

KŌANGA 2022

# TUPU Ā NUKU

Tupu Te Weu, Toro Te Aka, Tau Te Tāmōre  
Environmental Workforce Development



## SEASON RECAP

*"Ka tangi te pīpīwharauoa, ko te karere a Mahuru"*  
*When the shining cuckoo (pīpīwharauoa) calls, spring has come.*

Welcome to our second quarterly pānui for Tupu ā Nuku. Again, we are excited to share our stories and keep you informed about our upcoming kaupapa.

Kōanga is a season of new growth and new beginnings and we have seen this with our second forestry course tauira. The tane took part in a noho marae at Te Upoko o Te Whenua Marae where they did bone and wood carving, learnt about tikanga and history of Ngāti Maru.



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## FORESTRY COURSE

As part of their training the tauira spent a day at Lake Rotokare, learning about pest control and trapping. When checking all the traps around the outside of the perimeter fence of Lake Rotokare a weasel and rabbit were caught – so that is two less pests in our taiao.

The forestry course concludes with their graduation on 8th December 2022 at Stratford Senior Citizens Hall. This is always a special event, celebrating success.

Our kaimahi are now busily working with employers to enable the tauira an opportunity to head straight into mahi or further training.

## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

### SEAN TAYLOR

Sean joined the Tupu ā nuku whānau in April 2022 and started riparian planting with Matike, the team supported him with purchasing all the clothing he required for outdoor mahi and provided pastoral support throughout this time. Sean was outstanding at his mahi doing the planting and when that contract ended, he asked for help with securing a job in scaffolding, where his passion is.

Dani, as his pastoral support arranged an interview for him with Glasgow Scaffolding and he started there as an apprentice scaffolder.

The feedback we have received about this amazing young tane is outstanding, Glasgow Scaffolding said, “Sean has been the biggest pleasure to have on board our small team. For someone so young he is extremely mature, polite and is getting more and more confident and comfortable engaging amongst our team. In such a short amount of time he exceeded our expectations. He has an INCREDIBLE work ethic. He is punctual every single day, in some cases he has even asked to come on extra days, which we have been more than happy to give to him. Our guys thoroughly enjoy working alongside him and I am constantly given good feedback from our 2IC and team leader about Sean's capability and eagerness to learn. Sean brings a beautiful energy to our team as the pōtiki. Recruiting can be hard especially when you have so many different personalities to consider, he has slotted in perfectly.”

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GLASGOW SCAFFOLDING





## WHATS NEXT....

The next forestry course will be starting in March 2023 – if you would like further information, please contact [tupuanuku@ngatimaru.co.nz](mailto:tupuanuku@ngatimaru.co.nz)

Pest Control Level 3 starts at WITT in March 2023 – if you are keen to find out more information about this course, please connect with us and we can support you with enrolling on this course. You could be eligible for youth guarantee funding which could pay for the course fees.

If you are interested in attending wānanga in our taiao, for example a day with the kaimahi at Lake Rotokare, time with the Tree Machine crew, a day with DOC or alongside kaimahi with Project Mounga please contact us and we will work alongside you to make these opportunities work for you.



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