



HDC NEWS



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Hey, everyone's voting in the Hauraki District Council elections! ARE YOU??

Our Home. Our Future. Your Vote.

Ko te pae tawhiti whaia kia tata. Whakanuia tā mātou rohe. Pōti koa mai.

It takes a big team effort to make our district a healthy and inclusive place to live, to visit, and to do business.

We've all got a role to play to keep our waka heading in a direction that works for everyone, so make sure your voice is heard. Voting documents will be sent to all eligible electors, by post, from Friday 20 September 2019.

You'll have three weeks to get your vote in using the orange pre-paid envelope sent with your voting papers, from Friday 20 September 2019, to noon Saturday 12 October 2019.

If you don't receive anything in the mail by Friday 27 September, please let us know.

www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/elections

Te Wiki o te reo Māori Pēwhea tō reo Māori? How is your Te Reo Māori going?

This week we've been working on pronouncing the place names in our district correctly.

Here's a few to try

Hauraki said "Hoe-ra-key"
(hoe as in garden hoe)

Kaiava said "Kai-owe-a"
(owe as in owe something)

Did you know Kaiava means the abundance of the food resource aua or herrings?

Karangahake said "Car-rung-a-huck-ear"
Did you know Karangahake is actually spelt Karangahape?

It's named after the tohunga of the Tainui waka, Rakataura, who was also known as Hape.

Rakataura was married to a beautiful wāhine (lady) called Kahurere. They travelled together around Aotearoa and named many places after themselves or after events that occurred within these areas.

Sadly, Kahurere died during their travels. Rakataura named the hill where she died, Puke o Kahu (The hill of Kahu), in memory of his beloved wife.

Later on his travels he came across a great maunga (mountain) that reminded him of his love for his wife. Overcome with emotion he said "Te Aroha ki uta. Te Aroha ki tai" (meaning my love buried in the hinterlands and this mountain that I have fallen in love with close by the sea) and the mountain became known from that day on as Te Aroha.

Rakataura tried to climb to the top of Mt Te Aroha but the Patupaiarehe (fairy like people) refused to allow him access. He tried over and over again but the karakia of the Patupaiarehe was too strong. Eventually he was forced up and around the side of the mountain to the place we now call Karangahape. Karangahape translates to the place that Hape was called to because everytime he tried to climb Te Aroha, the Patupaiarehe would play tricks on him and instead call him around to Karangahape, far away from their own Kainga and pā.

So it was that the name stuck and the maunga became known as Karangahape.

Tūrou Hawaiiki! May the force be with you!



Unsafe oak trees to get the chop

Unfortunately, five of our Parry Palm Ave oak trees in Waihi have reached the end of their life and need to be removed for safety's sake.

Turning over a new leaf

We'll be planting some new trees to replace them next planting season (April to May).



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