

## WĀTAKA

1. Kai Tahi – 12.00pm
2. Whakatuwhera – 1.00pm
3. Apologies
4. Minutes from last meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024
5. Chairman's Report
6. Financial Report
7. Tātau Tātau Report
8. CEO - Operations Report
9. Whakakapi

**Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust**  
**HUI-A-IWI MEETING**  
**Tuahuru Marae**  
**Date: 16th September 2023**  
**Time: 1.05pm**



<b>Opening Karakia</b>	Paul Ratapu
<b>Whakatuwhera</b>	Paul Ratapu
<b>Attendance Sheet</b>	Attached
<b>Apologies</b>	<p>Bill Blake, Pania Tyson Nathan, Liz Plamer, Kaya cooper, Kuini Te Nahu</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion: “To accept the apologies”</b>  <b>Moved:</b> Paul Ratapu, <b>Seconded:</b> Puti Moa  <b>For:</b> 48, <b>Objections:</b> 0, <b>Abstentions:</b> 0</p>
<b>Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion: “To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 10th June 2023 at Kaiuku Marae”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Moved:</b> Paul Ratapu, <b>Seconded:</b> Puti Moa  <b>For:</b> 48, <b>Objections:</b> 0, <b>Abstentions:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Amendments:</b> None</p>
<b>Chairman Report</b>	<p>All activities are aligned with He Mahere Rautaki.  “He mahere Rautaki” our 3 -year Strategy from 2022 - 2025, maps out the resources needed to deliver on our ambitious Flightpath. The Plan will confirm how projects will be delivered, the measures of success and the budget. The following report on the 3-year Plan’s status to June 2023”</p> <p>Key initiatives - Secure our settlement assets, making decisions, right people, working smart</p> <p>Performance - Engage with our people, giving back, Jobs created and growth of our people, success of our enterprises, protect and grow assets, compliance, Governance, execution.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion: “To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 10th June 2023 at Kaiuku Marae”</b>  <b>Moved:</b> Paul Ratapu, <b>Seconded-</b> Jody Rarere  <b>For:</b> 48, <b>Objections:</b> 0, <b>Abstentions:</b> 0</p>
<b>Financial Report</b>	<p>Report provided by Michelle Ewignton.  Profit and loss and balance sheet provided in Hui-A-Iwi pack. All questions can be emailed to <a href="mailto:koromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz">koromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz</a>.</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion : “To Accept the Financial report”</b>  <b>Moved:</b> Cyril Ormond, <b>Seconded:</b> Darren Te Rangi  <b>For: 47, Objection: 0, Abstention: 1-</b> Murry Hemopo</p>
<p><b>Tātau Tātau Report</b></p>	<p>Acknowledgement to those who have passed on, Special acknowledgement to Mini Westrup for all the mahi she has done for Rongomaiwahine. Tātau Tātau Report provided in Hui-A-Iwi Pack.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion: “To Accept the Tātau Tātau Report”</b>  <b>Moved:</b> Paul Ratapu, <b>Seconded:</b> Darren Te Rangi  <b>For: 48 , Objections: 0, Abstentions: 0</b></p>
<p><b>Operations Report</b></p>	<p>Acknowledge the loss of Nanny Mini and all the mahi that she has done for Rongomaiwahine. Acknowledged the kaimahi and all the mahi they have done. Te Mana o Te Wai - Taiao Plan is in final stages. Iwi and Community members have had a part to play in creating the plan. Predator Free - Trapping the whole of the Peninsula. Kaimahi visited Cape Sanctuary to see what it looks like to be predator free. Door is always open for our beneficiaries to come and kōrero with our Kaimahi. Any questions please email koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Motion: “To Accept the Operation report”</b>  <b>Moved:</b> Hinepua Morrison, <b>Seconded:</b> Fiona Wairau  <b>For: 47, Objections: 0, Abstentions: 1 -</b> Murry Hemopo</p>
<p><b>General Business</b></p>	<p>Fisheries - Paul Ratapu has excused himself from discussion due to conflict of interest. Hinepua Morrison will Chair this part of the hui.</p> <p>Puti Moa - Kōrero on facebook has caused some discussion. Hui held every month for the Mahia Māori Committee. Kaitiaki and Marae Representatives are what make up the Mahia Māori Committee. After the last MMC hui a Tuahuru Marae hui was held regarding the permits. Unaware two options were placed on the table. Hui was held for permit holders to make a decision that was not their responsibility, discussion needed to be taken back to Marae, our people and the Mahia Boating Club. Both options do not suit our people. Thank you to the Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust Board for allowing the whānau to have ten minutes to have a say on this kaupapa. All our whānau are welcome, come find your place and be a part of the decision making. Permit holders have the right to say yes or no to issuing</p>

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	<p>permits. Tangaroa is getting slaughtered. Horokaka and Mataitai areas are outlined with signage and also available on websites. Thank you for coming, Roxanne.</p> <p>Lawrence Blake - Reiterate what Puti has said. Mahia Boating Club and representatives from Marae came together to hui. Mahia Boating Club would like to keep track of the permits issued and catch tallies.</p> <p>Roxanne Waru - Thank you to Aunty Puti for our much needed kōrero. Wanted to be a voice for the whānau who do not reside in Mahia and ask to be included in the decisions. The mamae that this kōrero has caused. Whānau have their own reasons as to why they do not reside in Mahia, for example loss of whenua, disconnected, lost reo, lost their land. Would like for everyone to have more kōrero and more wananga before landing on a decision. Just ask that all whānau are included. Waiata.</p> <p>Pikihoro Tuhi - Waterways have been coming down to the sea . Opoutama township had to come up with a plan to present to MPI to help the kaimoana grow. Each Marae should come up with its own fishery plan to monitor food and the progression of growth. Bring Kaitiaki together to come up with their plan, which is supported by Marae before going to Mahia Māori Committee for support.</p> <p>Raellen Te Nahu - Something needs to be done to generate kaimoana for generations to come. Grace Ormond is already tutoring tamariki on how to harvest kaimoana. Would like our people to stop and think about the activities that are happening in our Moana.</p> <p>Wikitoria Te Nahu - Listening to everyone’s kōrero and is saddened by it all. MPI representative is our whanaunga, and is in a position to help our Iwi. Let’s come together and look after our Moana so everyone can benefit.</p> <p>Terence Maru Senior - We are all responsible to look after our Moana for everyone to benefit.</p> <p>Happy Birthday Aunty - Ra whānau ki a koe.</p>
<b>Whakakapi</b>	Paul Ratapu

# HUI-A-IWI ATTENDANCE SHEET



TUAHURU MARAE		16TH SEPTEMBER 2023			
#	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	EMAIL ADDRESS	REGISTERED Y/N
1	Shelly Rogees	MAHIA	0212237806	shelly@vongomaiwhare-iwi.nz	Y
2	Wayne Kawana	..	<del>0211405305</del> 0211405305		Y
3	Toni-Lee Ratapu.	Mahia	02102719150	tonitawhiamopiu@gmail.com	Y
4	Nikitoria Howe	Mahia	0274559966	rae.tenahu@xtra.co	Y
5	Aaron Raureti	Mahia	027 9107830	aaronraureti@gmail.com	Y
6	Rae Tenahu	Mahia	027 804 5149	rae.tenahu@xtra.co.nz	✓
7	Brian Wilcox	Waikoa	0249421266	brian.wilcox@gmail.com	✓
8	Hikairo Wilcox				N
9	Iraia NiaNia	Cisborne	021760244	iraianiania@gmail.com	
10	Murray Hemop	-	-	-	
11	John Tuhi	MAHIA	02040760660	johntuhi@icloud.com	X
12	Dawn Karangara.	45 Waikokopu Rd	068378891	Nil	✓
13	Hinemara Cracknell	Wainuiorangi	0279040263	hinemara.hc@gmail.com	✓
14	Hohepa Spooner	Wainuiorangi Way	0273109397	hohepa.spooner@proton.me	✓
15	Jahrom Tawhi-Amopiu	Mahia	02102719150	jahromies13@gmail.com	

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TUAHURU MARAE		16TH SEPTEMBER 2023			
#	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	EMAIL ADDRESS	REGISTERED Y/N
1	HONEY LEE BLAKENEY-CAROT	38 PIPI STREET TE AWANGA 4102	0272728615	HONEY.BLAKENEY@GMAIL.COM	HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR <del>ME</del> CONFIRMATION
2	P. T. H.	N/P	N/P	N/P	Yes.
3	JULIET BLAKENEY	38 PIPI STREET TE AWANGA 4102		BLAKENEY.JULIET@GMAIL.COM	NO
4	WAIRUKU LOMIA MAY BLAKENEY	128A FOX STREET GISBORNE		LOMIA.BLAKENEY@GMAIL.COM	?
5	RANGA KAMAI	231A LANG RD.	NO		YES.
6	Jackson Longo	684 Mahia east coast rd	NO		Yes
7	Miriam Reid	48 Vine Ave, Tauranga	0212590175	miriam@the-cohorts.com	Yes
8	Olivia SNOWDON	650 East Coast Rd	(06) 8375181		Yes.
9	Sonia Campbell	702A EC RD.	0278491131		YES.
10	TE REO AROHA "BOBBY" KELSEY	128A FOX STREET GISBORNE		HONEY.BLAKENEY@GMAIL.COM	?
11	Huriana Kereru	128A Fox Street, Gisborne	0274206526	huriana.kereru928@gmail.com	
12	P. M. M.	650 MEC	0210362677		Yes
13	WARRAM	920 E. Coast Rd	0210318678		
14	Laurence Blake	228 Kaiwaitau Rd	02102345800		?
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TUAHURU MARAE		16TH SEPTEMBER 2023			
#	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	EMAIL ADDRESS	REGISTERED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
1	Jackie Kereru	86 Newcastle St Mahia Bch Mahia	0278193059	jackiekereru@hotmail.co.nz	Y.
2	Audra Brown	115 Oraka Mahia	0276567834	audra@enabled.org.nz	Yes.
3	AMOS & PAM ROSS	16 JELUCOE AVE, WAIKOA	0211879208	pamelaross14@gmail.com	NO
4	Roxanne Warru	53 Kabul Street	0211081605	rwaru14@gmail.com	Y.
5	Fita Robinson	394 Mahia East Coast		hkinga883@gmail.com	X
6	Michelle Ware	Mahia	0224081329		Y
7	Kelvin Brown	Mahia			X
8	Jo Doyle	Waikoa.	0		Y.
9	Jessal Brown	Mahia	0212174846		
10	Jette Campbell	<del>Mahia</del> Mahia	0273513082		
11	Natalie Colton	5 Lane rd Mahia	0273177633	Nat.mahia@hotmail.com	Y
12	Gary King	34 Waihiere	0273629068		
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## ATTENDANCE

**HUI-A-IWI APOLOGIES SHEET**

TUAHURU MARAE		116TH SEPTEMBER 2023			
#	NAME	ADDRESS	CONTACT	EMAIL ADDRESS	REGISTERED Y/N
1	Jody Ravere	OPOUTAMA			Y
2	Hine Morrison	WAHIOA			Y.
3	Fiona Wairau	236 Mahia East Road	0272989695	fi.wairau@gmail.com	Ae
4	PAUL RATAPU	199 MAHIA EAST COAST RD	021976929	PAUL@RONCEMAIWAHINE.IWI.NZ	AE
5	Hine Dyjak	Oponama			Ae.
6	Kenneth Campbell		0279626014		Ke.
7	Emily Walker	Palmerston Hill, Waikare	0273628841	emilywalker@gmail.com	
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## Profit and Loss

Rongomaiwahine Iwi Group

For the 8 months ended 29 February 2024

	Year to date Jul 2023-Feb 2024	Prior year Jul 2022-Feb 2023
	Total	Total
<b>Income</b>		
Central Government Grants Received	1,515,240	1,232,326
Flexi-Wage Subsidies Received	304,162	0
Property Rental Income & Reimbursements	24,259	39,045
Interest Income	8,446	3,820
Local Charitable Trust Income	345,000	238,386
Local Government Income Received	402,267	195,677
Tatau Tatau Distributions - Non Taxable	126,660	195,215
Other Revenue	39,240	12,500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,765,273</b>	<b>1,916,968</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Accident Compensation Corporation	1,630	1,322
Accountancy Fees	1,262	1,702
Advertising - General	1,281	13,624
Assets Costing < \$1000	2,492	2,236
Audit Fees	8,600	(5,000)
Bank Fees	75	86
Building Material	6,841	0
Computer Expenses	714	629
Depreciation	76,759	59,090
Election Costs	13,612	12,046
Freight & Courier	367	145
General Expenses	2,884	2,076
Insurance	39,136	36,446
Investment Analysis Advice	12,245	4,000
Koha Given	0	31,636
Legal expenses	128,706	10,767
Light, Power, Heating	1,284	2,663
Maraa Kai	7,348	0
Meeting / Hui Costs	55,234	47,072
Membership & Licence Registration Fees	1,600	2,000
Motor Vehicle Expenses (Incl. Fuel & Maintenance)	42,972	25,891
Office Expenses	9,363	373
Pest Eradication Equipment	2,900	23,882
Policy & Procedure Management	998	998
Printing & Stationery	2,654	2,314
Professional fees	26,776	120,032
Project Resources	5,422	0
Protective Clothing & Safety	9,311	0
Rent & Related Property Expenditure	13,487	6,500
Repairs and Maintenance	13,061	479
Resilience (Emergency Response)	101,701	4,048
Salaries & Wages	835,320	505,537
Small Plant & Equipment (Under \$5000)	20,756	8,205
Sponsorship	2,435	0
Subscriptions	7,403	5,526
Travel	615	2,902
Telephone & Internet	10,824	6,966
Training & Staff Expenses	10,099	1,570
Uniforms	6,639	2,609
Water monitor	5,510	1,317
Xero & Datacom Accounting Software	3,195	3,142
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,493,511</b>	<b>944,830</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>1,271,762</b>	<b>972,139</b>

**Balance Sheets**  
**Rongomaiwahine Iwi Group**  
**As at 29 February 2024**

	RICT	RIT
	29-Feb-24	29-Feb-24
<b>Bank</b>		
Westpac Current Account	800,791	0
Koha & Petty Cash Account	0	179
BNZ - 000 Suffix	0	594,301
<b>Total Bank</b>	<b>800,791</b>	<b>594,480</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Accounts Receivable	117,726	54,136
Credit Card - Master Account (Pd to RIT CC)	152,427	0
Bond - NZ Fuelcards	0	1,500
Westpac 0483427-00	16	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>270,168</b>	<b>55,636</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Accumulated Depreciation on Electronic & Computer Equipment	(16,524)	(59,487)
Accumulated Depreciation on Land & Buildings	(3,666)	(37,851)
Accumulated Depreciation on Motor Vehicles	(21,729)	(92,606)
Accumulated Depreciation on Office Equipment	(2,916)	(13,533)
Accumulated Depreciation on Plant & Equipment	(7,411)	(11,467)
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Leaseholder Improvements	0	(6,072)
Electronic & Computer Equipment	50,052	98,659
Land & Buildings	28,442	595,178
Leaseholder Improvements		8,393
Motor Vehicles	120,026	205,376
Office Equipment	7,246	18,063
Plant & Equipment	42,042	22,669
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>195,562</b>	<b>727,322</b>
<b>Non-current Assets</b>		
Branding/Logo Design	120	2,000
Unit Shares Held in Tatau Tatau o te Wairoa	0	17,430,337
<b>Total Non-current Assets</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>17,432,337</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,266,641</b>	<b>18,809,774</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	3,380	15,522
Accrued Expenses	7,000	-2,755
Credit Card - Master Account	0	9,480
GST	96,198	5,763
Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust	100,658	0
Rongomaiwahine Iwi Charitable Trust	0	144,427
BNZ - 025 Suffix	0	7
Income tax		(33)
Wages Payable - Holiday Pay Accrued	28,535	0
Wages Payable - Payroll	16,000	0
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>251,771</b>	<b>172,412</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>1,014,870</b>	<b>18,637,363</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Accumulated Surpluses/(deficits)	96,213	853,912
Current Year Earnings	918,657	353,104
Share of Treaty Settlement	0	17,430,337.00
Settled Sum	0	10
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>1,014,870</b>	<b>18,637,363</b>

# WILDING PINES

**“Manaaki whenua, Manaaki tangata, Haere whakamua”**

*“If we take care of the land, Take care of the people, We will take care of the future”*

Tēnā koutou katoa i runga i ngā āhuatanga o te wā,  
Together, myself and two other members, Jahrom Tawhi-Amopiu & Richard Moa  
make up the Wilding Pines Team.

Our native landscapes are overtaken by wilding pines, which drive native animals  
out and harm native vegetation. We are working jointly to eradicate these  
invasive species, which usually undermine the benefits of our native biodiversity.

It is our responsibility to remove pine trees and clean the surrounding  
environment. Once the trees were down, we separated the wood into blocks  
and transported them up to the Lane Road to base. There, we used the wood  
splitter to split the blocks into firewood, which we then distributed to whanau in  
need assisting other teams.

We have now gone to a second location down Kaiwaitau after dropping over 500  
trees in the first section to date.

In order to carry out our work in the most safe and appropriate manner  
moving forward, our team has taken part in a number of workshops and  
courses on topics like chainsaws, ATVs, first aid, and health and safety, to  
mention a few. Possessing the most recent certifications required to  
perform in this field.

We joined forces with other Taiao departments to fence the adjacent areas  
around Kaiuku because the steep slope was receding & becoming hazardous.  
Along with the fencing team, we have also been laying fence line posts ready for  
them to erect down Kaiwaitau.

To assist with the Community Garden development, we have regularly  
collaborated with our Community Connectors Team to gather large amounts of  
fresh water and trailer loads of mulch.

Ma te Atua, e manaaki, e tiaki i a tātou i ngā wā katoa

Na Tai Campbell  
Wilding Pines Team Lead



March 11, 2024



**Whatungarongaro ana te tangata, toitū te whenua**  
**People perish but the land remains**  
**Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust, manaaki tangata, manaaki taiao**

**Manaaki tangata**

Manaaki whānau, aka mātauranga, he poutama rangatahi me te whare ora. Te hauora o te hāpori, te tuakiritanga, mana motuhake, te reo me ōna tikanga, te hītori me ngā pakiwaitara mō te oranga o ā tātau tamariki, mokopuna.

**Manaaki taiao**

Te puna waiora o Nukutaurua me te patunga o ngā konihi kararehe i tō tātau rohe.

**Rongomaiwahine iwi whānui - Predator free**

“Our manaaki taiao team is responsible for our goal of a pest free peninsula. It’s a huge and ongoing responsibility and we’re proud to have trap lines in most areas of our rohe”.

**Ko wai mātau - Who are we?**

Our team of five (now 6) uri o Rongomaiwahine pest controllers have a prime focus of eradicating pests enveloping the areas of:

- Coronation
- Crusher
- Gowers
- Isthmus Mahanga
- Isthmus Opoutama
- Isthmus Oraka
- Isthmus YMCA
- Kopana
- Lake Wairau
- Mahanga marae
- Nukutaurua
- Shore Plover
- Shore Plover lines
- Te Ara o Paikea
- Te Mahia School
- Waikokopu



March 11, 2024

- Tunanui
- Pongaroa Station
- Kinikini Station
- Māhanga to Paritu
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#### March 11, 2024 Update

Additional land blocks we are now able to access for trapping

Māhanga to Onenui coastline:

- Taiwānanga (Accessed from Dec, 2023)
- Onenui (Accessed from Feb, 2024)

**Our responsibilities are inclusive of but not restricted to:**

- Baiting
- Rebaiting
- Checking traps
- Documentation of events via Trap NZ application.

Each of the 1500 traps are checked monthly.

All work undertaken is recorded in the Trap NZ application.

#### March 11, 2024 Update

Working alongside DOC to bait, rebait and help maintain their traps in the Mahia Reserve every couple of months

#### Rebaiting

We are provided with dehydrated rabbit and salmon oil to rebait traps. Our preference as the most effective bait would be eggs as they have proven to most effectively attract the pests. With the exception of eggs, cat food has proved a successful addition to the baiting options.

#### Checking traps

When checking traps the weather is our main concern. When tracks are wet, there is a tendency to cause damage to the whenua we are accessing. This is an area I would suggest we prioritise to maintain and strengthen relationships with the farmers who allow us access to their properties. A subsequent consequence as I see it is the likelihood we are denied access to these properties to continue to achieve our objectives.

With the arrival of the warmer months, wet tracks are less of an issue, however the most recent concern for farmers whose land we are accessing is the lambing season. Farmers have expressed their preference for us to re-access once the lambing season is complete.

March 11, 2024

### Trap NZ Application

The Trap NZ app is the system we use to record and document our mahi. This is how we:

- Locate the traps
- Identify when the traps were last checked
- Document what species of pests we are trapping and the exact amount

#### March 11, 2024 Update

We are satisfied that the Trap NZ app remains the best choice to record our work and progress.

### Rongomaiwahine Predator free team highlights

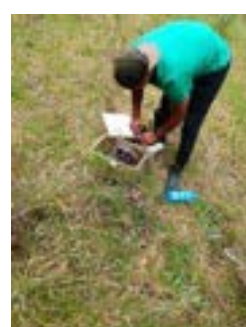
- The opportunity to connect with our whenua
- To give our uri o Rongomaiwahine an opportunity to showcase their skills and experience
- To share skills and knowledge - tuakana/teina
- Contributing to iwi objectives - Manaaki taiao
- Iwi have supported us to do our mahi by providing the necessary equipment and resources
- Securing new land blocks to access and trap

### Rongomaiwahine Predator free team suggestions for improvement

- Suggest that occasionally our Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust members accompany our team at the forefront to experience what we are actively doing in our manaaki taiao role

#### March 11, 2024 Update

To best transport workers and traps, it is recommended that we be provided with side-by-side vehicles to enable us to be most effective. The current four-wheeler vehicles we have are proving to be a difficult mode of transportation for us to fulfil our responsibilities.



March 11, 2024

My team and I are proud contributors to the succession plan for our iwi.  
I look forward to celebrating our progress and success with the support of our iwi whānui.

Nāku iti nei,

Matenga Hapi

Kaitiaki o te wāhanga konihi kararehe

(Supervisor of the Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust Predator free team)

March 11, 2024

# FENCING



Tēnā koutou katoa.

The Fencing Team is made up of three local men Reef Hooper, Ashby Crombie and myself.

Our fencing crew has been concentrating on finishing the fencing surrounding Roto Wairau and the riparian strip that borders the river on the Gower property.

The entire 2 kilometres around the lake has been battened. completing the southern boundary of Te Mimi o Hinewehi and the roadside along Kaiwaitau. Additionally, we have begun installing strainers at the Gower property.

At Roto Wairau, we still have about 2 kilometres to go and about 800 metres at the Gower property.

In order to protect our whanau from the eroding cliff, we also erected a new fence line at Kaiuku and the Mahia Rugby Club.

These fences have had a substantial positive influence on the environment and continue to be beneficial because they keep livestock out of our streams and enhance the quality of the water.

These fences have enhanced our rivers, restored the mana to our waterway, and preserved the important landmarks that surround these estates.

We have completed first aid training as well as health and safety courses that have improved team welfare and knowledge and kept us current and compliant. Having great work ethics, an open mind and a willing mindset to learn is what actually makes our team progress.

Everything appears to be moving along rather nicely, and in the upcoming months, we hope to finish more challenging tasks.

## **“Whatungarongaro te tangata, toitū te whenua”**

*As people disappear from sight, the land remains*

This whakatauki speaks to the importance and permanence of land. While people come and go, the land remains. As humans we rely on the land. We must think long-term and see the big picture to ensure the sustainability of the land.

Nāku noa

Levi Keil







# MANAAKI TANGATA



**Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust and Wairoa District Council (WDC) work together to keep our campers compliant to our local bylaws in our district. In order to accomplish this, we mahi for our Whenua Iwi katoa. Rubbish and toilets get inspected and reports are filed to the WDC departments to be sorted asap. Campers are ushered to the area provided, as anything else is Tapu or considered significant to our Iwi. Our team will continue to update WDC on signage needs and will educate and make campers aware of our expectations on our Whenua Mahia and Wairoa. Manaaki Tangata - Helping our visitors and Whanau to holiday in Mahia and Wairoa, staying compliant and happy.**  
**Nga Mihi Whanau  
Team Lead  
Juanita Symes**



**Manaaki Tangata: (Jay)  
Jamera Goes  
Kaimahi, KaiTaraiwa  
Tihei Mauri Ora!**  
**What a great experience this summer has given Te Rohe o Rongomaiwahine. Although local residents and visitors still require regulating of bylaws, our manaakitanga has assisted whanau within our iwi.**  
**Te Nuinga: We will continue to assist people within our Mahia Peninsula.**  
**He Tangata He Tanagata He Tangata**



**Campers are still travelling our district happy with our areas. Overseas visitors have slowed with mostly Kiwis visiting, staying with families they never had a chance to visit over the Christmas period.**  
**War Memorial's appreciated for the dump station and fresh water.**  
**Whakamahi Beach for the lovely drive and walks on the beach. Parking in town has been steady with passing through vehicles. Travelers' have positive views of our Wairoa and Mahia camping spots and our 'Hawkes Bay Hospitality' Nga Mihi**  
**Bernadette Ormond**

# WHAKAPAPA HUI A IWI REPORT

## OUR MAHI

Over the last 3 months our team has produced and submitted 2 vital Cultural Impact Assessments. One being the Mōrere Claim and the other being the Maca Claim. Through these claims we look forward to working alongside our partners for any future endeavors pertaining to the claims.

We have recently started our Podcast Recordings. We believe that through our podcast which will consist of an audio and visual recording, we will be able to capture and retain our peoples kōrero, whether it be the sharing of Maturanga and/or life stories and experiences of living in Mahia. Although our priority is our Pākeke, we are wanting to hear from anyone who would like to take part in this kaupapa.



## PODCAST

Our team is wanting to hear from anyone who would love to participate in this kaupapa. The recording is a very informal, casual conversation between us and our manuhiri, so not like a full on interview. Our podcast recordings will also be available on spotify and other major platforms. If this feels like you or if you have any questions please contact Hinemoana on 0212806319 or [hinemoana@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz](mailto:hinemoana@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz)

# MAHERE REO

Our Mahere Reo kaupapa consists of kaimahi (workers of Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust) and local rangatahi 13-25 years of age.

Our mahi is focused on teaching and helping our kaimahi and rangatahi to become more proficient in Te Reo Māori and on offering them all the support we can along the way.

In the last several months, we have conducted three wānanga.

Te Kōhatu o Ripeka was the site of the first wānanga. Initially, we utilized this as an opportunity to interact and interview local rangatahi and kaimahi, who are enthusiastic about learning Te Reo Māori. 25 Kaimahi and 26 Rangatahi were surveyed. And from this we were able to create our Māori Language Planning journey.

Ten rangatahi who had taken part in our first kaupapa were reconnected with us, and we held a Te Reo Māori scavenger hunt Wānanga. The primary goal of this scavenger hunt was to teach rangatahi the names and translation skills of some common sea species. We also played two Māori games, pako and mauī matau. Playing these activities was quite enjoyable for the rangatahi. This was a fun way for them to learn.

The adventure card game Kāri Mātatoa, which we created, was the topic of our most recent wānanga. The concept of this game was in Māori (with a brief English translation below). Significant locations in our stunning paradise, Māhia, were explored by our ten rangatahi who joined us. Learning Te Reo Māori in a contemporary, creative, and enjoyable way was the aim of this. Seeing them in action was even better.

In addition to doing rangatahi wānanga, we hold waiata classes at the Mahia Chapel from 3-4pm. Because of this, our kaimahi have advanced significantly since the start. We have learned Kaiuku Te Marae, Ka Pioioi, and Kōtiro Māori E since the beginning of this year. We have primarily focused on kaimahi to strengthen our capabilities within our organization. We've also made it available to any interested members of the community and have a regular attendance of around 15 people.

In collaboration with He Poutama Rangatahi, we will be delivering a Marae Kawa Wānanga to Tuahuru Marae next month. Furthermore, we will be offering additional wānanga in the future that will be related to our Te Reo Māori surveys and what our whānau interests are. Kaimahi and experienced members of our community will co-run these. When we are completely established, we will also make these workshops available to everyone in the community.

# COMMUNITY CONNECTORS REPORT

“Me mahi tahi tatou mo te oranga o te katoa”



## KAI DISTRIBUTION

We received kai to distribute to low-income whanau or experiencing difficulties around the Xmas-New Year period. 120x xmas Boxes, 127x individual & 8x Whanau Haangi Packs were distributed to end the year. Whānau were grateful and appreciative of even being considered. Small distribution of kai from Supergrans Tairāwhiti has now resumed, but with fresh kai from our maara, kai packs have been strengthened. ‘Ahakoa he iti, he pounamu’. We were able to give kai to over 183 individuals. Our team has identified there is a need for food assistance, so we are really appreciative of any assistance that other organisations may provide.

## WOOD DELIVERIES

We have managed to provide a load of firewood to 25x whanau by working with our Wilding Pines & Awhi Mai Awhi Atu Teams, who have chopped down trees, carted and split the wood. This is still ongoing as we head into colder times.

## WHANAU SPORTS DAY

A wonderful whanau sports day was arranged at Kaiuku for our Community. Over 50 whanau attended, and we had 6 teams that competed in netball, touch, and relay events. Additionally, our younger tamariki participated in cupcake decorating and colouring. We appreciate Te Mahia School letting us use their sports equipment, and we also had a BBQ.

## MAARA KAI – COMMUNITY GARDEN

Our kai is thriving, we have 55 containers filled with vegetables and herbs, along with a few fruit trees nearby. Our garden is expanding. The number of bins will rise as we obtain more dirt and mulch to fill them. On the ground, we have also begun to use the rotary hoe. Many thanks to everyone in our community who has participated, supported, and helped the maara flourish. Visit our garden; weekdays from 9 to 3, our staff will be available to help. In order for us to keep growing our maara, we appreciate your participation and/or information if you have any secret talents or a blooming garden.

## FITNESS SHED

On March 4th, the fitness shed opened with an orientation covering health and safety, use of the fitness shed and other protocols. By doing this, we hope to provide a safe environment where participants can flourish in their quest for optimal health. The number of whanau making use of the fitness shed has been steadily rising.

Classes for circuit training are held Tuesdays and Thursdays 6 to 7 a.m.

Keep a look out for additional trainings and upcoming classes.

Our community connectors have built resilience and supported people's needs by interacting with many whanau and roopu in our community at the fitness shed, maara, and other locations

Need assistance or support, please contact us or email [koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz](mailto:koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz)



### Initiatives

Co designing a workshop for the provision of dental health services in Mahia. At the moment part of my engagements, are based on dental care eg collecting data to help bring a mobile dental service to Mahia. Incorporated in this kaupapa, I'm also collecting data with mama that have under 5 year old pēpi. Among bringing other services, into Mahia for the betterment of our community. A big part of my mahi is the engagement within our community or other services. Also supporting ones that need the support. I was also able to attend a Meth Symposium Hui which is personal development in my mahi role amongst attending a couple of other PD hui. Im also creating a Hauora space within kaimahi.

### Soul Massage Kaupapa



### Pakeke Haerenga



A Haerenga with our pakeke to Tatau Tatau. Very impressed on the progress of the orchard and the running of this. Beautiful kai enjoyed by all.

Very beneficial Kaupapa for our community Soul Massage (Te Kaahu o te ora) We were very fortunate for this roopu to come into our rohe. They provided their services free of charge. 1st Wananga was a mirimiri wananga where 43 community members/whanau were able to have mirimiri or healing done on them.

### Wellness Day



Within our Wellness Day we have covered arts n crafts, beautiful korero, Health Checks, waiata, sit and be fit

2nd Wananga was a Rongoa, Mirimiri, Mahinga a Wairua Wananga, which attendees were taken through steps of self Romiromi/Mirimiri, practiced on each other. Attendees were able to pick and be shown all the rongoa at Kaiuku, brief korero on different ways to prepare kawa in liquid form, tikanga pretaining to our rongoa. The wairua in both workshops was beautiful. Also great to have our Rakaipaaka Pakeke attend the Rongo/Mirimiri wananga.

### Hula Class



Our hula class has developed into such a beautiful space for all. Good for our Wairua, Tinana, Hinengaro and whanau, as now we have tamariki joining us.

### Upcoming Events

Weathering of the Storm Workshop

QSP Health Clinic

# He Poutama Rangatahi

Our HPR program helps Rangatahi aged 16 to 24 obtain work or enhance their education. We additionally help rangatahi to obtain licenses, prepare resumes, gain work experience, and learn intangible skills so they may pursue a career in their desired field.

To find students, they must first be in N.E.E.T (not employed, educated, or trained).

Once this is determined, we will be ready to collaborate.

Here are some statistics to assist you to understand our performance.



As of this quarter, 12 rangatahi are N.E.E.T., including three who have been with the program since last year and nine who are new. Three rangatahi were under youth services, but we were able to obtain exemptions for them so that we could support them here in Mahia. With this being said we were fortunate to get one rangatahi to give Wairoa College a go, he is one of the 15 rangatahi who are undergoing pastoral care.

We offer 6 months of pastoral care to rangatahi, assisting them in achieving their career, education, and training goals. When the 6-month timeframe is up, they reach the completion phase.

## Certifications

Last year, seven rangatahi accomplished a health and safety course, two completed a chainsaw course, two obtained ATV permits, and five acquired first aid certifications this year. We are also looking into a CIMS course for a rangatahi to complete, which will benefit them in their emergency response role.

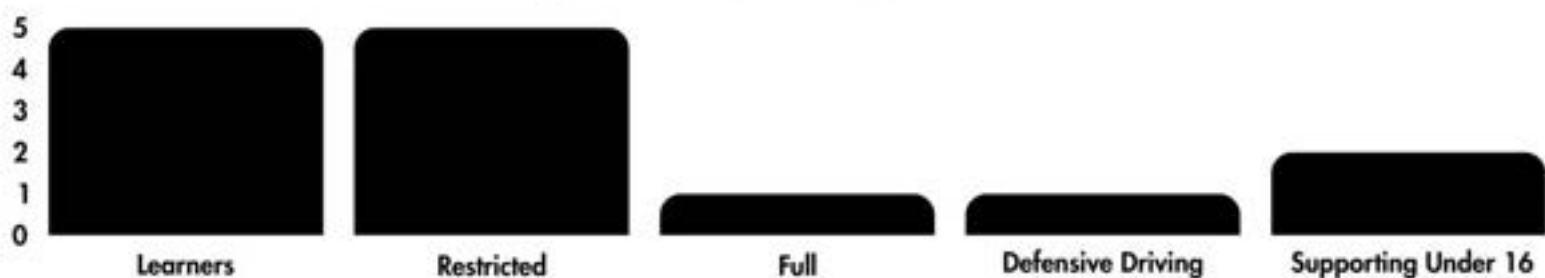
## Town Day

Our town day activities include personal training at the gym and swimming at the community center, doctor registrations and appointments, EIT course visits, a healthy lunch, and shopping at New World.

We changed our day to Friday to accommodate our rangatahi, who don't work on Fridays.

Our 13 dedicated rangatahi are always excited to embark on this adventure to help with their mind, body, and soul.

## Up & Coming Driving Lessons



Due to the summer season and a health issue with our driving instructor, there has been a delay in booking rangatahi for licenses. As of this month, we have a restricted licence pencilled in, and five of our rangatahi are enrolled in a learners course in Wairoa. With that said, every Wednesday we provide driving lessons and a learners' revision day at the LDS Mormon chapel in Mahia..

## Up & Coming Wananga

In April, we wish to fulfil our commitment and bring together our rangatahi and whanau for our marae kawa kaupapa. This is a necessity and has been on our agenda for some time. In addition to working with our Maori language planning team, we want to use our connections and educate not only ourselves but others of our history, tikanga and respect for our marae.

# - AWHI MAI, AWHI ATU -

Tena koutou katoa

Ko Rangi Kamau ahau

Ko Dora Taumata raua ko Tawa Kamau ōku matua.

Ki te taha o tāku māmā, ko Margret raua ko Rata Taumata oku tipuna.

Ko Tina Kamau (nee Brady) Toku awhai.

Ko Te Rakato tōku marae.

Ko Rongomaiwahine toku iwi.

Our role within RIT is Ground maintenance on our marae of our iwi. We achieve this by weed eating, mowing, edge trimming and weed spraying, removing rubbish. We also split, and deliver firewood to our community. I absolutely love my role.

Why wouldn't I?

I whakapapa to most marae, and the Mahia community. The job satisfaction is infinite.

I work within an outstanding team who always work safely, diligently and to the highest standard.

Noho ora mai,

Rangi Kamau

Kia Ora, ko Kingston Hall toku ingoa.

He mokopuna ahau na Joyleen Pinerete Ormond raua ko Boydie Hawaikirangi Te Nahu.

In the past 4 months working for RIT I am learning about my iwi Rongomaiwahine and the importance of my Mahi in helping our ahikā maintain our marae maintenance.

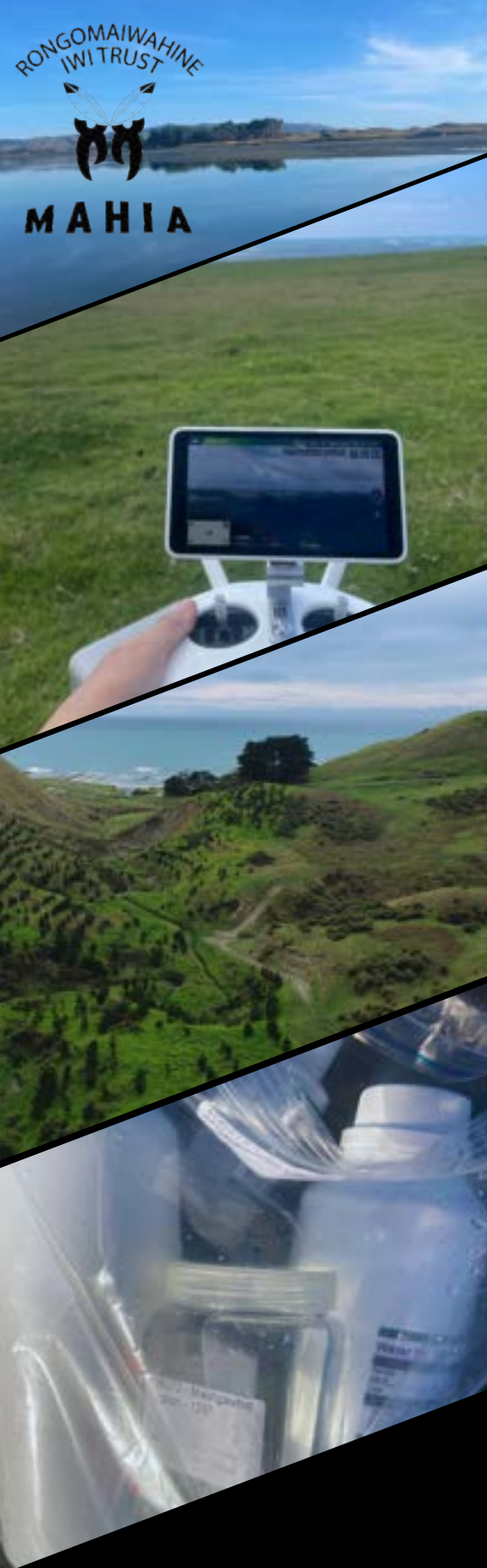
As a rangatahi coming straight out of kura working for my iwi is a privilege, but working alongside my whanau is an honour. I enjoy Rangatahi days alongside Aunty Levi Waihaki, she really pushes us to be the best. Uncle Rangi's knowledge has shown me how to provide for all my nannies and papas during Winter by providing firewood for our kaumatua.

Ko Brady Kamau tōku ingoa.

Ko au te pōtiki o Tina raua Ko Rangi Kamau.

I have been employed by RIT since November 2023, in the Awhi Mahi, Awhi Atu team and have thoroughly enjoyed my mahi. Over the course of the past 4 months, I have further developed relationships with members of our community, developed a sense of pride for the mahi I do, and have been taught skills and knowledge that I do not think I would have found in other mahi. Ngā mihi nui koutou katoa.





# Te Mana o Te Wai

- We have established meaningful connections with both District and Regional Council. This is to make sure that we collaborate well and successfully attain the greatest results for our Tangata Whenua. Making our community's voice known in council is the aim. We wish to be heard at WDC & HBRC over the New Essential Freshwater regulations, the Kotahi Plan, policy changes by the Coalition government, and freshwater farm plans. The aim is to be ahead so that Ngā Tangata of Māhia thrive.
- Our water clarity tests measure the weather, rainfall, water levels, water quality, measurements, site health checks, land use in catchment, disturbances, temperature, conductivity, visual clarity, nutrients and physical habitat visual assessments and more. Our water testing will remain a dynamic, progressive endeavor. We will monitor developments during the Taiao restoration phases.
- Drone surveys are part of our Te Mana o Te Wai initiative, in conjunction with our water testing. Ensuring that we explore all factors that may impact our Wai Māori (freshwater), including debris, silt, runoff, erosion, and more. We may recognize and examine our Wai after extreme weather events throughout time, such as a river diverting from its channel or a canal decreasing or increasing due to debris or erosion.
- Our 18-month data collection resulted in the Te Puna Waiora o Nukutaurua report, which covers the Māhia Freshwater Plan and suggests areas of action. The report outlines freshwater degradation, Mātauranga Kete (Our baskets of knowledge), Te Māhia Ake (The Māhia Way), and a 100-year Taiao journey which is māori led to shape Mahi for the sustainability of future generations.

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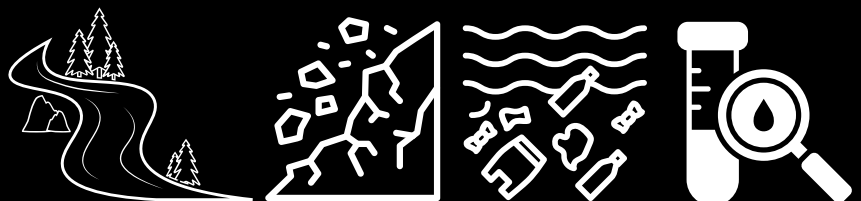
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## Quarterly Report - **EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM**

For Period: 17 November 2023 to 13 March 2024

Mahia Community Resilience Planning was held on 29 November 2023 at the Mahia Golf Club. The Mahia Community Resilience Plan was shared with attendees and different community champions were identified and planning groups were established to commence Emergency Response Efforts for different areas within Mahia. In attendance were Civil Defence – Lenny Ferris, Hawkes Bay Emergency Management – Audrey Tolua, NZ Police – Chad Prentice, FENZ – Bruce Hedley, Hawkes Bay Regional Council – Nathan Heath, RocketLab, residents and marae representatives.



Various training has been completed to support building local capability – First Aid Comprehensive, Defibulator training, and CIMS 3 Training to be completed. Further training needs have been identified within the community and we are currently working with Civil Defence (Lenny Ferris) who intend to commence community training next month.

Whangawehi Catchment Group has been established and a Committee formed with Marion Terry – Chair and Cherie Campbell as Vice-chair and the Emergency Response team picking up the secretarial duties to enable the committee. This catchment group includes residents living between the Whangawehi Bridge and Waitepatu culvert including the Waihinahina and Lane Road

residents. We have also engaged with various marae and identified the need for Marae Emergency Planning and hope to co-ordinate these planning efforts with the Mahia Community Resilience Plan.

Surveys and critical information have started to be hand distributed to local residents and have started to identify vulnerable residents who require special support during an emergency.

Defibrulators have been identified and we are working on updating these on the AED Location website. A few marae are yet to install their allocated equipment and update the website.

We are encouraging everyone to prepare for at least 7 days without external support as informed by Civil Defence. For this purpose we are looking to develop community

maara, preserving workshops, identifying resources within community including medical expertise and qualifications. Report completed by Gypsy Maru – Emergency Response Kaimahi.

