

# Te Tūkaiāia

Te Karanga o te Iwi

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*Kia Tūpato!  
Ka tangi a Tūkaiāia kei  
te moana, Ko Ngātiwai  
kei te moana e haere ana;*

*Ka tangi a Tūkaiāia  
Kei tuawhenua, ko Ngātiwai kei  
tuawhenua e haere ana*

*Beware!  
When Tūkaiāia calls at sea,  
Ngātiwai are at sea;*

*When Tūkaiāia calls  
inland, Ngātiwai are inland*

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## Tāmaki Herenga Waka Festival



Back row from left: Ataria MacDonald; Lexy Ngawaka; Kristy Ngawaka- Ibbertson; Clara Ngawaka; Lavinia McGee-Repia; Celeste Clark. 2nd row from left: Nicola MacDonald; Aretha Ngawaka; Te Rina Ibbertson-Te Puni; Rhanaea Ngawaka; Angel McGee-Repia; Shaana McGee-Repia; Gabes McGee-Repia. Front centre: Te Wairahi McGee-Repia

Over the Auckland Anniversary weekend, Māori History, Heritage and Culture was the centre stage at a new festival held at The Cloud, Queens Wharf on Auckland's Waterfront.

The festival was a free, Whanau friendly event and was named the Tāmaki Herenga Waka Festival. The festival was sponsored by Auckland Tourism Events and Economic Development (ATEED), who also partnered with the Tāmaki Makaurau's nineteen Mana Whenua.

Both local and international visitors enjoyed three days of traditional and contemporary Māori culture, including musical performances from the likes of Sammy J, Maisey Rika and Ria Hall, along with Kapa Haka being on show, and also

being able to participate in traditional Māori games, storytelling and workshops. Visitors were able to enjoy these performances while having a range of delicious kai to choose from, and to also admire and buy a variety of arts and crafts that were on display.

Last seen over 160 years ago, the festival saw the historical return of competitive waka racing on Te Moana nui o Toi. Mana Whenua who competed included; Ngati Rehua-Ngatiwai ki Aotea; Ngati Paoa; Ngati Te Ata; Ngati Whatua ki Orakei; Ngati Maru; Ngati Tamaoho and Te Ahiwaru. As part of the lead up to the races, Ngati Rehua-Ngatiwai ki Aotea Whanau members participated in an intense waka training programme led by

waka expert Riki Minhinnick from Ngati Te Ata. The team was blessed and honoured to be mentored by Riki who taught the Whanau how to paddle and race the waka to a high standard.

Chairman of the Ngati Rehua-Ngatiwai ki Aotea trust and captain of the team, Nicola MacDonald, said "We named our team after our Kaitiaki Te Mauri who is the one-eyed shark and who represents to us both speed; power and strength all of the qualities we were seeking to build and bring on the day".

Two waka were available on the day, namely Kahukura which was heavier and male, and Kurawaka, which was lighter and female. The draw saw Team Te Mauri pitched against Ngati Whatua ki Orakei who were also top waka tangata and waka ama competitors. From the start of the

race Team Te Mauri sprang into action and powered through the water with dynamic speed, beating Ngati Whatua ki Orakei by two waka lengths! The crowd roared with appreciation that newcomers Te Mauri had thoroughly beaten the seasoned professionals.

Nicola said "Te Mauri is made up primarily of our young people and I am very proud of our rangatahi roopu, and our whanau they are awesome!"

Team Te Mauri moved through to the semi-finals and were up against the number one competitor, Ngati Te Ata who was also Matua Riki Minhinnick's roopu. Racing in Kahukura, the team called out to Te Mauri to help, with the calls being answered as the waka lifted itself, pushed up and surged ahead; a battle was fought and war cries were echoed across the

water. The crowds whooped and hollered in appreciation as Ngati Te Ata swept across the finish line followed closely by Te Mauri.

Nicola said "We lost to Ngati Te Ata literally by an inch, but it was an epic battle. Our Ngati Te Ata whanaunga had to fight us for the win and they brought it, it was awesome! Our Kaihoutu said it was the best race of the day. Well done to our tamariki and mokopuna!"

"This year's inaugural event was fantastic, as it saw our people take their rightful place back on the water in waka tangata and it was a privilege to represent our hapu and our iwi. We are already planning on participating and being even more competitive at next year's regatta".



Matua Riki Minhinnick; Ataria MacDonald; Lavinia McGee-Repia.



Team "Kaitiaki Te Mauri" getting ready to hit the water for their race!



Te waka Kahukura.

# Treaty Settlement

# UPDATE

With the Crown's endorsement of The Ngātiwai Trust Board's Deed of Mandate in October 2015, The Board moved into the next phase of the Treaty Settlement process referred to as Terms of Negotiations (ToN).

This phase had originally expected to take three months, but since endorsement of the mandate, some claimants have logged urgency applications with the Waitangi Tribunal against the Crown's endorsement of the Ngātiwai Trust Board's Deed of Mandate. The consequence of this has seen the Board invest a lot of time and resource into responding to these submissions and the expected completion of the ToN phase now pushed out to the end of June. This will culminate in the signing of a document, which details the rules for engagement in negotiations between the Crown and the Board.

During the ToN phase, funding became available from the Crown Forestry Rental Trust, which allowed the Board to begin setting up the supporting structures as outlined in the Deed of Mandate. These structures allow for the inclusion of our kaumātua, hapū, marae, establishment of the Negotiations team, two new

Treaty Claims Committee members and researchers (including WAI claimants) to participate in the settlement journey. Terms of reference have been drafted for each of these groups, which are to be reviewed by the Trustees at its April board meeting for approval.

As a first step to setting up these structures, the Board recently called for Expressions of Interests from within our Kaumātua, Hapū and Marae groups to participate in a panel to screen and interview potential negotiators to be appointed to the Ngātiwai Negotiations team. This panel will interview Negotiator applicants and make its recommendations to the board, who will then appoint the two negotiators. As well as these two appointments, one negotiator will also be appointed from the existing Trustees. The interview panel process allows for our wider whānau to participate in the settlement process by assisting with the selection of negotiators.

During this phase, the ToN document is also being drafted. Important issues are being considered such as, Sovereignty and inclusions of terms and principles to ensure our mana is retained. Recognition in the

ToN of our unique position as people of the sea with the potential inclusion of terms that recognise this. Once negotiators are appointed to represent Ngātiwai, these important issues as well as others will be a major focus for the Negotiations team.

As we progress through this phase and appointments are made, the Ngātiwai Trust Board will ensure that we communicate these to our iwi as well as any other important announcements that may arise during this time.

Following on from the recent successful Wānanga at Ngaio Tonga Marae on 25th February, the Trust Board will be holding more Wānanga with Workshops specific to the Treaty Settlement process. This is to ensure that important information is shared with whānau and an opportunity is given to members to discuss this on the marae. We will announce dates of future wānanga soon.



# Important Dates



WHAT	WHERE	WHEN
Ngātiwaitanga Te Reo me ona Tikanga classes. Contact Sarah Burkhardt 094338728 or 0272757366 to enrol	Tikipunga High School	Starts 4th April, Mondays 6pm – 8pm.
Ngātiwai Trust Board Education Scholarships close	See <a href="http://www.ngatiwai.iwi.nz">www.ngatiwai.iwi.nz</a> for application forms	4th April
Wild Kiwi Multi Sport Event	Whangarei Heads (see <a href="http://thewildkiwi.co.nz/">http://thewildkiwi.co.nz/</a> )	16th April
He ara Toiora Suicide Prevention and Hope Building Research Project - Contact Liz Flower 0275344300 if transport required.	Takahiwai Marae	17th April, 11am
ANZAC Day	Various commemorations around the Rohe	25th April
Ngaiotonga Valley Community Centre Market Day	Ngaiotonga	1st Sunday of every month
Ngatiwai Waiata Classes - Please bring a plate for a shared lunch.	Ngaitwai Education – Level , Toll Stadium.	Every Thursday 10am



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