TE PŪTEA | TE TĀIAO | HE TĀNGATA
NICKI HEMI

Ngāti Kuia / NMIT Horticulture Course Update

From May 2021 to February 2022 Ngāti Kuia will be running our very first Horticulture course in partnership with Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT).

The courses that will be delivered are:

- Level 2 New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Skills
- Level 3 New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture.

There will also be two days of paid practical experience at Titiraukawa that is included as part of the learning. We are also lucky to have trustee and whānau member Kim Hippolite come on board as one of our tutors for the course.

We had a great response to enrollments for our new Horticultural course. It was great to see so many whānau engaged at our information evenings. We want to thank our whānau for getting involved in this transformative learning experience.



Above: Whānau at the Wairau Info Evening.



Above: Whānau at the Whakatū Info Evening.

TE TAI AO UPDATE

POU: HE TĀNGATA | TE TAI AO | TE PŪTEA

Te Hoiere Project update

Heli Wade

Farmers in the Linkwater area are opening their gates to a free survey looking at the condition of catchments on their properties, offered under Te Hoiere Project.

By working collectively, the Linkwater farmers are ensuring everyone has a voice, can brainstorm with others and access expert information. The group's facilitator, Karen Morrison, feels that this avoids individuals carrying the load and stress of complying with new freshwater rules which state that all dairy farms are required to have a Farm Environment Plan by 2025. Marlborough District Council environmental scientist, Matt Oliver, anticipates some quick wins from the surveys such as simple fencing or stock-crossing improvements.

To find out more about the catchment condition survey or arrange a visit, contact Matt Oliver at the Marlborough District Council 03 520 7400 or email matt.oliver@marlborough.govt.nz.

Are you thinking about forming a group that supports Te Hoiere Project? To chat to someone and help you get started contact Heather Collins on 021 264 9640 or 03 572 8876 or email heather@heathercollins.co.nz.

To find out more about activity that you can get involved with keep an eye on the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TeHoierePelorusRestorationProject>



Above: Alex Walker-Meechang by Te Hoiere, Photo credit: Melissa Banks.

Kohi te wai Rock Revetment

Julia Eason



Above: Kohi te Wai, Photo credit: Nelson City Council.

On Friday 25 March 2021, the final phase of Kohi te Wai Rock Revetment was completed. Huataki Whareaitu, supported by more than 50 people, re-woke the mauri of Kohi te Wai (Glenduan), an ancient kāinga at the base of Horoirangi and the head of Te Taero a Kereopa (The Nelson Boulder Bank).

This 3-year journey started in February 2018 with Cyclone Fehi and then Cyclone Gita devastating the Nelson and Tasman regions. The high seas ripped apart the access road to several homes near Glenduan and the eroded seashore put other properties at risk. Together, Ngāti Kuia and Nelson City Council agreed that a wall was needed for now, but the effects of climate change will need to be looked at in future.

The next stage of the work had Tracey Kingi with support from Billy Wilson and the Taiao team complete a cultural effects assessment for the proposed wall in October 2019, taking into account many principles, including mauri and ki uta ki tai. All of Tracey's recommendations were accepted by the Council and the physical work was lined up to begin in October 2020. From November 2020 to February 2021 our Monitors did the hard yards of early morning starts, and it was great for Ngāti Kuia to share the oversight of the work to completion.

A big thanks to the wider Ngāti Kuia Team for making this project a success. Our reputation has been strengthened by our collective work. As a result, Kohi te Wai will be protected for many years to come.

IWI ECONOMY – TITIRAUKAWA UPDATE

POU: TE PŪTEA
RA WINIATA

Processing Plant Unveiling at Titiraukawa in July

Construction is well underway for the Kānuka Processing Facility at Titiraukawa. The new buildings there will house the kānuka distillation and tea drying equipment and will be completed in time for a launch during Matariki.

According to MBIE Commercial Advisor for Ngāti Kuia, Ra Winiata, this facility will allow processing of kānuka tips and leaves to be done much closer to whānau land blocks, rather than travelling to Māpua, as we are at present.

This facility was made possible thanks to a Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) grant of over \$700,000 and will enable whānau to create an income from lands that have kānuka trees on them. Other opportunities in the future could include processing other rongoā such as kawakawa.

Ra notes that seeking organic status on the whenua will also help whānau to achieve a premium on their kānuka harvest as well as provide sustainable practises for protection of the whenua.

For whānau interested in finding out more about participating in this venture, please contact Nicki Hemi at nicki@ngatikuia.iwi.nz.



Above: Titiraukawa developments, Photo credit: Melissa Banks.

CULTURAL SITES PŪRĀKAU

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA
MARK MOSES



Top: Sunset at Titirangi Bay looking out to Nukuwaiata, Te Kakaho and Titi Islands.

Photo credit: Taken by Mark Moses at one of the Titirangi Mahinga Kai Wānanga. Photo copyright to Mark Moses, please contact him at mark@pakoheolutions.org if you would like to use it.

Remembering Island Harvests

<i>Ka tangi te Titi</i>	<i>The Titi cries</i>
<i>Ka tangi te Toanui</i>	<i>The Toanui cries</i>
<i>Ka tangi hoki ahau</i>	<i>I cry also</i>
<i>Tihei Mauri ora</i>	<i>Tis the sneeze of life</i>

In March and April our tūpuna used to go Mutton Birding for Titi (Sooty Shearwater) and Taonui (Flesh Footed Shearwater) to our Mutton Birding Islands – Nukuwaiata, Te Kiore, Kakaho, Moturaka and Titi Island. They would also harvest karaka berries, kina, pāua and kōura. Since the time of our tupuna, Kupe, we have been harvesting from these islands.

Today the islands are nature and scientific reserves, and you need permission to visit them. Titi and Taonui are now protected species. Our association to the islands and nearby places of significance such as Titirangi were recognised in our Tiriti o Waitangi settlement. As a result, we received land at Titirangi which is administered by the Ngāti Kuia Trust. For many years now we have been holding wānanga at Titirangi when the weather is right. We would visit our Wāhi Tūpuna there and engage in other mahinga kai practices such as fishing, diving, and if circumstances are right, a customary harvest of Titi.

WHĀNAU PHOTO BOARD – TE OHU MĀTĀTAHI Ā KUIA, HUI RANGATAHI



Top to bottom, left to right: Midi (Junior) Tareha & Pairoroku Rikihana; Mairū Hakaraia, George de Thierry, Ariana Banks, Harper Smith, Jack Kelly, Pharoah de Thierry & Kewana McCormick; Lewis Smith with Te Ohu Mātātahi a Kuia roopu; Hamuera Robb & Sophie Mason; Manaia Ieremia & Zakaira Forrester; Te Piripoho Barret-Alesana; Mairū Hakaraia; Lewis Smith, Jan McGregor & David (Rawiri) Akuhata.

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WHĀNAU PHOTO BOARD – TUIA I TE HOKI NEI



Top to bottom, left to right: Rua Stacey; Lee Mason preparing hangi; Tersha Wilson & bubba Mackenzie Neen Robertson; Hinekawa Manihera, Elaine Wilson, Rebecca Mason & Waihaere Mason; Lee and Julia Mason; Shanell Kelly; Ngāti Kuia Kaumātua Choir; Te Hoiere Hemi; Pirihiria Smith.

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