



## MIHI KI NGĀ MATE

POU: TE TANGATA | NGĀTI  
KUIATANGA

MP MANGAKĀHIA

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 rongo 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 ardent 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



Above: Joseph Wells, Martha Hartley, Grace Saxton,  
Duncan Wilson

# Ngāti Kuitanga Maranga Mai



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## CHAIRPERSON'S KŌRERO

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA  
WAIHAERE MASON



Above: Waihaere Mason

Tēnā koutou ngā whānau o Ngāti Kuitanga

Tēnā koutou i roto i ngā taimatahanga o te ao

It has been an unusual year considering the impact of Covid-19 on everyone. However, it has not dominated our development, and I must congratulate all "Who just got on with it".

It is pleasing to note that our Marae came to the fore during shutdown. The positive comments made about Te Hora, Omaka and Whakatū whānau supporting the kaupapa of looking after the people was indeed humbling to hear. The Kurahaupō iwi will maintain a watching brief well into next year. Our Te Kura Ora pūtea is established around clear guidelines that ensures those in need will be acknowledged.

As a collective, all iwi entities have decided that the key to our wellbeing remains in meeting very basic needs. That the provision of homes, kai, and work must be pursued. It is just not good enough that in a society where there is obvious wealth that its distribution continues to be inequitable. However, to help eliminate the obvious negatives we must do as much of the mahi ourselves while pressuring others to give immediate support.

May the festive season and the new year bring a feeling of confidence that things will get better.

Kei raro tātou i te korowai o Rongo.

Arohanui  
Nāku noa, nā  
Waihaere Mason MNZM

# UPDATE YOUR DETAILS – GET A JAR OF DELICIOUS HONEY

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA  
CHALLEN WILSON

The Ngāti Kuia Trust team are always on the mission to ensure we have the most up to date details about our whānau on our database.

We are committed to sharing the latest news and opportunities with all. From the feedback provided by whānau at Roadshows, there was a huge interest for the Trust to engage whānau based on the skills and talents they have. The more we know about our whānau the easier it is for us to connect you with opportunities that fulfil you.

We still have jars of delicious Titiraukawa honey to give away. If you are one of the first 20 whānau members to get in contact, we will send you some honey. Even if you feel like your details are up to date, any extra information you're happy to share with us e.g. work experience or special talents would be awesome. Call us on 0800 642 845, email us at [tari@ngatikuia.iwi.nz](mailto:tari@ngatikuia.iwi.nz) or flick us a Facebook Messenger message.



## UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

### GET A JAR OF DELICIOUS TITIRAUKAWA HONEY

Share yours and/or your tamariki and mokopuna information with us. This includes address, phone number, email, and occupation and/or special talent.

# REALISING MY DREAM AS A PAEDIATRIC NURSE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA  
ELLIE SANSON



Above: Ellie Sanson

I would like to extend a large thank you to Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust for your support towards my studies over the past six years. I have just completed my studies in a Conjoint Bachelor of Health

Sciences and Bachelor of Nursing, which means I have completed two degrees. This means I am eligible to graduate on 15 December 2020 at the University of Auckland graduation ceremony.

On Monday 21 September 2020, I began working in my dream job as a Registered Nurse in the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at Starship hospital. This unit is located in the national Children's Hospital in New Zealand. Children in this unit are typically on life support or requiring intensive medical care. PICU is the only dedicated children's intensive care facility in the country and is also where children who are transported via the national children air ambulance are treated.

This is part of the reason why I consider myself to be very fortunate to have the opportunity to work within such a specialised unit and alongside some of New Zealand's best health professionals. I am extremely excited to start caring for and supporting the children and their families in this unit.

Your support towards my studies has reduced the cost of my University fees for my studies and subsequently decreased my student loan. It has also enabled me to focus on my studies by reducing my living costs and the stress of completing significant hours of part-time work, as I am living in Auckland away from my whānau who reside in Palmerston North.

My whānau and I would like to pass on our thanks to you, your contribution and support have enabled me to complete my studies to a high degree. With your support I am now able to work in an area of health where Māori are significantly and inequitably overrepresented, allowing me to care for their children alongside their whānau.

**Ngā mihi**  
**Ellie**



Above: Shanell Kelly

## BOARD PROFILE – SHANELL KELLY (PART 2)

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA

SHANELL KELLY

In part one of our introduction of our new Trustee, Shanell Kelly, she shared her whakapapa and aspirations. This can be found in our latest ePānui. Part two of Shanell's kōrero shares a deeper understanding she has of our history and what propels her to put whānau first.

We stand here strong and proud as the uri of Ngāti Kuia. Our history of inter iwi warfare, colonisation, cultural deprivation and systematic discrimination could well have disconnected us from the wellbeing of our iwi as an entity and the iwi as us, the people. It is through our strength that bridges us to repair the intergenerational destitution experienced by our tūpuna that will continue to result in the reparation attained from Te Tiriti o Waitangi settlements.

My aspirations as a Trustee is to awhi our people to implement succession planning. This recognisable pathway for whānau to engage in their success will be apparent and abundant.

My aspirations are to continue to support the awesome mahi that is already underway in developing a strong and thriving iwi economy. Many of our whānau were displaced from their whenua, where once they moved freely, and cared for their whānau, harvested kai, and gathered rongoa.

We have the opportunity to tautoko whānau while in our recent history our tūpuna were made destitute and marginalised to realise the potential of their whenua. Only collectively as a whānau can we move forward and right these injustices. We are kaitiaki and hold the responsibility to ensure the care of our whenua for future generations.

I will stand up for our people. I will champion our values, and history. We are in a position to challenge the status quo and to elevate and invest in our people.

The mahi at hand is not easy and will take generations to rectify but we are a resourceful, innovative and a prevailing people, we are entrepreneurs, innovators, and navigators. The tamariki of Māui. We are so much more than the sum of our parts.

It has taken a while for me to realise our true potential. We need to, 'ask not what our iwi can do for us but what we can do for our iwi'. Ko au te awa, ko te awa ko au.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tatou katoa

**Ngā mihi aroha**  
**Shanell Kelly**

# IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN – APICULTURE KŌRERO WITH CAROL TIPENE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA | TE TAIAO  
CAROL TIPENE



Above: Bee Cohort August 2020

The Ngāti Kuia Bee Course started up again in August 2020. We filled a full cohort in the popular Level 3 Certificate in Apiculture, which is delivered by Otago Polytechnic. Classes run approximately every second Friday from August 2020 to April 2021 at Titiraukawa.

We sat down with whanaunga, Carol Tipene, to learn about her experience in the Level 3 course.

“The first thing I want to say is I absolutely loved it. Best part is I needed a retirement

plan and I just think this is a great way to do it. Who knew bees would be such a great industry to get into? Suddenly I’m looking in my garden and I can recognise what plants are better for the bees.

Regarding the learning, the roopu I’m with on the course are just so helpful. I’m so grateful to learn with my whanaunga, especially as I’ve not enjoyed the computer part, so got lots of good help.

One of the least favourite bits was the bees. I was afraid of the bugs. But I learnt they didn’t give two hoots about me. When I first realised, I had to touch them I wasn’t keen, but then I got over my fear.

I find myself saying to people when I’m going off to Titiraukawa to do the course, especially when friends and family look at me and wonder what I’m doing, is that I believe it’s never too late to learn something new. It’s the best thing that has happened to me, is the bees, the honey, and the knowledge that nothing

has changed for the bees in thousands of years. In this Covid-19 time to find something new to learn in such a crappy year has been amazing.”

Keep updated on our social media channels and through our ePānui for more stories by whānau about their experience.



Above: Carol Tipene



## TE PUA PODS

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA  
VANYA GEORGE

We have an awesome group of tamariki and their whānau that attend Te Pua pod based at Te Hora Marae on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Tamariki have time to play, do art, learn waiata, karakia, and just generally hang out with their cousins! Each new season we have a different kaupapa so our tamariki are learning about our world our way.

We would LOVE to have some more whānau join us next year. We are able to help with transport. For more information, please get in contact with Marae Manager, Billy Wilson at [billy@ngatikuia.iwi.nz](mailto:billy@ngatikuia.iwi.nz) or 0800 642 845.

Left: Pirihiria Smith



Above: Te Hoiere Awa

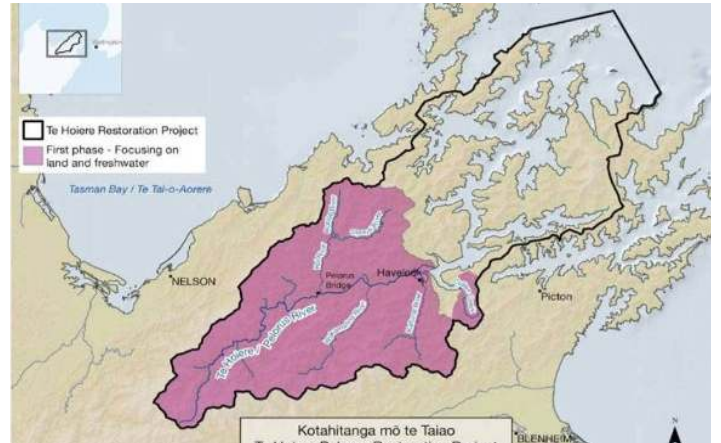
# RESTORING THE MAURI OF TE HOIERE AWA

## THE POWER IN WORKING TOGETHER

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | TE TAI AO  
CHALLEN WILSON

It has been a year since the Te Hoiere River Catchment Project was launched. In December 2019, the Minister of Conservation, at the time, Eugenie Sage, along with delegates from Councils and central government, visited Te Hora Marae during our yearly Kaumātua Christmas celebration to launch this project with Ngāti Kuia.

In July everything was in place to begin the work on Te Hoiere to restore the water quality. Local reporter, Chloe Ranford shared



Above: Te Hoiere Awa Catchment Project First Phase Map

this magnificent news of these developments, in her Stuff.co.nz news article, 'Work begins on multimillion-dollar project to restore water quality in Marlborough Sounds catchment'.

Sophie was able to share that, 'the project was able to deal with detrimental environmental issues, and the first phase focuses on Havelock Estuary to Cullen Creek. Subsidiary to the work on the awa, aspirations of setting up a native plant nursery and extending the long-tailed bat programme are on the horizon.'

Our chairperson, Waihaere Mason is delighted by the project, saying "You're attending to Papatūānuku, Mother Earth, and we will do everything in our power to support the project...We must work as one if the outcome is to earn the title 'exemplar'."

The project involves the collaboration of great scale and is one of the first to be delivered under the Kotahitanga mō te Taiao Alliance, made up of most iwi from Te Taihū, and local and central government representatives.

# NGĀTI KUIA GRANTS 2020/21

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | TE PŪTEA | HE TĀNGATA  
LEA HEMI

## BACK TO SCHOOL GRANTS

Our annual \$50 Back to School child grant for children, aged 5 to 18 attending \school opens in January 2020. The purpose of the grant is to help towards the cost of uniform, stationery, school fees or other related costs.

Applications open on Monday 11 January 2020 and must be received by 5pm Friday 29 January 2020. Forms will be available in January.

## TERTIARY GRANTS

These grants are available for whānau studying at a tertiary level. Grants open on Tuesday 02 February 2021 and close on Friday 26 February 2021. Application forms will be available in February.



# HAUORA PROJECT UPDATE

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA

VICKY THORN

The Ngāti Kuia Hauora research is now nearing the final drafting of the Health Research Council report. There have been many challenges that have faced all whānau, recently, and the project team wishes to thank those that have and are participating in this review process. The content of our report is being peer-reviewed and should be ready to go to print in the new year. Once again, I want to thank all whānau that have supported this project to date, it is with your pūrākau and vision that we will achieve those aspirations that you have voiced.

Please continue to keep yourself, your whānau safe in what is now our standard basic wellbeing practices, such as:

- Stay home if you are sick
- Use the NZ Covid tracer app
- Wear face masks in public transport
- Practice good hand hygiene by washing and drying your hands frequently.



Above: Whānau participation in the Ngāti Kuia He Maunga Pakohe Rautaki Hauora project

## TE KĀHUI MĀTAURANGA

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA

MP MANGĀKAHIA

Ā, tōia mai

Ngā waka

Ki te urunga

Ngā waka

Ki te moenga

Ngā waka

Ki te takotoranga i takoto ai ngā waka

Ko Tokomaru, ko Kurahaupō, ko Tainui ngā waka e herea nei tō tātou kaupapa

Ko ngā uri whakaheke, ko te mātauranga, ko ngā tamariki me ngā mokopuna te take

Tau, tau, tau ana e

We would like to introduce you to Te Kāhui Mātauranga o te Tau Ihu | Te Taihu. The Kāhui is made up of the eight iwi across Te Tau Ihu | Te Taihu; namely Ngāti Apa ki Te Rā Tō, Ngāti Kuia, Rangitāne o Wairau, Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Rārua, Toa Rangatira, Ngāti Tama ki Te Taihu and Te Ātiawa o Te Waka a Māui. We gathered together for the first of many wānanga and kōrero at Whakatū marae on Monday 9 November 2020. The Kāhui is mandated by our local Iwi Chairs Forum for the purposes of Māori engagement in education and the provision of mātauranga Māori in education settings. Our kāhui is made up of representatives appointed by each of the iwi, with a range of experience from across the education sector.

Our wānanga was an opportunity for the committee to be officially 'stood up' and begin on our journey to guide and influence the Ministry of Education and the responsibilities as a Tiriti o Waitangi partner. Our priorities over the coming months are to begin the collation of resources to enable the sharing of our pūrākau from all of our Te Tau Ihu | Te Taihu iwi. Also, understand how we might be able to strengthen whānau participation in governance and leadership on school boards.

There is quite a bit of work to get the ball rolling in this space, to activate these pieces of work we have received funding from the Ministry of Education to support resource by way of a Project Lead. Joining us on this journey is a descendant of all of our eight iwi, Mona-Pauline (MP) Mangakāhia (bright pink koti). MP brings her extensive project management skills and is excited by the prospect of us all working together on this kaupapa.

We look forward to sharing our journey and progress along the way. Watch this space for our upcoming survey!

**Ngā mihi maioha**

**Te Kāhui Mātauranga o Te Tau ihu o Te Waka a Māui**



Above: Te Kāhui Mātauranga o Te Tau ihu o Te Waka a Māui

## TE WAO O TITIRAUKAWA

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA  
CHALLEN WILSON & RA WINIATA

This year, we were proud to announce that Ngāti Kuia had been successful in receiving a PGF Whenua Māori grant. This grant will be used to create the first Te Tau ihu iwi led kānuka processing facility at Titiraukawa. Under-secretary for Regional Economic Development, Fletcher Tabuteau announced all the successful applicants and projects as part of the Provincial Growth Fund. We were the only iwi to receive funding in this specific announcement. Our dream of building a Kānuka Processing Plant **is now coming to fruition.**

It was great to sit down with one of our Commercial Advisors, Ra Winiata to discuss Te Wao o Titiraukawa. Ra shared further developments and great opportunities for our whānau to get involved.

Very soon we will have confirmation and details for an inaugural Ngāti Kuia iwi-focused level 2 and level 3 horticulture training programme. It is envisaged that this training will be delivered at Titiraukawa. This is a partnership between Ngāti Kuia and NMIT and is a course that will take 12 months to complete.



Above: Titiraukawa

Places will be open to 12-14 trainees of Ngāti Kuia whakapapa. This inaugural programme would ideally suit whānau based in Te Tau ihu as it is very hands on requiring a commitment of 2-3 days a week. The course will be tailored to Ngāti Kuia whānau using karakia, maramataka and te taha Māori of horticulture, bringing in our own flavour and expertise handed down by our tūpuna.

One of the aims for those who have completed level 2 is to provide part-time employment to work in and develop Te Wao o Titiraukawa, The Rongoa Forest of Titiraukawa. This work will involve creating a plan and planting the rongoa forest. The vision is to plant 45,000 kānuka, 5,000 mānuka, and 5,000 mixed natives. Whānau will also be involved in a small wetland restoration project on the whenua.

We encourage whānau to get involved, be inspired, and share this opportunity with other whānau who would benefit from being part of this vision. We will open expression of interests soon with a course start date in February 2021. So, watch this space e te whānau.



Above: Bee Husbandry Course at Titiraukawa

# SUCCESSFUL RECIPIENT OF THE 2021 JUDITH BINNEY AWARD

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA

VICKY THORN & CHALLEN WILSON



Above: Madi Williams

It has been an auspicious year for whanaunga, Madi Williams, with much to celebrate.

Firstly, she has been a member of the tight-knitted team within the Ngāti Kuia Hauora project, working alongside team lead and Ngāti Kuia whanaunga, Vicky Thorn. Their work in He Maunga Pakohe Rautaki Hauora is coming to completion. As part of this work, Madi and Vicky shared kōrero and kai with whānau bringing together the voices of whānau on hauora issues.

Secondly, a big mihi to Madi. We celebrate her success as a recipient of a 2021 Judith Binney Fellowships and Writing Award. There are four awards given out for 2021. This award supports Madi's PhD research and writing. The Judith Binney Writing Award will enable Madi to convert her PhD thesis on Ngāti Kuia histories into a book focussed on the pūrākau of Ngāti Kuia. For further insights into Madi's research visit the Judith Binney Trust website: <https://judithbinneytrust.org.nz>

Ka mau te wehi taku whanaunga!

## 'TUIA I TE HOKI NEI'

NGĀTI KUIA WEEKEND  
WAITANGI WEEKEND 5-7 FEBRUARY  
2021

BOOK YOUR TRAVEL  
IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE  
OUR NGĀTI KUIATANGA

A NEW & IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THIS  
WEEKEND IS THE RENAMING OF IT TO  
'TUIA I TE HOKI NEI'

### ACTIVITIES

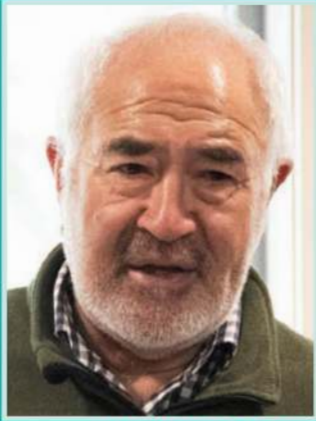
**FRIDAY** EVENING KAWE MATE & PREMIERE OF THE  
NGĀTI KUIA DOCUMENTARY

**SATURDAY** FROM 12 PM NGĀTI KUIA MUSIC  
FESTIVAL AND WHĀNAU DAY

**SUNDAY** IS A WĀNANGA ON THE NGĀTI KUIA  
SETTLEMENT

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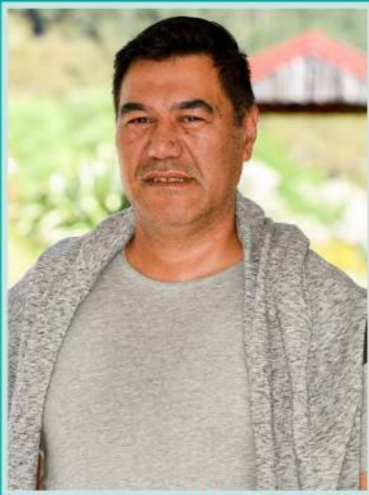


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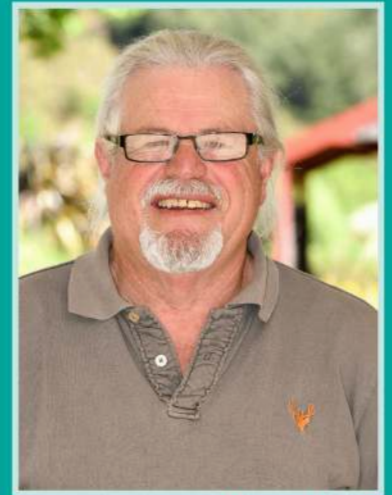
## Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trustees 2020



Kim Hippolite



Huataki Whareaitu



Wayne Hemi

## EPĀNUI NAMING COMPETITION

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA  
CHALLEN WILSON

Our ePānui Naming Competition is now closed for submissions. The next stage is to share a voting poll on our social media page to gauge from whānau what we should name our ePānui based on the selection of names that were submitted.

The lucky winner will get a dinner voucher to their favourite restaurant up to the value of \$100 sponsored by whānau business and communications team, The Sisters Consultancy – Integrated Communications. Our lucky winner will also get a mystery prize of Ngāti Kuia goodies. Our newly named ePānui will go live in 2021.



# WHĀNAU PHOTO BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

POU: NGĀTI KUIATANGA | HE TĀNGATA  
MELISSA BANKS



From top to bottom left to right: Ngāti Kuia 2020 AGM; Ngāti Kuia 2019/20 Annual Report – Ngā whānau o Ngāti Kuia; Ngāti Kuia 2019/20 Annual Report – Roadshow highlights; Ngāti Kuia 2019/20 Annual Report – He Maunga Pakohe Rautaki Hauora highlight; Ngāti Kuia 2019/20 Annual Report – Whānau highlight – Te Ipukarea 2019 Ngāti Kuia netball team; Cliff Saxton – Te Taihū Iwi Whānau Navigator; Hamuera Robb weaving; Keelan Walker film – The Pakohe Trails; Ngāti Kuia Mātauranga Strategy – He Toki Pakohe; Danny Faifai – gig promotion; Peter Hemi – retirement announcement; Ngāti Kuia 2019/20 Annual Report front cover

# WHĀNAU PHOTO BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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MELISSA BANKS



Above: August 2020 Bee Husbandry Cohort



Above: Whakatū Marae Kaumātua Christmas 2020

# *Meri Kirihimete!*

The team at Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust would like to wish everyone a peaceful and well-deserved break over Christmas.

Look after yourselves and your whānau and reward yourself with kindness.

The Ngāti Kuia offices will be closed from Wednesday 23 December 2020 and will reopen on Tuesday 5 January 2021.

Mauri ora!

**Ngāti Kuia Maranga Mai**

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