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NGA PŌTIKI
A TAMAPAHORE TRUST

MERI KIRIHIMETE FROM NGĀ PŌTIKI Ā TAMAPAHORE TRUST

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

As we near the end of 2022 we want to wish our whānau health and happiness this Christmas season and beyond.

This year has been a big one for Ngā Pōtiki ā Tamapahore Trust and we have plenty to celebrate. Among the many milestones we have reached in 2022 includes the signing of separate relationship agreements with Te Papa Atawhai Department of Conservation's Tauranga district office and the Pāpāmoa Surf Life Saving Club to strengthen our connection with both organisations; the welcoming of whānau into our new, 4-bedroom rentals in Manawa and of course the Ngā Pāpaka o Rangataua Wāhi Tapu Hearings, which got underway just this month. We're hoping for a positive outcome when the results of that hearing are announced in the near future.

Looking ahead, we have plenty more to look forward to in 2023.

We will be holding two 2021-22 Annual General Meetings - one for Manawa Community Housing Trust and the other for Ngā Pōtiki ā Tamapahore Trust, both being held kanohi ki te kanohi at Club Mount Maunganui, on Saturday, March 4, 2023. We will also announce the Ngā Pōtiki ā Tamapahore Trust Board of Trustees on that date also.

Until then, we hope you all have a safe, enjoyable and restful festive season. Our staff will also be taking a much-deserved break over the Christmas and New Year period, which means our office will have a close-down period. We will break from Friday, December 23 and will reopen on Monday, January 9, 2023.

Kia mau ki te tokanga nui a noho - There is no place like home!

Ngā mihi mahana,

Verna Ohia-Gate
Ngā Pōtiki ā Tamapahore Trust chairperson



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OUR 10 NEW 4-BEDROOM RENTALS ARE COMPLETE - AND ARE NOW HOMES FOR OUR NGĀ PŌTIKI WHĀNAU

Our 10 new 4-bedroom affordable rentals in Manawa are now complete and in November our Ngā Pōtiki whānau started moving in.

An induction evening was held for the new tenants in November, when our Manawa Community Housing Trust (MCHT) team outlined everything they needed to know about the new whare, as well as the rules and expectations of the Ngā Pōtiki Housing programme.

Before our whānau moved in, there was a blessing at the houses conducted by kaumātua and Rātana āpotoro Pahu Akuhata.

Then, on December 1, we had the pleasure of hosting Associate Minister of Housing (Māori Housing) Peeni Henare, MP Tamati Coffey, and representatives from Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development.

As part of this visit we formally acknowledged and celebrated the opening of the 10 new homes and a couple of our Ngā Pōtiki whānau who had just moved in showed the Minister and his team around their new whare.

Our next project is building four townhouse blocks of 2-bedroom and 3-bedroom rental homes in Manawa (20 in total). These are due to be completed by the end of 2024.

We will post updates about those homes in 2023 and will let everyone know when expressions of interest are open.

A big thank you to Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga for supporting our housing dreams, and to Generation Homes for building these magnificent whare.



The Manawa Community Housing Trust team (from left) Pani Robinson - financial officer, Courtney Tierney - housing support coordinator, Silence Quinn - property manager, Victoria Carroll - General Manager, and Traci Wepiha-Te Kanawa - tenancy manager.

HELPING OUR WHĀNAU INTO AFFORDABLE HOMES

The Manawa Community Housing Trust team has been busy in recent months, opening new affordable rentals, welcoming whānau into their new homes and hosting government officials. Here are some photos from these events in November and December.



SOME OF THE WORLD'S BEST SQUASH PLAYERS RECEIVE NGĀ PŌTIKI WELCOME AHEAD OF INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT



PICTURED: Some of the world's top squash players, including New Zealand's squash superstars Joelle King and Paul Coll, pictured with Ngā Pōtiki whānau and tamariki from Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Otepou at Tahuwhakatiki Marae.

BELOW (from left): Joelle King; Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Otepou students; Orewa Barrett-Ohia (top right); Carlo Ellis and Paul Coll (bottom right)

Some of the world's best squash players have been welcomed to Tauranga in true Ngā Pōtiki style.

International squash players, including New Zealand's squash superstars Joelle King and Paul Coll, were in Tauranga in November for the New Zealand Festival of Squash.

This festival saw internationally ranked squash players like King and Coll battle it out on an all-glass court in the Trustpower Arena as part of the Nations Cup competition

between November 3-6 and the NZ Open, which was held between November 8-13.

Those athletes were welcomed by our Ngā Pōtiki whānau and our awesome tamariki from Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Otepou with a pōhiri at Tahuwhakatiki Marae on November 7.

Our talented tamariki kept our manuhiri entertained throughout the process, singing waiata and performing haka in the wharekai. They were all beautiful performers.

King (Ngāti Porou) said she was grateful to Ngā Pōtiki for welcoming herself and her peers on to the marae, and giving the international athletes the experience of a pōhiri.



INTERNATIONAL TENNIS PLAYERS COMPETE IN NGĀ PŌTIKI ROHE

Ngā Pōtiki welcomed tennis players from around the world in Pāpāmoa on December 19, officially opening the EVES Open – ITF World Tennis Tour: Tauranga.

