

Control, Monitor, Adapt, Enhance and Repeat to Protect Mahurangi West

Kia Ora Mahurangi West and Hungry Creek residents and landowners. Welcome to MWP's eNews 40th Issue - updating you on our volunteer organisation.



Enviro Expo A Huge Success

Nada Cottrell (left) and Michelle Spooner catch up at Restore Rodney East and The Forest Bridge Trust's joint Enviro Expo on Saturday 22 June, at the Warkworth Town Hall. MWP's Chair and founder Brian Bramell also attended this event. Sarah Churchouse (RRE) said, "With 150 attendees and 30 inspiring groups participating, the event was a vibrant celebration of environmental stewardship in Rodney and Kaipara."

How To Dig Out Asparagus Fern

The Regional Park's Buffer Zone asparagus fern contract is winding up. If you live within the 500m zone and would like a free super-sized weed bag please contact Nada (see below).

The best tip for levering out asparagus fern by the roots, rather than just pulling it out by its



white-tipped stem, is to use an inexpensive V-shaped weeding tool (see above).

Please consider making a donation to MWP. If you wish, tag your donation - e.g. pest control tools, weed control, or native plants. Thank you for your generosity over the past year - it is much appreciated and put to good use!

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Above: Dan Marrow, Park Ranger delivers 150 plants from the Rodney Local Board.

From left to right: Pete Lyall, Lucy Powell and Pete Doolin joined our team on the day to help with weeding & planting.

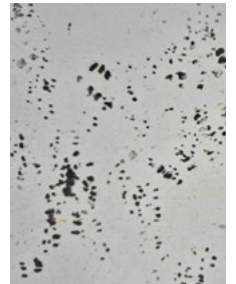
Many thanks to our 12 volunteers who turned up on Sunday June 9 for a morning of infill and new plantings of natives on Jamieson Bay's steep foreshore bank on a cold, blustery winter morning.



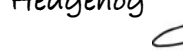
June's Trap.NZ Data

This month our great team of volunteers caught 168 pests in the field, in addition to all those rats despatched through one of our 374 bait stations. Three mustelids were also caught.

Right: One of our Backyard Trappers' inked footprints of rats and mice from a tracking tunnel sponsored by Predator Free NZ.



Total Traps in Field:	1215		
Bait Stations:	374		
Monitoring Stations:	1		
	Total	365 Days	30 Days
Possum:	2304	594	43
Rat:	1996	814	97
Hedgehog:	294	99	3
Mustelid:	126	55	3
Other:	869	359	22
Total:	5589	1921	168



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