

Mai Maketu

Whiringa-a-nuku / October 2015

Maketu, Aotearoa/ New Zealand

MAKETU COMMUNITY EXHIBITION

Maketu Exhibition 2015

From September 24th to September 26th Maketu held an exhibition at Whakaue Marae.

This exhibition was to showcase all the work that different groups have been doing in Maketu for the last year. It has certainly been a busy and fruitful year for all.

There were 19 groups on display. They ranged from emergency services to educational institutes to social services to groups that offer different activities/services in Maketu. A visitor could get help for a healthy home or for different social service needs or could see what is on offer for education.

Some of the displays were interactive with visitors, such as the Civil Defence with the earthquake drop, cover and hold exercise (very hard on the knees for some) or the tsunami exercise (everyone run for the hills not stand and look at the sea). Some groups displayed their work with the wetlands, shoreline and sea life. One display showed how they are working tirelessly on the pest eradication. The attraction was obvious for the young and proved to be educational for many visitors, as they did not realise we have pests such as stoats or ferrets in Maketu. Another group showed the work they have been doing with burrow pits and had an aquarium of different whitebait and how big some can grow. Others displayed history. "Wow", is all everyone could say as they tried to pick out who was who in different photos, or saw what activities that used to happen here. The display offered many nostalgic moments and opened the door to a flood of memories for many. Did you know we have a gully with native bushes and trees in Maketu? Imagine that we have the gully just around the corner from the sea, offering a tranquil moment. If the same gully was in a city it would be known as the green belt.

It showcased the amount of hard work that has gone into keeping these groups thriving and, consider this, the majority of people involved are volunteers. People may think this is a quiet seaside village but as was shown at the exhibition we are a diverse and very pro active, busy, community.

As well as all that, it showed the growing sense of community identity and uniqueness we have in Maketu. What a beautiful piece of paradise we are living in.

Ko ahau a Maketu

Ko Maketu ahau



Te Arawa Wetland News

This is the area on the left on the way out of Maketu, which is covered in pampas and willow.

This project from the Maketu Plan is progressing now that some funding has been secured and a Biodiversity Management Plan has been developed.

Te Arawa Lakes Trust, as the owner, will lead the project with the local community being fully involved in moving this forward.

Kotukutuku Gully

The long awaited Spring has sprung and the gully has trees in flower everywhere. The kowhai are a picture and I have been told of Kaka parrots feeding on them. There are certainly lots of wax eyes and tui who have fun chasing the kaka away. The manuka is starting to show flower buds and on the bank we have 3 kaka-beak shrubs covered in their red flowers. Lots of tree growth means lots of grass growth but that's what weed eaters are for – thank you Jim!

As part of improving the entrance to the gully we decided to shift a flax bush. How!? CMT Excavations were working next to my house so I asked them and thanks to Matt Jackson and his digger, it has gone. He stopped on his way home, dug out and re-planted the flax bush at no charge. Thank you CMT Excavations.

We have placed some more bait in the possum stations so please be aware! They are over the creek in the established bush but keep an eye on your dogs and children. Thank you to the people who took an interest in our stall at the exhibition and to Cles-ter, from Maketu Community Development who put the display on.

Trevor Hughes
Kaitiaki



Kotukutuku Gully News

On Friday night a blue vehicle crashed through the fence demolishing two fruit trees on the way down. To add insult to injury they stopped at the gate and broke off the two slam posts to get out.

They will have frontal damage and some help with repairs would be good.

Trevor Hughes ph.5332032

Kōmiti Nui o Ngāti Whakaue Update

Tēnā tatou Ngāti Whakaue

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 18 OCTOBER 2015

Te Papaouru Marae

Ohinemutu

18th October 2015

10am (prior to elections)

ELECTIONS 2015

All the Trustees have indicated their availability for re-election and do not require re-nomination. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the Registered Voting Hui and prior to the election. Further nominees can submit their CV and cover letter outlining their specific Trustee experience. All nominees are required to attend the Registered Voting Hui where the election is being held.

VOTING

In order to have your say on who you want to represent you, you must be present at the Voting Hui, and vote on the day.

For your vote to be counted you must be registered with Komiti Nui **by noon on Monday 19th October 2015**. Provisional voting forms will be available for those yet to register. You can either register at the Voting Hui or online at www.whakaue.org/register

ENQUIRIES

Please contact Executive Manager, Kerri-Ann Hancock or Settlement Support, Katerina Pihera-Ridge on (07) 349-8333 if you have any queries.

REGISTERED VOTING HUI – TO ELECT 10X TRUSTEES

MAKETU (SEA & COASTAL INTEREST)

Sunday, 11th October 2015

Whakaue Marae

10am

Current Trustee: Larissa Wharepouri

NGAPUNA (SOUTH & SE INTEREST)

Saturday, 10th October 2015

Hurangaterangi Marae

10am

Current Trustees: Ray Pou Poasa and Veronica Butterworth

MAMAKU/HOROHORO (WESTERN & SW INTEREST)

Sunday, 18th October 2015

Te Papaouru Marae

11am

Current Trustee: Paul Tapsell

KOROMATUA (CENTRAL INTEREST)

Sunday, 18th October 2015

Te Papaouru Marae

11am

Current Trustees: Pauline Tangohau, Kingi Biddle, Te Kiri Mitchell, Hoki Kahukiwa, Hamu Mitchell, and Anaru Te Amo

Look forward to seeing you at the Komiti Nui Elections and AGM

Larissa Wharepouri
Te Kōmiti Nui o Ngāti Whakaue



James Reid centre with his parents

Update on Team James trip to America!

Well, James and dad Don made it safe and sound to the States, with the help of Leanne (Don's sister, who managed to coincide a family trip to the States with helping Don on the first and hardest leg of the trip).

They spent a couple of days getting over jetlag and adjusting to life in New Jersey, before the big day, the SPML operation on James (to help release his tight muscles and tendons) which was performed by surgeon Dr. Nuzzo, on Tuesday 22nd September. All went well with the surgery, and SPML was performed on James' calves, hamstrings, abductors and pectorals (chest). Then James was put in casts from his feet to just below his knees, which will remain on him for a week until he gets new custom made orthotics from Dr. Jordan in Long Island, New York. Not surprisingly James was in a fair amount of pain for the first few days, now he's much better and has started therapy with a well recommended lady in New York. He will do 2x sessions per day until the team leave for Croatia, on Monday 5th October. There they will do 5x daily sessions of therapy (3xhours per day) for approximately 10 weeks before heading home back to New Zealand.

Again Team James' would like to thank everyone in our community for all the care, love and support we have received both through the months of fundraising and now through our journey overseas. We couldn't have done it without you!!!

(Article received from James' Grandmother Pam Reid)



MAKETU ONGATORO WETLAND SOCIETY

If you have not been down to the Kaituna River at Te Tumu recently, its worth a visit, to see the work that Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Society (MOWS) has been doing there. First off is the removal of the Pampas and Wattle by Fords Cut, this has really transformed the view down the river and made the narrow road across the culverts much safer. We have now replaced the pampas and wattle with native trees and shrubs. We just have to hope for a bit of rain over the next few months to help them get well established.

On the spit itself, we have dug (actually BOPRC did the digging) a channel around the causeway that runs across from Papahikahawai Island to the spit. This was put in, in 1981, cutting off 15% of the harbour. This new channel was only about 1m wide when we dug it; it is now 4-5m wide and has quite a flow. The big advantage for the spit is that we can now remove rabbits and hedgehogs from the spit as they will not be able to cross over from the island.



Little Blue Penguin was over on the spit.



Kaka seen in Maketu

As part of the Ministry of the Environment Rena Recovery Programme, we will be starting a major pest eradication programme on most of the spit in November. This will focus mainly on rats, stoats, hedgehogs and rabbits. Up to now we have only controlled pest at the Maketu end, because they can so easily get across to the spit from Papahikahawai Island. Now that we have isolated the island, we can extend the trapping programme to cover most of the spit.

The dotterel and oystercatcher are now breeding on the spit, so if you do go across there, please be careful as both species like to nest on the beach and this may be outside of the fence, so always look where you are walking.

Maketu Information Centre

Did you enjoy the digital display of photos at the Exhibition?

Do you have any photos you are willing to share?

If yes, bring them to the Information Centre and we will copy and return the originals to you.

Thanks.



TAIAPURE

Now that summer is on the way, we hope, and water temperatures are rising the annual projects to gauge any changes will get underway.

1. Intertidal survey in Maketu estuary
2. Water quality readings in Maketu estuary
3. Mussel survey [this is a dive survey]

Anyone interested please contact Elaine Tapsell at 533 2503





St Peter's Catholic Church

First Communion Mass – 11 October 2015

In recognition of the First Communion Mass for the tamariki of St Peter's Catholic Church, Maori Miha will start at 10am on Sunday, 11 October 2015. Maori Miha parishioners of St Thomas More Church, Mount Maunganui, who are few in number, but big in heart will join us on the day.

Confirmation – 18th October 2015

The tamariki of St Peter's who receive First Holy Communion this month, will join the children at St Thomas Moore Church for Confirmation by Bishop Steven Lowe on Sunday, 18 October 2015 at 9.30am.

Children's Christian Doctrine (CCD) and Baptisms

CCD classes will recommence next year. If you want to know more about the CCD classes and /or baptism instructions, please contact Hariata Rewi on 5332-238.

Maori Miha

Maori Miha is on 2nd Sunday each month at 9am except on special occasions. The next Maori Miha will be on 8th November 2015 at 9am.

Reconciliation : Reconciliation is before Maori Miha.

Liturgy Service

There will be no Liturgy Service this month due to the Confirmation ceremony at St. Thomas Moore Church. The next Liturgy Service will be on Sunday, 15th November 2015 at 11am (3rd Sunday).

Contact

If you have queries regarding Maori Miha, Liturgy Service or Reconciliation, please contact Hariata Rewi on phone 5332-238.

*God bless
Margaret Clarke*

ST THOMAS CHURCH

(The church on the hill)

The St Thomas church family was shocked to receive that news of Dorothy Pihema's passing and we are keeping Kotene in our prayers. It is only now that we realise how much Dolly did for the church and she is sadly missed.

The day to day administration of the church must carry on and at the moment I am the acting treasurer and the secretary. A meeting will take place for everyone after church on the 1st Sunday in November . Please ring me, Ruth Hughes, on 5332032 if you have any questions or offers of help.

A Communion service in Te Reo Maori and English is held on the first Sunday of the month at 10am. Everyone is very welcome so please feel free to drive up to the church and join in the congregation.

Ruth Hughes, Secretary/treasurer

Surf Lifesaving Club Maketu AGM

Date: Wednesday
14th October 2015

Time: 7 pm

Venue: Maketu Surf Club

For more information contact:

*Mike 027 2840658 or
Angelique 021 1155017*



To the Editor.

I would like to say a big thank you to Clester and her team for organising and running the Maketu Exhibition. It was hard to believe how many groups were show-cased and how many projects were covered and it must have been a huge job for the organisers. It really went to prove that Maketu is a great place to live and, apart from all that, it was good talking to everyone who came in to have a look.

Ruth Hughes

MAKETU MARKETS



Every 3rd Sunday 8am to Noon
(and every 5th Sunday)
Upcoming Dates

Sunday 18th
October 2015

Proceeds go to community
projects.

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