



From Left: Youth Into Industry Trainer Brian Gwyn; YII founder Alistair McIntyre; Kamo High student Alister Clyma; Leo Lloyd from Tikipunga High (seated); Peter McInroe of Supna Consultants; Whangarei Boys High student Ngara Baker; Kris Gravatt from Kamo High; Reece Bermingham from Whangarei Boys High; Billy Steventon from Kamo High; Marshall Dunn from Kamo High.

STUDENTS SIGN UP TO SEE IF A CAREER IN INFRASTRUCTURE IS IN THEIR FUTURE...

Youth Into Industry 2012 kicked off last month with an intensive induction week at the end of May. Seven students, from Whangarei Boys, Tikipunga and Kamo High Schools, signed up for the programme to see if a career in Infrastructure is in their future.

Alistair McIntyre is the Youth Into Industry Programme coordinator and was responsible for its launch in 2010. By the following year the three day pilot evolved into a 30 week comprehensive programme. "This will be our second year now running the full version of the programme, and we have even more support from the schools and from local industry than ever," says Alistair. "It's only with their help that we can give these students an in-depth look at the range of jobs and skills there are available – which is something most if not all of them were unaware of before."

Alistair talks about how practically every high school student he asks doesn't even know what infrastructure means, let alone what kind of career paths the industry has to offer.

"I tell them that it's everywhere around them, from the roads and footpaths they get about on to the pipes and drains that run under ground, to the work above and below ground for every large building and structure they see."

The induction week was hosted by Kamo Fire Station and comprised five full days of demonstrations, lectures and practical activities there and at various industry sites around Whangarei.

Among the industry areas covered in the induction week, was a presentation by Northern Civil on Civil Engineering and a look at the different occupations and career paths using material presented by Rayma Fletcher from Infratrain.

The local industry support was most apparent by the number of site visits and demonstrations made available throughout the week. These included site visits to Transfield, Truckstops, Mainfreight, Hirepool, Winstone Aggregates and Cookes.

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Among other things, the students were shown how to carry out checks on different plant and equipment prior to and after operating, and taken through and tested on hazard identification and site safety checks, as well as given an understanding of lifting and load restraints.

Health and Safety is a very important issue for the industry

and the Youth Into Industry Programme has a strong focus on this. Part of the week's theory included a Civil Site Safety Course, facilitated by Peter McInroe from Supna Consultants.

Rachel Woodworth from ACC talked about Injury Prevention

presentation by Colin Thomson from Wormald.

There was also a section on identifying underground services from BeforeUdig National Manager Stephen Hodgins.

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and several of the industry visits involved going through the onsite safety and induction procedures, to give the students a taste of what visiting contractors and new employees need to know.

There was also a talk and demonstration on compliance by John van Pomeroy from the NZ Police Commercial Vehicle Inspection Unit and a Fire Safety

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Other topics included Money Matters, presented by IRD's Jules Newman, and Whangarei Branch Manager at the BNZ Bank Jo Boyd on Managing your Money. Angela Pearson from IRD also came

At Hirepool for work experience and workplace training



Student Alister Clyma, left, with supervisor Brian Gwyn



Student Leo Lloyd, right, with supervisor Brian Gwyn



Student Marshall Dunn, right, with supervisor Brian Gwyn



Truck Stops regional manager Kerry Walsh, left, with Youth Into Industry students co-ordinator Alistair McIntyre and students, from left Elemoni Moana, Ngara Baker and Reece Bermingham at the Truck Stops yard for work experience and workplace training

TRAINING OUR YOUTH, INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

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In Appreciation
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Youth Into Industry wish to acknowledge the role played by your organisation in supporting and assisting students in our 2012 programme to:

- Gain valuable workplace training for professional career paths
- Learn the importance of earning qualifications
- Appreciate the need for maintaining safe, drug-free workplaces
- Understand the importance of being punctual and reliable
- See the relevance of numeracy and literacy within the industry
- Demonstrate an acceptable level of personal presentation

Gain valuable life skills education
opportunities given to these young people for a future career within our industry through participating in this programme do not have been possible without your help.

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