

Tika Maori and Pacific Internships



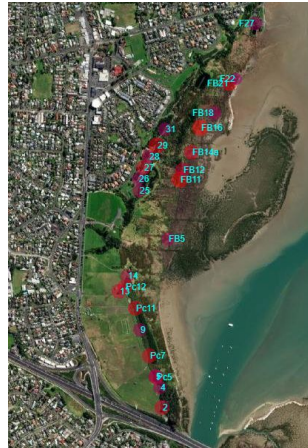
A few of us rutherford students were lucky enough to take part in a Tika Maori and pacific internship that included activities such as venturing through bushy areas, learning computer programming as well as engineering concepts, and our favourite, pizza lunches!!

We got to explore Harbour view beach reserve and the traps that were in the area. Most of us wore shorts and a t-shirt, not knowing that there would be flax bushes and thorns covering most of the area. Long story short, our legs and arms were stinging for days.

But all in all, it was a great experience and we are very grateful to have had the opportunity to improve our native wildlife protection. I can't wait to see what next years interns will achieve!



Setting out for our first look at traps. From left: Mike, Jonathan, Janette, Lincoln, Josh, Kea and Dayton (Tony on camera)



The top 25 traps drawn using R Studio



Ouch! Damage from looking for the top 25 traps

Our first exploration with Janette was informative and less painful!



On our second exploration of the top 25 traps we gathered information on the traps including photos