

Nga Taonga o NgaiTakoto

Pepi of the Month, Each issue we feature our babies of NgaiTakoto.

This month we welcome Jarrel Puata...



Jarrel Vaughan Puata

Born: 2/10/2014

Weight: 8lbs, 4oz

Parents: Raymond Puata & Brooke Fitzgerald

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Nā tō rourou,

Nā taku rourou,

Ka ora ai te Iwi.

(With your contribution and my contribution, the wellbeing of the Iwi is secured).

Putting In The Hard Yards

Tiaho Taupaki Marsden of Waimanoni, standing proud as he received his Degree in Bachelor of Management Studies on the 17th April at Waikato University's Te Kohinga Marama Marae.

Majoring in Tourism Management and Human Resources, Taupaki put in the hard yards having studied since 2009 to 2014 at The University of Waikato. His choice to study at the campus was influenced by the University having the best Business School – whilst also being named in the Top 50 schools around the world.

His future aspirations are in Maori Social, Economic and Cultural development. Indigenous Innovation, Tourism Innovation and Social entrepreneurship.

His sister Ariana, expressed how proud and moving the moment was to see Taupaki receive his Tohu & says that "he did so in humbleness, gratitude and thanks giving, all we could do was hug him no amount of words could tell him how proud we were of him".

With his Tohu behind him, Taupaki acknowledges God and all his Whanau who supported him in this journey.



Te Kōhanga Reo o Rangaunu

1985 – 2015, Celebrating 30 Years

The Kōhanga Reo O Rangaunu, situated behind Waimanoni marae, is a place for families to learn the language, stories and tikanga of their whānau. Catering to Tamariki of up to 5 years, the activities of the whānau clearly show children are the focus of this kōhanga reo. Encompassing programmes which include good quality te reo Māori is only but part of the work Kaimahi deliver to these children.

The Kōhanga reo recently celebrated their 30th birthday, a trip down memory lane for those who attended the celebration. Whanau who were welcomed with a Powhiri, were able to reflect upon the achievements of the Kōhanga and also acknowledge the support that it has contributed to past and present taura (students) and kaiako. The unveiling and presentation of the Kōhanga reo's Plaque was soon followed by a variety of performances from Purapura & surrounding Kura Kaupapa who were invited to partake in the days celebration.

It was an awesome turnout of support, with a special mention to those who helped make the day what it was. We congratulate Te Kōhanga Reo O Rangaunu on reaching such a milestone.

*'He iti marangai, tu ana te
pahukahuka*

He iti pioke no Rangaunu

He au tōna'

*(Small may the Pioke be, swiftly it
traverses the might of the Rangaunu
and in spite of its size, notable is its
wake as it moves).*



Tane Hikoi – Leadership Growth For NgaiTakoto

This journey took a roopu of young men and challenged them on a 6-hour hikoi from Tapotupotu to Kapowairua (Spirits Bay) ending their hikoi at Rangaunu Harbour.

A Initiative Lead by NgaiTakoto Environmentalist Kaio Hooper, the Tane Hikoi is about building the capacity of our younger generations for future leadership roles within NgaiTakoto and to return to the whenua and historical stories of our Tupuna to clearly identify a sense of who we are and where we come from.

Vision: To promote Leadership qualities and Install Tikanga values in the next generation of young NgaiTakoto men

Mission: Reconnecting with each other and the local Whenua & Moana through Whakapapa, Tikanga, Whanaungatanga and Muriwhenua Historical Korero



Te Runanga o NgaiTakoto Scholarship Recipients for 2015:

Te Runanga o NgaiTakoto Scholarships were formed in 2012. The overall aim of NgaiTakoto Scholarships is to assist NgaiTakoto beneficiaries to fulfil their potential for academic success, and encourage applicants to contribute their skills towards the wellbeing and betterment of NgaiTakoto whanau, hapu and Iwi.

Te Runanga o NgaiTakoto offers Seven Core specific Board Scholarships recognising and honouring our Tupuna who from the onset of the claim have been the driving force for the Iwi, we are pleased to announced the recipients for Round 2 of 2015

Rev. Maori Marsden Tohu – Pursuit of Wananga & Theological Studies

Adrian Marsden – Mahimaru Marae

Lance Brown Tohu – Pursuit of Law & Justice

Elizabeth Smith – Waimanoni Marae

Laddie and Harriet Cook Tohu – Pursuit of Marine & Environmental Studies

Whiria Meltzer – Waimanoni Marae

Walter Erstich Tohu – Pursuit of Matauranga Maori

Tari Stowers - Waimanoni/Mahimaru Marae

Combined Recipients of Hiraina Marsden – Pursuit of Creative Arts

Ngahuia Pou - Waimanoni/Mahimaru Marae & Keri Richardson – Waimanoni Marae

