



Photo from the jetty at Lake Rotoroa as Kylie heads to Rotomairewhenua Hut. From left: Craig Simpson (Lake Rotoroa water taxi owner), Alice Gilsenan, and Kylie Batt.

## Kylie's last trip

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō iwi member Kylie Batt has been the Rotomairewhenua (Blue Lake) Hut warden for the Department of Conservation since December 2021.

Kylie has been spending 10 days at a time at this remote hut looking after the trampers and the hut as well as educating people on the threat of the invasive algae – lake snow. Being hut warden has also allowed Kylie to share our cultural narratives and the significance of the area to Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō with trampers passing through.

Kylie has just set out for her final 10-day stint at Rotomairewhenua, seen here with grandmother Alice Gilsenan as she sets off.

We wish Kylie all the best for her final stay at Rotomairewhenua as the hut warden!

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# FROM THE CHAIR



Work with other Te Taihū iwi is progressing well. Protocols have been established, particularly around committee and board appointments. In general, there is a shared interest and commitment to ensure all iwi benefit from various relationships and opportunities presented. In particular, there are some initiatives with Rangitāne o Wairau and Ngāti Kūia which are being investigated and I may be in a position to give an update in a month or so.

After working well with Ngāti Waewae for part of last year, progress in addressing mutual initiatives has almost stalled since. Our team is working hard to secure meeting dates and I am hopeful that we will have an opportunity to meet with our counterparts soon. Initiatives on the West Coast, particularly in Kawatiri, are progressing without our input and this matter has to be addressed with some urgency.

At the December Board meeting last year, the Trusts voted to establish a Kaumātua sub-Committee. The terms of reference are being finalised and registration of interest will be called for soon.

I would like to acknowledge the commitment of our rangatahi who attended a recent wānanga. These times are so uncertain and it was pleasing to hear that this was a very successful event. The Trusts also extend a heartfelt thanks to Simon and his staff for providing a safe, encouraging, and happy environment for our young people.

The majority of meetings are being held via Zoom presently and I expect this to continue over the next month. There is little progress with matters I've brought to your attention over the past two pānui issues, but I suspect this is a consequence of business being in limbo as a result of Covid-19.

This is a short update whānau, I can assure you though that I have been busy on your behalf. I hope you are all keeping your spirits up and looking after each other. I have observed recently that many people appear to be agitated and I am sure we are all very tired and frustrated, but once again, stay safe.

Ngā mihi nui  
**Hinemoa Conner**

## Rapid antigen tests

People who are symptomatic or a household contact can order RATs through the newly launched RAT requester site – [requestrats.covid19.health.nz](https://requestrats.covid19.health.nz). You can order for yourself or on behalf of someone else.

- You will need access to a mobile phone so you can validate your order.
- You can order RATs from the website above or via a free call on 0800 222 478 option 3.
- If you are eligible for RATs for home testing you'll be issued an order number. You can then pick up your RAT order from a collection site listed on Healthpoint, or have someone collect your order for you.

Positive and negative RAT results should be reported through My Covid Record ([mycovidrecord.health.nz](https://mycovidrecord.health.nz)) or call 0800 222 478 and press option 3, so health officials can understand the size and trends of the outbreak.



How to take the test will vary depending on the brand of RAT. If you are doing the test yourself, follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully. You can find these instructions inside with the testing kit. You can also read the Ministry of Health's advice on how to use a RAT test. If you need support to carry out a test or to understand the results, call Healthline free on 0800 358 5453.

### Where can I get a rapid antigen test?

Locations which have RATs available can be found at [www.healthpoint.co.nz](https://www.healthpoint.co.nz), search "rat".



# Tipuna Guide

## Whakapapa me ōna kōrero

The Tipuna Guide provides a list of known surviving lines from our West Coast (Buller, Tasman)-based Pūaha te Rangi Hapū and Tarakaipa Hapū from Te Taihū (northern South Island – Marlborough, Nelson, Tasman). These tipuna (ancestors) exercised their customary rights predominantly in relation to Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō in the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Area of Interest any time after February 6, 1840.

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō participated in the Waitangi Tribunal hearing for all iwi claims with interests in the northern South Island/ Te Taihū. The claims were heard between August 2000 and March 2004. The Tribunal released preliminary reports in 2007 and a final report in November 2008. We were engaged in the Treaty Negotiation process between 2005 and 2010, when we signed a Deed of Settlement which was legislated in 2014. The Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Tipuna Guide is made up of the tipuna identified in our claims and settlement.

## Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Claims and Settlement

1. The Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō tipuna claims from the New Zealand Company Purchases, Spain Commission, and the Nelson Tenths Court Hearings
2. Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō claims to Te Taitapu – 1852 and 1883
3. Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō claims in the Native Land Court 1883 to 1892
4. Te Waipounamu Purchases Claims from the 1850s
5. 1860 Arahura Purchase Deed
6. SILNA (South Island Landless Natives Act) Scheme tipuna who were promised land but did not receive land.

## Whakapapa

We have provided whakapapa to illustrate the relationships to significant tipuna of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō. The whakapapa provided is to show relationships between tipuna, and not necessarily tuakana and teina relationships. It is recognised that many of the tipuna identified are also associated to other Iwi.

We have begun our review of our registration data base as part of compliance with our Trust Deed. This year we will be providing more information about our tipuna and whenua.

Head to the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō website to view the Tipuna Guide here: [ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz/whanau-opportunities/registration](https://ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz/whanau-opportunities/registration)



# Kawepūrongo/news

## Survey winners

Thank you to all who took part in our Mātauranga Survey! Congratulations to the three lucky winners of our survey prize packs – Gina Straker, Dee Rennie, and Elena Smith.

Keep an eye out for the next survey to be in the draw to win! The focus of our next survey will be Hauora (health).



## Update your contact information

Please check to see if anyone in your whānau is not receiving the pānui. We may not have their up-to-date contact information. Please get your whānau to update their contact details with us so they can stay in the loop with iwi updates!

Email updates through to [office@ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz](mailto:office@ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz) or call 0800 578 900.



As we navigate the Omicron situation, our kaimahi may be working remotely from time to time. Therefore, if you need to contact us, phone, email or Facebook would be the best avenue. We thank you kindly for your patience and understanding during this time.



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