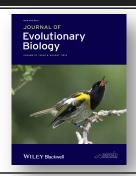
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ACCEPTED PAPERS. MEDIA & OUTREACH

No new hihi papers this month but Leila did get the cover for her recent Journal of Evolutionary Biology paper (which you can download free here http://onlinelibrarv.wilev.com/doi/10.1111/ieb.12417/full)



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

- Rose, Victoria & Donal are in New Zealand and getting set for Tiritiri Matangi island.
- · Anna Santure (Patricia & John as Co-l's) submitted rejoinders to recent reviews on her Marsden Grant application fingers
- Kate is preparing her talk for the upcoming Sancturies of New Zealand Workshop (which runs this week). Kevin is also speaking at this meeting.
- Lydia has her flights and will be heading out to New Zealand early September.

FEATURE STORY: Update on Hihi Best Practice Conservation Handbook.

A bunch of us have been busy preparing a set of best practice documents for hihi management. This has involved using previous versions of DOC Standard Operating Procedures and bringing them up to speed with current field practice. We have also attempted to include a history and justification about why things are done and why it may have changed through a process of learning and application. All this without making a document too long and heavy. The first draft chapters have been sent to the Hihi Recovery Group for feedback. We will shortly have a more complete set of draft chapters ready for comment and move to the next phase of a publication. To date major contributors have been from Leila Walker, Kate Richardson, Bethany Jackson and John Ewen, Kevin Parker is also busy writing a chapter, Many HRG members (and other DOC rangers not on the group) have aready provided valuable feedback.

Chapters drafted;

- The hihi recovery group and its management objectives 1)
- Hihi advocacy
- Hihi nest boxes
- Hihi supplementary feeding 4)
- Catching, handling and banding hihi 5)
- Dealing with dead hihi 6)
- 7) Monitoring breeding
- 8) Monitoring juvenile and adult survival
- Hihi translocation protocols (currently being drafted by K.Parker)

Thanks everybody for their help with this project and I look forward to getting a first edition out soon.

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