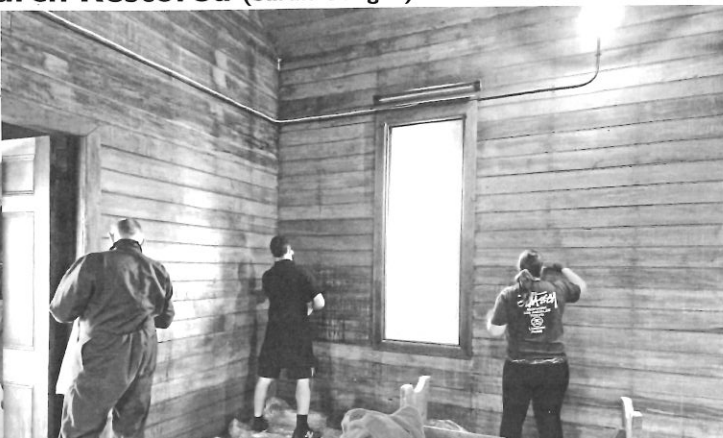




Historic Tarata Church Restored (Sarah Coogan)

Rimu Walls, Ceiling and doors are glowing again. We are delighted to announce that the Tarata Church has undergone a remarkable transformation this winter, with the restoration of its interior timber now complete.



This project has been an incredible community effort, and we want to give a huge thank you to the 24 people who generously donated their time. Over the course of three months, we held 22 working bees, where everyone pitched in for one hour before calling "tools down" and enjoying a well-earned cuppa.

The groundwork for this project began in Spring 2024, when we restored the altar wall, and learnt the process along the way. It was quite the task - scrubbing away 120 years of beeswax and built-up residue. Using the Coopers product and method, volunteers worked with hot water, scrub pads and plenty of elbow grease to clean the timber, before giving it a new lease of life by brushing in a nourishing moisturizer.

A very special thank you to Aaron George from AG Builders for generously loaning two scaffolds for the project. Without it, we simply couldn't have achieved such an incredible transformation.

To celebrate this achievement, a special service will be held at the Tarata Church on Sunday 21 September, 2.00pm led by Rev Geoff Rodley. Everyone is warmly invited to attend and witness the beautifully restored Church for themselves.



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