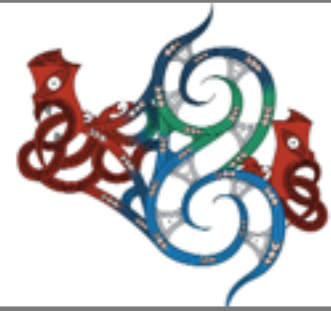


# TE WHAKAARARA O NGAATI HINERANGI



THE OFFICIAL PAANUI OF NGAATI HINERANGI TRUST

## Calling all whanau for weekend hui

Whanau are being urged to join the hui-a-iwi this Sunday at Hinerangi Tawhaki Marae from 10am. This is where you can find out all you need to know about how our Treaty Settlement negotiations are progressing, meet the team working on making negotiations a success and learn more about what the benefits of a strong settlement will mean for us. Kai will be provided.

## Register yourself and whanau online

The Ngaati Hinerangi Iwi website is up and running which means you can now register online. Go to [ngatihinerangiwi.co.nz](http://ngatihinerangiwi.co.nz) and click 'Register Now'. You will be asked a series of questions relating to who you are and your connection to Ngaati Hinerangi. Once your association with the iwi has been verified by the Trust, you will then be contacted. It's easy and will be well worth the effort as the iwi expands. You'll be welcome to come along to any trust meetings and be a part of the movement working to reach a successful Treaty settlement for our people.



Tamzyn Bridle

## Helping hand from community could help Tamzyn's family fulfil a dream

Tamzyn Twidle has become a famous face around Matamata as a community gathers to support the young Ngaati Hinerangi girl and her whanau. Nine-year-old Tamzyn, the great-granddaughter of the late Roha Edwards, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy symptoms, severe epilepsy and cortical visual impairment at three months old. This means Tamzyn can't talk, walk or eat most solid food. She struggles to see and suffers seizures. The family live in a small two bedroom home and because of the seizures, mum Raegan and dad Daniel share a room with Tamzyn. After years of being crammed into their home, the community is rallying around them to assist them with their dream of building a purpose built space for Tamzyn and the equipment she needs. Even after a builder, architect and painter have volunteered their services free of charge, the family still needs \$60,000 to complete the project. A fund has been set up at [givealittle.co.nz/cause/tamzynsroom](http://givealittle.co.nz/cause/tamzynsroom) and so far they've raised just over \$4000. There is a long way to go but Raegan, Tamzyn's mum is hoping a Family Fun Gala to be held in Matamata on September 2 will give the family a big boost in funding. If you would like to help out our fellow whanau and contribute to this worthy cause, please go to the [Give-a-Little](http://Give-a-Little) page and donate. You can even join Tamzyn's Bedroom Facebook page to keep up with the family's progress or join up to Matamata Family Fun Gala Facebook page.

## Connect with us through Facebook

Social media makes the world go around. Please join up to the official Ngaati Hinerangi Trust Facebook page and get your whanau to do the same. By joining up, you'll have an opportunity to connect with whanau, and be among the first to know of any new updates on the website, Treaty negotiations and information in the news that may affect you.

## Do you have any historical photos?

The Ngaati Hinerangi Communications team is compiling a library of photos involving facilities and people of the iwi. Do you have any you might want to share with us? You could just send us via email or you could send us the hard copy for us to copy and we can send it back to you. This could be old family photos, photos of our tupuna, historic photos of your marae or even some from around our area. We're hoping to get these on the website, save them for framing or archive them for safekeeping. Contact the communications team on [info.ngatihinerangiwi@gmail.com](mailto:info.ngatihinerangiwi@gmail.com) or call 0211991699.

**Have you got news you'd like to share? We've got the website, Facebook page and this newsletter and we can use any of these platforms to spread your news. Go to [ngatihinerangiwi.co.nz](http://ngatihinerangiwi.co.nz).**



## Matariki New Year celebrations

Matariki season is upon us so be sure to take some time out with your close whanau to celebrate. Matariki is recognised as the Maori New Year and is the Maori name for a group of seven stars known as the Pleiades star cluster. Some people think of Matariki as a mother star with six daughters, and it is often referred to as the Seven Sisters. Matariki appears in the eastern sky sometime around the shortest day of the year in June and July, and is thought to determine how successful the harvest crop will be in the coming season. The brighter the stars, the more productive the crop will be. Celebrations across the country include festivals, star gazing events and Matariki dances but for most of us, we'll celebrate with a good kai with our nearest and dearest. It's a time to remember our loved ones who have passed on, give thanks for the past year and highlight some goals to achieve in the coming year.



## Trustees undergo team building

Part of ensuring the iwi gets the best possible outcome from the Treaty settlement negotiations is making sure the team leading it is in fact, leading the way effectively. Ngaati Hinerangi trustees were fortunate enough to work with Denis Grennell of Te Aratiatia Learning and Development in May who specialises in organisational capability mentoring. Trustees were able to talk about values, the direction in which Ngaati Hinerangi is heading and how the iwi would get there.