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Rakaipaaka Trust and Tari update

Our Trustees and Staff are working hard to meet the diverse aspirations of the Rakaipaaka whanau.

The survey results are in and although a small number contributed to the survey, it's a great start to confirming what whanau have already told us and where they want to be in the future. Whanau said they want to be connected, safe and strong, experts in te reo and tikanga, be financially sustainable, educated and participating in learning, to own their own homes, be employed long term, live in a clean green environment and ensure we are all practicing Tangata Kaitiaki. With that, our Trustees have big aspirations, particularly to ensure operations and leadership capability and capacity is evident and that they are meeting their obligations on behalf of the whānau whānui o Rakaipaaka.

The AGM is planned for 12th December 2020 all will be reported, notifications will be out soon, Watch this space!!!

Our Vision

- Our desire to ensure that our Rākaipaakatanga is nurtured and strengthened, is inclusive of all our whanau and results in benefits for our people.

Tatau Tatau o Te Wairoa PSGE Update

Annual Plan:

Trustees are working through their Pou preferences and amendments are being made that focus on whānau, marae and kāhui rather than providers at this point. Funding is been sort for wananga at the Kahui level, Tatau want to engage whanau experts to assist in rolling out the pou aims and goals. Providers will be informed about the aspirations and support that whanau, marae and Kahui expect.

The work for DSP's is progressing slowly.

Ten properties are now underway including our two Rakaipaaka properties (5 Te Maara Street and our current Office).

Commercial Board

Provided their fourth quarterly report and is the last for this 2020 financial year. The unaudited financial result for the year ended 30 June 2020 was a Net Profit of \$875,886.

TToTW Trust keeps a close eye on the performance of the Commercial Board. It will be interesting to see how the Kahui Beneficial Units will look like when Rakaipaaka Trust presents its Annual Report at this years AGM - Watch this space.

Mangapoike Block: Rakaipaaka will be confirming their interest in this Block. alongside 3 other Kahui. Watch this space too.

Support to Kahui:

TToTW Trust continues to support Kahui with their future development. A number of Central Government Agency projects are being offered to the Wairoa rohe and Rakaipaaka Trust have an opportunity to indicate an interest in these projects on offer. Preparation and sustainable planning is key to ensure a state of readiness to engage in these projects We will keep you updated each month on progress as it comes to hand.

Nga Manaakitanga, Rakaipaaka Representative Graeme Symes

River Road Realignment update

A MASSIVE joint effort has resulted in the completion of a river realignment that not only reopens access, but will help prevent further environmental damage. It has been more than 30 years since Cyclone Bola caused flooding that barrelled down the Nuhaka Awa, forcing the Awa to create a new channel at the base of Moumoukai which has since eroded away. The slow-moving slip from the Mangaone road, said to be larger than the Tairawhiti Tarndale land movement, had a huge impact on the closure of the Nuhaka River Road. As well as causing headaches for landowners and anyone else wanting access along Nuhaka River Road, engineers believed the entire hillside would eventually end up in the river, pushing the waterway into yet another route. That is now, not going to happen. Thanks to a collaborative efforts between the Rakaipaaka Trust for Tangata Whenua, Cultural and Ecological Experts, Local farming community, Hawke's Bay Regional and Wairoa District Council, Quality Roading and Services (QRS) and sub-contractor Pryde Contracting, the river has been realigned to follow its original channel.

On September 23rd those groups including Rakaipaaka Trustees, Staff and our Tamariki Mokopuna, Teaching Staff from our local Nuhaka School gathered on a brilliantly sunny day to watch as a newly-dug channel re-open, the old one that was blocked, as a result of Bola, and the river once again flowing along its original route. From the moment digger teeth first hit the earth it took just 20 minutes until the channel was full and the new water course rejoined the main body of the river.

"It could not have gone better," said QRS chief executive Nigel Pollock. "The river going where it should is proof positive of that synergy between vision, funding, design, planning and execution."

The journey to get to this point was a long one: 32 years since Cyclone Bola; around a decade since the hill started slipping and nearly five years since Iwi authority Te Iwi o Rakaipaaka gave their approval in principle for the work to go ahead. However with funding approved under the Provincial Growth Fund's shovel-ready initiative, the logistics had to be pulled together quickly from May when funding was approved to July when the site was blessed ready for the two months of earthworks that followed. "The success of this project is largely due to it having been a collaboration between a number of parties all working together towards a shared goal," says Nathan Heath, acting land manager for Hawke's Bay Regional Council, which commissioned the design before Wairoa District Council released the contract taken on by QRS. Te Iwi o Rakaipaaka environmental officer Graeme Symes said that while the short lead-up put the Iwi under pressure in terms of research, analysis and reporting, they pulled out all the stops to get it completed. Graeme said "The river is a Taonga but we knew the work needed to be done to protect the Whenua," he said. "And because we had already agreed in principal to the project going ahead, we had a little bit of a head start." For QRS, having the job overseen by its construction manager Mike Wilson while sub-contractor Pryde Contracting led by operations manager Sam Pryde did the bulk of the earthworks not only built on the company's commitment to collaborate, it also drew a circle of community attending.

The day after the realignment was complete, Nuhaka School tamariki, teaching staff, Rakaipaaka trustee's and staff were back to help marine scientist Shade Smith relocate remaining fish and tuna from the old channel to the new. Rakaipaaka is looking forward to the results of fish species identified by Shade and his right hand worker Kere Pomana. Kere has whakapapa links to Rakaipaaka and the land in the vicinity of the river re-alignment.

Even the relocating of the fish species was part of the plan, down to the smallest detail. Following a design supplied by Shade Smith, the sub-contractors built horse shoe shaped rock pools in the old channel to create pools the wildlife could rest in overnight, while the stirred-up sediment settled.

Landowners once again have access to check on stock, whanau have access to their lands and recreational areas. This project has revealed some key collaboration methods of achieving as long as the right people in the representative seats are having the conversations.

He mihi nui to all involved.





On Sunday 27th September 2020 a fire blazed at the Nuhaka bridge.

Fire sparked by fallen power lines and powerful winds caused the fire to spread quickly threatening homes, however, the quick actions of the Nuhaka, Wairoa and Mahia Volunteer Fire Brigades, ensured the fire was quickly under-control.

Morere Cafe & Holiday Park

Crystal and Raphael are excited about their move to Morere and are especially excited about meeting our community whanau. They have a range of exciting items on their menu. They can even cater for whanau celebrations, Board or Work meetings and we are sure if you talk to them they will go out of their way to accommodate catering for future gatherings.

They are open from 9am - 5pm, Wednesday to Sunday

Contact them anytime via Facebook @morerecafe or at 06 837 8792.



OHA Healing

Oha Healing is also based at the Morere Cafe & Holiday Park.

Jade provides a therapeutic massage service out of the little army hut surrounded by a peaceful natural environment.

Check it out on Facebook @oha.healing



Our Kāhui are working for us

Extract from Wairoa Star - Nanny Liz Hunkin

Last week, Gypsy Maru was appointed project co-ordinator for Te Iwi o Rakaipaaka Trust. I was one of those on the selection panel. Gypsy comes from a background of organising large numbers of workers as well as having good business skills. She comes to us with her skills and her caring heart to all people, I sincerely hope we will support her as she has quite a task ahead of her.

She will be responsible with setting up our Iwi o Rakaipaaka strategic plan. After all those wānanga we had last year at Kahungunu Marae, our Trustees decided we would have five pou of strategies.

The first pou is manaaki whanau, caring for our families. This is not going to be easy as our families are all over Aotearoa but we can only try to ensure they are safe and strong. The second pou is Ngati Rakaipaakatanga. This makes us who we are so if we dont look after our reo and tikanga, our stories and our marae who else will? This is something for us at home here to do, making sure our marae are always ready to recieve our whanau who live away from Nuhaka. The third pou is whai rawa which is related to creating jobs, another big call. The fourth pou is the environment the river, the land and all our resources. The fifth pou is the Organisation. You can all see that our new project co-ordinator has a huge task ahead of her. Let us all come together to offer our support.

Rugby in Nuhaka is alive and well Who are we? Ko Nuhaka, Ko Nuhaka, Ko Rakaipaaka Hiii

Nuhaka has revealed some All Black talent, as they hailed over Waikaremoana for the Inumia Waiwai Challenge cup. This home game was exciting to watch, with strong attacking, great kicking ability and defense play coming from a young Rakaipaaka bred pack saw try after try and conversion after conversion successfully achieved and a runaway final score of 29-7

Keep it up Nuhaka. we look forward to the next game at Mahia on the 10th October playing for the Pat Ormond Me-morial Shield. Bring it home boys. Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui.



Nuhaka Fish Shop

Has re-opened for business under new management.

Open Tuesday to Sunday

They have a gold card kaumātua locals lunch special every Tuesday 11.30am - 1pm

Pop down to see Chrissy and the team.

Phone number 06 837 8610

20TH CELEBRATION OF
RAKAIPAACA DAY

**KAHUNGUNU
MARAE NUHAKA**

7TH NOV 2020

9AM TO 4PM

**FUN
WHANAU
EVENT**

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

JAMEY FERGUSON

(formerly katchafine)

PETER LEES

MĀTANGIRAU

NUHAKA KOHANGA BEO

OTHER LOCAL TALENTS

#Stalls

#Free Health Checks

#Free face painting

#Free Hangi

#information Tents

#Bouncy Castle

For more info Contact: Dennise Raroa 0274388967

Recipe...

Rakaipaaka Fried Bread

6 cups of flour
1 ½ cups sugar
3 lids DYC Yeast
3 cups warm water

Method

Place flour, sugar and yeast in a decent sized bowl.
Add warm water, stir in well and leave until mixture rises.
Once mixture has risen, turn out onto floured surface and knead, adding flour until mixture is a smooth round manageable ball.
Leave stand for approx. 30min or until mixture is soft to touch.
Flatten out and cut into squares.
Place squares into fat or oil heated into a high temperature.
Cook until the fried bread floats and is golden brown on both sides.
Place fried bread onto empty egg carton or tray to drain off any excess fat.

Whakatauki

Whiria te tangata

*Weave the people together,
unity is strength*

*When people work together the
task becomes easier*

Kīwaha

*Ko taku āroha mōu he teitei ake
i tōku maunga a Moumoukai*

*I love you higher than my
mountain Moumoukai*

Send us your stories that you might want to share with the wider Ngati Rakaipaaka Whanau Whanui by the 10th of each month and we will publish them in our next Panui edition.

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