

# The learning never stops

The art of extending knowledge based on the principles of tikanga

> or Chance Rohe (Rongomaiwahine, Ngāti Kahungunu), the "learning never stops". Chance, a successful Māori artist and Kaiwhakaako at EIT's Te Ûranga Waka, teaches Te Pôkaitahi Tikanga (Kaupae - NZ Certificate in Tikanga (Mātauranga Māori) [Level 3].

> The programme runs over 17 weeks twice a year. It is primarily aimed at those students who have completed level two and level three Te Reo Māori at EIT and are looking to further their knowledge based on tikanga of the marae through mahi toi (Māori art).

According to Chance, art is used to create a visual piece that is reflective of the assignments of the course. Using the content of the assignments, students will create artworks ranging from hand-drawn works, to paintings. This creates a collection of artworks that will be selected to hang in an art exhibition that concludes the course.

Chance is deeply passionate about Te Ao Māori and about ensuring that his students "come out from this programme with an open mind and confidence to be who they are".

Born in Napier and raised in Wairoa, Chance moved to Hastings in 2003 when he finished his secondary school education. He started to pursue a Bachelor in Fine Māori Arts under the tutelage of Dr Sandy Adsett, MNZM. He



exhibited locally, nationally and internationally in places abroad like Sydney, Hawaii and London. He completed his Bachelor in Māori Fine Arts from Toimairangi, Te Wānanga o Aotearoa in Hastings, followed by a Bachelor of Māori Performing Arts from Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi in Whakatāne.

He later went on to teach Te Reo Māori at the Hawke's Bay

There's always going to be another person or another image that's going to spark something within me, to inspire me to create more. Regional Prison for five years, before moving to the EIT Hawke's Bay Campus in 2019.

Growing up, Chance was surrounded by all things

"I have always practised whakamoemiti (a type or form of karakia). My family is full of creatives. So, everything that I am now was indirectly imbued into me from my family and continues to do so in my evervdav life.

For Chance, tikanga serves as a guide for everyday life. Mātauranga Māori is a way

of life for Chance. He sees Mātauranga Māori as "a learning platform of life", that

informs our view from many angles. Chance's versatility as an artist is evident in the range of mediums he uses, these include painting, drawing, digital art, kirituhi and tā moko However, he says that he initially started with drawing and illustrating and later he transitioned to painting, and more recently in the digital artwork space

For Chance, the endless nature of art and, in particular, Māori art is what he enjoys the most.

You can never stop learning and can never have enough skill. There's always going to be another person or another image that's going to spark something within me, to inspire me to create more."

His goal is to bring EIT schools together with toi Māori (art). Chance says that his students are given another view on how to speak Māori and how to look at things within Māoridom.

The (free) Te Põkaitahi Tikanga (Kaupae 3) — NZ Certificate in Tikanga (Mātauranga Māori) [Level 3] programme runs twice a year in February and July

The schedule consists of weekly day classes or night classes with three weekend wānanga.

For Chance Rohe, of EIT's Te Ūranga Waka. tikanga serves as a guide for everyday life.

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# Barber: Time right for positive change

District councillor eyes Ngāti Kahungunu role

> ayden Barber, Waimārama marae representative on Te Haaro Board for Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga, is standing for the chair of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated.

Barber, a second-term Hastings district councillor, is passionate about seeing success for the iwi.

"Ngāti Kahungunu needs to take its rightful place at the top table of Te Ao Māori. We are collectively one of the largest iwi, and our combined treaty settlements should give us the financial strength to match other successful iwi."

Barber said he had been asked to stand in previous elections, but he opted to increase his governance expertise and experience first.

"The iwi chair is such an important role for our people and requires the skill and ability to go from the marae to the board table, making important decisions on the future for our people."

Building leadership within the iwi is something Barber feels strongly about.

"We must build leadership capacity across Ngāti Kahungunu. This means investing in our people to ensure we have competence and experience in our decision-making roles."

Barber recently became a



chartered member of the NZ Institute of Directors. He is the chair of the Hastings District Council's Strategy and Policy committee, he is an independent director of Beef + Lamb NZ, a director and former chair of Health Hawke's Bay and a board member of Te Taura Whiri i Te Reo Māori (Māori Language Commission).

Barber feels his extensive board director and council experience has prepared him now to take on the role of Ngāti Kahungunu chair.

"Relationships are a key component to such an important role. I've been told I have a knack for walking authentically in both the Māori and Pākehā worlds and throughout the years I've built relationships at all levels, from the grass roots to the dignitaries and everywhere in between."

"I particularly enjoy bringing together people who aren't always on the same page, as it takes patience and practice but is well worth the effort."

Barber also wants to improve Ngāti Kahungunu's financial performance.

"Our fisheries Treaty settlement needs to be growing exponentially so that we can provide our people with increased benefits in the areas of employment, education, health, housing and our environment."

With a family of seven children, and his first mokopuna on the way, issues that affect whānau are at the heart of Barber's desire to lead Ngāti Kahungunu. Bayden is married to Myra Christy, from Nuhaka. Ngāti Rākaipaaka.

"My wife, tamariki and wider whānau have always supported me in my leadership roles as they understand the importance of having good leadership in our community."

Relationships are a key component to such an important role.

"I am meeting with our whânau throughout the rohe either via Zoom or where possible in person to discuss the future of our iwi. My whakapapa links me from Wairarapa, through Heretaunga and on to Te Wairoa and Waikaremoana. It is important to me that all the voices of Ngāti Kahungunu are heard"

Barber's main message is that if you vote for him, you are voting for a positive change for Ngati Kabungunu

change for Ngāti Kahungunu. "If I am elected, we will bring together our collective strength as Ngāti Kahungunu and make our iwi the cultural, social and financial powerhouse it deserves to be. We have over 60,000 whānau, over 80 marae, all our hapū, along with our Taiwhenua and Settlement Groups and numerous successful businesses throughout our extensive rohe, from Paritū north of Te Māhia to Turakirae on the Southern Wairarapa Coast. The time is right for a positive change for Ngāti Kahungunu to ensure our people are thriving and prospering in life. Together we are stronger.



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# Leader proud to put his hand up again

Tools of the past will help us navigate turbulent times

Ngahiwi Tomoana

puta rānei koe e tama, i te wā kaikino nei?" — This is a phrase taken from the famous oriori of Nohomaiterangi, where the question is posed if our children will survive these turbulent times.

We are certainly living in unprecedented times, faced with a global pandemic, political division and potential global war. Leadership is paramount as we traverse through some of the most challenging times that our generation has witnessed.

Our people are no strangers to adversity, we adapt fast and we ensure that our guiding tikanga and kawa is pragmatic to suit the modern context while maintaining its utmost authenicity.

The iwi board and staff have worked hard over the past three years to fully utilise our relationships with key government departments to help remedy system issues that have adversely impacted our people for generations, including but not limited to: Toiora (Health), Ministry of Justice, Police, Corrections, Oranga Tamariki, Housing – K3, Economic Development, Education, Fisheries, Cultural Development throughout the



wider tapestry of Takitimu whakapapa.

Thave been the Ngāti
Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated
Board chairman since 1996
and have led and been
supported by a great team of
representatives from every
corner of the Kahungunu rohe
and beyond where our
whanau reside.

I don't ride this waka alone and I must acknowledge all those who have been and gone, and still with us today. Ngā mihi kia koutou katoa. I positions in other areas

In positions in other areas that support my role as chair of the iwi. They include:

Waipatu Marae representative on the Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust Forum Member Chair, Hukarere Chapel Action Team

- ☐ Chair, Takitimu Seafoods Limited
- ☐ Director, Kahutia Limited Partnership
- ☐ Covid-19 Vaccination Immunisation Governance Board

☐ Governance Board Member, Three Waters

- ☐ Trustee, Treaty of Waitangi Claimants Group (WAI 262) ☐ Chair, National Iwi Chairs
- Forum Pou Tahua (NICF)

  National lwi Forum
  representative for Pacific
  Leaders Forum and Polynesian
  Leaders Group

  Member, lwi Leaders Working
- Group for Te Ohu Kaimoana

  Member of the Ombudsman
  Council
- ☐ Member of the Senior Advisory

Group - Superannuation (SAG)
☐ New Zealand Police
Commissioner's Māori Focus

☐ Member of the Tourism Futures Taskforce

☐ Justice of the Peace (JP)
At the 2019 elections I
declared that it would be my
last term standing for chair.
Back then I was unwell and
overweight but it's been a great
three years and I've shed
weight and gained health.

Iwant to acknowledge my wife Mere and our children and mokopuna. I married Mere 35 years ago and together we married the iwi. My family have always supported me in my role as chair. Yes, my children think I'm nuts standing for another term because they know the hard work involved and they have always provided unconditional support for me in serving our marae, hapú and iwi.

I am proud to put my hand up again to lead our people into our next stage of evolution as we continue to reach to the heights of excellence.

My vision remains to enhance the mana and wellbeing of Ngāti Kahungunu whānau whanui

whānau whanui.
Our whakapapa makes us stronger. The tools of the past will help us soar into the future. Our iwi is the basis of waka, our hapū is the strength of iwi, our whānau is the bastion of hapū, our mokopuna are the future of whānau. Tihei Kahungunu.



# DON'T BE SCARED BE PREPARED

PROTECT YOU, PROTECT YOURS, PROTECT US

# "Kahungunu Living Longer

# PREPARE YOUR WHARE

- Designate an 'isolation' room
- Regularly clean/wipe surfaces
   Entertainment (Books, Games etc)
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## PREPARE YOUR WHĀNAU

- Create a plan for if someone in your whare gets māuiui/sick
- Keep a list of whānau details
- Talk with your tamariki & Store water other whānau about the plan drink bottles.

# PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE

- Wear a mask in public
- Wash hands regularly
- Stay home if you're feeling sick

# PREPARE YOUR PĀTAKA

- Store non-perishable kai
- Store kai that your whānau will eat
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Ngahiwi and Mere with

their

Tomoana

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There are two types of scholarships -General worth \$500 and Research worth \$5,000; Applicants must be registered tangata whenua members; Applicants must be studying full-time in your third to final year



# **NGĀTI KAHUNGUNU IWI INC BOARD ELECTIONS:**

# NTRODUCING THE CANDIDATES

### KAUMĀTUA

#### 🖳 Haami Te Kuru Timu Hilton

As the present Kaumātua for Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated, I am once again putting my name forward. I became the Kaumātua

representative on the board in 1999 and since then have gained a vast knowledge and experience of iwi kaupapa during this time.

I have travelled the length and breath of Aotearoa whenever the board has had to attend hui so we can keep our strong connections with every other iwi that Kahungunu whakapapa too.

I have been available to attend põhiri, whānau hui, hui with foreign ministers from overseas as well as

dignitaries from Parliament and the Kingitanga from Waikato. These important events are carried out at the request of our iwi leaders and chairman of our board, my fellow board members and the management team.

The tasks of the Kaumātua are many and I would like to acknowledge my whanaunga Jerry Hapuku for challenging for the position.

No Reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tatou katoa

# ☐ **Owen Jerry Hapuku** I te timatanga ko te kupu, ko

te nā te Atua ko te Atua anō te kupu. Ko te Amorangi ki mua ko te

hapai o ki muri, te tuturutanga o te Māori Mana Motuhake. E pahemo te rangi me te whenua

Kahore e pahemo te kupu o te Atua.

Ko Te Wheao, Kaueheihei, Kahurānaku nga maunga Ko Poukawa te moana

Ko Kahurangaki te marae Ko Te Hauke te kāinga Ko Ngai Te Rangikoeanake te hanii Ko Ngāti Kahungunu teiwi Ko Te Whatuiapiti te tangata Ko Te Hapuku te kia nui o te Moana Te Rangatira Ko Owen Jerry Hapuku ahau Mihi ki te Kingi Māori

Kingi Tuheitia Potatau Te Wherowhero tuawhitu, Te Atawhai nga tamariki mokopuna hoki nā te Kahui Ariki rirerire hau pai marire. Enga mana, enga reo, enga matāwaka. Ete iwi whānui, Tēnā koutou katoa.

# KAHUNGUNU KI WAIRARAPA

□ Melissa Ihaka

Ko Rangitūmau te maunga Ko Raumahanga te awa Ko Takitimu te waka Ko Ngāti Kahungunu te Iwi Ko Mandie Ihaka rāua ko Shaun Mita-Waata ōku mātua

Ko Melissa Ihaka tõku ingoa. Born, raised and

reside in the Wairarapa close to my whānau.

Kahungunu ki Wairarapa (KKW) board member for four years and represent KKW on the iwi board for three years. Yes it's challenging but worthwhile for our

people. I've been blessed to coordinate iwi events in Wairarapa; support our community during Covid-19; represent KKW, and bring a youthful perspective to the table. Our rangatahi are the future and they need nurturing under the guidance of our kuia and koroua. I have financial, business and strategic experience. I know and value of hard work and appreciate those who continue to serve in our communities.

I put myself forward again

to support our whānau, hapū and Iwi development. He waka eke noa.

Tīhei Kahungunu!

## □ Andrea Rutene

Ko Takitimu te waka Ko Aorangi te pae maunga Ko Wairarapa moana te karu oteika

Ko Ngāti Hinewaka te hapū Ko Kohunui te marae Ko Kaiharte Maiti rāua ko Ko Iraia Te Whaiti rāua ko Kaihou Aporo ōku tipuna Ko Ngāti Kahungunu te iwi Tihei Kahungunu! You may have seen me

around at the marae, church or at the Kahungunu

Ki Wairarapa office. That's because I'm involved in things I'm passionate about

I'm Kahungunu Wairarapa proud! I've lived most of my life right here at home. I love contributing to my whānau, hapū and iwi. Supporting kōhanga and kura, at our marae. advocating for

change as I work within local government, within health and the environment. With running our own family businesses I've learnt what it takes to achieve

I'm no stranger to giving what it takes to see our whānau thrive and contributing to making a positive difference where I can, is my goal.

#### □ Jenishavorne Waipuka

Wairarapa ki uta, Wairarapa ki tai! I am the mokopuna of Millie Jury Edwards and Hugh Waipuka, of Mizpah Matthews and Peter Ammunson, daughter of Kim Waipuka and Paora Ammunson, born and raised in the foothills of our maunga, on the shores of our awa and the whenua of our tīpuna.

I am proudly from every corner of Wairarapa and humbly ask to represent Wairarapa on the iwi board. Professionally, I'm a trust specialist for the Māori Trustee managing 300 ahuwhenua trusts throughout Takitimu/ Te Waipounamu. Academically, I have a diploma in te reo Māori.

pursuing a Masters of Māori and Indigenous Leadership at the University of Canterbury. I'm an active member of my marae and hapū and kapa, Te Rangiura o

Wairarapa. I will utilise my strengths in governance, whenua Māori and te reo Māori to strongly represent Wairarapa.

He māngai reo rua tēnei māu. "tuitui tāngata, tuitui korowai'



#### ■ Nigel How

When I became a member of our iwi board three years ago, no-one could have foreseen the uncertainty and chaos created by Covid-19 across all levels of our iwi. This kutu has dominated the past two years The challenges Covid-19

continues to bring has also created opportunities. It has created a space to re-examine, re-purpose and re-direct our

iwi board. It has made us more resilient. more responsive, more attentive and work even harder for our registered members and wider communities. As this work is not

finished, I humbly stand again to provide continuity and stability at governance level

over the next three years. This means advocating for what is best and working alongside others to obtain best outcomes for all. Tihei Kahungunu!

# 🗆 Naomi Wilson

Kai te iwi, tēnā rā koutou! Ko Nāomi Kate Wilson tōku ingoa, nō Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Rongomaiwahine, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, Ngāti Porou me Te Whānau-ā-Apanui ahau. Otirā, nikā ahau me ōku kāwai e tuku mihi atu nei ki a koutou

katoa. Firstly, it's been an honour and a privilege to represent Te
Wairoa as the Ngāti

Kahungunu Iwi alternative board member. Thank you to those who have given me vour support.
During my three-

year tenure, we were able to address objectives that I would like to see through to completion. They are: 1) Ensure a rangatahi

voice and lens across the Iwi Improve housing initiatives;

3) Keep our whānau

connected and involved.

I am seeking your support once again, and I will strive to create a positive change in all

Nā reira, kāti ake ahau i tēnei wā. Kia ora koutou katoa







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# NGĀTI KAHUNGUNU IWI INC NOTICE OF ELECTION & SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

## **Nominations Received**

Notice is given under the Constitution of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated that the following persons have been nominated as Board Members:

Chairperson (one vacancy)

BARBER, Bayden TOMOANA, Ngahiwi

Kaumatua (one vacancy)

HAPUKU, Jerry

HILTON, Haami Tekuru Timu

Ngāti Kahungunu Wairoa Taiwhenua (one vacancy)

HOW, Nigel William WILSON, Naomi

Kahungunu ki Wairarapa (one vacancy)

IHAKA, Melissa RUTENE, Andrea WAIPUKA, Jenishavorne

As there are more candidates than there are vacancies to be filled for each of the above vacancies, elections will be held between the listed candidates on Tuesday 26 April 2022 under the first past the post electoral system by postal and online

# **Elected Unopposed**

voting.

As the number of candidates for each of the the following does not exceed the number of vacancies, no physical elections are required, and the following persons are declared duly elected as Board Members:

Kahungunu ki Tamaki Nui a Rua Trust (one vacancy)

HAPE, Hayden

**Taurahere Runanga - Northern District (one vacancy)** 

BEATTIE, Eruera

**Taurahere Runanga - Southern District (one vacancy)** 

RUAWAI-HAMILTON, Brian

Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga (one vacancy)

HOKIANGA, Thompson

Te Taiwhenua o Tamatea (one vacancy)

HEPERI-SMITH, JB

Te Taiwhenua o Te Whanganui-a-Orotu (one vacancy)

RETI, Hōri

# Method of Voting

Voting will be by way of postal and online ballot. Voting papers will be posted to all eligible voters of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc from Thursday 24 March 2022.

Note: to be eligible to vote, you must be Nga Uri a Kahungunu and registered on the electoral roll with Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc.

To check your registration details or for new registrations, please phone 0800 KAHUNGUNU.

## Voting closes at 12 noon, Tuesday 26 April 2022.

If voting online, all voting must be completed by 12 noon, Tuesday 26 April 2022.

If voting by post, it is recommended that voting papers be posted by Wednesday 20 April 2022 (using the freepost envelope provided in the voting pack). Voting papers may also be hand delivered to Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc, Taikura House, 304 Fitzroy Avenue, Hastings, from Thursday 24 March 2022 to 12 noon, Tuesday 26 April 2022.

# **Special Voting**

Any person who does not receive a voting pack and believes that they are eligible to vote in this election should contact the Returning Office on 0800 922 822 for a special vote.

Special votes will also be available from Thursday 24 March 2022 to 12 noon, Tuesday 26 April 2022 from Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc, Taikura House, 304 Fitzroy Avenue, Hastings.

# **Special General Meeting**

Nga Uri a Kahungunu are advised that a Special General Meeting will be held at 4.30pm on Tuesday 26 April 2022 at Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc, Taikura House, 304 Fitzroy Avenue, where the election results will be announced.

Dated at Hastings, 1 March 2022

Dale Ofsoske, Returning Officer Independent Election Services Ltd for **Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Inc** 

Phone: 0800 922 822



# Kapa haka helping build self-esteem

ommunity Connections support worker Marie Grogan is overwhelmed with her kapa haka team and their performance to their family and friends at their Christmas

"It's more than a performance, it's a lifestyle change for the better," Marie

In November, Marie approached Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated for sponsorship to support her group of 20 enthusiastic kapa haka learners to perform to their families at their Christmas event. Thrilled to support this request, te Reo, tikanga and matauranga

It helps them to appreciate others' differences and encourages respect and admiration for each other. to gift some T-shirts for the roopu to perform. Marie has worked for Com-

director Dr Jeremy Tātere MacLeod was only too happy

munity Connections for nearly four years. The organisation works for special-needs people to help them learn skills and become more independ-

ent in all areas of their lives. People like Marie are People like Marie are employed to help those who use the service to do activities, upskill, go shopping, work on goal setting and become more independent as they learn to make good decisions for personal growth.

"People with disabilities can and should live the life they choose, on their own terms and within the community of their choice.'

Every Wednesday Marie runs a two-hour kapa haka workshop for Community Connections and participants pay \$2 each time they attend, and she says they love it.

"Everyone comes along and I teach them a song with actions and they love it," Marie said, "Sometimes we go over and over the same song, but like anything, the more we



dressed in Kahungunu kia eke shirts with their headbands that were made by Marie and her team. fantastic event enjoyed by all.

Senior managers John Taylor and Brenda Ericson both enjoyed the show.

Anne-Marie

(left) with mum Marie

Grogan,

Every year it's getting better and better" John said. "They looked very nice in their sponsored shirts".

Ngāti Kahungunu supports healthy, strong and vibrant whānau. The Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated mission is to enhance the mana and wellbeing of Ngāti Kahungunu.

practise the better we get. We start off with a karakia

and a himene and then our multicultural group gets straight into it, singing their hearts out and swinging their hips while doing the actions.

"They love it, otherwise they wouldn't come back", she said. "There are other options to choose from, but I still get a good number in my group.

"I love seeing them interact and help each other. They feel good about learning, building

learn more. Learning a new culture and kupu hou (new words) helps them to feel good about themselves. It helps them to appreciate others' differences and encourages respect and admiration for each other. I love how this form of social behaviour builds their self-esteem".

Marie's kapa haka group performed to their friends and families at the Christmas breakup last year. It was a

# Flaxmere Christian Fellowship 220 Flaxmere Avenue, Hastings Main Sunday Meeting - 10:30 AM

Marie Grogan

The Flaxmere Christian Fellowship is a local Church which has been operating since 1980. Situated on Flaxmere Avenue it draws people from around the Hastings and Napier area. This Pentecostal Church was birthed out of the Charismatic renewal of the late 1970's. The main meeting is every Sunday morning starting 10:30. A Bible College also operates on Sunday evenings for those serious about advancing their knowledge of the Bible. Different groups run during the weekend which cater to youth ad adults. Children's Sunday school classes run on a fortnightly basis during the Main

The Fellowship aims at reaching people with the Good News of Jesus Christ and the transformational power that message brings. It is involved with different programs in the community to help bring this to pass. The Flaxmere Christian Fellowship is also a strong advocate for the Jewish People's right to exist as an independent and sovereign state on their historial ancient land in Israel.

Feel free to come and try us out!

Main Sunday Meeting 10.30am

Phone 06 879 5588

Email: flaxmerechristianfellowship@hotmail.com Web: www.flaxmerechristianfellowship.com

# **AUNTY'S GARDEN**

# Let's go to Church! Melon recipe to help those who are hot and bothered

### Hanui Lawrence

The Corrections department are taking a break with Omicron everywhere, they're playing it safe. I am missing the valued help that they give us

at Aunty's.
So the family rocked up last Saturday and helped to do a week's work in two hours. We planted several trays of cabbages, broccoli and silverbeet. Cleared out some beds and layered the compost ready for further plants.

Young rocket and spinach is well on the way plus peas also. The prices for fresh

**Below: Water** and Rock Melon



greens are at an all time high in the supermarkets and we are getting an influx of people wanting these greens. We have some brassicas but they're not yet ready. I'm trying to hurry these greens along by watering and adding liquid fertiliser.

Beyond Aunty's Garden, I, along with all of us, are mindful of what is happening in Russia with the Ukrainians. Lives lost, families seeking safety in other bordering countries being torn to shreds and it is a heartbreaking situation.

Just as I manage to grow a few melons between rows of kumara I reflect how over the years we found that these two vegetables have grown very well side by side

If you're hot and bothered, this recipe is a delight – Water and Rock Melon Iceberg.

#### **WATER and ROCK MELON ICEBERG**

Ingredients

■ ½ a medium water melon

½ a rock melon

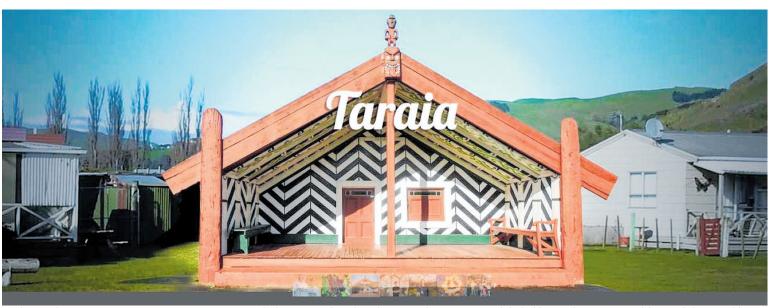
■ Vanilla icecream ■ Passion fruit pulp

■ Whipped cream (optional)

## Method

Remove the skins from the two melons and cube cut into a glass bowl – mixing the colours as you do this. Scoop 4 or 5 dobs of icecream here and there on top of the melons. Drizzle the passion fruit on top of the above. Optional - add. dobs of whipped cream on top and chill.

## **Te Reo Ka Rere**



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# Taraia Marae's history spans 200 years

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### Kupu o te rā

Kāpata / Cupboard Kāpata kai — food cupboard.

# Ketuketu kiwaha

Māti ana!/To be satisfied! This kīwaha is used when you finally eat a kai that you have been craving for. Eg. your first feed of tīti when your buckets come in, you would say: "Māti ana!"

#### Pepeha Ko Takitin

Ko Takitimu te waka
Ko Tamatea Arikinui te
tangata
Ko Ngāti Hotoa te hapū
Ko Kahuranaki te maunga
Ko Ngaruroro, ko Tukituki ngā
awa
Ko Taraia te whare
Ko Kaakirawa te whare

# kaumātua

Whakatauki
"Mate atu he têtê kura, ara mai he têtê kura"
"When the fern frond dies, another rises in its place"
This encapsulates the notion of successive Māori leadership and the need for contemporary leaders to follow those leaders who have paved the way for Māori.

#### **Kahungunu pūrākau** Te Heke a Taraia – Taraia's

Migration
By Wananga Te Ariki Walker
in Maunga Kōrero
Nō Tùrauwhā te whenua /
Tùrauwhā owns the land
Nō Taraia te mana / But Taraia
has the power

The chiefly ancestor, Taraia stands tall in the story of Ngāti Kahungunu in the Heretaunga District. Some would even say that he was the mana of Kahungunu and certainly the ancestor responsible for entrenching the mana of Kahungunu in the district and beyond. The line of descent from Kahungunu converges on Taraia through his son Rakaihiku-roa and then to Taraia. Anyone of the Heretaunga

area claiming Kahungunu descent would invariably link to Taraia.

In the aftermath of the revenge killing of Tūpurupuru (Taraia's brother) in Tūranga (Gisborne), so distraught was Rākai-hiku-roa over his son's death, that he gathered his family and followers together

and sought refuge to the south.

This journey initially took them to Te Māhia, the lands of his grandparents, Kahungunu and Rongomai-wahine. Their stay there, however, was shortlived and the group pushed on through Wairor all the way to the Nanjer area.

the Napier area.
Things would have looked quite different then, in fact the whole flatland area from Bay View through to Taradale and fringing on to Hastings, was an inland sea called, Te Whanganui-a-Orotu. It was the huge Napier earthquake of 1931 that elevated the land surface to what we recognise now.

Te Whanganui-a-Orotu was a veritable "kāpata kai — food cupboard" for all the people living on its fringes and those residing further inland. It was guarded at its northern entrance by the Ngāti Whatumamoa people of Heipipi Pā, near the Napier-Taupō turnoff, while the southern entrance was guarded by Ngāti Awa and Whatumamoa at Ōtātara Pā adjacent to the current EIT — Te Ara o Tāwhaki at Taradale.

When Rākai-hiku-roa arrived, his son Taraia had emerged as a leader of the people and it is through the deeds of Taraia and his able lieutenant, Te Aomatarahi, that the mana of Ngāti Kahungunu was to prevail over the Heretaunga region.

The arrival of Rākai-hiku-

The arrival of Rākai-hikuroa and Taraia in Heretaunga is roughly dated at around 1640AD. As the party neared Te Whanganui-a-Orotu their progress was halted by the occupants of Heipipi that Taraia and his father Rākaihikuroa immediately set about to overthrow. Heipipi was a formidable pā with steep embankments, making it virtually impenetrable. At that time too the sea was closer to the pā than it is today.

During the night Taraia instructed his warriors to drape themselves in their black pake (cloaks) and submerge themselves in the shallow waters. In the early morning mist and fog the sentinels of the pā yelled out in great excitement at the huge shoals of fish flapping in the bay and in a flash they all streamed out to claim their share.

At that point, Tāraia's warriors emerged from under their cloaks and struck mercilessly at their hapless victims. The fate of Heipipi appeared inevitable but for the intervention of Tūnuia-rangi. the chief and tohunga of the Heipipi people, who cast a spell on Taraia and his warriors which rendered them helpless. Therefore, there is some conjecture as to whether Heipipi was conquered by Taraia, or that the intervention of Trinui led to a truce between the two sides. Whichever version is correct, the upshot was that Taraia and his people gained a foothold into the region and from Heipipi continued on to Ōtātara Pā at

the other end of the bay. Otātara was another formidable pā. It was said to be occupied by a mix of Te Tini o Awa, Ngāti Kōaupari and Whatumamoa people. Taraia attacked the pā with all that he had but even this was not enough to rattle the steely resolve of the defenders inside. Taraia then attacked the upper pā called Hikurangi believing this would weaken the main pā of Ōtātara. And although Hikurangi was taken this did not even dent the defences of Ōtātara. And like Heipipi, Taraia also called a truce with the defenders of Ōtātara. The principal chief at Ōtātara was Tūrauwhā and through a compact cemented by intermarriage the two tribes were joined giving rise to the above proverb, "Nō Tūrauwhā te whenua, no Taraia te mana".

Thereafter, Taraia's conquest of the land was

almost assured. He was ably assisted in this process by Te Aomatarahi, a relation of Ngäi Tahu descent who accompanied the migration group from Türanga.

And what of Rākai-hiku-roa himself? It can only be surmised he must have been approaching his twilight years at this time because his name rarely figures in the rhetoric from this period on. However, he did perform one last act — he took another wife, Te Pāpā-uma, and their legacy would also come to play at a later time as we will see in the next story. Rākai-hiku-roa, Taraia and Te Aomatarahi, the mana of Kahungunu ki Heretaunga, tihe mauri ora!

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