## Ewen lab hihi research update March 2014

winners and highly commended papers 2013

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## ACCEPTED PAPERS, MEDIA & OUTREACH

New paper accepted from Leila's PHD thesis – well done Leila!! - see October 2013 update for abstract.
Walker, L., Thorogood, R., Karadas, F., Raubenheimer, D., Kilner, R. & Ewen, J.G. (2014) Foraging for carotenoids; do colourful male hihi target carotenoid-rich foods in the wild? Behavioural Ecology (in press)

PRESENTATIONS, VISITS & NEWS conference presentations, visits to and from group members etc

- Congratulations to Patricia on the birth of her daughter Robin born Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March first day of spring. Mum, dad and Robin doing great ③
  Congratulations to Ali on being awarded the RSPB "outstanding PHD thesis
- Congratulations to Ali on being awarded the RSPB "outstanding PHD thesis in conservation science" award for 2013!
- Congratulations AGAIN to Ali on her runner up position for the young investigator
- award for best young researcher publication of 2013 in the Journal Applied Ecology.
- And one more for **Ali** with success in her social media profile!
- Donal has spent time on Kapiti Island helping catch and band this years juvenile hihi.
- **David** presented his MSC research at the Student Conference on Conservation Science at the University of Cambridge





## <u>FEATURE STORY</u>: Off hihi but interesting? New opinion published in TREE "Reintroducing resurrected species: selecting DeExtinction candidates" by Philip Seddon, Axel Moehrenschlager & John Ewen

Technological advances have raised the controversial prospect of resurrecting extinct species. Species DeExtinction should involve more than the production of biological orphans to be scrutinized in the laboratory or zoo. If DeExtinction is to realize its stated goals of deep ecological enrichment, then resurrected animals must be translocated (i.e., released within suitable habitat). Therefore, DeExtinction is a conservation translocation issue and the selection of potential DeExtinction candidates must consider the feasibility and risks associated with reintroduction. The International Union for the Conservation Translocations provide a framework for DeExtinction candidate selection. We translate these Guidelines into ten questions to be addressed early on in the selection process to eliminate unsuitable reintroduction candidates. We apply these questions to the thylacine, Yangtze River Dolphin, and Xerces blue butterfly



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