

FEBRUARY 2015: TOLAGA BAY SLSC



RESCUE OF THE MONTH

RECOGNISING OUTSTANDING RESCUES

Date: February 25, 2015

Location: Tolaga Bay Wharf

Lifeguards involved: Turoa Kohatu, Jayden Brooker, Hoakima Harris-Marino, Te Rauhuia Ngata, Pele Takurua, Zyon Tuapawa, Tanira Tamanui, Hinemaia Takurua, Raniera Whakataka and Kerehama Blackman

EASTERN WINNER

In it for life

The Tolaga Bay Surf Life Saving Club received a callout on the afternoon of February 25 regarding a drowning off the end of the Tolaga Bay Wharf.

The report was of an unsupervised male tourist who had been trying to swim towards the ladder of the wharf but became caught in a rip.

The club initiated a search that afternoon which was suspended at 8.30pm due to failing light. The club continued to search for the following two days and helped recover the man's body.

Unfortunately, this incident didn't have a positive outcome and it is a sobering reminder that not every rescue is a successful one.