

Friends of PMM Newsletter

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The David Johnstone Pukemokemoke Bush Trust



Keeping Agriculture Moving



Dear Friends

You may be surprised to see the above logos on our newsletter - the reason we are doing this is because in March 2022 Andrew Giltrap of GiltrapAgriZone provided Pukemokemoke with a new CaseIH 25B tractor and Swift Slasher.

His generosity with his discount, sponsorship and attractive terms for repayment enabled the purchase of the tractor and slasher.

Further sponsorship from Case IH which was facilitated by GiltrapAgriZone, has resulted in the balance of the loan been written off.

Pukemokemoke is indeed very fortunate to have this huge support from GiltrapAgriZone, hence the additions of the logos in the on-going newsletters.

If you are in the market for a new or second hand tractor or farm machinery, the Trustees encourage you to make the first point of call to GiltrapAgriZone.

Our first Working Bee of the year took place on 17th February. There was a great turn out with 19 volunteers attending. Whilst Gina and team pulled out stakes for Jeremy on Kowhai Flats others did track work some of which involved removing plastic netting which is slippery and breaks more easily and is being replaced with chicken wire. Others moved timber ready for track building.



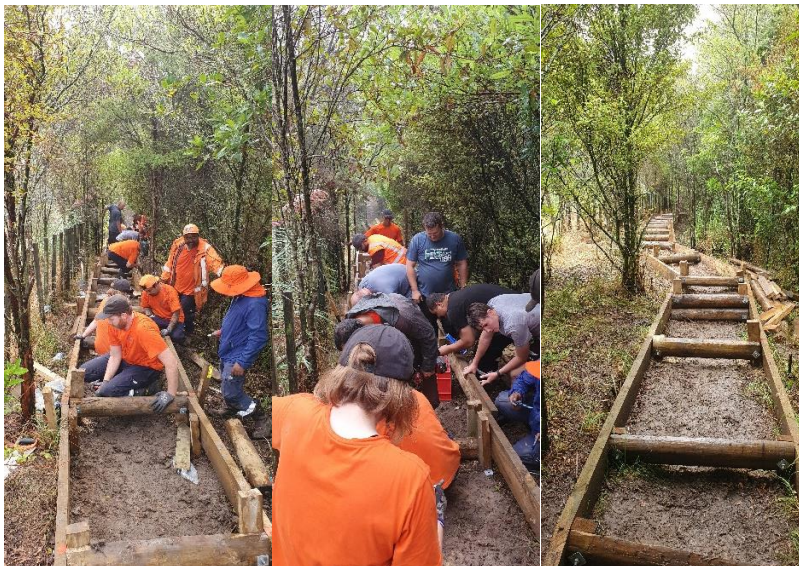
On 27th February 25 team members from WEL Networks Substations provided Pukemokemoke with half a day of work.



Many thanks to Kate and her team for providing the labour and skills to construct this section of the track. You will see from pic 4 that while not completed, there was a considerable amount of progress. Prior to this, Kevin and Jeremy spent 2 days organising the materials required for the work to be carried out.

These volunteer/team building days by businesses and corporates certainly help with our works programme.

If you know of any businesses/corporates who would like to contribute their time to do something like Kate and her team have done please make contact either via our website or to our email.



The David Johnstone Pukemokemoke Bush Trust AGM was held on 7th March. The trustees are Harpal Singh (Chairperson), Kevin Swney (Treasurer/Secretary), Bob Pene, David (Joe) Lloyd, Gina Chaney, Des Hansen and Linda Williams. If you would be interested in learning more about the administration and background of the Trust please either email, message via our website or talk to one of the trustees at a working bee.

The next Working Bee will take place on Saturday 16th March. Hope you can make it!