



# MANAAKI MATAKĀOA

*“Ko te tohu o te Rangatira, ko te Manaaki”*

**He Panui**  
CLIMATE RESILIENCE



*Clean up underway across the region*

## CYCLONE GABRIELLE

Having successive storms, one after the other in Matakāoa (including two cyclones) has wreaked havoc with our local roading, communications and power infrastructure. While we are recovering relatively well, many of the impacts will take some time to be completed, particularly for parts of SH35 between Matakāoa and Gisborne. For now, the only access to Gisborne is via SH2, through Opotiki and Waioeka gorge.



*The Awesome Team at Mitre 10 Mega Rotorua (Left), and Tammy and Warwick at The Tool Shed Mt Maunganui (Right) who helped source generators for our appeal*

## What We Have Done:

**Our Response** - Manaaki Matakaoa continue to offer support for our region and wider communities. We have started checking in with whanau and done welfare checks across Matakaoa.

Manaaki Matakaoa have initiated a flood relief appeal to look after the communications and power needs of our communities here in Matakāoa.

Recognising that some of our communities south of us have difficulties co-ordinating relief appeals, we have extended our support to also include power and communications resources for the communities of Waipiro, Te Puia, and Tokomaru.

Our appeal has received strong support, and will run until the end of February.





*Delivering much needed generators to Tokomaru (left) and Te Puia (right)*

## What We Will Do:

As we see severe storms becoming more frequent, it is important that we are aware of your needs, and that you are aware of what support is available.

If you need help (of any kind) including Kai, power, or MSD support please don't hesitate to get in contact with Sheena or Daynah at Te Araroa Progressive. If you or someone you know may need help with clearing guttering/spouting/ property drainage/roof leaks/ and or general property checks, please get in contact with Sheena or Bub to arrange assistance.

It is important we all awahi each other through times of need but to help ease the pressure on our resources, it may be a good idea to start preparing an emergency kit for you and your whanau, including gas, water, cash, medication, etc.

## CLIMATE RESILIENCE:

With all of the recent storms, some of our properties are getting really battered and it can be difficult to stay on top of repairs before the next storm arrives. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any property or household maintenance needs in order to make your home safe and protected from storm damage.



*Uncle Len and Ngaariki from Porta-Paku sending down loos and generators to Te Puia and Waipiro*



*Devastating impacts from Cyclone Gabrielle at Horouta Waka Ama club*

## COVID RESPONSE

While our numbers are low, our ability to respond to a covid outbreak is limited. The impacts of Gabrielle means that getting medication, antivirals, or supporting people to get to hospital will be very difficult.

Covid hasn't gone away and it's more important that everyone continue to play a role in preventing covid outbreaks by using a mask where possible, and testing regularly. You can come into Te Araroa Progressive/ Manaaki Matakaoa for your covid test or for free masks, at any time.

## Contact Us:

### Wāhi Haumarū:

30 Rata Street, Te Araroa, 4087

### Online Support:

[info@manaakimatakaoa.com](mailto:info@manaakimatakaoa.com)

[www.manaakimatakaoa.com](http://www.manaakimatakaoa.com)

*You can also find us on Facebook @ Manaaki Matakaoa*

Our team offer walk-in Covid-19 testing at our center, at events (tangihanga, unveilings, celebrations or sports events)

## He Mihi

A huge Mihi to everyone who has shown support, and have kindly donated resources to help Tairāwhiti during this crisis. All funds and donations will go towards helping communities who have been impacted most by Cyclone Gabrielle. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

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# Upcoming Events:

## Te Tai Ao

**When** - 22 February

**Time** - 1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Where** - Live Streamed via FB and Youtube page.

An online wananga in support about our world in support of the Tairawhiti flood appeal

## Rehekō Rangatahi/Taiohi Tū

**When** - 01 March 2023 (Weekly)

**Time** - 3:30pm – 5:00pm

**Where** - Kawakawa Mai Tawhiti Gym

**Who** - Tamariki

*Weekly Hakinakina Program*

## Ngā Taonga o Matakaoa

**When** - 01 March 2023 (Weekly)

**Time** - 10:00am – 1:00pm

**Where** - Hinerupe Marae

**Who** - Pakeke

*Participate in an interactive informative weekly program*

## More upcoming Events:

**Tāne Ora**

**Oranga Pēpi**

**Oranga Wāhine**

*(Dates and times to be confirmed.)*

*For more information on any of these events please check our facebook page or website for more updates.*