

Friends of PMM Newsletter

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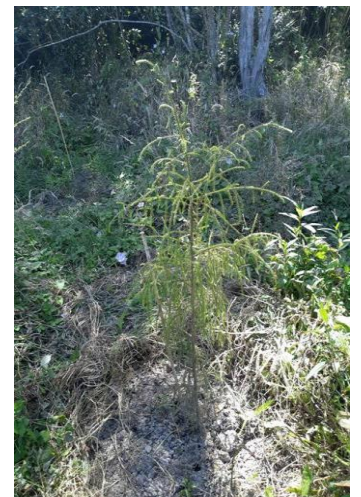
Dear Friends

Notes from the Chairman of the PMM Trust,

We had a small but successful working bee last Saturday. Eight people attended and we concentrated on tracks and weeding trees. Noel and team set off to do track work to discover all the gravel that had been carried to the top had been spread quite inefficiently and a lot of good work down the drain. So some new bags were filled and ferried to the bottom of the track. Noel continued to work on the Eastern track. Meanwhile Jack mowed and had another adventure with the tractor, see photo of us pulling him



out. Some of us continued to work on the convolvulus at the kanuka clearing and beyond. Much of this has already been cleared but the weeds continue to grow however what is most satisfying is the excellent growth of many of our tree plantings. In particular the rimu that we planted last year has done exceptionally well with very few failures and some up to shoulder high. The picture shows an average sized tree of about 1.5m and v v healthy. Great to also see pukatea and kahikatea doing equally well. Kauri boot cleaning station doing great work and standing up to the traffic. 80 cars counted entering the reserve last Sunday.



Thanks to everyone who came.

Our next working bee is on Saturday 16th February. You will receive an email reminder nearer the time.