

E - Paanui

PAENGA WHĀWHĀ

2026

MATAWHAANUI
- TRUST -

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Built on Heritage, Bound by Purpose: Navigating Together

Our hapori thrives on an unspoken, enduring strength. Generations before us faced profound challenges, yet they passed down a blueprint for survival. This blueprint is not written in text, but in our core cultural values: unwavering solidarity, shared responsibility, and deep compassion. With the passing of key people from our presence, we honour their lives and contribution as we navigate unpredictable socio-economic strains, inflation, and shifting landscapes, these intergenerational values serve as our anchor. They remind us that while hardships alter their form, our collective resilience remains absolute.

Matawhaanui Frontline Action Across our Hapori

We are actively deployed across the essential sectors that dictate whaanau stability and Hapuu Motuhake:

Hauora: Immediate access to vital medical, physical, and mental health resources.

Kai Security: Establishing rotational, reliable kai supply to keep nutrition available to our hapori.

Papakainga: Delivering critical energy and housing modifications to ensure safe, dry living conditions.

Pou Tupu - Enterprise: Developing business opportunities for our people to learn and thrive.

Employment & Training: Creating direct pathways to skills training and sustainable, career placements.

Community Connection: Monthly and quarterly community programs to promote connectivity and support wellbeing.

In our seventh year Matawhaanui Trust have forged a vision to 'Reclaim the Beauty of Raahui Pookeka through our voice and our community'

We remain fully open, highly adaptable, and entirely willing to do the heavy lifting. Our team is at the forefront daily, driven by a single benchmark: making life easier, safer, more resilient for our hapori while celebrating alongside our local qualifiers of Te Matatini 2027 in the pic below - Mauriora.

Featured Inside



Rangatahi Vision for night at Movies



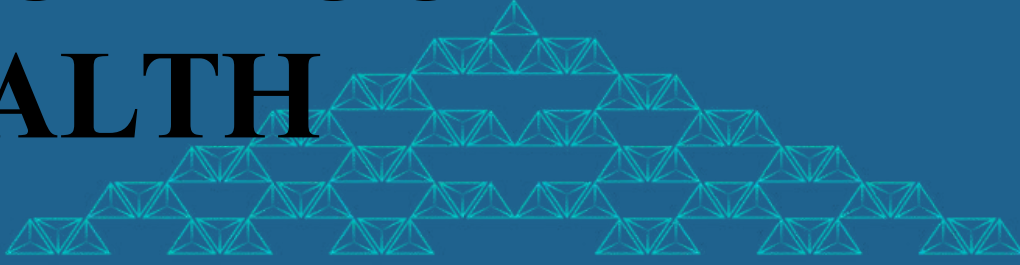
Pou Taumata hosted by Te Kauri Marae



Local Kapahaka qualifies for Te Matatini



POU HAUORA HEALTH



Cooler weather means prevention is key.

As the crisp air and shifting shades of Ngahuru arrive, the change in season serves as a natural signal for our Tuuhono team to adapt our mahi to meet the evolving health needs of our hapori. The cooler months often bring unique wellness challenges, requiring us to pivot our rautaki and sharpen our focus on preventative care and seasonal support.

To ensure no one is left behind, we've worked on collectivising our efforts and keeping our visibility high – intentionally building stronger leverage, deepening collaborative partnerships, such as our Hui Whakapiri networks and streamlining access to essential services. By uniting our collective strengths and resources, we ensure that all bases are covered, providing a comprehensive, dependable, and reliable clinic that keeps our whaanau and hapori healthy, connected, and resilient throughout the season.

Our friendly team are always on stand by messaging to us all not to wait until there is a full on medical issue that could've been sorted through earlier intervention. No matter what the symptoms – early detection and action will keep your immune system strong and resilient. Information and action is key – call us today. 0800 888 4 666

TUUHONO HAUORA

FLU SEASON 2026

BUILDING IMMUNITY IN OUR COMMUNITY PRE-WINTER

SATURDAY WALKIN CLINIC 9-11AM

- AGE** Kaumatua 55+ years FREE
- All Hāpu māmā FREE
- Registered Tamāriki FREE
- Chronic Health, Heart & Mental health conditions FREE
- Raahui Pookeka Kohanga Reo & Wharekura Kaiako FREE

2 Bridge Street Huntly West
Raahui Pookeka 0800 888 4 666

DOUBLE WAMMIE VACCINATION

COVID-19+FLU

WIN ME WIN ME WIN ME

Pre-winter promotion
PAENGA-WHAWHA - APRIL PRIZE TO BE WON!

TUUHONO HAUORA

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Easter Raffle

3 PRIZES TO WIN

\$2 PER TICKET

DRAWN APRIL 2026

TAMĀRIKI FREE EAR CLINIC

PARKED AT TAITIMU-TAIPARI
159 HARRIS STREET
HUNTLY WEST
RAAHUI POOKEKA -HUNTLY

FREE EAR CHECKS & SUPPORT FOR ALL OUR COMMUNITY

DATES
Tuesday 21 April

TIME **8am - 3.30pm**

JUST SHOW UP AND YOU WILL BE SEEN
NO BOOKING NEEDED

MEET SKYLA EAR NURSE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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A MONTH OF ACTION, INFLUENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT

April marked a positive and productive start to the second quarter for Pou Tiaki, as the team built on key milestones achieved earlier in the year while progressing new kaupapa focused on strengthening outcomes for our hāpori. Across all areas of work, there has been a continued emphasis on delivering quality, whaanau-centred services and maintaining strong, collaborative relationships within the social sector.

A key highlight for the month was the completion of the Whaanau Whare Wellness Surveys across our housing cohort, including participants in the **AWHI Healthy Homes programme**. A total of 66 responses were received, with feedback overwhelmingly positive. Whaanau spoke strongly about the value of the support provided, particularly in areas such as direct reporting of maintenance issues to Kāinga Ora, assistance with MSD applications and entitlements, provision of kai packs, and practical support to improve their living environments through yard clean-ups and maintenance. These results reflect a meaningful improvement in housing stability, wellbeing, and access to essential services.

April also saw important progress in strengthening organisational capability and compliance. The team successfully achieved MWT **SiteWise accreditation** and completed a review and update of organisational policies. These milestones ensure that Pou Tiaki continues to operate to a high standard, with robust systems in place to support safe, effective, and accountable service delivery.

At a regional level, Pou Tiaki remained actively engaged in sector development and planning. Participation in the Whānau Ora Regional Hui for Hauraki, Waikato, and Tūwharetoa focused on programme progress, provider collaboration, and strengthening delivery across the region. A key outcome from this hui was the confirmation of the rollover of current Whānau Ora contracts, securing one full-time equivalent role for another year. This provides important continuity and stability for whaanau support services in our rohe.



AWHI
HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE
Powered by National Housing Coalition

FREE HOME SAFETY WORKSHOP

MEREMERE

LIMITED TO 15 PEOPLE

30TH APRIL 2026

PARTICIPANTS WILL ENGAGE IN HANDS-ON LEARNING, KOORERO, DEMOS, AND TAKE-HOME RESOURCES.

Scan QR code or click the link to register
<https://forms.office.com/r/rrrsnwj8kY?origin=lprLink>



POU TIAKI

PAPAKAINGA SOLUTIONS



Further contributing to regional development, Pou Tiaki was involved in the Waikato District Council's Priority Development Area planning for Rāhui Pōkeka. Through contributions to the Tangata Whenua Statement Engagement Report, the team helped ensure that the voices and aspirations of mana whenua were reflected in key planning priorities. These included economic development, tourism, infrastructure, and land use, alongside a strong emphasis on embedding cultural identity and expression in future design standards. This work represents an important step in influencing long-term outcomes for our communities.

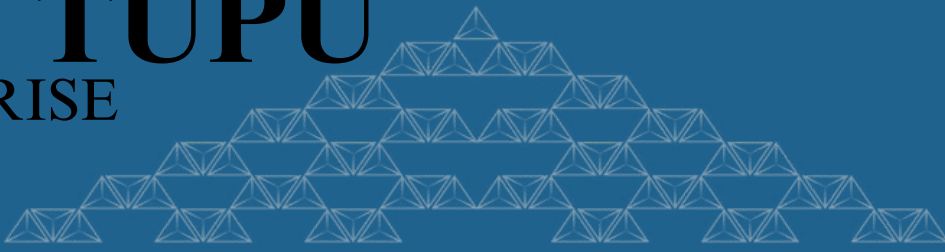
Community engagement remained a strong focus throughout the month. Pou Tiaki maintained an active presence through delivery of the AWHI Healthy Homes programme, participation in Māmā Pēpi hui in Meremere, and hosting a stall at the Tainui Regional Kapa Haka at Claudelands. These touchpoints continue to build trust, increase visibility, and strengthen connections with whānau across our communities.

The month also provided opportunities to celebrate the contributions and achievements of our people. Our maintenance kaimahi **Mike Waitere** continues to deliver outstanding work, quietly going above and beyond to support whānau with a wide range of practical needs.

In addition, there were proud moments on the regional kapa haka stage, with Te Kapa Haka o **Awhina i te Kaupapa** with Matawhaani Trust's very own **Tia Toka** and **Hawaikii Maipi** placing in the top six and qualifying for Te Matatini 2027, and Te Toka Tū o Waikato - with my own daughter **Taina Tukiri** placing eighth overall in their return after nearly 15 years. These achievements reflect the strength, resilience, and cultural pride within our communities.

Overall, April has been a month of strong progress, reinforcing Pou Tiaki's commitment to delivering practical, impactful outcomes for whānau while positioning the organisation for continued growth in housing, services, and partnerships. **Pat Nathan - Pou Tiaki Kai Arahī**





A Month of Growth and Reconnection

Welcoming whanau and visitors into our new learning centre in town has been both exhilarating and affirming for our team at Te Puna Ora.

From grounding Rangatahi workshops to national gatherings of healers and the launch of new kaupapa-led ventures, our collective efforts have continued to weave threads of healing across our hapori.

Here is a look back at the incredible activities and milestones accomplished throughout the month of Paenga Whāwhā.



Grounding Our Rangatahi: Youth Workshops at Tūrangawaewae Marae

Our rangatahi hold the future of our wellness practices, and this month we had the privilege of hosting a series of youth workshops at Tūrangawaewae Marae. These sessions were intentionally designed to provide our young people with practical, culturally grounded tools for navigating the modern world while balancing traditional mātāuranga o te Taiao.



Commemorating Two Years: The Rongoā Collective Gathered at Te Ōhaaki Marae

In a beautiful display of kotahitanga and shared purpose, the Rongoā Collective gathered at Te Ōhaaki Marae in April. The wānanga was a momentous occasion, marking exactly two years since the formal formation of this vital network of practitioners and healers from all corners of the motu.

“To look across the whare and see healers from different iwi standing together is a testament to the enduring power of our traditional practices.”

The multi-day gathering served as both a celebration of survival and a strategic space for the future of traditional Māori healing. Practitioners shared case studies, discussed the preservation of indigenous knowledge, and participated in collective wānanga to ensure that the practice of rongoā remains safe, accessible, and deeply respected.



Nourishing the Community: The Launch of Our Six-Week Holistic Programme

Responding to a growing desire for local, accessible wellness education, This month saw the creation and rollout of an immersive six-week community programme. This initiative was designed to share healing knowledge, moving it out of specialized spaces and directly into the hands of whānau.

Supporting Indigenous Enterprise: E Whā Wāhine Launches

Closing out a phenomenal month, Te Puna Ora proudly celebrated the official launch of E Whā Wāhine. This exciting new initiative was established to showcase the incredible talents of local ringatoi (artists) and practitioners, providing a dedicated platform for handmade taonga (treasure) creations and kaupapa-led products.

JOIN OUR CLASSES



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THE WELL

Tiaki Taiao

INTRODUCTION PROGRAMME

with Awitī Kapa

ROLLING 6 WEEKS | JOIN ANYTIME
YOUR 6 WEEK JOURNEY STARTS FROM YOUR FIRST SESSION

EVERY TUESDAY 11AM-1PM

RONGOA | PLANT ID | SELF CARE
PARAKORE PRACTICES

\$85.00 PER PERSON
(NON REFUNDABLE)

Scan to Register or
email admin@tpothewell.nz





ADDING PEOPLE POWER



Formerly part of the Maara Kai crew, Te Whare Oranga welcomes **Shea Brodrick** who brings a strong fitness focus and rugby league background as an ex Turangawaewae player into the team. Word has it that his energy and humour in our gym is infectious and is hands on helping our members reach their personal fitness goals. Good to have you on board e hoa.

WHARE O

GYM

RAAHUI POOKEKA

GYM HRS		GYM CLASSES	
MON-THUR	6AM-8PM	MONDAY	10AM-11AM
FRIDAY	6AM-7PM	GLUTES N CORE <i>WITH SHANDELLE</i>	
SATURDAY	8AM-2PM	FRIDAY	9AM-10AM
SUNDAY	9AM-2PM	BODY BLAST <i>WITH RANGIMARIE</i>	
CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.			
TABLE TENNIS		GYM FEES	
MON-THUR	4PM-8PM	AGES 15YRS - 65YRS	\$20 MONTH
		65YRS OVER	\$10 MONTH
		CASUAL DAY FEE	\$5 PER DAY
PAY BY EFTPOS, CASH OR ONLINE BANK ACC.		WE PREFER PAYMENTS BY EFTPOS DON'T LIKE HANDLING CASH	

STRONG BODY. STRONG MIND. STRONG WHĀNAU.

TANIWHA CART SERVING UP AT KAPAHAKA REGIONALS



The atmosphere at the regionals was unmatched. From the early morning mist to the final trophies of the day, we were honored to keep the performers, judges, and whānau fueled and focused. Every cup poured was a chance to chat, share our journey, and put The Taniwha Cart firmly on the local map.

This weekend proved that when you have a mobile setup and a passion for what you do, the sky is the limit. A massive thank you to everyone who stopped by for a brew and supported our vision.

The Taniwha Cart is moving forward, fueled by great coffee and big dreams. Keep an eye out for where we park up next!

POU TAI AO

KA AHUI TUUWAA
MARA KAI



Cultivating Community: How the Maara Team is Growing Food, Skills, and Connection

By showing up each day, working alongside peers, and seeing the direct, positive impact of their labor on the community, Our Maara crew understand that their mahi matters, and they are truly valued. We aren't just growing Kai; we are growing our people, pride, and a stronger hapori from the ground up.

More than just a plot of land where food grows, it is a living, breathing ecosystem of connection, learning, and sustenance where often our workforce will gather for Hui-tahi, host local and potential partners or just awhi our crew during harvests. For our Maara Team, the daily mahi goes far beyond putting seeds in the dirt. It is about nurturing the whenua, up-skilling our people, and feeding the soul of our hapori.

From the soil to the dinner table, we know we are helping our whaanau, marae and hapori keep more in their pocket during these challenging times.



MORE THAN BRICKS AND MORTAR

Taniwharau Club has always been far more than just a club. It is a club enriched in whakapapa and culture, a breeding ground for sporting excellence, and a home away from home for generations of whānau who come home to visit. While the old facilities held decades of priceless memories, this new build represents a vital step into the future.

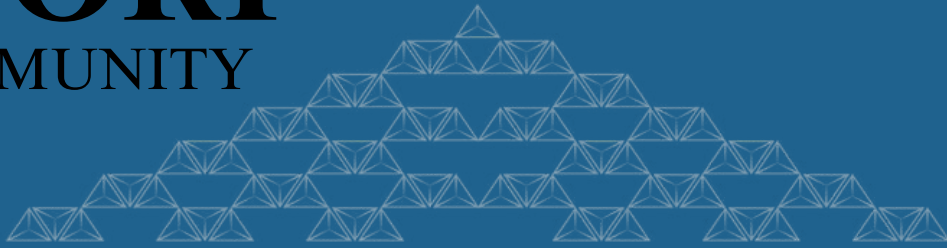
Watching the progress week by week allows the community to feel a collective sense of ownership and pride. We aren't just waiting for a grand opening; we are actively sharing in the journey of creation.

Our Uncle Pop has been showing up unannounced over there too - just inspecting making sure the boys are doing things right.



HAPORI

OUR COMMUNITY



THE KING OF POP
ONE NIGHT | ONE SCREEN | ONE LEGEND

MICHAEL JACKSON

THE MOVIE

TUESDAY 28TH APRIL 2026

HOYTS CINEMA -
TE AWA THE BASE

PRE PURCHASED
TICKETS \$25.00PP

OPT SNACK
COMBO \$20.00

POPCORN
DRINK
ICECREAM

TICKETS INCLUDE:
RESERVED SEAT TO THE MOVIE
MJ GIFT FOR ALL
- BEST DRESSED PRIZE
MJ - PHOTO-BOOTH
DJ KAI-EL MJ MUSIC - MJ IDOLS

DOORS OPEN: 4:00PM
MOVIE STARTS: 6:00PM

LIMITED PRE-PURCHASE
TICKETS & SNACK COMBOS
CONTACT: KHAIO 0272673723

A PRIVATE CINEMA EXPERIENCE WITH US



KHAIO HONOURS KING OF POP

True entrepreneurship is about spotting an opportunity and having the courage to build it from scratch. For young innovator **Khaio Maipi-Leaf**, that spark came with the release of the highly anticipated Michael Jackson biographical film. Driven by a vision to create something far more meaningful than a standard movie night, Khaio set out to orchestrate an exclusive, private screening event and invited his hapori to the event. Ka Rawe!

Turning a grand idea into a flawlessly executed reality is no small feat, especially for a young entrepreneur, but Khaio's venture showed exactly what happens when passion and precision timing meets giving to your community



POU TAUMATA OUR KAUMATUA



Te Kauri Marae recently opened its doors to approximately 40 kaumātua for a vibrant, connection-filled Pou Taumata day that ran from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The hui brought together some first-time visitors as well as others returning after a long absence, filling the space with a beautiful sense of wairua and manaakitanga. The day began in the whareniui with mihi and whakawhanaungatanga session, allowing everyone to ground themselves and connect before sharing a beautiful kai together.



POU TAUMATA OUR KAUMATUA



Following lunch, kaumātua were invited to explore several interactive stations designed around community growth and sustainability:

Looking Forward: A display of Te Kauri's visionary 20-year plan was made visible, giving elders a chance to see the future trajectory of the marae.

A Voice for the Future: A dedicated station allowed kaumātua to share their own invaluable insights, ideas, and feedback for the collective path ahead.

Abundant Blessings: Generosity was on full display with fresh produce and preserves from the Te Kauri Māra Kai (food garden), alongside kai donations from Café Luv, all packaged for kaumātua to take home.

Creativity & Connection: Attendees also enjoyed a hands-on floral arrangement workshop provided by talented Karen Berryman, while a table tennis setup provided plenty of lighthearted fun and movement. The feedback from the day was overwhelmingly positive. Whether returning home or stepping onto the marae for the very first time, our kaumātua left feeling nourished, heard, and deeply connected to the ongoing story of Te Kauri. A huge mihi to our Hau-Kainga o Te Kauri for allowing and supporting our hui. Our next Pou Taumata will be held at Kaitumutumu Marae - May 27th 11am. Nau Mai Haere mai. **Jason Berryman - Te Kauri Marae Trustee**





OUR COMPANY

POU Limited – Leading Change. Building Futures. Driving Performance.

POU Limited is entering an exciting new phase of growth and development, with key organisational changes strengthening leadership capability across the business and reinforcing our commitment to excellence, accountability, and community impact. As part of this progression, **Tassie Maxwell** has been seconded to the role of Senior Lead, while **Kereama Taaka-Te Kaute** has stepped into the position of Scaffolding Team Lead. These appointments reflect the strength, experience, and dedication within our organisation and reinforce a culture built on strong leadership, teamwork, and shared purpose. The changes will strengthen communication, operational support, and collaboration across all teams, as POU Limited continues to grow and deliver high-quality outcomes across our Genesis and Rivercare contracts. Alongside these leadership developments, POU Limited, in partnership with Wairua Kakariki, is proud to launch an upskilling training initiative creating real pathways into meaningful employment for local people.

Running from 4 May through to 22 August, the programme supports taura working towards the New Zealand Certificate in Primary Industry Operational Skills.

Eight participants from the Raahui Pookeka area have already begun their journey, working alongside our Grounds Team to gain valuable hands-on industry experience while completing their Level 3 qualification. This initiative is about far more than training, it is about creating opportunities, building confidence, and empowering people with the skills and support needed to achieve long-term success. It reflects a strong commitment to investing in local talent, strengthening workforce capability, and helping shape a better future for our kaimahi.

POU Limited's success can be attributed to this whakataukii, "He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata. What is the most important thing in the world? It is the people, the people, the people."

Jahmin Tengu – Administrative Officer



HE PITOPITO KOORERO

What's Happening..monthly updates May – July 2026

Monthly Group for anyone 60+



11am to 2pm

Pou Taumata
By Kaumaatua For kaumaatua

Wednesday 27 May

Kaitymutumu marea
Last Wednesday of every month



Wednesday 25 March	World Malaria & Malaria Research Trust	Wednesday 26 August
Wednesday 29 April	Te Kaitiaki Māori	Wednesday 30 September
Wednesday 27 May	Kaitiaki Māori	Wednesday 28 October
Wednesday 24 June	Te Kaitiaki Māori	Wednesday 25 November
Wednesday 29 July	World Day	Wednesday 30 December



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Bookings are essential



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