

Bula...Safari Team Welcome Guests On Easter Monday!

Thee Sigatoka River Safari team welcomed their first visitors on Easter Monday since Thursday, March 29, 2012.

A number of guests from the Coral Coast and Denarau who arrived into the country and checked in at their various resorts over the Easter weekend wasted no time in planning their day activities during their holidays and visited their respective resort tour desks to book their Safari experience.

The Safari team had a 3 hour *Sasamaki* (clean up) campaign last Tuesday (April 3, 2012) at the Safari base in the valley as Josh "Captain Jack" Ratukuna and Operations Manager, Miriama Kunavula did a quick trip to the villages part of the extended Safari family. See Sasamaki images - [Click Here](#).

All the villages that are part of the extended Safari family were well, however, there been damages to the village farms. For the most part, all are in great spirits and were looking forward to welcoming guests into the heart and soul of Fiji after a week.

Sigatoka River Safari and Off-Road Cave Safari have both started operations today, Monday, April 9, 2012. For more information or for bookings please call 0800 6501 721.



Safari's Tella and Tia greet guests from the Coral Coast on Easter Monday morning

Tuvu Village at “Happy Valley”!

You would have remembered from our last issue that the village of Tuvu had welcomed an upcoming Hong Kong Boy Band, Bro5 and the Hong Kong based NOW TV crew at their village on March 7, 2012. The group were on a famil trip to Fiji with Tourism Fiji and Air Pacific. The Sigatoka River Safari experience was to provide them with an authentic village experience whilst in Fiji.

After a tour around Tuvu Village and learning about life in the village, the group were hosted to a mouth watering Fijian tropical lunch and entertainment before the Television producer, Vincent, vowed to make a banner saying “Bula Tuvu Fiji” for the crew to hold up in Hong Kong when they meet the Fiji 7s team during the 2012 Hong Kong 7s from the 23rd-25th March.

Turns out that Vincent and the rest of the team kept to their promise and upon meeting up with the Fiji Rugby 7’s boys at a press conference in Hong Kong, the crew took a photograph with the boys holding up a banner made especially for the people of Tuvu.

To top it all off, the Fiji team won the 2012 HSBC Hong Kong 7s title after a fine performance against arch rivals New Zealand.



A message for Tuvu Village from Happy Valley, Hong Kong Image Courtesy of Air Pacific

Big City Lights in a Cave!



“One Headlight” guests in the cave



Young explorers standing by the cannibal oven.



Sausage sizzle anyone?



Taking a dip.

Off-Road Cave Safari has included personal headlamps for their guests to wear when they explore the Naihehe Cave.

According to Jay Whyte, Managing Director for Off-Road Cave Safari, the headlamps are comfortable and also gives a chance for guests to see more of what they want to see.

“Initially we had flashlights and lamps and this was fine but with a cave as big as Naihehe we felt that we needed to give a lot more freedom to our guests,” Jay said. “Feedback has been positive and the younger guests find it very amusing as it adds to their adventure on the road less travelled”.

In addition, the Off-Road team have also included a purpose built barbeque area overlooking the fresh water swimming hole.

“Our Off Road experience is designed for those more willing to get hands on with Fiji and wishing to walk down the road less travelled,” Jay said. “We give the opportunity for guests to make their own sandwiches, swim with the locals and just to get their hands dirty,” he added.

About Naihehe Cave: *Its name tells you so much ...Naihehe" means 'a place where you can get lost'. The cave is more than 170 meters long. Naihehe Cave was once a fortress for a cannibal tribe and still contains a cannibal oven, a ritual platform, the sacred priest chamber and other reminders of its cannibal history. Notable for their massive size and unusual natural characteristics, the caves also feature escape routes high up on the cave ceiling. Warriors used these openings to gather food and other essentials from the outside as the enemies waited at the cave entrance. Over the years, these escape routes have been sealed by natural causes. With other hidden chambers and tales of underwater caves within the Naihehe Cave, you will be in awe of the rich history of these once cannibal caves.*

New Gear Now Available at Safari Shop!

A range of Safari hats are now available at the Safari Shop located on the main street in Sigatoka.

HOT SALE: Sigatoka River Safari black polo shirt for only FJD30.00, board shorts only FJD20.00, Coral Coast 7s T-shirt only FJD20.00 and Ravuka round neck t-shirt only FJD20.00 (limited time only)

For more information please call 6501721 and ask to speak to Maria Work.



Jordana Whippy

Name: Jordana "Captain Joey" Whippy

From: Savusavu, Vanua Levu, Fiji Islands

Position: Jet Boat Captain

Drink: Juicy's Fruit Cocktail flavor

Food: Curry

Sport: Swimming and Athletics

Best Memory at Work: Parking up the big jet boat on a hidden sand bank after my last spin, got off to check the depth of the water, and while jumping back in my shorts tore and all 17 of my passengers and I had a good laugh! They said it "Was a bonus to their Sigatoka River Safari experience" :)

Best Work Tip: As our jet boat trainer/specialist, Neil Ross always says "Toughen up"! Never think you can't do things because you can if you put your mind and heart to it, anything is possible!

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