

He Maramataka Mahi Taiao mo Taranaki

(by Te Whenua Tōmuri Trust)

	Ngā Kaupeka Seasons / Months	Hararei Holidays	Kaupapa ā-Hāpori Cultural Events	Mahi Maara Gardening	Mahi Hī-ika Fishing	Mahi Rākau Tree planting	Ārai Kīrearea Pest Control	Arotūruki Taiao Enviro-monitoring	
Hotoke / Winter	Pīpiri June		*, Puanga Kairau ki Parihaka, Winter Solstice, Te Rā o Maui Pomare	Whakatou maara Hotoke / Plant winter garden, feed		Whakatou rākau / Tree planting	** Rodents	Arotūruki awa River monitoring	
	Hōngongoi July	Hararei Hotoke	*	Whakataa / Rest	Piharau		**		
	Heri-turi-koka August		* Tatarakihi Kapa Haka Festival	Whakatou kākano ki roto / Plant seeds indoors	Whitebait season		**		
Koanga / Spring	Mahuru September		* Autumn Equinox	Kohi Kai Koanga / Spring harvest	Whakatou maara Raumati / Plant summer garden	Pruning, Cuttings	** Rabbits, Possums	Arotūruki awa River monitoring	
	Whiringa-ā-nuku October	Hararei Koanga	*				Whitebait Tamure	** Rabbits, Possums	
	Whiringa-ā-rangi November		*, Te Pāhua, Puanga Kapa Haka Festival, Te Rā o Te Rangi Hiroa				Whitebait season Tamure	Whakawātea ngā rākau / Release trees	** Possums, Rabbits, Magpies
Raumati / Summer	Hakihea December		*, Christmas, Summer Solstice, Tuakaihautanga o Tamanuiterā		Kahawai		** Rabbits, Magpies on nest	Arotūruki awa River monitoring	
	Kohitatea January	Hararei Raumati	*	Whāngai / Compost Ehuehu wai / Watering	Kahawai		** Rabbits, Rodents		
	Huitangaru February		*		Kahawai		** Ferrets, Rabbits, Rodents	Arotūruki ika Fish survey	
Ngāhuru / Autumn	Poutūterangi March		* Easter, Spring Equinox	Hauhake Kai / Harvest Food	Kahawai Tuna Heke	Whakawātea ngā rākau / Release trees	** Ferrets, Rabbits, Rodents, Possums	Arotūruki awa River monitoring	
	Paengawhawha April	Hararei Ngāhuru	*		Kahawai		** Rodents Possums, Rabbits		
	Haratua May		*	Rokiroki Kai / Preserving		Kohi Kākano Collect seeds	** Rodents Possums, Rabbits	Arotūruki rākau Plant survey	

* Ngā Rā o Parihaka, 18 & 19th every month at Parihaka Pā

** Ideally set and check traps at least once a month but more in breeding seasons (named for different species) and bird breeding season (spring)

“There are many variables that contribute to fish feeding habits including the effect of the moon, barometric pressure, water temperature etc, so the calendar is only a guide. One thing I have noticed though over the years, in particular, is the influence of the tide. It seems to me that the fishing is better on an incoming tide when the moon is waning, and fishing is better on the outgoing tide when the moon is waxing. If you can see the moon, the best time in my experience, is when it is at the 2 o'clock position in the sky” Billy Hohepa