



Ngā Whakaritenga mō te Hui ā-Tau/ Hui-ā-Iwi 2024

Agenda for the Annual General Meeting 2024

Paraire | Friday

22 Noema | November 2024 Whakatū Marae

4.30pm Pōwhiri

Kawe Mate

6.30pm Kai o te Pō

Pō Whakangahau

Hātarei | Saturday

23 Noema | November 2024 Whakatū Marae

9.30am Paramanawa | Morning tea

10.00am Hui ā-tau | Annual General Meeting

Karakia Timatanga

Mihimihi Chair Report

Annual Plan Report Financial Report Commercial Business General Business

12.00pm Kai o te rānui | Lunch

2.00pm Hui-ā-lwi

Iwi Elections

Preliminary Election Results Farewell to Departing Trustees Welcome to New Trustees Karakia Whakamutunga

Notes:

- » Waiata hou are included in this year's annual report pages 36-39.
- » This itinerary is subject to change. We will inform whānau of any changes via a pānui and on the Ngāti Koata Trust Facebook page.







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Te Ahunga

Our Mission

Hei hāpai ringa whai hua o te iwi

To support the cultural, social, spiritual, political and economic well-being of our people and places

Te Whakakitenga

Our Vision

Te hokinga mai o te manu hākapakapa Ngāti Koata are flourishing

Ngā Whāinga Matua

Our Purpose

Tiaki Tāngata, Tiaki Taiao, Tiaki Taonga Caring for our people, places and treasures

Ngā Tikanga

Our Values

Kaitiakitanga

Be the guardians of our environment

Whanaungatanga

To affirm the value of being part of a collective

Rangatiratanga

To exercise our independence and determine our choices for governing in our takiwā

Kotahitanga

Encourage unity

Whakatupuranga

Leave a legacy for future generations

Auahatanga

Encourage innovation, creativity, entrepreneurship and problem solving

Mātauranga

Protect our Indigenous knowledge systems

Manaakitanga

Extend tautoko, coaching, awhi-support and active listening

Wairuatanga

Nourish and nurture wairua

Te Pūrongo-ā-tau o Te Kaihautū

Chair's report

Kia rere arorangi ngā mihi ki te matua nui i te rangi kia māturuturu te tōmairangi o tōna atawhai ki runga i a tātou i tēnei rā, ā, haere ake nei.

Ka tangi te ao, ka tangi te pō, tangihia ō tātou mate o te wā. Moe mai rā koutou katoa ki ngā ringaringa kaha o tō tātou matua nui i te rangi.

Kia whakahōnoretia te Kuini Māori, Te Arikinui Kuini Nga wai hono i te po Pōtatau Te Wherowhero VIII e noho mai rā i runga i te ahurewa tapu i whakarerea iho e tōna matua, e ōna tūpuna. E mihi ana ki te Kāhui Ariki, ki te Whare o Pōtatau, paimārire.

Kei ngā reo, kei ngā mana, kei ngā karangatanga maha, tēnā rā tātou katoa.

This past year has been marked by significant milestones and achievements, reflecting our ongoing commitment to progress, iwi engagement, and strategic development. As Chair, I am proud to present an overview of the key accomplishments that have defined our journey and strengthened the future of our iwi.

Leadership and Governance

On 3 April 2023, the appointment of our permanent Pou Whakahaere, Turi Hippolite, has been a pivotal step in creating stability in our leadership space. I want to acknowledge all the support of our Tari kaimahi, our kaumātua and the Board Team who have supported Turi to transition into this space. Turi has demonstrated his commitment to fostering a strong, knowledgeable team, recruiting key positions such as the Pou Rauemi (Operations Manager) and Pou Taiao (Environmental Manager). I want to thank Turi for his leadership and innovations that he and the Tari kaimahi are progressing to support our aspirations.

Our governance practices have been bolstered through targeted training focused on whanaungatanga, decision-making, and bias awareness. This training has equipped us as a Board Team with the skills necessary to navigate complex issues and make informed decisions that align with our strategic goals as an iwi.

Strategic Land and Resource Management

One of the major focuses this year has been the Marine and Coastal Area (MACA) application, where we seek to have

Ngāti Koata recognised in the Takutai Moana surrounding Rangitoto ki te Tonga. The MACA working group, led by Project Manager Loretta Lovell, has made substantial progress. The team's dedication and collaborative approach have positioned us well to achieve our goal of completing this process, which is crucial for securing our customary interests and ensuring the protection and sustainable management of our marine resources.

The Ngāti Koata forestry land transaction has also been a significant area of focus. Through extensive consultation and engagement with whānau, we have maintained transparency and upheld the decisions made by previous Boards. Our commitment to clear communication has been demonstrated through various hui and a comprehensive roadshow, ensuring that all iwi members are informed and involved in the decision-making process. I want to thank Hemi Toia for his high level of detail and together with the commercial board driving a positive outcome.



Cultural and Environmental Stewardship

Our efforts in cultural and environmental stewardship have been robust. Ruruku Atu, Ruruku Mai restarted again at the beginning of 2024, with a full number of participants. We



have initiated filming with kaumātua to document their experiences and knowledge about the Takutai Moana. This project not only preserves invaluable oral histories but also strengthens our cultural heritage for future generations.

In line with our environmental initiatives, the Wai 262 claim has been a priority. With a focus on the impact of climate change on tuatara and the broader ecosystem, we have actively participated in the Waitangi Tribunal's new climate change inquiry. This engagement underscores our commitment to protecting our natural resources and asserting our tino rangatiratanga over flora, fauna, and all taonga.

Community and Relationship Building

Strengthening our community and relationships has been central to our achievements this year. We have actively engaged with other iwi, local councils and central government agencies working in and across Te Tauihu, fostering collaborations and mutual support. Our interactions with iwi leaders and participation in various forums have elevated our iwi profile and ensured that our voice is heard on critical issues such as water reform, educational initiatives, and local governance representation.

Our involvement in the National Iwi Chairs Forum and other strategic discussions has reinforced our collective resolve to protect Te Tiriti o Waitangi rights, customary fisheries, and Māori health. These engagements highlight our dedication to advocating for our interests on both regional and national platforms.

Political

We have taken a stand with the change in government. Anything that has affected our people, through key government changes, we have ensured Ngāti Koata has had a voice. Starting at the beginning of 2024, with bringing our people together virtually to hear whānau concerns, attending Hui-ā-Motu in Ngāruawāhia all the way through to ensuring that we have participated in select committee processes on key issues.

Conclusion

This year has been one of significant progress, strategic collaborations, and unwavering commitment to our iwi aspirations. As we continue to navigate the challenges and opportunities ahead, I am confident in the strength and resilience of our team and community. Together, we are forging a path that honours our heritage, secures our rights, and builds a prosperous future for Ngāti Koata.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has contributed to our successes this year. Your support, dedication, and hard work are the pillars of our progress.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

Caroline Palmer Heamana | Chair, Ngāti Koata Trust



Te Pūrongo-ā-tau o Te Pouwhakahaere

From the Pou Whakahaere

Kua ara ake au i te papa o te whenua, kua kite atu au i ngā whetū e tū takitahi ana, ko Matariki te kairūri, ko Atutahi kei te taumata o te mangōroa, Tīhei Mauriora.

Ka tuku ngā whakawhetai ki te runga rawa mō ana tini manaakitanga kua ūwhia mai ki runga i a tātou.

Kei aku mōtoi kahurangi kua riro atu ki te ao wairua, okioki atu rā koutou ki te okepū o mahara. E Rangi, kei taku Kīngi, Kīngi Tuheitia Pōtatau Te Wherowhero VII ko koe tērā kua riro ki tua o rangiwhakamoeariki. Ngā mate katoa kei runga i a tātou, haere, haere, haere atu rā.

Ko Te Paki o Matariki kei runga, ko Te Arikinui Kuini Nga wai hono i te po Pōtatau Te Wherowhero VIII ki te whenua. Tū te rangi āniwaniwa, ka pai, tū te rangi āwhioawhio, ka pai, ko te Kuini Māori kei tōna ahurewa tapu. Rire, rire hau paimārire.

Tātou ngā uri whakaheke o rātou mā ki te ao tūroa nei, tēnā hoki tātou katoa.

I am honoured to present this report on behalf of the Ngāti Koata Trust tari. First and foremost, I wish to acknowledge our dedicated kaimahi team for their unwavering commitment and hard work throughout the past year. Their efforts in delivering programmes and wānanga have played a crucial role in the ongoing growth and prosperity of our iwi. This year has been filled with rewarding achievements, intriguing developments, and meaningful challenges.

Cultural revitalisation remains central to our mission as we strive to uphold and celebrate our koatatanga. Initiatives such as Ruruku Atu Ruruku Mai have empowered our iwi members to assume important roles on the pae and as kaikaranga on our marae. We are delighted to introduce three new iwi waiata and one haka composition by our Pou Ahurea, Levi Ngawaka, enriching our efforts in cultural revitalisation and becoming cherished additions to our traditions.

Ensuring the robustness and effectiveness of our policies and procedures has been another significant focus area, underpinning the integrity of our operations and supporting our continued growth. Our commitment to environmental stewardship is evident in projects at Takapourewa and Lake Moawhitu, where we continue to preserve and enhance our natural resources. Managing the hunters' cull, Mīti Pāwhara, reflects our proactive approach to environmental management, including distributing processed meat packs to iwi members.

The evolving political landscape has heightened our attention to the Resource Management Act and resource consent. Addressing these challenges demands vigilance and strategic responses to safeguard our interests. Relocating our tari to Trafalgar Street represented a significant milestone, requiring considerable effort and coordination, and signalling a new phase of growth for our organisation.

Participation in events like Hui-ā-Motu and the Waitangi Celebrations at Whakatū Marae has strengthened our



Ngāti Koata shares joint first place in Te Ipukarea 2024

collective identity and unity. We were privileged to demonstrate manaakitanga to over 1500 attendees during the pōwhiri and kai whakanoa. At the National Māori Basketball Tournament, we fielded our largest contingent yet, achieving notable results in every grade and proudly showcasing our own cultural pride through haka and waiata. Sharing joint first place with another Te Tauihu iwi at Te Ipukarea underscores the exceptional participation and enthusiasm of our iwi members.

In conclusion, this year has been one of remarkable progress, marked by achievements across cultural, environmental, and organisational domains. I eagerly anticipate continuing to provide programmes and support to our iwi members. I extend heartfelt gratitude to our wider Ngāti Koata whānau for their steadfast support and commitment.

Noho ora mai,

Turi Hippolite Pou Whakahaere, Ngāti Koata Trust







Te Tāhuhu o Ngāti Koata

Ngāti Koata Operations



Ngā Pou Tuarongo o Ngāti Koata

High-Level Structure for Ngāti Koata Entities

There are three organisations within Te Ohu a Ngāti Koata

- » Ngāti Koata Trust
- » Te Pātaka a Ngāti Koata Trust
- » Koata Ltd

From the Trust tari in Whakatū our Ngāti Koata operations team develop programmes and initiatives that aim to support the strategic goals and aspirations of the iwi.

A particular focus is cultural revitalisation, which includes initiatives to reconnect members with their sense of identity and whakapapa, primarily through te reo Māori.

Our activities are funded from revenue generated from assets that span fisheries and aquaculture, commercial property, financial investments and rents from Crown entities.

There is also a focused effort to seek funding from external entities to support these activities.

By preparing today for a bountiful tomorrow we will ensure our people are connected, united and culturally dynamic. That our places are healthy and sustainable for future generations and our taonga are safe and available for the advancement and sustenance of its people.

The Ngāti Koata Trust Deed sets out the functions and purposes, and provides for the control, governance and operation of Ngāti Koata Trust.

Our Board

The Ngāti Koata Trust Board typically meets once a month in Whakatū, as well as occasional committee meetings or special Trust meetings when deemed necessary.

Our Deed requires that we must have (at a minimum) four (4) Trustees, but may have up to seven (7) Trustees serve on the Trust Board. All members are elected to three year terms. Shorter terms may occur when sitting members cannot complete their terms. In these cases, the successor trustee serves only for the remainder of the term, before having to seek a further mandate through election.

Nominees for Trustee positions must be at 18 years of age or over. At least four of the successful nominees must be adult members of Ngāti Koata Trust.

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Ngā Mema o te Poari Matua



Caroline Palmer Chair



Hemi Cumming
Deputy Chair



Jarom Hippolite Trustee



Kyle Edmonds Trustee



Regan Paul Trustee



Richard Robinson Trustee



Roma Hippolite Trustee

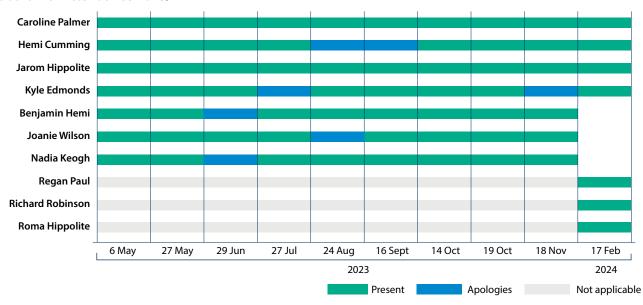
Our Trustees must have the following attributes:

- » A passion and vision for the development of the Ngāti Koata Iwi.
- » Good communication skills and the ability to work well within a team.
- » Skills in strategic planning and financial reporting.
- » Knowledge in at least one of the following: Te Ao Māori, Treaty of Waitangi processes, accounting, business, education.

Ngā Mahi Mana Whakahaere

Governance

Board Hui Attendance 2023/24



Board Interests Register as at 2 May 2024

Member	Organisation	Active Interests	Notice Date
Caroline Palmer	Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Kuia and Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi membership	16 Nov 2022
	Department of Corrections	Employee - No conflicts at present	8 Oct 2023
Hemi Cumming	Ngāti Koata and Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi membership	16 Nov 2022
	Plant and Food Research	Employee	16 Nov 2022
	Wakatū Incorporation	Shareholder - possible conflict	16 Nov 2022
Jarom Hippolite	Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Apa, Ngāti Kuia, Ngāti Tama, Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi membership	16 Nov 2022
	Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	Employee	20 May 2022
Kyle Edmonds	Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Tahu, Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Ngāti Wai	lwi membership	16 Nov 2022
	Jarden	Employee - no present conflict	11 Nov 2021
	Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	Independent Member - Audit, Risk & Investment Committee Possible conflict	4 Nov 2021
	Wakatū Incorporation	Shareholder - possible conflict	11 Nov 2021
Regan Paul	Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi Membership	22 Nov 2023
	Woolworths NZ	Employee	22 Nov 2023
Richard Robinson	Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Kuia and Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi membership	22 Nov 2023
	Integrity1	Employee - No conflict	
Roma Hippolite	Ngāti Koata, Kai Tahu, Tainui, Ngāti Toa Rangatira	lwi membership	14 Sep 2020
	Wakatū Incorporation	Shareholder - possible conflict	14 Sep 2020

Te Taurapa: Ngā Kaimahi o Ngāti Koata



Turi Hippolite

Pou Whakahaere (General Manager)

Kawana Waitai

Pou Toiora

(Education, Social & Health Manager)

Levi Ngawaka

Pou Ahurea

(Cultural Manager)

Pene Gieger

Tauawhi Taiao

(Environmental Support)

Quintin (Q) Hāpuku

Pou Rauemi

(Operations Manager)

Pene (Tehau) Kaonohi

Pou Taiao

(Environmental Manager)

Cordelle Rei

Pou Tūhono

(Membership & Archives Coordinator) (Whānau Ora Navigator)

Laken Gieger

Kaitiaki Taiao

(Iwi Environmental Ranger)

Dina-Marie Kahaialii

Pou Āwhina

(EA to GM & Board Administrator)

Piripi McGregor

Kaiwhakatere Whānau Ora (Whānau Ora Navigator)

Dan Solomon

Kaiwhakatere Whānau Ora (Whānau Ora Navigator)

Penny Adams

Kaikaute

(Accountant)



Te Rīpoata o te Tari

Ngāti Koata Trust Report

Timeline - Lake Moawhitu Resoration

1900s

Moawhitu last used as a traditional mahinga kai. 2006

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Moawhitu is bought back into public conservation land through a purchase from the nature heritage fund. Ngāti Koata treaty settlement & cultural tuna harvest. Intention declared to restore traditional customary harvest that has been lost.

Application to Freshwater Improvement Fund successful. Ngāti Koata receive 5yr funding round for restoration project.

2017



2019

Wetland water levels raised with the placement of permanent structures to enhance wetland habitats. Wetland increases in size & water tables re-connect to upper catchment.

2018

Baseline cultural health measures completed. Cawthron research into lake algal bloom issues and internal nutrient cycling begins.



2020

Research into algal bloom cycles continues with NIWA paper researching phosphorus release from surface sediment.

Sediment capping laboratory trials on Lake Moawhitu sediment cores completed.

2021

200+ Ngāti Koata whānau and volunteers have now visited Moawhitu & been part of restoration since 2014.

New round of Freshwater Improvement Funding applied for and gained, with 4 more years of funding, focused on lake health & improving water quality, alongside cultural health assessments & employment of Ngāti Koata whānau.



2022



He Reo nō te Puehu, a voice from the dust - Virtual reality experience released as part of Lakes 380 support. Aotearoa NZ's first of this kind.

Koata whānau now employed in cultural health & restoration kaupapa at Moawhitu.

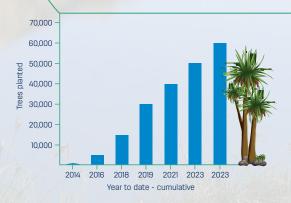
Kaunihera Kaumātua visit Moawhitu with Koata Taiao kaimahi and steering group.

Cawthron research gives most current picture of phosphorus-loading

from external & internal sources.

2022 storm raises lake level by >1m. Over 20 slips enter the lake & over 150mm of sediment enters the lakebed.

2023



Ngāti Koata whānau continue employment with Jobs For Nature funding Moawhitu Rangers Work Weeks.

Lake restoration options are finalised and recommendations are made by Cawthron to address external and internal nutrient issues.



PROJECT MOAWHITU

— He reo nō te puehu –



Tiaki Taonga

Ngāti Koata's Commitment to Lake Moawhitu Restoration: Progress and Future Plans

Ngāti Koata has made remarkable strides in the ongoing restoration of Lake Moawhitu, a site of deep cultural significance on Rangitoto ki te Tonga (D'Urville Island). The lake, located in the Marlborough Sounds, has long faced challenges, including recurring algal blooms caused by nutrient release from lake-bed sediments.

Over the past year, significant progress has been made through planting trips, monitoring activities, and preparations for submitting a resource consent application to apply a sediment capping agent. This agent is intended to address the high internal phosphorus levels contributing to the persistent algae blooms.

The restoration project is part of a broader initiative supported by the government's Jobs for Nature programme, which provided Ngāti Koata Trust with \$759,000 in funding over four years to enhance native vegetation and improve freshwater quality in the Moawhitu catchment.

Since the project began, 60,000 native trees have been planted, creating a "full canopy closure" that connects wetlands, lake margins, and erosion-prone areas, fostering biodiversity and resilience.

Dan Moore, the Moawhitu project manager, recently shared an update on these efforts with the Marlborough District Council's environment and planning committee.

He highlighted the significant water level drop of approximately 16 feet over time and emphasised that the primary goal remains the rejuvenation of water quality to restore traditional taonga species, such as tuna.

A key success of Project Moawhitu has been the collaboration among Ngāti Koata, the Marlborough District Council, the Department of Conservation (DOC), and other partners.

This collective effort has not only driven the restoration process but also reconnected Ngāti Koata with their rohe, revitalising mātauranga Māori within the community.

In addition to Project Moawhitu, Ngāti Koata has secured funding from Te Wai Māori Trust to develop a Cultural Health Monitoring tool specifically for Lake Moawhitu.

This innovative tool will integrate both mātauranga Māori and Western science techniques to monitor the lake's health before and after the application of the sediment capping agent.

To further enhance community involvement and understanding, Ngāti Koata is partnering with Cawthron Institute to develop a series of wānanga for 2024-2025. These wānanga will aim to build whānau capability in Western science techniques while allowing the iwi to determine how they wish to see the lake monitored.

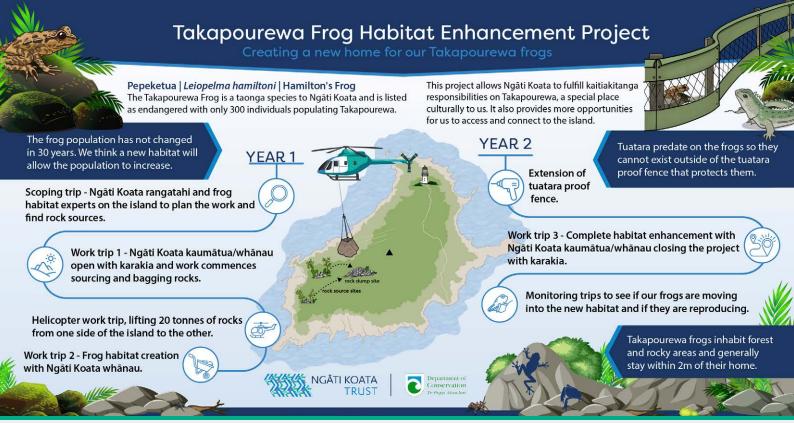
Tehau Kaonohi, Ngāti Koata's environmental manager, has noted the historical degradation of Lake Moawhitu due to wetland drainage, deforestation, and freshwater pollution.

Since the area was transferred into European ownership in 1918, with limited access for Ngāti Koata, the lake's declining health has hindered traditional cultural practices and mahinga kai.

The land's purchase and transfer to DOC in 2006 as part of the D'Urville Island Reserve marked a turning point, and the ongoing restoration efforts represent a significant step toward healing the land and water.

Project Moawhitu continues to be a vital initiative for Ngāti Koata, not only restoring a critical environmental resource but also reaffirming the iwi's connection to the land and their commitment to preserving it for future generations.





Ngāti Koata Leads Efforts to Protect Takapourewa Endangered Species

Ngāti Koata Trust has taken a leading role in the restoration and protection of Takapourewa (Stephens Island), a crucial sanctuary for some of New Zealand's most critically endangered species, including the Hamilton's frog, Stephens Island beetle, and Ngaio weevil.

Situated at the northern edge of Rangitoto ki te Tonga (D'Urville Island), Takapourewa is not only a site of immense cultural significance but also a key habitat for these rare species, which cling to life on the island's rocky outcrops.

With a \$170,000 grant from the Department of Conservation (DOC), Ngāti Koata Trust has partnered with DOC to ensure the future of these taonga species.

The Trust, guided by the principles of kaitiakitanga, is committed to safeguarding the island's biodiversity through habitat restoration and the construction of protective enclosures designed to shield these vulnerable populations from further decline.

The project is spearheaded by niece and aunt duo, Laken and Pene Gieger, who are passionate about engaging and educating fellow iwi members on the importance of preserving these species.

Their work on the island involves meticulous monitoring and the implementation of measures to support the endangered Hamilton's frog population, which is one of the most threatened amphibians in the world, with only two known populations remaining.

Laken Gieger, a graduate of the NMIT Moturoa Kaitiaki ranger programme and former Tasman District Council trainee, has been deeply involved in environmental conservation efforts for several years.

Her connection to Takapourewa began in 2019 when

she joined the frog monitoring team. "I've always felt a pull towards conservation, and working on this project has opened my eyes to the importance of protecting our taonga species," she says.

The Hamilton's frog population on Takapourewa has grown to around 300 frogs, but this growth has plateaued in recent years. To support the viability of frog, beetle, and weevil populations, the team will enhance and expand their habitat by placing over 20 tonnes of locally sourced rock within the fenced area, ensuring the local ecosystem is carefully considered to prevent harm to other species.

"It's our responsibility as kaitiaki of the motu to ensure that these species continue to endure with as little human interference as possible," says Pene.

Ngāti Koata Trust is actively seeking expressions of interest from whānau members to participate in these continuing restoration efforts.

However, the remote location and challenging conditions of Takapourewa mean that volunteers must meet specific criteria and be prepared for physically and mentally demanding work. "Takapourewa is tough, but it's a rewarding challenge" Pene notes.

The Trust's work on Takapourewa is more than just conservation; it's about reasserting Ngāti Koata's role as guardians of their ancestral lands and ensuring that these unique species have a future.

The collaborative effort between Ngāti Koata and DOC not only protects endangered species but also strengthens the connection of the iwi to their rohe, ensuring that the knowledge and responsibility of kaitiakitanga are passed down to future generations.



Waitangi Day Celebrations Hosted at Whakatū Marae

Over 8,000 people gathered to commemorate Te Rā o Waitangi | Waitangi Day at Whakatū Marae, to learn more about our shared history and experience Te Ao Māori.

The event, delivered in partnership with Nelson City Council and other iwi representatives, was filled with fun, whānau-friendly activities, including traditional Māori art workshops, entertainment by local kapa haka and Pasifika groups, kai, and stalls featuring traditional art and crafts.

In previous years, Waitangi Day had been recognised at Founders with an International Kai Festival.

This year, the event featured an array of delicious food options, with 70 stalls spread across the two sites, including a hāngī at Whakatū Marae.

Reflecting on the significance of the day, Ngāti Koata Pou Whakahaere (General Manager) Turi Hippolite expressed his excitement about hosting the Waitangi Day celebrations in collaboration with Nelson City Council at Whakatū Marae.

"Waitangi Day is a day of historical and cultural value, for all of Aotearoa New Zealand, for Māori it is important as a nationwide occasion for reflecting on our nation's history, present, and future."

Mayor Nick Smith of Nelson commended Ngāti Koata for hosting the Waitangi Day commemoration at Whakatū Marae, emphasising the event's role in helping residents, new arrivals, and visitors understand the unique Treaty history and experience marae protocol.

"It is important to build strong relationships locally, especially in a time of increasing polarisation on Treaty issues nationally."

The day's events commenced with a pōwhiri at Whakatū Marae, inviting members of the public to partake in a traditional Māori welcome ceremony.

The movie "What Really Happened: Waitangi" was screened at the Energy Centre at Founders, offering a glimpse into the events leading up to the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi.

Special guest performer Jordyn with a Why (Ngāti Koata, Tainui Āwhiro ki Whaingaroa) graced the stage with R&B/neo-soul inspired bilingual music, sharing stories of language reclamation, identity, and cultural heritage through her captivating performance.

The day's festivities provided a unique opportunity for the community to come together, celebrate, and honour the rich cultural heritage of Aotearoa New Zealand.

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Tiaki Taiao

Ngāti Koata leads groundbreaking Freshwater Management initiative

Ngāti Koata, along with the other seven iwi of Te Tauihu, is at the forefront of a transformative initiative to implement Te Mana o te Wai as part of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPS-FM) 2020. This project, called Te Kāhui Waipuna, is a pioneering effort in Aotearoa, embodying a true partnership between iwi and local councils to ensure that Māori voices are integral in shaping freshwater management policies.

Te Mana o te Wai is a fundamental principle guiding New Zealand's approach to freshwater management, prioritising the health and well-being of water bodies first, then the essential needs of people, followed by other uses.

It underscores the importance of involving tangata whenua in decision-making, reflecting their unique relationship with the environment and incorporating both mātauranga Māori and Western scientific approaches.

Te Kāhui Waipuna is composed of Pou Taiao (Environmental Managers) representing each of the eight iwi of Te Tauihu. Under this initiative, Ngāti Koata has begun developing freshwater aspirations for their rohe and initiated policy drafting with the three councils of Te Tauihu.

This collaboration has ensured that iwi perspectives are not just heard but are embedded in the policies that will govern freshwater management in the region.

One of the key aspects of this project is the direct engagement between iwi and council policy planning staff. This unique approach allows for co-creation of policies, where iwi and councils work together to craft policy language that accurately reflects Māori values and priorities.

The result is a set of policies that are more inclusive, culturally appropriate, and better suited to protecting and enhancing

the freshwater ecosystems that are vital to both iwi and the broader community.

The work done by Ngāti Koata and other iwi under Te Kāhui Waipuna is a significant step towards fulfilling the objectives of Te Mana o te Wai. It also serves as a model for how indigenous knowledge and perspectives can be integrated into modern environmental management practices.

This partnership is not only about preserving the environment but also about upholding the rights and responsibilities of iwi as kaitiaki of their lands and waters.

The importance of this work cannot be overstated, as it is the first of its kind in New Zealand. The project demonstrates the potential for successful collaboration between iwi and government agencies, setting a precedent for future initiatives aimed at managing and protecting New Zealand's natural resources.

As Ngāti Koata continues to lead these efforts, the benefits of this partnership will extend far beyond Te Tauihu, offering valuable lessons for other regions and nations looking to integrate indigenous knowledge into environmental governance.

This initiative, supported by the Ministry for the Environment and funded through Te Mana o te Wai, represents a significant milestone in our journey towards more sustainable and equitable freshwater management.

The leadership of Ngāti Koata in this area not only reinforces their role as stewards of their natural environment but also highlights the vital contribution of Māori knowledge and values to the health and well-being of Aotearoa's freshwater ecosystems.



Ngāti Koata MACA Application

- 1. You will be aware that the Ngāti Koata Trust has been engaging for 11 years with the Crown on our application under the Marine Area and Coastal (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 (MACA). After an extensive communications campaign, a Huiā-lwi was held on 19 August 2023 where lwi passed a resolution for the Trust to enter into a recognition agreement with the Crown. The Trust then put its evidence to the then Minister for Treaty Negotiations Andrew Little.
- Minister Little agreed that the lwi had prima facie met the statutory tests under the MACA legislation. However, he said he could not make a final decision until other iwi with overlapping claims submitted their evidence. Minister Little gave those iwi 12 months to provide that evidence, by 6 October 2024, before he would make a final decision.
- The Crown agency, Te Arawhiti, and the new Minister Paul Goldsmith have been reminded of the decision of the previous Minister and the timeline for a decision, and the Minister has confirmed his intent to stand by the process and make a decision. We understand that a few iwi may submit their evidence in October 2024.
- 4. On 24 September the government introduced legislation to amend the test for customary marine title. It is difficult to say now quite how those changes will affect Ngāti Koata's application. We had asked for Ngāti Koata to be excluded from the amendments (together with other iwi who have received orders for customary marine title). It appears we may be caught by the amendments, meaning the new test will apply to us. The Government wants the new legislation to be passed by Christmas this year. We believe we have already met the test for customary marine title, and the amendments may decrease the areas to which Minister Goldsmith is willing to recognise customary marine title for us. We note that in documents released through a recent Waitangi Tribunal inquiry, we now know that the day before the Minister met with us earlier in the

- year (May 2024), he met with the Seafood Food Industry to say that that only 5% of New Zealand's coastline would meet the amended test. We understand the Minister wishes to meet with us again.
- 5. In the same Waitangi Tribunal inquiry, the Crown released, without our knowledge or consent, full records of the two meetings we have had this year with Minister Goldsmith. This was in breach of our terms of engagement signed in 2016. We have written stern letters to the government advising them of their breach. The Minister and officials have acknowledged our concerns but not apologised or admitted fault. They have, however, committed to working in good faith with Ngāti Koata.
- 6. We will provide an update on further progress at the AGM.



Ngāti Koata collaborates with NCC and Tasman Pine Forest Ltd in successful wildlife cull

A recent cull of deer, pigs, and goats in Nelson's back country reserves has yielded positive results, with a substantial reduction in numbers while also providing food for hundreds of families.

The collaborative project between Nelson City Council, Tasman Pine Forest Ltd, and Ngāti Koata was carried out in Atmore, Tantragee, Eureka, Brook, and Marsden Valley reserves, as well as adjacent iwi-owned land.

Professional hunters from Trap and Trigger were tasked with conducting the cull, resulting in the removal of 131 deer, 58 goats, and 12 pigs from the targeted reserves.

By the fourth week of the operation, hunters reported significantly lower numbers of ungulates in the area, indicating the success of the initiative.

Ngāti Koata Environmental Manager, Tehau Kaonohi highlighted the importance of recent rule changes from the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI), which facilitated the retrieval of meat from iwi-owned land.

Ngāti Koata covered the costs associated with retrieving and butchering the meat from both Council-managed reserves and their own land, ensuring that the harvested animals could be utilised effectively.

"Trap and trigger were able to provide a team of Ngāti Koata hunters with GPS locations of deer carcasses that were possible to retrieve. They would gut the animal as part of their work, meaning it could be safely picked up that night or early the next morning.

"It's not always a straightforward operation to carry the carcasses out of the reserve, some were so heavy they had to be moved out with a winch!"

Despite the logistical challenges of moving heavy carcasses out of the reserves, the team was able to retrieve 99 out of the 131 deer killed, a significant achievement that would benefit numerous families.

The carcasses were processed by Gillespie 1 Homekill and divided into packs containing various cuts of venison, including steaks, casserole meat, mince, sausages, and salami.

A number of whānau from the iwi have already received one or two packs, with additional packs of meat to be distributed as part of the initiative.

Reflecting on the success of the operation, Ngāti Koata Pou Taiao, Tehau Kaonohi expressed satisfaction with the outcomes achieved.

"We continue to process the meat and freeze it and expect to create somewhere between 300-500 packs in total," said Kaonohi.

"This was a fantastic result, not just for protecting native species in our natural environment and reducing the damage to mountain bike trails, but because of the number of people it would feed.

"With rising costs at the supermarket hitting people's back pocket, this was a great time to be able to offer some free kai for many whānau."

Group Manager Community Services and Recreation Andrew White also commended the collaboration between Ngāti Koata, Nelson City Council, and Tasman Pine Forest Ltd, emphasising the positive impact of the cull in reducing wildlife numbers in the reserves while providing a valuable food source for the community.

"Trap and Trigger have managed to considerably reduce numbers in our reserves, and while animal control will still be needed in the future, we have likely pushed back the date that we next need to go in.

"A big thank you to Ngāti Koata for partnering with us and covering the logistics of retrieving the carcasses. It's fantastic knowing that we managed to stop such a large proportion of this kai from going to waste."





Tiaki Tāngata

Ngāti Koata perspective on Poitūkohu Māori: A celebration of whānau, culture, and unity

Poitūkohu Māori, or Māori basketball, is more than just a sport; it's a celebration of whānau, culture, and unity.

This was evident at the Poitūkohu Māori National Championships held in Rotorua. Described as a "meeting of all the tribes," this whānau-friendly and inclusive event showcases the unique way in which Māori culture is interwoven into the fabric of the sport.

A distinctive feature of the tournament is the kapa haka evening, which takes place mid-tournament.

One of the local representatives from Rotorua Basketball, Rangitihi Pene, explained, "It's really two separate tournaments. The first three days are for the young ones—under 7s through to under 15s. Wednesday night, we have a kapa haka competition, and then Thursday, it's under 17s all the way up to mixed and masters, including te hunga hauā (those with disabilities)."

This year's tournament was a spectacular display of skill, culture, and community, with over 408 teams participating—a significant increase from the humble beginnings 12 years ago when the tournament was revived by Māori basketball legends like Willie Taurima, Jeff Green, Hori Thompson, and Sue Pene.

Pene, who has been involved in Māori basketball for over 40 years, notes the joy of seeing strong iwi like Ngāti

Koata, Ngāti Toa Rangatira and Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga not only excelling on the court but also in kapa haka and providing essential support during the event.

One of the most unique aspects of the tournament is the spontaneous haka performances that break out at the end of games, particularly after closely contested matches.

This reflects the deep cultural pride and connection that iwi bring to the tournament. It's a moment where the passion for basketball and the strength of Māori identity converges.

The tournament is a significant event for Ngāti Koata and other iwi, bringing together not only athletes but also tribal leaders and community members. It serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of preserving and celebrating Māori culture through sport and collective gatherings.

For Ngāti Koata and other participating iwi, Poitūkohu Māori is more than just a tournament—it's a platform for growing future leaders, fostering resilience, and strengthening cultural ties across generations.

This annual event is eagerly anticipated as it not only nurtures the physical and competitive spirit of rangatahi but also deepens their connection to their whakapapa and cultural heritage, ensuring that the legacy of Māori basketball continues to thrive.





Empowering rangatahi through wānanga

The need and opportunity for our rangatahi wānanga became clear after we conducted interviews and surveys, receiving 129 responses from rangatahi about their feelings and challenges. The feedback highlighted the significant pressures they face — feeling overwhelmed, overworked, constantly dealing with high expectations, and lacking knowledge about tools to manage anxiety, depression, and low mood.

To address these concerns, we initially asked our rangatahi about their interests and how we could best support them. Recruitment efforts relied heavily on word of mouth. After the first wānanga in October, those who attended shared their experiences with friends and whānau, leading to an increase in participation. Our social media pages also helped spread the word. The fact that many of the rangatahi already knew each other outside of this kaupapa made it easier to keep them engaged, as they could rely on the encouragement and support of their friends and whānau.

This collaborative approach not only addressed the immediate needs of our rangatahi but also laid the groundwork for developing resilience and leadership among them, ensuring they are equipped with the tools and support needed to thrive and contribute to the future of Ngāti Koata.

The stories provided are two case studies to provide context into the world of our rangatahi and also the need for programmes that are designed specifically for our young people. In order to protect the privacy and well-being of our rangatahi, especially those who are underage or facing challenging circumstances, we have chosen not to name them in our communications. This approach ensures their safety and allows them to continue their personal growth and development without undue attention or pressure.



Case study 1: He Toa Takitini

Setting the scene

One of the rangatahi participating in our wānanga has faced significant challenges due to the responsibilities placed on him as the eldest male in his household. With his father frequently away for work, he often feels the weight of being the "man of the house," a burden that has created immense pressure at a young age. While the expectation may not be explicitly imposed by others, it has nonetheless been a heavy emotional load for him to carry.

Engagement with the wananga

This young man has actively participated in all the wānanga offered, using the opportunity to acquire practical tools to navigate his feelings of inadequacy and the pressures he faces. These wānanga have provided him with a supportive environment to develop his skills and self-confidence.

Through an earlier programme, he successfully obtained his learner's driver's license, and we are now assisting him in working toward his restricted license. This milestone is not only a practical achievement but also a crucial step in his journey toward independence and self-reliance.

Skill development and practical outcomes

During a particularly impactful wānanga, he acquired valuable life skills that will serve him well into the future.

He learned to hunt, fish, and dive, gaining hands-on experience in harvesting and preparing food. This included:

- Fishing: He learned how to catch, gut, fillet, and cook fish, skills that are essential for providing kai for his whānau.
- » Diving: He experienced his first harvesting of pāua and kina, learning the techniques to shell and prepare these kai.
- » Hunting: He was taught how to gut, skin, and butcher a deer, gaining the knowledge needed to prepare meat for cooking.

These experiences have not only equipped him with the ability to support his family practically but have also empowered him to pass on these traditional skills to others, strengthening his cultural identity and connection to his heritage.

Leadership and personal growth

His involvement in the wānanga has led to noticeable growth in his self-confidence. This transformation is evident as he steps into a leadership role within his sports team, where he now demonstrates greater assurance and capability. His journey from feeling the overwhelming pressure of his responsibilities to becoming a confident young leader is a testament to the effectiveness of the wānanga in nurturing and empowering rangatahi.



Case study 2: Hoki Mai ki te Ūkaipō

Setting the scene

A rangatahi recently moved to Nelson from Australia, arriving on his own and moving in with extended whānau. Before relocating, he struggled with regular school attendance and lacked direction, with no job or clear prospects. Upon settling in Nelson, he was initially not enrolled in school and had limited motivation.

Engagement with the Trust

Our team began supporting him by helping him work toward obtaining his learner driver's license. He attended one of our wānanga, where he learned practical skills such as fishing, rigging a fishing rod, diving for kina and pāua, and preparing deer for consumption. These activities also allowed him to explore his whakapapa and engage in mahinga kai, with a particular interest in hunting.

Skill development and practical outcomes

During a particularly impactful wānanga, he acquired valuable life skills that will serve him well into the future. He learned to hunt, fish, and dive, gaining hands-on experience in harvesting and preparing food. This included:

- Fishing: He learned the essential skills of catching, gutting, filleting, and cooking fish, ensuring he could provide kai for his whānau.
- » Diving: He had his first experience harvesting pāua and kina, learning the techniques to shell and prepare these kai.
- » Hunting: He learned how to gut, skin, and butcher a deer, gaining the knowledge required to prepare the meat for cooking.

Since his participation in the wānanga, this rangatahi has enrolled in school and now attends regularly. His newfound confidence is evident as he navigates the community independently on a moped. The whānau he lives with know they can reach out for support through our whānau ora programme if needed. We continue to include him in kaupapa aligned with his interests, fostering his connection to his peers.

Personal growth

Through our observations, we've seen significant growth in his confidence and personal development. He has also formed strong bonds with other rangatahi who attended the wānanga, all of whom are either in school or employed. This positive peer influence could motivate him to explore job opportunities in the near future.

Overall impact

These case studies illustrate how culturally grounded programmes like wānanga can have a profound impact on young people facing significant personal challenges. By offering practical skills, emotional support, and leadership opportunities, the wānanga plays a critical role in nurturing the next generation of Ngāti Koata leaders. These programmes are not just about helping rangatahi overcome immediate obstacles; they are about building the resilience, confidence, and capability needed for them to grow into future leaders who will carry forward the values and traditions of Ngāti Koata.

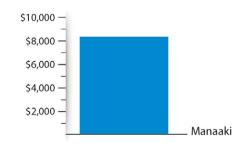


2023/24 Grants

MANAAKI



Total grants awarded \$8019

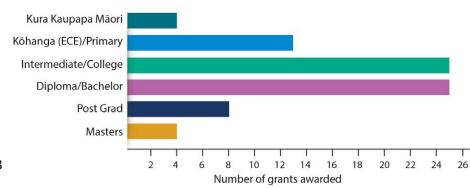


MĀTAURANGA



79 recipients

Total grants awarded \$31,793

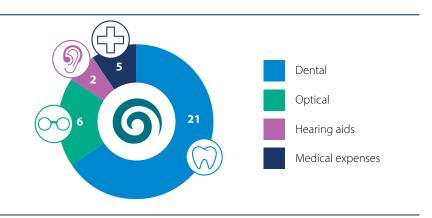


HAUORA



34 recipients

Total grants awarded \$15,269

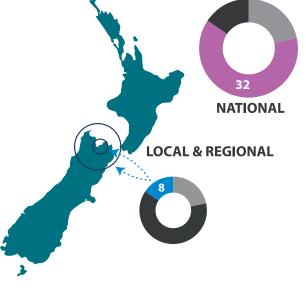


HĀKINAKINA



51 recipients

Total grants awarded \$8,150



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Ngāti Koata Grant Recipients 2023/24*







Iraia	Paul-Mendoza

Te Koha Paul-Mendoza

Daymon Gesche

Merania Poto

Jada Poto

Jordan Hinds

Madsen Elkington

Renee Laiseni

Corban Paewai

Shannon Clamp

Trei-Manaaki Workman

Elsie Tolutau

Sydney Clough

Raiha-Tiaki Gilbert

Maddison Newton

Cecily Miller-Heperi

Georgia Clough

Maddisen Anderson

Jana Pātete

Ihaia Te Hira

Te Rangihaeata

Paul-Mendoza

Kaliya Te Hira

Kiara Paul-Mendoza

Riley McCuish-Hocking

Paige McCuish-Hocking

Lewin Husband

Johan Studd

Javier Studd

Tiffany Matthews

Tawhiao

Whitham-Te Kotua

J'Adoube Elkington

Ariki Osborne

Lisa Totoro

Codi Ford

Tiwai Parai

Moana Woods

Kayden Newton

Donna Fermanis

Zion Anderson

Bella Anderson Storm Anderson

Ruby Pātete

Linton Laiseni

Teina Thompson

Melody Wells

Conway Bradey

Micah Shortland Michelle Tupaea

Teina Parata

Tāneatākura Bell

Logan April Bell

Silaiti Elkington

Isla-Isabella Bell

Ross Ihakara Taurima

Tiana Tongi

Myron Elkington

Tu Kotahi Paul

Zella Kohu

Jodi Thompson

Jurnee Rei

Tem Karekare

HAUORA

Maddison Newton

Kasharn Kotua

Arthur Hippolite

Jackie Simpkins

Zion Anderson

Rangiruhia Arthur

Te Roena McCarthy

Barry MacDonald

Joseline Davis

lwingaro Hippolite

Jacqueline Poto

Loverna Laiseni

Robert Park Olliver Park

Naomi Elkington

Rahui Katene Staci Kohe

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Kelly Hayes

Diana Wiki

Lynette MacDonald

Silaiti Elkington

Herani Davey

William Newton

Ariki Osborne

Kirsty MacDonald

Bobbie Maraea Teariki

Caroline Taurima

Maraea Tait

Anaru Taikehu Paul

Pene Melelani Gieger

Renee Laiseni

Natalie Mathews

Linton Laiseni

Keelan Heemi-Alofaifo

Sammie Heemi

Paige McCuish-Hocking

Riley McCuish-Hocking

Tawhiao

Whitham-Te Kotua

Kyla Greensil

Estienne-Jane

Boladuadua

Dayton-Peter Boladuadua

Nathaniel Salmon

Aaron Elkington

Keriana Hippolite

Logan Hippolite Wakatiwai Parai

Cullen Parai

Nauvoo Teariki

Wetekia Joyce

Elyssa Cassidy

Teina Thompson

Wai'apo Louis

Ruruku Keogh

Matene Keogh

Janie Edwards

Darren Paewai

Corban Paewai

Pharus Paewai

Maia Paewai

T'chaunte Paewai

Damian Paewai

Tiffany Cooper

Hunter

Sciascia-Taofao

Kimberley Murphy

Orewa Murphy

Estienne-Jane Boladuadua

Asher Paewai

Te Arai Paewai

Dayton Boladuadua Pearl Boladuadua

London Sciascia

Byron Taufao

, Jaelon Paewai

Arorangi Paewai

Gayleen Paewai

Ngarangi

Sciascia Taufao Kaiya Waitai

Laura Waitai

Te Uira Sciascia-Taufao Jay Tuatahi Jackson

Stella Crossan

Recipient Profiles

Stella Crossan



Representing Aotearoa at the Asia Pacific Cup 2024: Stella Crossan shares her story

I had the immense honour and pride of representing New Zealand in sprint kayaking at the Asia Pacific Cup 2024, held in Canberra, Australia. Competing in my first international event was a thrilling and unforgettable experience, one that tested my skills and broadened my horizons.

Our team stayed at the prestigious Australian Institute of Sport, where we were surrounded by some of Australia's top youth athletes. Alongside competitors from Australia, Singapore, and Japan, we spent the first three days acclimating to our new environment. We trained rigorously, practised in our different team boats, and familiarised ourselves with Lake Burley Griffin, the competition venue. These days also allowed us some time to explore Canberra and enjoy the city's sights.

Racing began on Thursday, and it was an intense few days with a packed schedule. Our team performed exceptionally well, starting strong with a gold medal in the K4 event.

This victory boosted our confidence and motivated us to aim even higher. My K2 partner, Jaqueline, and I channeled this momentum into our next race, pushing hard in the K2 500m final to secure another gold medal with a decisive win.

Throughout the weekend, I competed in several heats and finals across various categories. Amidst the busy, stressful, and competitive environment, I managed to add to my medal tally—a bronze in both the K1 500m and 200m events, a silver in the U16 relay, and another gold in the U16 mixed K4.

Reflecting on my first international regatta, I consider it a significant success. It was an invaluable learning experience, and I am absolutely thrilled with the results. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Ngāti Koata for their generous support on this incredible journey.



Jay Jackson

Jay's journey with the NZ International Softball Academy U14 Boys Tour 2024

Jay had the distinct privilege of being selected for the NZ International Softball Academy U14 Boys New Zealand Selection 2024 Tour to Sydney, Australia. This tour provided an incredible opportunity to compete in a series of warm-up games and participate in the 2024 Blacktown Junior International Challenge, the largest tournament yet, featuring seven teams from New South Wales, Canberra, Japan, and New Zealand.

The tour was organised by the esteemed International Softball Academy, under the management of Craig and Diane Waterhouse, and Linda Rowe. The coaching team was led by Head Coach Hadyn Smith, a former Softball New Zealand CEO with an extensive background in coaching and playing. He was supported by Assistant Coach Mike Mountford, a former Black Sox catcher with international experience, and Battery Coach Steve Jackson, a Black Sox member from 1980 to 1991 and a 2014 inductee into the Softball NZ Hall of Fame.

Before the tour, Jay was asked to set personal goals and identify areas for improvement. He was particularly focused on enhancing his fielding skills, reaction time, throwing accuracy, consistent hitting, and base-running speed. Additionally, we discussed the importance of discipline on the diamond, managing frustrations, maintaining focus, and building the confidence to communicate effectively and make new friends.

The teams arrived in Sydney on 19 March and immediately settled into a rigorous routine, starting each day with morning training runs and playing two evening games against local association selection teams. Jay quickly impressed the coaching staff with his well-rounded skill set and deep knowledge of the game, leading to discussions about his potential as a team captain. Despite his natural inclination to stay in the background, Jay was ultimately chosen by his teammates to lead as captain for the tour, a role that challenged him to step out of his comfort zone.

The team played six warm-up games against New South Wales selection teams, using the practices and games as opportunities to secure a spot in the squad for the weekend match against Japan. Jay solidified his place with strong performances throughout the week. The tournament officially began on Friday night, with Jay's team securing wins against two NSW selection teams. They achieved a significant victory against the eventual tournament winners, Japan Victory, but also faced two controversial losses. Overall, New Zealand played seven tournament games, winning four and losing three, ultimately placing fourth in the competition. Jay's exceptional performance earned him a spot on the All-Star Team, where he played in an exhibition game against a Japanese All-Star Selection team to conclude the tournament.

This incredible experience was made possible by the financial support of the Ngāti Koata Sports Grant, which allowed Jay to expand his horizons, receive top-level coaching, face high-quality opposition, and showcase his talents to a broader audience. The tour pushed Jay beyond his comfort zone, helping him forge new friendships and develop both as a player and a leader. He has a promising future ahead if he chooses to pursue higher softball honours.

Looking ahead, Jay's whānau are committed to providing opportunities for him to further develop his skills during the off-season. Focus areas identified in the post-tour debrief include improving speed in the field and at bat, consistent hitting, leadership development, managing frustrations, and effective communication. Ensuring access to the right equipment—gloves, bats, balls, batting nets, etc.—will be crucial as Jay prepares for the upcoming 2024/25 season and age group tournaments.

Jay and his whānau are deeply grateful for the support and are excited for what the future holds.





Jodi Kohu

Educational Scholarship Recipient

In 2018, I began studying for my Tohu Whakaakoranga Kōhungahunga (Early Childhood Education Degree) while working full-time as a kaiako in Kōhanga Reo and was hapū with my fourth child. After completing my degree with Te Wānanga o Raukawa, I transitioned to the Ministry of Education as an Education Advisor for Early Childhood Education and began my Masters in Education with Te Rito Maioha while hapū with my fifth child.

Over six years, I dedicated myself to furthering my

education while growing my family—something I take great pride in. As a māmā, I value the examples set for me in striving for excellence in all areas of life, and I am grateful for the opportunity to model this for my tamariki.

I thank the iwi for their financial contribution, which has helped me pursue my educational aspirations. Currently, I am the Kaiārahi Māori for the Nelson Tasman Kindergarten Association, where I apply both my education and iwi knowledge to support our kaiako.



Roimata Sam

Educational Scholarship Recipient

E hoka taku kawau ki Maungatapu Kōkiri te whakarua ki Maitahi

Te rerenga tai ki Aorere

Ko Tainui ki uta

Ka rongo ko Koata tūpuna, ko Koata tāngata

Tupu kerekere

Tau ana ki runga ki Kākati

Tihei mauriora

He mokopuna ahau nō Maria Poto Tuo Elkington rāua ko Peneāmine Hippolite.

Ko Roimata Sam tōku ingoa.

I have been studying for the past six years, firstly completing my Tohu Poutuarongo Whakaakoranga Kōhungahunga (Bachelor of Teaching Early Childhood) from Te Wānanga o Raukawa in 2020.

In April this year I graduated with my Tohu Paerua Te Mātauranga Kōhungahunga (Master of Education Early Childhood), with distinction from Te Rito Maioha.

The education grants I received from Ngāti Koata Trust supported me to complete my studies and achieve my goals, dreams, and aspirations. It is with the support of my whānau and iwi that I have been able to achieve such success. "Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari he toa takitini."

Ngāti Koata Iwi Reps

Hīnei te whakamānawa, te tuku hoki i ngā mihi nui whakaharahara ki ō tātou māngai ā-iwi, nā rātou ā Ngāti Koata i whakakanohi ki roto i ngā rōpū, ngā poari me ngā komiti puta noa i Te Tauihu a mohoa noa nei. E rangona ana tō koutou manawa rahi me tō koutou ngākau titikaha e whakapūmau ana i te reo o Ngāti Koata me ngā manako a te iwi nui tonu. Ko te puna o whakamaanawa, he wai manawa whenua tuhatuha e kore e mimiti.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all our iwi representatives who have proudly represented Ngāti Koata and continue to do so in various forums, boards, and committees across Te Tauihu. Your commitment and dedication ensure that our voice and aspirations are heard, and your leadership strengthens the connections and well-being of our people. Ngā mihi nui to you all for your tireless contributions and efforts.

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He Haka, He Waiata Hou

New haka and waiata

Te Rongotoa o Ngāti Koata

He haka tēnei mā Ngāti Koata. This is a haka composed for Ngāti Koata.

Ringaringa e torona, kei waho hoki mai! He aha te hau e ihi mai nei?

He hau no te uru, Te Tai Tamatāne He hau no te toi whenua, te kāinga tupu

Takatakahia! Hi

Takatakahia! Hi

Takatakahia te nukuroa o Te Ika!

Ka niwha te haere, āhiki te haere Ki Te Waewae Kapiti, ki Rangitoto

Whakawhiti atu

taku whare tupuna

Ki Te Tauihu o te Waka, ka tau ki Whakatū Ko Maungatapu, ko Maitahi Ko Kakati taku whare whakairo

He aha te hau e ihi mai nei?

He rongotoa, tūpapahū ana Te rongotoa o Ngāti Koata Tau, tau, tau hā, hī! Extend your arms out, and bring them back What is that indistinct sound on the wind? It is the west wind from the western tides It is a wind from the original homeland

Trample the ground

Trample the ground

Traverse the expanse of the North Island

Move boldly, move with haste

Onto Kapiti Island and then Rangitoto

Cross over

To the prow of the canoe, to settle in Whakatū
There is Maungatapu and Maitahi
Kakati is my carved ancestral
meeting house

What is that distinct sound on the wind?
It is a resounding reverberation
A reverberation of Ngāti Koata
It is settled, it is done!

Nā Levi Ngawaka ngā kupu me te taki Composed by Levi Ngawaka Rhythm developed by Levi Ngawaka

E Kōkōia Koata e

He waiata ā-iwi tēnei e kōrero ana mō Ngāti Koata.

This is an anthem song that speaks about Ngāti Koata.

E kōkōia, e ara e, e kōkōia Koata e

Ko Tainui taku waka i tere mai nei i te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa Ko Hoturoa te tangata Ka ū taku waka ki te tai tamawahine E kōkōia Koata e

Ka whakamau ngā mahara ki Aotea whenua, ki Kāwhia, ki Whāingaroa Tangitekorowhiti me ōna pua Te tumu o Tainui, ko Hani, ko Puna E kōkōia Koata e

Manini waka, ka tere taku waka ki te tonga ki Te Waipounamu e Ka aru i a Tawhi, ko te Tuku te hua Ko Tūtepourangi, Kauwae Hurihia E kōkōja Koata e

E ngā waka, e ngā mana, ngā iwi o te motu Nei rā te reo o te rangatahi Hikitia, hāpainga tō iwi e Wheukaria rawatia tō mana motuhake E kōkōia Koata e Ka whakataukītia ake i konei E kōkōia, e ara e, e kōkōia Koata e E kōkōia Koata e E kōkōia, e ara e, e kōkōia Koata e

Tainui is my canoe that traversed the pacific ocean Hoturoa was the chief My waka then arrived to the eastern tides E kōkōia Koata e

I fix my memories to the lands of Aotea Kāwhia and Whāingaroa To Tangitekorowhiti in full bloom The cradle of Tainui marked by Hani and Puna E kōkōia Koata e

My waka then makes its journey to Te Waipounamu in the South Where Tawhi was pursued, resulting in the Tuku By Tūtepourangi who presented Kauwae Hurihia E kōkōia Koata e

To the canoes, the powers, and tribes
Here is the voice of the youth
Uplift, encourage the tribe
Hold fast to your absolute sovereignty
E kōkōia Koata e
Here I make the statement
E kōkōia, e ara e, e kōkōia Koata e
E kōkōia Koata e

Nā Levi Ngawaka ngā kupu me te rangi Composed by Levi Ngawaka Tune developed by Levi Ngawaka

Te Reo Rāhiri o Ngāti Koata

He waiata pōhiri tēnei e rāhiritia ana te tāngata ki runga i a Ngāti Koata.

This is a song to welcome people into Ngāti Koata.

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Nau mai, piki mai, kake mai

Haere mai rā ki ahau

Ki te poho o Kakati e puare mai nā

Te wewera o ngā umu o Mauriora

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Nau mai, piki mai, kake mai

Haere mai rā ki ahau

Ki te kōmata o Maungatapu

ki uta

Ngā tai whatiwhati o Aorere moana

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Nau mai, piki mai, kake mai

Haere mai rā ki ahau

Rūruhi mai, koroheke mai

Tuākana, tēina

anō te pai

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Nau mai, piki mai, kake mai

Haere mai rā ki ahau

Ki te poho o Kakati e puare mai nā

Te wewera o ngā umu o Mauriora

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Ko te reo rāhiri o Ngāti Koata ē

Hi auē hī!

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Welcome

Come to me

To the bosom of Kakati, open and extended

To the hot ovens of Mauriora

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Welcome

Come to me

From the peak of Maungatapu that stands

inland

To the breaking tides of Aorere

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Welcome

Come to me

Elderly women, elderly men

The pleasant dwelling of older and younger

alike

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Welcome

Come to me

To the bosom of Kakati, open and extended

To the hot ovens of Mauriora

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Tis the welcoming refrain of Ngāti Koata

Nā Levi Ngawaka ngā kupu me te rangi Composed by Levi Ngawaka Tune developed by Levi Ngawaka

E Tai ki ō Iwi

He waiata tangi tēnei e poroporoaki ana i te hunga kua riro.

This is lament to farewell those that have passed.

He kura tangihia

he maimai aroha ki te hunga

Kua riro tītapu

ki te huinga o te kahurangi

Ka mate te marama

ka pō uriuri, ka hiwa

E Tai ki ō iwi

Haere atu rā

Tirohia atu rā

Te Ikaroa i te rangi

Kua rere a Kaiwaka

he tangi noa tāna mahi

Ka hoki a mahara, ka māuru te manawa

E Tai ki ō iwi

Haere atu rā

He rā e tō, he rā ka ara mai anō

E rere tō wairua ki tua

ō rangiwhakamoeariki, auē

Haere atu rā

te tau pūmau i ohia

Waiho mātau ki muri nei

ngā mahuetanga, ngā rurenga

Tauāraia te pō

tītoko ko te ao mārama

E Tai ki ō iwi

Haere atu rā

E Tai ki ō iwi

Haere atu rā

A cherished treasure

a song of affection for those

that have gone on

to the gathering of the illustrious

The moon disappears

allowing the intense darkness

Go on to your departed kin

Farewell

Look up

to The Milky Way

There goes Kaiwaka

the appointed star of grief

I cast my memories back to find solace

Go on to your departed kin

Farewell

The sun will set, but it is sure to rise again

Let your spirit fly to the resting place of

chiefs

Farewell

oh loved one who was so desired

Leave us remnants behind

Let the night disperse

and make way for light

Go on to your departed kin

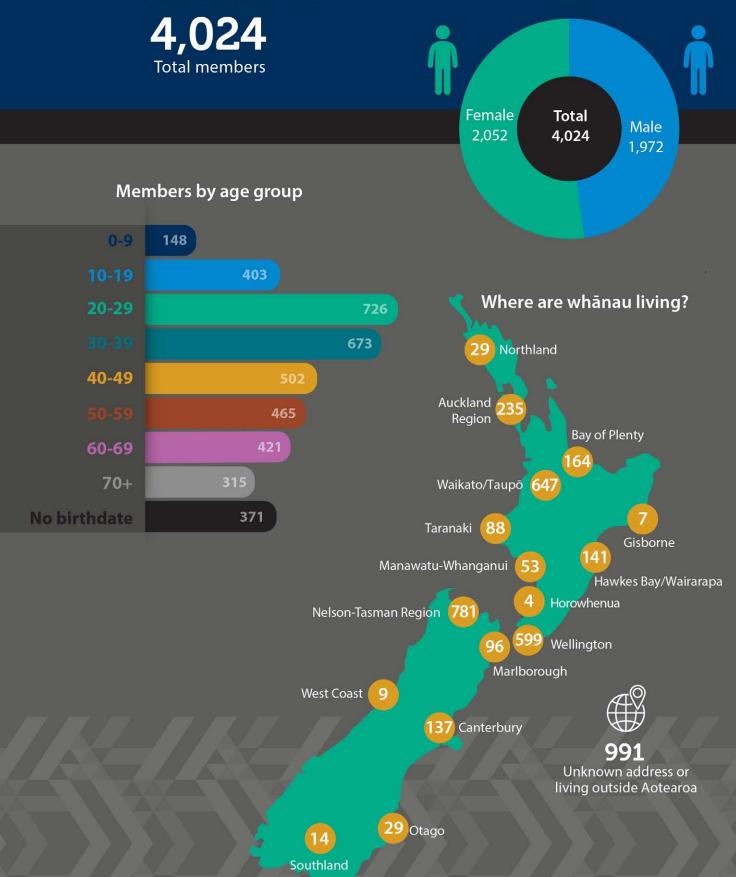
Farewell

Go on to your departed kin

Farewell

Nā Levi Ngawaka ngā kupu me te rangi Composed by Levi Ngawaka Tune developed by Levi Ngawaka

Ngāti Koata <u>Iwi Statistics</u>





Te Tauāki Mahi Ratonga

Statement of Service Performance



Our statement of performance Information is a sample overview of the work that was completed during this past financial year 2023/24 to fulfil Ngāti Koata Strategic Plan and mission to 'support the cultural, social, spiritual, political, and economic well-being of our people and places'.

We have separated these projects into the categories which sit under their relevant hoe from the strategic plan such as

Ngāti Koatatanga | Cultural Revitalisation

Tiaki Tāngata | Well-being

Tiaki Taiao | Environmental Management

Tiaki Taonga | Cultural Wealth

Mana Motuhake | Iwi Development

Finances by Hoe	FY24 Income	FY24 Expenses	FY23 Income	FY23 Expenses
Ngāti Koatatanga Cultural Revitalisation	396,342	291,293	422,849	453,338
Tiaki Tāngata Well-being	249,000	145,757	126,000	130,489
Tiaki Taiao Environment	815,079	726,671	661,077	685,409
Tiaki Taonga Cultural Wealth	73,600	61,790	68,856	90,444
Other - External projects	0	4,869	0	30,641
External Contracts Total	1,534,021	1,230,382	1,278,782	1,390,322
Mana Motuhake lwi development - Internal project	12,000	4,520	10,000	14,235
Other - Internal Projects	53,675	28,164	84,301	62,601
Total	1,599,696	1,263,068	1,373,083	1,467,158





Ngāti Koatatanga | Cultural Revitalisation

Cultural revitalisation for Ngāti Koata involves various efforts and initiatives to preserve, strengthen, and promote our iwi's cultural heritage, traditions, and identity. This includes a wide range of wānanga such as: Te Reo Māori (Language revitalisation), Tikanga Māori (Cultural practises & protocols), Whakapapa & Mātauranga (Historical knowledge), Kaitiakitanga (Environmental stewardship), Hauora (Health & well-being) These efforts collectively contribute to the revitalisation of Ngāti Koata's culture, ensuring that it thrives and is passed down to future generations.

Project	Objective	Outcome YE24	Outcome YE23
Ruruku Atu Ruruku Mai	 To practise the duties on the marae from the Waharoa to the Te Kāuta. To learn Koatatanga, kōrero tuku iho and purakau. 	 Hold x 4 3-day wānanga at Whakatu marae to practise the Māori language, Whaikōrero, Karanga, Pao, learn about Koatatanga and where Koata comes from: 19-21st May 2023 23-25th June 2023 11-13th August 2023 15-17th September 2023 All of the learning & application of these activities aligns to our Strategic goals of Kia Whakatū te reo, Takahia te Whenua, Wānanga 	 Seven 3-day wānanga at Whakatū marae practising/ mock Whaikōrero, Karanga and learning Koatatanga. 8-10th April 2022 13-15th May 2022 15-17th July 2022 12-14th August 2022 23-25th September 2022 11-13th November 2022 24-26th March 2023
Wānanga Reo, Strategic Reo & Tikanga Māori Development	Awakening of te reo Māori revitalisation & Engagement of Ngāti Koata in Te Ao Māori.	 Waka Journeys Wānanga 17-21st April 2023 Participants learnt: Ngāti Koata history. Migration from Kāwhia to Rangitoto ki te Tonga Koata waiata, Mau Rākau, fishing and weaving 	Waka wānanga6-9th Dec 2022Waka wānanga16-19th Jan 2023
Te Tokanui	Provide opportunities for rangatahi to practise kaitiakitanga.	 9 rangatahi attended Learnt how to catch, prepare and cook fish, paua and kina, Safe practices for hunting and firearm safety How to butcher & prepare a deer 	This programme began in 2023, no measurement



Tiaki Tāngata | Well Being

Tiaki Tangata refers to the care and protection of people, emphasising the well-being, health, and prosperity of our iwi members. It encompasses a holistic approach to supporting individuals and the whānau as a whole, ensuring everyone is looked after, taha tinana (physically), taha hinengaro (emotionally), taha whānau (social well-being) and taha wairua (spiritually). In essence, Tiaki Tangata for Ngāti Koata is about creating a supportive, nurturing, and thriving community where every member is cared for and empowered to lead

Project	Objective	Outcome YE24	Outcome YE23
Whānau Ora Navigator	To work with 40 families each year and help them to achieve their goals and aspirations.	The maximum of 40 families engaged with our WO Navigator and the Te Taura Tautoko fund was used to assist Te Pūtahitanga.	 The maximum of 40 families engaged with our WO Navigator and the Te Taura Tautoko fund was used to assist Te Pūtahitanga. 100 Food parcels from
			Te Pātaka delivered.



Tiaki Taiao | Environment

Tiaki Taiao for Ngāti Koata refers to the guardianship and stewardship of Te Taiao (environment), reflecting our deep cultural and spiritual connection to the land, sea, and natural resources. This concept encompasses practices and values that promote the sustainable management and protection of the environment for present and future generations. Tiaki Taiao reflects Ngāti Koata's commitment to maintaining a healthy and balanced relationship with the natural environment, recognising that the health of the environment directly impacts the health and prosperity of the iwi and future generations.

Project	Objective	Outcome YE24	Outcome YE23
Peneamine Restoration	 Plant 7,000 trees and establish a rongoā/weaving/dye and kai resource for Te Tauihu. 	 6724 plants were planted Rongoā, Weaving, Dye & Kai resource not started 	 3,360 plants were planted in and around Peneamine Wetland. Rongoā/Weaving/dye courses have not been reinstigated
OMV Moawhitu	 Plant 6,500 trees Propagate 6,500 trees from ecosourced seed. Ground prep and weed control. Plant maintenance (manual chemical tree release) work will include x 3 years of per tree maintenance to achieve canopy closure. Establishment and maintenance of photo points and evaluation plots. 3 seed collection trips per year 	 8,700 trees planted 5,000 trees propagated from ecosourced seed Completed 3 Seed collection trips Completed photo points & plant maintenance Completed weed control of 22.39 hectares. 	 7,000 trees planted 9,500 plants eco-sourced plants were established Seed collection, plant maintenance, and photo points were completed Weed control completed on 23rd Feb 2023 Pest control plants Oct-Dec 22 Target 100, 81.5 achieved
MFE FIF3066 Lake Moawhitu	 By June 2026, the Mauri of Lake Moawhitu is restored through the effective restoration of water quality and through riparian revegetation. Plant 20,660 native plants by 2026; develop a Cultural Health Index; complete 100 ha of plant pest control; Employ at least 12 kaimahi to deliver 13,039.5 hours of work; provide formal training for at least 20 people per year; conduct hui and wānanga, and develop and implement the following: Stakeholder Survey, Communications Plan 	 8,700 plants were planted in and around riparian edges of Lake Moawhitu. Stakeholder Survey and communications Plan have not been developed April - December period 23 we worked 2,071.9h 	 See above OMV information for the planting of 20,650 trees was for the life of the project and covered by OMV above 7,000 trees planted Jan-March period 23 we worked 1,803.55h Two kaimahi completed unit standards for chainsaw use. Health & Safety plan available for the project.



Tiaki Taonga | Cultural Wealth

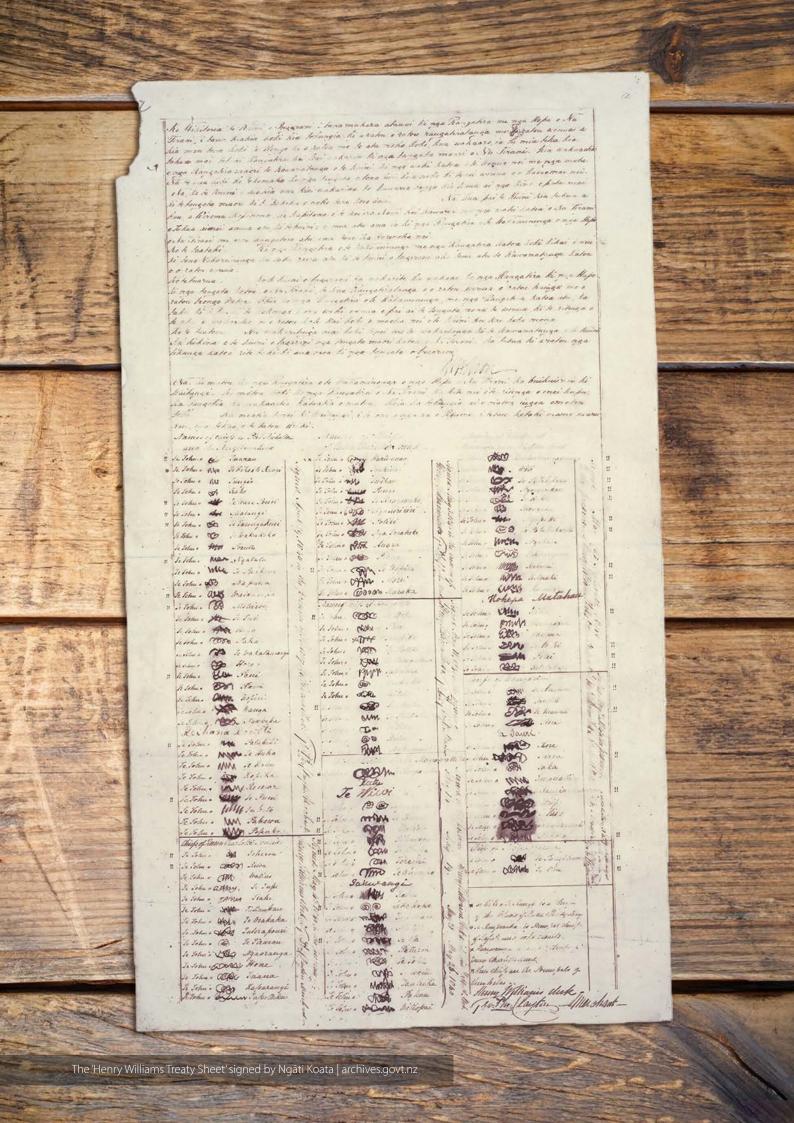
Tiaki Taonga for Ngāti Koata refers to the guardianship and preservation of cultural treasures and taonga (treasures) that hold significant value to the iwi. These treasures can include tangible artifacts, ancestral knowledge, cultural practices, and spiritual connections that are integral to Ngāti Koata's identity and heritage. Tiaki Taonga reflects Ngāti Koata's commitment to honouring and preserving their cultural heritage through responsible stewardship of these precious treasures, ensuring that they continue to enrich and inspire future generations.

Project	Objective	Outcome YE24	Outcome YE23
SELO – Strengthening Early Learning Outcomes	Offer training and professional development opportunities for ECE educators to enhance their skills and knowledge and cultural competency and wealth	 We worked with educators at 11 ECE Services on their cultural skills, knowledge and competency Cultural wealth encompasses the values, traditions, knowledge, and practices unique to Ngāti Koata and Māori 	We worked with educators at 13 ECE Services on their cultural skills, knowledge and competency
NZ Histories	To create a resource that could be introduced into mainstream schools as part of the new local history curriculum and shared amongst the iwi members.	Digitalising Hohapata Our Hero and Koata He Ariki	 Produced 3 resources and gave out 250 copies Hohapata Our Hero Koata He Ariki Tūpuna Cards

Mana Motuhake | Iwi Development

Mana Motuhake Iwi Development for Ngāti Koata refers to the empowerment and self-determination of our iwi in driving our own development initiatives and aspirations. It encompasses efforts to strengthen the iwi's governance, economic prosperity, cultural vitality, and overall well-being, while asserting our rights and responsibilities as mana whenua. Mana Motuhake reflects Ngāti Koata's commitment to self- determination, cultural resilience, and sustainable development, ensuring that we have the autonomy and capacity to shape our own future iwi aspirations.

Project	Objective	Outcome YE24	Outcome YE23
Registration	To increase the number of lwi registrations by at least 50.	Promotions out on social media and in pānui produced 74 new registrations over the financial year.	 Promotions out on social media and in pānui produced 73 new registrations over the financial year.
GRANTS			
Education	Issue grants to Iwi members to support their education.	79 grants totalling \$31,793	65 grants totalling \$24,785
Sports	Issue grants to Iwi members to support their sports.	51 grants totalling \$8,150	31 grants totalling \$8,500
Health	Issue grants to Iwi members to support their health.	34 grants totalling \$15,269	24 grants totalling \$14,175
Manaaki	Manaaki Grants will be issued throughout the year as needed to support the health and wellbeing of lwi members.	25 grants totalling \$8,019	25 grants totalling \$9,241
Team Sports	Support team sports.	1 grant totalling \$2,000	3 grants totalling \$6,250
Whakatū Marae	Support Whakatū Marae.	Not paid in FY24	\$10,000
Kaumātua	Support Ngāti Koata kaumātua.	\$20,000	\$10,000
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Tō Tātou Hītori

Our History

He tātai whetū ki te rangi mau tonu, mau tonu. He tātai tāngata ki te whenua ngaro noa, ngaro noa. Ko Ngāti Koata ki te whenua.

Te Tupuna | The Ancestor

The journey of Ngāti Koata traces back to the early navigator Kupe, who arrived in Aotearoa from Hawaiki around 925 AD. While the precise identity of Koata wasn't yet revealed at this point, the names, traditions, and narratives linked with the arrival of Kupe hold significant meaning within the Ngāti Koata territory.

Tainui and its captain, Hoturoa, form the foundation of the Ngāti Koata lineage. Originating from Hawaiki, Tainui reached Aotearoa around 1400 AD. After an eventful journey, the waka was brought ashore and laid to rest between the Puna and Hani pillar stones in Kāwhia, near the Maketū Marae.

Ngāti Koata takes its name from the ancestor Koata, born approximately in 1617. Residing in the Kāwhia region, she bore two sons, Kāwharu and Te Wehi, the latter being the progenitor of Ngāti Te Wehi. The interwoven genealogical lines between these two lwi began through the union of Kāwharu and Waikauri, the daughter of Toa Rangatira.

Though not extensively documented, oral traditions passed down through generations shed light on the story of Koata. Upon her passing, she was taken by her hāwini (attendants) and laid to rest in an undisclosed location.

Te Heke Whirinui | Migration of Fine Mats

Kāwhia Kai, Kāwhia Moana, Kāwhia Tangata - Initially, tranquillity reigned among the people of Koata as they settled on the land. However, conflicts arose due to population growth, intermarriage, and territorial disputes, prompting an exodus from Kāwhia in the 19th century.

Here, Ngāti Koata, aligning with their relatives from Ngāti Toa and Ngāti Rārua, departed. Despite this heke (migration), strong connections continue with the Koata who remained in Kāwhia.

The critical heke for Ngāti Koata, known as Te Heke Whirinui, was led by their tūpuna, renowned for their military prowess. Travelling down the western side of the North Island, they received assistance from Ngāti Awa when passing through Taranaki. Ngāti Koata then journeyed to Te Waewae Kāpiti o Tara rāua ko Rangitāne (Kāpiti Island) and established themselves at Te Waiorua around the early 1820s.

Ngā Iwi o Kurahaupō | The Tribes of Kurahaupō

A confrontation ensued on Kapiti Island with Kurahaupō and other resident iwi.

Tūtepourangi, a significant leader of the Kurahaupō waka, was captured during this event. A Ngāti Koata child named Tawhi was captured and taken to Te Tauihu. To rescue Tawhi, Ngāti Koata pursued Tūtepourangi and his retreating waka. Recognising the gravity of the situation, Tūtepourangi offered a tuku (cession) to Ngāti Koata in exchange for the safety of his people and the return of Tawhi. Te Putu accepted this agreement.

The scope of this arrangement extended from Anatoto (Clay Point) to Kurupongi (Trios Islands) to Ngā Kiore (The Jags), Takapourewa, and crossing over to Te Hiku o Te Matau (Farewell Spit).

With Maungatapu as the mountain, Maitahi as the river, and Te Aorere as the coastal waters, Ngāti Koata became the first of the five Northern Iwi to establish themselves as mana whenua. Interwoven marriages between Ngāti Koata and the original Kurahaupō iwi occurred.

Today, the tradition of migration continues, with members spread worldwide, while Te Tauihu remains our whenua taurikura (ancestral homeland).

Te Tāmitanga | Colonisation

In 1839, the New Zealand Company entered into agreements with other iwi that claimed to purchase the entire northern South Island.

On 11 May 1840, Ngāti Koata signed Te Tiriti at Te Mārua on Rangitoto ki te Tonga (D'Urville Island). The signatories to Te Tiriti were:

- Te Whetū
- Pari
- Taropiko
- Turi Te Pātete
- · Rangiahua
- Tahanui

- Toitoi
- Orokaka
- Te Muho or Te Mako
- Te Ipukohu
- Te Tihi Tawhirikura
- Huia
- Nukumai



In 1842, the Company presented gifts to local Māori upon establishing its settlement in Whakatū. In 1844, a Crown-appointed commissioner began inquiring about the Company's land purchases. The inquiry was briefly suspended to allow the Company to negotiate a settlement, during which Māori signed deeds of release in exchange for payments described as gifts to aid settlement rather than payment for the land.

In 1845, based on the commissioner's recommendation, the Crown prepared a Company grant of 151,000 acres in Tasman and Golden Bays, with 15,100 acres reserved for Māori. However, the Company raised objections to several aspects of this grant. In 1848, the Company accepted a new Crown grant for a larger land area, reserving only 5,053 acres in Nelson, Motueka, and other Wairau and Golden Bay areas.

Ngāti Koata had minimal involvement in administering the Nelson and Motueka reserves, known as 'Tenths.' These reserves were leased to settlers to generate income for Māori purposes. Starting in 1887, the Tenths were let under perpetually renewable leases. Rental reviews were infrequent, and over time, inflation eroded rental returns. In the twentieth century, the Tenths were reduced through compulsory acquisition of uneconomic shares and reserve sales.

In 1852, the Crown purchased the mineral-rich Pakawau block, paying only for its agricultural value. In 1853, the Crown signed the Te Waipounamu deed with other iwi, purportedly acquiring most of the remaining Māori land in Te Tauihu. While Ngāti Koata did not sign the deed, they were entitled to a share of the purchase funds. In 1856, the Crown used the 1853 deed as the basis for negotiations with resident Ngāti Koata, leading to the alienation of most of their remaining interests for £100, excluding Rangitoto ki te Tonga.

The reserves created for Ngāti Koata from the Te Waipounamu sale were often insufficient for customary use or effective development. In 1883 and 1892, the Native Land Court awarded ownership of the reserves and

Rangitoto ki te Tonga to individual Ngāti Koata members. Over time, sales and successions fragmented and made the lands economically unviable.

In 1883, Ngāti Koata participated in the Native Land Court's title investigation of Whakapuaka, claiming interests based on the tuku and ongoing occupation. However, the Court ruled Ngāti Koata did not have interests and excluded them from ownership. This exclusion was upheld in a rehearing of the block in 1937.

By the late nineteenth century, some Ngāti Koata members were effectively landless. In 1894, the Crown allocated landless Ngāti Koata individuals land at Te Māpou and Te Raetihi, but titles were not issued until 1968.

Well into the twentieth century, Ngāti Koata struggled to access safe drinking water and social services on their reserves and Rangitoto ki te Tonga. Many Ngāti Koata sought employment, education, and healthcare in Whakatū. A Māori hostel in Whakatū used by Ngāti Koata whānau frequently faced overcrowding and unhygienic conditions

By the end of the twentieth century, most of the remaining land, including reserves and large parts of Rangitoto ki te Tonga, had been sold. Virtual landlessness resulted in the loss of connection and access to many traditional resources and sites, leading to the decline of our cultural heritage.

Te Whakaaetanga Whakataunga | Deed of Settlement

In October 2006, the Crown officially recognised the mandate of Ngāti Koata and other 'Tainui Taranaki' iwi to engage in comprehensive Treaty of Waitangi Settlement negotiations. On 27 November 2007, the Crown signed the Terms of Negotiation with the mandated negotiator.

On 11 February 2009, a Letter of Agreement was signed between the Crown and the 'Tainui Taranaki' iwi, including Ngāti Koata, laying the foundation for the settlement.

The Deed of Settlement was formally signed on 21 December 2012, and included several key elements:



- 1. The Crown's Apology: The Crown expressed deep regret and apologised for failing to respect the rangatiratanga of Ngāti Koata properly. It acknowledged that Crown actions had virtually left Ngāti Koata landless in Te Tauihu and separated them from many sacred sites, severely damaging their economic, social, cultural, and spiritual well-being.
- 2. Cultural Redress: This settlement component recognised the traditional, historical, cultural, and spiritual connections of Ngāti Koata to Crown-owned places and sites within their rohe. It aimed to facilitate the protection and enhancement of the conservation values associated with these sites.
- 3. Statutory Acknowledgements and Deeds of Recognition: Statutory Acknowledgements, known as Ngā Tapuwae ō Ngā Tūpuna in the Ngāti Koata settlement, were registered to acknowledge the special association of Ngāti Koata with specific areas. These acknowledgements, recognised under the Resource Management Act 1991 and Historic Places Act 1993, required consent authorities to provide Ngāti Koata with summaries of resource consent applications related to the acknowledged areas. Ngāti Koata holds a Statutory Acknowledgement for the Maitahi River and its tributaries, to conservation land on Rangitoto ki te Tonga and other areas within the rohe.
- 4. Commercial Redress: Ngāti Koata was granted the opportunity to purchase over 9,000 hectares of licensed Crown Forest land in Te Tauihu. The Hira (4,500 hectares) and Waimea (4,500 hectares) Crown Forest lands were selected for Ngāti Koata due to their proximity to Whakatū.

These elements of the settlement aimed to address historical injustices and provide Ngāti Koata with the means to protect and promote our cultural heritage and well-being within our whenua taurikura.

Te Anga Whakamua | Looking Ahead

Throughout history, certain stories transcend the mere recounting of events, becoming timeless reflections of resilience, courage, and vision. The story of Ngāti Koata, an Iwi of Te Tauihu, stands as one such narrative, embodying the unyielding spirit of a people who have overcome adversity to carve out a brighter future.

Our history is a testament to our strength and resolve. Deeply rooted in Whakatū, Te Aumiti, Rangitoto ki te Tonga, Maungatapu as our mountain, Maitahi as our river, and Te Aorere as our coastal range, we have thrived in the fertile landscapes of Te Tauihu. Our connection to the land and sea has always been central to our identity, enriching our culture and deepening our understanding of the natural world.

Education has played a crucial role in our journey of resilience. Understanding the power of knowledge as a means of empowerment, we encouraged our people to pursue education. This commitment not only preserved our cultural heritage but also equipped future generations with the tools necessary to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

Perhaps most remarkable is our forward-thinking approach. We have embraced innovation and economic development, all while remaining true to our cultural principles. By investing in enterprises and initiatives that reflect our values, we are paving the way for a sustainable future, leading by example in the realm of sustainable development.

Reflecting on our past gives us valuable insights to guide our future. Our story is one of a people who, despite the challenges of colonisation and cultural suppression, have emerged with renewed strength and determination. We are committed to asserting our mana motuhake and tino rangatiratanga as we shape our future.

This is not just our story; it is a story for all time—a testament to the enduring power of resilience, courage, and vision that defines us as Ngāti Koata.





Financial Report

Financial Report Summary for the Year Ended 31 March 2024



These summary consolidated financial statements of Ngāti Koata Trust and its controlled entities ("Te Ohu"), are derived from the audited consolidated financial report of Te Ohu for the year ended 31 March 2024. The accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements where an unmodified audit opinion was received. The full financial statements were authorised for issue on 6 September 2024 by the Board of Trustees. A full copy of the consolidated financial report and the unmodified auditors opinion can be obtained by emailing:

pa@ngatikoata.com.

The consolidated and separate full financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime ("PBE Standards RDR").

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars, and all numbers are rounded to the nearest dollar (\$), except when otherwise stated.

-Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense-

For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Consolidated	
	2024	2023
Revenue	\$	\$
Exchange Revenue		
Fisheries & Aquaculture Income	303,746	342,340
Properties Income	2,422,709	1,804,482
Investment Income	681,638	627,343
Other Revenue	68,750	70,379
	3,476,843	2,844,544
Non-Exchange Revenue		
Contracts Income	2,045,646	1,736,798
Total Revenue	5,522,489	4,581,342
Expenses		
Administration Expenses	191,308	176,816
Consultancy Expenses	113,424	191,498
Depreciation	33,912	29,713
Health, Education and Well-being Grants	85,231	82,954
Financial Expenses	357	8,847
Operating Expenses	3,925,097	3,146,760
Total Expenses	4,349,327	3,636,587
Net Surplus before Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense	1,173,162	944,755
Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense	705.000	(1.240.000)
Revaluation of Investment Property	795,000	(1,240,000)
Revaluation of Other Preparty	1,516,094	(3,142,683)
Revaluation of Other Property Total Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expanse for the Year	(145,000)	(4.202.602)
Total Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense for the Year	2,166,094	(4,382,683)
Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expense for the Year	3,339,256	(3,437,928)
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Statement of Movements in Equity-

For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Consolidated		
	Retained Earnings	Reserves	Total Equity
Balance 1 April 2022	25,525,639	68,215,268	93,740,907
Impact of IPSAS 41 on Opening Balance	-	4,136,137	4,136,137
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year	944,755	(4,382,683)	(3,437,928)
Transfer to Asset Revaluation Reserve	1,040,805	(1,040,805)	-
Balance 31 March 2023	27,511,199	66,927,917	94,439,116
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year	1,173,162	2,166,094	3,339,256
Transfer to Asset Revaluation Reserve	(317,414)	317,414	-
Balance 31 March 2024	28,366,947	69,411,425	97,778,372

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2024

	Consolid	lated
	2024	2023
Current Assets	\$	\$
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,132,868	2,138,652
Receivable from Exchange Transactions	369,798	267,862
Contingent Receivable	324,066	-
Other Current Assets	8,235	6,414
Investments	10,198,446	9,810,567
Held for Sale Assets	12,200,000	-
Total Current Assets	25,233,413	12,223,495
Non Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,713,108	1,791,232
Investment Property	39,635,000	51,040,000
Other Investments	22,140,283	20,675,836
Intangible Assets	10,020,448	9,512,558
Other Non Current Assets	701,658	692,971
Total Non Current Assets	74,210,497	83,712,597
Total Assets	99,443,910	95,936,092
Current Liabilities		
Payables under Exchange Transactions	570,355	267,748
Other Current Liabilities	187,196	143,266
Income in Advance	907,987	1,085,962
Total Current Liabilities	1,665,538	1,496,976
Net Assets	97,778,372	94,439,116
Represented by:		
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Trustees Funds / Shareholders' Equity Retained Earnings	29 266 047	26.054.226
Capital Reserve	28,366,947 19,741,569	26,054,236 19,741,569
Asset Revaluation Reserve	49,669,855	48,643,311
Total Trustees Funds / Shareholders' Equity	97,778,372	94,439,116
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Statement of Cash Flows -

For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Consolidated	
	2024	2023
Cash Flows From Operating Activities	\$	\$
Cash was provided from:		
Receipts from Customers	4,241,947	3,842,158
Investment Income	426,976	424,231
Income Tax Refund	-	2,176
	4,668,923	4,268,565
Cash was applied to:		
Payments to Suppliers	3,923,816	3,565,792
	3,923,816	3,565,792
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	745,107	702,773
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Cash was provided from:		
Investments	1,186,164	4,043,459
	1,186,164	4,043,459
Cash was applied to:		
Investments	1,836,269	6,178,315
Property, Plant and Equipment	100,786	1,314,490
	1,937,055	7,492,805
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(750,891)	(3,449,346)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Cash was provided from:		
Advances	-	10,000
Net Increase in Cash Held	(5,784)	(2,736,573)
Cash at 1 April	2,138,652	4,875,225
Cash at 31 March	2,132,868	2,138,652
Represented by Cash at Bank	2,132,868	2,138,652

Notes to the Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 31 March 2024

Contingent Receivable

Ngāti Koata Trust have applied for Ngāti Koata to have customary marine title recognised for the area surrounding Rangitoto-ki-te-Tonga (D'Urville Island) pursuant to the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 (MACA). The Trust has an agreed terms of engagement with the Crown to negotiate its application and the parties are in the final stages of doing so. The terms of engagement contemplate funding of activities undertaken by Ngāti Koata on a reimbursement basis. There is a very likely chance that the balance above will be received by Ngāti Koata Trust, and there is no contractual obligation for it to be repaid.

Capital Commitments

As at balance date, Koata Limited has the following capital commitments:

	Committed	Called to 31 March 2024	Balance
Private Equity Investments	9,500,000	4,249,969	5,250,031
Property Investments	14,000,000	10,768,241	3,231,759
Aquaculture Investment	675,000	470,000	205,000

Contingent Liabilities

A Caveat had been put on the Maitai and Broadgreen School Land by Wakatū Incorporation. Koata Limited is receiving the income, however the Crown will not pass title until this issue is resolved. It is expected that if the land was given to Wakatū Incorporation then Koata Limited would receive further settlement from the Crown to that value. The basis for recognising the Maitai School land in the financial statements was that the Deed of Settlement had been signed and the Crown had entered into a lease back for the use of the land. There has been no change other than the fact the land transferred from Te Kete Aronui o Ngāti Koata Limited to Koata Limited during the 2018 financial year.

Events Subsequent to Balance Date

Koata Limited has sold the Waimea Forestry Land to Tasman Pine Forests Limited. The sale price of the land was \$14m. A condition of sale was the purchase of culturally significant land in Elaine Bay and McLarens Bay by Koata Limited from Tasman Pine Forests Limited. Settlement of this transaction occurred on 1 July 2024.

The full financial statements include additional events subsequent to balance date.



Statement of Service Performance For the year ended 31 March 2024

Koata Limited has an overall objective to protect, manage and grow the commercial assets of Ngāti Koata and to look for opportunities to deliver this in a way that is relevant to our people.

The primary performance objective is measured by total yield, which includes net cash yield and capital yield resulting in a positive change to the Net Asset Base (NAB). The secondary performance objective is measured, in part, by the Letter of Expectations between Ngāti Koata Trust (NKT) and Koata Limited (KL).

The key deliverables and performance outcomes are summarised in the table below:

Deliverables	FY 2024	FY 2023
Deliver a net cash yield of \$1.75m Increase the NAB to \$95m	Achieved \$2.45m Not achieved - \$93.6m	Achieved Achieved
Provide a baseline distribution of \$1.1m to NKT plus a potential \$100k bonus payment	\$1.1m distributed \$100k distributed	Achieved Not Applicable
Formal Reporting to NKT 3 times	Achieved	Achieved
Seek NKT approval for any decision >\$5m	Compliant	Compliant

Te Pūrongo ā Ngāti Koata Limited

Koata Limited FY24 Commercial Report: Building a Strong Future for Ngāti Koata

Tuia te rangi e tū nei, tuia te papa e takoto nei, tuia te taura herenga tangata e whenu nei ki te aho tūroa o te ao mārama. Tihei mauri ora! Kei aku nui, kei aku rahi, tēnā koutou katoa.

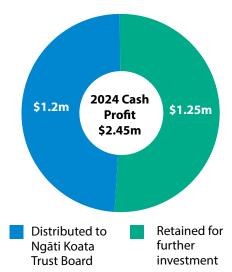
On behalf of Koata Limited, it is with great pleasure that we present the Commercial Report for the Financial Year ending 31 March 2024 (FY24). At Koata Ltd, our mission is deeply rooted in supporting the vision of Ngāti Koata Trust, encapsulated in the phrase, 'Te hokinga mai o te manu hākapakapa – Ngāti Koata are flourishing.' Our commercial mission, as defined, is to 'Pupuru kia mau. Tupua kia eke panuku ngā whai rawa o Ngāti Koata - protecting, managing, and growing Ngāti Koata commercial assets.' We are delighted to share the on-going strides we have made toward achieving this mission in partnership with the Ngāti Koata Trust Board, Ngāti Koata Kaumātua, and our valued commercial partners.

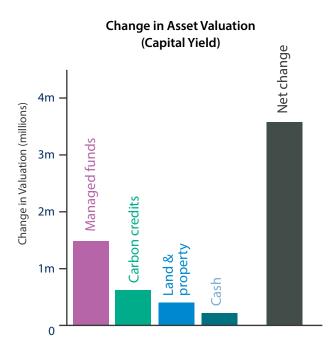
Ngā Mahi Hira Ahumoni | Financial Performance Highlights

The FY24 financial year can be summarised with two key financial performance messages:

- 1. **Cash Profit:** Our commercial operations achieved one of our best cash profit results of \$2.45 million, up from \$1.86 million in the previous year, before accounting for revaluation gains. Of this, \$1.2 million (49%) was distributed to the Ngāti Koata Trust Board, with \$1.25 million (51%) retained for further investment.
- 2. **Net Asset Base Growth:** The key balance sheet message is that FY24 delivered a very solid growth of \$3.56 million, resulting in a total Net Asset Base of \$93.6 million as of 31 March 2024, reflecting a solid 3.95% increase. There were increases in managed funds (equities/share-market), carbon credits and a minor overall increase in land and property.

Disbursement of Cash Profit (Cash Yield)





Ngā Haumi Matua me Ngā Mahi o te Tau 24 | Key Investments and Activities for FY24

In FY24, we have been actively engaged in various investments and activities to further the mission of Koata Ltd:

1. Forestry Opportunities: Our partnership with Tasman Pine Forests Ltd continues to develop positively, encompassing the future ownership of replanted trees on Koata-owned whenua (Hira Forest), the sale of some forest land (Waimea Forest), and the acquisition of culturally significant forest land in Elaine Bay and McLaren Bay. This transaction was completed on the 01 July 2024 (during the current FY25 year) and a highly successful and enjoyable milestone relationship celebration was held at Whakatū Marae between Ngāti Koata/Koata Ltd and Sumitomo Forestry/Tasman Pine Forests Ltd on the 31 August 2024.



2. Recreational Access and Commercial Activities:

Our efforts in managing forestry land in the Maitai Valley area (Hira Forest) has once again yielded positive results, generating \$154,400 in revenue for FY24. We have agreed in principle to a 10-year recreational access agreement with Nelson City Council that benefits Ngāti Koata/Koata Ltd, Nelson City Council, and the community. This access agreement will provide the community with more surety of access for recreational purposes to some of Ngāti Koata's whenua in the Hira Forest as well as supporting value creation for Koata Ltd. We expect the final details and formal agreement will be completed before the end of 2024.

3. **Maitahi Village/Ngāti Koata:** In February 2024, the Environment Court hearing was finally held and was

very well supported by Koata Ltd, Ngāti Koata Trust, Kaumātua and uri. We received a positive interim decision from the Environment Court and at the time of writing we are confidently awaiting a positive final decision by the Environment Court. In the meantime, Koata Ltd has been developing a couple of Ngāti Koata centric projects as part of the Maitahi Village development, including developing a Koata House / Ngāti Koata Cultural Centre concept and a Koata-led housing strategy, "Tō Tātou Kāinga" a Build to Rent (BTR) strategy for Ngāti Koata whānau.....so watch this space over the next 3 years whānau!

Ngā Herenga Rīpoata mō te Tau | Reporting Requirements for the Financial Year

We can confirm that for FY24, Koata Ltd has made:

- » No sales or exchanges of Settlement Quota.
- » No constitutional changes for Koata Ltd.

He Wā Autaia | Resilience in Challenging Times

Despite the well-publicised and ongoing economic challenges faced locally and globally, Koata Ltd has delivered a particularly good result for FY24 and maintains confidence in our investment strategy and overall resilience as a business. We are committed to preserving and advancing the interests of Ngāti Koata while navigating the dynamic commercial landscape and opportunities ahead of us.

He Kupu Whakamiha | Acknowledgments

In closing, as Chair, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to my fellow Directors and our dedicated Executive Team.

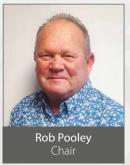
Koata Ltd Board and Executive boasts a well-balanced blend of skills and qualities, providing a robust and solid foundation for the on-going success of Koata Ltd and Ngāti Koata.

Lastly, we express our gratitude for the unwavering support and trust of the people of Ngāti Koata, the Trust Board and Kaumātua. He hono tāngata e kore e motu, ka pā he taura waka e motu: Bonds between people cannot be broken, unlike the severable canoe rope.

Nā māua iti noa,

Rob Pooley Hemi D Toia

Chair, Koata Ltd Chief Executive, Koata Ltd



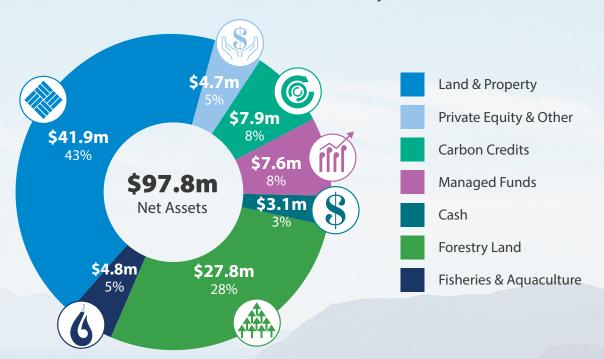


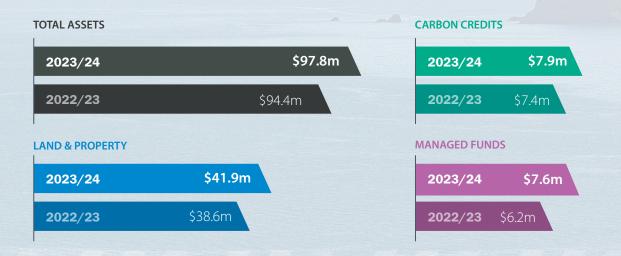






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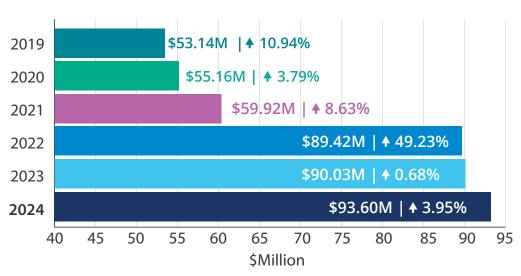




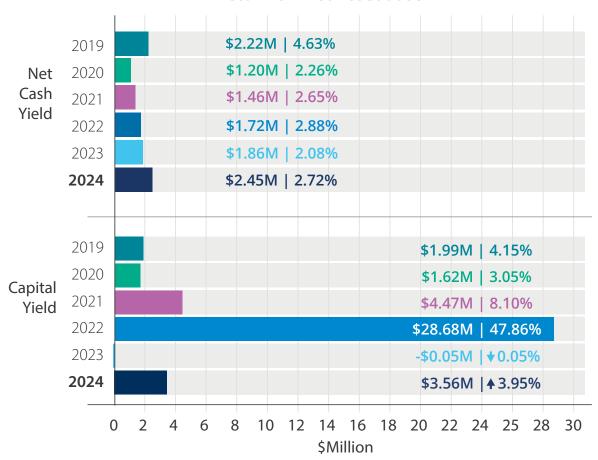
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Commercial Performance Summary

Net Asset Base



Return on Net Asset Base





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