



Our Kaumātua travelled out to Misty Cove Wines where they shared a festive Christmas lunch together. We were also honoured to celebrate our Patron Uncle Taane MacDonald on his 85th birthday. A fabulous afternoon enjoyed by all. A big mihi to our Kaumātua Working Group who ensure our kaumātua are able to get together for regular events and gatherings. To all of our Kaumātua and whānau, Meri Kirihimete me ngā mihi o te Tau Hou!

## EXHIBITION BRINGS KŌRERO TUKU IHO TO LIFE

Rangitāne o Wairau has launched a new exhibition in the lobby of Rangitāne House, in the heart of Blenheim's central business district.

The exhibition brings kōrero tuku iho to life through art and science, and displays artworks crafted by Israel Tangaroa Birch (Ngā Puhi, Ngāi Tawake, Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāti Rakaipaaka).

In 2013 NIWA and Rangitāne met to discuss a pūrākau recorded by Arthur Carrington in 1934. From these discussions it was concluded that the pūrākau was a 'seismic tradition' and the following year geological research began at Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe (the Wairau Bar). The results of the research aligned with the pūrākau, and it is likely that at least three tsunami events have occurred at the site over the last 2,000 years.

"This exhibition takes pūrākau, toi Māori, and pūtaiao in new directions. It is inspired by and builds on the work

of past generations while creating space in which new knowledge can form and new narratives can emerge," says Rangitāne Trustee Dr. Peter Meihana (Rangitāne, Ngāti Kuia, Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, Ngāi Tahu).

"For Rangitāne this exhibition is another contribution to our whare kōrero. It provides insights into the ways in which our ancestors understood the world around them and their place in it."

NIWA Regional Manager Dr. Darren Ngaru King (Ngāti Raukawa) says, "We consider the pūrākau from Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe to be a powerful medium to demonstrate precedents and stimulate community understanding and acceptance of co-seismic tsunami risks. We also consider it highlights responsibilities that we have to uphold our histories for past, present, and future generations."

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**Dr. Peter Meihana with Dr Darren King from NIWA and artist Israel Tangaroa Birch.**

Exhibition curator and artist, Israel Tangaroa Birch says his role on the Kaupapa is “bridging the space between science and the research that NIWA has conducted and mātauranga Māori specific to the Wairau Bar.”

Rangitāne o Wairau Kaiwhakaere Matua (General Manager) Corey Hebbard (Rangitāne o Wairau, Ngāti Kuia, Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, Ngāi Tahu, Te Ātiawa o Te Waka a Māui) says that the exhibition will be displayed in the lobby of Rangitāne House for the coming year.

“This latest project is a continuation of work by Rangitāne to showcase the rich history and kōrero tuku iho of our unique region. As tangata whenua, Rangitāne is proud to showcase our region, to tell our stories

and to inspire learnings from our past. The opportunity to partner with NIWA in the delivery of this project and these artworks has enabled us to record our history in a new way – by bringing the kōrero to life through the scientific findings,” says Corey.

This Kaupapa was made possible with funding from the inaugural Ākina Te Tū – Kaupapa Māori Resilience funding round. The purpose of the fund is to support Māori researchers, enhance Mātauranga Māori implementation into research, and enable tangata whenua engagement within projects that are already underway in the Resilience to Nature’s Challenges National Science Challenge.



## AGM UPDATE

Due to the closure of The Clubs of Marlborough, we have had to cancel our AGM Evening Hākari. Unfortunately there is no other venue in Wairau that can cater for an event of this size within the time constraints we have so we have had to change our original plans. All whānau who booked tickets via the Eventbrite link have been sent a cancellation email. Please note we have also cancelled the evening activity for travelling tamariki.

In place of the hākari we have organised a whānau afternoon following the AGM hui. There will be bouncy castles for the tamariki, kai and an area for whakawhanaungatanga.

On the morning of the AGM we will be holding kawemate at Tuamātene Marae at 9:00am. Kawemate will finish by 10:30am in time for the AGM which starts at 11:00am at Ūkaipō. If you wish to participate in bringing kawemate home please contact [events@rangitane.org.nz](mailto:events@rangitane.org.nz) by 19 December 2022.

For more information on the AGM day including travel subsidies, which close 19 December, go to our website: [www.rangitane.org.nz/pānui/2023-annual-general-meeting](http://www.rangitane.org.nz/pānui/2023-annual-general-meeting).

### TIAKINA TE RĀ | SAVE THE DATE



**Saturday | 21 January 2023 | Ūkaipō**

## 2023 TRUSTEE ELECTION

Nominations for the three Trustee positions on Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau Trust closed at 12noon Monday 14 November 2022. Nominations were received from: Janis de Thierry, Calvin Hart, Chris MacDonald, Tony Macdonald, Paora Mackie and Keelan Walker. As the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies available, an election is required. Voting papers will be posted to registered adult members on Thursday 1 December 2022. Adult members will be able to vote by internet or postal voting or by ballot box at the AGM.



## TE IPUKAREA 2022



Thank you to Ngāti Toa Rangitira for planning an awesome weekend for Te Ipukarea 2022. We had a great response from whānau and managed to put forward teams in every category. All of our teams put in a great effort with a number of them making the finals. We were honoured to take away the Sportsmanship award pictured here with Iwi Macdonald and Amiria Hynes. Te Ipukarea 2023 will be hosted by Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui and we look forward to seeing you all again out on the court and fields representing Rangitāne o Wairau!



## RANGITĀNE SIGNS TĀKAI HERE AGREEMENT



**Te Taihū iwi representatives, including Rangitāne Kaiwhakahaere Matua (General Manager) Corey Hebbard at signing of the Tākai Here Agreement with Ara Poutama at Waikawa Marae.**

Rangitāne o Wairau has signed a Tākai Here Agreement with Ara Poutama Aotearoa, the Department of Corrections.

The Agreement between Ara Poutama and ngā iwi o Te Taihū establishes a strategic relationship, recognising the status of iwi, as well as the role and purpose of Ara Poutama.

The Agreement provides a mechanism to strengthen and further develop the partnership with a shared vision to improve the cultural, social and economic health

and wellbeing of Māori that enter into the Corrections systems within our rohe.

The Agreement also establishes a governance forum and an operational forum to ensure the intent of the Agreement is met.

This is a new direction for us working in partnership with Ara Poutama and other Te Taihū iwi on a shared vision and values. The Agreement will be continually reviewed, as we begin to work together for the betterment of whānau Māori within our rohe.



## NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

We are excited to welcome Janelle Saunders to our rūnanga office team. Janelle has been appointed Kaikōkiri Whakahaere (Administration Coordinator) and will be responsible for providing administration support to the rūnanga office, including receptionist duties, coordination of incoming/outgoing correspondence, hui arrangements and general administration support. Janelle will be the friendly face who greets visitors to our office and will likely be the person answering the phone when you call the office. Janelle comes to us with experience in retail and office administration. In her personal time, Janelle has a passion for animals and animal welfare.

Nau mai, haere mai Janelle!

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



# MANA TANGATA | OUR PEOPLE NEW WHARE AKO FOR QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE



Representatives from Rangitāne o Wairau and Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust joined the community of Queen Charlotte College for the dawn blessing and opening of the College's new whare ako.

The new whare ako is a multi-use facility with a kaupapa Māori focus for school-wide use and will provide a place of belonging for Māori students. It will support the learning opportunities for students and will provide Māori learners with a safe and appropriate space to meet their needs - including for the likes of kapa haka practice. A big mihi to all involved in this project, including our whanaunga Riki Palatchie (who has whakapapa connections to both Rangitāne and Te Ātiawa). Riki led the architecture and design of the new whare ako.

## WHĀNAU ORA NAVIGATOR: MONIQUE TIPPING

Thanks to funding from Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu we now have a new Whānau Ora Navigator to help whānau in need in Te Waipounamu.

Some of you will know Monique from her administration role in the office. Monique recently took on the new role to help whānau in need of assistance getting ahead.

Monique will be working with whānau and supporting them in their time of need, to help them get to a point where they are thriving in their home. Monique is available to sit down and have a kōrero to help work out a path plan that is tailored to specific needs for whānau, goals, and aspirations.

Monique can help whānau identify services, education providers, employment, or business opportunities that can help whānau achieve their dreams and aspirations. Our Whānau Ora Navigator will support whānau to work their way through crisis



and link them to the appropriate services and ensure whānau needs are addressed in a holistic way. Monique is here to help with anything as small as getting you to an appointment, so don't hesitate to get in contact if you have any pātai or are needing any support.

You can contact Monique by email [navigator@rangitane.org.nz](mailto:navigator@rangitane.org.nz) or by calling our office on (03) 578 6180. This service is strictly confidential.

## CALENDAR DATES

### Poroiwi Education Grant

Applications close 31 Dec 2022

### Office Closed for Holiday Period

23 December - 9 January

### AGM Weekend

21 January 2023 | Ūkaipō

### Kura Reo | Kura Ririki

23-26 January 2023

### Taiohi Tangata Marae Wānanga

16-20 February 2023

### Rangitāne General Scholarship

Applications close 28 Feb 2023

### Kurahaupō Heritage Tour

25 March 2023 | Whakatū rohe

*Meri Kirihimete  
e te iwi*



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TE TAU HUI  
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