

# Hoea ra

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**Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi**  
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# Mikimiki

Chairman  
- Ngahiwi Tomoana

The last two months have been a stunning reminder of how wonderful things can be achieved in Ngati Kahungunu by people working together and it brings to mind the whakatauki, 'He Toa Takitini, Taku toa'.

We have seen mass gathering of whanau on Kahungunu Waitangi Day, the austere opening of Te Parekereketanga a nga Rangatira in Wairoa, the dedication of the new Kahungunu Irirangi premises, the placing of the first kuku lines off Aropaoanui, Te Mataatini and the United Nations coming out in support of Treaty Tribes submissions on the Foreshore and Seabed Legislation. These are only a few of the highlights achieved at whanau, hapu, iwi and Aotearoa level.

77 people including 40 kaumatua visited the site of the Mussel Farm and were amazed and delighted to see Ngati Kahungunu's name and logo dancing around on the ocean marking our first Mussel line. Thousands of fish were seen shoaling around the line. This is an example of how working together can achieve.

We have the ancient Tikanga of restoring and reseeding kaimoana stocks that can also return commercial dividends.

**Ma Pango, ma whero, ka oti.**

**Pai ki mua, pai ki muri**

**Naku te rourou, nau te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi**

**E hara taku toa, i te toa takitahi, he toa takitini taku toa.**

Ngahiwi Tomoana  
Chairman

# Kahungunu Celebrations

## Waitangi Day Celebrations

On the 6th February 2005 people gathered at Farnon Park, Clive to celebrate Waitangi Day. Waka rides, food stalls, re-enactment scenes from 1840 and a continuous show of talent made the day a great success. Among the great artists who performed on the day was the renowned polynesian group 'Ardijah', who with their poly flavour, drew a rather large crowd. Hawke's Bay weather was awesome and the whole day went well.

**Kia Ora to the organizers for planning an awesome day for whanau to enjoy.**

## Kahungunu's Traveling Exhibition

Kahungunu Ka Moe Ka Puta – Te Parekereketanga a nga Rangatira is the fourth edition in a traveling exhibition based on the photographic portraits taken by Samuel Carnell. The previous three exhibitions were held in Hastings, Wellington and Masterton. This year Wairoa is hosting the exhibition that opened on the 6th February in conjunction with Wairoa's Waitangi Day celebrations.



Photo produced by Jim Samson - Students from Te Ataarangi o Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa viewing the exhibition on the 14th February.

Mr Carnell was based in Napier, Hawke's Bay during the late 1800's and early 1900's, where his subjects included many ancestors of the Ngati Kahungunu people. Thirteen of the portraits in the Wairoa exhibition are ancestors of the Wairoa people. To compliment the exhibition, several interesting taonga with Wairoa provenance have been sourced from the Hawke's Bay Cultural Trust, the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongorewa, the Whanganui Regional Museum and the Wairoa Museum Kopututanga Taonga o Te Wairoa. These taonga include the hei-tiki 'Te Arawhiti' which was one of Kahungunu's own personal adornments.

The basis of the Wairoa exhibition is the genealogical ties between the Wairoa ancestral portraits, including Hamana Tiakiwai (featured with this article). Hamana was one of the royal chiefs of Ngati Kahungunu amongst the several royal families that existed in Wairoa's tribal territory.

The photographs are on display at the Wairoa Museum, Marine Parade. The exhibition closes on the 30th April 2005. Plans are being made for the photographs to be transported to Auckland where it is hoped that the Kahungunu ki Tamaki Makaurau whanau will host the next exhibition.

**Plan a day to visit Wairoa and the exhibition. It will be well worth your journey.**



Hamana Tiakiwai

## Te Reo Irirangi o Ngati Kahungunu

Radio Kahungunu  
94.3FM & 765AM

Te Reo Irirangi o Ngati Kahungunu has moved. This station first went to air for two weeks from the 5th December 1988, and later on progressed to full time. Originally, the station was run by staff and students of the Te Toa Takitini Multi-Media Studies course at the Hawke's Bay Polytechnic, now known as the Eastern Institute of Technology (EIT).



Whanau gathered for the opening of the new premises in Hastings.



Until recently the Radio Station took up a significant part of the Maori Faculty building at EIT, some 16 years later, Te Reo Irirangi o Ngati Kahungunu has moved to new premises. They can now be found on the corner of Heretaunga and Gallien Streets in Hastings.

Under the direction of the Chairman of Te Reo o Ngati Kahungunu Incorporated Society and Radio Manager Joseph Te Rito, the Station has successfully grown into one of the grooviest stations in town. What's even more cool, is the fact that you can listen to the radio while you surf the internet.

Check it out: [www.kahungunu.irirangi.net](http://www.kahungunu.irirangi.net)  
Log on and listen to Kahungunu Waiata as you work, alternatively tune your radio in to 94.3 FM and 765AM – The Radio waves reach Gisborne in the North and Pongaroa in the South.

**Panui service for non-profitable organisations is free. Simply send your panui to:**  
Fax 06 876 4157 or email [radio.kahungunu@xtra.co.nz](mailto:radio.kahungunu@xtra.co.nz)

## Te Reo Maori

There are many te reo maori courses available to the public at the moment. Some are free, some are night classes, some are day classes, some are full time and some are part time courses. In January about 150 keen people attended the Te Wananga Rumaki te reo Maori course which was held at the Eastern Institute of Technology in Taradale. The classes were taught by native speakers of te reo Maori. The course was specifically designed to cater to all levels from absolute beginners to fluent speakers of Maori. The kaupapa of the course was to increase students' ability to use te reo Maori more naturally in a range of situations.



Tutors of the Junior roopu, Parekura Rohe, Rawiri Andrews and Henare Akurangi.

Ngati Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated staff members attended the week-long course and came away feeling more confident with speaking te reo Maori at work. One of the preferred learning techniques was through waiata. It was a thoroughly enjoyed week.

Congratulations to the staff at the Maori Faculty of the Eastern Institute of Technology for hosting a wonderful wananga.

## Matauranga Scholarships

Ngati Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated are offering scholarships to Ngati Kahungunu students who are currently enrolled at a tertiary institution as a full time degree taura in the final year of completing degree or doing post-graduate study.

Students must be a tangata whenua registered member on the iwi registration database.

To find out if you are registered, contact the iwi office: Phone 8762 718 or 0800 524 864 and speak to one of the staff at the iwi office or email [pouroki@kahungunu.iwi.nz](mailto:pouroki@kahungunu.iwi.nz)

**Applications close 4pm Friday 29th April 2005.**

**For an application form, the policy and 25 year vision, visit our website:**

**[www.kahungunu.iwi.nz](http://www.kahungunu.iwi.nz)**

## Hukarere College

On Saturday the 12th March, Hukarere Girls College held an Expo/Gala Day, to fundraise towards

the relocation of their beautiful chapel from the old Hukarere Girls College on Napier Terrace to their new venue in Eskdale. The fundraiser was planned by the Hukarere Past Pupils Association ki Ahuriri/Heretaunga Committee. Hukarere Teacher - Willie Swan kept the ball rolling with continuous panui and entertainment. Secretary Moana-Lee Raihania said that the kaupapa was the driving force and that's what made it a successful day. Kia Ora to those who helped with fundraising stalls.



## Hakinakina

### Ngati Kahungunu Dominate 2005 East Coast Iwi Challenge



The tribes of the East Coast came together on the 12th March to go head to head in the first Inter Iwi Rohe East Coast Challenge "Taakaro a Iwi" 2005. The Iwi involved were Ngati Porou, Turanganui a Kiwa (who hosted this years event), and Ngati Kahungunu.

There were two codes involved in the challenge: Touch, which consisted of Open Mens, Women's and Mixed team, and Open Men's & Women's Basketball Team.

Ngati Kahungunu prepared well for the tournament sending out an open invitation to attend team trials, with Basketball having Iwi representatives from all over the country including Auckland, Wairoa, Wairarapa, Palmerston North and Wellington.

The day was structured to allow for each code the ability to watch & support each other with the Touch games being played in the morning followed by the Basketball in the afternoon.

Some exciting and close games were held in the Touch with the highlights being Kahungunu Women winning 2 - nil over Ngati Porou, Kahungunu Men winning 4 - 1 over Turanganui a Kiwa and with the mixed game also against Turanganui a Kiwa ending in a shootout with Kahungunu winning 4-3.

Local HB U21 representatives Danielle Roa and Stevie Collier were the stand out players for Kahungunu with Stevie being named MVP of the tournament.

Ngati Porou and Turanganui a Kiwa were unable to match the calibre and class of the Kahungunu Basketball teams with Kahungunu convincingly and easily winning all of their games by 25 points. Kahungunu showcased some 'all star' talent led by Paora Winitana & his younger brother Joe, along with Everad Bartlett in the Mens team and Michelle Swaine & Cheleme Ahkiong-Smiler in the Womens.

Everad Bartlett was named guard of the tournament with Joe Winitana selected as most outstanding forward. Michelle Swain was also named tournament MVP of the tournament for the Womens basketball.

Ngati Kahungunu event organizer and Kaiwhakahaere for Sport Hawke's Bay Paora Winitana was pleased with the weekend results. He said "We traveled up the Coast with a small roopu out numbered with fewer supporters and everything against us, but as a roopu we united together; we took with us the mana of our Whanau, Hapu and Iwi, and believed that we would be successful no matter the outcome".

The Iwi code delegates knew it would be tough to take on Ngati Porou and Turanganui a Kiwa on their home ground and didn't expect to win all games, Touch delegate Jason Lambert said "To come home undefeated in both Touch and Basketball was definitely special and something participants will remember for a long time".

The purpose of the event was to unite the Iwi of the East Coast and encourage Maori to participate more often in sport through an Inter Iwi Challenge. Paora Winitana stated "I think we have achieved this, what more encouragement do the maori up the Coast need than for us to take the Taonga of the Wero (Challenge) and bring it back home to Kahungunu for a year, hopefully longer, I know Ngati Porou and Turanga Nui A Kiwa will come fully prepared next year with a plan to take it back, but we'll be ready".



# Waka Ama

Te Rau Oranga O Ngati Kahungunu had teams representing Hawke's Bay in junior age group divisions of the National

Sprints held earlier this year. Senior paddlers Tamihana Nuku, Matene Ropiha, Mike and Roni Nuku also participated, paddling for other teams throughout the country in the open and senior master divisions.

## Teams/paddlers represented in the following divisions:

Intermediate Boys Division - Team Ruamano, Team Mataamua  
Intermediate Girls Division - Team Whakamiharo, Team Tirama  
Junior 16 Girls Division - Team Ahuriri  
Junior 16 Boys Division - Team Mangopare  
Junior 19 Boys Division - Team Taiohi  
Junior 23 Girls Division - Team Peow Peow  
Intermediate Girls W1 singles division - Kahurangi Waapu  
Kaumatua W1 singles division - Tamihana Nuku

**Team Ruamano** - Tini Kapua, Joshua Taukamo, Phillip Te Nahu, Dillon King (behind), Batt Kapua and Jorian Tangaere.

## Medal Results:

**Intermediate Boys Division:** Team Ruamano successfully qualified for all finals in their age group division this year including the W12 double hull category but were rewarded with a Silver Medal in the difficult W6, 1000m sprint final which involved completing 4 laps of the 250m course with 3 turns. They finished in 6mins 59secs behind Horouta Waka Hoe from Gisborne.

**Kaumatua W1 Singles Division:** local waka ama guru and club chairman Tamihana Nuku won gold in the Kaumatua 500m sprint finishing the race in 3mins 2secs just ahead of Sonny Grant from Te Uranga O Te Ra.

**Tamihana Nuku.** While not paddling in our club teams, members Mike and Roni Nuku also had individual success in their respective teams. Both paddled in open teams for Nga Hoe Horo in the Far North with Mike's Herberts on Tour team winning a gold and bronze medal in the men's open division and Roni's Punale'a team winning two bronze medals in the open women's divisions.

## TUMEKE!

# Waka Wars

On the 16th of April 2005 Te Rau Oranga o Ngati Kahungunu Waka Ama Club are hosting the Ngati Kahungunu Inter-Marae Waka Ama Challenge – 'Waka Wars'.

Registrations: \$2.00 per paddler (Registrations close on the 13th April 2005)

- 300m sprint races
- 6 paddles per team – steerers will be supplied where team does not have own steerer
- 1 x paddler must be under 13yrs
- 1 x paddler must be under 19yrs
- 1 x paddler must be over 45 yrs
- 2 x paddlers in team must be female
- You must represent a MARAE
- Enter as many teams as you want – all equipment supplied

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# He Ika Mussel Farm

The first line of the first open water mussel farm, of the first large scale and probably only aquaculture venture in Hawkes Bay in the largest area of water consented space in the whole country was installed between the 15th and 19th of February by Elaine Bay Aquaculture (EBA) on behalf of Ngati Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated (NKII). Digger Karauria represented NKII while Jenny Mauger and Rangī Spooner represented hapu on board the Innovator, the barge that installed the line.

To recap, Napier Mussels Ltd (NMA) owns the resource consent for the 2548 ha (approx 7,000 acres), NMA is 40% owned by NKII, 20% by NZ Seafarms and 40% by Tasman Mussels (TML) which in turn is 68% owned by Sealord Shellfish. Sealord, through its restructuring process, decided not to invest any further in new mussel ventures and actively sought prospective buyers for a large part of its mussel operations. Why? Several factors;

- 1 Although mussel commodity prices have increased incrementally over the past few years, these rises had been neutralized or negativized due to the high NZ dollar rate against the US dollar, and the fierce corrosive supply competition amongst this countries growers.
- 2 Sealord is changing its image from being a fisher, a processor and farmer, to being a "brand" hence the selling of the fish factory ships, shutting processing plants (Dunedin) and looking at realising other key assets such as fish and mussel farms.
- 3 The extremely complex nature of the Aquaculture Reform Act, makes any new developments in aquaculture almost impossible.
- 4 TML's minority shareholders (a group of about 12 independant mussel farmers in the top of the South Island) could not raise the capital to service all the applications they had in the pipeline for development, (Te Arawa, Whakatohea, Turanga Nui a Kiwa, Hauraki).

That left NKII two options to wallow in the limbo of indecision while the rest of the industry caught up, or put a stake in the water.

Its history now that we put a stake, or more accurately about 40 tonnes of concrete blocks in the water to anchor the latest world technology in aquaculture. What are the pitfalls? There are many, including:

- a) The mussels wont grow.
- b) The commodity price crashes and the NZ dollar rises further against the US dollar.
- c) A storm wrecks the structure.
- d) A boat sinks getting caught up in the structure.
- e) Environmental damage.
- f) A whale gets caught up in the lines and many other.
- g) The cost of insuring against such eventualities was almost as much as the mussel line itself.

What are the benefits:

- i. We are now in the aquaculture business with a fish farmers licence.
- ii. We have 'used it rather than losed it' – the resource consent that is.
- iii. We have the largest single area of water space in the country for the next 30 years.
- iv. We have infrastructure investment that will maintain its value.
- v. We are currently applying to vary the species able to farmed to include paua, kina, kingfish, snapper, crayfish and whelks.
- vi. 14-18 tonne is the harvest forecast in 12-15 months time.

The next 12 moths will require intense monitoring for environmental, engineering, mussel quality and scientific analysis. This is to be undertaken by Land Based and Under Water Engineering Services.

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# Whanau

## Kirikiriira Whanau Day

Ngati Kahungunu ki Kirikiriira whanau had an awesome day at Lake Karapiro on the 26th February, 2005. What started out as a whanau sports day to draw the crowds, ended up as a relaxing day for everyone. Chairman of the Kirikiriira Taurahere Board, Aaron Whaanga said that he was overwhelmed with the attendance of approximately 250 people. There was plenty of kai and lots of sun, so if you weren't on one of the speed-boats, paddling in the waka ama challenge, or playing rugby on the bank, you were soaking up the sun and listening to the sounds playing through the amplifier. The day was a great success with a lot of people wanting to get more involved in Kahungunu events. Organizers were pleased with the outcome of the day and look forward to planning more events like this one to involve our Kahungunu whanau in Kirikiriira. Well done.

## Family Assistance For Working Families

Family assistance is an entitlement for working families with children. How much you can get depends on your circumstance. Family assistance is made up of four types of payments:

- Family support tax credit
- Child tax credit
- Family tax credit
- Parental tax credit

From the beginning of April 2005 working families will be entitled to more family assistance. If you want to find out if you are eligible, call the Working for Families free phone on 0800 774 004.

# Profiles Rongotaihiao Rapaea

## "Never drop your head or give up on tight games"

16 year old sixth form student Rongotaihiao like many rangatahi, loves to play sport. He plays Rugby, Basketball, Softball and last year took part in the Hastings Boys High Super 12 Maori performing arts group-of which some would consider a sport.

Rongotaihiao recently returned home from Japan where he represented Aotearoa in the Under19yrs Softball team coached by the legend Mark Sorenson and international team mate Dion Nukunuku.

Rongotaihiao's Softball achievements over the past two years have been his participation in the following:

- Hastings Boys High School senior for two years
- Under 19 Hawke's Bay team
- Under 15 Hawke's Bay team
- New Zealand Secondary Schools tournament team
- Under 15 North Island team
- And of course his latest achievement – the Under 19 New Zealand representative team which toured Japan.
- Under 17 Hawke's Bay team for two years
- Under 17 New Zealand team

Rongotaihiao's future goals include working hard towards a good education, working hard towards getting into the Junior Black Sox team that will travel to Canada this year for the Junior World series, and more into the future, making it into the Black Sox Team.

Rongotaihiao says, "Team work is important", "Never drop your head or give up on tight games"

Congratulations Rongotaihiao, keep it up, and good luck on your future endeavors!!!

Rongotaihiao at the top.

# Lourdes Zalewski

## "You can do well in anything you pursue if you are prepared to work really hard"

Lourdes Zalewski is the kind of name you see on television when watching the Olympic Games, and it's true, Lourdes is a World Highland Dance Champion.

13 year old Lourdes Zalewski of Kahungunu ki Tamatea, recently returned home from a 2 week trip in Scotland attending the World Highland Dancing Championships. Overwhelmed and pleased with her efforts, Lourdes shares her wonderful news.

Excerpts from Lourdes's letter:

Two days after arriving in Scotland, I competed at the first of five competitions – The World Pipe Band Championship – which took place in a large park in central Glasgow, where there were three dancing boards operating under one enormous marquee. I looked around at the hundreds of dancers warming up...and recognized the faces of many well known champions from other countries. That day I got 3 first placings, winning the Premiership National Title, and 2nd in the Championship Title for 13 year olds.

I was to dance at the Perth Highland Games but due to heavy rainfall in Scotland, the Games were cancelled. For the next five days I trained very hard in preparation for the Cowal World Highland Dancing Championships. Everyday I did 2-hour training sessions in the morning on my own and in the afternoon another 2-hour lesson with my trainer Shendl Russell. I was feeling confident with my dancing, but then tragedy occurred when I twisted my right ankle. The Doctor instructed me that I couldn't dance for another three weeks and I was heart broken. The Doctor saw how determined I was to dance, and I told him that I had practiced all year and come so far across the world with so much help from my whanau that I wasn't going to give in that easily. I was given intensive physiotherapy in an attempt to be ready for the Worlds Championships competition. I had to miss the Bute Championships and I settled for watching the Commonwealth Championships with my foot heavily strapped so it would heal faster. Two days before the Worlds Championships, I practiced my dance routine without too much discomfort and so it was...I competed in the Worlds. In my 13 year old age group class, I got 1st in my Fling, 1st Strathspey and Tulloch, 3rd Sean, and 3rd Sword Dance and I was officially ranked 2nd in the world.

There were over 200 competitors who entered to try and qualify for the Juvenile World Championship in the under-16 year old finals, and when my name was called out in the final 20, I was overwhelmed. I came 4th in the ranking – representing Aotearoa and proud of it. It felt great doing the "March of Champions" – when the top six dancers in each Championship group walked the big oval stage holding our trophies while hundreds of people clapped for us.

A message for other teenagers pursuing excellence in their field of interest,

"You can do well in anything you pursue if you are prepared to work really hard",

"With good whanau support, and good teachers, you will go far".

Tino pai Lourdes!!!

# Tania Rosser

## "Determination, Strength & Speed is everything"

Mention Tania Rosser's name in Ireland, and the Irish know her as "Number Nine and she's fine". Tania plays Rugby for the Leinster province in Ireland. She say's determination, strength and speed are everything on the field.

Tania, (Kahungunu ki Heretaunga) has lived in Ireland for the past four years. Initially she went to Ireland on a holiday to visit her partner, Simon Broughton, who was there playing rugby. She returned home after a three-month stint but only lasted a month before packing in her job and heading back to Ireland. Although she did play rugby here in Aotearoa, her main interest was in netball. Pretty soon however, following her move to Ireland, her rugby potential was spotted and a few seasons forward, she has become one of Leinster's lynch pins and has a season of sitting on the bench for Ireland in the 6 Nations, as well as a couple of European Championship appearances behind her.

### Fact-File - Tania

- Earliest rugby memory: Going to watch her brothers play on Saturday mornings.
- The best thing about Rugby: Starting against Spain in the European Champs 2004 and winning
- First position ever played: Scrumhalf in a sevens tournament
- Best moment outside Rugby: Getting engaged to Simon
- Worst thing about Rugby: All the bruises on my legs (not being able to wear a skirt) and training in the rain and the cold weather.
- Favourite food: Garlic mussels, crayfish and perky nana's
- Favourite other sport: Touch Rugby, Netball and Basketball

Yep she's a Maori! and she's going hard...Keep it up Tania.

If there's anything rangatahi can learn from these stories, it is that determination, hard work, and a good attitude are attributes to pursue if you want to achieve your goals in life.

