

**Jay McTaggart** *Exit Interview ... 04-09-08*  
With Jill Messent, (MNZAC) HOD Careers & Guidance



**Destination? ...**

*NZ ARMY .... Rifleman --- possibly **Field Engineer** in the future.*

**Do you feel you achieved all you wanted to at HC?**

*Not to begin with. But when I found out I had what I needed for the Army I were happy. I was pretty keen for Officer at first but after the interview, due to having no choice where you were put, I changed my mind.*

**When did you first decide on the Army?**

*It was last year when we did that Futureselves work, when we were researching in those books – Jobs Galore- and on the internet, wasn't really sure what I wanted to do but when I looked at the Defence Forces I was thinking that's pretty mean and I looked at that. On the INZONE bus they were showing pretty much the Rifle man, the Bases around NZ and the projects they had around the world. I just wanted to go overseas then.*

**When did you first hear about the ACE week?**

*When you told us about it last year and Eru and the others went. I wanted to and applied and was told you could be in next year's lot.*

**Did the ACE week live up to your expectations?**

*Yes that's what pretty much hooked me and I said, "Yes this is the place for me!"*

**How do your family feel about you going into the Army?**

*The year pretty rapt and think it's the best decision I have made.*

**Have you got any unfinished work at school? Like are there any words you would like to give to students still here?**

*No not really. To students I would say, "**Go for whatever you desire, want regarding a career and if you're not certain have a back up. That's reality! Shoot high!**"*

**Would you be willing to come back after your initial training and talk about those and your job opportunities in the Army when you can get the time?**

*Yeah! Why not!*

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