

FOUR PEAK CHALLENGE

This year's programme features a Peak a Week challenge with a summit walk from each of the areas included in the **ECHO Festival**. Choose one or take them all on - those who make it to the summit of at least 3 peaks will each receive an ECHO gift.

SATURDAY 1 APRIL

Night Time in the Bush

GRADE 2-3

Experience the sights and sounds of the bush at night as we explore the Tui Domain track in Te Aroha on the lookout for glowworms, night owls and constellations. Be prepared for a creek crossing. Booking is essential as maximum numbers apply. Suitable for children aged 8+

DURATION 2.5 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 6pm at Te Aroha i-SITE

Walkways of Thames

GRADE 2

Historic Thames is built on the hillside bordering the Firth of Thames. Explore the network of walkways and steps linking this community rich in historic places and with expansive views. There is also an opportunity to visit the William Hall arboretum, one of the country's oldest. We will join the Thames Harriers - various distance and pace options will be available. Family friendly.

DURATION 1-2 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 1pm Thames Centennial Pool

* includes steps

SUNDAY 2 APRIL

Disc Golf at McLaren Falls Park

GRADE 2

Get a group of family or friends together and experience the beautiful landscape of McLaren Falls Park with the challenge of Disc Golf. Play 9 or 18-holes, throw your disc into the basket in the fewest throws. Bring a Frisbee, a cloth to dry/wipe the disc, and pen and paper if you want to keep score!

DURATION 1-2 hours (9-holes); 2-3 hours (18-holes)

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET Arrive anytime between 12noon - 2pm at Pin Oak Flat

Pylon Peak and Waiorongomai Valley

GRADE 5

After crossing the Waiorongomai Stream and joining the Pylon Peak Track, you ascend steeply for over 600m past mining relics, through delightful bush and out at the top of the Kaimai Range at Pylon Peak. Continue along the Kaimai Ridgeway to the head of the valley, and return to the carpark via the historic mining tracks in the Waiorongomai valley. Good fitness required.

DURATION 6-7 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 8.30am at Waiorongomai car park

A Walk Through Waihi's History

GRADE 2

Join us for a walk through Waihi's mining history. Start inside the Martha Mine open pit and walk along the conveyor track to Union Hill. Our return trip visits the historic mining relics before walking the Mill Stream path to Gilmour Reserve and the World War One Tunneling Company Memorial. This is a moderate-easy walk with no steep grades. Children are welcome. Not suitable for toddlers or push chairs.

DURATION 3 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the Martha Mine entrance security gates, opposite the netball courts on Kenny Street, Waihi



TRACK GRADINGS

- 1 Suitable for most walkers – easy gradient.
- 5 Challenging steep sections, rough areas or river crossings. A high level of fitness required.

PLEASE NOTE: Participants are responsible for their own safety equipment, food, water, clothing and vehicles. Please see the website for full health and safety details.

You must register for our walks, please visit our website www.echowalkfest.org.nz

or contact the local information centres

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Katarakihi (Peak 1 of Four Peak Challenge)

GRADE 5+

This mountain peak presides over the Hauraki Plains and is the highest peak in the Kaueranga Forest Park (852m). Starting from the top of the Kopu Hikua Rd it is a 430 metre climb to the top with stunning views over the Waikato, Firth of Thames and down the eastern coastline. Cling on to a wire rope for the final assault, then return via the historic 150 year Devcich Kauri.

DURATION 7 hours COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 8am summit of Kopu Hikua Rd



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MONDAY 3 APRIL

Ananui Falls

GRADE 5

The track leads upstream with several river crossings to come so your feet will get wet. Climb for an hour and a half to a low saddle where there is a grass clearing, the campsite. There is a steep climb for about 30 minutes at the end to get to the top of the falls, but it is well worth it when you are at the top.

DURATION 5 hours return COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the top road end of Woodlands Road, Katikati

Lorraine Moller Stream Evening Walk

GRADE 1-2

Enjoy a stroll through the Lorraine Moller arboretum to the Oraka Stream. This is a lovely rural walk with mostly open spaces. Enjoy views of the Kaimai Ranges and the maple, oak and dogwood trees.

DURATION 1 hour COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 5.30pm-6.30pm at Harry Martin Drive – Lorraine Moller Arboretum Entrance

TUESDAY 4 APRIL

Glow Worm Walk – TECT All Terrain Park

GRADE 2

See how many Glow Worms you can find as you are guided along the Te Rerenga Tunnel Track. This 3km loop complete with stairs, bridges and bush has a 60m tunnel which was dug in the early 1930's using a pick, shovel and wheelbarrow, and passes under Pyes Pa Road (SH36). The ground inside the tunnel is uneven so don't forget to bring a torch.

DURATION 1.5 hours COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 7.30pm at the Visitor Centre, TECT All Terrain Park, off SH36

WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL

Wharawhara Road to Cashmore's Clearing

GRADE 5

This walk starts at an old Kauri Milling Site, rich in history with relics of the milling days to be seen. Head across the weir, following the Wharawhara Stream until it starts a climb up a steep spur via a zigzag. This section is an engineering masterpiece! Above this you will come to Cashmores Clearing, famous for its Kauri logging activity using bullock teams.

DURATION 4.5 hours COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the top end of Wharawhara Road, Katikati

THURSDAY 6 APRIL

Ladies Only Falls Retreat

GRADE 1

Walk the Hauraki Rail Trail to the award winning Falls Retreat Bistro to enjoy a sumptuous meal of pizza and salads. This is the perfect location to spend a last late summer evening...good company, wonderful food! Walk back along the rail trail or hitch a ride with pre-arranged transport. Torches recommended.

DURATION 1.5 hours one way

START/MEET 6pm Karangahake Reserve carpark

COST \$30 meal only or \$35 meal and transport

Waikato River Trail

GRADE 3

Take in the stunning views of rock formations and lakes Arapuni and Karapiro. The trail includes the historic Arapuni swing-bridge and powerhouse, and the long winding Huihuitaha Wetland boardwalk. Great family walk approximately 10 kilometres.

DURATION 3-4 hours COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at Jones Landing Reserve

FRIDAY 7 APRIL

Otanewainuku Family Night Adventure 1

GRADE 1

Otanewainuku is home to 1200 hectares of virgin forest including a variety of native birds which have been nurtured under the watchful eye of the Otanewainuku Kiwi Trust. Join a guide and learn about the work the Trust do while exploring the Rimu track at night. You will discover cave wetas, spiders, and lots more. The Rimu track is an easy trail so is suitable for families.



DURATION 1.5 hours

START/MEET 7pm, Otanewainuku Forest car park, Mountain Road, Oropi

COST \$5 donation with proceeds to Otanewainuku Kiwi Trust

Aongatete Long Loop

GRADE 3

Come and learn more about the work volunteers have been doing for a number of years. This includes pest control especially of ship rats and possums as well as encouraging new vegetation. Numbers of birds are increasing, and the volume of insects and spiders has increased dramatically, which means more food for birds. Witness the restoration of wildlife and plant life to this part of the Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park.

DURATION 3.5 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the end of Wrights Road, Katikati at the gate to Aongatete Lodge

SATURDAY 8 APRIL

Waikino Arts Trail Wander

GRADE 2

From the Waikino Railway Station, experience the unique art and creative people of Waikino. Explore a variety of studios belonging to potters, painters, artists, ceramists or gardeners before taking refreshments at the historic Waikino Tavern. The journey is completed after crossing back over the Ohinemuri River and through the relics of the Victoria Battery site.

DURATION 2-3 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the Waikino Station car park

Mt Karangahake (Peak 2 of Four Peak Challenge)

GRADE 4

The historic and archaeological significance of the Karangahake makes the area nationally significant for the conservation of our mining heritage. A network of tracks provides access through the forested flanks of Karangahake Mountain. It becomes steep and exposed towards the top, but you are rewarded with a magnificent view at the summit.

DURATION 6 hours return COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am Karangahake Reserve car park



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SUNDAY 9 APRIL

Upland Road to Poupu Stream

GRADE 4

This is a relatively new track, in the history of the Kaimais that links up along a bulldozer track constructed during the geological investigations for the Kaimai Tunnel construction. We will be taking a walk through pleasant bush to the Poupu Stream which is the best place to stop for a bite to eat.

DURATION 4 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the top end of Upland Road, off Wright Road, Katikati

Mt Te Aroha (Peak 3 of Four Peak Challenge)

GRADE 5+

Follow the popular Bald Spur walking track to the saddle just past the Whakapipi lookout then ascend steeply to reach the summit. Return to the Domain via the Tui Mine Loop Track then the gentler Tui Domain.

DURATION Up to 6.5 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET Te Aroha I Site at 8.30am

MONDAY 10 APRIL

Daly's Clearing Calling – A Family Favourite

GRADE 3-4

Keep an eye out for the colourful mushrooms and scented Kowhai and Manuka flowers on the way up to the Daly's Clearing Hut. Take in the fantastic view and have lunch before heading down the other side and over the Waitawheta River. This is a family friendly walk suitable for children 8 yrs +.

DURATION 4 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 9am at the end of Franklin Road, Waitawheta

TUESDAY 11 APRIL

Three for Tee

GRADE 1-2

Not everyone thinks golf spoils a good walk! If you are rusty or new to the game, this event will give you some tips and then the chance to have a hit and a walk around the beautiful Te Aroha Golf Course before returning to the clubhouse for afternoon tea. Clubs and balls will be available to borrow.

DURATION 2 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 1pm at the Te Aroha Golf Club

Explore Real Kiwi Country

GRADE 4

Come hike the Kaipawa Trig track with the Moehau Environment Group, a voluntary group working to protect kiwi on the Coromandel. This scenic track follows the ridgeline from Whangapoua Rd Lookout to Kennedy Bay Hill through regenerating native bush. Enjoy spectacular views of Coromandel harbour.

DURATION 4 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am Coromandel Information Centre www.meg.org.nz

WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL

Karangahake Loop with Lunch and Vino

GRADE 2-3

The Karangahake River Trail heads into the gorge, across the river and through the Windows Tunnels which look down into the river and historical mining remnants. Descend across the Ohinemuri River Bridge and through the Karangahake Tunnel to the track leading straight to the fabulous Ohinemuri Winery for refreshments. Bring a torch.

DURATION 2-3 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the Old Karangahake Hall car park * includes stairs

Either Way – It's Over the Top

GRADE 4

Which way will you go? Follow the Tuahu track from Katikati or in reverse from Te Aroha. The Tuahu track from Te Aroha has an easy start through forestry land before a short sharp climb up the western side of the Kaimai then a gentler climb to the top and a glorious descent with views out to sea. Transport is provided to the start and both groups should complete the walk in time for a relaxing dip in a hot pool (optional extra).

DURATION 5–6 hours (approx. 12km)

COST \$15pp

START/MEET 7.15am, Te Aroha I-Site to walk Katikati to Te Aroha 8.30am at top of Hot Spring Road, Katikati to walk Te Aroha to Katikati

Exploring Kinleith Forest

GRADE 3

Kinleith Forest, a great walk through the old tram tunnel on Lower Crimp Road (not been used before for public access). A steep climb takes you up to Te Ruangarahi Pa with views over the forest. See the last remaining 100 foot high fire tower, located above the old Te Whetu sawmill and finish at the site of the former Te Whetu school and swimming pool. Bring your torch.

DURATION 5-6 hours

COST \$10pp

START/MEET 8.30am, meeting place to be advised

THURSDAY 13 APRIL

Rapurapu Kauri Track

GRADE 3

This undulating track features mature tawa/podocarp forest, many fern species, a stream with swimming holes and three impressive kauri trees that are growing near their southern limit. This 5½ km return walk crosses the Rapurapu Stream eight times before reaching the kauri grove so expect to get wet feet. Enjoy your lunch while learning about the area from your guide who has hiked and worked in the Kaimai Ranges for over 40 years.



DURATION 3-4 hours

COST \$5

START/MEET 10am on SH29 about 4km past the Kaimai Summit towards the Waikato side. A short gravel road on the left leads to a parking area where the track begins

Rock it in Wharekirauponga

GRADE 3

Explore one of the Coromandel's Valleys of Gold. Witness the amazing views, history, rock formations, swing bridge, tunnel and waterfall. The track is an old horse-drawn tram track (muddy in places), and passes unusual andesitic rock formations enroute to the old camp and battery site of the Royal Standard Goldmine. The Wharekirauponga Falls provide a very scenic lunch stop.

DURATION 4-5 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 9:30am end of Parakawai Quarry Rd

FRIDAY 14 APRIL (GOOD FRIDAY)

Stamp & Tramp

GRADE 2

Need to get out and active with the kids in the holidays? This low tech trail on the well formed Waiorongomai tracks offers a chance to read a map and follow clues to find the stamps. Maps and booklets available at the Te Aroha i-Site from Easter Friday. Participate at your convenience anytime from 14–30 April.

DURATION Personal Choice

START/MEET Anytime from 14th – 23rd April at Te Aroha I Site

COST \$5 for booklet available from Te Aroha i-Site

Bowentown Archeology & Historical Walks with Brigid Gallagher

GRADE 1-2

Join local archaeologist and presenter of the TV show *Heritage Rescue*, Brigid Gallagher and a local hapu representative on two informative walks around the Bowentown Headland. Bowentown is home to five pa sites and Anzac Bay was the location of a historic settlement. The first walk will cover the two southern headland pa, and the second walk takes in pa north of Anzac Bay to Otawhiwi Marae.



DURATION 1 hour per walk

COST \$2 per person per walk

START/MEET In the Anzac Bay car park. 10am for the Headland Pa walk & 11.30am for the Shelly Bay and over to Otawhiwi Marae walk

SATURDAY 15 APRIL

Pauanui Tairua Trail

GRADE 1

This track was constructed by volunteers and local contractors with a goal of linking the towns of Pauanui and Tairua. Beginning at WW1 Memorial Forest, the trail becomes a boardwalk over mangroves before returning to a metal path through pine forest and onto views of the estuary and surrounding countryside. Walk with Gary Fowler, one of the key drivers of this great community project.

DURATION 2 hours return

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am Tangiteroria Lane, Pauanui

Easter 5/10km Walk Katikati

GRADE 2

This is not a race - it's all about getting out and having a go. Walk or run - you choose! Enjoy harbour views and residential streets. It is easy terrain; it's just the distance that will determine which one you want to do.

DURATION 1-2 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 9am at St Peters Church corner Beach Road and Carisbrooke St, Katikati

Benson's Beach Walk – Doggy Social Event of the Year!

GRADE 1

Our flagship dog, Benson, invites everyone to join him for a casual walk with four-legged friends along Waihi Beach towards Bowentown. Walk, run or jog - this suits all fitness levels, ages and breeds. Please bring a doggy doo bag (just in case!). Doggy water available at the Flatwhite Cafe.

DURATION 1-2 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 8am, on the grass next to the Flatwhite Café, Shaw Rd, Waihi Beach

The Waihi Beach Teddy Bears Picnic

GRADE 1

A short walk along a magical pathway to a secret, colourful and surprising Teddy Bear hideout. This walk is about food, fun and teddy bears! A picnic will be held at the end of the short path but it is BYO lunch and teddy bear (if you have one). Suitable for children of all ages.

DURATION 1-2 hours

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 11am. Go to Pohutukawa Park, The Terrace, North End. Enter the old road that joins the end of The Terrace, follow the path for 4-5mins and it will open out into the picnic area.

The Poles Walk, Waihi Beach

GRADE 4

This is a new track up behind the water reservoir at the end of Pacific Road. The Poles walk is a beautiful hike up and down ridges and through native bush and old pines. At the top you will uncover a spectacular view over Waihi Beach. Get off the beaten track and explore somewhere new.

DURATION 1.5 hours return

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the water reservoir car park (at the top of Pacific Road take the left turn which takes you to the reservoir car park)

SUNDAY 16 APRIL

Whakapipi Easter Egg Hunt

GRADE 2-3

Starting at the Mokena Geyser the track zigzags its way to a lookout where you can relax and enjoy your chocolate reward. An Easter Egg Hunt for children will take place between 11am and 12pm for keen hunters - register online then pop in to Te Aroha i-site before you leave to pay for your ticket and walk to Whakapipi at a pace that suits you.

DURATION 2 hours

COST \$3

START/MEET Unguided

Orokawa at Night - Waihi Beach

GRADE 3

If you've walked the Orokawa track by day you'll know it's a great walk but have you ever walked there at night? Join us for a guided night-time adventure and experience the sounds of the ocean, native bush and its inhabitants as you wind your way along the coast through native bush to Orokawa Bay. Come prepared with a torch or headlamp, and perhaps a hot drink.

DURATION 1.5 hours return

COST Donation Requested

START/MEET 7:30pm, North End, Waihi Beach car park

MONDAY 17 APRIL (EASTER MONDAY)

TUESDAY 18 APRIL

Train and Trek

GRADE 1

A perfect outing for the whole family. Catch the train from Waihi to Waikino Historic Railway Station. Meander along the Ohinemuri River past historic gold mining relics and the iconic Waikino Tavern. Have a picnic at the beautiful Owharoa Falls then call in at Victoria Battery on the way back and check out the old brick kilns and museum. Return by train back to Waihi. By foot only.



DURATION 1-2 hours walk

START/MEET 9.45am at Goldfields Railway Station, Waihi

COST Train Tickets - adults and children half price on 10am train

Scavenger Hunt GRADE 1-2

Take the whole family on a scavenger hunt through Cougar Park. This is an opportunity to explore Tokoroa's iconic Mountain Bike Park. Enjoy the tracks with family and friends, a great outing for everyone.

DURATION 1-1.5 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10.30am at the Tokoroa Cricket Clubrooms car park

Discovery at Cooks GRADE 2

Captain James Cook landed at Cooks Beach in the Endeavour in November 1769 to watch the passage of the planet Mercury across the sun, and thus literally 'put New Zealand on the map' by establishing its accurate longitude. Use modern day technology to be part of 'the world's largest treasure hunt' and discover Geocaching. There will be GPS available as well as maps and clues.

DURATION 2-4 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am Reserve by Cooks Stream

WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL

An Amblers Triathlon GRADE 1-2

Share transport to the start at the Depot Garden in Tirohia, cycle the Hauraki Rail Trail to the old Train Station, Te Aroha (approx. 13.5km flat) for morning tea. The second leg is a walk around Howarth Memorial Wetlands (approx. 4km) and the final leg at the Te Aroha Hot Pools - spend the entire time in the spa! Suitable for children who can ride independently from age 8+.

DURATION 4 - 5 hours **COST** \$10 includes pool entry and morning tea

START/MEET 9am at the Te Aroha I Site (with bikes)

A Walk Through Waihi's History GRADE 2

Walk through Waihi's mining history as we start inside the Martha Mine open pit and along the conveyor track to Union Hill. Our return trip visits the historic mining relics before walking along the Mill Stream path to Gilmour Reserve and the World War One Tunneling Company Memorial. Moderate-easy walk with no steep grades. Children are welcome, not suitable for toddlers or push chairs.

DURATION 3 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the Martha Mine entrance security gates, opposite the netball courts on Kenny Street, Waihi

Te Rere I Oturu; the place where Turu took flight GRADE 5

Accompanied by your guide who has hiked and worked in the Kaimai ranges for over 40 years, you'll traverse private roads and tracks before arriving at the very secluded Te Rere I Oturu waterfall - an awesome spectacle over 40 metres high and 25 metres wide. This walk includes some uneven terrain, and the descent into the Opuiki Gorge means a climb to return.

DURATION 4-6 hours **COST** \$30 (includes transport and koha)

START/MEET 9.30am at Omanawa Community Hall, Omanawa Road (transport on to private land as a group from this point)

Tots Trot for Under 5's in Putaruru GRADE 1

Come and join us on a fun filled and fantastic journey through the trees. There will be lots of great activities to do, and things to find. Start with morning tea at the reserve before going on an adventure. The walking will commence at 11am and be completed by 11.45am. Registrations are essential!

DURATION 1.5 hours **COST** Free

START/MEET 10.30am Jim Barnett Reserve, Te Waotu

THURSDAY 20 APRIL

Stories in the Trees GRADE 2

This is a great walk to the mighty kauri where you can walk above the ground on the boardwalk around the tree. There will be entertainment with stories from two legendary storytellers. Best aimed at those between 4-7 years when accompanied by an adult.

DURATION 2 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at the top end of Hot Springs Road, Katikati

Waiorongomai Gold GRADE 4-5

This full day loop tramp takes you to the upper reaches of the Waiorongomai Valley on well formed tracks taking in many historical gold mining sites with additional information provided by your knowledgeable guide.



DURATION 6 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 8.45am at Te Aroha i-Site to car pool or 9am at Waiorongomai car park

Overnight Adventure - Waitawheta GRADE 3

Follow the Waitawheta Tramway to the site of a replica logging bogie (a tram cart that carried the massive logs). Take in the spectacular Waitawheta Gorge as you follow the main track to the Toilet Bowl Waterfall, the Waitawheta Hut, and the site of the old logging mill. For a night time treat, a short 15 minute walk will bring you to a beautiful glow worm display. BYO everything (mattresses provided).

DURATION 4 hours one way **COST** \$20

START/MEET 11.30am at the Waitawheta Valley small car park at the end of Franklin Road, off Waitawheta Rd, Karangahake Gorge

FRIDAY 21 APRIL

Magical, Mystical Faerie Waterfall GRADE 2

Tucked under the mountain is a little gem. Following a winding track, discover a pool and a waterfall surrounded by mossy logs, fallen trees and dappled light. Detour up the road to Falls Retreat for tasty treats! There's a playground for the kids and refreshments for the adults. A great family walk.

DURATION 3 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at car park below Falls Retreat/ Owharua Falls

Foot Golf Fun GRADE 1-2

A great holiday activity for the whole family at the beautiful Te Aroha Golf Course. If you can kick a ball then this is for you, so come and give it a go. Led by Sport Waikato Project Energize staff. 8 years + can attend unaccompanied.



DURATION 2.5 hours **COST** \$5 including morning tea

START/MEET 9.30-12.30pm at Te Aroha Golf Club

Otanewainuku Family Night Adventure 2 GRADE 1

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DURATION 1.5 hours

START/MEET 7pm, Otanewainuku Forest car park, Mountain Road, Oropi

COST \$5 donation with proceeds to Otanewainuku Kiwi Trust

SATURDAY 22 APRIL

Mangakino Pack Track GRADE 3-4

Enjoy the beautiful settings along the Dean and Mangakino Pack tracks to where the Mangakino Stream and Waitawheta River converge. Discover 'The Rickers', thousands of Kauri trees in a Ricker stand, and keep an eye out for the two large Kauri trees along the track. At Dickey Flat Adventure Camp enjoy 'billy tea' (bring a mug), some damper twist, sausages and marshmallows to toast over the fire. Suitable 8 yrs and over.

DURATION 4 hours return **COST** Transport \$5

START/MEET 9.30am at Dickey's Flat, Karangahake Gorge

Geotearing at Papamoa Hills GRADE 3

Geotearing is an exciting combination of treasure hunting, geocaching and orienteering. Explore the fantastic Papamoa Hills Regional Park while searching for hidden clues. Great for all ages - bring the family or challenge your friends. The park is a mix of open farmland, forestry and native forest, and has spectacular ocean views. Bring a picnic lunch for afterwards.

DURATION 1 hour (approx.) to complete **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET Arrive anytime between 10am-12noon; car park access is via Poplar Lane off SH2

SUNDAY 23 APRIL

Maungatautari Maunga Hikoi (Peak 4 of 4 Peak Challenge) GRADE 4

Maungatautari is the traditional mountain of the Ngāti Raukawa people. Located just south of Cambridge, it has a rich and varied history. This hikoi is only for the more adventurous and experienced walkers. Climb the final peak of four and take in the summit view of Pukeatua. Walking to the peak is pending on weather conditions.

DURATION 4-5 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 9am at Sanctuary Mountain, 99 Tari Road, Pukeatua



Walk Today and Plant for Tomorrow GRADE 1

Explore the Hauraki Rail Trail near Waihi and take part in the restoration planting with HELP Waihi Inc. At a site beside the Ohinemuri River, HELP Waihi Inc (a local habitat group) will help you plant Kahikatea and Totara trees as part of the biodiversity enhancement of the valley and trail. Spades and gloves available. Suitable for children with adults!

DURATION 2 to 2.5 hours **COST** Donation Requested

START/MEET 10am at Goldfields Railway Station, Wrigley St Waihi