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### Welcome to Punarei!

This month has been so busy so please forgive us for getting our newsletter out late for October. Finishing off stage two of the Atiu Tour Project and cruises in Aitutaki as well as our regular tours had made for a very busy and hot month.

So let's get down to business and see what we have been up to.

### Atiu Tour Guide stage 2



*The beautiful Island of Atiu Enuamanu*

Punarua Heritage Trust, in association with Punarei and Tour Guide Ngaa Pureariki have rolled out stage two of a three part Tour Guide training programme.

Stage one saw Ngaa do the initial launch gathering 11 men from Atiu that did this taster course engaged in hands on tour guiding and what that involves. Ngaa was thorough with his guides and he gave them a gruelling 3 week intensive course on what it is to be a tour guide, how to build your business, and how to relate to your visitors. After this intensive course the students were given a two week break before Ngaa would return with a theory test and assessment on the practical skills.



*Cooks Landing in Atiu..Enuamanu Island of the birds)*



*Our young Tama Toa, Warriors*

Here we have our own young warriors, learning the culture of Aitutaki and preserving our heritage and future. The Punarei Tour has been very busy this month with many visitors from the USA, Canada, Germany and Italy. We were also fortunate to have another cruise ship come to Aitutaki, and the day trip for those 40 tourists was unforgettable.



*Tourists enjoying making hibiscus matting for the earth oven (Umu)*

We are so thankful for all your support and for giving us your time. Please continue to keep looking in as we approach Christmas and the last module for our Puanarei Heritage Trust Tour Guide Program.

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**Ngaa Kitai Taria Pureariki**