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IWI TRUST



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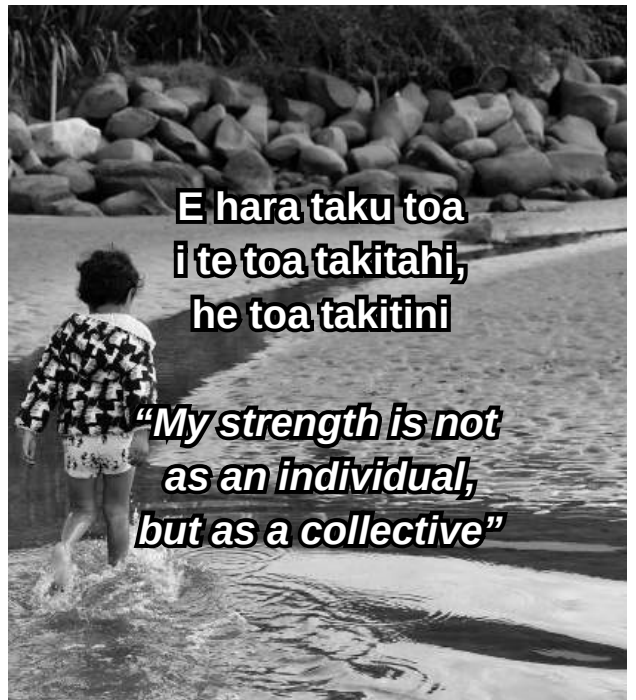
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**E hara taku toa
i te toa takitahi,
he toa takitini**

***“My strength is not
as an individual,
but as a collective”***

**2024 Edition 2
Here-turi-koka
(August)**

NGĀ MATE O TE TĀU (THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED THIS YEAR)

ORMOND, Apryll Ringakamu - 16th July 2024
MURPHY, Kim - 16th June 2024
"COWBOY" WESCHE, Wayne Warren - 23rd July 2024
BLAKE, Desmond Henry - 30th May 2024

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

ERADICATING WILD PINE & DELIVERING WOOD!

To date, we have cut down approximately 700 wild pine trees in the isthmus of Māhia. We prioritize our Taiao, but recognize that this is only a fraction of the amount of wilding pine on our whenua, and we are looking into sourcing resources to continue this critical work in order to also provide a consistent supply of dry firewood for our whānau in need.



COMMUNITY MAARA KAI

After the crew created the Maara, we now have up to thirty large bins filled with various veggies. This was accomplished by growing lettuce in the ground next to a few additional fruit trees. The group is also conducting research to generate new concepts. If you are aware of any Pakeke that requires a sizable crate in order to have a Maara Kai for their family, **please email to koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz**.



KAI DISTRIBUTION

Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust donated \$10,000 worth of necessity items to the recent flood affected whānau in Wairoa.



> **5,931**

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

WANT TO BE A PART OF OUR INITIATIVES?

HAERE MAI! FOR ANY PĀTAI, PLEASE EMAIL: [KOREROMAI@RONGOMAIWAHINE.IWI.NZ](mailto:koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz)

At Tuahuru Marae every Tuesday 3:30pm-5pm. For more info, visit the Facebook 'Ngā Manu Tioriori o Te Māhia'

WAIATA MAI



Keep up to date & for more info on the opening roster & location, visit the Facebook 'Fitness Shed - Māhia'

KORI TINANA



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

MAARA KAI



> **2,000**

Whānau are registered with Rongomaiwahine Iwi

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.

CONNECTING TO THE MOTU

The team has been on the Whenua, testing freshwater ways in 11 of our catchments. Te Mana o Te Wai operations lead has been researching every catchment and their local purpose reserves that are culturally significant. A GIS resource is now being developed so that the community may interact and view the condition of each catchment. In partnership with Native Forest Restoration, we are excited about the upcoming community native planting day at Oputama Wetlands.



The aim of our upcoming Mahere Reo programme is to deliver an understanding and provide a learning space for Kaimahi to better grasp Te Reo Māori and its concepts, Tikanga and Whakatakoranga. This will be completed over the proposed 10 weeks facilitated in a Wananga style learning environment.

NGĀ TĀNGATA

An excellent mental health workshop was held by Blueprint Learning. It was great that most of the attendees were Kaimahi. They asked questions, took part, and had a Kōrero about equality. Rongomai, Pep, and Mary served as the facilitators. Pep made Zoom counseling available to anyone who might want it, **please email to Helena@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz for more details.**



The summer was wonderful, but we have seen fewer campers since surface flooding struck in late June. Our camping grounds have seen less utilization as a result of flooding. Let's hope for better weather and the return of satisfied campers in the upcoming months. By then, our camping grounds should be prepared for our Manuhiri/visitors.

MEET A TRUSTEE! KO PAUL RATĀPU

What plans does he have whilst in this role? Support and foster Te Reo me ōna tikanga within the Whānau and on our Marae at Māhia-mai-tawhiti. Restore our Whenua and Moana. Develop Māhia into an environmentally, socially, healthy and economically sustainable place for our beneficiaries and future generations to enjoy and thrive. **Why did he want to be a trustee?** To work with our beneficiaries to uphold and strengthen the Mana Motuhake of the Whānau and Hapū of Māhia, through the maintenance and handing down of the Tikanga and Kawa of our people.



MAHERE RAUTAKI

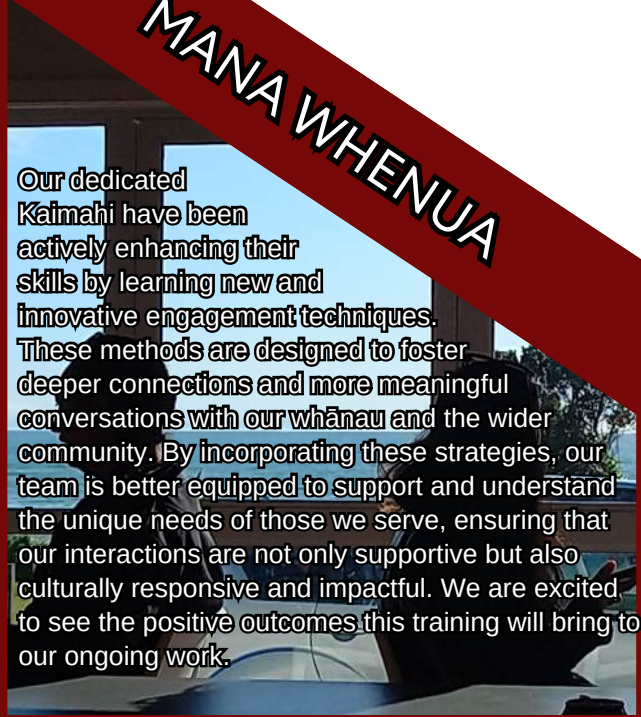
MANA MOANA

MANA WHENUA

MĀTAURANGA

WHAKAPAPA

MANAAKI



Our dedicated Kaimahi have been actively enhancing their skills by learning new and innovative engagement techniques. These methods are designed to foster deeper connections and more meaningful conversations with our whānau and the wider community. By incorporating these strategies, our team is better equipped to support and understand the unique needs of those we serve, ensuring that our interactions are not only supportive but also culturally responsive and impactful. We are excited to see the positive outcomes this training will bring to our ongoing work.

RONGOMAIWAHINE IWI POU/FOUNDATIONS

EMERGENCY RESPONSE



The Chairperson of the Ōraka catchment created this pack with household items in the hopes to inspire others to be ready for unexpected events. The team is working on the ground with every catchment in Māhia in their different stages of resilience building. Keep an eye out for upcoming catchment hui Pānui from the Emergency Response team.

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

MĀHIA FIRE DANGER RATING



MODERATE

Monitor the weather for changes in wind direction or strength that might increase the risk of the fire getting out of control: <https://fireweather.niwa.co.nz/>

HUI PĀNUI

RIT HUI-A-IWI
DATE/RĀ: 31/08/2024
WHARENUI: Tuahuru Marae
KAI: 12PM HUI: 1PM

RIT PAKEKE HUI
DATE/RĀ: 30/08/2024
WHARENUI: Tuahuru Marae
HUI: 11AM

WHANGAWEHI CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT GROUP INC.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
All are welcome to attend. Nau mai haere mai.
DATE/RĀ: 27/09/2024
WHARENUI: 1637 Māhia East Coast Rd
HUI: 10AM

MARAE PĀNUI

RUAWHARO MARAE
Monthly meeting every second Sunday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ōpoutama Wetlands Community Planting Day
In collaboration with Native Forest Restoration Trust
DATE/RĀ: 22/08/2024
MEET AT YMCA RD WETLANDS: 11AM

Ōraka Community Catchment BBQ
Emergency Response: For residents residing within Waitepatu Culvert and Maungawhio Lagoon
DATE/RĀ: 24/08/2024
WHARENUI: 349 Māhia East Coast Road
KAI: 12:30PM - 3:30PM

WHATUNGARONGARO ANA TE

People come and..



TANGATA, TOITŪ TE PŪRAKAU

go but stories remain.

MANAAKI TAI AO

Ko wai mātau - Who are we?

Rongomaiwahine pest controllers have a prime focus of eradicating pests in these areas. It's a huge and ongoing responsibility and we're proud to have trap lines in most areas of our rohe.

Our responsibilities are inclusive of but not restricted to **baiting, rebaiting, checking traps and documentation of events** via **Trap NZ** application.



KO TE KAI HE RONGOĀ,

Food is medicine,



KO TE RONGOĀ HE KAI.

Medicine is food.

HE POUTAMA RANGATAHI



Three Rangatahi had finished a CFS and LCQ course in Wairoa by the end of July, and one Rangatahi had acquired her learners license. Rangatahi took part in a cookery session on healthier options last week. This month's upcoming events are at Wairoa College including a careers expo. In an effort to share motivation, the Rangatahi will end taking part in a motivational Wananga with our existing Rangatahi working within the Iwi. If a Rangatahi you know, who would be interested in our Kaupapa, **please email to koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz**.

ADDICTIONS 101 WORKSHOP



Blueprint Learning held an Addictions 101 workshop. This was a fantastic opportunity for our Kaimahi, community, Pakeke to further their personal development. The program was executed wonderfully by the facilitators. Among other things, education and awareness-raising were covered at this session.

MARAE BOOKING CONTACTS

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Terence (Blue) Maru - CEO

Shelly Rogers - CFO

Iriapa Williams - COO

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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



For those who are interested in advertising their activities/events/stories, or for any other pānui and feedback, **Kia Kōrero Tātou**, come and talk.

Imera: koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz

Get involved

Haere Māi

@Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust

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

