



Taiohi Tangata Marae Rangatahi Wānanga: Rangitāne rangatahi feasted on rich kōrero with Trustee Dr Peter Meihana in the Wairau and Rotoiti during the recent wānanga. They are pictured here at Lake Rotoiti with Pourangahau (Mt Robert) towering in the background.

EMPOWERING RANGATAHI LEADERSHIP

Rangitāne rangatahi were given the opportunity to feast on the rich kōrero tukuiho of the Wairau and Rotoiti at the recent Taiohi Tangata Marae wānanga.

During the five-day wānanga, rangatahi learned their pepeha, practiced waiata and haka and strengthened their whakapapa connections.

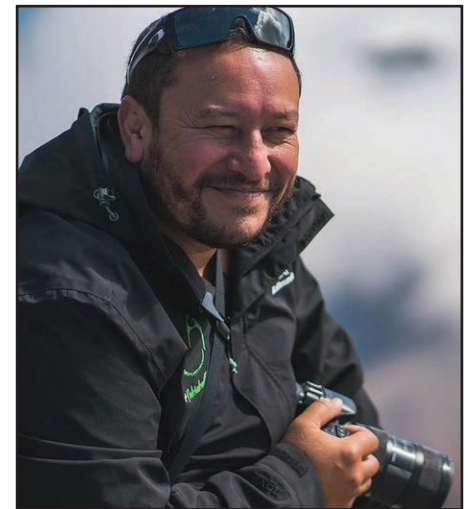
After an inspiring morning learning whakapapa at Tuamātene Marae, we headed to Pukapuka (Seventeen Valley) to visit our pouwhenua and hear stories about the voyages of Te Hau and Kupe, and learn about our ancestral maunga - Tapuae-o-Uenuku. We also learnt about moa, the Wairau Lagoons and Te Pokohiwi o Kupe and visited Kei Puta Te Wairau - our pouwhenua at the Ōpaoa River bridge.

For the next part of our haerenga we headed to Lake Rotoiti where we spent two nights learning about our Rangitāne connections to the area. The resources of the Lakes (Rotoiti and Rotoroa) and their environs, were used by Rangitāne (and the other Kurahaupō iwi) when we established ourselves in Te Taihū. The lakes have added significance given they are the source of six important waterways: the Kawatiri, Wairau, Motueka, Motupiko, Waiau-toa and Awatere. The lakes also formed the central hub of a series of wellknown and well-used tracks ('the footprints of the Tūpuna') linking Rangitāne communities elsewhere in Te Taihū.

The wānanga included a day whitewater rafting the Kawatiri (Buller River). What a great team building experience! *More on page 2.*



NAU MAI HAERE MAI KEELAN WALKER



#4 Peter MacDonald > Joshua > Josephine > Margaret > Keelan

EMPOWERING RANGATAHI LEADERSHIP

We were so proud of all our rangatahi for supporting each other along the way. After a day connecting with the awa our rangatahi were treated to pizza and sundaes at Alpine Lodge, followed by an evening of whakapapa, waiata, haka and whakawhanaungatanga.

The following day we headed back to Blenheim, stopping off at one of our pouwhenua - Huataki, situated on Nelson St before going into Blenheim's CBD to visit our flagship commercial property, Rangitāne House. Rangatahi heard kōrero about the pouwhenua Rahotia the stands beside the building and also learnt about some of the recent work we've been carrying out with NIWA and Israel Birch, telling our stories through Toi Māori.

Our rangatahi closed the wānanga with a Haka Pōwhiri to welcome their whānau at Ūkaipō before celebrating with Hākari. A special acknowledgement was made to our tuakana Kaiziah, Kairyn and Tāne for their leadership and support for our rangatahi during the wānanga.

A huge thanks to the team that supported the wānanga, especially our wānanga māmā, Whaea Chanel, Whaea Jodie, Whaea Kereana and Whaea Taylah. We also want to mihi to Trustees Dr Peter Meihana and Keelan Walker for their support and sharing of our tribal kōrero and mātauranga.

This wānanga was supported by our funders Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu, RUIA and Rātā Foundation.

Keelan Walker was welcomed to the Board of Trustees following the election results announced at this year's AGM held in January.

There were three vacant seats with Calvin Hart and Janis de Thierry being re-elected to the board. Congratulations to our successful candidates.

We also acknowledge those candidates who were unsuccessful in seeking election to the Trust. Thank you for putting your names forward to represent our whānau.

We particularly acknowledge outgoing Trustee Tony Macdonald for his service to the Trust and to the ARCC. We are grateful for Tony's unrelenting service, passion and commitment to our whānau.

KA URUORA SUPPORTING WHĀNAU IN TE TAUHU

Rangitāne o Wairau has supported the establishment of Ka Uruora Te Taihu – a collective Te Taihu iwi programme of housing and integrated services supporting Te Taihu iwi whānau to achieve financial independence and improve their wellbeing.

The new charitable trust, established and governed by Te Taihu iwi, will be focused on the delivery of a continuum of healthy, affordable housing solutions in Te Taihu, including affordable rental and progressive home ownership solutions, alongside

education and services to support whānau to achieve housing and financial independence, to ultimately improve their wellbeing. The programme will be delivered under a partnership model, working with both Crown and community funding partners, with the support of best-in-class service providers.

Rangitāne o Wairau Kaiwhakahaere Matua (General Manager) Corey Hebberd, who represents Rangitāne on the governance structure of Ka Uruora Te Taihu, says "the establishment of Ka Uruora Te Taihu is

about smarter housing solutions through collaboration and partnerships."

"By working together with other Te Taihu iwi through Ka Uruora Te Taihu, we are able to take advantage of opportunities to scale up our support and services to whānau.

"Ka Uruora Te Taihu is currently being established and more information on how to access services will be shared with whānau once these structures and our team are in place."

MANA TANGATA | OUR PEOPLE



STRENGTHENING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CANTERBURY MUSEUM

Canterbury Museum has recently closed its doors to the public, as it embarks on a redevelopment project which will see the museum almost entirely rebuilt.

Canterbury Museum staff begun planning for the challenge of packing up 2.3 million items within the museum over twelve months ago, and have been engaging with Rangitāne as to the appropriate care and storage of our taonga, which are currently held by the museum, from Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe.

Our relationship with Canterbury Museum has strengthened over the years, following the repatriation of 2009 that enabled the return of tūpuna and artefacts to Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe, after they were taken from graves some 70 years prior.

Discussions as to the future relationship between Canterbury Museum and Rangitāne is ongoing, particularly in relation to the storage and display of taonga from Te Pokohiwi-o-Kupe. Our long term objective is to be able to return these taonga home to the Wairau.

We acknowledge our kaumātua who were able to travel with us to spend time with our taonga, and to the kaimahi at Canterbury Museum for their manaakitanga during our visit.

MANA TAIAO | OUR ENVIRONMENT

TAIAO STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT UNDERWAY

Rangitāne o Wairau has commenced work on the development of our Taiao Strategy, which will support and guide our response, input and priorities in the environmental management sphere.

The development of the Strategy is being led by our whanaunga Mark Moses and Gena Moses-Te Kani. It is anticipated that the Strategy will traverse a variety of areas, including our relationship with Crown agencies, our aspirations and priorities, and how we respond to external drivers (for example, areas such as the reform of the Resource Management Act and Three Waters).

Taiao generally covers activities related to the environment, but may also include customary activities, taonga fauna and flora, such as those used for ngā mahi a ngā tūpuna) and other overlaps with heritage, cultural activities, learning and education.

KŌHATU MAURI MARKS NEW BUILD

Rangitāne o Wairau laid the mauri for a new project on land owned by Rangitāne Investments at Salisbury School in Whakatū.

The project will see the construction of a new purpose built facility that will be a base for RTL B (Resource Teachers: Learning & Behaviour), Ko Taku Reo (Deaf Education), and BLENZ (Blind & Low Vision Education) teaching staff in the Whakatū region.

The project consists of relocatable buildings from Waimea College and brand-new buildings to support kaiako āwhina. Construction is expected to start this month.

We acknowledge our whanaunga David de Thierry and Anthony de Thierry for leading the kōhatu mauri process on behalf of Rangitāne.

The Salisbury School property is part of the wider education campus Rangitāne owns at 67 Salisbury Road in Whakatū, with a total land area of ~98,185m², purchased by Rangitāne via the commercial redress component of our Treaty Settlement with the Crown in 2010. The campus is home to Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Tuia Te Matangi, St Paul's Catholic School and Salisbury School.

We thank and acknowledge the Ministry of Education, school staff and the construction team for the relationship we have developed through this project, and look forward to seeing completion of the facility which will support ākonga in the in the Whakatū region.

NMIT IWI SCHOLARSHIP

Rangitāne is pleased to be able to offer our \$1,000 scholarship sponsored by NMIT again in 2023. The aim of the scholarship is to support learners of Rangitāne whakapapa studying at NMIT who show the potential to make a significant contribution to their whānau, hapū and iwi.

Applicants must be fully enrolled on a full or part-time programme at NMIT starting in 2023. Applications close at 5:00pm Friday 31 March 2023. For more information and to apply check out our website.



TE REO EXPONENTS DELIVER KURA REO KAUPAPA

Our latest Kura Reo/Kura Ririki saw a change in the delivery of the kaupapa. We were excited to have our very own Rangitāne Pouako teaching our taura. The topics included Titonga, Te Wetewete Reo, Te Reo Pao, Te Whakakāhore, Te Whakamāori and Te Reo Kiwaha.

Hei ngā kaipupuri i te mauri o te Kura Reo o Rangitāne, ngā pātaka mātauranga o tō tātou kura, tēnā koutou. Our pouako are pictured here from back left: Daedae de Thierry, Aunty Sweets (Makarena) Tamepo, Elania Te Kawa-Wiremu, Treena Shee, Janis de Thierry, Anthony de Thierry, Pharaoh de Thierry, Elizabeth Lucas, Kōwhai de Thierry-Moli, Wiri-hana de Thierry-Lukitau and Vahlondra Galiki.

PŪTEA TAUTOKO | QUINN HEIFORD



Quinn Heiford received Pūtea Tautoko sponsorship to help get him to West Palm Beach in Florida to play baseball at the 2022 WWBA 14U World Champs. Quinn's team won one of four games in the tournament. "It was such an awesome tournament to be a part of and if I got the chance to go again I would love to," says Quinn.

CALENDAR DATES

Rangitāne General Scholarship

Closes 28 February 2022

Taiao Whānau Engagement Hui

5 March 2023 | Ūkaipō

CENSUS 2023

7 March 2023 | Nationwide

Kaumātua Lunch

11 March 2023 | Waikawa

Whānau First Aid Training

16 March 2023 | Ūkaipō

Kia Haumarū Self-Defence

25 March 2023 | Ūkaipō

Kurahaupō Heritage Tour

25 March 2023 | Whakatū

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Honey Marzola for receiving He Tohu Rangitira award from Te Kura at Te Wai Pounamu Regional Awards 2022. The award is presented to a Yr11-13 akonga Māori for demonstrating ownership, accountability and responsibility for their learning. Ka mau te wehi Honey.

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