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E-PAANUI

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RECOGNIZING THE POWER OF OURSELVES

The Hauora Hub project being re-purposed before of very eyes represents more than just a building project. The very beams and structure have a whakapapa that hold the stories, dreams and footprints of many gone, who dared to dream Te Wharekura o Rakaumangamanga into the credible Kura it is today.

It also represents relationships, both community and marae along with our strategic partners investing hours upon hours, hui after hui to work together to bring the dream to reality.

Recent government announcements signal that Aotearoa is facing significant budget cuts and re shuffling across many sectors, with widespread implications for communities nationwide.

These cuts are expected to reduce funding for essential services, placing added pressure on already stretched community providers and grassroots initiatives. The ripple effect will likely be felt most deeply by vulnerable populations, threatening the progress made in equity, wellbeing, and locally-led development.

In the face of uncertainty that continue to undermine the wellbeing of our communities, we believe it is our own local talent, lived experience, and innovation that will carry us through. Think Covid and our local responders of that time.

We hold within ourselves the skills and strength to build solutions that reflect our values and meet our needs. By harnessing our collective resilience and investing in a circular social economy—rooted in reciprocity, local enterprise, and whaanau-led development—we can reduce dependency and create a thriving, self-sustaining future right here in our own backyard.

Thank goodness we didn't sit back and do nothing - our train left the station 5 years ago.

IN THIS E-PAANUI

- Updates from our Housing team Pou Tiaki
- Highlights of Te Puna Ora and their growth
- Learn about Mana whenua design model for the upcoming Hauora Hub
- The Maara that keeps on giving
- Serving up health solutions from Tuuhono Hauora team
- Highlights from the community

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Te Puna Ora –healing our people



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Our holistic healing clinic has experienced remarkable growth, becoming an integral part of the broader wellbeing kaupapa that continues to uplift whānau and strengthen community resilience. As awareness of our natural products and traditional healing approaches expands, so too does the demand—from both local clients and those seeking authentic, whānau-led care. This growing influence is not only enhancing individual healing journeys but also contributing to collective hauora by restoring balance, reconnecting people to mātauranga Māori, and creating spaces of trust and transformation. Our clinic's presence is now widely recognised as a powerful expression of tino rangatiratanga in health, resonating deeply within the kaupapa of Poua te Raahui and the wider strategy for long-term, community-designed wellbeing.

Setting up in Main street's pop-up markets has significantly boosted both brand awareness and sales for our holistic healing services. The central, high-traffic location has allowed us to connect with a wider audience, many of whom may not have discovered us otherwise. Engaging directly with the community in a relaxed, accessible environment has helped build trust, spark interest in our offerings, and convert casual inquiries into loyal clients.

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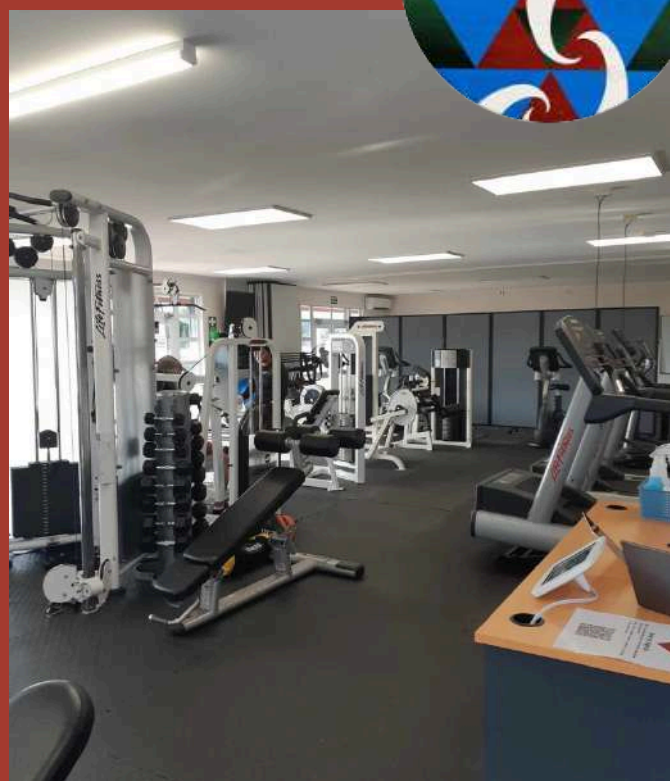
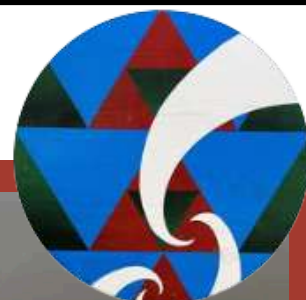
Taniwha Cart Updates



Our Taniwha Cart continues to draw a steady flow of customers, proudly serving up nourishing health beverages and some of the best coffee in town. More than just a popular refreshment stop, the cart plays a vital role in supporting our social enterprise by generating income that goes back into maintaining the business. It also acts as a practical learning space for rangatahi, offering hands-on experience in customer service, financial literacy, and the day-to-day operations of running a small business—building skills and confidence for the future.

Te Whare Oranga Updates

Te Whare Oranga Gym has seen a strong increase in membership recently, reflecting the community's growing commitment to health and wellbeing. Since its renovation, the introduction of membership fees has not deterred people—instead, it has helped enhance the gym's offerings while maintaining accessibility. This positive momentum is further supported by the dedication of volunteers who generously give their time to keep the space welcoming, clean, and supportive. Their contribution, combined with the community's response, shows that when a service is valued and owned by the people, it thrives. Having a good support team has also given rise to an increase in Kaumatua numbers



Pou Taiiao



Kai Sovereignty -Kaahui Tuuwaa



THE HUMBLE TRACTOR THAT CAN

- Helped to strengthen a local network economy to re-invest back into the Maara
- Provided 300 kilos of kai that supported tangihanga at our marae and homes of whanau
- looking after Papatuānuku ensuring we remain organic and tūturu to our values and our Maramataka.



Helping dad at mahi during school holidays

During the school holidays, Neice Winter Berryman decided to spend time with her Dad Blain together working in the gardens, sharing laughter, stories, and skills passed down through generations. It's a chance to bond, nurture the land, and grow more than just kai—it's about growing connection and legacy.

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Papakāinga - Housing Solutions



ILLUMINATING PATHS TO HOME SECURITY

April has been a busy and productive month for Pou Tiaki, with a strong focus on administration, planning, and community outcomes. We completed Part 1 of our Quarter 2 planning cycle and reviewed key deliverables to ensure we are meeting the needs of our community. A key highlight was the development and rollout of the Pou Tiaki Biannual Survey and the Whānau Whare Wellness Checklist, both of which will be implemented across our three housing cohorts. The photo captures our team in action, reviewing housing inspections and drafting a Maintenance Plan to support the ongoing care and sustainability of our rental properties.

Our enduring relationship with Kāinga Ora continues to strengthen our shared commitment to housing solutions that reflect the values and needs of whānau in Huntly. Through a mana whenua-led approach, we have been able to model a way of working that centres whakapapa, whenua, and community voice—ensuring that housing is not just about buildings, but about restoring dignity, connection, and belonging. This partnership stands as an example of what's possible when indigenous leadership is respected and empowered to lead solutions for its own people.



The challenges of housing solutions vary across the housing spectrum from rental wait lists, shortage of rental supply, locked up land shares to poor housing conditions. This is why over the last 5 years Matawhānui have been developing partnerships to seek solutions together. We value our stakeholders for their commitment to improving whānau lives in Raahui Pookeka



Pou Hauora



Health

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WHEN THEY CLOSE - WE REMAIN OPEN.

The unwavering commitment of our team at Tuuhono Clinic is evident in everything they do—bringing creativity, compassion, and a deep sense of responsibility to every interaction. With a clear focus on putting community first, they often go above and beyond, working late into the evenings and opening their doors when other providers have closed. This dedication adds a crucial layer of accessibility for whānau, ensuring that care is available when it's needed most, and reaffirming our values of service, equity, and manaakitanga in action.

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DESIGNING A MANA WHENUA MODEL OF PRACTICE



Matawhaanui along with our partners Te Whatu Ora have embraced a co-design model grounded in shared values, mutual respect, and community-led principles as we anticipate the completion of our Hauora Hub. This partnership ensures that whaanau voices are central to the design and delivery of services, fostering a space that reflects cultural identity, holistic wellbeing, and local aspirations. The Hauora Hub is expected to create lasting positive impacts by improving access to integrated care, strengthening trust in health services, and empowering our community to thrive through tailored, inclusive support.

Hapori motuhake



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Legends and Legacy Holders

Past, present and future came together to bestow and confer lifetime club memberships upon four legends whose years as players and contributors to Taniwharau RLF club 80 years existence was honoured. The honourees were Uncle Dave Rawiri Thompson, Chaz Paki, Max Noda and Sonny Matenga. Facilitated by club chairman Erin Paki, the club full to the brim bore witness as each honouree shared memories and stories of their hey days on and off the field. Ake ake tonu atu.



He Ra whakanuia mo Te Kohanga Reo o Te Kauri

A beautiful celebration was recently held to honour 40 years of Te Kauri Marae kōhanga reo —a milestone that speaks to the enduring strength of whakapapa, language, and cultural pride. The night was filled with warmth and reflection as past pioneers were acknowledged for their vision, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment to revitalising te reo Māori. Our Kaumatua filled the room with waiata and koorero as the kaimahi of the Kohanga served up a delicious feast to honour the occasion.