



Hui a Tau 2025

Ngā mihi nui to all our whānau who joined us for this year's Hui-ā-Tau - the very first AGM held at Rotoiti.

This years Hui-a-Tau weekend ran from Friday evening through to Sunday morning and gave whānau time to spend together and for those who travelled from afar to reconnect with whānau.

Saturday morning offered the chance to explore Rotoiti with each other before the Hui-a-Tau kicked off. Kōrero and ideas were shared and Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō were pleased to welcome two new trustess, Sue Parish and Ngaire Kingi to the trust board. They bring valuable knowledge and fresh perspectives to the Board.

On Sunday morning we gathered at dawn for the laying of the mauri stone at our Pāhi site. It was a meaningful way to not only close the weekend, but to set the wairua for what lies ahead.

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Hui-a-Tau 2025 was one of the largest hui-a-tau gatherings we have had to date. Judging by the turnout, it is clear that we have whānau that are engaged, full of ideas and keen to be part of shaping the iwi's future.

It was a great weekend to be Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō - connected, proud and looking forward, together..

Puaha Te Rangi Final Voting Results in order of votes -
KINGI, Ngaire
MAHUIKA, Irihapeti
COLLIER-ROBINSON, Levi
ADDISON, Paul

Tarakaipa Final Voting Results in order of votes -
AKUHATA, Nicole
PARISH, Sue
GAPPER, Clinton
HART, Selah

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Keeping you informed of news, announcements and opportunities, from around our rohe and the motu.

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Trustees



Nicole Akuhata

Nicole is a descendant of Pipi Te Mete and was elected to represent the Tarakaipa hapū as a Trustee in September 2022.



Lee Mason

Lee is a descendent of Meihana Kereopa and was elected onto the Board in 2024 to represent the Tarakaipa Hapū.



Fayne Robinson

Fayne was elected to represent the Pūaha te Rangi hapū and has been a Trustee since September 2018.



Adrian Wilson

Adrian is a descendant of the Mahuika whānau and was elected to represent the Pūaha te Rangi hapū as a Trustee in September 2023.



Sue Parish

Sue is a descendant of Meihana Kereopa and was elected to represent Taraikaipa Hapū in 2025.



Ngaire Kingi

Ngaire is a descendant of the Mahuika whānau and was elected in 2025 to represent the Puaha Te Rangi Hapū as a Trustee.

He mihi poroporoaki ki a Jen Skilton

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō are sad to farewell Jen from her role as our Pou Taiao.

Since joining us in 2020, Jen has achieved so much. She's led the Te Anamahanga Wetland Restoration Project, worked closely with Cawthron Institute to understand sustainability of our tuna at Rotoroa, and has been a steady hand guiding our mahi in consents and concessions.

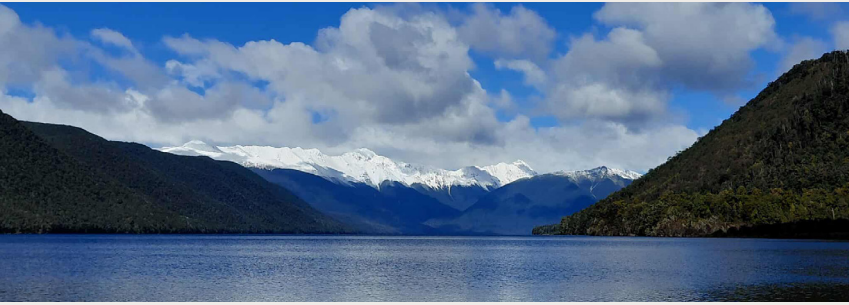
Alongside all this, Jen has also been on her own journey of Te Reo and whakapapa, bringing her whole self to the role and showing real care for both our environment and our people. We will miss Jen and wish her all the best in her new role.



He Tohu Mauri: Marking a New Beginning



Taiao Manager



Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō is stepping into a transformative era and the Trust is looking for a Pou Taiao (Taiao Manager) to lead the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Taiao portfolio.

The Pou Taiao will:

- Lead the Taiao team and portfolio, providing values-based leadership grounded in kaitiakitanga, mātauranga Māori, and Ngātiapatanga.
- Represent Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō in environmental forums and partnerships with councils, Crown agencies, and community groups.
- Manage iwi responses to planning, policy, and consenting processes across five councils.
- Support whānau-led environmental initiatives and grow sustainability opportunities.
- Lead and grow strategic projects such as wetland restoration, tuna monitoring, and iwi environmental planning.
- Build a sustainable consultancy service offering cultural impact assessments and RMA advice.

If you are interested in the Pou Taiao role, find the full job description at intepeople.co.nz or contact Odette Shearer on 021 207 8657 or odette@intepeople.co.nz.

Upcoming events

Kai Ngātahi Greymouth

When: Sunday, November 9th

Kaumatua Kai - Wairau

When: Thursday, November 13th

Kai Ngātahi Te Whanganui-a-Tara

When: Saturday, November 22nd

Mana Rangatahi

When: Sunday 14th - Thursday 18th December



Kai Ngātahi & Kaumātua Kai

A reminder that our Kai Ngātahi Greymouth and Kai Ngātahi Te Whanganui-a-Tara (Wellington) events are just around the corner and registrations are open now!

These gatherings are a great way to share good kai, catch up with familiar faces, and meet new Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō whānau members. Whether you're local or travelling in, we'd love to see you there.

Kai Ngātahi Greymouth - Sunday November 9th at Buccleugh's on High Restaurant Greymouth.

Kai Ngātahi Te Whanganui a Tara - Saturday November 22nd at Beach Babylon, Oriental Parade

For our more mature whānau, we also have a special Kaumātua Kai coming up November 13th, another chance to sit, chat, and enjoy great company.

Register today by emailing: events@ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz



Do you have any whānau achievements or panui that you would like to share?

If you do, please email comms@ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz so we can highlight the amazing mahi of our Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō whānau.

Kōrero Mai!