

WAIKATO TAINUI GAMES

KI--RAHI 2012

Ki-o-Rahi is taking Aotearoa by storm and will be introduced into Waikato Tainui Games 2012

The re-vitalisation of traditional Maori games has become apparent in the past eight years with kaimahi throughout Aotearoa working with kura, whanau, iwi, hapuu and marae to teach the games of our past times. During the first World War when Te Puea Herangi would not allow our people to enlist, she encouraged them to revive traditional games and activities. As a result a number of Waikato iwi began playing Ki-o-Rahi. However for many reasons including the temptations of contemporary sport that we now know as rugby, rugby league and netball soon became more popular with our people and eventually traditional games such as Ki-o-Rahi phased out. Ki-o-Rahi is a traditional pre-European Maori ball game. It is a sport, played on a circular field, involving skills similar to those found on a netball or basketball court and rugby or touch field. Before the arrival of Europeans, Ki-o-Rahi was played by Maori throughout Aotearoa. Often different tribes would play different adaptations of the game.

The following workshops will be provided to assist marae in learning the game and to prepare their team for the upcoming Waikato Tainui Games 2012

Monday 16 January 2012

Time and venue TBC

Morrinsville

Thursday 19 January 2012

Waipapa Marae Time TBC

Kaawhia

Monday 23 & Thursday 26 January 2012

6pm, Clyde Park (Corner Clyde and Dey st – next to Te Kohao Health)

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