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Headlines

Directors' Diaries



Animal Health Board funds research

What biodiversity outcomes does aerial 1080 poisoning achieve? is the question we will be answering in the Aorangi Forest as it is subject to brushtail possum eradication for bovine-Tuberculosis control. The AHB funding is for 5-years and \$0.2 million with potential renewal for another five years.

'Smart Idea' funded

CBRE's \$0.5 million bid for research into rodent and Australian brushtail possum was supported by the Ministry of Science & Innovation. The 2-year project seeks to identify protein-based sexual attractants capable of commercial development as pheromone lures for small mammals.

Environmental Futures Centre, Brisbane



Wayne accepted an invitation to speak at the EFC, Griffiths University, Brisbane. Opportunities for collaboration and tech. and knowledge transfer are apparent.

Katipo at Cape Kidnappers & Ocean Beach

Stephen met with Phil Sirvid (Te Papa), James Griffiths (DoC) and Rudd Kleinpaste (the "Bug Man") to discuss the conservation of katipo at Ocean Beach.

Holdsworth Family Trust presentations

Stephen, Ben Bell and PhD students, Rachel Abbott and Joseph Azar, presented the outcomes of trust supported research on the acoustic properties of bird song, and behavioural responses of kiwi.

Wairio wetlands and Lake Wairarapa

Stephen met with Philippa Crisp (Greater Wellington Regional



Student success

Susanne Krejcek received an award from the **Dunes Trust of New Zealand** for her work at Whitiāu and Tapuarau dunes near Whanganui



Intergrating research & teaching

MSc scholarship - Corporate Express with Facilities Management are providing a \$12,500 scholarship and tuition fees for biodiversity inventory and planning on multiple campuses.
Applications due 16th November, 2012

Council) to discuss the potential for contributing research site to the Wairarapa Moana "[Fresh Start for Freshwater](#)" project.

Hydrology and vegetation dynamics

Stephen and Bethana Jackson (SGEES) applied to the University Research Fund to support this interdisciplinary research in the Wairoa wetlands.

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