



KEI PUTA TE WAIRAU



**Te Taihū o Te Waka-a-Māui is one of many regions to have experienced the devastating loss of Māori language. Around 700 people were in attendance at Te Kaiaotanga o te Reo, Māori Language Revitalisation Symposium last month, almost double that of last year’s event. “The number of people attending this symposium for the second year in a row speaks volumes to the thirst our community has for te reo Māori”, says Rangitāne Kaiwhakahaere Matua, Corey Hebbard.**  
*Photo: Melissa Banks Photographer*

# MATARIKI HOLIDAY FOR AOTEAROA

Matariki whanaunga kore. Matariki tohu mate. Koutou kua haoa e te kupenga a Taramainuku, haere atu rā.

We would like to take this time to acknowledge the recent passing of our kuia Auntie Frances Andrell, Auntie Betty Mason-Smith and Margaret Jacobsen. They will be dearly missed by many.

Every year Rangitāne o Wairau whānau gather to celebrate Matariki with a dawn ceremony at the Wairau Bar, where the star cluster can be seen low in the sky looking towards Rārangi and Port Underwood.

Matariki gives us an opportunity to reflect on the past and acknowledge those who have passed over the year, look at the present and show appreciation and gratitude

for what we have and those who surround us, and to consider the future, plan for how we might deal with challenges and set some goals.

Last year the Government created a new public holiday for Aotearoa by passing Te Ture mō te Hararei Tūmatanui o Te Kāhui o Matariki / Te Kāhui o Matariki Public Holiday Act. The dates for the Matariki public holiday were announced in partnership with the Matariki Advisory Group.

The Bill, Te Pire mō te Hararei Tūmatanui o Te Kāhui o Matariki / Te Kāhui o Matariki Public Holiday Bill, was only the fifth dual language Bill to be introduced to our Parliament.

*Ngā mihi nui o te Tau Hou Māori*





**Kaumātua Housie Day** - We held another successful Kaumātua Housie afternoon with our cousins from Ngāti Apa ki Te Rā Tō. There was a great turn out at Ūkaipō that seen competition at a high. It was a privilege to have Nan Kahu Chadwick as our caller. We look forward to doing more events and wānanga with Ngāti Apa.



**PADI Free Diving** - Our Rangitāne divers are well underway to completing their PADI Freedive Certificate. Whānau attended a classroom and pool session with Blenheim Dive Centre before heading out to Tōtaranui in the open water to put their newly acquired skills to the test.



**Tuamātene Working Bee** - On Sunday 29 April we held a Working Bee at the marae. Whānau helped clear gardens, harvest kūmara and build some picnic tables. The tables provide a place for whānau to sit and enjoy a spot in the sun when they visit the marae.

## TUAMĀTENE EMERGENCY CONTAINER

Last year, Te Kotahi o Te Tauihu applied for National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) funding to help realise some of the aspirations iwi held in relationship to Emergency Management; this included the production of eight Ipu Ohotata, or emergency containers, geographically spread across Te Tauihu.

We are excited to announce that one of the Ipu Ohotata will be located Tuamātene Marae. Watch this space!

## PŪTEA WHAKATERE

With the help of Te Pūtahitanga funding - Te Pūtea Whakaterere - we have been able to distribute care packs to every household in Te Waipounamu.

Te Pūtea Whakaterere was created in response to emerging needs or one-off events as a result of Omicron. This particular round of funding is dedicated to supporting the Māori response to Omicron in Te Waipounamu.

We distributed over 400 resource packs to whānau. They included – RATs, masks, mental health resources, Rangitāne Waiata and Mōteatea CD's and a sweet treat.

As part of this fund, we were also able to provide 20 devices to rangatahi aged school Years 7–13. These devices went to whānau that expressed a need for online learning, particularly those that would struggle if they needed to isolate.

## TAIOHI TANGATA MARAE

Connecting our rangatahi with Rangitāne whakapapa and history was the focus of our Taiohi Tangata Marae wānanga held earlier this year. A key highlight for our rangatahi was learning their connection to each other by tracing back to our tūpuna.

Following the success of the wānanga we are excited to announce that we have secured funding through Te Pūtahitanga RUIA which will enable us to deliver this programme again early next year.



## MANA AHUREA | OUR CULTURE



Te Matahiapo (Safari Hynes) joined the elite line-up of te reo speakers at Te Kaiaotanga o te Reo. He is currently studying at Te Herenga Waka and his passion is kaupapa relating to te reo, Te Tiriti o Waitangi and tino rangatiratanga.

## REO CHAMPIONS PAVING THE WAY

Speakers at this year's Te Kaiaotanga o te Reo Symposium included radio and TV broadcaster Stacey Morrison, Sir Timoti Kāretu, one of Māoridom's most respected linguists, Dr Hinurewa Poutu, director of reo at Māori TV, social media influencer Te Aorere Pewhairangi, Teacher and Mau Rākau exponent of Te Whare Tū Taua o Aotearoa, Hemi Tai Tin, te reo Māori, mōteatea, tikanga and karakia exponent, Turuhia Hare, prominent composer, orator and performing artist, Paraone Gloyne, and, our whanaunga Te Matahiapo (Safari Hynes).

Rangitāne o Wairau Kaiwhakahaere Matua (General Manager), Corey Hebbard, said they would be forever grateful to the stalwarts who had paved the way for the revitalisation of te reo Māori. "We are honoured by the calibre of kaikōrero who recognise the importance of events like Te Kaiaotanga o te Reo in language revitalisation and have therefore given their time to come and share their te reo journey," he says.

Māori education expert Dr. Hinurewa Poutu (Ngāti Rangī, Te Āti Haunui-a-Paparangi, Ngāti Maniapoto) described the learning of te reo as an "intergenerational journey". Her parents learned te reo at polytech because they wanted it to be their children's first language.

Te Matahiapo shared his te reo journey including the experiences of whakamā that propelled his language journey, rather than inhibit it. He also shared tips on how to incorporate te reo in everyday situations.

The event, organised by Rangitāne and Ngāti Apa ki Tē Rā Tō, was held at the Trafalgar Centre in Whakatū with the support of Te Mātāwai, Nelson City Council and the Nelson Regional Development Agency.

## CALENDAR DATES

### Matariki Gathering

5:30am Friday | 24 June | Wairau Bar

### Matariki Public Holiday

Friday | 24 June

### Kura Reo

18-21 July | Wairau

### Te Kīngi Raiona (The Lion King)

21 July | Event Cinema | Wairau

### New Balance Date Kōrero

6pm | 27 July | Online

### New Balance Date Kōrero

6pm | 28 July | Ūkaipō

### Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

12-18 September 2022



"We all fight for te reo. It's a language of growth, of connections, and it's a sweet, enjoyable pathway," says Dr. Hinurewa Poutu.



Haka tutor and mau rākau exponent Hemi Tai Tin (Ngāti Hine, Hāmoa) has a message for teachers of te reo. "Be committed, be steadfast...for a whole generation. Be in for the long haul, for those of us who were left in ignorance."

## TANGATA RAU REO KOTAHI

He rautaki whakarauora i te reo Māori me te ahurea o Rangitāne o Wairau | 2018-2050

LIKE THE MULTITUDE OF STARS IN THE SKY, SO GREAT IS RANGITĀNE ON THE EARTH



## HORAHORA KĀKAHU

On 17 June, 1840, Te Tiriti o Waitangi arrived at Horahora Kākahu in Port Underwood on board the HMS Herald, under the command of Major Thomas Bunbury. Here he met with nine chiefs, including Rangitāne rangatira, Ihaia Kaikoura, who was the only signatory from the Kurahaupō tribes.

On 17 June 1843, exactly three years after the signing, Rangitāne were involved in the Wairau Affray. Ihaia Kaikoura, Hohepa Pokiki, and Paraone were there defending Rangitāne treaty rights.

On 17 June 2013, when Rangitāne House in Blenheim was officially opened by Hon. Chris Finlayson and Rangitāne iwi.

Today Rangitāne continue to live in the Wairau 182 years after Te Tiriti was signed.

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## MANA TAHUA | OUR ECONOMY

### FY23 ANNUAL PLAN

The RIL/RHL board have recently approved the FY23 Annual Plan which sets out the investment plan for the next financial year and puts the steps in place to deliver on the investment strategy that was introduced in 2020. A key focus remains on diversification to ensure that we spread risk across a number of our investments.

### IN ROHE INVESTMENTS

In the past months a lot of the planning work is starting to take shape and the board recently approved the development of the Horton St site. Consenting is underway for both the 2 Horton St and 14 Horton St sites and we are keeping a close eye on the current issues in the construction market with the view to commencing development towards the end of the year.

Rangitāne Investments Ltd also continues to work with Crown in the development of homes in the region. Discussions are well underway, and we hope to make some solid announcements in the coming months on opportunities in the rohe.

### TE PŪIA TĀPAPA

In April 2022 Rangitāne completed an investment in Evolution Healthcare through Te Pūia Tāpapa. Evolution Healthcare owns hospitals and surgeries throughout New Zealand and is New Zealand's largest provider of physiotherapy, concussion, health rehabilitation and workplace health services, through its company Proactive.

This investment demonstrates the benefits of the collective approach by providing access to opportunities at a scale that would not be available to individual investors.

### NEW INVESTMENTS: HĀPAI & PŪAINUKU WHĀNAU, PORT NICHOLSON FISHERIES

At the April 22 board meeting, directors approved a further capital investment in both Hāpai and Pūainuku. The investments will provide exposure to development and horticultural opportunities outside the rohe and are able to support any in-rohe development if needed. The investments will

align with approved Investment Strategy and FY23 Annual Plan and, once settled, provide further diversification of the Rangitāne portfolio.

Rangitāne Holdings Ltd has also joined Port Nicholson Fisheries LP, an inclusive Māori-owned entity and vehicle for any iwi / Māori organisation to participate within the full koura value chain without needing to invest capital. There are now 36 iwi parties directly or indirectly involved in PNF, and it accounts for c15% of NZ's total koura quota.

Rangitāne koura quota is still fished by its nominated local fisher but is now processed and sold through PNF, where Rangitāne receives a base fee plus a share of the profits.

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