Pūrongo Kōrero Mō Te Aitarakihi

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He Mihi

Tenā koutou katoa He mihi nui tēnei ki a koutou I tēnei wā Ki ngā mate kua wehe atu ki te pō, haere, haere, haere atu rā. Nō reira, ko te tumanako kia haumaru a tatou noho.

Te Aitarakihi wish to extend condolences to those who are grieving the loss of whānau in recent times. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Thank you to everyone who have supported grieving families.

Chairperson

Kia ora te whānau whānui o Te Aitarakihi.

Nau mai, haere mai ki tēnei Kōrero Pūrongo mō tēnei Marama. Ki ngā mate kua hinga mai runga I a koutou, I a tatou hoki, haere, haere atu ra.

Nō rēira, tēnā koutou tēnā koutou tēnā tatou katoa.

While these last few months have seen much disruption from Covid, and several community events having to be cancelled, it has also been extremely successful and exciting three months for Te Aitarakihi.

Our Taumata group continue to give valuable guidance and support to the newly established Te Aitarakihi Incorporated Society and the new board have come together seamlessly to continue to work on and deliver our strategic vision and plan.

With the amazing kaimahi, tūao and wider whānau, we have delivered a range of courses in Te Reo Māori, whaikōreo, raranga and delivered essential resources and support to our whānau through our social services, Kaiwhakahononga Hapori (Community Connector) and our Kaitakawaenga Hapori (Community Liaison). Connecting with whānau and others to offer support and well-being is at the heart of Te Aitarakihi. I would like thank the management on their dedication and ongoing successes, the growth has been exceptional and at times very fast paced, but theu have pulled it all together and keep delivering fantastic results.

We have and will continue to foster new relationships and initiatives to connect and support our whānau across our rohe, such as the new Pātaka Kai which has been seen Alliance



Smithfield work with Te Aitarakihi with the use of their whenua and our mahi, we help feed our whānau with Arowhenua Whānau Services establishment on our site we work together to care for our whānau and with He Manu Hou we help grow our whānau's future. We will continue to be all embracing and work together for our community's benefit and growth.

Nāku te rourou, nāu te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

(With your basket and my basket, the people will live)

Taumata

Te Rōpū Taumata have been active with Pōwhiri and Tangihanga over the past month, however with the significant increase of Omicron in our community and our Te Aitarakihi whanau whānui, there has been a marked increase in the level of physical presence. Monthly hui held by Taumata are now being conducted via Zoom.

Examples of items that Taumata have been working on are:

- Flagpole to be mounted in our nor-west corner. A long-awaited realisation of a vision from of our passed kaumatua Dan Dehar and Bruce Wikitoa
- Support and education of Te Aitarakihi kaimahi, kaitautoko, board etc and production of reference booklets for everyday use.

Mihi to Amorangi and Kima for the repainting of the frontage of the wharenui and which is looking very lovely, and it lifts the appearance greatly.

All in all, February/March has proved to be very busy two months despite the challenges of the pandemic. Our Taumata send out messages of safety and being cautious with the of COVID, ad ki ngā whanau katoa:

KIA ORA MAI TŌ MAURI. KIA HAUMARU KOTOU KI Ō KOUTOU KĀINGA MAHA. KIA PIKI TŌ ORANGA MĒNĀ I TE MĀUIUI KOUTOU. AROHANUI RAWA ATU KI A KOUTOU KATOA

Kaumātua

Due to COVID and the need to be mindful to our elders, activities for kaumatua at Te Aitarakihi have been curtailed until further notice.

With the colder weather starting to set in, it is even more Important to also be in touch with your kaumatua whanau members and offer the support where you can.

KIA MANAAKI NGĀ KUIA ME NGĀ KOROUA O TŌ TĀTOU NWI HĀPORI.

MĀ TE ATUA TĀTOU KATOA E MANAAKI E TIAKI I NGĀ WĀ KATOA

TIHEI MAURIOA



Kapa Haka

It has been a difficult and challenging time for our kapa haka whānau with changes to the delivery of practices; adapting or postponing performances and with the new COVID restrictions and regulations introduced late last year we saw many having to take a step back. We are currently facing a surge in local cases which continues to affect our ropū.

We continue to hope and pray for the settling down of the pandemic and that we may be able to reach some form of normality and re-start our practices again and performances. At present, there will not be a return to practice for at least a further 3-4 weeks, when a review of the situation will take place. Updates on this restart date will be posted on our facebook page "Te Aitarakihi Kapahaka General Page".

In the meantime, kaihaka are encouraged to keep abreast of any items they have been learning and maybe posted up by kaiako in the FB page for the ropū.

Nō reira.

KIA MAIA. KIA TOA. KIA MANAWANUI.



MAURI TU. MAURI ORA



Staff profile



With each newsletter, we would like to introduce you to the staff at Te Aitarakihi. What their roles are, their personal interests and/or background.

We would like to introduce you to Irene Emond.

Irene grew up on a small dairy farm in Hakaru, Te Tai Tokerau (Northland). Ko Pukekaroro Te maunga. Ko Hakaru River Te awa.

Irene studied computing at Auckland Technical Institute from 1978 – 1980, this led to a career in IT computer programming, systems analysis for 14 years. She then tutored Business Computing for Otago Polytechnic for 5 years at their Oamaru campus.

Restaurant/motel owner/operator for 7 years (Rimuwhare in Fairlie) and continued in teaching role delivering community computing classes in Farlie. Then Manager of Trust Aoraki (not-for-profit community group funder) in Timaru for 14 ½ years. Also worked with Straight to Work clients assisting with CV development.

Irene's husband is George and she is mother of one daughter, one stepson and has five mokopuna. She loves most forms of music and is a classically trained pianist.

"I play competitive tennis and still represent my province, also a little golf and lots of walking."

Now Irene is kaimahi with Te Aitarakihi as Kaitautoko (Community Connector Support / Intake worker) — maintain the data base and relevant documents of social service clients, manage membership data base for Te Aitarakihi, assist with accreditation process and policy development and funding applications.



AWS blessing

On Monday 17 January 2022 we had a powhiri welcoming Arowhenua Whanau Service and support to bless the clinic that is now here at Te Aitarakihi.

The blessing was conducted by whaea Ani, matua Piripi and matua Hohepa.

We were all able to come together and be a part of this journey and we are all excited for the future.

Due to COVID Te Aitarakihi clinic will be only open on Monday and Tuesdays until further notice. Temuka will continue their regular timetable. As clinics resume, we will update on our "Te Aitarakihi" Facebook page

Services that are being provided:

Timaru	Te Aitarakihi	Monday: Nurses	9.00 am - 4.00 pm
	Bridge Street, Timaru	Tuesday: Mokopuna	9.00 am – 4.00 pm
		Ora Navigator	
		Wednesday:	
		Tamariki Ora Nurse	
		Thursday: Whānau	
		Ora Navigator	
		Friday: Family Harm	
		Kaimahi	

Pictures from the blessing:











What's on at Te Aitarakihi

We have been fortunate enough to have been able to continue with our Kia Piki te Reo educational classes over the last couple of months. There was a couple of interruptions with the delivery but that is the nature of the world we are living in at the moment.

We are now looking to fill our classes for term two:

- Kia Piki te Reo: Taumata 1 & 2 (beginners level 1 & 2)
 - Tuesdays 6.30-8.30pm starting 3 May for 10 weeks
 - Taumata 1-2 classes are our beginner classes that go right from the basics for super beginners, through to basic sentence structure, tense, pronouns and possessives.
- Kia Piki te Reo: Tuakana Reo (Intermediate)
 - o Thursdays 6.30-8.30pm start date TBA for six weeks
 - Tuakana Reo class is a six-week program. That will have Māori speakers from our community and move into more complex structures. Completion of Taumata 2 or prior reo Māori knowledge is required.
- Kia Piki te Reo: Whaikōrero
 - o held every 2nd Wednesday during term time
 - Men only. Taking our tane through the art of whaikorero
 - No specific course start date, you come along until you

To register for the Reo Māori classes, please fill out this form: Kia Piki te Reo registration

For Whaikorero, register here: Whaikorero registration

If you aren't yet a member, please fill out the membership form: Te Aitarakihi membership

Tane Ora is a health and wellbeing group for tane only (men only). This ropu meet alternative Wednesdays starting with kai at 5.30pm. Their next gathering will be Wednesday 13 April (runs on alternative weeks to our whaikorero class) and is open to any men wanting to attend - no RSVP is necessary.

Additionally, we have our **Ki Te Whai Ao** – Glimmer of Dawn, Professional Development in Cultural Competency running three more times this year, the next one in June. There is a cost associated with this course. Flyer in at the end of this newsletter. Details are:

- **Day 1,** Whanaungatanga Building connection and understanding Tikanga Māori world view; Te Takiwā Local history or our area; Te Reo Basic reo Māori and pronunciation
- Day 2, Te Titiri o Waitangi Understanding both sides; Ngā Hua ō Mua The impacts of our NZ history; Mana Ōrite – Equity and critical consciousness; Te Reo – Basic reo Māori and pronunciation
- Day 3, Kawa Whakaruruhau Cultural safety; Hanga Arawhata Building bridges; Whāinga Whakautu – Response planning

We are working on further wananga that will be run from our Centre and will update you when they are confirmed.

For any questions regarding any of our classes/wānanga, please contact Julie on 027 684 7906 or admin@teaitarakihi.co.nz



Community Connector



Ko wai au
Ko Taranaki toku Maunga
Ko Aotea toku Waka
Ko Oeo toku Awa
Ko Oeo toku Marae
Ko Ngaruahine, Ngati Maniapoto, Ngati Pourua oku Iwi
Toko iwa oku taonga
Ko Wairangi Warren toku hoa Rangatira engari kei te mate ia
Ko Brenda Warren toku ingoa

Brenda Warren – Kaiwhakahononga Hapori (Community Connector)

- Tautoko whānau access online service and fill out government forms/applications
- Make appointments with service providers
- Refer whānau to appropriate agencies
- Link whānau in with a range of services depending on needs
- Provide support-related information and advisory services to whānau
- · Kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face) hui with specialised agencies
- We can meet at your whare, marae, wherever you or your whanau feel comfortable
- Gather information and promote the service available at Te Aitarakihi
- Meet regularly with the Community, Government and Non–Government agencies,
 District Councils and other provider networks.
- We have our Kaiwhakahaere who can support with whakapapa.

To contact Brenda, email brenda@teaitarakihi.co.nz or 027 286 8885



Community Liason



Hāmi Goldsmith - Kaitakaenga Hapori (Community Liaison - Kairuruku Tūao (Volunteer Coordinator)

Connect whānau to Te Aitarakihi

 Provide support-related information and advisory services to people and whānau or to people of specialised agencies /managed facilities or targeted people via telephone, face to face or internet

Offer cultural understanding/support to businesses and Community organisations

• Established regular liaison with the Community, Government and Non-Government agencies, District Councils and other service provider networks.

Organisation of events

- Information on hireage, pricing, availability of Te Aitarakihi Multicultural
- Project management support and joint venue coordination

Volunteers

• Chairperson of volunteer komiti – information available on request

To contact Hāmi, email hami@teaitarakihi.co.nz or 022 095 7159



Pātaka Kai

Te Aitarakihi have set up a Pātaka Kai that is filled with vegetables, fruits and bread that are available for whānau.

We are growing our own produce in our gardens and in a collaborative garden project with Alliance Smithfield in a garden we are developing on their property.

The Pātaka Kai allows people to freely take what whānau need and donate back to it what they can.









Fire Safety

Let's start thinking fire safety for our whānau and tamariki.

Do you have working smoke alarms, an escape plan, and a safe meeting place? To learn more please go to https://fireandemergency.nz/home-and-community-fire-safety/

COMPETITION TIME! Enter our colouring-in competition and to be into win a Home Fire Safety Bucket (ash bucket, fire extinguisher, fire blanket, torch, smoke alarms, heat alarm, stickers).

Print off from this newsletter, or pick up form Te Aitarakihi office. When complete you can bring it into the office at Te Aitarakihi or take a photo of the finished picture or direct message it to our 'Te Aitarakihi' messenger account or email to marketing@teaitarakihi.co.nz

Entries close: 20th June and competition winners announced: 30th June 2022







Name: Age:

Phone Number:







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Ngā Wāhi E Wātea Ana

Te Aitarakihi is seeking expressions of interest for kaimahi for three part time positions: Volunteer Coordinator (10-15hrs per week)
Funding Coordinator (10-15hrs per week) &
Lead Gardener (20-25hrs per week)

Volunteer Coordinator role is to connect and liaise with our volunteers to coordinate the mahi required, ensure that they are being looked after, feel engaged with and valued by Te Aitarakihi.

Funding Coordinator is a varied role from applying for community grants through to liaising with whānau, businesses, community organisations and key people to come up with enterprising ways of raising much needed funding for Te Aitarakihi to further serve our whānau and wider community.

Lead Gardener will be a leadership role overseeing the development of our māra from propagatition of seedlings to harvesting the vegetables following te maramataka. Additionally have the capactity to demonstrate/teach whānau how to make and maintain their own māra at their homes.

For full position descriptions, or further information please contact Julie at admin@teaitarakihi.co.nz or 027 684 7906



Ngā mihi nui

The Board and management of Te Aitarakihi would like to acknowledge our generous funders and supporters for their contributions. Their support allows Te Aitarakihi to continue supporting out local community:







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TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIATO ORA





o Te Tihi o Maru

















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Ki Te Whai Ao flyer



Ki Te Whai Ao.

To register and book your spot, please fill out this form: <u>Ki Te Whai Ao registration</u> or email Julie at admin@teaitarakihi.co.nz