

**PĀ 'ENUA OUTER ISLAND REPORT – MITI'ĀRO & MA'UKE**

1. Ma'uke Island:

- Very fortunate to have travelled to Ma'uke end of last year Nov 2020 – Jan 2021 and back again this year in May 2021. During my first visit there was a lot that was done to revive Tennis again on the island, as Tennis was non-existent since the 2014 Mānea Games that was held on the island. The court was abandoned and looked very very dirty with a lot of cracks and weed outgrowing that needed shoveling. So that was the first task to clean up the hard courts, as I was promoting the Ma'ukedise Tennis Workshop and Tournament for December 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2020. It took me one whole week to water blast and clean up the courts to get it match ready.



Pic 1: Taunganui Hard Courts, Ma'uke



Pic 2: THC, Ma'uke

- Ma'ukedise Tennis Workshop was run through Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec and then Juniors Tournament on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec and the Adults Tournament Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2020. It was a well-attended workshop by the juniors where I had over 14 juniors attend the two-day workshop. Then the adults on Wed and Thursday was also well attended had over 15 adults join in. The tournaments were played and I had trophies sponsored by family members from Rarotonga to present to the Junior and Senior players.



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SHC PRESENTS  
**MAUKEDISE TENNIS**

<b>Clinic Jnrs:</b> Mon 14th Dec 3-6pm ☆ Tue 15th Dec 8am-2pm	<b>Clinic Adults:</b> ☆ Wed 16th Dec 8am-2pm
<b>Jnrs Tournament:</b> Thur 17th Dec 8am-1pm	<b>Adults Tournament:</b> Sat 19th Dec 2-6pm

**Free | Spot Prizes | Trophies | Games**  
 Bring hat, towel, snack, water bottle.

- Reviving Tennis on Ma'uke Island was a success as managed to spark back the interest with many of the old players to continue playing again. Many of interested players continued to play every evening. Upon my second visit in May 2021 they were still hitting. Was able to call a meeting for them to elect their board to form their own body for Ma'uke Tennis. Here are their Board and Members:

No	Position	Name
1	President	Takai Tua
2	Vice President	William Willie
3	Secretary	Raita Moetaua (f)
4	Treasurer	Terai Tauu (f)
5	Committee	Ngavaine Makitae (f)
6	Committee	Nooroa Willie
7	Committee	Metua Cuthers (f)
8	Committee	Rev. Pareta Ezekiel
9	Committee	Bene Matapo (f)
10	Committee	Akenootu Enea (f)
11	Committee	Ake Aberahama (f)
12	Committee	Maru Tutaka
13	Committee	Tere Moetaua
14	Committee	Akatu Tupuna
15	Member	Tutaka Tararo
16	Member	Maggie Tararo (f)
17	Member	Tereapii Vainetutai
18	Member	Dawn Teaka
19	Member	Martina Tauu (f)
20	Member	Tutere Moetaua (f)
21	Member	Tai Tungane Tua (13yo boy)
22	Member	Teakataura Tamaka (14yo boy)
23	Member	Kura Tamaka (12yo girl)
24	Member	Nelson Tamaka (9yo boy)
25	Member	Tai Akarare
26	Member	Rouru Tokai

- AGM was held in July and body is now formed for Ma'uke Tennis, now relaying the information for affiliation to Tennis Cook Islands and they will be fundraising to pay their affiliation fee. They will have four Juniors that I have personally recommended to attend the Term Three Cook Islands Juniors Tournament here in Rarotonga. That shall be there next immediate goal is to help paying the airfare for those kids to come over and we will support them for accommodation, transport and food (can be billeted).

## 2. Miti'aro Island:

- Visited Miti'aro after Ma'uke in May 2021 and also called a meeting for the 'Enua to propose reviving Tennis on the island and for them to form their body for Miti'āro Tennis. It was well supported by the Island Council and look forward to working towards the building up of Tennis in Mit'āro.



- Junior and Adult Trainings two evenings were well attended by the Miti'āro people, also some former players of the game like Apii Tangatavaia that were

keen to get back into tennis and still very good. Also did a morning session for the juniors before coming back to Rarotonga.

- The Hard courts at the Stadium are very bad and needs resurfacing and fencing at the back. Due to work on the bowling club they had pulled down the back fence of the hard courts and not been put back. They don't have lights installed for their hard courts.
- AGM has been held and they have formed their body for Miti'āro Tennis and pending to pay their fees for affiliation to TCI. At the moment the names I have for their committees are the President -Turua Murare and Treasurer - Roimata Rouru. Roimata has been the trainer/ coordinator for their tennis and running trainings for them in Miti'āro. They have also had a one-day tournament last month and are training Monday and Wednesdays. There three young juniors that I have recommended to attend the Cook Islands Juniors Tournament for the end of Term Three holidays.

No	Position	Name
1	President	Turua Murare (f)
2	Secretary	Teresa Kimora (f)
3	Treasurer	Roimata Rouru
4	Trainer	Roimata Rouru
5	Committee	Rev Saitu Saitu
6	Committee	Tuakeu Tangatapoto
7	Committee	Tunoa Murare
8	Committee	Mata Rani (f)

#### OTHER MATTERS:

- As the Club manager (TCI) in regards to the families cutting just to let the committee know these have been the families since I have come on board:

No	Month	Family	1	2	3	4
1	April-May	Maui	Lilian Maui	Maka Maui	Husband	?
2	May-June	Makara	Tuakana Makara	Uri Ngatoko	Tatari Mitchell	Anna Makara
3	June-July	Nanai	Teava Nanai	Teeiau Nanai	Teiva Nanai	Avaiki Nanai
4	July-Aug	Ngametua	Vainetutai Ngametua	Ailoa Samania	Aiga Samania	Nia Samania

#### CONCLUSION:

Happy that Miti'āro and Ma'uke Tennis have been revived and are active now, they just need to fundraise to pay their affiliation fee with TCI. 'Ātiu and Mangaia are left to reach out in regards to Tennis on their islands and to check the conditions of their courts. Overall there is a huge surge of Tennis fever on the two islands of Miti'āro and Ma'uke, which is a plus for us Tennis Cook Islands. Tennis has been dead since Mānea Games in 2014 in Ma'uke and earlier in Miti'āro. So, I conclude

my report on that positive note and looking forward to having their junior players participate in the Juniors Tournament end of Term three.

Meitaki.