



Te Taumutu Rūnanga 2023



Welcome to our first e-panui for 2023



Happy New Year Whanau

In this pānui we have a couple of dates for 2023 to get into your diaries for Rūnanga hui and heaps of beautiful photos of past events and future events.

We hope you are well out there. Mauri ora ki a tātou!

2023 Rūnanga hui and Wānanga

We have a new format for our rūnanga hui that we will be trialling throughout this upcoming year. Wānanga will be held before each rūnanga hui to encourage and enable more whānau discussion and participation in rūnanga activities and decisions.

The new format will be:

10.00-11.30am (approx.)	Wānanga
11.30am	Break – Rearrange room
11.40am-12.30pm	Rūnanga hui
12.30-1.15pm	Shared kai and pack up

Runanga hui is scheduled for the following 2023 dates:

- 12 February
- 12 March
- 7 May
- 9 July
- 10 September (TBC)
- 12 November

We anticipate holding further wānanga in the months between rūnanga hui, particularly for kaupapa that needs more time.

Our first wānanga topic for our 12 February hui is “Runanga Structure”. Other topics being planned are Weaving, Karanga & Whaikōrero, Waiata Kīnaki, Matariki, Swan Egging. We welcome feedback from whanau on topics they would like to see in our wānanga series. Please email Taumutu@ngaitahu.iwi.nz and share your suggestions.

All rūnanga hui are planned to be held in person and online (Teams/Zoom). Wānanga that precedes a rūnanga hui will also be available online (separate Teams/Zooms meeting). We will share the online details closer to the time via the members only section of our Facebook page and email. Please email us if you would like to be added to our email list. You will receive rūnanga hui information and our monthly E-pānui.

We look forward to seeing as many whānau members as possible at upcoming wānanga and rūnanga hui. If attending in person, please remember to bring kai to share for lunch at the end of the meeting and allow enough time to help pack up.

Te Atakura

Wairemana, the baby soprano

We might have been 40 strong on stage at Te Atakura, at the Hui ā Iwi in November, however, one voice could be heard above the masses. With a high pitched 'aaaaaaa' 9 month old Ms Wairemana Kaa out sung us every time. Ka wani kē!

Three generations deep, Ngāi Te Ruahikihiki was one of the 12 rūnanga who participated at Te Atakura this year. One rūnanga, Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke, even looked suspiciously like Taumutu having a second turn on stage! The blessing of having shared whakapapa. 😊

It was an absolute joy having our babies through to our kaumatua learning and performing together. Thank you to everyone who participated, practiced, tutored, organised and encouraged us.

Ko Te Ruahikihiki e ngungunu nei, i au, au, tū pae āhahā!



Makuru Hikoi to Murihiku`

January 16th – 20th 2023

Te Makuru were very lucky to have the opportunity to visit Murihiku last week. We spent time looking at some of the mahi in the Murihikunui Regen Project in particular, Te Tapu o Tane and the Hokonui Kaupapa Taiao programme. We were able to help with plant production at TToT, planting at Waituna Lagoon, trapping at Croydon Bush Scenic Reserve and freshwater monitoring at Tatakura. We had an amazing time learning new skills and stories and helping with this important mahi. Ka rawe!



Marae Christmas Picnic

Te Pa o Moki had their annual Christmas get together on the 11th of December.

We began the day with church service at Hone Wetere where Liz Brown led the congregation, along with the co-op parish. We then proceeded to our beautiful wetlands, Orariki, for a picnic and fun and games. Lunch was provided by the Marae in the form of individual packed lunches, along with some treats of course!

Our tamariki played and explored until we were ready for them to get their gift from Santa and their running legs into gear. Had lots of fun with the running races and other activities. The only

thing we didn't get to do was our traditional tug-o-war, always a highlight at any event!

So many new babies in the whanau, and our young, who have shot up over the last couple of years, our Kaumatua, who are always a joy to see and everyone who was involved in the organisation of the day. Thank you so much to everybody who attended and made the day amazing.



Bioblitz at Muriwai o Whata

Date: 18th Feb 2023

Time: 9am - 5pm

Place: On-site at Muriwai o Whata/Coopers Lagoon

RSVP essential to events@ecan.govt.nz.

Te Taumutu, along with Ngāi Tahu and ECAN are joining together to celebrate biodiversity at Muriwai o Whata/Coopers Lagoon.

A Bioblitz is a one-day opportunity to record as many species as possible in one place – it requires a huge communal citizen-science effort! The day gives us all an opportunity to get outside and up close in person with nature, to ask questions to experts including mana whenua, and to contribute to science and conservation.

The day will include various activities, including guided walks and talks. You can choose what adventures you want to be part of, and more information will be available nearer the time.

Whānau are welcome to attend this exciting annual event where we hope to see Tuna, kēkēwai/crayfish, pātiki, kōtuku ngutupapa/spoonbill and matuku/bittern among many other important local species. Please bring a sunhat and wear sunscreen.

Kai will be provided, but whānau will need to find their own transport to Muriwai o Whata.

We hope to see you there!"

Working Bee – Monday 30 January

Waiekekewai staff will lead a working bee at the marae on Monday 30 January to clear the monkey-musk from Waiekekewai and Papatahōra. Taumutu (inc. Te Makuru) and Banks Peninsula Pest Free staff will complete this work. As usual, whānau are welcome to attend but not expected – short notice and a weekday. That said, if you are extra keen and want to attend, please contact Nicci Delahunty on 027 359 7191 or Nicci.Delahunty@ngaitahu.iwi.nz for information (time, health & safety, equipment) and to RSVP for lunch. We anticipate more working bees coming up – over weekends and with plenty of notice.

Tuia Programme – Mayors Forum

The Tuia programme is an intentional, long term, intergenerational approach to develop the leadership capacity of young Maori in communities throughout New Zealand. This programme involves local Mayors selecting a young Maori from their district to mentor on a one-to-one basis, to encourage and enhance leadership skills. It is envisaged the rangatahi (young person) will be mentored on a monthly basis, involving both informal meetings and formal occasions that will assist the young person's development as a local leader. The relationship also provides both partners with the opportunity to gain a deeper insight into inter-generational issues, cultural values and experiences. See the following website for further information: <https://www.mtfj.co.nz/our-work/tuia-and-mtfj-rangatahi/>.

Taumutu Runanga seeks Expressions of Interest (EOI) for rangatahi to be our representative for the Tuia Programme. This is an amazing opportunity to be mentored by Mayor Sam Broughton (Selwyn District). Please email your EOI to Taumutu@ngaitahu.iwi.nz. Please include a short paragraph on why you would like to be appointed to the role. If you are busy in 2023 but would like to be considered for future years, please also send through your EOI and we will keep this on file and contact you at the end of this year.

Whakaora te Waikēkēwai Update

Staff and whānau continue to work on our long-term plan to restore Waiekekewai and Papatahōra (the two streams that run along the marae grounds).

- Wetland - As part of the restoration initiatives, a new wetland will be placed between the marae buildings and Pohau Cottage (along Papatahōra). Whānau have approved the initial wetland design – see picture below. The final design will be shared with whānau in upcoming months, once all expert advice is received (Engineers, Water Hydrologist, Cultural Monitoring, etc). The concept design includes a walking path around the wetland with some timber features. We

are actively raising funds to pay for this part of the design.

- Resource Consents – Like everyone else, we need resource consents to complete various restoration activities along both streams. We are attempting to secure a global consent for Wetland construction, riparian planting, and ongoing related restoration actions.
- Suppliers – We are working through a procurement process with the support of ECan for various supplies that we need to engage to complete restoration works, for example plant supply, installation and maintenance. We initially approached our Te Makuru Team who work at the DOC Motukarara nursery, however with that project coming to an end on 31 March, the timing did not work.
- Mahaanui Kurataiao Limited (the environmental company we co-own with other rūnanga) won the tender to complete an initial baseline of Mātauranga Māori and then complete ongoing monitoring. Rulon Nutira (Mahaanui staff, Ruahikihiki hapū member) will lead the Mātauranga Māori monitoring programme.
- Landowners – Waikekewai runs along our land and across land owned by other people. We require their consent to carry our restoration activities on their land. Discussions with land-owners is progressing.



Te Taumutu Charitable Trust Grants

Briefly, the purpose for which this Trust was established shall be to provide and promote for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the hapū of Ngāi Te Ruahikihiki and associated communities, by way of:

- Benefit distribution to beneficiaries in the form of education, social development, health, cultural awareness, scholarships, and grants.
- Providing economic development through the provision of training and employment.
- Promoting, assisting, and conducting research relevant to Tangata Whenua within the kaupapa of the Trust.
- Providing cultural development through wānanga, sporting events, sponsorship, and cultural events.

GRANT CRITERIA:

Standard for all applications

Whakapapa to Te Taumutu Runanga; registration is via the Ngāi Tahu Whakapapa Unit. There is no closing date with grants are given as assistance only.

Health

One application per financial year, with the maximum payable being \$2000 per 2year period. *Exception: prescription glasses maximum payable is \$400*

School Uniform

One application per financial year; quote or receipt must be provided. Maximum payable for Years 1 – 6 is a \$250.00 grant and for years 7 – 13 is a \$350.00 grant

Technology Support

Students from Year 4 upwards, maximum payable \$200.00 per 2year period, with a quote to be provided

Tertiary/Trade Training

Opens 1 February & closes 31 March each year. Receipt of course costs to be provided. There is a written component to be completed. Current maximum payable is \$500/year

Kaumatua

- Criteria to be reviewed.

Tangi

- Office is to be advised by whanau. Grant application is office generated, no application required but death notice/certificate is requested and will be attached to the office form.

For all Taumutu Charitable Trust Grant enquiries please email in the first instance to:
taumutu@ngaitahu.iwi.nz

Rūnanga Portfolios

Te Taumutu Rūnanga has three Portfolios that undertake mahi and kaupapa on our whānau priorities. If you wish to join a Portfolio, please contact the office at Taumutu@ngaitahu.iwi.nz. Please find an outline of the three Portfolios below:

Kaitiakitanga Portfolio

The Kaitiakitanga Portfolio consists of mana whenua who are interested in the taiao. The mahi undertaken by this portfolio works towards achieving environmental outcomes that benefit Taumutu whānau and align with our Iwi Management Plan. We manage engagement requests from local government to voluntary organisations that undertake a wide range of projects. This Portfolio is led by Bridget Robilliard and our strategic goals include mahinga kai, wāhi tapu, wāhi taonga.

We meet on a bimonthly basis in the evening. Our portfolio members have a wide range of skills and knowledge. If this kaupapa sounds like you, then please get in contact with the office to join up.

Our next two hui are:

Poutū-te-rangi (March) 14th

Haratua (May) 9th

Ruahikihikitunga Portfolio

Kia Ruahikihiki te hā,
Kia Ruahikihiki te manawa,
Kia Ruahikihiki te oranga.
Ruahikihiki in thought
Ruahikihiki in heart,
Ruahikihiki at our core.

Ruahikihikitunga is the portfolio responsible for growing, advocating and strengthening our hapū culture and identity. The portfolio led by Puamiria Parata-Goodall, works on those kaupapa that are important to us. Those kaupapa include whakapapa, kawa me ōna tikanga, ngā kōrero me ngā taonga tuku iho, tō tātou tino rangatiratanga, te reo me ōna tikanga, oranga kaumatua. Examples of some of the kaupapa we lead out include the following.

Te Atakura – participation at the biennial rūnanga festival. Te Atakura was established by Puamiria, Maani Stirling and Maatakiwi Wakefield to provide a platform for growing the support for our paepae through waiata, haka, mōteatea, poi and waiata tira.

Te Whare o Te Ruahikihiki Wānanga Series – wānanga series to explore and grow our understanding and expertise around our kawa, tikanga, kōrero tuku iho, mahinga kai, karanga, whaikōrero, waiata.

Pou Whenua – cultural narrative work for buildings, schools, landscapes and organisations. Creation of pou whenua – markers on the landscape. Naming of schools, buildings, organisations, landscapes and programmes.

We meet one evening per month. If arts, culture, heritage and strengthening our Ruahikihiki identity is a passion of yours and you would like to be involved, then please get in touch.

Our next two hui are:

Hui-tanguru (February) 20th

Poutū-te-rangi (March) 27th

Oranga Portfolio

The Oranga Portfolio (previously known as Hauora) is led by Liz Hill-Taiaroa. This Portfolio takes on kaupapa to drive and uphold the tino rangatiratanga of Te Ruahikihikitanga ki Taumutu. We do this by engaging with mahi that strengthens and embeds our mātauranga, kawa and tikanga within our partner wellbeing institutions. For example, we engage with local health organisations, the Department of Corrections, and local schools.

If our priorities sound like something that you would like to be involved with, then please contact us. So far this year we have 4 scheduled hui.

Our next two hui are:

Kohitātea (January) 31st

Paenga whāwhā (April) 4th

IN CLOSING...

We'd love to hear from you and to include your stories and pictures. If you have kōrero and pānui to share, please email jess.wiperi@ngaitahu.iwi.nz.

Kia tau ngā manaakitanga ki runga i a tātou.

Take care and we are looking forward to sharing the next edition.