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NGĀ MATE O TE TĀU (THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED THIS YEAR) 9 Jan 2024 - WAIRAU, Rose Morehu 22 May 2024 - ORMOND, David 6 Feb 2024 - POHE, Jimmy 5 May 2024 - HEMA, Thomas 5 Feb 2024 - WAIHAKI, Mahea Tanga 25 Jan 2024 - CHRISTIE, William 9 Jun 2024 - ORMOND, Madge

WE PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR WHĀNAU WHO HAVE PASSED ON IN THE CURRENT YEAR OF 2024

Haere ra e nga mate o te rongomaiwahine iwi

#### WOOD DELIVERIES

The team has worked on clearing the Isthmus of wilding pine. Firewood is being distributed to our vulnerable whānau, Pakeke and, Kaumatua on the Mahia Peninsula thanks to the removed trees



#### MAARA KAI

We have a few fruit trees, beehives, and fifty-five containers full with vegetables and herbs. As we gather more dirt and mulch to fill the bins, the quantity will grow. We have also begun to use the rotary hoe on the ground. We are grateful to everyone in our community who has supported the Maara's success.





#### WILDING PINES

The isthmus is overtaken by wilding pines, which drive native animals out and harm native vegetation. The team are working on removing the pine trees and clean the surrounding environment, dropping over 500 trees to date.



#### KAI DISTRIBUTION

The supergrans contribution of kai is decreasing, indicating a slowdown of kai distributions. You may obtain fresh herbs and veggies at the maara kai. The community has an ongoing desire for kai, therefore we value any assistance from other organizations.

**>** 5,931

Is the approximate number of Rongomaiwahine Iwi descendants, as reported by New Zealand's official data office, Stats NZ Tatauranga Aotearoa.

> 2,000

Whānau are registered with Rongomaiwahine lwi

#### **REGISTER ONLINE WITH OUR IWI:**

https://www.rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz/contact-us/iwi-register/ or print a registration form online, see a kaimahi or email us.

WANT<sub>\</sub>TO BE APART OF OUR INITIATIVES?

HAERE MAI! FOR ANY PĀTAI, PLEASE EMAIL: KOREROMAI@RONGOMAIWAHINE.IWI.NZ

WAIATA MAI: At Tuahuru Marae every Tuesday 3:30pm-4:30pm. For more info, visit the Facebook page 'Ngā Manu Tioriori o Te Māhia'



Join the **FITNESS SHED**: Keep up to date & for more info on the opening roster & location, visit the Facebook page 'Fitness Shed - Māhia'



Visit our MAARA KAI: Open every weekday from 9am-3pm, keep up to date & for more info, visit the Facebook page 'Maara Kai - Māhia Community Garden'



# CONNECTING TO THE MOTU (LAND)

We host Wellness Days every two weeks, covering a variety of topics related to health and well-being. Our collaboration with Kahungungu Executive and Queen Street Practice has made it possible for us to conduct two immunization clinics with great success. Watch out for upcoming events in Hauora, such the Addictions 101 program and vaccination clinics.



Te Kaahu o te Ora (Soul Massage) provided a session for our whānau to connect with their whenua and learn about themselves via Mirimiri Romiromi and Rongoā.

# NGA TĀNGATA (FOR THE PEOPLE)

Rongomaiwahine is a Board Member of Toitu Te Tairawhiti Partnership Board with a unique opportunity to amplify whānau voice. Relationships with Pinnacle and other PHOs in the health sector help us achieve



While keeping an eye on the Māhia Reserves, our Manaaki Tāngata crew has the chance to provide mātauranga to manuhiri, outlining the many reasons why Māhia is a fantastic place to visit: Manaaki Whenua, Manaaki Tāngata, Haere whakamua.

#### **TERENCE MARU SNR**

We want to show appreciation to Terence Snr, for his dedication to the Māhia Rugby Football Club and his efforts. Rugby plays a significant role in his life. It was a ghost town in Māhia on rugby weekends, as uncle says, with everyone flocking to town. There's just not enough interest and motivation anymore. Alot of effort has gone in to restore the Club. Thank you for all your mahi, we hope to see maroon and white on the field come home round.



#### HOUSING

## RONGOMAIWAHINETANGA

#### TE TAIAO



RIT are looking at housing solutions for whanau in need. This process is currently being developed.

#### WHENUA



By 2050, our Manaaki Taiao team still hopes to have rid the peninsula of all pests and all predators. We're pleased that most of our whenua have trap lines although it's an enormous and continuous task. 1500 traps are being set, rebaited, and maintained on the Māhia Peninsula while data is being entered into TrapNZ. The opportunity to establish a connection with our whenua - To give our uri o Rongomaiwahine a platform for demonstrating their skills and knowledge.

Fencing stream banks and riparian planting serve important purposes in improving water quality and ecosystem health, which our team have achieved in areas.



We value the preservation of the Rongomaiwahine stories as well as the strengthening of our procedures.

The objective of our Whakapapa team is to record, preserve, and share Mahia Pūrākau.

Implementation of Pou Tikanga me Te Reo from our Mahere Reo (MLP) team in our Kaimahi work space. Rongomaiwahine lwi Trust Kaimahi want to confidently lead as kaikōreo, kaikaranga, kaiwaiatá on our Marae. Our Rongomaiwahinetanga will be enhanced with fluent and learning Te Reo Maori speakers, this will help strengthen our pae and whakanui our kawa and tikanga.

# **MAANAKI TĀNGATA**



Iwi lead activities & events: Wellness days, Pakeke hui, Whānau Days, Rongoa Workshop, Mirimiri Romiromi.

Our Manaaki Tāngata team are out and about checking on our reserves and public spots, engaging with our manuhiri, and giving manaaki to the manuhiri that visit reserves in Māhia.

#### Mana Moana, Mana Whenua

Our kaimahi continue to eradicate wilding pine.

Our Te Mana o Te Wai team have begun water testing and will continue to meet with both councils and external agencies on a regular basis, to build resources and developments, in order to benefit our Wai.

Te Puna Waiora of Nukutaurua: Te Arowai Māhia Freshwater report will be issued in the following weeks.

Through maara kai, skill development, and knowledge, our efforts promote well-being that benefits both our whānau and community.

#### **DEVELOP ASSETS**



We are in the process of developing the structures within our organization to be able to take advantage of commercial opportunities.

#### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**



Māhia is a fantastic place to live in and to visit, but like the rest of New Zealand, things can get a bit crazy - severe weather, earthquakes, and tsunami can all happen, which could make it difficult to get around, to communicate with family and friends and to access everyday necessities. Are you and your household ready?
In an emergency, you may be stuck at home for three days or more. Figure out what supplies

you need and make a plan to work out what you need to get your household through.

For more information on being prepared visit

www.hbemergency.govt.nz/get-ready/get-ready-home/ or if you are wanting to know more information, help our community with supplies or make a donation please email: koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz

#### **HUI PĀNUI**

#### **HUI-A-IWI**

DATE/RĀ: 31/08/2024 WHARENUI: Tuahuru Marae KAI: 12PM HUI: 1PM

#### **PAKEKE HUI**

DATE/RA: 26/07/2024 WHARENUI: Tuahuru marae

HUI: 11PM

#### MARAE PĀNUI

#### **RUAWHARO MARAE**

Monthly meeting every second Sunday.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### SPORTS DAY - B-BALL TOURNEY

Thursday 18th July, 10AM-2PM at the new Multi Courts in Māhia Beach, corner of Weld St and Newcastle St.

#### SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH - PINACLE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 24th July, 9AM-1PM at Tuahuru Marae (644 Māhia East Coast Road).

#### RONGOMAIWAHINE WHĀNAU DAY







On April 19th, we hosted our first Whanau day of the year at Māhia Beach, near the boat club. We host Whānau days, aimed to bring everyone together to enjoy kayaks, paddle boards, SUPs, activities, and BBOs. We regularly bring our whanau together, so keep an eye out for advertisements for the next Whānau Day.

#### HE POUTAMA RANGATAHI



Rangatahi aged 16 to 24 who are unemployed, without education, or untrained (living on the eastern side of Tu Uhi). We help to prepare for work or studies. Preparing resumes, bank accounts, obtaining licenses, acquiring work experience, and exploring training options to promote employability. If you have a family member that is interested, please email or phone levi.waihaki@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz or 021437720

#### RONGOMAIWAHINE WAIATA



Nau mai, haere mai ki te parakatihi. The entire community is welcome to join in Waiata classes. To rehearse the kupu and ā-ringa for Te Māhia's waiata and hear mātauranga on whaikorero and karanga. The purpose, to provide knowledge about the significance and historical context of karanga and whaikorero.

# MEET OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The current Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust Board structure includes two representatives from each of our seven Marae.

Apaapa-A-Rangi Marae: Sapphire Cooper, Elizabeth Palmer

Kaiuku Marae: Glenn Webber, Darren Te Rangi Māhanga Marae: Jody Rarere, Hinepua Morrison Ruawharo Marae: Pikihoro Tuhi, Huia Dyjak

Te Atihau Marae: Paul Ratapu, Fiona Wairau

Tuahuru Marae: Pania Tyson-Nathan, Kenross Campbell

#### IWI TRUST CONTACTS

Terence (Blue) Maru - CEO Shelly Rogers - CFO Iriapa Williams - COO

Īmera: Koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz

## NURTURING MINDS,







#### CULTIVATING FUTURES

Kura and the local school have been working with our amazing group of green thumbs to set up gardens in their own area, encouraging perseverance, resiliency, and a sense of accomplishment.



# Nau Mai, Haere Māi

Come and REGISTER with us if your whakapapa connects to Rongomaiwahine or contact us if you need the help of our whakapapa team. www.rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz



Tuahuru Marae, 644 Mahia East Coast Road, Māhia, Hawke's Bay





For those who are interested in advertising their activites/events/stories, or for any other pānui and feedback, Kia Korero Tatou, come and talk.

Waea pūkoro: 0800 100 967

Timēra: koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz

# involved

**Haere Māi** 

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