



Friends of
Taupo Swamp
& Catchment

Working Bees

Kia ora swamp supporters.

We have made great progress on clearing weeds, blackberry and other invaders in the PCC-owned part of Taupo Swamp. There has been a tremendous effort by CVNZ volunteers, local volunteers and PCC staff.

Last week PCC worked on the strip between the NZ Motor Caravans Assn site and the Taupo stream. They have removed all the wattle/acacia and big blackberry in that area.

So here are the dates for some of our future working bees:

- Wed May 15, 9am-2pm (with CVNZ volunteers)
- Sat May 25, June 29, July 27, Aug 31, 1pm-4pm (ie the last Saturday afternoon each month)

By June we expect to be ready for planting. We have 1000 plants on stand-by.

All volunteer time is appreciated. Even an hour of your time on these dates will make a difference.

Volunteers should bring:

- gumboots or boots
- heavy duty gloves
- high viz vest if you have one (so we don't lose sight of anyone)
- protective clothing to work with blackberry (eg eye protection)
- Secateurs or loppers.

Once again, we will start each working bee with a briefing at the footbridge at the northern end of the Plimmerton Domain.

Spread the word to friends and family.

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