



# TE KUKUPA

TE KORERO A IWI O TE RARAWA, MARCH/APRIL 2004



## Mihi...

*Tena koutou katoa nga whanau me nga hoa katoa o Te Rarawa.*

*The new year has begun with a mixture of promise and uncertainty. At the forefront, the Foreshore and Seabed debate has now escalated into a debate over whether Maori should have any rights at all by the National Party. The term "No more Maori Brashing" is now common place in many school yards and workplaces as the majority of our community feel angry and hurt that this sort of obvious racism has reared its ugly head. I have been doing a little survey of my own and many feel that this type of desperate electioneering has set back race relations in New Zealand 30 years at least.*

*The media have played a very negative role in terms of sensationalising only the negative parts of days like Waitangi. I went to Waitangi on the 6th and spoke with many who had been there over the previous days and they had nothing but praise for the korero and positive attitude of the people. I even went on the hikoi to the Treaty Grounds and imagine my surprise when I saw the news on Friday night, portraying a little kerfuffle in front of the flagpole - it lasted all of half a minute. The media completely missed the other 99.8% of positive awesome things that went on. On a very promising note, we held our own action regarding the foreshore and seabed on February 7th.*

*"The Hands Across the Beach" event*

*saw thousands of people flock to Te Oneroa-a-Tohe (see pages 2-3).*

*We also have an awesome concert/festival coming up in March 27 called 'Breaking the Ice'. It has a focus on being free from drugs and in particular the 'P' scourge that is affecting many of our whanau.*

*We have had to postpone our Te Rarawa Festival, but are planning an awesome Treaty Commemorations day on April 28th. Our educators have been working with the schools teaching about the Treaty and we hope to see many of them participating in a re-enactment of the signing.*



Frank Herbert keeping everyone informed at the Pawarenga Sports Day - see page 9

*There has been some internal restructuring with the management units of the Runanga to make things more streamlined and responsive. One of the big changes are that Iwi Registrations are now the responsibility of Karena and Shonte from the South Road Office, all enquiries should be directed to them on 408 1971. Other changes are being finalised so watch the next edition for more news.*

Enjoy your read  
Jaqi Brown - Editor

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 April 28 - Kaitaia Waitangi Celebrations

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All marae (through their delegates) have been given a pack of 100 forms. This is one way to stay in the play with your Iwi developments, no matter where you live. Phone Jaqi on 408 0141 for more info.

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## Hands Across the Beach - Unity in Action

A personal perspective by Jaqi Brown

*The light of the moon washed over the many who gathered to witness the beginning of a very special day. A day that was filled with aroha and tears, a day that renewed spirit and faith, and a day that united us all as one. The morning air was crisp and clean, not even the smell of a cigarette to spoil the atmosphere. The call of the putatara and the cry of the kaikaranga, split the silence as the sun started to show on the horizon.*

*The slow, respectful steps of the manuhiri stirred up the sandy dust on the foreshore. Hekenukumai Puhipi lead us in karakia, speaking*



Photo - Chevy Herbert

Unveiling o te Pou - Hekenukumai Puhipi saying karakia

*the words of our past and leading us to the present. Poroa was then revealed, proudly facing the mighty Whangatauatia, a symbol of strength and unity for the*



Middle of the Line - from the Lookout

*many hapu and Iwi gathered. The mihimihi echoed the words of our tupuna, messages of aroha, whanaungatanga and kaitiakitanga. The many, many speakers voiced the need for action, preparedness and tino rangatiratanga.*

*As the sun rose and the sky moved through the many shades of the morning blue, the hundreds who gathered dispersed for kai, to be sustained for the day ahead.*



Photo - Chevy Herbert

Green MP Sue Bradford in the line

Photo - Rongo Bentson

*The regathering began at 10, with the first wave of cars, buses and bikes. At the base of Poroa a platform was made for anyone to talk about the matters of the day and this opportunity was taken up by those who needed to air their thoughts and beliefs.*

*Manuhiri arrived in their thousands throughout the day, enjoying the music and activities that were being held by the foreshore and sea. At 3.30pm, the Taura (rope) was tethered to Poroa initiating an exodus to the beach. As the multitudes began their own hiko to support the kaupapa from Paripari, many more came down Te Oneroa-a-Tohe to Wharo to connect as well.*

*Pakeha & Maori were united as one, spread along the foreshore in agreement about the kaupapa of the day.*

## Pride and Prejudice - Gloria Herbert

He mihinui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings to all! and a special thank you to everyone who came to Paripari on the Foreshore Road at Ahipara on February 7th. The whole day was magic from the unveiling of the pouwhenua in the cool stillness before dawn right through all the happenings of the day to the final 'hands-across-the-beach' event. Will we do it again? Possibly. The focus may not be the same but the basic principles of unity and the celebration of cultural differences that makes us such a vibrant community will not change. We can rightfully all take pride in the public display of togetherness at Ahipara.

The events and the media reports of and since Waitangi Day have created an environment of disquiet and dispute or of directness and debate (dependent on which side you are on) that one could interpret as bringing the repressed side of the Kiwi psyche out into the open where we can all confront our prejudices. My dictionary gives the meaning of 'prejudice' as "an opinion formed beforehand, especially an unfavourable one based on inadequate facts" so I use that word deliberately.

For instance Te Rarawa made it clear that our pouwhenua was a

symbol to mark our customary ownership of the foreshore and seabed irrespective of whatever legislation might eventuate.

I know that politicians on both sides of the political spectrum have not understood and have not tried to find out what we mean. That is prejudice. Briefly Maori customary ownership is based on kaitiakitanga, which is the practice of guardianship of all the resources of the natural environment.

It is a heritage passed down to us that we will pass on to our future generations. Kaitiakitanga is about conserving seafood resources at a sustainable level, setting protocols and processes for harvesting, sustaining sand resources, reseeding the beach with toheroa, protecting cultural and historical sites of significance. It is about educating people to understand and respect our paradigm of customary ownership as a property right that can never be sold, and where access will remain open to all as it always has been. It does not preclude commercial development that includes processes to minimise environmental impact.

That is the kind of ownership symbolised by our pouwhenua.

Other examples of political prejudice are the statements about the special privileges Maori only are supposed to be getting

Lots of photos taken on the day and more foreshore & seabed information are available on [www.terarawa.co.nz](http://www.terarawa.co.nz)

every which way; scholarships, health programmes, housing opportunities, Treaty clauses in legislation, special provision for consultation; all with little or no specifics to substantiate their statements. And the scary thing is that a lot of people are accepting these statements as gospel without question and without checking out the specifics. That is prejudice and if it is not addressed the outcomes could be quite ugly. That is not the kind of community any of us want.

As the Chairperson of Te Rarawa I would welcome any invitation to talk to any organisation or group and to try and answer any questions. I make this offer because I believe that informed people make informed judgments that can ultimately create an environment of tolerance and equity. That is the kind of community environment we want our grandchildren to grow up in. That is what we should all aspire to here in the Far North as a model for the rest of the nation.

## RESOURCE MANAGEMENT UNIT

### Foreshore and Seabed Hands Across the Beach

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 'Hands Across the Beach – *Tiakina te Takutaimoana*' was held on Te Oneroa a Tohe (90 Mile Beach) at Ahipara. In the days leading up to it, many had concerns that the wet weather might dampen enthusiasm for the event, but as luck would have it the skys cleared brilliantly for us! It began with a dawn ceremony for the pouwhenua unveiling at Paripari led by Hector Busby, Buddy Nathan, Gloria Herbert, Haami Piripi and others. The tekoteko mounted at the top of the pouwhenua represents Poroa - a Te Rarawa tupuna renowned for his peace-making attributes, but who was nonetheless a force to be reckoned with if ever moved to anger. The pouwhenua symbolises our sense of continuing heritage that we are bound, as Kaitiaki (guardians of that place), to protect. It is all the more important to safeguard this beach for access by future generations, as Te Oneroa a Tohe is also "Te Ara Wairua" (the pathway for those departing to the spirit world), and therefore has national significance. The 100 or so present at the unveiling reflected a wide cross-range of support for the day from Te Rarawa whanau, other Te Hiku o Te Ika iwi, local community, and even a sprinkling of politicians.

Breakfast at Roma marae was followed by an open forum on the hot topic of foreshore and seabed issues, facilitated by Runanga Executive member Malcolm Peri. There was a wide range of speakers, and we had to go over the allocated two hours forum time to fit everyone in! A musical concert then ran until 3:00pm with pumping great sounds by a number of different Maori artists. The Ahipara Surf Life Club kept a watchful eye all the over those playing in the surf, while Te Hauora o Te Hiku o Te Ika ran sports, activities and prizes on the beach for all the whanau. Everyone may wish to note the results of the 'inaugural' iwi tug-o-war challenge (in case they're back next year to defend their titles!): Tamariki/junior section: Te Rarawa; Taitamariki/teenager section: Ngati Kahu; and Pakeke/adult section: Ngati Kuri!

The highlight of the day, however, had to have been the Hands Across the Beach itself, with estimates of people involved ranging from 1,800-3000. A taura (rope) was tied to the pouwhenua, and transported down onto the beach and northwards up Te Oneroa a Tohe. With Mere Rawiri-Tau's artful direction from the concert stage (broadcast live over Te Reo Iirangi o Te Hiku o Te Ika) and the assistance of transport vehicles and a network of Marshalls armed with walkie talkies, the crowds spaced themselves up the taura. The job of spreading out the crowds was made more challenging with the distraction of TV news cameras, a media helicopter and the airplane taking shots from the sky, and the whole two hours was eventually needed to place the crowds just right for the 5:00pm symbolic 'Holding of Hands'. Although the distance spanned was less than 2kms, the sight was absolutely amazing and awe inspiring – especially with all the tino rangatiratanga flags dotted up the taura flying in the breeze (kia ora to all the students of Te Kura Kaupapa o Te Rangi Aniwanuiwa for supplying those)! A lucky few were also privileged enough to have seen the 'halo' around the sun at the time of the hands holding which was viewed by many as a very rare and fortuitous tohu (omen).

Photo - Rongo Bertson



Inter-iwi Tug O War

All in all, Hands Across the Beach was a mind-blowing day: and we couldn't have made it happen without all the contributions and efforts of all the organisations and individuals who supported it. While there are too many to mention here, Te Runanga o Te Rarawa would like to say a big THANK YOU ALL' for making the day a huge success:

*"Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini"* (Mine is not the strength of myself alone, it is the strength of many).

### Pouwhenua a Te Rarawa

With pouwhenua now established at Ahipara and Owata, the challenge is on for other whanau/hapu to erect theirs. Takiwa hui were recently held at Panguru where the whanau began a process of identifying 'pou ki te moana' sites and timeframes by which to erect them. They are now seeking support from the whanau, so kia kaha koutou ki te mahi! Te Rarawa urgently needs as many pouwhenua in as we can before the Crown foreshore and seabed Bill is introduced to the House in early March. Pouwhenua will provide a tangible statement of our ancestral connection to our takutaimoana which can support our actions over the coming months, including any submissions Te Rarawa may make to the Select Committee who will be considering the Bill. If you would like to know more about establishing pouwhenua in your rohe, please discuss with your marae/ takiwa, or contact Cat Davis at the Runanga.

### Foreshore and Seabed - Crown Proposals

(Refer to Negotiator's report next page)

### Conservation and Natural Resource Management

#### Refuse and Recycling

'Clean Stream Northland' (or 'CSN' - the name of Te Runanga o Te Rarawa and CBEC's joint venture) has thankfully survived the heavy holiday period demands on the Refuse Transfer Stations (RTSs) around the District, and are now focused back on advocating community concerns directly with Far North District Council. First on our diary for 2004 was the community liaison meeting called by Council for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Issues discussed were community needs re station opening hours/days – including those needs of our marae; improving staff working conditions at the RTSs; RTS security, improving green-waste disposal services, and the Council's Refuse and Recycling Contract for 2004.

CSN is also grateful for the 'grassroots intelligence' and feedback about the Transfer Stations and the service we provide, as this keeps us in touch with you – the end user. In many respects, you are the eyes and ears in the community, so keep it coming!

For other general enquiries, please contact: RMU Manager Cat Davis: ph (09)408 1971; email [cat@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:cat@terarawa.co.nz) or BDU Manager Vance Winiata (09) 408 1971; email [vance@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:vance@terarawa.co.nz)

## International Treaties List 2004

Te Manatu Aorere (the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade) has released its 36 -page booklet outlining all the Treaties New Zealand is currently involved in negotiating, concluding, ratifying or amending. Please contact us for copies.

## Experiencing Marine Reserves

There will be a presentation of the "Experiencing Marine Reserves" programme at our Runanga offices, South Road Kaitaia, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2004 at 3.30pm. CD Rom/DVD/video resources connected with this programme are also available FREE for your community and schools. The resources include:

- Marine reserves information;
- Animated and interactive features;
- Underwater video clips/images;
- An integrated curriculum unit for schools;
- And much, much more!

So come to the hui on the 8<sup>th</sup>, or contact Samara Sutherland ([exp.marinereserves@wave.co.nz](mailto:exp.marinereserves@wave.co.nz)) or Cat at the Rūnanga for more info.

## Aquaculture Management Areas

The Northland Regional Council has completed its first public consultation round on where future aquaculture should be developed in Northland. It has brought together all the proposals from interested groups so far and shown them on draft maps. These maps form the basis of NRC's next consultation round which is now underway. All indications are that the AMAs will go ahead with or without whānau/hapu participation – therefore we urgently encourage everyone to find out more about the issues.

Te Runanga o Te Rarawa has also sent a representative to attend meetings of the 'Muriwhenua AMA Collective: a collection of iwi/hapu/whānau members whose aim is to protect Māori customary rights, including participation in Aquaculture activities and more generally our coastal foreshore and seabed resources by utilising the strategic and collective

strength of Te Hiku o Te Ika, the sharing of information, and support for one another. At the 18<sup>th</sup> February Runanga meeting, the Collective's draft AMA proposal was distributed. The Runanga urgently requires your feedback on this draft proposal so as to guide future Te Rarawa involvement with the Collective.

The Runanga offers to come out to discuss any of these issues with your hapu/takiwa: for information, please contact RMU Manager Cat Davis.

For more NRC information, check out the NRC website at [www.nrc.govt.nz](http://www.nrc.govt.nz) or contact the NRC Kaitaia office 09 408 6600, or Head Whangarei office 09 438 4639).

## Te Rarawa Treaty Claims Negotiations

*(Following are excerpts from the Negotiators' February Report to the Runanga. Please contact Cat Davis at the Runanga for a full copy).*

### Highlights:

- Representation at the Waitangi Tribunal hearings on the Seabed and Foreshore Claim, Wellington, January 22nd
- Meeting with the Crown Forest Rental Trust, Kaitaia, 23rd January
- Negotiation team planning session, Kaitaia, January 26th
- Meetings with Solicitors, Bell Gully, Wellington, 30th January, 5th February
- Informal meeting with Minister of Treaty Settlements, Waitangi, February 5th
- Executive attendance at Waitangi, February 6th
- Pouwhenua launch, and hands across the beach, Te Oneroa a Tohe, February 7th
- Ongoing input into events in reaction to Seabed and Foreshore announcements
- Meeting to refocus historical research, Hokianga, 10th February
- Negotiation team meeting, February 12<sup>th</sup>

### Current state of negotiations

December 2003 ended with a multi-pronged Runanga decision to protest against the government's announcement regarding the Seabed and Foreshore. This included:

- The erection of Pouwhenua as a visual statement of our rights
- Signaling an intention to withdraw from current negotiations with the Crown of its historical treaty claims
- Continuation of our policy of open access to the beaches by the general public with the proviso that they respect the pouwhenua and the tikanga of Te Rarawa

The Runanga agreed that a withdrawal from negotiations would need to be well timed and best undertaken alongside other iwi in negotiations for maximum impact. The Negotiation Team supported the December resolution on the basis that it was the signalling of an *intention*. Our negotiation priorities continue to lie with developing and getting buy-in to our Nga Whenua Papatupu proposals for the DoC estate.

### Waitangi Tribunal hearing

The Negotiations Team also made submissions to the recent Waitangi Tribunal hearing for Takutaimoana on behalf of Te Rarawa. Our submissions supported the principles established by Te Ope Mana a Tai and previous statements made by the Runanga. Copies of the submissions made by Haami Piripi and Hec Busby are available on request.

*[Footnote: the 18<sup>th</sup> February 2004 Rūnanga meeting supported an ongoing review, till June 2004, of a Te Rarawa withdrawal from negotiations].*

Heoi ano,

Na Cat Davis

### Manager, Resource Management Unit

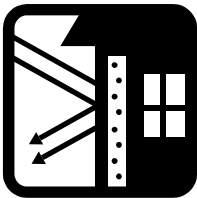
If there's any questions on the matters reported above, please contact the Resource Management Unit Manager, Cat Davis, ph: 408 1971, fax: 408 1998, email: [cat@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:cat@terarawa.co.nz) - or check out the Resource Management Unit page on our iwi website at [www.terararawa.co.nz](http://www.terararawa.co.nz)

### Seabed & Foreshore...

Te Ope Mana a Tai are filing reports of all Government consultation hui on the foreshore and seabed. Regular reports from the many hui are up on the TOKM website at [www.tokm.co.nz](http://www.tokm.co.nz)

## RETROFIT INSULATION

Te Runanga O Te Rarawa's Housing Team is currently working with He Iwi Kotahi Tatou Trust to carry out insulation retrofit work within Te Rarawa. Last year we carried out work to 12 whanau to provide insulation in the ceiling space, under the floor and sealed up the window and door leaks. Most of our whanau noticed a huge temperature difference within their home that were once cold and damp.



We want to provide this to as many of our Te Rarawa whanau as possible. This programme is currently available to whanau living in all Te Rarawa communities including Kaitaia.

*This is the criteria that they must fit to qualify:*

- \* Own their home or have whanau approval
- \* No insulation
- \* Low Income
- \* Community Card
- \* Health Issues are given priority
- \* Homes built pre-1977

***It is imperative that we get as many onto our list (at least 100 whanau), but the more the merrier. Noeline Tua will carry out an assessment with whanau. Please give us a call to register your interest.***

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turi@terarawa.co.nz

## TE RARAWA FESTIVAL POSTPONED, BUT TREATY COMMEMORATIONS STILL ON

A MEETING was held recently regarding the proposed Te Rarawa Festival (Te Hui Ahurei). The korero started around the whakapapa, the beginnings of this whole festival concept, and included a report on discussions with Te Hui Ahurei a Tuhoe Coordinator, Haromi Williams. After much korero, a decision was made to postpone the festival until 2005. It was felt that the Hands Across the Beach, Foreshore & Seabed and Pouwhenua kaupapa was a priority for many of our hapu and that everyone needed to be on board with this Festival kaupapa.

It was also decided that whilst the Festival would be postponed, the Treaty Commemorations would still proceed on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April, as it has done so for the past 5 years. We are planning to build on the Treaty Commemorations day activities and involve more schools, whanau and the wider community.

A query on using the term Te Hui Ahurei a Te Rarawa was put to the Runanga – is it a Te Rarawa kupu? The response and decision of an appropriate name for our festival will be decided at the next Runanga meeting.

Delegates were asked at the Runanga meeting to discuss with their marae whanau, their idea of what a festival would look like and how they want to celebrate together as an Iwi. The Challenge went out for marae/hapu to locate and send representative(s) along to an ideas and planning

meeting in March. An open invitation is extended to all interested persons.

We want to see as many whanau as possible at this hui on the 25<sup>th</sup> March, this is our first really big planning session - bring your whakaaro!



Photo from last year's celebrations

### Commemorations of the Signing of the Treaty of Waitangi in Kaitaia on April 28th 1840

Wednesday 28th APRIL 2004  
A&P Showgrounds, KAITAIA  
10am Powhiri

OPEN INVITATION TO ALL  
Light lunch provided.

*Come and learn about our history;  
about the Treaty and the important  
role it has in our nation.*

*Participation is the key to success  
and better understanding.*

Nau Mai, Haere mai

### Te Rarawa Festival Planning Hui Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 10am-3pm at the Runanga Offices, Kaitaia

This hui will focus on the purpose/kaupapa for the event, as well as the many activities and preparation needed. A draft plan will be drawn up by the end of the day for our participants to take back and share with the marae/hapu.

This is also an excellent opportunity for whanau to learn more about Event/Hui Management. We would like to see as many involved in this planning stage as possible. We will be having a shared lunch on the day.

Get your contact details to Jaqi Brown phone 408 0141, email jaqi@terarawa.co.nz or fax 408 0654, by March 12, she will see that an invitation and contact list is sent out to you, so if you need transport or can carpool you know who to contact for a ride or to offer a ride to. (Building whanaungatanga)

Participants would need to bring ideas for the festival e.g. activities that promote whanaungatanga, waiata, and kapa haka, sports, history, current events, haka/papa to the first meeting.

PLEASE SHARE THIS KAUPAPA WITH YOUR WHANAU & HAPU



Te Runanga o Te Rarawa



Te Oranga, Roadsafte Northland, REAP  
and Te Runanga O Te Rarawa  
are proud to present

## Breaking The Ice

a FREE  
Community Entertainment  
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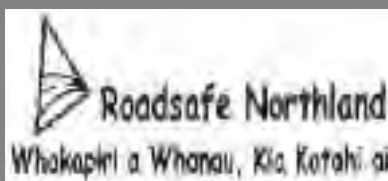
BANDS - FOOD STALLS  
LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT  
DANCERS - KAPA HAKA

Featuring: Verse II (to be confirmed -  
or WVLC), Open Souls, Supanova,  
Dubstar, Josiah, Outatune and more...

Saturday 27th March 12 - 6pm  
A & P Showgrounds, Kaitaia

For more info contact: Boycie (09) 408 0141  
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*'An Alcohol and Drug-Free Event'*



### NEW SERVICE AVAILABLE FROM TE RUNANGA O TE RARAWA

Fred Alvarez, Te Runanga o Te Rarawa's ICT Team Leader, is now trialling the offer of computer pre-purchasing advice to Te Rarawa whanau as a new, free service.

If you are looking at purchasing a computer then you may find that all the numbers and letters and things you can buy in or with a new computer can become very confusing. Fred can help you by talking to you about what you want to use the computer for, and then advise you on what sort of machine you should be looking at and what sort of price range you would be paying. Don't rely on the computer shops as they don't offer unbiased advice - they are a business wanting to sell you something (although some computer shops are more helpful than others).

If you want to take advantage of this free service, you need to contact Fred and make a time to talk to him in person at Te Oranga on Matthews Ave in Kaitaia. Even if you already have some quotes or brochures then it's not too late to talk to him - it may save you hundreds or even thousands of dollars.

Fred is based at Te Oranga on Matthews Ave in Kaitaia; you can phone him on 408 0141 or email [fred@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:fred@terarawa.co.nz)

Please note that while this unbiased advice is completely free, Te Runanga O Te Rarawa does not offer any guarantees nor shall be held responsible financially or otherwise for any advice given.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Te Rarawa Scholarships  
for 2005 will open for  
application in September  
2004.

In the meantime check out  
[www.terarawa.co.nz](http://www.terarawa.co.nz)  
Heaps of new scholarships  
have just been posted.

Another good site is:  
[www.takoa.co.nz](http://www.takoa.co.nz)

## FAMILY START - JAMMIT

FAMILY START INVITE YOU TO  
COME ALONG AND JOIN IN ON  
OUR JAM MAKING SESSION

VENUE: TAIAO MARAE

ALL WELCOME!

DATE: 2<sup>nd</sup> March

TIME: 9.30am – 3.00pm



What you will come out with at the end of the day is:

- The recipe for this plum jam.
- A jar/s of plum jam to take home.

So come along and JAMMIT with us, bring along a jar or 2, 3...

This is the first Community Activity in the Hoklianga for 2004.

Other activities will include:–

- Preserving and Pickling
- Weaving
- Basic Carpentry Skills
- Maori Birthing Practices
- Introduction to Raised Gardens Concept

For any queries regarding these activities contact Family Start at Te Oranga on 408 0141, email [familystart@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:familystart@terarawa.co.nz)

## FAMILY START HAVE A DAD'S GROUP

This Programme is designed to bring Dads, an important family member, into the frame. Every week some of the Dads on Family Start are visited by another bloke or another Dad or another male who discusses issues our Dads may be having.

- It could mean helping him to find a stable job
- It may be assistance with Social issues
- It is often just a korero to catch up with what else is going on around the place

In 2004, they began meeting every fortnight in Te Oranga office.

Dads getting together to korero about everything from changing nappies with big shearer's fingers to stories about their past. Discussions are unsensored, un-challenged and all guards are put away.

***staunch... quiet...laughing...crying....anger.....AWHI***  
*"I can remember when I was young....."*

All in one session. Lately the group has started putting together a plan to do something as a team in the community which will highlight the efforts all dads make.

**"Watch this Space"**

## NAU MAI...HAERE MAI KI TE HUI WHAKAWHANAUNGATANGA

AHEA? (when) - Tuesday 16 March 2004

TE WA? (time) - 10.00am – 4.00pm

KEI HEA? (where) - Tokerau Beach

### NGA KAUPAPA (topics)

BRING WHANAU TOGETHER  
PLANNING FOR YEAR AHEAD  
ENJOY THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER

BBQ  
GAMES  
SEASHELL COLLECTING

Ring Robbie if you are interested in attending,  
at Te Oranga on 408 0141, email: [robbie@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:robbie@terarawa.co.nz)

## He Ara Tika - The Right Pathway *Calling all Mentors!*

We have lots of young people who are looking for some positive role models to help them get a better understanding on life, and to 'be there for them'. If you can spare a couple of hours each week and are keen to pick up some new skills then give Sari a call.

We as adults are responsible for leading the way with our young people; after all they will be the ones leading us in the not too distant future. Encouraging them to maximise their potential, to walk the pathway of knowledge and learning. They deserve the best we can give them - You are the best we can give them!

To learn more about being a mentor for a young person, give Sari a call on 408 0141 (email: [sari@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:sari@terarawa.co.nz)) - a few hours of your time could make a world of difference in the life of a young person.

These are just the tip of the iceberg in terms of sort of support and programs that are available from Te Oranga. Pop into 16 Matthews Avenue, Kaitaia and talk to someone about your needs and aspirations. There is always someone to listen. Telephone 408 0141, email: [teoranga@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:teoranga@terarawa.co.nz)

## WHAKAPAPA ENQUIRIES: CAN YOU HELP?

It seems that as we get older the need to find out who we are, where we are from gets stronger and stronger. Particularly so, when our tamariki ask us questions like "Mum, did one of our ancestors sign the Treaty?" or "Dad, if granddad is your Dad, then who is his Dad?" or the biggest one that comes up is "Nana, I am doing a project and we need to know our waka, awa, marae, tupuna, tangata, urupa..." You get the picture...

Once these questions start, they don't stop, and the parent, grandparent, aunty and uncle then have to look at this whole area of Ko wai Ahau? Who am I? No hea ahau? Where am I from? Once upon a time everyone knew who they should talk to about such things, however as time has gone by, many of these people have simply passed on or moved away, leaving a knowledge vacuum. When this happens, the whanau look for other sources and more often than not I hear from whanau who have lost touch with their roots and need some assistance to retrace their ancestral pathways.

Sometimes we can assist, sometimes not. We have a put whakapapa information page on our [www.terarawa.co.nz](http://www.terarawa.co.nz) website and this is a good place to start reading about ways you can narrow your search. We also have a forum on the website for whanau to leave messages, and, if you include your search name in the title then our whanau may be able to respond to your request.

We do have a whakapapa e-group which includes some notable researchers and other whanau whakapapa experts, and from time to time, we will ask this forum for guidance on a querent's behalf.

The best way of course is to start with your own whanau, even if you haven't spoken to them in 10 years - Whakapapa is the great healer; it brings us together; it is something that we all own and have a part in. Whakapapa is not static or limited; it can be just a few pages of names to some, for others it involves lengthy biographies and photographs.

We will also from time to time publish queries received from our whanau here in Te Kukupa, so if you can help 'connect the dots' get in touch either with the querent or with myself, Jaqi Brown 09 408 0141; [jaqi@terarawa.co.nz](mailto:jaqi@terarawa.co.nz) fax 09 408 0654; P.O. Box 361, Kaitaia. You never know, your little bit might just be the missing piece...

### WHAKAPAPA QUERIES RECEIVED Herekino/Manukau Whanau

Caroline Stevens and her sister are looking for any information regarding their matua tupuna Hori Puriri Te Muunu, if you can help then email her at [caroline.stevens@tegel.co.nz](mailto:caroline.stevens@tegel.co.nz) or phone me and I will pass on any information.

Please - GO TO THE WEBSITE MESSAGE BOARD IF YOU HAVE MORE QUERIES OR IF YOU WANT TO POST A QUERY.

## NZ IDOLS— EMILY KAY MAKES IT INTO THE 24



The Final 24 contestants for NZ Idol have been chosen. One of our whanau **EMILY KAY** from Panguru, made it to the next stage, but just missed out in last Sunday's vote for a spot in the top 10. Emily is also part of the Te Waka Huia whanau and has always expressed a passion for singing and Kapa Haka. An awesome achievement to be selected from the thousands of wannabes. Watch this space for the repeat of our own Far North Idols later on this year.

## Ahipara Health & Resource Centre

*Weekly Event:* GP Clinic every Wednesday appts **4.30pm– 5.30pm**

*Tuesday Fortnightly:* - Accupuncture appts **9.30am – 3.00pm**

*Fortnightly:* Golden Age Club **10.00am– 2.30pm**

*Coming Up:* Cervical Screening 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2004 appointments: **9.30am– 3.30pm**

We will not be holding Low Impact aerobics this year and hope to resume with this next year.

Please ph 4094 865 or fax 4094 844  
for all queries and appointments.

### Acupuncture

*Teri Stout is at the Ahipara Health & Resource Centre,  
from Tuesday 17th February 9.00am - 3.00pm  
then Tuesday fortnightly (for koha).  
Please telephone 4094 865 for an appointment.*

## Coming Events

Te Houtaewa Challenge -  
13th March

Waka Ama Challenge  
20th to 21st March 2004  
Korora Domain, Ahipara

Te Ara Wairua Culture  
Festival - March 8-19th

More info on these:  
[www.tall-tale.co.nz](http://www.tall-tale.co.nz)



## Pawarenga New Year's Sports Day - A Success once again!

Once again the combined marae of Pawarenga ran a fun-filled, exciting and well-organised event on January 1st 2004. Held on the shores of the Whangape Harbour in front of Taiao Marae, the venue was perfect for the many events and activities held during the day. Travelling into this event is a test on any airconditioning system, and the cloud of dust from the cars, vans, quads and horses stretched for miles as the visitors and locals swarmed into Pawarenga. It was estimated that over 1000 people came to the "Centre of the Universe - The land that God made last" (or so the locals say). The timing of the events was superb allowing spectators and participants to get involved in everything. Even the weather was perfect. Frank Herbert was the Master of Ceremonies for the day, who entertained all with his intimate knowledge of the participants and his unique style of compering.

The woodchopping seemed to be the domain of the Herbert whanau with father and son Bo and Chase neck and neck at the blocks and cousin Adrian Beazley holding his own. The beach horseracing was a sight to behold as many of the riders held on with only their feet and a prayer or two. Horsemen and women from all over the district competed for the many prizes and trophies. The highlight was the cross-country with many riders tested to the limit, as they took their steeds across sand, rocks, and cliff faces before bounding down the gravel road towards victory. The Tug-o-War was a rowdy event with teams fairly evenly matched;



Bo and Chase Herbert woodchopping

Photo - Jaqi Brown

muscles bulged and thighs strained as the teams paired off. Many teams were loaded up with Outrigger Canoeists and local sportspeople. The noise in the 'pit' was deafening as supporters cheered on their whanau and friends. Individual success was the order of the day for Iron Men, Women, Boys and Girls. The event was well supported with the participants going through a series of difficult, gruelling activities including carrying and burying a fence post.

The delicious hangi was served off the back of a trailer, with many foodstalls running low on stocks as more and more people poured in. The tee-shirt stall also did a good trade with many people seen sporting their one-off re-



Pawarenga Women Tug-o-War

Photo - Jaqi Brown

minder of the day. Another popular venue was the 'watering hole' where many a yarn was shared over an ale or 3.

Tamariki were queued up for a ride on the mini-quads and a turn on the bouncy castle, while their Nanas and Papas watched on from the shade of the Te Rarawa Kaumatua Tent.

The day wound down with some fun whanau activities, in which 3 generations were involved in donning gumboots and some overalls, while carrying a rugby ball with no hands and other fun games.

The prizegiving was held at the conclusion of the day, with locals and visitors taking home the many trophies on offer.



Hangi on a Landrover

This is how I saw it, a tremendous day, well organised and run. Thanks to the Pawarenga community and all those who helped make the day so special - SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

*More photos on the Te Rarawa website*  
(article supplied by Jaqi Brown)

## PAWARENGA GOLF OPEN



**20-21 March 2004**

Broadwood Golf Club

**Entry Fee:**

Seniors \$40

Juniors \$20

2's and meals included both days

**Handicaps:**

Mens' Division 1: 0-15

Womens' Division 2: 19-45

**Start Time:**

First Tee-Off 8am

Second Tee-Off 12 noon

**More info:**

Wayne (09) 409 5084

Manu (09) 409 5122

Golf Club (09) 409 5788

Photo - Jaqi Brown

## FUNDRAISING AT WHANGAPE MARAE

Ngati Haa are rebuilding their Wharehui at Whangape Marae and are looking for puriri, totara or other timber that might be suitable for carving. They are still fundraising and would appreciate any koha towards this project from our wider whanau. Contact Jaqi Brown 408 0141 re this.

**MAORI AUTHORITY LEGISLATION -****IRD WORKSHOPS**

Ring 0800 473 010 for details of the hui nearest you and to register your interest in attending or look up the IRD website for more details.

Whakatane: Tuesday - 2 March 2004 10.00am - 12.00pm  
 Rotorua: Tuesday - 2 March 2004 3.00pm - 5.00pm  
 Gisborne: Wednesday - 3 March 2004 10.00am - 12.00pm  
 Napier: Thursday - 4 March 2004 10.00am - 12.00pm  
 Dunedin: Monday - 8 March 2004 11.30am - 1.30pm  
 Christchurch: Monday - 8 March 2004 4.30pm - 6.30pm  
 Palmerston: North Tuesday - 9 March 2004 10.00am - 12.00pm  
 Whangarei: Wednesday - 10 March 2004 10.00am - 12.00pm

Changed your address or email etc details?  
 Please let us know! Our contact details at  
 the bottom of this page.



Got an Event or hui you want to promote or tell Te Rarawa what happened? Get it to Jaqi Brown at Te Oranga or phone her on (09) 408 0141 to cover your event for Te Kukupa or the website.

*Don't forget to check out the latest news on Te Rarawa's website: [www.terarawa.co.nz](http://www.terarawa.co.nz)*

Left: Raising the Flag at Hands Across the Beach

**WORKSHOP FOR CAREGIVERS**

The Te Tai Tokerau Gerontology Section is planning an interactive workshop on abuse, what this means for caregivers and implications for their work. Abuse will be considered in many different dimensions, including abuse of clients by family or others, and abuse of caregivers by clients. Michal Boyd, a Gerontology Nurse Specialist and Senior Lecturer at AUT has agreed to facilitate this workshop. She is known as an excellent speaker and advocate for people working with older people.

**Date:** Thursday, 25 March 2004

**Location:** Whangarei

**Venue:** To be confirmed

**Enrolment Forms** will be forwarded to interested people in the latter part of February.

**Cost:** This will be kept to a minimum. Lunch will be included in the cost. For further information and an enrolment form: Contact one of the following members of the Te Tai Tokerau Gerontology Section:  
 Trish Dahl email: [ptdahl@paradise.net.nz](mailto:ptdahl@paradise.net.nz) Phone: 09 405 1868  
 Carole Fisher email: [carolef@igrin.co.nz](mailto:carolef@igrin.co.nz) Phone: 09 405 7569  
 Cherie Cook email: [cheriec@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cheriec@xtra.co.nz) Phone: 09 430 4131  
 Beth Kelly email: [merrivaleRH@hgh.co.nz](mailto:merrivaleRH@hgh.co.nz) Phone: 09 435 3388

The New Zealand Maori Arts & Crafts Institute has established a putea to provide partial subsidy assistance to Maori communities for Maori visual art and craft projects, the aim of which is ...  
 "...to assist marae or Maori community based projects that train Maori in the practice and perpetuation of their traditional visual arts and crafts." Examples of these arts include but is not limited to whakairo, raranga kete, raranga whariki, whatu pueru and tukutuku.

For more information contact:  
 John Turi, Cultural Projects Manager  
 NZ Maori Arts & Crafts Institute  
 PO Box 334  
 ROTORUA  
 07 348 9047  
[john.turi@maci.co.nz](mailto:john.turi@maci.co.nz)  
 Or pick up a copy of the panui from the Runanga or Te Oranga offices.

**Okirihi Marae Easter Festival**

**8th - 12th April 2004 • Te Iringa West Road, Kaikohe**

Kia Ora. We, the hapu of Ngatiueoneone of Okirihi Marae, Kaikohe lost our Marae to a devastating fire on Wednesday 19th November 2003. We are currently fundraising to rebuild our marae and with your support by attending our festival will help us take a step closer to our goal. We invite you and your whanau to join us this Easter for an awesome weekend of entertainment and whanungatanga. Nau Mai Haere Mai.

**Thursday 8th April 6pm:** Powhiri and Festival Opening Ceremony, History of Okirihi Marae.

**Friday 9th April from 10am:** National Kapa Haka, Waiata and Talent Quest

**Saturday 10th April from 10am:** Gala Day, woodchopping, displays, talent quest, touch tournament (contact Tim

Paltridge 09 4010556), Rock Concert

**Sunday 11th April from 10am:** Country and Western Concert, Talent Quest Finals

**Monday 12th April 10am:** Closing Ceremony  
 Gate Charge is \$10 per day for 18 years and over; SUPER CARD discount Marquee Accommodation Available - contact organisers if required.

**Festival will run Rain, Hail or Shine  
 Contact Tip on 09 405 2165 for more information**

**Naku rourou, Noku rourou  
 ka ora te marae**

With your basket and my basket,  
 we will help rebuild this marae