

RONGOMAIWAHINE IWI PĀNUI

EDITION 13: WHIRINGA-Ā-RANGI | NOVEMBER 2025

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Touch Rugby

Māhia Beach Landing
Every Wednesday
4:30 PM

Fitness Shed

Monday to Friday
6.30AM - 7.30 AM

Ra Mana Moana

16 December
Māhia Beach Landing
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

NGA HUA O MŌRERE HOT SPRINGS

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10am-5pm

Tuesday & Wednesday:
Closed

Thursday: 10am-5pm

Friday: 10am-5pm

Saturday: 10am-5pm

Sunday: 10am-5pm

HAERE MAI! FOR ANY PĀTAI OR PĀNUI,
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Recently, our kura tamariki spent a day at Te Rahui o Karaiti (Formerly YMCA), exploring the area and asking pātai about its history. They also rolled up their sleeves and helped repot a large number of native plants, including karaka, harakeke, kākābeak, kōwhai, akeake, and karo. To thank them for all their hard mahi, we rewarded the tamariki with a refreshing swim at Mōrere - a well-deserved way to end the day. It was a fantastic opportunity for our tamariki to connect with te taiao, learn about our local environment, and take part in hands-on mahi that nurtures both our plants and our people. We also got creative, making Christmas trees out of decorated pinecones, as well as a larger Christmas tree using wire and driftwood.

Despite the weather, our weekly touch sessions have been going extremely well. Whānau are warmly invited to join us every Wednesday at 4:30 PM at Māhia Beach Landing for a fun and social game of touch rugby. All ages and skill levels are welcome, simply turn up ready to play, have a laugh, and enjoy connecting with our community. It's a great opportunity to stay active, spend time with whānau, and engage in positive kōrero with our people.



Our native nursery continues to thrive, and it has been uplifting to see the strong growth and resilience of the plants we have been nurturing. Recent updates shared on our Facebook page highlight the progress across our planting sites, as well as the ongoing mahi within the nursery.

We warmly encourage whānau who wish to return native species to their whenua or contribute to this kaupapa to get in touch. Our collective aspiration is to restore, regenerate, and reconnect our people with their whenua.

Our E Kai Māori Wānanga was a great success, deeply enriched by the energy and aroha of the participating whānau. This event marked a significant step in reclaiming and sharing our traditional Kai Māori knowledge. The three-day wānanga covered everything from foraging and rongoā identification to whakawhanaungatanga and weaving. Practical sessions included food preparation, linking rongoā to the kai through whakapapa and tikanga, hāngi preparation, and culminated in the cooking and presentation of the food, establishing a strong, holistic connection from the ngahere to the whenua and finally to the table.



Prioritising Preparedness: Be Ready for Severe Weather

In light of past weather events, we strongly encourage all whānau to review and strengthen their household emergency preparedness plans. Taking proactive steps now is essential for the safety and resilience of our community. Please ensure you have an up-to-date emergency kit with enough food, water, and essential supplies for at least three days. To help prepare you household plan, visit <https://www.hbemergency.govt.nz/get-ready/get-ready-home/>

PĀNUI

Kia ora e te iwi,
We are happy to invite expressions of interest for involvement with our kaupapa. We are now in our planning phase for Poitūkohu Māori o Aotearoa 2026 nationals. If you would like to be involved in our kaupapa, please scan the QR code below and fill out the attached form or visit the Facebook page 'Rongomaiwahine Basketball' for the link.

Rongomaiwahine Poitūkohu
Registrations - Māori Tournament
2026



Ruawharo Marae

Monthly meeting every second Sunday

ELECTION RESULTS RONGOMAIWAHINE IWI TRUST/CHARITABLE TRUST 2025

We would like to acknowledge and congratulate our newly elected marae representatives for 2025.

Tuahuru - Stephanie Tibble Taurahere

Te Ātīhau - Fiona Wairau Ahi kaa

Apa Apa-Ā-Rangi - Sapphire Cooper Ahi kaa &

Desna Whaanga-Schollum Taurahere

Kaiuku - Darren Te Rangi Ahi kaa

Ruawharo - Iriapa Williams Ahi kaa

TĀTAU TĀTAU O TE WAIROA KAHUI REPRESENTATIVE 2025

We also acknowledge our Kahui Representative for 2025, Moana Rongo.
Mauri ora to you and the mahi ahead.

Mahi toi by Nolan Maru

**Nau Mai,
Haere Mai
Get Involved!**

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