

# NurseryNews

AN UPDATE FROM THE FOREST & BIRD (WELLINGTON BRANCH) NATIVE PLANT RESTORATION PROJECT

SUMMER 2022

## Happy New Year and thank you

to all our volunteers and supporters for your contribution during 2021



We worked **2751** voluntary hours during 2021 (some hours were lost due to the lockdown)

The summer season at the Nursery has been going well. So far we have not been affected by any major weather events. It is, however, very dry so drought could be a factor as time goes by. We're standing by with extra watering cans.

### Good news about plant pots

Mitre 10 is "closing the loop" on recycling. You will find a Pot Recycle Box in their branches where **clean ID5** pots and seedling pots can be dropped off. There are details on their website at this link:

<https://www.mitre10.co.nz/potrecycling>



### On yer bike, Lynne!



PHOTO: WARREN WHITE

Lynne White is a volunteer at the Nursery. She's going to cycle 1410 km – from Bluff to Picton – over a three-week period starting 8 February 2022, to raise funds for Wellington Women's Refuge.

“ It would be fantastic if you could support me and WWR, by donating here:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/on-ye-bike-lynn-white>

In Aotearoa, domestic violence takes place across all economic and social groups and all ethnicities. Whatever your circumstances, WWR will be prepared to help, providing support and advocacy for both women and children, either in a safe house or in the community. Find out more about the work they do on their website:

<https://www.wellingtonwomensrefuge.co.nz/>

Many thanks for your support. ☺



PHOTOS: DAVID CORNICK

### Over the hill and far away

An intrepid team of three went plant sourcing at Baring Head during the Christmas/New Year break, looking for, in particular, matagouri.

In the photo above Gary, Peter and David (photographer) are on the Baring Head Escarpment above the Wainuiomata river where they're collecting the matagouri seeds (ouch! yes they are prickly). There was also a trip to Moa Point.

Below, Gary in his happy place – finding seeds in the undergrowth.



If you would be interested in the Ōrua-pouanui/Baring Head Open Day on 5 March, go to the link below for details of this and other GWC summer events (all subject to the COVID-19 Protection Framework): [www.gw.govt.nz/your-region/get-involved/greater-wellington-summer-events/](http://www.gw.govt.nz/your-region/get-involved/greater-wellington-summer-events/)



# **FOREST & BIRD COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY**

**Due to Forest and Bird Red Protocol requirements, it will not be possible to carry out work at the Nursery.**

**The Nursery will therefore be shut until further notice (probably until we move back to the Orange setting).**

**This policy became effective as of Tuesday 25 January.**