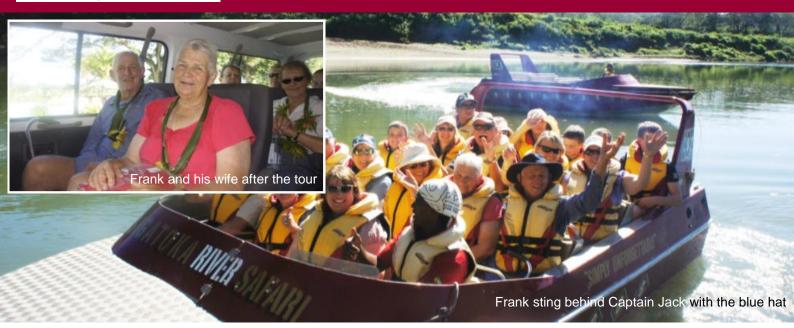
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Not 1, not 2...but 3 villages for Frank!

hen visiting the Sigatoka River Safari website, one will notice Sigatoka River Safari welcomes "anyone and everyone" on safari. On safari recently was Frank and his family. So what's the big deal, you may ask?

Well, Frank has experienced the Sigatoka River Safari two times already in the past 3 years. He is fondly remembered by the team at Safari, as the jet boat captains and the guides at the village are always ready to carry Frank to his designated village as has limited mobility. Read <u>an article by Catherine</u>

Marshall published in *The Australian* in 2010 talking about Frank's first visit.

Now 73 years old, he was in Fiji in August holidaying with wife, children and grandchildren at the Shangri-La Resort & Spa. And if his three trips were not enough, his daughter has experienced Sigatoka River Safari six times and there is a possibility that she just might visit all 15 villagers part of the extended Safari family.

"Yes, I had a good time once again," Frank said upon returning from Vunaqoru village.

Safari bookings coordinator Miri Kunavula was all smiles when she met Frank after the tour. She remembers each time Frank had visited and still has pictures from his previous visits in her phone much to the delight of Frank's family who requested copies as they had not travelled with him then.

To date, Sigatoka River Safari's oldest guest was a 91 year old lady and youngest were only 3 months old. The people of valley are always ready to welcome anyone and everyone...rain, hail or shine!



Creative Holidays Mega Famil!



reative Holidays recently
awarded their top travel
agents with "mega famil"
trips to Fiji, Los Angeles and
Honolulu with the assistance

of Fiji's Air Pacific.

Over 50 travel agents from all over Australia experienced Sigatoka River Safari visiting three different villages and having a feel of what life in the village is like.

With many on their first trip to Fiji, being part of a Fijian village for a few hours was

the highlight of their trip.

Creative Holidays also held a trade show for all industry partners.

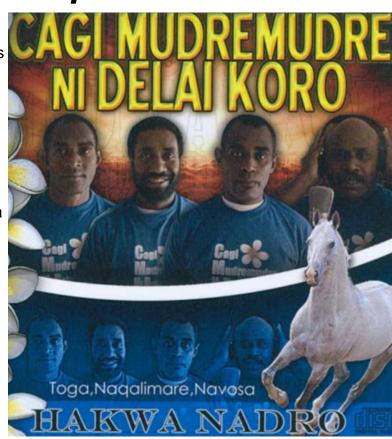
A song for *Hafari*!

he "band boys" from Toga village recently released an album of about 10 original songs with one song especially dedicated to Sigatoka River Safari.

Managing Director, Jay Whyte, was very moved by the gesture from the Toga band boys.

"I am quite touched by the efforts of the group from Toga in showing their appreciation," Jay said. "The song talks about the assistance the villagers have received and thanking all the visitors from all over the world for coming on Safari".

The group name is *Cagi Mudremudre Ni Delai Koro* and their CD is widely available in Sigatoka Town.



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Bianca the "Kava Queen"!

When Bianca Orsolla –Rose a Sales Manager with Creative Holidays learnt a that a travel agent holds the record of the highest number of kava bowls with 9 bowls, she decided to challenge herself to see if she could achieve a similar feat or maybe better.

Needless to say, Bianca drank 10 bowls of kava at Natawatawadi Village and looking at her photo this was no easy feat with Bianca downing some "high tide" sized kavas. You are a SAFARI LEGEND!!!



Name: Kelera Macabo

From: Tubeirata Village, Nadroga/Navosa Province

Position: Tour consultant

Drink: Ka-Viti Water

Food: Curry lamb with dalo

Sport: Netball

Best Memory at Work: Seeing and meeting new people every working day

from all over the world who take time to visit my province.

Best Work Tip: "Cakacaka vakaikai jina I na vikwaya hewa I na dania ke kalougata" Work hard in everything that you do, even if it's small, you will be

blessed.

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